



Guide to the Michael Faraday Letters, 1863 January 30 and 1865 April 1

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Summary

Collection Title:

Michael Faraday letters, 1863 January 30, 1865 April 1

Creator:

Faraday, Michael, 1791-1867

Source:

Josiah Charles Trent History of Medicine Collections (Duke University)

Abstract:

The collection consists of two letters written by Michael Faraday, English physicist and resident of the Royal Institution of Great Britain, toward the end of his life. One is addressed to the Duchess of Northumberland thanking her for her generosity, and asking if she might send Faraday something in return, apparently a photograph of herself. The other letter is written to F. Gye, also thanking him for a gift, most likely tickets to a Covent Garden show: Frederick Gye was the prominent manager for the Royal Italian Opera productions. Acquired as part of the History of Medicine Collections at Duke University.

Extent:

0.1 Linear Feet

Language:

Materials in English

Collection ID:

RL.11085

Permalink:

<https://idn.duke.edu/ark:/87924/m1v32t>

Preferred Citation

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Background

Scope and Content

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Biographical/Historical

Michael Faraday (1791-1867) was a noted English scientist and member of the Royal Institution of Britain. He is best known for his pioneering work in chemistry, electricity, and magnetism.

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Publication Statement

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Manuscript Library.

Acquisition Information

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Processing Information

Processed by Paula Jeannet, November 2015.

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Related Materials

Related Material

There are several letters written to or mentioning Michael Faraday in the Trent History of Medicine Manuscript Collection (search for Faraday on the Rubenstein collection guide web page). There are also images of Faraday in the [History of Medicine Picture File](#).

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Names and Subjects

- Scientists -- Great Britain -- Correspondence
- Scientists -- Great Britain -- Autographs
- London (England) -- History -- 19th century
- Josiah Charles Trent History of Medicine Collections (Duke University)

Collection Inventory

Letter to the Duchess of Northumberland, 1863 January 30	Folder 1
Letter to F. Gye, 1865 April 1	Folder 1