

THEODORE POWYS – LETTERS TO AND FROM

Note: These letters are also on microfilm.

[Bissell Gift]

Personal\Relative

Powys, A.R. (brother) 9 letters dated July 22 1902, March 22 1909, Nove 24 1917, Aug 3 1931. Undated. March 13 1933, with envelope. Dec 19 1934. Feb 18, with envelope, & 21 1935.

Powys, A.R. Letter from T.F. P. postmarked Aug 8 1902. About his attempt to walk from Bournemouth to Studland in appalling weather.

Powys, C.F. (father) 6 letters from C.F.P. Nov 28 1901 (repaired), April 12 1902. July 25 1902 (TFP is about to start lecturing in Eastbourne). April 12 1905. (TFP is about to marry). Oct 23 1915. Sept 18 1916. (TF's teeth.)

Powys, Gertrude (sister) 17 letters to TF and Violet Powys. Sept 20 1902. Sept 26 [1902?]. March 27 1923. April 17 1923. 'Easter Tuesday' 1923. July 27 1931. May 25 1932. Oct 7 1932. March 26 1933. 'Easter Day' 1933. 1933? Feb 5 1936. May 10 1937. Sept 9 1944. June 28 1947. Undated. Incomplete.

Powys, Gertrude 40 letters from T.F.P. (in three sleeves). Oct 10 1913. Sept. 12 1914. Undated – 1917? Jan 6 1922 (S.Tomlin is coming). 1923? 1923? Nove 12 1923. Dec 20 1923. Jan 8 1924, with envelope. Feb 16 1924, with envelope. Feb 23 1924. Dec 20 1931. Dec 3 1933. 'Augustus John began his long deferred portrait on Tuesday' TEL called as well. With envelope. Feb 16 1934, with envelope. Dec 25 1935. May 13 1937. July 13, 1940. (Has just moved to Mappowder: 'a wrench'). Sept 18 1940, with envelope. Dec 23, with envelope. Dec 24 ? (wartime). Postmarked Oct 1940. Aug 4 1942. Dec 25 1944, with envelope. Jan 22 1945, with envelope, postcard, June 11 1945, postcard, July 17. 1945, July 10 1946, with envelope, Oct 4 1946, with envelope, Oct 23 1946, with envelope, Oct 30, 1946, May 19 1947, July 1 1947, with envelope, Nove 8 1947, Dec 18 1947, Dec 29 1947, March 27 1948, with envelope, Feb 25 1949, with envelope, June 15 1949, with envelope, July 30 1949, with envelope, Sept 27 1949.

Powys, John Cowper (brother) 6/7 holograph letters from T.F. to J.C.P.
Dec 21 [Beth Car: early]; March 30 1916; fragment from same period; May 7 1923; undated, on reverse of part letter from Willie to 'Bob', July 2 1920; fragment on reverse of letter from Willie; postcard.

Powys, John Cowper **110 photocopied letters from T.F. to J.C.P. from late 1914 to May, 1930 (in five sleeves) NOT MICROFILMED. See also under J.C.P. letters
[Dated by Bissell]: late 1914. Dec 16, 1914. Oct 20, 1915. Late 1915 (2). Dec. 16, 1915. Jan 22 1916. 1916? March 9 1916. April 24 & 25, 1916. May 1, 27 & 30 1916. July 20 1916. Aug 23 1916. Sept 29 1916. Oct. 1916. Oct 15 1916, Nove 9, 20, 23 & 29 1916. 1917? 1917? March 10 1917, April 8 & 20 1917. May 1917. May 7, 12, 19 & 27 1917. June 10 1917. July 2, 9 & 15, 1917. Sept. 16 1917. ?Sept 1917. Sept 24, 1917. Autumn 1917? Oct. 2, 7, 14, 21 & 28, 1917. Nove 4, 12, 15, 19 & 25 1917. 9 Dec. 1917. Undated (late 1917 or early 1918). Jan. 4, 1918. March 2, 16 & 31, 1918. 6 & 12 April 1918. May 3, 1918. Sept. 28, 1918. Nove. 24 1918. Jan. 26 1919. Feb 16 1919. March 2 1919. Undated 1919. 5 Oct 1919. 5 Dec. 1919. Feb 3 1920. March 1 1920. Aug. 10 1920.

