

# A Guide to the Washington Irving Collection

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## Item Listing

### Manuscripts

**Washington Irving's account book**

**Unit Date** 1840-1845

**Extent**

AMs,  
16 p.

**Receipt book**

**Unit Date** 1836-1837

**Extent**

AMs,  
7 p.

**Scope and Content**

(includes signature of Washington Irving)

**"Anecdote of the Young Physician"**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

AMs,  
4 p.

**"Literary Life"**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** AMs,1 p.(fragment)

## **Notes regarding "Prester John"**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

AMs,  
4 p.

## **Notes regarding Spanish politics**

**Unit Date** 1842 Nov 5

**Extent**

AMs,  
9 p.

**Scope and Content**

[not in Washington Irving's hand; possibly a translation of some of his notes]

## **Four unidentified leaves**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** AMs,4 p.(fragments)

**Scope and Content**

including second copy of notes regarding "Adam and the Fall"

## **Correspondence**

### **Sir Walter Scottto Henry Brevoort**

**Unit Date** 1813 Apr 23

**Extent** ALS,2 p.w/addr (facsimile)

### **Thomas Campbellto P[eter] Irving**

**Unit Date** 1814 Mar 1

**Extent** ALS,4 p.w/addr

### **Washington Irvingto Henry Brevoort**

**Unit Date** 1815 May 25

**Extent** AL,2 p.(copy)

### **Jane [Frothingham]to John Frothingham**

**Unit Date** [1816] Sep 29

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

### **Lady Spencer to Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1822 Jun 15

**Extent** AL,1 p.w/addr

**Scope and Content**

(in third person)

### **Washington Irvingto [Mrs. John Foster]**

**Unit Date** [1823] Jun 1

**Extent** AL,2 p.(copy)

### **Washington Irvingto [Mrs. John Foster]**

**Unit Date** [1823] Nov 8

**Extent** AL,2 p.(copy)

**Washington Irvingto unknown**

**Unit Date** [1823 Nov 26]

**Extent** AL,2 p.(extract)

**Washington Irvingto Mrs. [John] Foster**

**Unit Date** 1823 May 4

**Extent** AL,2 p.(copy of excerpts)

**Scope and Content**

(includes following item)

**Washington Irvingto Mrs [John] Foster**

**Unit Date** 1826 May 7

**Extent** AL(copy of excerpts)

**Scope and Content**

with poem, "To Miss Emily Foster on Her Birthday" (copy)

**T[homas] M[oo]re]to Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** [1830]

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**Thomas Mooreto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1831 Jan 31

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**Thomas Mooreto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1831 Mar 11

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**S. M. L[ane]to Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** [1831 Sep 13]

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**Scope and Content**

w/ANS reply from Washington Irvingat bottom

**Thomas Mooreto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1833 Apr 24

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

**[I. W.] Newtonto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** [1835 Jul 14]

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

**W[illiam] S. Libbeyto Richard Winfield**

**Unit Date** [1840] Nov 29

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

**James Edward Alexanderto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1841 Nov 6

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

**Ebenezer Irvingto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1842 Mar 17

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/addr

**Aaron Vailto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1842 Mar 17

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**[ Washington Irving] to Mary**

**Unit Date** 1842 Aug 3

**Extent**

AL,2 p.w/addr (incomplete,  
copy)

**E. L. Cleavelandto William Libbey, et al**

**Unit Date** 1844 Mar 4

**Extent** ALS,4 p.w/addr

**Scope and Content**

w/trans. of ALS, 1844 Feb 6, E. R. Tuckerto E. L. Cleaveland

**Washington Irvingto Gouverneur Kemble**

**Unit Date** 1847 Jul 8

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**D. Appleton and Companyto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1847 Sep 9

**Extent** ALS,2 p.w/dkt

**S. W. Halsteadto M. Gulliam**

**Unit Date** 1849 Mar 17

**Extent**

ALS,  
3 p.

**James Beekmanto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1851 Jun 19

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**Irving Paristo [ Washington Irving]**

**Unit Date** 1851 Oct 13

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**Receipt signed by John Boyd, from S. K. Burkholder**

**Unit Date** 1852 Aug 12

**Extent**

ANS,  
1 p.

**[S. F. R.]Abbey to William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1854 Sep 23

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**Mr. Perrin to William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1855 May 17

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**H[enry] T[hodore] Tuckermanto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1856 Jan 5

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**Bill of lading goods to be shipped to William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1856 Jan 24

**Extent**

DS,  
1 p.

**Washington Irvingto [Emily Foster] Fuller**

**Unit Date** 1856 Jul 2

**Extent** AL,2 p.(copy)

**Joseph Robertson to Pierre Irving**

**Unit Date** 1856 Sep 1

**Extent** AL,6 p.(copy)

**Joseph Robertson to Pierre Irving**

**Unit Date** 1856 Sep 30

**Extent** AL,6 p.(copy)

**Irving Van Wart to unknown**

**Unit Date** 1857 Jul 19

**Extent** AL,4 p.(excerpt)

**S[amuel] Austin Alliboneto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1857 Sep 12

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**William Lambertto William [Alving]**

**Unit Date** 1858 Jun 28

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**William Libbeyto B. Douglass and Co.**

**Unit Date** 1859 Jan 23

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**Julia to Helen**

**Unit Date** 1859 Jan 30

**Extent**

ALS,  
8 p.

