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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: GEN MSS 878

CREATOR: Montgomery, James, 1771-1854

TITLE: James Montgomery collection

DATES: 1789–1920, 1789–1920

BULK DATES: 1803–1850, 1803–1850

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.96 linear feet (3 boxes)

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LANGUAGE: In English and Welsh.

SUMMARY: The collection contains letters from James Montgomery to various friends, colleagues, and associates, including authors, publishers, and clergymen; recipients include John Aikin, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Robert Hartley Davenport, George Williams Fulcher, Thomas Raffles, and Robert Southey. Much of the content relates to Montgomery's writings and publications, in particular his poetry and work for hymnals, though some of the letters are personal in nature. Also present is a small group of autograph manuscript poems and other writings by Montgomery, including two poems translated into Welsh. Reference material in the collection includes clippings about Montgomery, portrait engravings, and material pertaining to his life, death, and funeral proceedings, including a copy of *The Death of James Montgomery, Esq. with a Sketch of his Life* (1854).

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

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased as a collection from Maggs Bros. Ltd. on the Plain Fund, 1954. Five additions acquired by gift and purchase from various sources are noted at the folder level in the Collection Contents list.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Former call number: MS Vault Montgomery

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

James Montgomery was an English author, editor, and resident of Sheffield, England.

Scope and Contents

The James Montgomery Collection primarily contains letters written by him to various friends, colleagues, and professional associates, as well as a group of his writings, and a selection of historical and reference material related to his life and death.

Series I holds letters to Montgomery's friends, fellow authors, his publishers, and various clergymen. Recipients include Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Barbara Hofland, and Hannah More, among many others. Multiple letters exist for several of his correspondents, including more than twenty sent to the author and editor (and medical doctor) John Aikin in London; these letters are the longest and most descriptive in the collection, with seven written on oversize sheets of paper. Other multiple letter sets are present for Robert Hartley Davenport (6), George Williams Fulcher (6), John Holland (5), Thomas Raffles (11), Robert Southey (4), and Miss Thompson (8). Most letters have the recipients' postal addresses as part of their document. Much of the content relates to Montgomery's writings and publications, in particular his poetry and work for hymnals, though some of the letters are personal in nature.

Series II holds a group of autograph manuscript poems and other writings by Montgomery, including two poems translated into Welsh. Series III holds clippings about Montgomery, portrait engravings,

and material pertaining to his death and funeral proceedings, including a copy of *The Death of James Montgomery, Esq. with a Sketch of his Life*(1854).

Arrangement

Organized into three series: I. Letters from James Montgomery, 1789-1853. II. Writings of James Montgomery, 1821-1852. III. Other Papers, 1824-1920.

Collection Contents

Series I: Letters from James Montgomery, 1789-1853

129 Folders

Arranged in alphabetical order by recipient, followed by sixteen letters to unidentified recipients filed chronologically at the end.

	Aikin, John, of Stoke Newington Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 163 Autograph letter; a long letter to Dr. Aikin; Montgomery apologizes for not having replied previously, and deals with various matters, such as his school, his childhood, remarks on poetry, etc.	1803 Sep 23
	Aikin, John Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 164 Autograph letter; Montgomery mentions a poem he had hoped to enclose, his publishers Longman & Co., and a second edition of his works.	1806 Apr 15
b. 1, f. 1	Aikin, John Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks Dr. Aikin for superintending the second edition of his poems.	1806 Jul 15
	Aikin, John Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 165 Autograph letter, signed; with regard to Montgomery's poems.	1806 Jul 30
b. 1, f. 2	Aikin, John Autograph letter, signed; dealing with some poems; Montgomery makes a few corrections and alterations in the wording.	1806 Oct 13
b. 1, f. 3	Aikin, John Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks Dr. Aikin for superintending the third edition of his poems.	1806 Nov 12
b. 1, f. 4	Aikin, John, of Stoke Newington Autograph letter; Montgomery refers to the publishers of the "Monthly Mirror"; Mr. Rhodes wishes to insert a memoir and portrait of Montgomery in this journal.	1807 Jan 27
b. 1, f. 5	Aikin, John Autograph letter; Montgomery discusses a critique of his poems that appeared in the <i>Edinburgh Review</i> .	1807 Feb 25
b. 1, f. 6	Aikin, John Autograph letter, signed; in this letter Montgomery recalls the time when he was associated with Campbell & Grahame.	1807 Aug 8
b. 1, f. 7	Aikin, John, of London Autograph letter, signed; written from Sheffield.	1807 Dec 31
	Aikin, John, of London Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 166 Autograph letter; enclosing Part III of the poem, "The West Indies."	1807 Dec 31

