Guide to the
Richmond Mayo-Smith Papers 1875-1897
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Descriptive Summary

Identifier
ICU.SPCL.MAYOSMITH

Title
Mayo-Smith, Richmond. Papers

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1875-1897

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.25 linear ft (1 box)

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Abstract
Richmond Mayo-Smith, 1854-1901, was a professor of political economy at Columbia University, and author of Emigration and Immigration, 1890; Statistics and Sociology, 1895; and Statistics and Economics, 1899. The collection, mainly transcripts, includes general correspondence, letters to his parents and wife, miscellaneous personal documents, newspaper reviews, obituaries and letters of condolence to Mrs. Mayo-Smith.

Information on Use

Access
No restrictions

Citation
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T. Ely and others. Since Smith was a member of the original board of the Political Science Quarterly, the correspondence includes replies to his solicitations of articles from contemporary social scientists and writers such as Charles H. Cooley, Carroll D. Wright, and Horace White.

Among Smith’s other correspondents are: Seth Low, President of Columbia University 1890-91 and a mayor of New York; Vilfredo Pareto, author of The Mind and Society; Heinrich Braun, German Social Democrat writer and politician; and Munro Smith, brother to Mayo-Smith, and author and professor at Columbia and Georgetown Law School.

**Related Resources**

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

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**Subject Headings**

- Mayo-Smith, Richmond, 1854-1901
- Sociology-History-United States
- Statisticians

**INVENTORY**

**Box 1**

**Folder 1**

General Correspondence
- Lyman Abbott
- Frederic Atherton
- A. E. Bateman
- Newton Bateman
- Luigo Bodio
- Edwin L. Bogart
- Heinrich Braun
- I. G. Brooks
- Luigi Carto
- J. B. Clark
- John S. Clark

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**Folder 2**

General Correspondence
- G. Cohn
- Charles H. Cooley
- [Aug. Courren?] 
- Edward T. Devine
- Davis Rich Dewey
- Duncker and Humblot
- E. L. Dwight
- F. Y. Edgeworth
• Richard T. Ely
• Henry W. Farnum
• John Finley
• Benedict W. Ginsburg

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General Correspondence
• R. Griffen
• Asoph Hall
• F. W. Harkins
• Caskie Harrison
• Albert Bushnell Hart
• A. B. Hepburn
• [Russell or Roswell] D. Hitchcock
• J. W. Jenks
• Vincenz John
• Alexander Johnston
• Naiba Kanda
• Geo. W. Knight
• John Jay Knxc
• Jozsef Körösi

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General Correspondence
• J. Lawrence Laughlin
• Seth Low
• J. S. Lowell
• John W. Martin
• [V. Mayr?]
• Anton D. Morse
• Marien Negrier
• G. B. Newcomb
• R. H. Palgrave

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General Correspondence
• Vilfredo Pareto
• Simon N. Patten
• George L. Peabody
• Harry Franklin Peck
• Frances Peirce
• E. I. Phelps
• Eugen von Philoppovich
• Post and Reese
• Rauchberg
• Rawson W. Rawson
• William Z. Ripley
• G. L. Rives
• Eqisto Rossi
• Gustav Schmoller
• Eugene Schuyler

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General Correspondence
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• Edwin R. Seligman
• Charles A. Silliman
• Munroe Smith
• Albert C. Stevens
• N. I. Stone
• [Claudio Tannez?]
• F. W. Taussig
• Richard Dalla Volta
• G. E. W.
• [L. Wain?]
• Charles Warren
• A. F. Weber
• G. Wen
• E. Wenik

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General Correspondence
• Horace White
• W. F. Willcox
• Carroll D. Wright

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Folder 8
Letters of Mayo-Smith to His Family
• Father and Mother; July 12, 1882
• Wife; May 22, 1887
• January 22, 1889
• April 7, 1889
• August 7, 1891
• October 1, 1891
• September 30, 1897
• October 15, 1897

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Personal Documents
• Document of the Department of State, probably a passport June 14, 1875
• Report book of Mayo-Smith when a student in Berlin-1875-77 Diplomas from universities in Berlin and Heidelberg
• Document of appointment of Mayo-Smith as Adjunct Professor in History, Political Science and International Law at Columbia College-June 3, 1878
• Miscellaneous notes concerning the International Institute of Statistics
• Nomination paper for membership of Mayo-Smith in the National Academy of Sciences, signed by Frances A. Walker
• Letter, November 20, 1894 from Carroll D. Wright to Hon. Worthington C. Ford
• Unaddressed letter by Mayo-Smith and two others setting out a constitution for an association, The Academy of Political Science in the City of New York

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Press Notices and Reviews

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Obituaries

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Letters to Mrs. Mayo-Smith
• Wm. H. Carpenter, and extract from Columbia University Council
• John B. Clark
• P. M. Craigie
• Wm. Cunningham
• Charles W. Edwards
• Ida B. Flower
• Hajime Hashi
• John B. [Line?]
• Frederick Nathan
• Edwin R. Seligman, with enclosures from J. H. Hollander, Charles H. Hull, and David Kinley
• Munroe Smith, with extracts from Columbia College Faculty, and Faculty of Political Science of Columbia University
• W. E. Weld
• Horace White
• Walter F. Willcox