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Summary

Creator: Stephens, A.G. (Alfred George), 1865-1933
Title: Papers of Alfred George Stephens, 1859 - 1933
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Extent: 30 boxes; 3.9m.
Repository: Mitchell Library, State Library of New South Wales
Abstract: The collection comprises correspondence, literary manuscripts, literary papers, scrapbooks and printed books of A.G. Stephens and includes literary manuscripts of many well known Australian authors and poets.

Biographical Note

Alfred George Stephens was born in Toowoomba, Queensland on 28 August 1865. He attended Toowoomba Grammar School until the age of 15 when he went to Sydney to learn the printing trade. While there he also gained certificates in French and German from Sydney Technical College. Returning to Queensland in 1889 he entered journalism becoming editor of country newspapers at Gympie and Cairns and sub-editor of The Boomerang in Brisbane. During his stay in Cairns he won a prize of 25 pounds for an essay titled “Why North Queensland wants separation” which was published as a pamphlet. It was here too that he met Constance Smith whom he was later to marry.

In 1893 he visited the World's Fair at Chicago as correspondent for a number of Australian newspapers. He travelled in Canada and Europe before settling as a journalist in London on the Daily Chronicle. In response to an offer from J.F. Archibald he returned to Australia in 1894 to commence work on The Bulletin as a general writer and sub-editor of verses and stories. In the same year an account of his experiences abroad was published as A Queenslander's travel notes.

In 1896 he instituted, and became editor of, The Bulletin's famous literary section “The Red Page”. This was to be a major force in fostering an appreciation of literature among a generation of Australians. He was also placed in charge of the book publishing department and between 1897 and 1905 he selected and edited 23 works including Such is life by Tom Collins, Steele Rudd's On our selection and the poems of Will Ogilvie, Louise Mack, Roderic Quinn and Bernard O'Dowd. It has been rightly said that
'most of them owed their existence, as authors, to Stephen’s discernment’ (1). During this period he also launched The Bookfellow, a literary magazine of which 5 numbers appeared in 1899.

In 1906 he left The Bulletin to set up on his own as an independent literary agent, publisher and writer. He revived The Bookfellow as a weekly but when this venture failed because of insufficient capital, he accepted the position of assistant editor on the Evening Post in Wellington, New Zealand.

He returned to Sydney in 1909 and in 1911 he again revived The Bookfellow, this time as a monthly magazine. It was suspended in 1916 while he edited the successful Anzac memorial, a miscellany of art, prose and verse published by the Returned Soldiers Association, but was recommenced in 1919 and continued to appear at irregular intervals until 1925. It was during this period that he published a series of notable interviews with prominent people including J.C. Williamson, Gladys Moncrieff and Somerset Maugham. He also continued his policy of publishing small volumes of verse including three collections of John Shaw Neilson's poems.

Following the demise of The Bookfellow he continued as a freelance journalist, publisher and confidant of writers. Despite financial hardship he maintained his vision of a distinctly Australian literature which, while acknowledging its European origins, would nevertheless achieve an importance and value of its own. He died at Sydney on 15 April 1933.

His own published works included a collection of essays, selected from “The Red Page”, titled The red pagan (1904), literary biographies of Victory Daley (1905), Henry Kendall (1928) and Christopher Brennan (1933), the patriotic song “An Australian anthem” (1915), and a novel The Lady Calphurnia Royal (1909), written in collaboration with Albert Dorrington. However, it was his unselfish encouragement of other writers and his well informed, perceptive criticism of their work that constitutes his greatest contribution to Australian literature. His influence was immense and 'no man could have done more, or has done more, than A.G. Stephens actually did to encourage the development of an indigenous literary culture in our Australian continent' (2).

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1. Palmer, Vance, A.G. Stephens: his life and work, p.23
2. Stephensen, P.R., The life and works of A.G. Stephens, p.5
Administrative Information

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Provenance

The bulk of the A.G. Stephens papers (MLMSS 4937) was acquired by the Mitchell Library from A.G. Stephens himself at various times between 1916 and 1933. Additional material was acquired from his daughter Constance Robertson in 1941 and J.R. Tyrrell, in 1939 and 1943. The typescripts of Only half a villain and the book L'art des vers were acquired from Mr. N.D. Wright, the widower of a granddaughter of A.G. Stephens, in 1983 and 1986 respectively. The book The man from Snowy River and other verses was acquired for the Library from Hordern House Rare Books by the Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts in 1993.

