

A Guide to the Thomas Nelson Page Collection

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Item Listing

Manuscripts

Farcical poem entitled "Dutch Marriage Ceremony," unsigned but addressed to Virginia Lafayette Nelson

Unit Date n.d.

Extent AMs, 2 p.

Letters

Subseries A: Letters of Thomas Nelson Page and Associated Letters**Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman**

Unit Date 1911 Aug 4

Extent ALS, 2 p.

Scope and Content

[Re Robert's (Robert W. Nelson) health and plans to attend school.]

Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1912 Sep 6

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses cheque for \$200.00 for two Nelson boys' tuition, apologizes for including her in the business transaction.]

Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1913 Jan 3

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses cheque for \$250.00 for the Nelsons' tuition, is glad to hear they are doing well.]

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Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1913 Feb 17

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses \$200.00 for balance on tuition.]

Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1913 May 23

Extent TLS, 4 p.

Scope and Content

[Suggests that it may be time for Robert to go to work, recommends that Gilman discuss the matter with Louie Bruce, explains that he has many calls on him and enumerates one from his cousin who cannot send his son to school.]

Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1913 May 26

Extent TLS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Recounts conversation with Louise B., his sister-in-law, concerning Page's (S. Page Nelson) eligibility for St. Paul's School; does not promise to continue his financial support, but agrees to keep the matter under his consideration.]

Thomas Nelson Pageto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1913 Jun 7

Extent TLS, 3 p.

Scope and Content

[Agrees to send the tuition if Gilman writes him that only through his assistance can the Nelson boys continue their schooling, says that he would like to be kept abreast of the two boys' activities in the future.]

Elisabeth Gilmanto S. Page Nelson

Unit Date 1939 Dec 27

Extent TLS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses two letters from Thomas Nelson Page.]

S. Page Nelson to Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date [1947] Mar 17

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Encloses photographs, says he has found other boyhood memorabilia predating the sale of Banister Lodge and will divide other pictures with Robert.]

S. Page Nelson to Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date 1952 Sep 17

Extent ALS, 2 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Encloses Thomas Nelson Page letters, expresses gratitude for Lizzie's (Elisabeth Gilman) having stood by them; discusses presidential race and possibilities for banking if the Democrats stay in, calls for depression to weed out competition.]

Subseries B: Letters of the Nelson Family

[M. M. Elfreth] to Virginia Lafayette Nelson, Oakland

Unit Date [1843] Sep 13

Extent ALS, 2 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Wishes good health for your Brother Robert, sends materials and 56 cents change, sends regards to various family members]

Robert Nelson to Hugh T. Nelson

Unit Date 1884 Apr 17

Extent ALS, 4 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Has written to Dr. Mallet and Col. Venable, hopes he may get the place; describes a wedding in New York from which he has just returned; says he has received a letter from Dr. Mallet, a copy of which he encloses; Mallet recommends Robert Nelson for one of two positions as Instructor in the School of Mines of the University of Missouri.]

Horace Jonesto Robert Nelson, with two additional letters on same leaf

Unit Date [1887] Nov 15

Extent ALS, 4 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Jones encloses note for \$10 payment of Nelson's bill, reports on having visited the Oakland household; Nelson writes his mother (Virginia Lafayette Nelson), reports on family news, sends along Major Jones' letter; Hugh T. Nelson writes his mother (Virginia Lafayette Nelson) about family matters.]

Robert Nelson to Virginia Lafayette Nelson

Unit Date 1904 Oct 4

Extent ALS, 2 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Discusses family news.]

"Your affectionate old Aunt, E. K. Page" to Virginia Lafayette Nelson

Unit Date 1909 Aug 9

Extent ALS, 6 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Mainly discussing family news, with mentions of the St. Martin's Parish day (a church holiday with a sermon by Virginia Lafayette Nelson's kinsman, Rev. Everard Meade, and a paper read by Berkeley Minor), John Page's appendicitis, Mary Willis Minor's stay at " Rock Castle, " one of the Fontaine homes.]

Virginia Lafayette Nelson to Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date 1947 Dec 23

Extent ANS, 1 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Note on an envelope which contained something given to Virginia Lafayette Nelson by her Aunt, Eliza K. Nelson.]

Virginia Lafayette Nelson to Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date [1948] Dec

Extent APS, 1 p. w/env

Scope and Content

[Christmas card]

Miles [Farrows ?]to "Bob" [Robert W. Nelson]

Unit Date n.d.

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Says he is glad to give Robert W. Nelson the use of his rooms while he is away at Hot Springs, Virginia.]

"Your affec brother" [in law, Robert W. Nelson] and "your . . . sister, Ellie C. Nelson" to "My darling Ria" [Maria Clark]

Unit Date n.d.

Extent ALS, 3 p.

Scope and Content

[Discusses family matters.]

Subseries C: Letters of the Gilman Family

Charles J. Bonaparteto Elisabeth Gilman

Unit Date 1910 Nov 21

Extent TLS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Witty letter regarding Gilman's anticipated visit to " Bella Vista" and a hunting permit for her companion.]

F. Courtneyto Everett Wheeler

Unit Date 1911 Nov 24

Extent ALS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Thanks him for suggestion of incorporating Kipling's Recessional in his next sermon.]

Rep. William Sulzerto Everett Wheeler

Unit Date 1912 Dec 13

Extent TLS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Thanks him for suggestions.]

Mayor William J. Gaynorto Everett Wheeler

Unit Date 1913 Feb 24

Extent TLS, 1 p.

Scope and Content

[Briefly discusses the three scamps.]

Photographs

Included in a letter so dated from S. Page Nelsonto Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date 1947 Mar 17

Scope and Content

[3 unidentified and 1 of Robert W. Nelsonclipped from newspaper.]

Included in a letter so dated from Virginia Lafayette Nelsonto Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Nelson

Unit Date [1948] Dec

Scope and Content

[1 unidentified, 1 of " Banister Lodge, " 1 of "EAC" [Elvira Ann Clark], 1 of "MBC (Mary Bailey), EAC

(Mother), MWC (Maria Wilson, Aunt Wye)."]

Miscellaneous photographs

Unit Date n.d.

Scope and Content

[2 of EAC [Elvira Ann Clark], 2 unidentified.]

Miscellaneous

School reports of Virginia Lafayette Nelson from the school of "The Misses Nelson" at Long Branch, 3 p.

Unit Date 1836-1840

Obituary clippings for Elisabeth Gilman, 6 p.

Unit Date 1950, n.d.