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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** GEN MSS 359

**CREATOR:** Tinker, Chauncey Brewster, 1876-1963

**TITLE:** Chauncey Brewster Tinker letters and manuscripts

**DATES:** 1900-1963

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1.25 linear feet (4 boxes) + 1 broadside, 1 portfolio

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Collection consists of correspondence, writings, and other papers by or relating to Chauncey Brewster Tinker. Correspondence contains mostly letters by Tinker, including letters to Albert S. Cook, Lansing V. Hammond, Mary Etta Knapp, E. L. McAdam, Daniel and Mary Merriman, and Mary (Mrs. George Henry) Nettleton. Writings contain holograph, typescript and printed versions of writings by Tinker and others.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Ongoing collection of documents acquired by gift and purchase from various sources. Source information is recorded on the folders. For further information, consult the appropriate curator.

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

*Restricted Fragile* materials in the portfolio may only be consulted with permission of the appropriate curator. Preservation photocopies for reference use have been substituted in the main files.

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## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

Chauncey Brewster Tinker Letters and Manuscripts. General Collection, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University.

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## Processing Information

This finding aid is updated periodically to account for new materials that have been added to the collection. The date of the most recent update is noted on the title page. For information on material that may have been acquired for the collection since the last update, please consult the Public Service Desk.

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## Associated Materials

[Chauncey Brewster Tinker Papers \(GEN MSS 354\)](#), [Chauncey Brewster Tinker Manuscript Collection \(GEN MSS 310\)](#), and various printed books donated to the Library by Tinker, cataloged separately.

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## CHAUNCEY BREWSTER TINKER, 1876-1963

A full biographical statement is provided in the register for the [Chauncey Brewster Tinker Papers \(GEN MSS 354\)](#).

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## Scope and Contents

This finding aid encompasses accessions of single manuscripts and small groups of manuscripts and other papers, by or pertaining to Chauncey Brewster Tinker, acquired by the library from a variety of sources. Materials incorporated into the collection prior to July 1998 have been organized into three series. [Series I, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon S. Haight Gift](#), contains letters from Tinker to members of the Haight and Nettleton families, and one clipping of an obituary of Tinker. [Series II, Robert F. Metzdorf Gift](#), contains articles and other writings by Tinker and others. [Series III, Materials from Other Sources](#), contains letters, writings and other papers by and about Tinker.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon S. Haight Gift, 1923-1963

0.1 linear feet (.5 box)

Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon S. Haight, 1983

#### LETTERS FROM CBT

|              |   |             |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| b. 1, f. 1   | Haight, Briny [Sabrina, the Haight's dog] | 1950 May 22 |
| b. 1, f. 2   | Haight, Gordon Sherman                    | 1923-36     |
| b. 1, f. 3   | Haight, Mary Nettleton                    | 1929, 1931  |
| b. 1, f. 4   | Nettleton, George Henry                   | 1930 Nov 16 |
| b. 1, f. 5-7 | Nettleton, Mary [Mrs. George Henry]       | 1927-47     |

#### ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

|            |  |             |
|------------|--|-------------|
| b. 1, f. 8 | Obituary of CBT, <i>New Haven Journal- Courier</i> | 1963 Mar 18 |
|------------|--|-------------|

**Series II: Robert F. Metzdorf Gift, 1903-1949**

0.5 linear feet (1.5 boxes)