The loose papers in these acquisitions, including correspondence, literary manuscripts and pictorial material were arranged alphabetically by name of writer or subject, bound into volumes in 1944, and filed at A2297-A2305. The correspondence has now been separated and arranged chronologically by date of letter. The remaining material has been arranged into appropriate archival series. Other material acquired from A.G. Stephens including scrapbooks, printed books, bound compilations of verse and biographical records has been transferred from Mitchell Library Printed Books Section where they were originally located.
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Miller, Morris and Macartney, Frederick, *Australian literature*, Sydney: Angus and Robertson, 1956

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**Additional Information**

**Related Material**

“Guide to the papers of Alfred George Stephens in the Mitchell Library State Library of New South Wales” arranged and described by Warwick Hirst of the Manuscripts Section in 1989; MLMSS 4937/1.

'The Guide' includes a comprehensive index to correspondents for A.G. Stephen's correspondence in MLMSS 4937.

**Access Terms**

**Personal Names**

- Baynton, Barbara, 1857 - 1929
- Benham, Rosamond
- Boake, Barcroft, 1866 - 1892
- Brennan, Christopher, 1870 - 1932
- Brereton, John Le Gay, 1827 - 1886
- Brereton, J. Le Gay (John Le Gay), 1871 - 1933
- Cambridge, Ada, 1844 - 1926
- Collins, Tom, 1843 - 1912
- Daley, Victor J. (Victor James), 1858 - 1905
- Deakin, Alfred, 1856 - 1919
- Ellis, Havelock, 1859 - 1939
- Evans, George Essex, 1863 - 1909
• Fisher, Lala, 1872 - 1929
• Franklin, Miles, 1879 - 1962
• Furphy, Joseph, 1843 - 1912
• Gilmore, Mary, Dame, 1865 - 1962
• Hebblethwaite, James, 1857 - 1921
• Jose, Arthur W.(Arthur Wilberforce), 1863 - 1934
• Kenna, Francis, 1865 - 1932
• Lindsay, Lionel, Sir, 1874 - 1961
• Lindsay, Norman, 1879 - 1969
• Long, Sydney, 1871 - 1955
• Mack, Louise, 1870 - 1935
• Mackay, Jessie, 1864 - 1938
• Mackellar, Dorothea, 1885 - 1968
• McCrae, George Gordon, 1833 - 1927
• McCrae, Hugh, 1876 - 1958
• Morant, Breaker, 1865 - 1902
• Neilson, John, 1844 - 1922
• Neilson, John Shaw, 1872 - 1942
• O'Dowd, Bernard, 1866 - 1953
• Ogilvie, Will H.(Will Henry), 1869 - 1963
• O'Reilly, Dowell, 1865 - 1923
• Palmer, Vance, 1885 - 1959
• Quinn, Roderic, 1869 - 1949
• Robertson, Constance, 1895 - 1964
• Rudd, Steele, 1868 - 1935
• Stephensen, P. R. (Percy Reginald), 1901 - 1965
• Tregear, Edward, 1846 - 1931
• Turner, Ethel, 1870 - 1958
• Yeats, W. B.(William Butler), 1865 - 1939

Subjects
• Authors, Australian -- 19th century.
• Authors, Australian -- 20th century.
Series List and Descriptions

I. Correspondence, 1889-1932
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[Correspondence formerly filed at A2297-A2305]

Correspondents include John Le Gay Brereton the younger, 1897-1929; Victor James Daley, 1898-1905; Arthur Hoey Davis (Steele Rudd), 1898-1922; Alfred Deakin, 1906-1914; Henry Havelock Ellis, 1894-1924; George Essex Evans, 1895-1906; Miles Franklin, 1901-1932; Joseph Furphy, 1897-1904; *Mary Gilmore, 1903-1925; Arthur Wilberforce Jose, 1897-1905; *Francis Kenna, 1898-1924; Norman Lindsay, 1900-1923; George Gordon McCrae, 1904-1927; *Hugh McCrae, 1904-1922; Jessie Mackay, 1902-1930; Wolla Meranda, 1920-1928; *Frank Morton, 1897-1919; *John Shaw Neilson, 1916-1932; *William Henry Ogilvie, 1897-1929; Roderic Quinn, 1898-1908; *Edward Tregear, 1901-1919; *Arnold Wall, 1911-1929; William Butler Yeats, 1899.

Letters of correspondents prefaced by * enclose literary manuscripts and/or pictorial material.

Arranged chronologically.

