

Collection level descriptions of fully catalogued collections:

CHURTON PAPERS (CHUR) Edward Churton, 1800-1874, was archdeacon of Cleveland from 1846. This collection contains many of his Visitation Charges, and a large number of his sermons preached in his parish of Crayke and elsewhere. Manuscripts of many of his writings are included, especially his edition of bishop Pearson's works. Although very little of his correspondence as archdeacon has survived, there is a long series of letters to Joshua Watson, and another to Robert Wilberforce, presumably returned to him after their deaths. Pusey's letters to Churton, which Liddon saw in 1882, are lost but the transcripts survive. (Provenance uncertain)

CONYBEARE PAPERS (CONY) From 1901 to 1903 the reverend William J. Conybeare was domestic chaplain to successive archbishops of Canterbury, Frederick Temple and Randall Davidson. He dealt with replies to their correspondents, and the collection includes several letters to Temple, with brief comments by the Archbishop to guide his answers. (Given by Canon W. R. F. Browning, 1985)

DALBY AND WIGRAM PAPERS (DAL) The papers of the reverend George W. Dalby (1792-1861), rector of Compton Bassett, Wiltshire, and of his son-in-law the reverend Spencer R. Wigram include letters from clergymen and academics - Pusey, Keble, bishop Wilberforce, Jowett, Liddon, Kenelm, Vaughan; from public figures - Peel, Sir John Coleridge, Sir James Brooke, Lord Strathcona; from musicians and artists - Sir Walter Parratt, Sir John Stainer, Sir Charles Eastlake. (Given by Mrs Lillian Howe, 1959)

FFOULKES PAPERS (FFOU) Edmund Ffoulkes was ordained in 1849. In the following year he travelled on the continent with Lord Abercrombie, the ward of Lord Panmure. Ffoulkes assured Panmure that he was a High Churchman with no tendencies towards Rome. However, in Paris he was influenced by Robert Wilberforce, broke with Panmure, and seceded to the Roman Catholic Church. He rejoined the Church of England in the 1870's and, in 1878, he became vicar of S. Mary the Virgin in Oxford, the University Church. The letters in this collection are from his period when a Roman Catholic and deal mainly with his efforts to set up a Private Hall or to found a Roman Catholic College in Oxford. There are letters from Gladstone, Henry Liddell, dean of Christ Church, Mark Pattison, rector of Lincoln College, and others but the most significant series is from Newman who liked the idea and bought land in Oxford. He was, however, dissuaded from proceeding by the disapproval of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. (Provenance uncertain)

GRESLEY PAPERS (GRES) William Gresley, 1801-1876, was a prebendary of Lichfield from 1840, and perpetual curate of All Saints', Boyne Hill in the diocese of Oxford from 1857. With Edward Churton he was editor of The Englishman's Library (1840-1846). This comprised thirty one volumes of religious and moral tales and histories of which Gresley wrote six. They aimed to spread Tractarian teaching amongst the middle and the working classes. Many of the letters in this collection concern arrangements for, and opinions of, the series. There are ninety seven letters from Churton, several from James Burns, the publisher, and a number from various of the contributors. Other subjects covered include the Church Extension Movement of the early 1840's; and a dispute with the bishop of Chichester over the use of Confession in Brighton. Some letters are Liddon's transcriptions of papers which are now lost. (Provenance uncertain)

HAMILTON PAPERS (HAM) Walter Kerr Hamilton was bishop of Salisbury from 1854 until his death in 1868. He was born in 1808, educated at Eton and as a private pupil of Dr Thomas Arnold, and then at Christ Church, Oxford where he took a first in Greats. In 1832 he was elected a Fellow of Merton College. He was made deacon in June 1833 and ordained priest in December of the same year. He served curacies at Wolvercote, near Oxford at S. Peter-in-the-East in Oxford. He became vicar of that parish in 1837 where he remained until 1841 when he became a canon of Salisbury and then bishop in 1854. His papers comprise his diaries, notes, lectures, prayers, commonplace books, account books. He rarely left his diocese and his diocesan papers include diaries and notebooks, sermons, visitation charges, pastoral letters, memoranda and legal notes. A full descriptive catalogue is available for consultation. (Provenance uncertain)

HENDERSON PAPERS (HEN) The Reverend Thomas Henderson was vicar of Messing in Essex from 1828 until his death in 1861. Most of the letters relate to the Oxford Movement crises of the early 1840's and to the case of Archdeacon Denison, 1854-1856. There are several letters from Pusey and Newman, and a copy of Newman's letter to Pusey on the eve of his conversion to Roman Catholicism. The original seems to have been lost. Other correspondents include, Charles Blomfield, bishop of London, Dr Hook and Richard Jelf. (Given by Mr David Tew, 1959)

