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**TITLE:** Collection of Ephemera on the Book in California

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**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 10.47 linear feet (26 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Collection of pamphlets, broadsides, and other ephemera concerning the history of the book in California collected by John Swingle (Yale 1943), proprietor of Alta California Bookstore, Berkeley, California. Materials relate to publishing, fine presses, booksellers, collectors, and institutions in California. Items include pamphlets on California book organizations, such as the Book Club of California; catalogues of booksellers, presses, and institutions; and files on individuals involved with the book arts and trade.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased from Alta California Bookstore, 1975.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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This collection received a basic level of processing in 2014, including rehousing and minimal organization.

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This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

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## Scope and Contents

Collection of pamphlets, broadsides, and other ephemera concerning the history of the book in California collected by John Swingle (Yale 1943), proprietor of Alta California Bookstore, Berkeley, California. Materials relate to publishing, fine presses, booksellers, collectors, and institutions in California. Items include pamphlets on California book organizations, such as the Book Club of California; catalogues of booksellers, presses, and institutions; and files on individuals involved with the book arts and trade.

Major printers, presses, institutions, organizations, libraries, and booksellers are represented with files. Hubert Howe Bancroft, H.H. Bancroft and Company, and the Bancroft Library of the University of California, Berkeley, is extensively documented, as is the work of printers Ward Ritchie, John Henry Nash, James Ladd Delkin, Clyde Browne, and Grant Edward Dahlstrom and the Flame, Garret, Grabhorn, Eucalyptus, Acorn, Castle, and Colt presses. Libraries and educational institutions, including the Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery; the William Andrews Clark Memorial Library of the University of California, Los Angeles; San Francisco Public Library; Pasadena Public Library; Los Angeles Public Library; California State Library; Mills College; and the University of California system are documented through extensive files. California book clubs and historical societies are also well-represented, including the Book Club of California; the Bohemian Club; the Roxburghe Club; the California Society of Etchers; the Library Association of California; the California Historical Society; and the Historical Society of Southern California. Finally, booksellers and companies represented in the collection include Jake Zeitlin Books, Paul Elder and Company; Ernest Dawson and Dawson's Book Shop; and Swingle's Alta California Bookstore.

Further description and background information for this collection can be found in: Jennifer Pruett, "The Book in California," *The Yale University Library Gazette*, Vol. 54, no 1 (July 1979), pp 39-41.

## Collection Contents

b. 1	List of items in the Collection of Ephemera on the Book in California	undated
b. 1	Hughes, Elizabeth. <i>The California of the Padres; Or, Footprints of Ancient Communism</i> ; published by I. N. Choynski	1875
b. 1	Material printed by Harry Ward Ritchie at the Flame Press <i>2 Folders</i>	1930
b. 1	The Old Garret Press publications <i>5 Folders</i>	undated
b. 1	Bookplates from booksellers including Bohemian Club and Grabhorn	undated
b. 1	The Grabhorn Press publications	undated
b. 1	<i>The History of California in Block Print</i> by High Nine Class in Drawing, Roosevelt Jr. High School; printed by school's print shop	undated
b. 1	Buntline, Ned. <i>Buffalo Bill and His Adventures in the West</i> ; published by P. O. Vickery	undated
b. 2	Blackstone, William. <i>Commentaries on the Laws of England</i> ; published by Thomas B. Wait	1807
b. 2	Turner, J. A. <i>The Cotton Planter's Manual</i> ; published by C. M. Saxton and Co.	1857
b. 2	Price, W. E. <i>Paper Covered Books: a Catalogue</i> ; published by the Book and News-Dealer	1894
b. 3	Kidd, Benjamin. <i>Social Evolution</i> ; Charles H. Serpel (The Holmes Book Co.)	1895
b. 3	Sand, George. <i>La Mare au diable</i> ; William R. Jenkins	1886
b. 3	Coulter, Edith Margaret. "California Copyrights, 1851-1856"	undated
b. 3	<i>Furnishings and Equipment, Residence of John C. Augsbury 3799 Washington St. SF</i>	1942
b. 3	Publication of Anderson & Ritchie; The Ward Ritchie Press	1932
b. 3	The Book Club of California publications <i>3 Folders</i>	1940 December
b. 3	The Grabhorn Press publications <i>6 Folders</i>	undated
b. 3	Powell, Lawrence Clark. <i>San Joaquin Vision</i> ; reprinted from the <i>California Library Bulletin</i> , June 1948	undated
b. 3	Newbegin's Bookshop list of the Allen Knight Collection	undated
b. 3	Carew, Harold D. "Arbiter Elegantarium," article on Robert Ernest Cowan	1930 January
b. 3	Wilson, Katherine. "Something For Beauty Here," article on John Henry Nash	1930 October
b. 3	Correspondence between Robin Lampson and George Fields as well as between Catherine Phillips and "Mr. Dressler"	1932-1936