Correspondence, 9 Oct. 1889 - 21 Dec. 1902 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/2)
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Correspondence, 3 Jan. 1903 - 27 Dec. 1909 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/3)
(Reel CY 3461)

Correspondence, 12 Jan. 1910 - 21 Dec. 1923 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/4)
(Reel CY 3462)

Correspondence, 20 Jan. 1924 - 12 Dec. 1932 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/5)
(Reel CY 3463)

II. Various papers collected by or sent to A.G. Stephens, 1890-1933
(Box MLMSS 4937/6-8)

[Formerly filed at A2297-A2305 unless otherwise stated.]
A. Literary manuscripts of Australian and New Zealand writers, 1890-1933 (Box MLMSS 4937/6-7)

Dorothea Adams, poems, 1920, 1923 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Francis Adams, poem 'The Sirens', 1899 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Aa 41/1]

H.B. Adams, poem, 1898 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Aa 64]

Barbara Baynton, story 'Squeaker's Mate', corrections by A.G. Stephens, n.d. Carbon typescript with ms. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Ab 149]

E.J. Brady, notes for an address at the grave of Araluen, 1927 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Christopher Brennan, poems, 1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Ab 76-1/6]

"Towards the Source 1893-1897 fair copy, provisional and incomplete, for the use of A.G. Stephens, Mar. 1905", 1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at A821/B838/4A1]

Inserted in Chris: Brennan by A.G. Stephens, The Bookfellow, Sydney, 1933

John Le Gay Brereton, poems, 1898, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Maurice Brodzky, notes re Marcus Clarke, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Ab 103/3]

Rosamond Benham, poems, 1890-ca.1898. 1890-ca.1898; 1931 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Includes typescript copies made by A.G. Stephens, 1931
Ada Cambridge, selection of poems sent to A.G. Stephens, 1900
  Typescript with ms. revisions (Box MLMSS 4937/6 )
  (Reel CY1316)

Hubert Church, poems, ca.1926 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  [Formerly filed at Ac 80/3]

H.A. Conant, poem, ca.1912 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  [Formerly filed at Ac 112/1]

V.J. Daley, poems and fragment of an article, n.d.
  Ms. and typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

E.J. Dempsey, story “Dharma”, 1895 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  [Formerly filed at Ad 52/1]

E. Wilson Dobbs, “A voice from the bush its origin and authorship”, draft of an
  article, 1907 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  [Formerly filed at Ad 42]

Albert Dorrington, fragment of a story titled “Flesh and Spirit”, 1898; 1907 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  With typescript copy of the complete story, 1898; draft of an article on the
  local literary situation, 1907 [formerly filed at Ad 41]

Joseph Furphy (Tom Collins ), poem “The School House on the Plain”, n.d.
  Typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Mary Gilmore, poems, 1913, n.d.
  Typescript with Ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  With annotations by the author

Henry McKenzie Green, poem, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  [Formerly filed at Ag 47]

  Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations(Box MLMSS 4937/6)
  Corrections and annotations by A.G. Stephens, 1930
A.W. Jose (Ishmael Dare), fragment of an article, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Robert Kaleski, story “The Kelpie”, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Ak 26]

R. Kidston (Maurice Tybert), “Selected Poems of Maurice Tybert”, Feb. 1913 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Ak 29/1]

Lionel Lindsay, poems, 1900 (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

[Formerly filed at Al 51]

Dorothy McCrae, poems, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Hugh McCrae, ca.1900-ca.1920, n.d.
Ms., typescript, printed (Box MLMSS 4937/6)


Jessie Mackay, poems, n.d.
Ms., typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/6)

Louise Mack, 1901, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/6)


Frank Morton, 1899-1900, n.d.
Typescript with Ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/7)


P. Moubray, story “The Black Snake of Caramba”, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

[Formerly filed at Am 93/2]

John Shaw Neilson, poems including three successive drafts of “Song for a Honeymoon”, n.d.
Ms., typescript, printed (Box MLMSS 4937/7)
(Reel CY 2694)
Bernard O'Dowd (D. Fenton), poems “Australia” and “The Bed”, n.d.
Typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

W.H. Ogilvie, poems, 1898; n.d.
MS., typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

With fragment of an article on Victor Daley, n.d.

Dowell O'Reilly, poems, 1898-1922
Ms., typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/7)


Ambrose Pratt, poem, 1898 (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

[Formerly filed at Ap 61]

M.A. Robertson, poems “Land of Memory and Other Verses”, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

Typescript with Ms. corrections probably by A.G. Stephens. [Formerly filed at Ar 49]

D.M. Ross, poem, 1902 (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

C.H. Souter ('Nil'), poems, 1897-1911; n.d.
Ms., typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

Including complete manuscript of Irish lords and other verses, 1897-1911
[formerly filed at As 77]; article on “Beauty”, n.d.