HEURTLEY PAPERS (HEU) This collection of Miss Frances Heurtley contains some papers from her father, the reverend Charles A. Heurtley, 1806-1895, Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity in the University and canon of Christ Church from 1853. The largest series of letters is from Pusey, when her confessor, and after his death from Edward King. (Given by the Reverend E. W. Pullan, 1942)

MEYRICK PAPERS (MEY) Frederick Meyrick was rector of S. Andrew, Blickling in the diocese of Norwich from 1868 until 1906. In 1853 he was one of the founders of the Anglo-Continental Society, and its secretary from 1853 until 1898. The Society aimed to make English Church principles known in Europe and to encourage church reform in Roman Catholic countries and areas. Many of the letters reflect aspects of his work for the Society, especially relations with the Old Catholics. There are letters on these relations from Lord Acton, Dollinger, Gladstone, Liddon, Pusey and others. Gladstone also writes on University Reform in the 1850's; and letters between Meyrick and Pusey reveal disagreement about Mother Lydia Sellon and her work in Devonport. (Given by Margaret Meyrick, his grand-daughter, 1946)

MORRIS PAPERS (MOR) The brothers Thomas and John Morris were Oxford dons in the 1840's and supporters of the Oxford Movement. John Morris, according to the D.N.B. "though an Anglican priest,...was always fond of ridiculing and finding fault with the Anglican Church." He followed John Henry Newman into the Roman Catholic Church in 1846. Many felt that Thomas was so closely connected to him that he might also secede. He was obliged to resign his Tutorship at Christ Church at the same time, although he remained a Student until 1854. He then became vicar of Carleton in Yorkshire. This collection of papers shows the difficulties faced by supporters of the Oxford Movement in the 1840's. There is a long series of letters from Morris' father who was rector of Elstree which reveal growing anxiety about his sons, and disappointment at John's conversion. Some letters, now lost, have been copied from transcripts made by Liddon in 1886. (Provenance uncertain)

POWELL PAPERS (POW) Douglas Louis Powell (formerly Popplewell) was born in 1916, educated at Hertford College, Oxford, trained for the priesthood at S. Stephen's House. He served curacies in Cheltenham and at S. Anne's, Soho and worked for the Dacre Press and at S. Thomas' Hospital, London before he became vice-principal of S. Chad's College, Durham and subsequently Senior Lecturer in the Department of Theology in Exeter University. He died in 1995. His papers include lectures on biblical theology, patristics, doctrine, liturgy, history (particularly the Reformation), moral and pastoral theology, psychology and the philosophy of religion, sermons, reviews, essays, précis of books he had read; plus miscellaneous papers, pamphlets, newspaper cuttings and off-prints. He compiled his own fairly detailed handlist, upon which the catalogue is based (Given by Mrs Margaret Powell, 1995, through the good offices of Dr Brian Horne, his literary executor)

SCOTT PAPERS (SCO) Robert Scott, 1811-1887, was Master of Balliol from 1854 to 1870 when he became Dean of Rochester until his death. The papers deal mostly with Oxford affairs, especially the controversies about the religious views of William Ward and Benjamin Jowett. Letters from William Gladstone illustrate relations between the University and Parliament, as well as his work in Greek scholarship. The letters from Pusey deal mainly with University Reform, endowment of the Chair in Greek and other professorships, and the founding of the School of Theology. Robert Browning's letters detail his efforts to enter his son at Balliol. Those from Matthew Arnold campaign for him, as Professor of Poetry, to be allowed to lecture in English rather than in Latin. (Provenance uncertain)

WOODGATE PAPERS (WOOD) The Reverend Henry A. Woodgate, 1801-1874, was from 1847 rector of Holy Trinity, Belbroughton, Worcester. There are several letters from Archdeacon Denison.

There is a long sequence of letters from William Ewart Gladstone, and many letters from John Keble and cardinal Manning. Pusey's letters to Woodgate survive in Liddon's transcriptions. There are also papers of his daughter Henrietta that include a series from cardinal Newman who was her godfather. (Provenance uncertain)

Handlists are available for the papers from Liddon House, which contain papers of Acland; Addington; Brine; Heathcote; Herford; Darwell Stone; N. P. Williams; John Henry Newman and F. A. Dixey. There is an interim list available for the papers of Hastings Rashdall (compiled by Mrs Margaret Marsh).

Lists are available for the Pusey Liddon Bound Volumes and the Pusey Papers, for the Society of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, the Community for the Reparation to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, The Christian Social Union and the Confraternity of Unity, The Society of Mary, The Society of the Holy Cross.

Rudimentary working lists are available for the da Costa papers and for those of the legal committee of the English Church Union.

There is a list of correspondents in the Denison papers.