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Guide to the Gulick Family Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: RG 299

CREATOR: Gulick family

TITLE: Gulick Family Papers

DATES: 1840–1964

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 6.5 linear feet (16 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The Gulick Family Papers, 1840-1964, primarily document the scientific and missionary life of John Thomas Gulick (1833-1923) in Japan and China and the scientific career of his son Addison Gulick who was Professor of Chemistry at the University of Missouri from 1912 to 1952.

ONLINE FINDING AID: To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/divinity.299>

Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/divinity.299>.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Transferred from Andover Newton Theological School, 2017

Custodial History

Donated to Andover Newton Theological School by Mary Gulick. 1997

Conditions Governing Access

The material is open for research.

Preferred Citation

Gulick Family Papers (RG 299), Special Collections, Yale Divinity School Library.

Processing Information

Place names were modernized in the description, with the name originally used in the collection material or in an older version of the finding aid in parenthesis: e.g. "Beijing (Peking)" or "Benin (Dahomey)".

Biographical / Historical

John T. Gulick was born in Waimea, Hawaii in 1832 and died in Honolulu in 1923. He was a Congregational minister and missionary to Japan and China. He was educated at Williams College (1859) and Union Theological Seminary (1861). His life is a very colorful one ranging from gold miner in 1849 to evolutionary scientist.

In the area of science, John T. Gulick was very well known and respected. He published in such well known periodicals as *Nature* and *Journal of the Linnean Society*. He is credited for converting George Romanes, a prominent evolutionist of the 19th century, to Christianity. His best known scientific theory is that of evolutionary divergence through the influence of segregation. Gulick was drawn to the area of evolutionary science through his collection of a species known as Achatinellidae.

In the area of Christian missions, he was also quite well known. He was raised in a missionary family and his father, Peter Johnson Gulick, was one of the first missionaries to Hawaii. After graduating from Union, John Gulick went to Japan in 1862 in order to convince the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (ABCFM) to begin work there. In 1864 the ABCFM sent John to Beijing (Peking) and then to Zhangjiakou (Kalgan), China where he stayed until 1875. From there he went to Kobe and Osaka, Japan where he remained until 1899.

His first wife, Emily, died in 1875 and he did not remarry until 1880, at which time he married Frances A. Stevens. In 1906, John Gulick returned to Hawaii and there he died in 1923 at the advanced age of 91.

Addison Gulick, the son of John Gulick and his second wife Frances, was also a prominent man of science. Addison spent the largest part of his career as a professor of Chemistry at the University of Missouri (1912-1952). Addison was born in Osaka in 1882. He received his BA from Oberlin and his Ph.D. from the University of Wurttsburg in Germany. Addison married Margaret Buckingham. Despite his missionary background, Addison was an atheist and did not have much love for the missionary movement. Nevertheless, Addison was very proud of his father and wrote a biography of him in the 1930s.

Scope and Contents

The Gulick Family Papers, 1840-1964, primarily document the missionary life of John Thomas Gulick and the scientific career of Addison Gulick. In addition, there are materials from Peter Johnson Gulick (John's Father), Fannie Hinckley Thomas Gulick, Emily Gulick, Orramel H. Gulick, Julia A. E. Gulick and Frances A. S. Gulick.

Much of the material is comprised of personal correspondence between family and friends but much of these letters document the history of 19th century missionary work in China, Japan and Hawaii. In addition to the personal letters are many publications, poems, sermons, collected publications, copies of letters and personal effects. Addison Gulick was not a missionary but a prominent scientist at the University of Missouri. His major contribution to this collection is a biography of his father John Thomas Gulick. Also, Addison Gulick should be credited for his preservation efforts of many letters that John T. Gulick wrote to prominent evolutionary scientists of the 19th century - most notable are George Romanes and Charles Darwin. The original letters are not part of this collection but many copies have been included. Also, Addison Gulick was responsible for making sure that John T. Gulick's writings and shell collection

were placed into the hands of museums and depositories for preservation and research and the locations of these are documented throughout Addison's papers.

Generally, the collection is personal in nature and documents the private lives of the Gulick family. However, many of the Gulicks had prominent public lives and so the personal nature of the material offers a private view of their many public accomplishments. The bulk of the papers originate before 1923, which is the year that John T. Gulick died. After this date, the collection primarily reflects the life of Addison Gulick.