Edward Tregear, poems, n.d.; 1911
Ms., typescript, printed (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

Including copy of a farewell speech, 1911

V. von Kotze, poem “The theory of the Thing”, 15 Aug. 1897 (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

[Formerly filed at Ak 27]

Arnold Wall, poem “Dream-Fishing / an Extravaganza”, 1911, 1930 (Box MLMSS 4937/7)

Typescript, illustrated by Leonard Booth. Also includes an original drawing by Hugh McCrae and typescript note by A.G. Stephens, 1930. The original
manuscript is filed at MLMSS 4937/4 pp.65-87. [Formerly filed at ML QA821/W]

B. Pictorial material, 1890-1933 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

i. Photograph of Dorothea Adams, ca.1918 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

ii. Postcard of The Bushveldt Carbineers signed by George R. Witton, 5 Aug. 1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

iii. Watercolours by Geoffrey McCrae, 1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

iv. Sketches by George Gordon McCrae including a portrait of Richard Hengist Horne, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

v. Sketches by Mahdi McCrae, ca.1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

vi. Sketches by Hugh McCrae including several for Arnold Wall 's poem “Dream-fishing”, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

vii. Photographs of Hugh McCrae including a series depicting him as a satyr, 1905, 1907, n.d.(Box MLMSS 4937/8)

viii. Sketch of Eros(?) with owls by Vic Cowdroy, ca.1933(Box MLMSS 4937/8)

    Used on the cover of Chris: Brennan by A.G. Stephens, The Bookfellow, Sydney, 1933

C. Newscuttings, ca.1898-1933 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

    Include articles re John Le Gay Brereton the younger,Joseph Furphy (Tom Collins ), Mary Gilmore, Jessie Mackay, John Shaw Neilson and Roderic Quinn.

D. Biographical and Autobiographical Material re Writers and Artists, 1895-1926 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

i. Autobiographical notes by Oscar Asche, 9 Nov. 1922(Box MLMSS 4937/8)

    [Formerly filed at Aa 42]

ii. Memoir of Barcroft Boake by his father B.C. Boake, 5 Sep. 1896
    Typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

iii. Autobiographical notes by V.J. Daley, 1 June 1898
    Typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/8)
iv. Autobiographical notes by Henry Havelock Ellis, 19 Jan. 1927 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

v. Biographical notes re Adam Lindsay Gordon, n.d. Ms., and typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

vi. Autobiographical notes by William Arthur Holman, 29 May 1922 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

vii. Autobiographical notes by Sydney Long, 9 June 1921 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

viii. Biographical notes re Dorothea Mackellar probably by Ruth Bedford, 8 Aug. 1924 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

ix. Autobiographical notes by Frederick Thomas Bennet Macartney, 4 Oct. 1922 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

x. Autobiographical notes by Gregant Mahon, 5 Apr. 1923 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xi. Autobiographical notes by Alexander Montgomery, 18 Oct. 1895 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xii. Autobiographical notes by Nellie Melba, 24 March 1922 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xiii. Notes by Mary Broadribb of an interview with Oscar Meyer re Sir Henry Parkes, 1932 Typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/8)
xiv. Autobiographical notes by Anthony Dattilo-Rubbo, 19 May 1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xv. Autobiographical notes by Edward Tregear, 26 Jan. 1925 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xvi. Biographical notes re Henry B.M. Watson by A.G. Stephens, 4 June 1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

xvii. Autobiographical notes by Annie Wilson nee Adams, 23 July 1926 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

E. Miscellaneous Material, 1896-1933 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

i. Draft agreements and notes re publication of Barcroft Boake 's works, 1896 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

ii. Copies of court transcripts re John Le Gay Brereton 's copyright case 1921-22; 'Lawson and Brereton - Note by A.G. Stephens', 1933; copies of letters from Brereton to A.G. Stephens, 1897, 1925 (the originals of these letters are located at MLMSS 4097/2-5),1921-1933 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

iii. Copy of agreement between V.J. Daley and Angus & Robertson, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

iv. Material re dispute between Albert Dorrington and A.G. Stephens re publication of the novel *The Lady Calphurnia Royal*, 1906-1932 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

v. Various publishing agreements re W.H. Ogilvie, 1899-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/8)

III. Verses by various writers compiled and bound into volumes by A.G. Stephens, 1861-ca.1919

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Verses by various writers, 1892-ca.1904
Typescript with MS. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/9)

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Verses by various writers, ca.1905; n.d.
Typescript with Ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/9)

[Formerly filed at A821/H]

Verses by various writers, 1886-ca.1905
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/9)