Gift of Robert F. Metzdorf, 1969

## WRITINGS OF CHAUNCEY BREWSTER TINKER

|             |  |            |
|-------------|--|------------|
| b. 1, f. 9  | "An Age of Enlightenment (England, 1740-90)," 3 copies, printed version<br>In 3 copies of <i>The Age of Enlightenment: Proceedings of the Humanities Institute, sponsored jointly by the University of Toledo and The Toledo Museum of Art</i> | 1948       |
| b. 1, f. 10 | " <i>Astraea</i> : A Neglected Poem of Oliver Wendell Holmes," typescript, corrected   | n.d.       |
| b. 1, f. 11 | "Authors Who 'Go Out'," clipping of printed version, <i>The Atlantic Monthly</i> , 2 copies  | n.d.       |
| b. 1, f. 12 | "The Bertrams," holograph  | n.d.       |
| b. 1, f. 13 | "Boswell's Letters to Rousseau," clipping of printed version, <i>The Literary Review</i>   | 1922 Jun 3 |
| b. 1, f. 14 | "British Poetry Under Stress of War," clipping of printed version, <i>The Yale Review</i>  | 1920 Jul   |
| b. 1, f. 15 | "Bryn Mawr," typescript, corrected   |            |
| b. 1, f. 16 | "The Caliph Of Books: A. E. N.," clipping of printed version, <i>The Atlantic Monthly</i>  | n.d.       |
| b. 1, f. 17 | Convocation citations for Honorary Degrees, presented by CBT, clipping of printed version<br>Presentation of degree to CBT by W. S. (Wilmarth Sheldon) Lewis   | 1946       |
| b. 1, f. 18 | <i>Exhibition of Eighteenth Century English Painting, in Honor of Professor Chauncey Brewster Tinker</i><br>Printed pamphlet from the Fogg Art Museum, with prefatory note by CBT  | 1930       |
| b. 2, f. 19 | "Gainsborough, An Address delivered at the Frick Gallery" typescript, corrected  | 1939       |
| b. 2, f. 20 | "The Gutenberg Bible as a Typeographical Monument," printed version<br>In <i>The Yale University Library Gazette</i> , June 1926   | 1926       |
| b. 2, f. 21 | "Hogarth," typescript, corrected   | 1949       |
| b. 2, f. 22 | "In Praise of Nursery Lore," clipping of printed version, <i>The Unpopular Review</i>  | 1916 Oct   |
| b. 2, f. 23 | "Introduction," for unidentified work, clipping of printed version with corrections  | n.d.       |
| b. 2, f. 24 | "Maeterlinck and the Stage," 2 copies of printed version<br>One copy in <i>The Prologue, A Pamphlet</i> , one copy clipped   | [1902?]    |
| b. 2, f. 25 | "Man the Insurgent," clipping of printed version, <i>The Yale Review</i><br>With: One negative photocopy   | n.d.       |

## WRITINGS OF CHAUNCEY BREWSTER TINKER (continued)

|             |  |             |
|-------------|--|-------------|
| b. 2, f. 26 | "Man's Natural State," clipping of printed version, <i>The Saturday Review of Literature</i>   | 1928 Aug 25 |
| b. 2, f. 27 | "The Modern Essay," typescript, corrected  | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 28 | "Newman's Secession, 1845," clipping of printed version, <i>Holy Cross Magazine</i>  | 1945 Oct    |
| b. 2, f. 29 | "Newton's Trollope Society," reprinted from <i>The Trollopian</i> , 2 copies   | 1946        |
| b. 2, f. 30 | "The Pilot of Life," printed version, 3 copies   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 31 | "The Poet, The Bramble, and Reconstruction," clipping of printed version, <i>The Atlantic Monthly</i>  | 1919 Nov    |
| b. 2, f. 32 | "The Poetry of Christina Rossetti," clipping of printed version, <i>American Church Monthly</i>  | 1918 Jun    |
| b. 2, f. 33 | "Pre-Raphaelites and Labor," clipping of printed version, <i>Literary Review</i>   | 1922 Jul 29 |
| b. 2, f. 34 | "Presentation of the Gold Medal of the American Academy of Arts and Letters to Bruce Rogers," printed version<br>Includes: Acceptance by Mr. Rogers  | 1948 May 21 |
| b. 2, f. 35 | "The Quality of Mercy," address to the graduating class, School of Nursing of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City, printed version  | 1927        |
| b. 2, f. 36 | "Rasselas in the New World," clipping of printed version, <i>The Yale Review</i>   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 37 | "Reflections of a Curator," printed version, <i>The Yale University Library Gazette</i>  | 1948 Jul    |
| b. 2, f. 38 | "Religion After the War," printed version<br>One copy in <i>The Ripon Alumnus</i> , one copy clipped   | 1944 Jan    |
| b. 2, f. 39 | "Restudying Life and Work of Matthew Arnold," clipping of printed version, <i>Boston Evening Transcript Book Review</i><br>Review of <i>Matthew Arnold</i> by Lionel Trilling                              | 1939 Feb 25 |
| b. 2, f. 40 | "Shelley's 'I Arise from Dreams of Thee'," typescript, corrected   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 41 | "The Significance to Yale of the Gift of the Gutenberg Bible," clipping of printed version, <i>The Yale University Library Gazette</i>   | 1926        |
| b. 2, f. 42 | "The Text of Trollope's <i>Phineas Redux</i> ," printed version<br>Includes response from R. W. Chapman  | [1942]      |
| b. 2, f. 43 | "The University Library: An Address on Alumni University Day," printed version<br>CBT's well-known address which emphasizes the importance of the University Library and encourages support by its patrons | 1924        |
| b. 2, f. 44 | "Walter Crane," by "C. T. P. and C. B. T.," clipping of printed version, <i>Brooklyn Art Museum Quarterly</i>  | 1924 Jan    |
| b. 2, f. 45 | Unidentified article fragment on A. E. (Alfred Edward) Housman, clipping of printed version, <i>The Yale Review</i>  | n.d.        |

