

Guide to the Shackleton Papers

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Conditions Governing Access

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This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization.

Information included in the Description of Papers note and Collection Contents section is drawn from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during initial processing.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

Shackleton family

The Shackleton family were Quaker educators and writers living in Ballitore, Ireland, where Abraham Shackleton I founded the Ballitore School in 1726. The family also owned a number of flour mills.

Abraham Shackleton I (1697-1771)

Abraham Shackleton was born in Yorkshire, England, to Sarah Brigg and Richard Shackleton. He founded the Ballitore School, a Quaker school in Ballitore, Ireland, in 1726, and was headmaster for 30 years. One of his pupils was Edmund Burke.

Richard Shackleton (1726-1792)

Richard Shackleton, son of Margaret Wilkinson and Abraham Shackleton I, was educated at the Ballitore School, where he befriended fellow student Edmund Burke. He graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, and succeeded his father as headmaster of Ballitore School in 1756. He was also a poet. Shackleton married Elizabeth Fuller in 1749 and they had four children, Abraham II, Deborah, Margaret, and Henry. A year after his first wife's death in 1754, he married Elizabeth Carleton, with whom he had two children who survived to adulthood, Mary Shackleton Leadbeater and Sarah, known to the family as "Blind Aunt Sally."

Abraham Shackleton II (1752-1818)

Abraham Shackleton II, son of Elizabeth Fuller and Richard Shackleton, was educated at Ballitore School and later became a teacher there, before succeeding his father as headmaster in 1779. Shackleton became associated with a group of liberal Quakers in Ulster who were in open rebellion against Quaker discipline. In 1801 he was disowned by the Carlow Monthly Meeting, in a schism within the Society of Friends in Ireland that was known as the "Irish separation." As a pacifist, he refused to join rebel forces occupying Ballitore during the Irish Rebellion in 1798. Following the schism and the brief closure of the Ballitore School, Shackleton traveled, wrote essays and poetry, and managed the Ballitore Mill until his death. Shackleton's scholarly interests included the classics, botany, and astronomy. He married Lydia Mellor (1749-1829) in 1779, and they had nine children: Richard, Margaret (who died at age 9), Abraham III, Elizabeth "Betsy" (1783-1843), Ebenezer, George, Lydia, Mary, and Margaret Shackleton Grubb.

Mary Shackleton Leadbeater (1758-1826)

Mary Shackleton Leadbeater, daughter of Elizabeth Carleton and Richard Shackleton, was educated at the Ballitore School, where she was the only female student. In 1794, she published anonymously "Extracts and Original Anecdotes for the Improvement of Youth." She also published "Poems" in 1808; "Cottage Dialogues among the Irish Peasantry" in 1811; and "Memoirs and Letters of Richard and Elizabeth Shackleton" in 1822. Her "Annals of Ballitore" was printed posthumously in 1862 by Richard Davis Webb as "The Leadbeater Papers." Mary married William Leadbeater, a former student at the Ballitore School, in 1791, and they had three children. The Leadbeaters resided in Ballitore, where he was a farmer and landowner, and she ran the village post office.

Sarah Shackleton (1760-1847)

Sarah Shackleton, daughter of Elizabeth Carleton and Richard Shackleton, known as "Sally" or "Blind Aunt Sally," was an Acceptable Minister in the Society of Friends.

George Shackleton (1785-1871)

George Shackleton, son of Lydia and Abraham Shackleton II, married Hannah Fisher (1803-1873) in 1823, and they had 13 children who lived to adulthood, including Abraham III and Lydia.

Abraham Shackleton III (1827-1912)

Abraham Shackleton III married Anna Webb (1833-1888), and they had six children: Louis George, William Webb, Frederic, Marion, Alice Mary, and John Abraham. After her death, he married Anne Harvey Walpole.

Lydia Shackleton II (1828-1914)

Lydia Shackleton, a daughter of Hannah and George Shackleton, was botanist and artist.