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Oct. 18 1920 [written on verso of letter from Will Powys, dated Sept 21 1920]. Oct. 21 1920. Nov 8, 11, 16 and 24(2) 1920. Dec. 1 & 22 1920. Jan. 13 1921? Jan 20 & 27 1921. Oct. 14 1922. Dec 24 1922. Feb 21 1923. Oct 16 1923. Oct. 26 1924. Dec 2 & 12 1924. Jan 30 1925, March 9 & 21 1925. April 10 1925. July 2 1925. Sept 9 & 29 1925. Dec 3 1925. Jan 16 1926. June 17 1926. Aug 18 1926. Dec 18 1928. Aug 7 1929. May 28 1930. Plus six letters of uncertain date.

Note: 52 of these letters have been transcribed by Bissell (who also transcribed six letters from TFP to Louis Marlowe) and are filed in the same box.

Powys, Littleton 10 letters to TFP: Nov 4, 1902, with envelope, Nov 22 1923, Jan 1 1925, May 20 1943, Dec 19 1943, July 23 1946, May 26 1947, July 7 1947, July 21 1947, July 26 1947. With Christmas card.

Myers, Elizabeth (Littleton's second wife) 8 letters and a postcard to TFP: June 25 1944, June 27 1944, postcard, June 29, 1944 [postmark], Dec 29 1944, with envelope, Aug 10 1945, Oct 9 1945 – to Violet, Feb 27 1946, [April 1946], April 12 1946, Aug 3 1946, with envelope.

Powys, Margaret (JCP's wife) Letter to TFP, March 23 1909, about Francis's birth.

Powys, Marian (sister) Two letters to TFP, both undated, one previously ascribed (by EEB) to Will Powys.

Two letters from TFP: May 27 1916; Oct 12, 1920; Oct 28 1917.; Double letter from TFP 12-14 Oct 1920, announcing sending play of Journal 2002 donated GE Kent

Powys, Mary C. (mother) 21 letters to TFP (in two sleeves):

1. July 25 1902, Sept 17 1902 (mourning stationery), with envelope, Oct 2 1902, with envelope, March 21 1907, with envelope, July 18 1908, with envelope, March 21 1909, (birth of Francis), March 22 1909, March 23 1909, Oct 25 1909 (to Dicky for his birthday)
- 2 Jan 27 1910, with envelope, Feb 23 1910, with envelope, Oct 6 1910, Oct 23 1910, postcard, Feb 3 1913, May 28 1912, June 27 1913, March 27 1914, with envelope, June 9 1914, June 18 [1914], with envelope, July 7 1914.

Powys, Philippa (sister) 4 letters to T.F.P. Dec 17 1902, with envelope, April 24 1929, Aug 17 [1929?], March 1933 (Kenya).

Powys, Philippa 20 letters and 2 postcards from T.F.P.: From Chaldon: Undated[1920s], July 3rd, undated (her 'paper'), April 27 1929, with envelope, Dec 20 1929, May 12 1930, July 6 1930, July 15 1930, 'Wednesday', July 21 1933, Dec 25 1937, with envelope.

From Mappowder: Aug 1940, with envelope, (and letter of Oct 1940 from E Mitchell to Miss Powys), Feb. 15 1941, with envelope, April 17 1941, with envelope, May 10 1941, with envelope, Dec. 5 1941, with envelope, Dec. 25 1944, Dec. 25, 1945 (death of Mr Wallis), Nove 20 1946, with envelope, Dec 27, 1952, and two postcards.

Gregory, Alyse

- letter from AG to TF dated only Saturday, but Llewelyn still alive (and Susan born).

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- undated letter from AG to TF sending him a book? Article? About Euthanasia and says she is a member. Would be when TF was at Mappowder as she refers to Dr Smith.
 - letter from AG to TF dated only Chydyok, Thursday Oct 1 but referring to a visit she made to them in Mappowder.
 - note from TF undated "I have gone a little way down the road to warm myself. To the Holly bush."
 - note from TF to AG dated only Chaldon, Feb 21.
- NOTE: These miscellaneous letters apparently sent by Alyse to Bissell fairly late.