b. 3	Mayhew, Joyce. "Commemoration Poem"; printed by The Eucalyptus Press	1937
b. 3	<i>The Westgate Signed Editions</i>	undated
b. 3	Schad, Robert O. <i>Beauty in Books</i> ; Esto Publishing Company	1935
b. 3	Wagner, Henry R. <i>Commercial Printers of San Francisco from 1851 to 1880</i>	1939
b. 3	<i>Pioneers in Paper: the Story of Blake, Moffit &amp; Towne</i>	1930
b. 4	Bentley, Wilder. <i>Excursion on the Bay</i> ; Acorn Press	1934 February 24
b. 4	Schad, Robert O. <i>Henry Edwards Huntington</i>	1931
b. 4	<i>Marks of Printers Today</i> ; Pacific Printer and Publisher	1937
b. 4	The Grabhorn Press publications <i>3 Folders</i>	undated
b. 4	"Collecting for Profit"	1932 January
b. 4	<i>Arthur MacDonal Ellis, 1873-1932</i>	undated
b. 4	<i>Catalog of First Editions of Lafcadio Hearn</i> ; Penguin Book Shop	1933 October
b. 4	Telegram from Catherine Phillips to Albert Dressler	undated
b. 4	<i>Catalogue of Auction Sale of the Library Etchings and Prints of the Late Fisher Ames</i>	undated
b. 4	<i>The Fine Art of Reveiling</i> ; imprinted by The Auk Press	1936
b. 4	Simpson, George. <i>Narrative of a Voyage to California Ports in 1841-42</i> ; a Russell Private Press Volume	undated
b. 4	"Books in the Hitchcock Library"	undated
b. 4	Hoffmansthal, Hugo von. <i>Everyman</i> ; The Primavera Press	1936
b. 4	Jake Zeitlin Books advertisement	undated
b. 4	"Huntington Library Duplicates, List No. 3"	undated
b. 4	<i>Seventy-Five Years of History of the Mechanics' Institute of San Francisco</i>	1930
b. 4	<i>Quarterly News-Letter of the Book Club of California</i> <i>2 Folders</i>	1936-1938
b. 4	<i>Travel Trails</i> ; edited by W. L. Brosch, The C. T. & T. Bureau	1932
b. 4	Cowan, Robert Ernest & Cowan, Robert Granniss. <i>A Bibliography of the History of California, 1510-1930</i> ; printed by John Henry Nash	1932
b. 4	<i>Auction Sale: list from the Lure of California Catalogue</i> ; Butterfield Studios	1931
b. 4	Wheat, Carl I. <i>Pioneers</i> ; privately printed	1934
b. 4	Announcements by the Roxburghe Club of San Francisco <i>3 Folders</i>	1935

b. 4	<i>Some Preliminary Ideas for the Complete Penn-Mead Tryal</i> ; edited by Edwin Grabhorn	undated
b. 4	Pamphlets from the California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland	1936
b. 4	<i>History and Description of Paper Making</i> ; published by the Zellerbach Paper Company	1937
b. 4	Gelber, Lilienthal, Inc. <i>Catalogue of First Editions</i>	1928
b. 4	Christmas card facsimile printed by John Henry Nash and his wife, Mary Henrietta	1924
b. 4	Thomas C. Russell publications	1920, undated
b. 5	<i>Literature of the West: Duplicates from the Library of Henry E. Huntington</i>	1923
b. 5	<i>The Works of Charles F. Lummis</i> 2 Folders	1928
b. 5	Jake Zeitlin Books publications 5 Folders	1924-1931, undated
b. 5	Older, Fremont. <i>My Own Story</i> ; The Post-Enquirer Publishing Co.	1925
b. 5	Material printed by John Henry Nash 2 Folders	1925-1929
b. 5	<i>California Number of Troubador</i> , Vol. 1, no.8	1929 May
b. 5	<i>California Bibliographies</i> ; California Historical Society	1924
b. 5	<i>Americana</i> ; American Art Association, Inc.	undated
b. 5	Stevenson, Robert Louis. <i>A Lodging for the Night</i> ; Windsor Press	1926
b. 5	<i>The Book Club of California: Its Purposes, Membership and List of Publications</i>	1928
b. 5	Cowan, Robert Ernest. <i>Norton I, Emperor of the United States and Protector of Mexico</i> ; California Historical Society	1923
b. 5	Dickens, Charles. <i>Castles</i> ; Haywood H. Hunt, printer	1921
b. 6	Schott, Walter Edgar. <i>The Immaculate Deception</i> ; printed by the author	undated
b. 6	<i>Auction Sale, The Romance of California Catalogue</i> ; Curtis Studio	1924 June
b. 6	Dawson's Book Shop catalogues 3 Folders	1928-1948
b. 6	<i>Letters and Press Comments</i> ; The Hall Publishing Company	undated
b. 6	Catalogue of John Howell Books	undated
b. 6	Exhibition announcement printed by John Henry Nash	undated
b. 6	The Roxeburghe Club of San Francisco, correspondence and announcements	1940-1945, undated
b. 6	James Ladd Delkin, publication announcement	undated