## WRITINGS OF CHAUNCEY BREWSTER TINKER (continued)

|                      |  |             |
|----------------------|--|-------------|
| b. 2, f. 46          | Unidentified typescript fragment on Dante Alighieri and Percy Bysshe Shelley   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 47          | Untitled article on John Milton, typescript, corrected   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 48          | Untitled article on Alfred, Lord Tennyson, typescript, corrected   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 49          | Untitled typescript fragments, corrected   | n.d.        |
| WRITINGS OF OTHERS   |  |             |
| b. 2, f. 50          | Burrell, Joe. "Trollope's Lost Children," letter to the editor, unidentified newspaper   | 1946 Feb 9  |
| b. 2, f. 51          | Chapman, R. W. (Robert William). "The Text of Trollope's Novels," reprinted by Oxford University Press from <i>The Review of English Studies</i>   | 1941 Apr    |
| b. 2, f. 52          | Chapman, R. W. (Robert William). "The Text of Trollope's <i>Phineas Redux</i> ," reprinted by Oxford University Press from <i>The Review of English Studies</i>                            | 1941 Apr    |
| b. 2, f. 53          | Ratchford, Fannie Elizabeth. "Idylls of the Hearth: Wise's Forgery of Enoch Arden" <i>Southwest Review</i> , Spring 1941   | 1941        |
| b. 2, f. 54          | Watkins, W. B. C. (Walter Barker Critz). "An Esthetic Ignored," clipping of printed version<br>Review of <i>Trollope: A Commentary</i> by Michael Sadleir                                  | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 55          | Unidentified. "Anthony Trollope," clipping of printed version, <i>The Times Literary Supplement</i>  | 1927 Jan 20 |
| b. 2, f. 56          | Unidentified. "For the Trollopian," clipping of printed version, <i>The Church Times</i>   | 1927 Jan 28 |
| b. 2, f. 57          | Unidentified. "The True Tale of Shelley's 'Emily,'" clipping of printed version, <i>The Times Literary Supplement</i><br>Review of <i>Vita di una donna</i> by Enrica Viviani Della Robbia | 1937 Jan 23 |
| ADDITIONAL MATERIALS |  |             |
| b. 2, f. 58          | "Barrie on Trollope. Letters ed. by V. Meynell," typescript copies of quotes   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 59          | "Checklist for A. Trollope," holograph notes and list in the hand of CBT   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 60          | Convocation program, Yale University<br>"Presentation of Candidates for Honorary Degrees by the Public Orator, Chauncey Brewster Tinker"   | 1946 Oct    |
| b. 2, f. 61          | Holograph notes on Percy Bysshe Shelley and Dante Alighieri  | 1941        |
| b. 2, f. 62          | Holograph notes on Anthony Trollope  | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 63          | Holograph notes in an unidentified hand  | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 64          | Note in CBT's hand, "Papers relating to the text of Trollope, correspondence with R. W. Chapman, etc."   | n.d.        |
| b. 2, f. 65          | Notebook of holograph notes on Anthony Trollope in the hand of CBT   | 1935        |