Marks, Herbert.

(Also in the cache of letters sent by Alyse Gregory)

photocopies of 3 holograph letters written by T.F. Powys to Herbert Marks, April 9 1936, Dec 20 1947, Dec 22 1950 .

Personal\Friend

Ackland, Valentine Letter, undated, to TFP.

Brenan, Gerald 6 letters to TFP: March 22 1932 [postmark], with envelope, no date (Gamel's operation) no date (Gamel still in hospital), no date [Nove 1933], no date, Spain [1933], no date, Spain, postmarked 1933.

Brenan, Gamel (nee Woolsey) Postcard to Violet Powys from Gamel postmarked 31 March 1933? Letter to Violet Powys, Dec 21, 1932?

Garnett, David 9 letters to TFP: March 10 1925, Sept 1925, no date [1924], March 18 1927, March 2 1933, with envelope, Sept 21 1933, (presentation of £92 from 'friends and admirers'), March 23 1934, April 5 1934 (Civil List pension has failed), with envelope, Oct 20 1935, (Penguin offers), with envelope. Also photocopies.

Hardy, Mrs Florence 10 letters & 1 card from F.E H. to Violet Powys. Max Gate Christmas card (unsigned), one pre-1928(undated). Feb 8 1928 (to TFP), with envelope, postmark Aug 7 1929, with envelope, undated, (1929? Mentions memorial), postmark Sept 16 1929, with envelope, postmark Dec 8 1933, with envelope, May 30 1934, with envelope, June 16 1935 (Civil List pension granted), March 30 1936, with envelope, postmark March 5 1936, with envelope, postmark March 20 1936, with envelope.

O'Neill, Bernard Price 10 letters to TFP & a Christmas postcard: Sept 18 1908, Jan 1 1909, March 22 1909, Feb 28 1910, Oct 2 1924 (to Violet), Sept 11 1932, Sept 14 1933, July 30 1934, March 17 1935, April 18 1938, Oct 16, 1942. Also a review of "An Interpretation of Genesis" in The Equinox, March 10 by JFCF

Prentice, Charles 47 letters to T.F.P. written after leaving Chatto & Windus, 1935-1947. (See under Business/ C&W for further correspondence.)

1. 11.3.35 (Captain Patch), 7.7.36, 14.12.36, 28.1.37, 7.1.38, 2.1.41, 28.6.44, 4.7.44, 7.7.44, 23.11.44, 4.2.45, 22.2.45 (his writings), 9.3.45 (Bottle's Path), 11.3.45 (Bottle's Path), 18.3.45, (ditto), 23.3.45 (ditto), 25.3.45 (writings); incomplete; 31.3.45, envelope postmarked 1 April 1945.

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2. Postcard 8.4.45, 12.4.45, 19.4.45, (Bottle's Path), 24.6.45, 2.8.45, 2.9.45, with envelope, 8.10.45, 21.2.46, with envelope, 9.4.46, with envelope, 30.4.46, 14.5.46, 12.6.46, 15.6.46, 10.7.46, 15.7.46 (to Violet), 2.8.46 (to Violet).

3. 15.11.46, with envelope, 12.12.46, with envelope, 22.12.46, with envelope, 30/12/46 with corrected typescript of Prentice's preface to God's Eyes a-Twinkle (11pp) and an undated letter from TFP about the book's title; 4.1.47 with envelope, 8.1.47 with envelope, 21.3.47 with envelope, 25.3.47 with envelope, 31.7.47, 10.8.47 with envelope, 10.8.47 with envelope, 3.10.47 with envelope, 18.10.47.

Prentice, Charles Letter from T.F.P. (see above)

Mrs M.N.R. Stracey 6 letters to T.F.P. & Violet. Undated [prob 1915 EEB], postmark Sept 26 1929, with envelope, undated, June 28 1938, note: with note on verso by TFP, Dec 5 [1939]

Tomlin, Stephen 6 letters to TFP: [1923], Jan 23, 1924 (postmark), with envelope, no date [late 1924], no date [December], no date (Mark Only), no date (Christmas).

