

A Guide to the Elizabeth Oakes Smith Collection

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Item Listing

Manuscripts

Poem, " Unattained"

Unit Date 1881 Sep 2

Extent

AMsS,
3 p.

Scope and Content

[Includes note to [O. S.] Baldwin at the end; thanks him for papers he sent to her and for keeping up the interest of the "Monthly."]

Poem, " With the Skin of a Monkey"

Unit Date 1881 Jan 1

Extent

AMsS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Inscribed to Corinne Baldwin.]

Letters

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to [O. S.] Baldwin

Unit Date 1875 Sep 14

Extent

ALS,
3 p.

Scope and Content

[Relates some gossip in regard to "Stonewall" Jackson's wife [Anna Morrison Jackson]; says that, according to family gossip, Harriet Beecher proposed to Dr. Storrs after his first wife died; says that Dr. Storrs' first wife was related to Smith and was a daughter of theologian Bennett Tyler; promises to send Baldwin autographs of her friends.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to [O. S.] Baldwin

Unit Date 1875 Oct 5

Extent

ALS,
3 p.

Scope and Content

[Reports on her election to "Worthy Chief Templar" of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina; says she was also elected delegate to the Grand Worthy International Lodge; sends him a few autographs upon request; says she is disappointed not to find her contribution in the October issue of Baldwin's Monthly.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to [O. S.] Baldwin

Unit Date 1876 Jan 20

Extent

ALS,
1 p.

Scope and Content

[Sends him an autograph of Mrs. Eames; gives an account of her life: Mrs. Eames' father forced her to break off her engagement to Horace Greeley; says Eames wrote some poetry which interested Edgar Allan Poe; thinks of Eames as interesting in a weird way.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to [O. S.] Baldwin

Unit Date 1876 Mar 4

Extent

ALS,
2 p.

Scope and Content

[Thanks him for a box of interesting papers, including Baldwin's Monthly, Art Journal, etc.; says she has sent him the autograph of Anne Charlotte Lynch Botta who sold her valuable collection of autographs to Russell Sage of Brooklyn; says Botta established a prize with the obtained money to be awarded for the best work on the "Condition of Women," to be written in French, and to be awarded every 5 years by the French Academy.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smith to unknown

Unit Date 1876 May 15

Extent

ALS,
1 p.

Scope and Content

[Sends autograph of Thomas Cole; speaks of her admiration for the painter; says his pictures "The Voyage of Life" prompted her to write four sonnets.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smithto [O. S.] Baldwin**Unit Date** 1877 Oct 5**Extent**

ALS,

3 p.

Scope and Content

[Describes her duties as pastor of the Independent Church of Canostota, New York; describes the church community; encourages him to send a parcel of Baldwin's Monthly to be passed around; says it would be a good advertisement for him; sends an article of hers which he might like to publish.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smithto [O. S.] Baldwin**Unit Date** 1877 Dec 28**Extent**

ALS,

2 p.

Scope and Content

[Acknowledges his Christmas gift; comments on the January edition to the Journal; requests another copy of a little "note" of hers he will publish.]

Elizabeth Oakes Smithto [O. S.] Baldwin**Unit Date** 1881 Sep 28**Extent**

ALS,

3 p.

Scope and Content

[Comments on the depressing times the country is experiencing due to the death of the president, failing crops, etc.; remarks on "Mother Shippen's" prophecies; acknowledges receipt of \$3 for poem entitled "Unattained"; says she is presently writing an article on the latitude claimed by American women.]