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Papers and correspondence of James Logie Robertson.

BOXES 1 & 2

CORRESPONDENCE

766 letters to James Logie Robertson with several to his wife, 1871-1922, n.d., from a variety of correspondents, principally publishers and editors of periodicals to which he contributed, notably Charles Cooper of the Scotsman and James N Dunn of the Scots Observer. Letters from notable individuals include those from Sir George Douglas, 5th Bart of Springwood Park.

BOX 1

- I. 1871-89.
- II. 1890-1.
- III. 1892-3.

BOX 2

- IV. 1894.
- V. 1895.
- VI. 1896.
- VII. 1899-1922, n.d.

BOX 3

I POEMS AND PROSE

- (a) Manuscript drafts of verse by James Logie Robertson and his wife, 1868, 1888, 1902, n.d.
- (b) Manuscript drafts of articles and essays, mostly undated and including: 'Holidays and Holiday Literature'; 'The Tatler, no.1'; 'The Letters of Isabella Burns'; 'The Kilt in the Lowlands'; 'Fons Bandusiae, a famous but undiscovered fountain'; 'A Plea for the Nose'.
- (c) Glossary of Scots vocabulary; an index of the insects mentioned in Shakespeare, 1916, and some school notes.
- (d) Two poems addressed to "Hugh Haliburton", one by D Bruce Peebles, 1898, the other anonymous.

II. PRESS CUTTINGS

Volume of loose press cuttings of prose and verse contributions by James Logie Robertson with other miscellaneous articles; printed testimonials for the Berry Chair of English Literature at St Andrews University, 1897; copy of Scots Magazine, September 1888; programme for the opening of the McEwan Hall, 1897, and a menu for the Thomson Bi-Centenary Celebrations, 1900.

III. PRINTED ITEMS

- (a) Several printed letters, 1870, 1895, 1948, mainly of Insurance companies, with a few accounts, 1880, 1896.
- (b) Copy of Thomson's Seasons, heavily annotated.
- (c) 'Burns. His censures his commentators and his triumph', by Charles Cooper: a speech to the Edinburgh Burns Club, January 1891.
- (d) 'Valedictory Sonnets' by Members of Class I, 1900-1.
- (e) Centenary of James Logie Robertson, 1846-1922, published by the Former Pupils Guild of Mary Erskine School for Girls, 1947.

BOX 4

NOTEBOOKS OF POEMS AND PROSE

- I. 'The Emperor's Pet', a musical comedy, written for the 'Carl Moses Opera Company', with a letter loosely inserted from J P Logie Robertson to his brother William, n.d.
- II. Child's notebook containing plays, verse and rough sketches, n.d.
- III. Manuscript journal of James Logie Robertson entitled 'My Log', 1896, describing a sea-voyage to Scandinavia.
- IV. Notebook containing verse from 1898 to 1913 which mainly appeared in The Scotsman.
- V. Diary, 1902-3, containing brief entries of appointments, snatches of verse and miscellaneous notes.
- VI. Notebook, 1906, containing verse and rough notes.
- VII. Small notebook, September, 1906, filled with school notes and a rough journal.

- VIII. Small looseleaf notebook, 1913, containing rough drafts of poems and prose.
- IX. Diary of 1913, entitled 'Household Finance Book', supposedly belonging to the poet's son J P Logie Robertson but entries for the month of January only are in the poet's own hand.
- X. Diary of 1915 containing for the most part drafts of poems and notes on literary and historical topics.
- XI. Diary of 1918 containing notes and rough verse.
- XII. Notebook containing an essay entitled 'Horace in Scotland. His indebtedness to Allan Ramsay', dated February, 1919.
- XIII. Small diary for August, 1892, with brief entries of events and publication of work.
- XIV. Another of the same for September, 1892.
- XV. Small notebook of rough notes, 1895-6.
- XVI. Notebook of J P Logie Robertson, September, 1906, containing some verse in pencil.

BOX 5

NOTEBOOKS OF CUTTINGS

- A. Notebooks of cuttings of James Logie Robertson's contributions to The Scotsman.
 - I. 1885 - April 1887.
 - II. June-October 1887.
 - III. December 1887 - October 1888.
 - IV. December 1888 - August 1889.
 - V. August 1889 - May 1890.
 - VI. June 1890 - April 1892.
 - VII. August-November 1892.
 - VIII. December 1892 - August 1893.
 - IX. August 1893 - December 1898.
- X. Volume of Scotsman cuttings, particularly of verses from 'Horace in Homespun', 1885.

- XI. Scotsman cuttings of 12 poems, six by James Logie Robertson entitled 'This and That', and six by his wife Janet entitled 'Mother and Child', 1886.
- XII.}
- XIII.} Two small volumes of literary articles and verse from The Scotsman, 1899-1901.
- XIV. A volume of early cuttings of Robertson's contributions in verse and prose to the People's Friend, 1870.
- XV. Slim quarto notebook containing one article from The Scotsman, 'Among Norwegian Wilds', with a few MS notes, September, 1885.
- B. Notebooks containing cuttings of reviews of J L Robertson's work.
- I. Reviews of The White Angel and the Polly Ann, 1885, with MS notes.
- II. Notices of Horace in Homespun, 1886.
- III. Notices of an edition of Poems of Allan Ramsay, 1887.
- IV. Notices of For Puir Auld Scotland's Sake, a volume of prose essays, 1887-8.
- V. Notices of an edition of Burns's Letters, 1887-8, and Burns's Selected Poems, 1889.
- VI. Notices of In Scottish Fields, 1890, and an edition of Thomson's Seasons and The Castle of Indolence, 1892.
- VII. Continuing notices of Thomson's Seasons, 1891-2, and of Robertson's own Ochil Idylls, 1891-2.
- VIII. Reviews of A History of English Literature, 1894.
- IX. Unbound notebook of reviews of Furth in Field, 1894.
- X. Reviews of Dunbar, being selections from Poems of an old Makar, 1895, and English Verse for Junior Classes, 1896.
- XI. Notices of another edition of Horace in Homespun, 1900-1.
- XII. Volume of miscellaneous cuttings of reviews and articles with MS notes.