	Aikin, John, of London Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 167 Autograph letter; a long letter, together with the fourth part of the poem "The West Indies."	1808 Mar 9
b. 1, f. 8	Aikin, John, of London Autograph letter; the letter is relative to a sketch of the history of Montgomery's mind, which Dr. Aikin has asked him to furnish.	1808 Aug 13
b. 1, f. 9	Aikin, John, of London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery has made the personal acquaintance of Dr. Aikin, and thanks him for his kindness during a visit.	1808 Dec 3
b. 1, f. 10	Aikin, John, of London Autograph letter; this letter, among other things, deals with a ship lost in a storm, and Montgomery has included a poem, "The Castaway Ship."	1809 Mar 11
	Aikin, John Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 168 Autograph letter, signed; enclosing original manuscript of Canto I of <i>The World Before the Flood</i> .	1809 Jul 15
	Aikin, John Stored in: Oversize, Box 3, folder 169 Autograph letter, signed; enclosing original manuscript of Canto II of <i>The World Before the Flood</i> .	1809 Oct 9
b. 1, f. 11	Aikin, John Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery enquires about Dr. Aikin's health. He also mentions "The West Indies."	1810 Jan 27
b. 1, f. 12	Aikin, John, of Stoke Newington Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery deals with certain poems, etc., in this letter.	1811 Jul 13
b. 1, f. 13	Aikin, John, of Stoke Newington Autograph letter, signed; a personal letter, in which he mentions Miss Aikin's visit to Edinburgh, etc.	1812 Apr 21
b. 1, f. 14	Aikin, John, of Stoke Newington Autograph letter, signed; written on a folder containing a poem, "The Peak Mountains" by "J. M." in two parts.	1812 Sep 3
b. 1, f. 15	Ball, Mr., of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; concerning the choice of a motto for Mr. Ball. Gift, 1957.	1837 Jul 24
b. 1, f. 16	Barker, Edward Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery states he has not found it convenient to engage himself upon any committee in behalf of gentleman offering themselves as candidates for Parliament, but he mentions the name of his friend Samuel Bailey.	1832 Jun 29