b. 6	The Caveat Book shop catalogue	1946 April 1
b. 6	<i>William Andrews Clark Memorial Library</i>	1946
b. 6	<i>Horn's, the Magazine for Booklovers</i>	1947-1948
b. 6	<i>Book Hunters Catalogue</i> of The Holmes Book Co.	1941
b. 6	Mackenzie & Harris, Inc. <i>Type Specimens &amp; Price List</i>	1948 July 1
b. 7	Quinn, Russell. <i>History of the San Francisco - Oakland Newspaper Guild</i>	undated
b. 7	<i>The Christmas Party Quarterly from the Huntington Library</i>	1936-1945
b. 7	<i>The Founding of the Roxburghe Club of San Francisco</i>	undated
b. 7	James Ladd Delkin publication announcements <i>2 Folders</i>	undated
b. 7	Carpenter, Edwin H., Jr. <i>Some Libraries We Have not Visited</i>	1947
b. 7	<i>An Evening With William Morris' Albion Proof Press</i>	1940 April 1
b. 7	Dummy sheet for program of 1948 meeting of the Limited Editions Group, Lee Stopple	undated
b. 7	Dawson, Ernest. <i>A Visit With Dr. R</i> ; privately printed	1948
b. 7	Catalogues printed by John Henry Nash <i>2 Folders</i>	1935-1936
b. 7	"Caveat"; broadside printed by Robert E. Cowan	undated
b. 7	Grabhorn Press publications <i>2 Folders</i>	1934-1939
b. 7	Howell, John. <i>Important Printing Dates</i>	1931
b. 7	Fernald, Chester Bailey. <i>The Cat and the Cherub</i> ; printed for Albert M. Bender by Wilder & Ellen Bentley	1938
b. 7	Letter from Stewart Edward White to Mr. Newbegin	1937 September 15
b. 7	Harding, George L. <i>A Census of California Spanish Imprints, 1833-1845</i>	1933 June
b. 7	Newspaper article on John Henry Nash	1931 May
b. 7	Paul Elder and Company. <i>Rare Books and Manuscripts</i>	1932 Spring
b. 7	Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery. <i>Fine Books</i>	1936
b. 7	George Fields, bookseller catalogue	undated
b. 8	Henry E. Huntington Library duplicate lists	1937-1938
b. 8	Domestic Trade Department. <i>San Francisco Manufacturers of Paper Products and Printing</i>	1935 July