Warner, Sylvia Townsend 43 letters from T.F.P.

- 1 Nov 23 1921, April 30 1922, Jan 3 1923, Feb 12 1923, March 19 1923, Oct 12 1923, Dec 26 1923.
- 2 Undated [1924?], March 15 1924, May 15 1924, July 18 1924, Nov 5 1924, Dec 3 1924, Dec 9 1924, Dec 13 1924.
- 3 Jan 7 1925, March 11 1925, May 13 1925, Sept 10 1925, Oct 20 1925, Nov 27 1925.
- 4 Jan 11 1927, April 16 1927, June 18 1927, July 7 1927, July 27 1927, Aug 2 1927, Aug 25 1927, Sept 26 1927, Oct 17 1927.
- 5 Dec 7 1928, April 13 1929, May 10 1929, July 2 1929, July 5 1929, July 30 1929, Oct 8 1929, Nov 10 1929, Nov 21 1929, Nov 22 1929.
- 6 April 10 1931, Oct 22 1931 (Dickie's death), Dec 22 1931.

Warner, Sylvia Townsend 24 letters to Theodore and Violet Powys

- 1 [Nov 1921], 7.2.1925, 30.10?.1926, 20.12.1926 with envelope, 24.6.1927.
- 2 All to Violet Powys: July 19 1927, Oct 13 1928, Oct 23 1929, Dec 8 1929, Feb 14 1930.
- 3 To Violet Powys: [early 1930: purchase of Miss Green's], March 2 1930, April 8 1930 – to Theo, April 22 1930, July 26 1930, Nov 11 1930, with envelope.
- 4 Fragment, postmarked March 27 1931, June 15 1932, Jan 2 1932, with envelope, July 24 1933.
- 5 Aug 8 1933, Aug 12 1933, Oct 16 1933, Dec 26 1935 – to Violet.

Wilkinson, Louis 26 letters from L.W. [2 sleeves]

1. 'The last day of April', April 1 1901, incomplete, with poem, Feb 13 1902: poem, Aug 29 1902, Feb 14 1903, Nov 1 1906, Oct 2 1908, Jan 29 1909, June 26 1919, April 11 1923, April 27 1923, Dec 31 1925, Aug 17 1926.
2. Jan 6 1930, July 4 1931, June 25 1932, Jan 18 1934, Feb 1 1934, Dec 24 1934, Jan 30 1936, Dec 24 1936, Dec 18 1937, Dec 20 1943, Aug 25 1944 (to Violet), Feb 11 1947, May 27 1947, June 25 1947, fragment [1949?]

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- Abbott, Claude Colleer 3 letters to TFP: Dec 19 1948, Sept 9 1950, July 19 1952.
- Gibbings, Robert Letter to TFP 11.9.36.
- John, Augustus 2 letters to TFP. Nov 8 1924, with envelope. 2nd is 19 Dec., 1933 no envelope.
- de Kantzow, Alfred Letter from Kantzow to 'Dear Friend'. EEB questions its provenance.
- O'Flaherty, Margaret. Letter to TFP, undated. [1925?]
- Morrell, Ottoline 2 letters to TFP, undated. [1924?]
- Pollock, Rivers Letter to TFP, 9.12.38.
- Rose, Rosemund Letter from T.F.P. Oct 29 1941, with envelope.
- Tolchard, Clifford 5 letters from TFP: Dec 28 1948, with envelope, postcard, Feb 3 1949, Dec 21 1949, with envelope, postcard, Oct 21 1950, Feb 22 1952, with envelope.
- With a thank you letter from Gertrude Powys to Tolchard, May 4 1950.
- Wainwright, Vera Two letters to TFP. Undated and 3/8/42.
- W.J. Williams ('The Catholic') Letter to T.F. with poem by him.
- Letter, undated and to an unknown correspondent from TFP at Beth Car (early?)
- Worvill, Roy 1 letter re buying books (cf JCP letters for JCP & Worvill 17/11/39)

Business Letters To T.F.

