Guide to the John Stuart Mill Collection 1826-1869
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Descriptive Summary

Identifier          ICU.SPCL.MILLJS
Title               Mill, John Stuart. Collection
Date                1826-1869
Size                0.25 linear feet (1 box)
Repository          Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center
                    University of Chicago Library
                    1100 East 57th Street
                    Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract            Correspondence and two manuscript speeches titled "On the Universities" by
                    English philosopher and political economist John Stuart Mill (1806-1873.)

Information on Use

Access              This collection is open for research.

Citation            When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Mill, John Stuart.
                    Collection, Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago
                    Library.

Biographical Note   John Stuart Mill (1806-1873) was an influential nineteenth-century English philosopher,
                    political economist, and civil servant.

Scope Note          The collection contains manuscripts and correspondence from John Stuart Mill. The first folders
                    contain two autograph manuscripts for "On the Universities," a debating speech the nineteen- 
                    year-old Mill delivered at the London Debating Society on April 7, 1926. Neither version of
                    the speech was published during Mill’s lifetime. In Mill’s Collected Works edited by John M.
                    Robson (Toronto, 1988) these two speeches are numbered 17 and 18, respectively, although
                    their relation is not entirely clear. This finding aid likewise refers to the manuscripts by Robson’s
                    numbering. These manuscripts were previously catalogued in the University of Chicago Library
                    as Codex Ms 1670, under the title "Speech, the latter part of which was spoken at the London
                    Debating Society in the spring of 1826, on the universities," without authorial attribution. These
                    manuscripts were associated with Mill by scholar Joe Stadolnik, who published his findings in
                    Notes and Queries in March 2020.
The second set of materials is Mill’s correspondence with Florence Nightingale (1820-1910), a pioneering statistician and the founder of modern nursing. The collection contains one original letter from Mill to Nightingale (Aug 9, 1867) and one original letter from Nightingale to Mill (Aug 11, 1867). It also includes typed transcripts of ten letters between Mill and Nightingale dated between 1860 and 1867, including those of the two aforementioned originals. The topics of their correspondence include critiques of a work written by Nightingale, women’s rights, religion, and the medical profession.

The collection also contains an autograph letter Mill wrote to Manton Marble (1834-1917) on Jan 5, 1869, thanking him for sending copies of the journal The World. The letter also briefly touches upon the Democratic Party of the U.S.A., as well as the question of free trade.

**Related Resources**


**Subject Headings**

- Mill, John Stuart, 1806-1873
- Nightingale, Florence, 1820-1910

**INVENTORY**

- Box 1
  - Folder 1
    - Wrapper for speech manuscripts. The cover reads, "Speech, the latter part of which was spoken at the London Debating Society in the spring of 1826 on the Universities." undated

- Box 1
  - Folder 2
    - "The Universities" [1]. No. 17 in Robson's ordering. Recto and verso of 9 folios. 1826

- Box 1
  - Folder 3
    - "The Universities" [2]. No. 18 in Robson's ordering. Recto and verso of 5 folios. 1826

- Box 1
  - Folder 4
    - Correspondence with Florence Nightingale. Manuscript and typescript. 1860-1867
Box 1
Folder 5
Correspondence with Manton Marble. Manuscript. 1869