b. 1, f. 17	Blackwell, John, of Newcastle Autograph letter; Montgomery conveys his respects to Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell.	1838 Jan 13
b. 1, f. 18	Boyd, Joseph B., of Cincinnati, Ohio Autograph letter, signed; regarding a certain poem (no title given).	1838 Sep 22
b. 1, f. 19	Brady, Henry, of Dublin Autograph letter; mentions Montgomery's poem, "Greenland."	1827 Nov 15
b. 1, f. 20	Braneld, Mr. Autograph letter; written to a bookseller when Montgomery was 18, and he offers some poems for publication.	1789 Dec 11
b. 1, f. 21	Carder, Josiah, of London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery tells Mr. Carder he has been much indisposed since his return from Scarborough, and deals with a certain poem.	1809 Oct 6
b. 1, f. 22	Chantrey, Francis Legatt, of Pimlico, London Autograph letter, signed; this letter was written by Montgomery to serve as an introduction for his friend, Rowland Hodgson, to Mr. Chantrey.	1820 Jul 29
b. 1, f. 23	Christy, Joseph, of Stockport Autograph letter, signed; regarding Montgomery's "Hymn for Children." He tells Mr. Christy he can make use of it as he likes.	1835 Apr 21
b. 1, f. 24	Cochrane & Pickersgill, of Waterloo Place Autograph letter; Montgomery also encloses an original manuscript, "Lord Falkland's Dream."	1831 May 6
b. 1, f. 25	Coleridge, Samuel Taylor, of Grasmere, Kendal Autograph letter; Montgomery informs Mr. Coleridge he has been able to obtain two subscribers to Mr. Coleridge's intended work.	1808 Dec 28
b. 1, f. 26	Cottle, Joseph, of Brunswick Square Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks his friend for his offer of help and financial assistance.	1819 Sep 27
b. 1, f. 27	Cromek, Robert Hartley, of London Autograph letter, signed; referring to a volume Mr. Cromek has sent Montgomery.	1810 Nov 10
b. 1, f. 28	Davenport, Richard Alfred, of London Six autograph letters and autograph letters, signed; Montgomery writes in regard to <i>The Poetical Register</i> , and various poems he submits for publication.	1802-1814
b. 1, f. 29	Doncaster, Mrs., of Sheffield Autograph letter; Montgomery conveys his respects and wonders if "she will have an early opportunity of enclosing a small parcel of Missionary Reports to Miss Rowntree of York."	1828 Nov 27
b. 1, f. 30	Everett, James Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery mentions Miss Gales' failing health in this letter.	1836 Feb 26

b. 1, f. 31	Everett, James Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery states he cannot be present at York owing to having received a letter from his sister announcing the serious illness of her son, and asking him to visit them at Bedford.	[1844]
b. 1, f. 32	Fairbanks, William Autograph letter, signed; this letter is with regard to the Peckham Negro Friends Society and a school for adult Negroes in Jamaica	1835 Jan 20
b. 1, f. 33	Fincher, Joseph, of Albemarle St. Autograph letter, signed; this is with regard to some business with Cochrane & Co., and mentions Longman & Co.	1832 Apr 11
b. 1, f. 34	Fincher, Joseph, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding a sum of £10. Montgomery also refers to a course of lectures he has been asked to deliver.	1832 Jun 20
b. 1, f. 35	Fincher, Joseph, of London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery mentions the passing of a dear friend, Mr. George Bennet.	1842 Aug 4
b. 1, f. 36	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks Mr. Fulcher for the "elegant little books." He also appends an autographed poem.	1833 May 2
b. 1, f. 37	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; regarding some verses which Montgomery transmitted for Mr. Fulcher's "Annual."	1840 Aug 28
b. 1, f. 38	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery acknowledges £11.0. for a fund opened for the missionaries in Greenland.	1841 Feb 3
b. 1, f. 39	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery acknowledges two letters from Mr. Fulcher.	1842 Jun 17
b. 1, f. 40	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery acknowledges a donation of £2.2.0. and also sends a short poem, "The Dying Child's Request."	1842 Jul 1
b. 1, f. 41	Fulcher, George Williams, of Sudbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery asks that his name be added to the list of subscribers of Fulcher's "lady editor of a volume of poem to be published in aid of the suffering sick."	1847 May 3
b. 1, f. 42	Gardiner, William, of Leicester Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery states in this letter that as a boy he wrote a great many hymns.	1807 Mar 31
b. 1, f. 43	Gardiner, William, of Leicester Autograph letter, signed; together with hymn, "Father of Eternal Grace: Glorify Thyself in Me." Also an air, "Song of the Negro's Daughter."	1808 Jan 13

