

A Guide to the Elizabeth Oakes Smith Collection

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Charlottesville, Virginia 22903
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Collection is open to research.

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Item Listing

Manuscript

" A Visit to Long Island"

Unit Date n. d.

Extent

AMs,
6 p.

Letters

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to Rufus Wilmot Griswold

Unit Date 1843 Jul 18

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Acknowledges his letter containing a draft; hopes the article she sends him will be acceptable.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to Messrs. Carey and Hart

Unit Date 1847 Nov 18

Extent

ALS,
1 p.

Scope and Content

[Accepts the firm's statement that she had prepared only 5 manuscripts for them; says she had erroneously thought of a higher number.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to "My dear Doctor"

Unit Date 1850 May 6

Extent

ALS,
4 p.

Scope and Content

[Encourages an ill friend; reports on her play to be staged in September in Philadelphia; says she is afraid that one book project has fallen through; feels that the past year has been a loss to her; encloses an article by John Neal; asks correspondent to get a copy of her portrait should he go to Philadelphia, where the portrait was done.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to Messrs. Ticknor and Fields

Unit Date 1853 Jun 25

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Discusses one of her plays which has been well received by the press, especially by [George] Ripley of the New York Times; hopes to see it introduced to the Boston public; requests that they send copies of that play to all the principal editors of Boston.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to Rufus Wilmot Griswold

Unit Date 1853 Jul 1

Extent

ALS,
3 p.

Scope and Content

[Discusses a play of hers which he endorsed in his book years ago; asks him to review Old New York (1853) in some papers, having received many literary courtesies from him in the past; complains about the lack of companionship among contemporary writers.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to E[dwin] P[ercy] Whipple

Unit Date 1854 Dec 23

Extent

ALS,
1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses a volume of poems by Caroline [Briggs] of Marblehead whom she thinks highly of; asks him the favor of receiving them.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to M. Laird Simms

Unit Date 1873 Aug 4

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Complains that the Cyclopedia of American Literature gives little idea of her writings; gives him a list of titles of her recent writings.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to Editor, Portland Daily Press

Unit Date 1873 Oct 17

Extent

ALS,
1 p.

Scope and Content

[Says she would like to know if her letter containing reminiscences of her honored friend Judge [Ware] has reached him; says she is certain, should there be interest, any New York paper would be glad to have them; asks for a reply.]

"The measure of capacity is the measure of Sphere to either man or woman. Elizabeth Oakes Smith. "

Unit Date 1883 Aug 14

Extent

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