Verses by Sydney Wheeler Jephcott, ca.1905; Alice Werner, 1886.
[Formerly filed at A821/J54.1/1A1]

Verses by George Gordon McCrae, 1888-1902
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/9)

[Formerly filed at A821/M]

Verses by various writers, 1905, n.d.
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/10) (Reel CY 2694)

Verses by John Neilson, n.d.; John Shaw Neilson, ca.1919; Lola Ridge, 1905. [Formerly filed at A821/N]

Verses by various writers, 1894-1904, n.d.
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/10)

Verses by Charles Henry Souter, 1894-1904; Ethel Turner, n.d.; Mary Colburne Veel, n.d. [Formerly filed at A821/S]

Verses by various writers, 1861-1904, n.d.
Typescript, printed, newscuttings with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/10)

Verses by various writers, ca.1893-1903
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/10)

Verses by Mary Gilmore, ca.1893-1903; Archibald Ernest Currie, 1903.
[Formerly filed at QA821/G488/1]

Verses by various writers, 1875-1898
Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/10)

Verses by James Quinn, Patrick Edward Quinn and Roderic Quinn, 1875-1890. Copy made from a collection lent to Stephens by James Quinn in 1898. [Formerly filed at QA821/Q7/1A1]

IV. Scrapbooks compiled by A.G. Stephens, 1860-1932
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Aborigines, articles, 1897-1922 (Box MLMSS 4937/11)
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Arthur Henry Adams, poems, articles, biographical notes, criticisms, 1895-1915 (Box MLMSS 4937/11)
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Francis Adams, poems, stories, drama, articles, biographical notes, 1887-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/11)
[Formerly filed at Q049/9]

Peter Airey (P. Luftig), poems, 1893-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/11)
[Formerly filed at QA821/A]

J.F. Archibald, articles, 1880-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/12)
[Formerly filed at QA920.5/A]

Australia, articles, 1895-1910 (Box MLMSS 4937/12)
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Arthur A.D. Bayldon, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1892-1912. Barbara Baynton, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1899-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/12)

[Formerly filed at QA821/B358.1/1A1]

Louis Becke, stories, criticism, biographical notes, 1895-1913 (Box MLMSS 4937/12)

[Formerly filed at QA823/B394]

Barcroft Boake, articles, poems, 1891-1907 (Box MLMSS 4937/12)

[Formerly filed at QA821/B]

Rolf Boldrewood (T.A. Browne), articles, criticisms, 1894-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/13)

[Formerly filed at Q049/11]

Bookfellow Reviews, 1899-1932 (Box MLMSS 4937/13)

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Edwin James Brady, poems, articles, criticism, 1893-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/13)

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Christopher John Brennan, poems, articles, criticisms, 1893-1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/13)

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John Le Gay Brereton the younger, poems, articles, criticism, biographical notes, 1890-1914 (Box MLMSS 4937/14)

With ms. poem, 1896. [Formerly filed at QA821/B]

The Bulletin, articles, notes, 1880-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/14)

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The Bulletin, articles, notes, 1883-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/14)

[Formerly filed at Q049/4]
Henry C. Cargill, poems, articles, 1883-1896. Miles Franklin, biographical notes, 1904. C. Wesley Caddy, poems, 1886. Robert Crawford, poems, 1920, 1883-1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/14)

[Formerly filed at QA821/C]

Hubert Church, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1893-1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/14)

[Formerly filed at QA821/C]

Marcus Clarke, articles, biographical notes, criticism, 1880-1920 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/15) (Reel CY 1161)

[Formerly filed at ZQA823/C]

George M. Cochrane (Grant Hervey), poems, articles, biographical notes, 1901-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/15)

[Formerly filed at QA821/C]

Victor J. Daley, poems, articles, criticism, biographical notes, 1883-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/15)

[Formerly filed at Q049/14]

Victor J. Daley, poems, biographical notes, 1887-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/15)

[Formerly filed at Q049/15]

Victor J. Daley, poems, articles, stories, 1883-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/16)

With three autograph letters signed, 1895, n.d. [Formerly filed at QA821/D141]

William Bede Dalley, articles, biographical notes, black and white drawing, 1881-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/16)

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Daniel Henry Deniehy, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1881-1900; Henry Kingsley, articles, 1860-1861, 1860-1900 (Box MLMSS 4937/16)

[Formerly filed at QA923.2/D]
Alfred Dommett, notes re “Ranolf and Amohia” and “Rhymes Old and New”, 1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/16)

[Formerly filed at QA821/D]

Albert Dorrington, poems, articles, stories, criticism, 1895-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/16)

[Formerly filed at QA823/D]

Edward Dyson, poems, stories, biographical notes, criticism, 1887-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/17)

[Formerly filed at QA821/D]

James Edmond, poems, articles, 1888-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/17)

[Formerly filed at QA920.5/E]

George Essex Evans, poems, biographical notes, 1891-1904, 1891-1908 (Box MLMSS 4937/17)

Along with Ernest Favenc, poems, articles, stories, biographical notes with ms. list of publications, 1892-1908; William James Evans, biographical notes, 1904 [formerly filed at QA821/E92.1/2A1].