b. 1, f. 44	Gardiner, William, of Leicester Autograph letter; Montgomery thanks him for the air he has adapted to his hymn. He also sets out a poem, "A Midnight Thought," and "Song of the Negro's Daughter."	1808 Feb 24
b. 1, f. 45	Hadfield, Samuel and George Autograph letter; enclosing poem, "The Dead Canary Bird." Accompanied by an engraved portrait of Montgomery.	1836 Jul 4
b. 1, f. 46	Hare, Alice Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery has to decline Mrs. Hare's request for some verses.	1829 Aug 12
b. 1, f. 47	Hayward, Sarah J., of Stroud Autograph letter, signed; enclosing poem, "Children's Pennies, and apologizing for not having forwarded the poem before. Accompanied by a note regarding the poem by Sarah Hayward.	1843 Nov 10
b. 1, f. 48	Heaton, Mr., of Leeds Autograph letter, signed; regarding Elizabeth Cooper's <i>The Muses' Library</i> .	1827 Nov 9
b. 1, f. 49	Heppenstall, P., of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; this is a letter of thanks for a gift.	1834 Mar 6
b. 1, f. 50	Hofland, Barbara Autograph letter, signed; regarding the return of an album to her. Accompanied by engraved portrait of Montgomery. Gift of James Hosmer Penniman, 1921; formerly part of the Penniman Memorial Library, Yale University.	1835 Aug 10
b. 1, f. 51	Holland, John Autograph letter, signed; with regard to certain poems by Mr. Roberts which appeared in the Sheffield newspapers.	1827 Jul 20
b. 1, f. 52	Holland, John Autograph letter, signed; written from Sheffield.	1833 Mar 29
b. 1, f. 53	Holland, John Autograph letter, signed; this deals with two manuscripts Mr. Holland has in hand.	1833 Dec 21
b. 1, f. 54	Holland, John Autograph letter, signed; the letter announces the death of Anne.	1838 Jan 18
b. 1, f. 55	Holland, John Autograph letter, signed; this letter is with regard to some matters appertaining to the museum.	1841 Dec 3
b. 1, f. 56	Howitt, Richard, of Nottingham Autograph letter, signed; a letter of thanks for a volume of poems which Mr. Howitt sent Montgomery.	1830 Dec 7

b. 1, f. 57	Hudson, J. W., of Leeds Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery has been asked to attend a meeting of the Leeds Mechanic's Institute and Library.	1847 May 14
b. 1, f. 58	[Hunter, Joseph?] Autograph letter, signed; regarding some stones sent to Montgomery. Written from 10, New Palace Yard, [London?].	1835 May 23
b. 1, f. 59	Hunter, Joseph, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding the Gas Light Company's affairs.	1839 Jan 16
b. 1, f. 60	Hunter, Joseph Autograph letter, signed; with regard to the Gas Light Company dividend, etc.	1840 Mar 5
b. 1, f. 61	Hunter, Joseph, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding the Reverend Hunter's son, who has made application as a candidate for the place of assistant to the House Surgeon of the Infirmary.	1844 Jul 29
b. 1, f. 62	Hunter, Henry J., of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; this is with regard to Election Day. Written from Fulneck, near Leeds.	1848 Apr 25
b. 1, f. 63	Jervis, Swynfen, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding the lectures on poetry and general literature which Montgomery states he gave some years ago at the Royal Institution.	1843 Jan 25
b. 1, f. 64	Leader, Robert Autograph letter, signed; this refers to a lecture given by Montgomery at the Royal Institute in London.	1848 Oct 11
b. 1, f. 65	Livett, James, of Bristol Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery encloses a copy of the rules of the Mechanic's Library, and also mentions a Reading and Conversation Society.	1822 Mar 12
b. 1, f. 66	Longman & Co. Autograph letter, signed; regarding the return of proof sheets of a work by Montgomery.	1803 Nov 22
b. 1, f. 67	Longman & Co., of London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery asks for a complete copy of his poems, and also a copy of the <i>The Christian Psalmist</i> and <i>The Christian Poet</i> to be sent to Miss Farrer of London.	1828 Feb 2
b. 1, f. 68	[Longman & Co.] Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery requests that certain books are sent to him.	1844 Apr 4
b. 1, f. 69	Mcllvaine, Charles Pettit, of Ohio Autograph letter; Montgomery mentions in this letter a certain Mr. West, also Bishop Chase, and Kenyon College, Ohio.	1833 Dec 4
b. 1, f. 70	Manners, G., of Dewsbury Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery criticizes some poems by Mr. Manners.	1841 Jun 22