## ADDITIONAL MATERIALS (continued)

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|-------------|--|----------|
| b. 2, f. 66 | Notes in CBT's hand, 4 p.  | 1903-05  |
| b. 2, f. 67 | Robbins, Frank E. "A Trollopian Chronology," printed item  | n.d.     |
| b. 2, f. 68 | Typescript copy of entry in Dorothy Wordsworth's Grasmere journal, and copy in CBT's hand of 2 poems                                       | n.d.     |
| b. 2, f. 69 | <i>The Yale University Library Gazette</i><br>Includes: Article about the Ionides Collection of Greek Classics, gift to the Library by CBT | 1935 Jul |

**Series III: Materials from Other Sources, 1900-1956***0.6 linear feet (2 boxes)*

Acquired by gift or purchase from various sources, as indicated on individual folders

| LETTERS FROM CBT |   |               |
|------------------|---|---------------|
| b. 3, f. 70      | Barber, John E.   | 1940-48       |
| b. 3, f. 71      | Boyd, Janice<br>Acc #: 19670227-b   | 1907-49, n.d. |
| b. 3, f. 72      | Buck, Philo Melvin<br>Acc #: 19760302-a   | 1919 Apr 25   |
| b. 3, f. 73      | Canby, Henry Seidel<br>Acc #: 19720707-a  | 1936 Sep 4    |
| b. 3, f. 74      | Converse, Allan D., Jr.<br>Acc #: 19770209-a  | 1936 Apr 15   |
| b. 3, f. 75-76   | Cook, Albert S.<br>Includes: One letter from Cook<br>Acc #: 19680701-n  | 1910-24       |
| b. 3, f. 77      | Cournos, John<br>Includes: Photocopy of clipping of article by Cournos  | 1941 Mar 27   |
| b. 3, f. 78      | Dunham, Albert M.<br>Acc #: 19791105-a  | 1914 Oct 24   |
|                  | Fletcher, Edward G.<br><a href="#">See: Lansing V. Hammond, Box 3, folder 79</a>  |               |
| b. 3, f. 79-85   | Hammond, Lansing V.<br>Includes: TLS to CBT from Edward G. Fletcher, Nov. 2, 1938<br>Includes: ALS from Catherine T. Patterson, July 1, 1956<br>Acc #: 19580609-a | 1930-56       |
| b. 3, f. 86      | Hogan, Charles Beecher<br>Acc #: 19701204-u   | 1945 Jun 5    |
| b. 3, f. 87      | Ingalls, Gertrude<br>Drafts of letter   | 1932 Aug 30   |
| b. 3, f. 88      | Keller, Deane<br><a href="#">See also: "Sitter to Painter," Box 4, folder 116</a>   | 1936 Mar      |
| b. 3, f. 89      | Keogh, Andrew<br>Includes: Letter from Keogh to CBT   | 1932-33       |

## LETTERS FROM CBT (continued)

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|------------------|---|---------------|
| b. 3, f. 90-95   | Knapp, Mary Etta<br>Acc #: 19680806-c   | 1945-56, n.d. |
| b. 3, f. 96      | Lewis, Robert M.<br>Acc #: 19630402-b   | 1955 Feb 14   |
| b. 3, f. 97      | Loveman, Amy<br>Acc #: 19720707-a   | 1930 Jul 20   |
| b. 3, f. 98-101  | McAdam, E. L. (Edward Lippincot)<br>Includes: TLS from McAdam to CBT<br>Acc #: 19701215-b<br><a href="#">See also: "Phi Beta Kappa..." Box 4, folder 122</a>            | 1936-55, n.d. |
| b. 3, f. 102-103 | Merriman, Daniel Merriman, Mary<br>Acc #: 19691218-f<br><br>Patterson, Catherine T.<br>Sister of CBT<br><a href="#">See: Lansing V. Hammond, Box 3, folder 85</a>       | 1948-56       |
| b. 4, f. 104     | Smith, F. C.  | 1906 Aug 25   |
| b. 4, f. 105     | Taylor, Henry C.<br>Acc #: 19800915-b   | 1931 Apr 1    |
| b. 4, f. 106     | Tinker, Mrs. A. P. (Martha Jane White Tinker, mother)   | 1919          |
| b. 4, f. 107     | Troxell, Gilbert McCoy<br>Letter of July 9, 1927 is Acc #: 19741009-a   | 1927, 1938    |
| b. 4, f. 108-111 | Wagner, Charles<br>Acc #: 19651215-c  | 1900-54, n.d. |
| b. 4, f. 112-113 | Wolf, Lydia Hubbard<br>Acc #: 19840215-b  | 1940-48       |
| b. 4, f. 114     | "Dear Miss Traaer[?]"   | 1922 Mar 1    |
| WRITINGS         |   |               |
| b. 4, f. 115     | "Samson Agonistes," notes in CBT's hand<br>With envelope, and overdue book notice to Mark Dronin[?] from the Saranac Lake (N. Y.) Free Library, 1940<br>Acc #: 951102-n | 1951          |
|                  | "Samson Agonistes," proofs<br>Stored in: Oversize, bsd, folder 125<br>Acc #: 951102-n   | n.d.          |

