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Helen Fairchild Smith Collection

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INTRODUCTION

Biographical note

Helen Fairchild Smith (died 1926) was the daughter of Augustus William Smith. She went to Wells College in 1876 as Lady Principal and Professor of English Literature. From 1894 to 1905 she was the Dean of the College. She served on the Board of Trustees from 1887 until her death in 1926. She was also a friend and mentor to First Lady Frances Folsom Cleveland (class of 1885) and visited her in the White House.

History of the Papers and Their Organization

Series 1 contains correspondence from Helen Fairchild Smith.

Series 2 contains correspondence to Helen Fairchild Smith.

Series 3 contains miscellaneous materials, letters, and fragments.

Series 4 contains the diaries of Helen Fairchild Smith.

Related Material

The Katharine Louisa (Smith) Hill Collection.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PAPERS

Scope and Content Note

The majority of this collection is the correspondence of Helen Fairchild Smith to and from a variety of people.

Organization and Arrangement

The papers are organized into 4 series:

Series Descriptions

Series 1, correspondence from Helen Fairchild Smith.

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Series 2, correspondence to Helen Fairchild Smith.

Series 3, miscellaneous materials, letters, and fragments.

Series 4, the diaries of Helen Fairchild Smith.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
<i>Series 1: Correspondence from Helen Fairchild Smith</i>			
1	1	1850s	Correspondence
1	2	1860s	Correspondence
1	3	1870s	Correspondence
1	4	1880s	Correspondence
1	5	1890s	Correspondence
1	6	1900s	Correspondence
1	7	1900s	Correspondence
1	8	1900s	Correspondence
1	9	1910s	Correspondence
1	10	1920s	Correspondence
1	11	n/d	Correspondence
1	12	n/d	Correspondence
1	13	n/d	Correspondence
1	14	n/d	Correspondence

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
<i>Series 2: Correspondence from Helen Fairchild Smith</i>			
1	1	1840s	Correspondence
1	2	1850s	Correspondence
1	3	1860s	Correspondence
1	4	1870s	Correspondence
1	5	1880s	Correspondence
1	6	1890s	Correspondence
1	7	1890s	Correspondence
1	8	1900s	Correspondence
1	9	1900s	Correspondence
1	10	1900s	Correspondence
2	11	1910s	Correspondence
2	12	1910s	Correspondence
2	13	1910s	Correspondence
2	14	1920s	Correspondence
2	15	1920s	Correspondence
2	16	n/d	Correspondence
2	17	n/d	Correspondence
2	18	n/d	Correspondence
2	19	n/d	Correspondence

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
<i>Series 3: Miscellaneous materials</i>			
2	1	various	Miscellaneous materials
2	2	n/d	Undated letter fragments
2	3	n/d	Undated letter fragments
2	4	various	Related correspondence
2	5	various	Related correspondence

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Box Folder Dates Description

Series 4: Diaries of Helen Fairchild Smith

2 - 1864 – 1925 Diaries