William Webb Shackleton (1867-1935)

William Webb Shackleton was the eldest son of Anna Webb and Abraham Shackleton III. He was educated at the Quaker school in York and trained as a doctor. In 1896, he married his senior partner's daughter, Eileen Clarke (1879-1955). They had two children, Robert Patrick Webb and Eileen Margaret.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Organized into three series: I. Correspondence, 1727-1944. II. Writings and Other Papers, 1678-1888. III. Printed Materials, 1765-1884.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence, 1727-1944

4.42 linear feet (8 boxes)

This series contains correspondence between Shackleton family members, with some correspondence of the Mellor, Leadbeater, Carleton, and Grubb families. Topics of letters include personal news, travel, matters concerning the Quaker community, smallpox inoculation, and the Irish Rebellion of 1798. Abraham Shackleton II often writes about events and students at the Ballitore School. Among the other correspondents were Quaker friends such as British author Joseph Gurney Bevan, British minister Samuel Bownas, American ministers Rebecca Jones and Job Scott, and Dublin physician John Rutty.

Arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

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| b. 1, f. 1 | Abraham, Eleanor. Letter to Lydia Shackleton | 1784 |
| b. 1, f. 2 | Buck, Andrew. Letter to Richard Shackleton, 1747 (photocopy) In Latin. | undated |
| b. 1, f. 3 | Carleton, Deborah. Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1777 |
| b. 1, f. 4 | Carleton, Samuel. Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1775 |
| b. 1, f. 5 | [Grubb], Margaret Shackleton. Letter to Abraham Shackleton | 1773 |
| b. 1, f. 6 | Grubb, Margaret Shackleton. Letter (fragment) to Lydia Shackleton | undated |
| b. 1, f. 7 | Grubb, Sarah. Letter to Elizabeth Carleton Shackleton Regarding the death of Richard Shackleton. | 1792 |
| b. 1, f. 8 | Jones, Rebecca. Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1790 |
| b. 1, f. 9 | Leadbeater, Deborah. Letter to Margaret Shackleton Grubb | 1811 |
| b. 1, f. 10-12 | Leadbeater, Elizabeth, and Mary S. Leadbeater. Letters to George Shackleton Also includes several letters from Lydia Leadbeater. | 1808-1822 |
| | Leadbeater, Mary Shackleton | |
| b. 1, f. 13 | Letter to Mary Dudley | 1823 |
| b. 1, f. 14 | Letter to Lydia Mellor (later Shackleton) Regarding the death of her grandfather Abraham Shackleton. | 1771? |
| b. 1, f. 15 | Letters to Abraham Shackleton | 1814, undated |
| b. 1, f. 16 | Letters to Lydia Shackleton | 1807-1824, undated |
| b. 1, f. 17 | LeFann, William. Letter to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton | undated |
| b. 1, f. 18 | Mellor, Ebenezer and Margaret. Letters from family and friends | |
| | Braithwaite, George (cousin) | 1762-1763 |
| | Broadbent, Sarah (cousin) | 1763-1823 |

Mellor, Ebenezer and Margaret. Letters from family and friends (continued)

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| | Mellor, Matthew (uncle) | 1767 |
| | Routh, John Regarding the death of Matthew Mellor. | 1770 |
| b. 11, f. 162-163 | Mellor, Samuel and Lydia. Letters from Quaker friends | |
| | Bownas, Samuel | 1740 |
| | Hall, Alicia | 1748 |
| | Hobson, Joseph | 1754 |
| | Honor, Tab | 1727 |
| | Letter from Lydia Mellor to J. Richardson | 1743 |
| | Paxton, Frances Topics include the Jacobite rising of 1745. | 1745-1749 |
| | Smith, Elizabeth, and Mary Storrs | 1741 |
| | Smith, Humphrey | undated |
| b. 1, f. 19 | Newenham, George. Letters to Abraham Shackleton Topics include the Aurora Borealis, the construction of a hygrometer and balloons, and astronomer William Herschel. Newenham also offers instructions for using a solar telescope. | 1775-1804 |
| b. 1, f. 20 | Palmer, Sanford. Letter to Mary Shackleton Leadbeater Account of the Irish Rebellion of 1798 in Ballitore. | 1814 |
| b. 1, f. 21 | Reynolds, Richard. Letter to Abraham Shackleton Regarding the death of Richard Shackleton. | 1792 |
| b. 1, f. 22 | Rutty, John. Letter to Abraham Shackleton (1697-1771) Concerning the Society of Friends and discipline. | 1759 |
| b. 1, f. 23 | Scott, Job. Letter to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton | 1793 |
| b. 1, f. 24 | Shackleton, Abraham, 1697-1771. Copy of three letters to Margaret Shackleton | 1769 |
| | Shackleton, Abraham, 1752-1818 | |
| b. 1, f. 25 | Letters to Deborah Carleton | 1769, 1777 |
| b. 1, f. 26 | Letters to Elizabeth Carleton Shackleton | 1771, 1777 |
| b. 1, f. 27-28 | Letters to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton Several letters also contain messages from other family members. | 1792-1804 |
| b. 2, f. 29-30 | Letters to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton | 1796-1797 |
| b. 2, f. 31 | Correspondence with Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton | 1798 |

