

# Guide to the Hill Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** OSB MSS 31

**CREATOR:** Hill, Richard, 1656?-1727

**TITLE:** Hill papers

**DATES:** 1695-1709

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.5 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** French

**SUMMARY:** Letters and documents concerning Hill's activities as ambassador to the Hague and envoy to the Savoy. Also includes letters from James Bateman regarding financial matters and political appointments; from James Cressett regarding Cressett's work as a diplomat; from George Dolman regarding the naval maneuvers of the frigate, Lyme, of which Dolman was captain; and from Richard Powys regarding the passing of Hill's bills at the Treasury.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of James Marshall and Marie-Louise Osborn.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Scope and Contents

This finding aid encompasses accessions of materials pertaining to Richard Hill.

## Collection Contents

### Letters and Documents, ca. 1704

b. 1, f. 1	Anonymous. Account of the Siege of the Gescentin by the French, [n.p.]	ca. 1704
b. 1, f. 2	Araciete, Marcos de. 2 ALS to Richard Hill, [n.p.]	1705 Apr 19, 23
b. 1, f. 3	Aremberg, Leopold, Duke of, d. 1754. ALS (in French) to Richard Hill, [n.p.]	ca. 1700
	Bateman, Sir James, d. 1718	
b. 1, f. 4-5	<a href="#">40 ALS and 2 letters (copies) to Richard Hill, Antwerp, London and Helvoetflus</a> Extensive correspondence on Hill's financial affairs, revealing the interaction between the Bank of England with the Exchequer, Lords of the Treasury, and House of Lords.	1696 Jul 4-1701 Mar 12
b. 1, f. 6	<a href="#">8 ALS and 2 letters (copies) to Richard Hill, London</a> Personal correspondence about financial matters and political appointments.	1697 May 18-1700 Oct 23
b. 1, f. 7	Blackwell, L. ALS to [Richard Hill], Genoa.	1705 May 2
b. 1, f. 8	Caracciolo, Antonio. ALS (in Italian) to Richard Hill, [n.p.]	1705 Apr 25
	Cressett, James, 1655?-1710	
b. 1, f. 9	<a href="#">25 ALS and 1 letter (dictated) to Richard Hill, Hamburg, Hanover, and Zell</a> Humorously reveals the lifestyle, disappointments and financial difficulties of an English diplomat.	1697 Jul 9-1703 Aug 7
b. 1, f. 10	<a href="#">2 ALS to [Richard Powys], Cheam</a>	1709 Aug 2, 1709 Sep 6
b. 1, f. 11	D'Aversberg, Count. ALS (in French) to Richard Hill, [Turin] Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , I. 40.	1703 Sep 22
b. 1, f. 12	Dolman, George. 4 ALS, 3 LS and 1 letter (copy) to Richard Hill, on board the Lyme Reports of naval maneuvers from the British frigate, "Lyme," of which Dolman was captain.	1705 Apr 2-14
b. 1, f. 13	Frise, Mr. 4 ALS (in French) to Richard Hill, various places With references to Mr. Blathwayt.	1695 Jun 12-Aug 12
b. 1, f. 14	Goetz, Baron. Letter (copy) to William Blathwayt, The Hague	1694 Jan 19/29
b. 1, f. 15	Hamilton, Hans, 1652?-. Receipts, signed, Genoa Acknowledges receipt of money from Richard Hill for Catalonian Campaign. See Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , II. 688-690.	1705 Dec 13/24- 1706 Feb 9
	Hill, Richard, 1655-1727	
b. 1, f. 16	AL (draft, in French) to the Dowager-Duchess of Savoy, [n.p.] Sends respects from William III. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , II. 803.	[1699] Aug 9