John Farrell, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1883-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/17)

[Formerly filed at QA821/F245.2/2A1]

William Thomas Goodge, poems, 1898-1907 (Box MLMSS 4937/17)

With autobiographical notes in his own hand, n.d. [formerly filed at QA827/G].

Adam Lindsay Gordon, poems, biographical notes, 1880-1928 (Box MLMSS 4937/18)

[Formerly filed at QA821/G662.1/1A1]

Harold Grey (Theodore Emile Argyles), poems, articles, stories, 1884-85; Montague Grover, poems, articles, stories, 1883-1904, 1883-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/18)

[Formerly filed at QA821/G]
James Hebblethwaite, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1896-1920 (Box MLMSS 4937/18)

[Formerly filed at QA821/H]

Phillip Joseph Holdsworth, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1885-1902; A.A. Grace, article, 1902, 1885-1902 (Box MLMSS 4937/18)

[Formerly filed at QA821/H]

Imperialism, articles, 1895-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/18)

[Formerly filed at Q049/17]

Henry Kendall, poems, biographical notes, 1859-1929 (Box MLMSS 4937/19)

[Formerly filed at ZQA821/K33/1A1].

Francis Kenna, poems, articles, 1891-1910; Robert Kaleski, articles, biographical notes, 1903-1910,1891-1910 (Box MLMSS 4937/19)

[Formerly filed at QA821/K]

Louisa Lawson, poems, articles, biographical notes, criticism, 1896-1927 (Box ZMLMSS 4937/19)
(Reel CY 1161)

With autograph letter signed, 1901 [formerly filed at ZQA920.7/L].

Henry Lawson, poems, articles, stories, reviews, biographical notes, 1888-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/20)

[Formerly filed at QA821/L425.1].

Henry Lawson, poems, articles, letters, 1892-1927 (Box MLMSS 4937/20)

[Formerly filed at QA821/L and Safe 3/2f]

William Lawson, poems, 1900-1915 (Box MLMSS 4937/21)

[Formerly filed at QA821/L]

Libraries, articles, 1895-1923 (Box MLMSS 4937/21)

[Formerly filed at Q027/N]
Constance McAdam (Constance Clyde), poems, stories, biographical notes, criticism, 1895-1914 (Box MLMSS 4937/21)

[Formerly filed at QA823/M]

A.C. Mackay, Jessie Mackay, Kenneth Mackay, Hugh Mackay, poems and articles, 1893-1919 (Box MLMSS 4937/21)

A.C. Mackay, poems, 1895-1911; Jessie Mackay, poems, articles, 1893-1919; Kenneth Mackay, poems, criticism, 1895-1898; Hugh Mackay, poems, articles, 1911 [formerly filed at QA821/M].

Hugh McCrae, Dorothy Frances McCrae, George Gordon McCrae, poems, articles and biographical notes, 1897-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/21)

Hugh McCrae, poems, articles, cartoons, 1897-1911; Dorothy Frances McCrae, poems, articles, 1904-1908; George Gordon McCrae, poems, biographical notes, 1905-1910 [formerly filed at Q049/16].

Louise Mack, poems, articles, stories, 1894-1915 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at QA821/M153.4/1A1]

Archibald Meston, articles, biographical notes, 1884-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at Q049/13]

Alexander Montgomery, poems, stories, articles, 1891-1907 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at QA823/M]

Harry Harbord Morant ("The Breaker"), poems, stories, biographical notes, 1891-1926 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at QA821/M829/1A1]

Frank Morton, stories, 1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at Q049/12]

Phil Moubray, Harry Harbord Morant and Frank Morton, poems, stories, articles, 1891-1910 (Box MLMSS 4937/22)

[Formerly filed at QA823/M]
New Australia and Cosme, articles re the Australian colonies in Paraguay, 1893-1929 (Box MLMSS 4937/23)

[Formerly filed at Q335.979/1A1]

New Zealand Verse, poems, articles, criticism re Dora Wilcox, Seaforth McKenzie, Katherine Mansfield and others, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/23)

[Formerly filed at QA821/N]

Northern Territory, articles, 1905-1922 (Box MLMSS 4937/23)

[Formerly filed at Q049/10]

Agnes Conor O'Brien (MacLeod), E. Lowe, Stephen Edward O'Brien, J. O'Byrne, 1885-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/23)

Agnes Conor O'Brien (MacLeod), articles, short stories, 1899-1911; E. Lowe, poems, 1885; Stephen Edward O'Brien, articles, stories, biographical notes, 1906-1910; J. O'Byrne, poems, 1885, [formerly filed at QA821/M].