Shackleton, Abraham, 1752-1818 (continued)

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| b. 11, f. 164-166 | Letters to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton and Margaret Shackleton Includes letters to Betsy from her siblings. | 1802-1836 |
| b. 2, f. 32 | Letters to Lydia Shackleton | 1786-1792 |
| b. 2, f. 33-36 | Letters to Lydia Shackleton | 1786-1814 |
| b. 2, f. 37 | Letter to Lydia Shackleton | 1807 |
| b. 2, f. 38 | Letter to Margaret Shackleton Regarding inoculation. | undated |
| b. 2, f. 39 | Letters to Richard Shackleton Describes London trip with his grandfather Abraham Shackleton. | 1767-1769 |
| b. 3, f. 40-42 | Letters to Richard Shackleton | 1770-1778 |
| b. 3, f. 43 | Letters to Richard Shackleton, and one letter from Richard Shackleton to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1777-1781 |
| b. 3, f. 44-49 | Letters to Richard Shackleton | 1779-1792, undated |
| b. 3, f. 50 | Letters to Richard Shackleton Comments on inoculation. | 1781-1782 |
| b. 3, f. 51 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1780-1787 |
| b. 3, f. 52 | Letters to Ann Tavenor | 1783, 1786 |
| b. 3, f. 53 | Letter to Joseph Williams | 1788 |
| b. 3, f. 54 | Two unsigned letters to an unknown recipient Addressed "To the Author" and "Mr. Anonymous." | undated |
| b. 11, f. 167 | Letters and testimonies regarding Richard Shackleton after his death in 1792 | |
| | Shackleton, Abraham. Letter to Elizabeth Carleton Shackleton | 1792 |
| | Shackleton, Abraham. Letters to his children Topics also include the Irish Rebellion. | 1798 |
| | Shackleton, Elizabeth, and Sarah Dunleavy. Letter to Abraham Shackleton | 1806 |
| | Bevan, Joseph G. Letter to Abraham Shackleton, "In Character of R[ichard] Shackleton" | 1794 |
| | Shackleton, Anna Webb | |
| b. 3, f. 55 | Letter to her mother | 1860 |
| b. 3, f. 56 | Letter from an unknown correspondent Regarding a fire in Ballitore. | 1867 |

