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American Institute of Instruction. Announcement of sixth annual meeting, issued for Committee of Arrangements by George B. Emerson, Boston, August 1, 1832. Broadside.


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Emerson, R.W. *Correspondence Between Ralph Waldo Emerson and Herman Grimm*. Edited by Frederick William Holls. Boston and New York, Houghton, Mifflin, 1903. The Wakeman copy.

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Emerson, R.W. *Free Religion*. Report of addresses at a meeting held at Boston, May 30, 1867, 8 vol., original printed wrappers. In a cloth slip case. Boston, 1867. First edition. Contains the first printing of an address by Emerson who was the final speaker on this occasion. Another of the addresses here is by Thomas Wentworth Higginson.


Emerson, R.W. *Letters and Social Aims*. Boston, 1876. Inscribed: "Miss Mary Queen with kind regards of R. Waldo Emerson. October, 1876." Laid in: autograph letter signed from Fanny Ripley to Mrs. Chapin, Concord, October 4 [1876], transmitting this copy for her daughter.


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Tribute to Walter Scott, on the One Hundredth Anniversary of his Birthday, by the Massachusetts Historical Society, August 15, 1871. Boston, Privately Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Society, 1872.

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Two autograph letters signed from Ralph Waldo Emerson to Charles Stearns Wheeler, 30 March 1839 and June 1839; an admission ticket to Emerson's lectures at The Meinaon, 1868, initialed by Emerson, with an envelope addressed by him to Mrs. C. Dudley; and a check from James R. Osgood & Co., February 14, 1872, payable to Emerson and endorsed by him

Autograph letter signed from Emerson to Mrs. Arnold, Concord, 23 February 1856. Framed with a photograph of Emerson and a photograph of his home in Concord. AM 17641.


Als. Emerson to Titus Coan. May 21, 1876. 2 pp. with address leaf separated and both pieces laminated.

Emerson, R. W. *Letters and Social Aims.* 12 mo. cloth First Edition. Boston, 1876. Inscribed in the author's hand: "Miss Mary Queen with kind regards of R. Waldo Emerson. October, 1876" Laid in is a letter from Fanny Ripley to Mrs Chapin, October 4 [1876] mentioning Emerson, and transmitting this copy to her, apparently Miss Queen's mother. Letter is AM17641 General Mss Misc

Bound manuscripts


Ten pages of proofs corrected by Emerson for an August 1865 appearance of his essay "Character" in an unknown periodical. 4 pages of proofs corrected by Emerson, with a page of manuscript revision, for the April 1866 appearance of his essay "Character" in *North American Review.*

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