Guide to W. P. Barrett correspondence

BKP 142

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Overview

REPOSITORY: Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library Special Collections
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CALL NUMBER: BKP 142


TITLE: W. P. Barrett correspondence

DATES: 1918-1932

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 8 letters

LANGUAGE(S): In English.

SUMMARY: The collection contains letters written by W. P. Barrett to bookplate collectors and designers R.W. Irwin and H. Harden.

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Administrative Information

Provenance

Acquired by purchase, 2014.

Information about Access

This collection is open for research.

Ownership & Copyright

Copyright has not been transferred to Yale University.

Cite As

W. P. Barrett Correspondence, Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library, Yale University.
Biographical Overview

William Phillips Barrett (1861-1938) was an employee of John & Edward Bumpus Ltd. and managed their ex-libris orders. According to Brian North Lee: “The extent to which [Barrett] personally engaged in design has been a matter of debate, but he deserves acclaim as an entrepreneur.” Barrett’s initials appear on hundreds of bookplate designs produced by the Bumpus firm, though several bookplate engravers worked for Bumpus under an anonymity clause, including J.A.C. Harrison, Robert Osmond, John Edward Syson, Charles Bird, and George Ernest Vize.


Description of the Papers

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Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.
Collection Contents

Correspondence

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The series consists of seven autograph letters signed by Barrett.
Access Terms

Subjects
Bookplates, British.

Genre/Form
Correspondence.