b. 1, f. 71	Marples, D., of Liverpool Autograph letter, signed; regarding six lectures on poets which Montgomery is engaged to deliver at the Collegiate Institution at Liverpool.	1844 Aug 12
b. 1, f. 72	Montagu, Mrs. Basil, of Lincoln's Inn Autograph letter, signed; a long letter touching on various points, such as Mr. Montagu being called to the Chancery Bar.	1811 Jul 16
b. 1, f. 73	Montgomery, Robert, of Woolwich Autograph letter, signed; a letter of farewell to his brother. Written from Hackney.	1837 May 17
b. 1, f. 74	More, Hannah, of Barley Woods Autograph letter; acknowledging receipt of certain sums of money for the fund on behalf of Mrs. Caterall and her children.	1824 Feb 27
b. 1, f. 75	Moxon, Edward, of Dover Street, London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks Mr. Moxon for a token sent him.	1833 Jul 3
b. 1, f. 76	Piper, H. H., of Norton Autograph letter, signed; regarding Montgomery's upcoming appearance in Norton.	1826 Jan 14
b. 1, f. 77	Preston, M. M. Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery requests his patronage for the Library for Mechanics and Apprentices of Sheffield. Purchase, 1956.	1824 Feb 4
b. 1, f. 78	Pringle, Thomas, of London Autograph letter, signed; with regard to a Mr. Brayham offering himself as candidate for Parliament. Montgomery says some words in his praise.	1830 Jul 24
b. 1, f. 79	Raffles, Thomas, of Liverpool Autograph letters, signed; eleven letters written from Sheffield between March 29, 1807 and September 10, 1844.	1807-1844
b. 1, f. 80	Rathbone, Hannah Mary, of Liverpool Autograph letter; dealing with a volume containing "Memoirs of Richard Reynolds."	1852 Jul 12
b. 1, f. 81	Rawling, C. George, of Liverpool Autograph letter, signed; to the secretary of the Antimonopoly Association of Liverpool, dealing with an invitation to the Great Free Trade Demonstration there.	1842 Mar 24
b. 1, f. 82	Ray, Mr., of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; regarding Mr. Carlisle, a London bookseller, who is being convicted for selling blasphemous publications.	1819 Oct 21
b. 1, f. 83	Reece, Miss, of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; Miss Reece has evidently asked Montgomery for some poems, and he replies "...if anything fit to send you comes into my mind, I shall be happy to please your correspondent and yourself."	1833 May 20

