

# **Guide to the Falconer Madan Collection of Oxford Manuscripts**

**GEN MSS 1091**



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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** GEN MSS 1091

**CREATOR:** Madan, Falconer, 1851-1935

**TITLE:** Falconer Madan collection of Oxford manuscripts

**DATES:** circa 1680-1929

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 5.29 linear feet (14 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection consists of a small group of Falconer Madan's papers relating to his research and writings, and original and copies of manuscripts relating to various individuals, and academic, social and historical events relating to Oxford. The majority of the material is bound in volumes, many of which contain the Yale University Library bookplate reading, "From the Collection of Oxford Books made by Falconer Madan, Bodley's Librarian." Original manuscripts include a group of twenty-three printed promises to support Sir Roundell Palmer in the Parliamentary election of 1868, signed by members of Oxford University, with related manuscript notes; a "Description of a Magdalen College, Oxford University gaudy" [student festival], "Phillipps MSS 9642"; and a scrapbook record of a marriage in London and a honeymoon in Oxford, with manuscript descriptions, and illustrated with engravings, press clippings, drawings, and printed ephemera by the groom Theodosius Purland. Additional material includes correspondence, verses, forms, various memoranda, and printed material relating to the city of Oxford and the University of Oxford, including the Oxford election of 1865, writings of Joseph Plowman, and the Iffley Lock.

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## Requesting Instructions

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

b.      box

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased from Falconer Madan, 1930, 1934.

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### Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit. This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing, in 2014 and 2015.

The collection is comprised of material formerly classed as MS Vault 10:4 and MS Vault Shelves Oxford, Ip P725+C2, Lmd54 865+3, Ucu35 G6 +867i, Ovf86 O9+A9, Ovf86 O9+753P, Byzo 87+897n.

The finding aid for this collection is partially compiled from individual catalog cards that were created at or around the time of receipt by the library. Information from the catalog cards was repurposed in the finding aid in accordance with current archival descriptive standards. Some catalog cards, copies of which are filed with the collection, include more detailed descriptions of individual items and/or provenance notes. Descriptions for items not represented by catalog cards were derived from accession records, folder labels, or other available descriptive material.

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

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## Biographical/Historical note

Falconer Madan (1851-1935) was the Librarian of the Bodleian Library at the University of Oxford, 1912-1919.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Arranged by type of material.

## Collection Contents

### Falconer Madan papers

b. 1	Copies of Beinecke Library catalog cards	
b. 1	Galley and page proofs of "A Bibliographical List of the Printed Works of Dr. Pusey," Appendix A in <i>Life of Edward Bouverie Pusey</i> by Henry Parry Liddon. With manuscript letters, notes and other material pertaining to the bibliography <i>2 Folders</i>	1886-1882
b. 1	Notes, newspaper clippings, and letters to Falconer Madan relating to the Oxford Movement and regarding <i>The Tracts for the Times</i>	1833-1892
b. 1	"Notes of the Chief Papers Concerning Port Meadow in the Tin Box Labelled 'Port Meadow'," from the Oxford City Archives	1889
b. 1	"A Provisional List of the Papers Connected With the Oxfordshire Election of 1754"	1897
b. 1	Correspondence regarding Phi Beta Kappa Society and Oxford	1889
b. 1	Clippings of "Oxford Memories" articles by "Nestor" (William Tuckwell) from <i>The Speaker</i> ; with correspondence between Madan, Tuckwell, and others regarding the articles	1898-1900
b. 2	Letters from Stephen Quelch to Falconer Madan bound with "Early Recollections of Oxford, by an old Freeman [Quelch]," reprinted from The Oxford Chronicle, May 6th and 13th, 1899	1899-1901
b. 2	"The Great Charter of the University of Oxford (by Henry VIII), Translated into English," manuscript copy by Falconer Madan; with two other copies in Latin and correspondence with Madan relating to the making of the copy	1885
Original manuscripts		
b. 3	Collection of twenty-three printed promises to support Sir Roundell Palmer in the Parliamentary election of 1868, signed by members of Oxford University; with related manuscript notes	1868
b. 3	Miscellaneous letters, notes, and clippings removed from the Madan copy of <i>Oxford</i> by Reverend Charles William Boase	1887-1889, undated
b. 3	Manuscript translation in an unidentified hand of parts of <i>L'introduction à la vie dévoté</i> by Saint Francis de Sales	circa 1883
b. 3	Manuscript verses possibly in the hand of [Daniel?] Harvey; with an autograph letter signed from Ruth Daniel to "Mr. Harvey" dated July 16, regarding the verses	undated
b. 3	Description of a Magdalen College, Oxford University gaudy [student festival], "Phillips MSS 9642"	circa 1680
b. 3	Articles on topography and biography of Oxfordshire, and other articles, extracts, orders and surveys	1810-1815
b. 3	"The Famous Oxford Lozenges, prepared by W. P."	circa 1803