Bernard O'Dowd, poems, criticism, 1895-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/23)

[Formerly filed at QA821/026/1A1]

William Henry Ogilvie, poems, articles, criticism, 1894-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/24)

[Formerly filed at QA821/034/6A1]

William Henry Ogilvie, poems, articles, 1889-1911 (Box MLMSS 4937/24)

[Formerly filed at QA821/034/6A2]

Dowell O'Reilly, Sydney Wheeler Jephcott, Ina W. Wildman, poems, stories, biographical notes, 1884-1914 (Box MLMSS 4937/24)

Dowell O'Reilly, poems, stories, biographical notes, 1892-1914; Sydney Wheeler Jephcott, poems, 1884-1892; Ina W. Wildman, poems, 1889-1912 [formerly filed at QA821/0].

Andrew Barton Paterson ('The Banjo'), poems, articles, criticism, biographical notes, 1886-1903 (Box MLMSS 4937/24)

[Formerly filed at QA821/P296/2]
Roderic Quinn, poems, stories, articles, biographical notes, 1897-1906 (Box MLMSS 4937/24)

[Formerly filed at QA821/Q]

John Steele Robertson (Steele Grey), Ethel Mills, Mary Ann Robertson, poems, stories, articles, 1892-1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/25)

John Steele Robertson (Steele Grey), poems, drama articles, 1892-1899; Ethel Mills, poems, stories, articles, 1899-1905; Mary Ann Robertson, poems, 1897-1898 [formerly filed at QA820/2].

Steele Rudd (Arthur Hoey Davis), poems, stories, criticism, 1895-1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/25)
(Reel CY 1404)

[Formerly filed at ZQA827/R914/1]

South Sea Islands, articles, 1903-1912 (Box MLMSS 4937/25)

[Formerly filed at Q049/7]

South Sea Islands, articles, 1894-1908 (Box MLMSS 4937/25)

[Formerly filed at Q049/8]

Stage and Drama - Australasian, articles and programmes, 1892-1914 (Box MLMSS 4937/26)

[Formerly filed at Q792.099/A]

State Interference, articles, 1894-1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/26)

[Formerly filed at 330.9901/210]

Alfred George Stephens, poems, articles, 1896, 1928-1932 (Box MLMSS 4937/26)

With ms. of early critical work, 1889-1890, [Formerly filed at ZA7000]

James Brunton Stephens, poems, articles, biographical notes, 1881-1903 (Box MLMSS 4937/26)

[Formerly filed at QA821/S]

Sugar Culture, articles, 1895-1912 (Box MLMSS 4937/26)
Sugar Culture, articles, 1894-1895 (Box MLMSS 4937/27)

Ethel Turner, Charles Henry Souter, poems, stories, articles, cartoons, criticism, biographical notes, 1890-1912 (Box MLMSS 4937/27)

Ethel Turner, poems, articles, stories, criticism, biographical notes, 1893-1912; Charles Henry Souter, poems, cartoons, criticism, 1890-1912 [formerly filed at QA823/T945/1].

Western Australian Verse, poems, articles, criticism, 1897-1915 (Box MLMSS 4937/27)

Westralia, articles, 1894-1912 (Box MLMSS 4937/27)

V. Individual works by, or edited by A.G. Stephens and intended for publication, 1901-1925 (Box MLMSS 4927/28-29)

A. “Autobiographies of Australian and New Zealand Authors and and Artists”, 1901-1924
Ms. and typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/28)

A compilation of more than two hundred completed questionnaires sent by A.G. Stephens to prominent authors and artists including Miles Franklin, Henry Lawson, Norman Lindsay, William Lister Lister, William Somerset Maugham, Bernard O'Dowd, Vance and Nettie Palmer, Katharine Susannah Prichard (Throssell) and Ethel Turner (Curlewis). See also MLMSS 4937/8 for additional questionnaires. [formerly filed at QA920/A and ZMLMSS 3942]

Typescript with ms. note (Box MLMSS 4937/28 ) (Reel CY1538)
Lists meaning and derivation of slang words and phrases [formerly filed at Q427.9/0].