- Barker, Vernon Douglas Letter sending copy of first volume of an anthology of English short stories in Hungarian to which T.F.P. contributed 'I Came as a Bride'. Dec. 12 1935.
- Chard, Frederick (Curtis-Brown) 5 letters from T.F.P.
Note: Chard was an employee of Curtis-Brown who was Arnold Shaw's agent in England.
May 29 1917, June 2 1917, June 2 1917, July 15 1917, Nove 14 1917, Nov 30 1917.
- Clayton, Douglas (Rare Book Dealer) 7 letters from T.F.P, July 28 1929, Aug 2 1929, Aug 10 1929, Aug 14 1929, Sept 13 1929, Sept 17 1929, Nove 21 1929, July 18 1931. With five envelopes.

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Clayton, Douglas 2 letters to TFP . re sale of his typescripts. Aug 13 1929, Nove 19 1929.
With pencilled draft reply by TFP.

Cleverdon, Douglas 2 letters to TFP concerning publication of 'Uncle Dottery'. Dec 6 1930, June 8 1931. With letter from TFP July 18 1931.

Coster, Howard (photographer) 2 letters re commissioning by editor of *The Bookman* to take T.FP.'s picture. Sept 10 1934, Oct 9 1934.

Curtis-Brown 3 letters: Dec 10, 1919; Dec 31, 1 919; Jan 29, 1936; & receipt.
***Not filmed - found later.

Dibden, William (bookseller) 27 letters from TFP.
Oct 14 1929, Oct 16 1929, Oct 26 1929, Aug 8 1930, Oct 4 1930, Oct 8 1930 with envelope, Oct 31 1930 with envelope, Nove 8 1930, Nove 25 1930, Dec 4 1930, Dec 22, 1930, Jan 20 1931, Feb 16 1931, March 9 1931, private copy of letter to 'Mr C'[leverdon], March 12 1931, Dec 20, July 15 1932, Dec 26 1932, May 30 1933, June 1 1933, June 16 1933, July 1 1933, Sept 25 1934, Dec 26 1934, Dec 26 1935, June 13 1939.

With letter to TFP from illegible, 19.1.1925, about selling his books.

Elkin Matthews Ltd Letter enclosing cheque for manuscript of *Mr Weston's Good Wine*
June 16 1936.

Garnett, Edward 1 letter dated 19 Jan, 1923 commenting on *Mr Tasker's God's*.

Gawsworth, John (Fytton Armstrong) 8 letters from T.F.P.: June 11 1932, Nove 10 1932, Dec 9 1932 (with processed cheque), Feb 19 1933, with cheque, March 22 1934, July 18 1935, with Gawsworth's letter of July 16. Aug 26 1935, with cheque, Sept 3 1945.

Gawsworth, John (Fytton Armstrong) Letter filed above.

Glass, Douglas (photographer) Letter asking if he could take T.FP.'s photograph, 21 Jul, 1947.

Golden Cockerell Press Letter asking if they can publish *Goat Green* in a cheap edition, July 17 1942, with draft letter from T.F. agreeing.

Grayson & Grayson (publishers) Letter requesting a bibliography to accompany story by T.F.P. Jan 19 1935. **See Hackney, John

Hackney, John Letter to TFP complaining about slowness of 'The Grayson Books'.

Jackson, William (export booksellers) 2 letters asking T.F. if he knows of a book 'Essays on the Three Powys Brothers' by Ernest Martin, and two books written about T.F. by Cecil Hutchinson. Oct 30 1935, Feb 20 1936.

Lafayette Ltd. (photographers) Circular letter asking T.F.P to sit for a portrait 'for the press', July 28 1933.

Leavis, F.R. Letter from T.F.P. re Hunter, June 27 1930.

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Martin, E.W. (Author & literary critic) Letter saying he wishes to write a volume about the three brothers and asking for copies of T.F.'s books. [1935?] **see William Jackson

Melrose, Andrew (publisher) Letter to TFP re *Soliloquies*, with draft reply and envelope, Oct 22, 1925.