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| b. 3, f. 57 | Shackleton, Anne. Letters to Peggie Larsen References World War II. | 1944-1947 |
| b. 4, f. 58 | Shackleton, Deborah. Letter to Lydia Mellor [Shackleton] Discusses the deaths of Abraham Shackleton I, Aldoborough "Alby" Wrightson (1746-1771), and others. | 1771 |
| b. 4, f. 59 | Shackleton, Elizabeth Carleton, and Mary S. Leadbeater. Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1791 |
| Shackleton, Elizabeth, 1783-1843 | | |
| b. 4, f. 60 | Correspondence with Abraham and Lydia Shackleton | 1796-1797 |
| b. 4, f. 61 | Letter to Lydia Shackleton | 1818 |
| b. 4, f. 62 | Letter to Mary Shackleton (including one dictated to Hannah Shackleton) | 1842-1843 |
| b. 4, f. 63 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | circa 1799-1801, undated |
| b. 4, f. 64 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1805-1806, 1816 |
| b. 4, f. 65 | Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1808 |
| b. 4, f. 66 | Letter to unknown recipient, possibly Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1824 |
| b. 4, f. 67 | Letters from Margaret Grubb and other Grubb family members | 1803-1830 |
| Shackleton, Hannah Fisher | | |
| b. 4, f. 68 | Letters to Elizabeth Dudley | 1843-1846 |
| b. 4, f. 69 | Letters from Mary, Elizabeth, and Lydia Leadbeater | 1822-1823 |
| Shackleton, Lydia, 1749-1829 | | |
| b. 4, f. 70-71 | Letters to Abraham Shackleton | 1779-1810 |
| b. 4, f. 72 | Letters to Abraham Shackleton, with letter to an unknown friend upon her husband's death, and letter to Elizabeth Leadbeater | 1811-1828 |
| b. 4, f. 73 | Letter to Margaret Shackleton | 1779 |
| b. 4, f. 74 | Letters to Richard Shackleton | 1820, 1825 |
| b. 4, f. 75 | Letter to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton | 1786 |
| b. 4, f. 76 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton and Richard Shackleton | 1787-1798 |
| b. 4, f. 77 | Letters from Thomas Abraham (uncle) and Robert Lecky | 1775-1777, 1777 |
| b. 4, f. 78 | Shackleton, Lydia, 1828-1914. Letter to Hannah Fisher Shackleton | 1852 |
| b. 4, f. 79-80 | Shackleton, Margaret (Maggie). Letters to Elizabeth Shackleton Webb | 1855-1856 |
| Shackleton, Richard, 1726-1792 | | |
| b. 5, f. 81 | Letters to Mary Dudley | 1784-1792 |

Shackleton, Richard, 1726-1792 (continued)

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| b. 5, f. 82 | Letter to Mary Dudley | 1792 |
| b. 5, f. 83 | Letters to Joseph Pike | 1788-1789 |
| b. 5, f. 84 | Letter to Abraham Shackleton | 1790 |
| b. 5, f. 85 | Letters to Lydia Shackleton | 1779-1792 |
| b. 5, f. 86-92 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton, with one letter from Elizabeth Shackleton | 1773, 1784-1792 |
| b. 6, f. 93-94 | Letters to Sarah (Sally) Shackleton, with five letters from Elizabeth Shackleton | 1774-1782 |
| b. 6, f. 95 | Extract (copy) regarding matrimony from a letter to an unknown recipient in 1777 | undated |
| Shackleton, Sarah | | |
| b. 6, f. 96 | Letters to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton | 1804-1813 |
| b. 6, f. 97 | Letter to Elizabeth (Betsy) Shackleton Describes experience with physicians when she first started going blind. | 1811 |
| Shackleton, William Webb | | |
| Letters from his father A[braham] S[hackleton], mother Anna Webb, and sisters | | |
| b. 6, f. 98 | Letters from Abraham Shackleton III | 1883-1905 |
| b. 6, f. 99 | Letters from Alice Shackleton | 1882-1884 |
| b. 6, f. 100 | Letters from Anna Webb Shackleton | 1882-1902 |
| b. 6, f. 101 | Letters from John Shackleton | 1882-1883 |
| b. 6, f. 102 | Letters from Louis Shackleton | 1882-1884 |
| b. 6, f. 103 | Letters from Marion Shackleton | 1882-1884 |
| b. 6, f. 104 | Letters from friends | 1884-1889 |
| Letters from family and friends | | |
| b. 7, f. 105 | Letters from Abraham Shackleton III | 1882-1885 |
| b. 7, f. 106 | Letters from Anna Webb Shackleton | 1882-1885 |
| b. 7, f. 107 | Letters from Marion Shackleton | 1882-1885 |
| b. 7, f. 108 | Letters from friends Topics include William Ewart Gladstone's Midloathian campaign and Irish politics. There is also a list of girls enrolled in Mount School, York, in 1883. | 1882-1888 |
| b. 7, f. 109 | Letters, mostly 1880s | 1883-1888 |
| b. 7, f. 110 | Letters from Abraham Shackleton III | 1882-1884 |

Shackleton, William Webb (continued)

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| b. 7, f. 111 | Letters from Anna Webb Shackleton | 1882-1884 |
| b. 7, f. 112 | Letter from Alice Shackleton | 1884 |
| b. 7, f. 113 | Webb, Maria. Letters and photographs to Lucy Lamb Includes photographs of Anna Webb Shackleton, Abraham Shackleton III, and an unnamed child. | 1860 |

Series II: Writings and Other Papers, 1678-1888*0.83 linear feet (2 boxes)*

This series contains commonplace books, diaries, and poems by Mary Shackleton Leadbeater, Richard Shackleton, Lydia Shackleton, and others, as well as testimonials and memoirs recalling family members after their deaths. Included are the travel journals of Abraham Shackleton II from his journeys to Northern Ireland, Munster, and Dunmore. There are also family trees and genealogical research by Maria Webb, and manuscripts of magazines printed by the Ballitore School.