## Hill, Richard, 1655-1727 (continued)

b. 1, f. 17	AL (draft, in French) to the Duke of Savoy, [n.p.]	1699 Aug 9
b. 1, f. 18	AL (draft) to M. Vicetti, Genoa Complains about an English sailor being put into chains. Vicetti was Secretary of State of Genoa. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , II. 677 and (translation) II. 912. Accompanied by copy of anonymous letter on same subject, dated 1705 May 4/15.	1706 Jan 6
b. 1, f. 19	Paper (holograph manuscript, draft) given in by Mr. Hill to the Lord Treasurer, [n.p.] Report on the war in Italy. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> .	1706 May 6
b. 1, f. 20	Hop, Mr. Letter (copy, in French) to Lord Villiers, Amsterdam On payments from the Bank of England.	1696 Aug 8
b. 1, f. 21	Jeanne de Savoie-Nemours, Duchesse. Letter (copy) to Queen Anne, Turin Welcomes Hill as the Queen's envoy. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , I. 237.	1706 Jan 8
b. 1, f. 22	Karl VI, Emperor of Germany, 1685- 1740. LS (fragment, in French) to Richard Hill, Barcelona Signature remains, but serious loss of text. Printed in full in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , I. 229 and (translation) II. 875.	1705 Oct 27
b. 1, f. 23	Letters and Papers concerning the War in Flanders.	1697, n.d.
b. 1, f. 24	Marlborough, John Churchill, 1st Duke, 1650-1722. LS (fragment, in French) to Richard Hill, from a camp near Landau Signature remains, but serious loss of text. Printed in full in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , I. 169 and (translation) II. 872.	1704 Nov 13
b. 1, f. 25	Mornay, Mr. 2 ALS (in French) to [Richard Hill?], London	1703 Apr 11, 24
b. 1, f. 26	Netherlands (United Provinces, 1581- 1795) Staten Generaal. Extract from the Register of Resolutions of the States General Anonymous manuscript (in French). Instructions for Major-General Belcastel; Richard Hill's role in levying 3000 men for protection of Cevennes. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , p. 390, and translated on p. 884.	1704 Apr 29,
b. 1, f. 27	Powys, Richard, d. 1724. 16 ALS to Richard Hill, Whitehall About the passing of Hill's bills at the Treasury while Powys was Paymaster. Matthew Prior is mentioned (1696/7 Feb 9 and Mar 9); Marlborough's victory is reported (1704 Aug 18).	1696/7 Feb 9– 1705 Jul 13
b. 1, f. 28	Shaw, William. 2 ALS to Richard Hill, [n.p.] Fragile, with some loss of text in both letters.	1695 Aug 16, n.d.
b. 1, f. 29	Stepney, George, 1663-1707. ALS to Richard Hill, Potsdam Mentions Matthew Prior.	1699 May 23
	Tucker, John	
b. 1, f. 30	5 ALS to Richard Hill, Whitehall and Cockpit Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> . Tucker was an Under-Secretary of State in 1707.	1704 Apr 4-Oct 8

## Tucker, John (continued)

b. 1, f. 31	2 ALS to John Chetwynd, Whitehall and Cockpit Chetwynd was Richard Hill's secretary at the Court of Savoy; later he was on the Board of Trade.	1704 Jul 14, 1704 Nov 17
William III, King of Gt.Brit., 1650- 1702		
b. 1, f. 32	Letter (copy, in Latin) to the Duke of Savoy, Kensington	1699 Mar 6
b. 1, f. 33	Letter (copy, in French) to the Dowager-Duchess of Savoy, Kensington Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , II. 800.	1699 May 31
b. 1, f. 34	Letter (copy, in Latin) to the Duke of Savoy, Kensington Credentials for Richard Hill. Printed in Blackley's <i>Correspondence of Hill</i> , II. 799-800.	1699 May 31
b. 1, f. 35	Copies of letters (partly in cipher) addressed to [Mons. le duc Fengilea]	1705 Apr 19
b. 1, f. 36	Letters and fragments of letters to unidentified correspondents	1705, n.d.

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## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Diplomatic and consular service, British  
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### Names

Bateman, James, Sir, d. 1718  
Cressett, James, 1655?-1710  
Dolman, George, fl. 1705  
Hill, Richard, 1656?-1727  
Powys, Richard, d. 1724