## WRITINGS (continued)

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| b. 4, f. 116 | <p>"Sitter to Painter," holograph poem, with typescript</p> <p>Includes: 2 ALS from Deane Keller to Herman W. Liebert and Marjorie Wynne regarding the poem, July 1965</p> <p>Acc #: 19650723-az</p> | 1936 Jun |
|--------------|--|----------|

## OTHER PAPERS

|               |   |             |
|---------------|---|-------------|
| b. 4, f. 117  | <p>Certificate of the Yale Medal</p> <p>Acc #: 19640417-a</p>   | 1955        |
| b. 4, f. 118  | <p>Diploma for the honorary degree to CBT from Yale University</p> <p>Acc #: 19640417-a</p>   | 1946 Jun    |
| b. 4, f. 119  | <p>National Institute of Arts and Letters (U.S.), membership certificate</p>  | 1931        |
| b. 4, f. 120  | <p>Obituary of CBT, clipping from the <i>Baltimore Sun</i></p>  | 1963 Mar 18 |
| b. 4, f. 121  | <p>Obituary of CBT, clipping from <i>Time</i></p>   | 1963 Mar 29 |
| b. 4, f. 122  | <p>"Phi Beta Kappa, One Hundred and Sixty- eighth Anniversary of the Alpha of Virginia," College of William and Mary, printed program</p> <p>Includes: ALS on back from CBT to E. L. (Edward Lippincot) McAdam, December 8, 1944</p> <p>Acc #: 19701215-b</p> | 1944 Dec 5  |
| b. 4, f. 123  | <p>Photograph of Henry Davenport's portrait of CBT, made for the <i>Yale Alumni Weekly</i></p> <p>Acc #: 19741009-a</p>   | 1925        |
| b. 4, f. 124  | <p>Tuttle, Henry Emerson. Notes taken in CBT's class, "The Age of Johnson"</p> <p>Includes: TLS from Tuttle to Emily H. Hall</p> <p>Acc #: 19720315-a</p>   | 1919        |
| b. 4, f. 124a | <p>Typescript notes on plates used in biography of William Blake</p>  | undated     |

**Oversize**

(1 broadside)

b. bsd, folder 125 "Samson Agonistes," proofs (in Series III)

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**Restricted Fragile**

(1 portfolio)

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b. port, f. 126      Box 1, folder 8

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b. port, f. 127      Box 1, folder 13

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b. port, f. 128      Box 2, folder 26

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b. port, f. 129      Box 2, folder 33

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b. port, f. 130      Box 2, folder 39

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b. port, f. 131      Box 2, folder 50

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b. port, f. 132      Box 2, folder 54

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b. port, f. 133      Box 2, folder 55

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b. port, f. 134      Box 2, folder 56

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b. port, f. 135      Box 2, folder 57

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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**

Educators

### **Names**

Cook, Albert S. (Albert Stanburrough),  
1853-1927  
Hammond, Lansing V. (Lansing Van der  
Heyden), 1906-  
Knapp, Mary E., 1902-  
McAdam, E. L. (Edward Lippincott), 1905-1969  
Merriman, Daniel  
Merriman, Mary  
Nettleton, Mary, 1872-1964  
Tinker, Chauncey Brewster, 1876-1963

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