**B. Douglass and Co.[ New York] to William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1859 Feb 3

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**Scope and Content**

encl. ALS, same date, B. Douglass and Company[ New York] to B. Douglass and Company[ New Orleans]

**S. A. F[rothingham]to unknown**

**Unit Date** 1859 Sep

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**Pierre Irvingto Henry W[adsworth] Longfellow**

**Unit Date** 1859 Dec 23

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**Helen to Catherine [Paris] regarding death of Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** [1859]

**Extent** ALS,2 p.(fragment)

**James Lenox to [Washington] Frothingham**

**Unit Date** 1860 Jan 3

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**John D. [Vahoust] to William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1861 Feb 4

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**Kate to Abram**

**Unit Date** 1862 Jul 20

**Extent**

ALS,  
10 p.

**[\_\_\_\_ Eurowsky] to Madame [\_\_\_\_]**

**Unit Date** 1863 Oct 25

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**E. Hunn, Jr. to Pierre Irving**

**Unit Date** 1864 Apr 22

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**J. D. Fishto Pierre Irving**

**Unit Date** 1864 Apr 24

**Extent**

ALS,  
3 p.

**[ William Libbey] to [ J. Forster]**

**Unit Date** 1874 Jan 12

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**Henry Alexanderto William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1874 Nov 20

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**[Sarah] to Eliza**

**Unit Date** 1883 Jun 19

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**Marshall Fieldto William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1886 Dec 22

**Extent**

LS,  
2 p.

**W. W. Shermanto William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1890 Feb 24

**Extent**

ANS,  
1 p.

**Scope and Content**

(notice of meeting)

**John Stewartto William Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1893 Sep 18

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**M. R. Pryorto J[ohn] J. McCook**

**Unit Date** 1895 Nov 22

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**John J. McCookto Frederick Libbey**

**Unit Date** 1895 Dec 3

**Extent**

ALS,  
1 p.

**George Irvingto Cousin [ Washington Frothingham]**

**Unit Date** 1904 Jun 10

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**George Irvingto Washington Frothingham**

**Unit Date** 1904 Jun 15

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**Henry Bellowsto Oscar Irving**

**Unit Date** [Feb 17]

**Extent** ALS,3 p.w/env

**Emily Fullerto [ Pierre Irving]**

**Unit Date** Mar 10

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**Melville [deLancey] Landon(" Eli Perkins") to [William] Libbey**

**Unit Date** Jul 12

**Extent**

ALS,  
3 p.

**Julia to Helen**

**Unit Date** Aug 24

**Extent**

ALS,  
4 p.

**unknown to [his children]**

**Unit Date** Oct 15

**Extent**

AL,  
1 p.

**T. Eamesto Mrs. Irving**

**Unit Date** Oct 29

**Extent**

ALS,  
2 p.

**[ Melville deLancey Landon] to [ William Libbey]**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

ALS,

4 p.

**Scope and Content**

encl. circular for Landon's new book

**Maggie to Kitty**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

ALS,

4 p.

**Washington Irvingto unknown**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** AL,3 p.(extracts)

**Scope and Content**

regarding Spain

**T[homas] M[oore]to Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**T[homas] M[oore]to Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**Thomas Mooreto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

AN,

1 p.

**Scope and Content**

written on a calling card

**T[homas] Mooreto Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent** ALS,1 p.w/addr

**Scope and Content**

encl. ALS, no date, Thomas Longmanto Thomas Moore

**Miscellaneous**

**Washington Irving, head and shoulders, signed**

**Unit Date** 1851

**Extent**

Etching,

**17 postcards and printed photos showing New York City, ca. 1739-1800**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

Prints,

**Canadian penny token**

**Unit Date** 1843

**Extent**

Currency,

**United States ten-cent bill**

**Unit Date** 1849

**Extent**

Currency,

**Sate of Virginia \$5.00**

**Unit Date** 1858

**Extent**

Currency,

**Confederate States of America \$100.00**

**Unit Date** 1863

**Extent**

Bond,

**Confederate States of America \$20.00**

**Unit Date** 1864

**Extent**

Currency,

**Power of Attorney, Washington Irvingto Pierre Irving**

**Unit Date** 1842 Apr 21

**Extent**

ADS,  
4 p.

**Assignment of copyright to Pierre Irving for Washington Irving's Life of George Washington**

**Unit Date** 1860 Feb 10

**Extent**

ADS,  
3 p.

**Release of Pierre Irving from further accounting as executor of Washington Irving's will , by Sarah Irving and Catherine Irving**

**Unit Date** 1869 Mar 30

**Extent**

ADS,  
2 p.

**Passport for Frederick Libbey (pre-printed part)**

**Unit Date** 1908 Mar 18

**Extent**

ADS,  
1 p.

**Autographs of Edward Everett, George Bancroft, William Seward, Robert Winthrop, and Martin Van Buren**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

ADS,

**12 clippings regarding Washington Irving**

**Unit Date** 1876-1919

**Extent**

Printed,

**Translation of magazine article from the Border Magazine, regarding Irving family**

**Unit Date** 1903 Sep

**Extent**

AM,

**List of home remedies, in an unknown hand**

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

AM,

## 2 unidentified fragments

**Unit Date** n. d.

**Extent**

AMs,

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