Arrangement

Series I. Gulick Family Letters and Writings

Series II. Addison Gulick Papers

Series III. John T. Gulick Papers

Collection Contents

Series I: Gulick Family Letters and Writings

b. 1	Letters	1840–1907
b. 2	Letters	1908-1909 June
b. 3	Letters	1909 July - 1919
b. 4	Letters	1920–1964
b. 4	Correspondence between Addison Gulick and Romanes family	1960–1961
	Undated letters	No date
b. 5	Letters of Peter Johnson Gulick (Copies)	1840–1876
b. 5	Letters of Fannie Hinckley Thomas Gulick (Copies)	1849–1867
b. 5	Letters of Emily Gulick (Copies)	1871–1875
b. 5	Letters of Francis A.S. Gulick (Copies)	1876-1898, 1925
b. 5	Letters and writings of Robert, Julia, Thomas and Orramel H. Gulick (Copies)	No date
b. 5	Published writings of Orramel H., Julia, Francis and Annie Gulick	1910–1928

Series II: Addison Gulick Papers

Professional Writings		
b. 5	Writings	1904-1922, 1924
b. 6	Writings	1932-1965
b. 6	Manuscripts	No date
b. 6	"The Koloa House" – Picture Drawn by Addison Gulick	No date
b. 6	Index of Genera...used by John T. Gulick	No date
b. 6	Memoranda concerning the scientific work of John T. Gulick	No date
b. 6	"Collection of Achatinella," of John T. Gulick (collected by Addison Gulick - includes correspondence)	No date
Files of Addison Gulick		
Include school notes, papers, collected publications,, etc.		
b. 7	"Memoranda Relative to the John T. Gulick Land Snail Collection and Biography"	
b. 7	"JTG, Flower, Darwin, Agassiz Correspondence"	
b. 7	"Locations of Gulick-Romanes Transcripts"	
b. 7	"History of Isolation - Evolutionary Theory"	
b. 7	"Re: Japan-America Centennial Award to FASG"	
b. 7	"Radical Critical Bibliography, Notes On"	
b. 7	"Book Review 'Birth of the Gospel'"	
b. 7	"A.G. Abstracts 1948 - From For. Lang. Journs. For Excerpta Medica"	
b. 7	"Miscellaneous from the Files of Addison Gulick"	
b. 7	Publications collected by Addison Gulick	circa 1905-1957
b. 7	Class lecture notes and miscellaneous manuscripts of Addison Gulick (presumably)	
b. 8	Files under title of "Letters RE: W.B. Smith Works" See original finding aid, which is linked to from https://web.library.yale.edu/divinity/special-collections/andover-newton , for full list of folder titles.	
b. 9	Files under title of "W.B. Smith - 'Birth'" See original finding aid, which is linked to from https://web.library.yale.edu/divinity/special-collections/andover-newton , for full list of folder titles.	
b. 9	Additional files of Addison Gulick (various topics) See original finding aid, which is linked to from https://web.library.yale.edu/divinity/special-collections/andover-newton , for full list of folder titles.	

Personal Items and Memorabilia of Addison Gulick

b. 9	"Life History Album" - Includes Pamphlet on Eugenics
b. 9	Dated Correspondence/Nostalgia
b. 9	Undated Correspondence/Nostalgia
b. 9	Photographs of Addison and Mrs. Addison Gulick
b. 9	Emeritus Ribbons
b. 9	Emeritus Certificate

Series III: John T. Gulick Papers

Poetry and prose		
b. 10	Letters concerning poetry of John T. Gulick	1880–1914
b. 10	Published poems of John T. Gulick	1859–1910
b. 10	"A Tour Through the North Hills" (includes correspondence about its publication)	1859
b. 10	"Essays, Sketches and Jottings of John T. Gulick" (copies)	1853-1885 , no date
b. 10	Miscellaneous prose of John T. Gulick	
Publications		
b. 10	Published writings of John T. Gulick	1857–1885
b. 11	Published writings of John T. Gulick	1887-1914, 1924
Correspondence All letters are copies		
b. 11	Letters from and to John T. Gulick	1849–1915
b. 11	Letters to John T. Gulick re. his 80th birthday	1912
b. 11	Correspondence between Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gulick and Rufus Anderson & N.G. Clark	1864–1875
b. 11	Correspondence between John T. Gulick and other scientists	1872–1897
b. 11	Correspondence between John T. Gulick and George Romanes, Charles Darwin, A. R. Wallace, W. Percy Sladen, Henri de Varigny, J. Fletcher Moutlon, et al.	1887–1905
Additional papers		
b. 12	Manuscripts of John T. Gulick (including bibliography)	Mostly undated
b. 12	"Letter Book" – Manuscript letters of John T. Gulick (source material for many of the copied letters)	
b. 12	Notes on books read	1851–1859
b. 12	Papers and scrapbook found among the works of John T. Gulick	
b. 12	Publications collected by John T. Gulick	1888–1923
b. 13	Journal of John T. Gulick (copies)	1841–1862
b. 13	Other autobiographical writings of John T. Gulick	
b. 14	Journal John T. Gulick - edited by Addison Gulick "as of 1926" (copies) - chapters 1-10	
b. 15	Journal of John T. Gulick - edited by Addison Gulick "as of 1926" (copies) - chapters 11-end	

Additional papers (continued)

b. 16 Letters and reviews re. biography of John T. Gulick, "John Thomas Gulick:
Evolutionist and Missionary"

b. 16 3 copies of biography

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

Missions -- China
Missions -- Japan
Natural selection

Families

Gulick family

Names

Gulick, Addison, 1882-
Gulick, John Thomas, 1832-1923