



GUIDE TO THE JOHN LE GAY BRERETON COLLECTION

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Collection Number:	RB018
Title:	John Le Gay Brereton Collection
Collection Dates:	1877 - 1932
Collector:	University of Sydney Library, Rare Books and Special Collections
Languages Represented:	English
Extent:	1 box
Repository:	University of Sydney Library, Rare Books and Special Collections
Abstract:	John Le Gay Brereton, 1871 - 1933 was a scholar and writer. He was a student of the University of Sydney and later Librarian of Fisher Library, University of Sydney from 1902 to 1921 and Challis Professor of English Literature from 1921 to 1933.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Provenance

Artificially constructed collection. Sources include Walter Stone, Esme Hadley and possibly University of Sydney Library.

Access

The John Le Gay Brereton Collection is available for research in the Rare Books and Special Collections reading room, Fisher Library.

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Scope and Content Note

The John Le Gay Brereton Collection contains manuscript copies of 1 story, 4 poems and essays, manuscript copies of lecture notes, correspondence and reprints and journal articles on literary subjects.

Subject Headings

Brereton, J. Le Gay (John Le Gay), 1871 - 1933.

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

Series I: Writing

Box Folder Contents

Prose

1	1	<i>A Natural Mistake</i> , undated
		Short story, manuscript, 8 pages Provenance: Walter Stone

- 1 2 Note to English students regarding letter published in the Sydney Daily Telegraph on Christopher Marlowe, 5 May 1925
 Manuscript and newspaper cutting, 1 page
- 1 3 *The Structure of the Shakespearean Playhouse*, undated
 Manuscript, 71 pages
- 1 4 *Matthew Arnold*, undated
 Manuscript essay, 59 pages
 Bound with "Some Australian Poets"
- 1 4 *Some Australian Poets*, undated
 Manuscript essay, 39 pages
 Bound with "Matthew Arnold"

Poetry

- 1 5 Cling to me, undated
 Manuscript poem signed by John Le Gay Brereton, 1 page
- 1 5 At the age of thirty-five, undated
 Manuscript poem, 1 page
- 1 5 The silver gull, undated
 Manuscript poem signed by John Le Gay Brereton, 4 pages
- 1 5 Not yet grey ashes strew the hearth..., undated
 Manuscript poem, 1 page

Series II: Lecture Notes

Box	Folder	Contents
1	6	Christopher Marlowe, undated Lecture notes, manuscript, 25 pages
1	7	Plot of <i>The way of the world</i> , undated Lecture notes, manuscript, 3 pages
1	8	Plot of <i>Double Dealer</i> , undated Lecture notes, manuscript, 3 pages
1	9	Plot of <i>The Old Bachelor</i> , undated Lecture notes, manuscript, 6 pages
1	10	<i>Richard III</i> , historical background, undated Lecture notes, manuscript, 12 pages
1	11	<i>William Congreve</i> , undated

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| | | Lecture notes, manuscript, 6 pages |
| 1 | 12 | Two Noble Kinsmen, undated |
| | | Lecture notes, manuscript, 18 pages, page 1 is missing |

Series III: Correspondence

Box Folder Contents

Correspondence from John Le Gay Brereton to Miss Esme L. Hadley, 1912 - 1932

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| 1 | 13 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Miss Esme L. Hadley, 27 July 1912 - 25 September 1915

13 autograph letters signed
Includes newspaper cutting of "The Carillon", a poem by John Le Gay Brereton; 5 pages of handwritten notes, "Works of Friedrich" and "Further Notes on the Works of Friedrich". |
| 1 | 13 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Miss Esme L. Hadley, 21 March 1916 - 20 November 1926

10 autograph letters signed |
| 1 | 13 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Miss Esme L. Hadley, 11 March 1931 - 22 October 1932

6 autograph letters signed
Includes letter from Robert Innes Kay, solicitor, to Miss Esme L. Hadley regarding Christopher Brennan's books, 10 October 1932. |

Correspondence from John Le Gay Brereton to Duncan Hall, 1914 - 1932

Photocopies only. Original letters are deposited with National Library of Australia. Provenance: Mr Ray Smee.

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| 1 | 14 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Duncan Hall, 4 December 1914 - 4 October 1917

14 letters |
| 1 | 14 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Duncan Hall, 21 January 1918 - 8 February 1919

14 letters |
| 1 | 14 | Letters from John Le Gay Brereton to Duncan Hall, 29 January 1926 - 16 July 1932

15 letters |

Individual Correspondence, single items, 1903 - 1929

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| 1 | 15 | Letter from John Le Gay Brereton to Mr Seaward re Hermes, 9 February 1903 |
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- 1 letter, 2 pages
- 1 15 Letter from John Le Gay Brereton to Mr Shafer re slides for lecture, undated
- 1 letter, 1 page
- 1 15 Letter from C.F. Tucker Brooke to John Le Gay Brereton, 18 September 1911
- 1 letter, 3 pages
- 1 15 Letter from Professor T. Butler to John Le Gay Brereton, 28 March ca. 1910
- 1 letter, 1 page
- 1 15 Letter from E. Dowden to John Le Gay Brereton, 20 June 1910
- 1 letter, 2 pages
- 1 15 Letter from H. Dugdale Sykes to John Le Gay Brereton, 22 November 1925
- 1 letter, 3 pages
- 1 15 Letter from W. W. Greg to John Le Gay Brereton, 8 March 1908
- 1 letter, 1 page
- 1 15 Letter from Allan Wilkie to John Le Gay Brereton, 27 February 1921
- 1 letter, 2 pages
- 1 16 Letter from J. W. Marchail to John Le Gay Brereton, 9 December 1929
- 1 letter, 2 pages
- 1 17 Letter from John Le Gay Brereton to Mr Binns, undated
- 1 letter, 2 pages
Includes short parodies by Brereton of the poetry of Brennan, Hebblethwaite, Lawson, Quinn and O'Dowd

Marlowe Memorial Fund Correspondence, 1923 -1925

- 1 18 Letter from M.W.M.C. (Mungo MacCallum?), University of Sydney to John Le Gay Brereton, 27 November 1923
- 1 letter, 3 pages
- 1 18 Letter from Sir Sidney Lee to John Le Gay Brereton, 11 September 1925
- 1 letter, 1 page

Series IV: Reprints and Journal Articles

Box Folder Contents

- 1 19 Reprints and journal articles on literary subjects annotated by John Le Gay Brereton, ca. 1904

- 1 20 Reprints and journal articles on literary subjects belonging to, but not annotated by, John Le Gay Brereton, 1877 - 1929