Melrose, Andrew Letter from T.F.P in response, Oct 23 1925.

Pinker, James (Literary agent) Letter to TFP re sale of story to *The Albatross*, April 25 1935.

Screen Services 2 letters re filming story 'These are my Fields', March 28 1934, April 5 1934.

Business Letters From T. F. Powys

Kark, (*Courier*) Letter April 21 1948 re unpub short stories.

Rayner, John (*Daily Express*) Letter July 24 1934, re pub short stories.***see under Business/Periodical publication for letter from Rayner.

Lahr, Charles Letter re cheque for £5, Jan 13 1928. ***see under Business/Periodical/*The New Coterie*

To unknown enclosing a blurb on T.F.P written by Llewelyn

Business/Early Lecturing

Wallder, Mary Letter and cheque to T.F.P. re lecturing, May 18, 1903.

Inman, Helen 1 letter and cheque to T.F.P re lecturing, May 19 1903.

Business/Translation

Slonimsky, Lydia (Russian translator) 5 letters re. Russian translation of *Mr Tasker*. April 26 1927, May 20 1927 with envelope, July 30 1927 re *Left Leg* and *Mockery Gap*, Jan 21 1929, April 21 1929, with envelope.

Business/ Publication in Periodicals

Arnavon, F. Estrangin (translator) 3 letters re publishing a fable in *Cahiers du Sud*. See Fluchere.

The Bookman (Hugh Ross Williamson) Letter accepting 'The Tree of God' and 'The Wanted', May 10 1934.

The Clarion (Robert Fraser, ed) accepting story 'These Were My Fields', Feb 20, 1934.

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The Countryman (Robertson Scott, ed.) Letter accepting story (unnamed), July 24 1934.

The Criterion (T.S. Eliot, ed) Letter accepting 'The Gong'; refusing 'These Were My Fields', Dec 12 1933.

The Daily Express (John Rayner, ed.) Letter accepting 'Only the Devil'; rejecting 'Two Chairs', Sept 21 1934.

The Daily Express (W.H. Robertson, syndication manager) Letter requesting permission to syndicate 'His Best Coat', May 26 1934, with envelope on which is draft of TFP's reply.

The Daily Herald (John Rayner, Features ed.) Letter asking for article under the general heading of 'summer, May 9 1933. Notes on verso by TFP.

The Daily Herald (P.L. Easterman, Features Ed) Letter accepting 'Peter Dendy, Draper'; rejecting 'The Wrong Name', June 14 1934.

Elwin, Malcolm Letter re *The Pleasure Ground*,
Postcard from T.F. in reply

Fitzgibbon, Constantine 1 letter asking to publish 'Uncle Dottery'

Fluchiere, H.(Ed?) 1 letter re publication of fable in Feb, 1934 edition of *Cahiers du Sud*.

Hopkinson, Tom 2 letters asking for unpublished stories for *Everyman* **with answer by T.F. on envelope

Lahr, Charles - see under *New Coterie*

London Mercury (J.M. Squire, ed.) Letter rejecting stories, no date.

Modern Reading (Reginald Moore, ed.) Letter asking for a short story, May 3 1946.

Nation and Athenaeum, (Leonard Woolf, ed.) Letter accepting 'Squire Duffy', Nov 7 1923.

New Coterie (KS Bhat), Nov 12 1925. (E Archer, who became the wife of Charles Lahr) May 28 1926. (Charles Lahr) July 12 1927, March 12 1928, April 20 1929, May 13 1929, May 18 1929.

New Leader (H.N. Brailsford, ed) 2 letters accepting 'The House with an Echo', 'The Stored Barns' and 'Alleluia' and giving reasons for rejecting others; cheque for £4/**
Draft letter from T.F. on back of statement, Sept 20 1922, Oct 5 1922.

Rhys, Ernest 1 letter re royalties on *Twenty and Three Stories*

Rickword, Edgell 1 letter re 'The Baked Mole'

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Rowland, John cheque for 'Rosie Plum' in *Path & Pavement*

**see under book reviews a letter to Philippa with reviews

The Saturday Review (Henry Canby, ed.) Letter asking to publish 'The Lonely Lady' in an anthology, Nove 24 1933.