b. 1, f. 84	Reece, Miss, of Sheffield Autograph letter; Montgomery encloses the "long delayed" stanza "The Negro is Free."	1833 Oct 11
b. 1, f. 85	Rodgers, Paul, of Sheffield Autograph letter; regarding a poem written by Montgomery.	1840 Jul 20
b. 1, f. 86	Rodgers, Paul, of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery criticizes some of Mr. Rodgers' verses.	1846 Jan 17
b. 1, f. 87	Roscoe, William, of Allerton Hall Autograph letter; a letter of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe.	1815 Oct 14
b. 1, f. 88	Ryder, Richard, of Whitehall, London Autograph letter, signed; this letter deals with the affairs of the British Linen Co., and as Deputy Governor, Montgomery "begs leave to present a Memorial upon the same subject." On the reverse side is Mr. Ryder's reply, dated April 29, 1811.	1811 Apr 20
b. 2, f. 89	Shoberl, Frederic, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding Montgomery's poem, "The Skylark."	1832 Oct 19
b. 2, f. 90	Smith, Miss, of The Mount, Sheffield Autograph letter; Montgomery sends two volumes to Miss Smith, with his best respects.	1837 Nov 15
b. 2, f. 91	Southey, Robert Autograph letter; written on a printed folder containing Montgomery's poem "The Peak Mountains." He mentions Southey's "Pilgrim's Progress."	1812 Sep 18
b. 2, f. 92	Southey, Robert, of Keswick Autograph letter; Montgomery states he has been seriously ill. He mentions "Roderick, the Last of the Goths."	1815 Mar 27
b. 2, f. 93	Southey, Robert, of Keswick Autograph letter; this letter deals with a memoir that Southey is writing of John Bunyan.	1829 Apr 24
b. 2, f. 94	Southey, Robert, of Keswick Autograph letter; Montgomery apologizes for not having had an opportunity of visiting him, as he had been visiting various towns on the "occasion of the anniversaries of their respective Bible Societies..."	1829 Jun 23
b. 2, f. 95	Taylor and Hessey, of London Autograph letter, signed; enquiring the terms for publishing a story.	1816 Mar 23
b. 2, f. 96	Taylor and Hessey, of London Autograph letter, signed; this letter deals with <i>The Blind Man and his Son</i> .	1816 May 11
b. 2, f. 97	Taylor and Hessey, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding Mr. Sterndale the bearer of this letter. Montgomery speaks on his behalf.	1817 Nov 29

b. 2, f. 98	Thompson, Miss, of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; written from Hartshead.	1807 Dec 2
b. 2, f. 99	Thompson, Miss H., of Fargate, Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery thanks Miss Thompson for her kind note, and refers to some verses by Byron.	1818
b. 2, f. 100	Thompson, Miss H. Autograph letter, signed; announcing the death of Miss Elizabeth Gales.	1821 Feb 17
b. 2, f. 101	Thompson, Miss Autograph letter; Montgomery sends his respects to Miss Thompson, and mentions a certain hymn book.	1822 Jan 10
b. 2, f. 102	Thompson, Miss Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery sends six copies of his <i>Polyhymnia, or Select Airs by Celebrated Foreign Composers</i> .	1822 May 1
b. 2, f. 103	Thompson, Miss Autograph letter, signed; regarding what he's reading.	1827 Feb 14
b. 2, f. 104	Thompson, Miss Autograph letter, signed.	1837 Nov 21
b. 2, f. 105	Thompson, Miss Autograph letter; a reply to an invitation to tea. Montgomery has to refuse. Written from Hartshead.	undated
b. 2, f. 106	Tilt and Bogue, of London Autograph letter; this letter regards Mr. Comey's letter in <i>The Gentleman's Magazine</i> , respecting a new edition of Thomson's <i>The Seasons</i> .	1841 Jun 10
b. 2, f. 107	Tipper and Fry, of London Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery encloses £16 with this letter, to be placed to the credit of his account for stamps.	1813 Oct 25
b. 2, f. 108	Westley and Davis, of London Autograph letter, signed; regarding the "Missionary Journal" [<i>Journal of Voyages and Travels by Daniel Tyerman and George Bennet</i>] for which Montgomery has prepared the manuscript.	1830 Nov 18
b. 2, f. 109	Wilkinson, Henry, of Endcliffe Hall, Sheffield Autograph letter, signed; written from The Mount, Sheffield.	1844 Jun 7
b. 2, f. 110	Williamson, James, of Leeds Autograph letter; with regard to a monthly meeting held the previous evening.	1824 Feb 7
b. 2, f. 111	Wood, J., of Manchester Autograph letter; Montgomery thanks Mr. Wood for his invitation, but is unable to accept it.	1840 Dec 8
b. 2, f. 112	Woodward, Sophia, of London Autograph letter, signed; written from The Mount, Sheffield.	1841 Jun 12

