



GUIDE TO THE JANE WINDEYER COLLECTION

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Title:	Jane Windeyer collection
Collection dates:	1908-1949
Creator:	Jane Windeyer
Languages represented:	English
Repository:	Rare Books and Special Collections, University of Sydney Library https://library.sydney.edu.au/collections/rare-books/
Extent:	3 boxes
Genre and Forms:	Bookplates; correspondence
Abstract:	Bookplate collections plus papers and correspondence relating to Jane Windeyer's collection of bookplates held in Rare Books and Special Collections.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Provenance

Transferred to the Library from the University Archives in 1972.

Access

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Jane Windeyer collection, Rare Books and Special Collections, the University of Sydney Library.

Biographical note

“Jane Windeyer (1865–1950) was the second eldest daughter of politician and judge Sir William Charles Windeyer (1834–1897) and his wife, Mary (née Bolton, 1837–1912), a leading campaigner for women’s rights. Born in Sydney, Jane spent much of her childhood living with her paternal grandmother, Maria Windeyer, at Tomago, the family estate in the Hunter Valley. Jane was educated privately but – curiously, given her parents’ prominent support of higher education for women – never attended university. When her mother died in 1912, Jane returned to Sydney and took up residence with her younger sister, Margaret, in Elizabeth Bay. Margaret Windeyer (1866–1939) had followed her mother into the women’s rights movement and was an integral member of organisations such as the Womanhood Suffrage League and the National Council of Women (NSW). Jane and Margaret never married; Jane acted as her sister’s companion and assisted Margaret in her charity work. When Margaret died in 1939, Jane catalogued her letters for presentation to the State Library of New South Wales (where Margaret had worked as a librarian between 1901 and 1927). Jane was also a collector, amassing a collection of approximately 2000 bookplates which was donated to the Sydney University Library in the 1940s. She died in Sydney in 1950.”

From the National Portrait Gallery website. Accessed 25/11/19
<https://www.portrait.gov.au/people/jane-windeyer-1865>

Local Catalogue Headings

Windeyer, Jane, 1865-1950

Bookplates, Australian

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

Box 1 Folder 1

Correspondence with E.V. Steele (University Librarian) re Windeyer Collection

- 1.1 Letter to E.V. Steele 23.3.48. 2 pp. Holograph ms. + Reply 1.4.19 Typescript. 1 p. Enclosure - bookplate of Ruth Fairfax.
- 1.2 Letter to E.V. Steele 26.7.48. 1 p. Holograph ms. + Reply 30.7.19. Typescript. 1 p.
- 1.3 Letter from E.V. Steele. 15.12.48 Typescript. 1 p.
- 1.4 Letter to E.V. Steele. 21.1.49 1 p. Holograph ms. + Reply. 26.1.49. Typescript. 1 p.
- 1.5 Letter to E.V. Steele. 7.2.1949 Holograph ms. 3 pp.
- 1.6 Letter to E.V. Steele. 13.2.49 Holograph ms. 1 p. + Reply. 2.3.49 Typescript. 1 p.
- 1.7 Letter to E.V. Steele. 30.8.48 Holograph ms. 1 p.
- 1.8 Letter to E.V. Steele. 8.3.1949 Holograph ms. 1 p. Enclosure - bookplate of Sir Basil Brooke.

1.9 Letter to E.V. Steele. 21.9.48 Holograph ms. 1 p.

Box 1 Folder 2

Blanche Milligan. Letters (3) to Jane Windeyer. 22.3.1938 (2 pp.) ; 28.8.38 (2 pp.) ; 14.9.38 (3 pp.).
Holograph ms.

Box 1 Folder 3

Miscellaneous correspondence

- 3.1 Letter from C.W. Salier. 2.5.1939 Holograph ms. 1 p.
- 3.2 Letter from Arthur Fawsett. 1.10.1909 Holograph ms. 2 pp.
- 3.3 Letter from C.V. Steele 18.10.1908 Holograph ms. 2 pp.
- 3.4 Letters (2) from J.W. Griffith 14.12 1908 ; 21.12.1909
- 3.5 Letter to J.W. Griffith 14.9.1910 Holograph ms. 3 pp.
- 3.6 Letter to J.W. Griffith. 4.3.1910 Holograph ms.
- 3.7 Miscellaneous correspondence - 6 items.

Box 1 Folder 4

- 4.1 Letters (2) from John Lane Mullins. October 1948
- 4.2 Letters (2) from J. Macdonald - 22.12.1909 ; 21.1.1910

Boxes 2-3

Bookplates

A collection of 2.954 bookplates presented to Fisher Library by Jane Windeyer, daughter of Sir William Charles Windeyer, first graduate of Sydney University, Vice-Chancellor from 1883-87 and Chancellor in 1895. There are twelve albums of armorial plates, ten of pictorial plates, and separate albums containing the work of Adrian Feint, Gayfield Shaw and G.D. Perrottet. There is also an album devoted to the plates of Australian colleges and schools.