

A Guide to the Benjamin Penhollow Shillaber Collection

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Item Listing

Letters

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1874 Oct 20

Extent

ALS,
3 p.

Scope and Content

[Appreciates invitation to meet his family, but cannot come; explains how he named his character "Mrs. Partington"; congratulates him on his prominent name.]

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1887 Mar 9

Extent

ALS,
4 p.

Scope and Content

[Thanks him for copies of Partington's school paper and yearbook; says book helped him forget about stalled writing; congratulates him belatedly on becoming headmaster of the Academy; regrets that he cannot contribute to the Winter Memorial Library although he admires the project dedicated to his friend.]

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1887 Sep 17

Extent

ALS,
4 p.

Scope and Content

[Discusses the connection between the fictitious Mrs. Partington and Partington's mother; says he is puzzled that Lippincott's Dictionary embodied "Mrs. Partington"; promises a book for the Winter Library; hopes Partington and Mr. Winter will visit him.]

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1889 Jul 3

Extent

ALS,
4 p.

Scope and Content

[Refers to his letter and school catalog; says he is enjoying visit to his daughter's family; speaks about his health, his approaching 75th birthday, and the fictional Mrs. Partington; discusses his admiration for William Winter, his early recognition of Winter's genius, and his prediction for Winter's future success; says he is disappointed that Winter does not have similar regard for his own work.]

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1889 Aug 8

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Asks if he has a teaching position for his niece, Emilie N. de Rochemont, a Wellesleygraduate; asks if he knows of any positions at other schools.]

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberto Frederick Eugene Partington

Unit Date 1890 Jun 5

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Declines invitation to his wedding; sends a poem written for the occasion along with his congratulations and blessings.]

Photograph

Benjamin Penhallow Shillaber, head and shoulders, by H. G. Smith

Unit Date 1887 May 3

Extent

Photograph

Scope and Content

[Signed by Benjamin Penhallow Shillaberwith quotation: "The assumed to Mrs. Partington to the real Mrs. Partington."]