Stuart, Vincent asking for a story for the *Tintern Press*.

Williamson, Hugh Ross rejecting stories for *The Strand Magazine*

Business/CHATTO AND WINDUS

N.B. Collected here are the letters from Charles Prentice and others from Chatto and Windus; Contracts (C&W acted as T.F.'s agent as well as his publisher) and Statements.

Business/Contracts

Contracts from 20 Feb, 1923 to 28 Nov, 1934 incomplete [5 sleeves]

Business/Statements

Business Statements from 30 September, 1923 to 31 March, 1942.

These also contain important information concerning price of various stories sold to periodicals etc, as C&W acted as agents. [3 sleeves]

Business/Letters from Chatto & Windus

26 Oct, 1922 - 2 July, 1946 - letters from Chatto & Windus (mainly from Charles Prentice) and 5 from T.F. to above.

[total of 11 sleeves]

Important for information it contains about dates and details of publication as well as the critical help he was given.

*** Under Letters/Friends is the correspondence between Charles Prentice and T.F. after Prentice left Chatto and Windus. Some of it continues P's concern about T.F.'s publication.

Business/Readers Report

Cranton, E.E. (Heath Cranton Ltd) 1 undated letter to ? re 'Abraham Men' suggesting author pay to have it published.

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[This entry reserved for business matters relating to matters other than professional business]

Beth Car, buying of - 5 letters

Violet Powys - undated letter to solicitors about legacy

Letter from Solicitors 19 May 1934

Sweffling, accounts, deeds and letters concerning buying and selling of White House. Also letters from F. Nunn, Farm Manager .

1 letter from T.F. to Bank manager re mortgage loan paid back by Louis Wilkinson, 7 Sept, 1931.

American Internal Revenue - draft letter from T.F. to Bank Manager, Lloyds 2 draft letters from T.F.

Income tax returns - draft letters

Miscellaneous

Bergen, Henry 1 letter addressed to 'Dr Ellis' re T.F.'s writings, particularly *Mr Weston*.

LeTall, Miss 4 letters from T.F. concerning her wanting to buy a copy of *Soliloquies*
"Clive" 1 letter from T.F. to Clive ?

Cox, L. M. (Violet's aunt) 2 letters from Miss Cox to Miss LeTall re same matter.

Henderson, C. 1 letter of admiration

Taylor, Bernard 4 letters from T.F. to B.T. thanking him for books etc

Prokosch, Frederick (Yale) 2 letters from F.P.

Euke, S.(Japan) 1 letter from S.E

Reid, W.S. Walters 1 letter from W.R

Howes, Peter 1 letter from P.H.

Hutchinson (Cecil H.) 1 postcard from C.H.

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THE RICHARD GARNETT GIFT

NOTE: RICHARD GARNETT'S GIFT OF LETTERS TO/FROM T.F. ARE ALSO LISTED UNDER MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS BUT FOR EASE OF ACCESS ARE FILED WITH THE OTHER T.F. POWYS LETTERS

Copies of Letters from Theodore Powys to David Garnett, 1922 –1950. Also includes letters to Ray Garnett and Stephen Tomlin

Powys, Theodore

Copies of Letters from Theodore Powys to David Garnett, 1922 –1950

Transcribed and given by Garnett's son, Richard.