b. 3	Manuscript directions to printer for "A Treatise on Logic, on the Basis of Aldrich" by Reverend John Huyshe; with printed pamphlet with manuscript corrections	circa 1847
b. 3	Manuscript letters, printed broadsides, etc., relating to the poetry professorship contest of 1841-1842	1841-1887
b. 4	Manuscript letters and printed matter relating to the Oxford Royal Regatta Jubilee celebration	1891
b. 4	Correspondence and printed material relating to Turrell's Hall, Oxford	1887
b. 4	Contracts, correspondence, receipts and other material relating to the presentation of <i>Sailor's Knot</i> and <i>Pleasure</i> at the New Theatre, Oxford	1892-1894
b. 4	Signatures to elections at St. John's College	circa 1660
b. 4	Correspondence, manuscript lists of guests, menu, printed material and other documents relating to the Mayor's dinner	1874
b. 4	Volume containing listings of place names	undated
b. 5	Notes, correspondence, printed notices and other documents relating to the movement coordinated by Frederick A. Dixey to preserve Greek at Oxford	1911
b. 6	Scrapbook record of a marriage in London and a honeymoon in Oxford, with manuscript descriptions, illustrated with engravings, press clippings, drawings, and printed ephemera by the bridal couple Theodosius and Mary Purland	1853
Manuscript copies		
b. 7	"On the Dissolution of the Parliament at Oxford 1681"	undated
b. 7	"A Lay of Brazennose," manuscript copy, Oxford, 1866	1879
b. 7	"A Lay [of Merton College]," manuscript, 1865	1883
b. 7	"Reisebeschreibung" by Aulas Apronius [i.e. Adam Ebert],	undated
b. 7	"The Diary of a Vice-Chancellor, Sep 7 to Dec 4, 1697 (Dr. John Meare, Principal of Brasenose," manuscript copy in an unknown hand, edited by Falconer Madan for the Oxford Magazine; with the proof sheets of the article and correspondence relating to its publication	circa 1911
b. 7	Manuscript concerning Carfax Conduit	undated
b. 7	Deed between the Burgesses of Oxford and Richard Owen of Godstowe, 1562	undated
b. 7	Letters and examination of witnesses in connection with the case of Mary Blandy, tried for poisoning her father, 1751	undated
b. 7	<i>Rustica academiae Oxoniensis</i> by John Allibond	undated
b. 7	"Facts and documents relative to the expulsion of six students, in 1768" from the papers of Henry Gough, and likely in his hand	undated

b. 8	"The Gentiad," a satirical poem by John Richard Green, 1857, with pencil annotations by [C?] Trevor	undated
b. 8	An account of printing at Oxford by John Bagford, 1714	1898
b. 8	<i>Oxford Besieged</i> by John Taylor, 1645	undated
Correspondence and other material relating to the city of Oxford and Oxford University Arranged alphabetically by creator.		
b. 9	A-L 5 Folders	circa 1846-1929
b. 10	M-W 6 Folders	circa 1815-1924
Scrapbooks relating to the city of Oxford and Oxford University		
b. 11	Writings by Joseph Plowman Note on flyleaf: "Everything in this volume was written by Mr. Joseph Plowman uncle of the mr. W. Plowman who sold it to me on Feb. 16, 1891 for 15/- . F. Madan"  Contents include: Joseph Plowman. <i>Oxford idylls: by the city poet laureate, dedicated to his sponsors, Charles Neate ... and Charles James Sadler ...</i> (Oxford: published for the author at Plowman's agency office, 1860). Printed copy.	circa 1829-1895
b. 11	Oxford University Elections Contents include Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, <i>The dynamics of a particle</i> (Oxford: J. Vincent, 1865). Printed copy.	1865
b. 11	Iffley Lock and Thames Valley Drainage	1867-1890
b. 12	Oxford City Officers and Elections 1660-1889, etc.	circa 1810-1894
b. 13	Oxford County Notices--Miscellaneous	1753-1903
b. 14	New Municipal Buildings & Queen's Diamond Jubilee in Oxford	1897 May-June

## **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**

Students -- England

### **Geographic Names**

Iffley (England)  
Oxford (England) -- Description and travel  
Oxford (England) -- History  
Thames River (England)

### **Genres / Formats**

Scrapbooks -- Great Britain -- 19th century

### **Names**

Madan, Falconer, 1851-1935  
Phillipps, Thomas, Sir, 1792-1872 -- Ownership  
Plowman, Joseph  
Purland, Mary  
Purland, Theodosius, 1805-1881  
Selborne, Roundell Palmer, Earl of, 1812-1895  
Victoria, Queen of Great Britain, 1819-1901 --  
Anniversaries, etc.

### **Corporate Bodies**

Magdalen College (University of Oxford)  
University of Oxford -- History