Arranged alphabetically by author or folder title.

| Ballitore School | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| b. 8, f. 114 | "The Juvenile Magazine" | 1814 |
| b. 8, f. 115 | "Ballitore Magazine," nos. 1-4 | 1820-1823 |
| b. 8, f. 116 | Centenary dinner ticket for George Shackleton, enclosed with letter from Edward Maguire | 1826 |
| b. 8, f. 117 | Carlow Monthly Meeting. Proposed altered draft and final draft of a testimony given forth by the Carlow Monthly Meeting respecting our dear deceased friend Richard Shackleton | 1792 |
| b. 8, f. 118 | Concerning Lydia S[hackleton] on her deathbed | |
| b. 8, f. 119 | <i>Cork Gazette</i> . Decease of Richard Shackleton, manuscript extract | 1792 |
| Family history | | |
| b. 8, f. 120-122 | Letters copied from the Swarthmoor papers by Maria Webb Extracts of the letters were published in Webb's book <i>Fells of Swarthmoor Hall</i> . | 1841 |
| b. 11, f. 168 | Family trees | undated |
| b. 8, f. 123 | Fell family genealogy | undated |
| b. 8, f. 124 | Fennel family genealogy | undated |
| b. 8, f. 125 | Papers concerning Shackleton genealogy | undated |
| b. 8, f. 126 | Pedigree of the Descendants of Fell of Swarthmoor Hall [family tree, photocopy of printed version] | undated |
| b. 9, f. 127 | LeFann, William. "To Deborah [Leadbeater]," manuscript copied by Lydia Leadbeater | undated |
| Leadbeater, Mary Shackleton | | |
| b. 9, f. 128 | Poems and verses | |
| | "Epithalamium Addressed to Abram. Shackleton, on his Marriage with Lydia Mellor" | [1779] |
| | "To Elizabeth Dawson" | 1802 |
| | "On A. & L. S." | 1808 |

Leadbeater, Mary Shackleton > Poems and verses (continued)

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| | "To Lydia Shackleton" | 1810 |
| | "On a bag & purse," to Margaret Shackleton | 1813 |
| | "On the death of my beloved Brother: Addressed to R.S." "M.L. to L.S." is written on the verso. | [1818] |
| | "Lines written on reading Rushton's Poems" | undated |
| | "On the departure of Eben[ezer] from Ballitore" | undated |
| | "A Farewell to England" | undated |
| | "On Dr. Johnson's murder in 1798" | undated |
| b. 9, f. 129 | Commonplace book, with additions by William H. Harvey | 1826 |
| b. 9, f. 130 | Untitled play [notebook] Dialogue in the form of a play, with a list of characters played by Deborah Carleton, Margaret "Peggy" and Mary "Molly" Shackleton, and children. | undated |
| b. 9, f. 131 | Of Frances Henshaw [notebook] Copy of Frances Paxton Henshaw's account of her experience converting to Quakerism, with her letters to George II (1745) and George III (1774). | 1774 |
| b. 9, f. 132 | Regarding Ebenezer Shackleton after his death at 92 | undated |
| b. 9, f. 133 | Sarah Thompson and William Fadwen [?] marriage certificate | 1678 |
| | Shackleton, Abraham, 1752-1818 | |
| b. 9, f. 134 | Diary | 1790 |
| b. 9, f. 135 | Proposed altered draft of a testimony respecting Richard Shackleton | 1792 |
| b. 9, f. 136 | Tramp to the North: A visit of AS & his daughters Betsy & Mary to their friends in the summer of 1808 On a trip to Northern Ireland, Shackleton writes about architecture, topography, and vegetation, visiting the Giant's Ring, the Moravian settlement at Gracehill, and Dunluce Castle, and touring a damask factory. | 1808 |
| b. 9, f. 137 | Eight weeks tour: Abrm Shackleton visits his friends in Munster October 1814 | 1814 |
| b. 9, f. 138 | Dunmore September 1815 [travel diary] | 1815 |
| b. 9, f. 139 | Pamphlets on education of the poor, food, and pauperism | 1817-1818 |
| b. 9, f. 140 | Abraham Shackleton's Account of his father [Richard Shackleton] who died 8th month 22nd 1792 [notebook] | undated |
| b. 9, f. 141 | "Some account of the Shackleton family" | undated |
| | Shackleton, Abraham, 1827-1912 | |
| b. 9, f. 142 | Account book | 1845-1853 |
| b. 9, f. 143 | Ex Officio address to the Dublin Friends Institute [notebook] | [1874] |