- 1 Aug. 10, 1922. Grateful for DG's appreciation of Hester Dominy.
- 2 Aug. 12, 1922. seeking his opinion of Abraham Men. With publisher's report on the story, asking for £25 towards expenses. TFP's 'able analysis of rural mentality'.
- 3 Aug. 14, 1922. Thanking DG for his 'opinion' of Abraham Men
- 4 Oct. 28, 1922. DG has visited Chaldon.. He is reading Mr Tasker.
- 5 Nove. 1 1922. Praising Garnett's Lady Into Fox, and following his advice on Mr Tasker.
- 6 Dec. 15, 1922. Asking him to send Mr Tasker to Cape. With a request for the manuscript from Cape.
- 7 Jan. 20 1923. Cape have returned Mr Tasker. DG's son Richard born Jan. 8.
- 8 Feb. 8, 1923. The three stories in The Left Leg are about to be published by Chatto.
- 9 April 25, 1923. DG has sent The Left Leg to Knopf.
- 10 July 23, 1923. He intends to visit London in the late autumn.
- 11 [September 3, 1923]. Duncan Grant has visited Chaldon.
- 12 Dec. 18, 1923. He has been to London!
- 13 Jan. 9 1924. David, Ray and Richard have been to Chaldon.
- 14 Aug. 20, 1924. 'Liam O'Flaherty is camping in a tent in the Vicarage field with his Margaret. Violet and I like them both very much. They stayed first at Mrs Wallis'..'
- 15 March 14, 1925. Mr Tasker has had hostile reviews. DG's The Sailor's Return is being published in the autumn.
- 16 April 15, 1925. DG's second son William born April 12, 1925.
- 17 May 10, 1925. Sending what sounds like commentaries on Pilgrim's Progress.
- 18 Sept. 9, 1925. Richard has been ill – he recalls the time when his own son Dickie was ill as a small child. DG has commented on Mockery Gap.
- 19 Sept. 16, 1925. Praising The Sailor's Return.
- 20 Jan. 15, 1926. Sending a review.
- 21 March 19, 1927. Sending '5 little stories'. Praising Go She Must.
- 22 June 10, 1927. Farmer Tod's cartshed has burnt down.
- 23 July 12, 1930. Gerald Brennan is staying at Mrs Way's in Chaldon.
- 24 March 4, 1933. They have adopted Susan. Violet is ill.
- 25 September 23, 1933. Thanking DG for £30 cheque.
- 26 [March 7, 1935?] He has been awarded a Civil List pension.
- 27 March 13, 1935. Civil List pension.
- 28 March 27, 1940. About death of Ray Garnett. His pension has been raised from £60 to £100 pa.

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From The Lodge, Mappowder

- 29 Jan. 12. 1950. An account of his income ‘just as I shall send it to the tax Inspector’. (2 pp.)
- 30 Page 2 of above
- 31 March 3, 1950. ‘This best of Prime Ministers has granted me £30 a year more.’
- 32 Nove.8, 1953. From Francis Powys, on behalf of Violet Powys, on the declining state of Theodore’s health.

Theodore Francis Powys: copies of letters to Ray Garnett

33. Nove. 14, 1923. Thanking her for her illustrations to Black Bryony.
34. June 23, 1924. Light-hearted banter.
35. Sept. 13, 1924. Ray is pregnant.
36. Nove. 22 [1924]. Speculations on the baby.
37. Dec. 6, 1924. Frances Wilkinson.
38. Feb. 9, 1925. Praising her cover design for Mr Tasker.
39. c. April 12, 1925. William has been born.
40. Dec. 3, 1925. Friendly letter.
41. Feb. 9, 1926. Ray is coming to stay.
42. May 3, 1929. Friendly letter.
43. No date. From Violet Powys, recommending that they stay at the Red Lion, Winfrith.

Copy of letter from Theodore Powys to Stephen Tomlin

44. June 8, 1923. Transcribing Charles Prentice’s letter about Mark Only, and with local news.
45. Second page of above.

With letter from Richard Garnett to John Batten, March 24, 2001, enquiring about the whereabouts of Garnett/Theodore Powys letters.

Photocopies of MS letters from Stephen Tomlin to Theodore Powys.

Made by Richard Garnett and given by him to the Collection

1. [May, 1923]. 1 Milton House, Fernshaw Road, S.W., praising Black Bryony.
2. [Dec.30. 1923?]. Milton House. Asking if Theo and Violet can take the Garnetts as paying guests for a long weekend.
3. n.d. Praising The Market Bell. He is in a state of depression.
4. Jan. 24, 1923 [not 1924]. Milton House. Mentions his heads of DG and TFP.
5. 1924? Early 1925? Milton House. Depressed again.
6. Summer 1923. Milton House. He is planning to visit Chaldon.

With letter from Richard Garnett to Morine Krissdottir, August 29, 2001,

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