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2011-049/001	(1)	Ford Madox Brown to S. Haydon 2 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter expressing appreciation for Haydon's condolences on the death of his son, Oliver Madox Brown.	5 May 1876	
2011-049/001	(2)	Ford Madox Brown to Kineton Parkes 1 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter declining the proposal by Parkes (co-editor of the "Journal of the Ruskin reading guild" and author of works on the Pre-Raphaelites) that Brown "turn poet" after reviewing his manuscript sonnets.	7 May 1870	
2011-049/001	(3)	Oliver Madox Brown to Leslie Stephen 1 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter discussing arrangements for Brown's visit to Stephen the next day.	26 March 1873	
2011-049/001	(4)	Sir Edward Coley Burne-Jones to William Holman Hunt 2 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter discussing arrangements for the visit of a mutual friend that includes a sketch by Burne-Jones of a running, smiling, cherubic figure.	[1893]	
2011-049/001	(5)	George Frampton to J.A. Chatwin 1 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter discussing an upcoming meeting with Mr. Feeney to show him the sketch for a tablet, and the model that the sculptor will bring with him. Frampton trusts that Chatwin will be present for the meeting.	1 November 1899	
2011-049/001	(6)	Lord Frederic Leighton to Lady Campbell 3 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter offering Leighton's apology for not accepting his old friend's invitation to visit her home.	[187-?]	
2011-049/001	(7)	Lord Frederic Leighton to unidentified correspondent 1 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a brief note that his father "on his bed of sickness has not forgotten the A.G.K.," and offering his "usual £20."	[18]	
2011-049/001	(8)	Christina G. Rossetti to unidentified correspondent 2 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter offering to sign "the	[18?]	

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		petition in favour of Mr. Watson" if it is signed by the Archbishop of Cantebury, and offering thanks for the "promised volume" which has not yet reached her.		
2011-049/001	(9)	Thomas Woolner to William Spottiswoode 1 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter discussing arrangements to care for busts (presumably sculpted by Woolner), and an unsuccessful attempt to visit Spottiswoode while at Charmouth. Woolner concludes by observing, "What magnificent rooms you have now for the Society fit for the Prines [sic] of Knowledge!" Spottiswoode was elected President of the London Mathematical Society in 1870.	22 October 1873	
2011-049/001	(10)	William Richard Lethaby to William Rothenstein 2 p. of textual records. Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a postcard with a brief note regarding the address for an individual named Wilson and his encouragement for Rothenstein to attend an upcoming meeting with Miss Morris. "I want somebody to propose some practical outcome like an occasional meeting of the press writers to consider their responsibilities (not often spoken of!)."	16 May 1916	
2011-049/001	(11)	Walter Crane to Fisher Unwin 1 p. of textual records. Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a brief note expressing Crane's regret for not being able to attend a reception on 16 December.	18 December 1904	
2011-049/001	(12)	Sir Edward J. Poynter to Mr. Binson 2 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a letter apologizing for his delay in responding to the invitation to the Magpie concern due to his wife's poor health, and confirming that he will attend the concert that evening.	22 June 1897	
2011-049/001	(13)	Quotation written by Jonathan Swift, and transcribed by Mary Elizabeth Braddon 2 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File consists of a passage expressing Swift's hope that God would permit old friends to be reacquainted in heaven. The final leaf is inscribed to Mary Maxwell, and signed again by Braddon.	7 November 1888	
2011-049/001	(14)	Sir Thomas Henry Hall Caine to Frank Keenhan 3 p. of textual records Purchased from Robert Wright Books of Tamworth, Ontario in July 2011 File	5 December 1898	

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July 2011. -- File consists of a letter

forwarding an outline of Wallas's course (not

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included), and discussing his travel plans, which include crossing the Atlantic Ocean on the Cunard passenger ship "Campania" to meet the recipient, likely William Thompson Sedgwick, who taught at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was a leading authority in public health.

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John Bright in Rochdale to Thomas Bates in Kirk Leavington, Yorkshire. -- 4 p. of textual records. -- Purchased from John Drury Rare Books, England, in August 2011. -- File consists of a handwritten letter by Bright (1811-1889), orator and statesmen, on the social effects of the Corn Laws written to the stock-breeder and agricultural politician Thomas Bates (1775-1849). "The people here," Bright declares, "are starving not figuratively but literally, & American ships are bringing ballast, gravel to Liverpool, whilst the quays of the American ports are covered with barrels of flour without a market for them -- Is this just?" Bright condemns the pro-Corn Law lobby as being unjust to the poor and harmful to the farmer. It was, he suggests, a "Landlord made Law" whereby increased rents bear down on wages to the point where the ordinary labourer can no longer afford to eat. The letter is enhanced by the attachment by Bright of adhesive Anti-Corn-Law League labels on the address panel with the slogan: "Paid. -- All letters must be prepaid. Thanks for cheap postage! -- May we soon get cheap bread! -- Free communication with all parts of the empire is good: free trade with all parts of the world is still better."

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Fran Carleton in Liverpool, England to Jacob Harvey. -- 4 p. of textual records. --Purchased from Warren Baker of Montreal in 2012. -- File consists of a letter written by Carleton (likely Francis Carleton, a director of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company in Dublin) to Harvey, a partner in the Abraham Bell Shipping Company of New York, regarding the "Liverpool" (a wooden-hulled, twin-funnel paddle steamer built in Liverpool in 1837, later known as the "Great Liverpool") just before the ship departed on its third crossing in the service of the Trans Atlantic Steam Ship Company. He discusses progress in the construction of the "British Queen" which will hold nearly 200 passengers, "a greater number we think than she is likely to get, or accommodate with satisfaction to all," as well as the effects of following Harvey's suggestion to exclude several passengers from the "Liverpool"'s impending voyage, complaints and "libellous resolutions" regarding the previous voyage, negotiations with Samuel Cunard regarding a

26 March 1840

19 April 1839

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share in the contract with the British government to ship mail to Halifax, Quebec City and Boston, the appointment of two engineers on the "Liverpool" with one devoted to managing the fuel (coal), and the company's relationship with the ship's master.