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| Shackleton, Elizabeth, 1783-1843 | | |
| b. 10, f. 144 | "Of A[braham] S[hackleton] and L[Lydia] White" Includes her recollection of the life of her father Abraham Shackleton. | 1818 |
| b. 10, f. 145 | "Memoirs of Mary Leadbeater's character. Written by Elizth Shackleton. Copied for Thomas Fisher M.D. by his affect sister S.F." [notebook] | undated |
| b. 10, f. 146 | Shackleton, George. Extract from Lydia Shackleton's will | undated |
| Shackleton, Lydia, 1828-1914 | | |
| b. 10, f. 147 | Diary Entries cover her personal life, interest in art, thoughts on religion and social issues, and books she was reading. | 1850 |
| b. 10, f. 148 | Commonplace book | 1854-1888 |
| b. 10, f. 149 | "The Robins of Griesebank Garden" | 1907 |
| Shackleton, Richard, 1726-1792 | | |
| b. 10, f. 150 | Poem for Abraham Shackleton I | 1734 |
| b. 10, f. 151 | "To John Gough" Verse addressed to his friend John Gough (1720-1791), master of the Friends' school in Dublin and Quaker historian, on Gough's 40th birthday. | 1760 |
| b. 10, f. 152 | "To John Gough" [copy] | 1760? |
| b. 10, f. 153 | "On the Birth of My Grandson," for Lydia Shackleton | 1779 |
| b. 10, f. 154 | "The Christian Looking Glass" Note on the verso from Abraham Shackleton, dated 1800, reads, "Found in my dear fathers desk." | 1800, undated |
| b. 10, f. 155 | "Aldborough Wrightson of Ballitore School" Primarily copies of correspondence between Wrightson and Richard Shackleton. | undated |
| Shackleton, William Webb | | |
| b. 10, f. 156 | "Willie's Christmas Hymn" | 1875 |
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| b. 10, f. 158 | Society of Friends. Copy of certificate from York for Abraham Shackleton 7 Mo. 1721 Recommendation of Shackleton from the Society of Friends in York, addressed to the monthly meeting of Friends in Carlow. | undated |
| b. 10, f. 159 | Testimonies concerning Lydia Mellor (1693-1754) and Matthew Mellor (died 1770) | undated |
| b. 10, f. 160 | Testimony to Elizabeth Shackleton (Aunt Betsy) | 1844 |

b. 10, f. 161 "William Taylor's Expressions; Lydia Mellor: Some Account of Her" [notebook] 1749, 1754
Written in two hands and bound in a paper cover of "Rules for Conducting the
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| b. 16 | Leadbeater, Mary. <i>Memoirs and Letters of Richard and Elizabeth Shackleton</i> |
| b. 17 | Patrick, Samuel. <i>Clavis Homerica: Sive Lexicon Vocabulorum Omnium</i> With bookplate and signature of Abraham Shackleton, Ballitore. |
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| b. 19 | <i>Publii Terentii comoediae sex quibus accedunt notae marginales John Minn-ellii</i> Writing in multiple hands on the endpapers, including inscription of Thomas Harrison (1772), William Marsden, John Marsden (1758), and R.E. (1781). |
| b. 20 | Tuke, Henry. <i>Biographical notices of the Society of Friends, Vol. 1: Life of George Fox</i> Inscribed by Abraham Shackleton, 1835. |
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