

# Preliminary Guide to the Henry R. Lang Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 937

**CREATOR:** Lang, Henry Roseman, 1853-1934

**TITLE:** Henry Roseman Lang papers

**DATES:** 1723-1934

**BULK DATES:** 1880-1934

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 12.75 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Correspondence, diaries and appointment books, and writings and notes, which reflect Henry Roseman Lang's career as professor of Romance Languages and Literature at Yale. The papers also contain correspondence, diaries, addresses books, and notes of his wife, Alice Derby Lang.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of the Henry R. Lang estate, 1935.

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

Henry Roseman Lang was born in Wartau, Switzerland, on September 22, 1853. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Strassberg in 1890. Within two years, he moved to New Haven, Connecticut and began teaching at Yale University, where he stayed for the rest of his career. Between 1892 and 1893, he was instructor in Romance languages, then assistant professor of Romance Philology until 1896, followed by professor of Romance Philology until 1906, when he became the Benjamin F. Barge Professor of Romance Language and Literature, a position he held until his retirement in 1922, when he became professor emeritus. He died in 1934.

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## Scope and Contents

The Henry R. Lang Papers consist of nine linear feet of correspondence, diaries and appointment books, and writings and notes pertaining to his academic interests plus correspondence, notes and other materials of his wife, Alice Derby Lang (d. 1928).

Lang's writings, note and research materials specifically concern Spanish, Portuguese and Italian poetry; these follow his correspondence and diaries, etc., and are in no definite arrangement.

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## Collection Contents

### Henry R. Lang

#### Correspondence

b. 1	1880-1907	
b. 2	1908-1924	
b. 3	1925-1934	
b. 5, 4	Diaries, address books, appointment books, receipts	1890-1934
b. 6, 6A-6C, 7-12, 12A-12C, 13, 13A-13B, 14	Lectures, writings, notes, research materials	1881, 1933, undated
b. 16, 15	Photostats of manuscripts in Spanish	undated
b. 18-20, 17, 21-22	Notes on Spanish lexicography	undated
b. 23-24	Notes on Portuguese lexicography	undated
b. 25	Notes on Portuguese lyric poetry	undated
b. 26	Legal document in Spanish and Latin	1723
b. 26	Certificates of membership conferred on Henry R. Lang by various institutions	1893-1927
b. 30	Ph.D. diploma	1892
Alice Hubbard (Derby) Lang		
b. 27, 29, 28	Correspondence, diaries, address books, notes	1896-1928, undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Educators  
Literature -- History and criticism  
Portuguese language -- Lexicography  
Portuguese poetry  
Spanish language -- Lexicography

### **Genres / Formats**

Diaries

### **Names**

Lang, Alice Derby  
Lang, Henry Roseman, 1853-1934

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