b. 2, f. 113	Yates, James, of Sheffield Autograph letter, signed.	1847 Sep 25
b. 2, f. 114	Unidentified recipient Montgomery mentions Latin, Latin poetry, and his school days.	1808 Sep 5
b. 2, f. 115	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; this letter deals with an account of Sheffield.	1815 Dec 11
b. 2, f. 116	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; written from Sheffield. Delivered by a Mrs. Megson to a certain lady, in respect to negotiations between her brother and James Montgomery.	1817 May 20
b. 2, f. 117	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; regarding his work, <i>Polyhymnia, or Select Airs by Celebrated Foreign Composers</i> . Montgomery requests that any copies remaining on hand are returned to him immediately.	1823 Jan 18
b. 2, f. 118	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; regarding certain papers which Montgomery states he returns, at the same time apologizing for having "kept them so long."	1824 Feb 18
b. 2, f. 119	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; dealing with some stanzas sent to Montgomery.	1824 Jul 23
b. 2, f. 120	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery states that this arrived during his absence from home. He mentions the secretary of the Sheffield Literary and Philosophical Society, and also the Rev. Jack Hunter.	1828 Oct 21
b. 2, f. 121	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; Montgomery requests that 180 copies of his psalms and hymns are sent to Reverend Piccope in Manchester, and the order charged to the estate of Mrs. Cotterill.	1831 Oct 24
b. 2, f. 122	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter; regarding Mr. W. Saunders, a civil engineer. Montgomery, having known Mr. Saunders from his youth, and had business dealings with him, gives a good account of him.	1832 Dec 17
b. 2, f. 123	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; regarding the Missionary Festival at Wakefield. Written from Sheffield.	1834 May 7
b. 2, f. 124	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; this letter refers to a hymn composed by Montgomery for the Sunday School Union.	1838 Apr 20
b. 2, f. 125	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; regarding a new edition of Montgomery's poems. He acknowledges receipt of twenty-five copies of same. Affixed to this letter is a newspaper clipping regarding Montgomery's pension.	1841 Apr 30

b. 2, f. 126	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; regarding a course of lectures which Montgomery has been asked to deliver.	1841 Jun 22
b. 2, f. 127	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; dealing with a meeting of the Board of Governors, at which Mr. J. Law was appointed House Surgeon. Montgomery returns the unsuccessful applicant's testimonials.	1841 Dec 31
b. 2, f. 128	Unidentified recipient Facsimile of letter written by Montgomery on his 80th birthday. This letter was given (with last page in facsimile) to <i>Sheffield Weekly News</i> , August 11, 1900.	1851 Nov 4
b. 2, f. 129	Unidentified recipient Autograph letter, signed; to his publishers requesting they send him copies of his hymns bound in purple morocco. Purchase, 1957.	1853 Feb 21

Series II: Writings of James Montgomery, 1821-1852*26 Folders*

Arranged alphabetically by title of work, or first line of text.

b. 2, f. 130	"Abdallah a Sabat" and "The Grave" Poems translated into Welsh.	[1824]
b. 2, f. 131	"Aspirations of Youth" Poem of five verses.	1841 Mar 11
b. 2, f. 132	"The Christian Graces" Poem of four verses; 1 Corinthians XIII. 13.	1842 Aug 23
b. 2, f. 133	"The Deaf Man's Soliloquy" Poem.	undated
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b. 2, f. 135	"Epitaph on a Youth of 15 Years"	1847 Dec 23
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b. 2, f. 137	"For the Children of National or Sunday Schools" Poem. Five verses, accompanied by typed transcriptions.	undated
b. 2, f. 138	"For the Red Hill Sunday School, 1827" Poem of five verses.	1827
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b. 2, f. 140	[A little Child who dare despise, These little ones of thine...] Poem.	1830 Jul 6
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b. 2, f. 142	"A Missionary Lesson for Children" Poem in three parts, signed "J. M." and addressed to the Rev. William Bruce of Wadsley.	1843 Aug 5
b. 2, f. 143	"A Motto for the Bible" Verse of four lines.	1840 May 14
b. 2, f. 144	"Night" Poem.	1821 [Sep?]

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