C. 'Alphabetical List of 172 Authors and Artists of Australia and New Zealand with Place and Date Birth and Working Pseudonyms', n.d. Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29) (Reel CY806)

[Formerly filed at A920/S]

D. 'Austrazealand Pen-Names, 1890-1925'
Typescript with ms. additions (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

An alphabetical list of Australian and New Zealand writers by their pen-names [formerly filed at 014.9/S]

E. 'Station Songs and Droving Ditties by Harry Harbord Morant ('The Breaker')', 1923
Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

Includes newscuttings and copy of a letter from J.F. Thomas to A.G. Stephens, 22 June 1921 with an additional memoir by A.G. Stephens [formerly filed at A2306].

F. Selected Poems of John Shaw Neilson, 1914 (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

Galley proofs with ms. corrections and a note by A.G. Stephens. Also includes signed autograph poem by Neilson and photographic portrait [formerly filed at QA821/N].

Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

Draft of an unpublished novel. Stephens' collaborator, Robert Allan, was a New Zealander by birth and the author of several other works of fiction [formerly filed at MLMSS 4572]

H. 'Australian anthem', 1933
Typescript with ms. note (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

A patriotic song written by A.G. Stephens and published in 1915 [formerly filed at MLDOC 769]

'Good-bye to Sydney Town'. Words and music by A.G. Stephens 1922
Ms. and typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/29)
I. Articles and interviews with notable people (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

   i. Draft of 'Oscar Asche. An interview with A.G. Stephens', ca.1922
      Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)
      Ms. corrections by Oscar Asche and Stephens [formerly filed at Aa 42]

      Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

   iii. Draft of part of the book Victor Daley by A.G. Stephens, ca.1905
      Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

      Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

   v. Draft of preface by A.G. Stephens to Rigby's romance by Joseph
      Furphy (Tom Collins), 8 July 1921
      Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

   vi. Draft of article re Mary Gilmore by A.G. Stephens, n.d.
      Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

   vii. Drafts of 'An interview with W.A. Holman' by A.G. Stephens, ca.1922
      Ms., typescript, and printed proof with ms. corrections and
      annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)
      Corrections and annotations by Stephens and Holman

      Typescript with ms. corrections and annotations (Box MLMSS 4937/29)
      (Reel CY2213)

      [Formerly filed at ZAI 29/29]

   ix. Draft of 'The art of singing. An interview with Melba', by A.G.
      Stephens, 1924
      Typescript with ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)
      Corrections by Nellie Melba and Stephens
x. Draft of article re John Shaw Neilson, 'The making of poetry', by A.G. Stephens, 1931
   Typescript with MS. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

xi. Drafts of article re John Boyle O'Reilly by A.G. Stephens, n.d.
    Ms. and typescript (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

xii. Draft of article re James Brunton Stephens, by A.G. Stephens, 11 May 1901
    Typescript with Ms. corrections (Box MLMSS 4937/29)

VI. Printed Books

Auguste Dorchain, *L'art des vers*, Paris, n.d. (Box MLMSS 4937/30)
   With ms. annotations by A.G. Stephens [formerly filed at 801.95/1]

   Inscribed 'To A.G. Stephens from Henry Lawson 22/12/94'. Includes autograph note from Louisa Lawson to Stephens, 12 Nov. 1896.

Agnes Conor O'Brien (MacLeod), *MacLeod of the Bulletin*,
   Sydney, 1931 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)
   With ms. and typescript notes by A.G. Stephens [formerly filed at A927.5/M]

A.B. Paterson, *The man from Snowy River and other verses*,
   Sydney, 1895 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)

A.G. Stephens (ed.), *Anzac memorial*, Sydney, 1916 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)
   Inscribed in Stephens' hand 'Editor's copy October 19, 1916'. Includes MS. printing instructions by Stephens [formerly filed at 940.425/1B1]

A.G. Stephens (ed.), *A southern garland*, Sydney, 1904 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)
   Inscribed in Stephens' hand 'No. 1 of 25 copies thus. Editor's copy A.G. Stephens'. With additional ms. annotations [formerly filed at A821.08/67A1]
A.G. Stephens, Pamphlets: *The Griffilwraith*, 1893; *Why North Queensland wants separation*, 1893; *The Suffield case*, 1897, 1893-1897 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)

With ms. annotations by Stephens [formerly filed at 342.94/S]

A.G. Stephens, *Victor Daley*, Sydney, 1905 (Box MLMSS 4937/30)

Inscribed in Stephens' hand 'No. 6 of 13. A.G. Stephens'. Includes original ms. poem by Daley “His ambition” [formerly filed at A821/D141/6B1]