b. 8	Announcement printed by John Henry Nash	1934
b. 8	<i>The Record Book of the Rancho Santa Ana Del Chino</i> ; transcribed and edited by Lindley Bynum; printed by the Vocational Printing Classes of John C. Fremont High School	1935 June
b. 8	<i>Louis Epstein's Bookshop</i>	1931 July
b. 8	<i>Colt Press First Anniversary</i>	1939
b. 8	Jake Zeitlin Books catalogues 3 Folders	1932 July
b. 8	<i>The Templeton Crocker Collection of Seventy Books from the Famous Aldine Press (1494-1595)</i> ; printed by John Henry Nash	1935
b. 8	Cowan, Robert Ernest. <i>The Spanish Press of California, 1833-1845</i>	undated
b. 8	Bentley, Wilder. <i>The Printer to the Poet</i> ; Archetype Press Chapbooks	1937
b. 8	Club Printing House Craftsmen. <i>The Pi-Box</i>	1933 May
b. 8	<i>Prophecy For a New Year</i> ; Eucalyptus Press	1939
b. 8	<i>Fine Bookbindings Exhibited at the Golden Gate International Exposition</i> ; privately printed	1939
b. 8	<i>The Abalone Song Printed For the Friends of George Sterling</i> ; Albert M. Bender	1937
b. 8	Bliss, Leslie E. "Bibliophily and Conservation of Resources in American Libraries"	1932
b. 8	Thompson, Vance. <i>The Two Deaths of Oscar Wilde / The Leaflet, Number Two</i>	1930 November
b. 8	Mills College announcement	1935
b. 8	<i>Albert Bender's Birthday</i>	1938
b. 8	Parish, John C. <i>California Books and Manuscripts in the Huntington Library</i>	1935 April
b. 8	<i>Noah</i> ; card printed by the Grabhorn Press for Albert Bender	1938
b. 8	Cowan, Robert Ernest. <i>Alexander S. Taylor, 1817-1876: First Bibliographer of California</i>	1933 March
b. 8	The Book Club of California, Christmas sale list	1935
b. 8	Gelber, Lilienthal, Inc. <i>Catalogue of First Editions of American Authors</i>	1930 June
b. 8	<i>In Which</i> ; published by Norman Bel Geddes	1916
b. 8	George Fields catalogue	undated
b. 9	Photograph of the Bohemian Grove	undated
b. 9	Card from the People's Library and Book Omniorium	undated
b. 9	Announcement of book sale by John Howell	1912 October
b. 9	<i>Sunset Magazine</i>	1906 May

b. 9	The Book Club of California material <i>8 Folders</i>	1913-1917, undated
b. 9	<i>The Jitney Newsin</i> manila envelope addressed to Robert Cowan	1916
b. 9	Paul Elder & Company booklist	undated
b. 9	California Society of Etchers exhibition announcement	1914
b. 9	<i>San Francisco Public Library Monthly Bulletin</i>	1916 December
b. 9	Historical Society of Southern California. <i>Annual Publications</i>	1915-1916
b. 9	California State Library. <i>California Newspapers in State Library</i>	1911
b. 9	A Letter from Harrison Gray Otis	1917
b. 9	Older, Fremont. <i>Why I Left the Bulletin and Have Come to the Call</i>	undated
b. 9	<i>Check-List or Brief Catalogue of the Library of Henry E. Huntington</i>	1919
b. 9	Irwin, Wallace. <i>A Tragedy in Printer's Ink</i> ; Taylor, Nash & Taylor	1913
b. 9	<i>The Little Review</i>	1916 June-July
b. 9	Card from Jones' Book Store	undated
b. 9	Working card of Clark Alberti, member of the San Diego Typographical Union	1918
b. 9	Bookplate of Robert E. Cowan	undated
b. 9	Open house announcement for John Howell bookshop	1925 March
b. 9	Temple Fine Arts. <i>A Catalog of Helpful Books and Cards</i>	undated
b. 9	Curtis Studio. <i>Catalogue of a Valuable Library</i>	1914 October
b. 9	California State Library. <i>News Notes of California Libraries</i>	1917
b. 10	Notice to subscribers regarding carriers from the San Francisco Chronicle Publishing Company	1915 August 24
b. 10	Whitaker & Ray Co. "Wholesale and Retail Price List"	1904
b. 10	Cowan, Robert E. <i>The Spanish Press of California, 1833-1844</i>	undated
b. 10	Announcement for Socialist Party Campaign picnic	1911 September
b. 10	<i>Arroyo Craftsman</i> ; Arroyo Guild	1909 October
b. 10	Los Angeles Public Library. <i>California in Print</i>	undated
b. 10	Sophocles. <i>The Antigone</i> ; Paul Elder and Morgan Shepard	1902
b. 10	Paul Elder & Company catalogue	1907
b. 10	Card from Catholic Art and Book Co., San Francisco	undated
b. 10	Pacific Science Press pamphlet	undated

b. 10	"Father Engelhardt's Historical Works"	undated
b. 10	<i>Souvenir Album of Adventism</i> ; published by Messiah's Advocate	1902 January
b. 10	Argonaut Publishing Company. <i>Argonaut Stories</i>	undated
b. 10	James, George Wharton. <i>Fremont in California</i>	1903
b. 10	<i>Philopolis</i>	1907 September 25
b. 10	<i>West Coast Magazine</i>	1907 September
b. 10	Two business cards of Robert E. Cowan	undated
b. 10	Pamphlets and reviews on Daniel T. Ames	undated
b. 10	Library Association of California. <i>California Library Laws, 1850-1903</i>	1903
b. 10	<i>The Tatler of Society in California</i>	1907 October
b. 10	<i>Tentative Plan Proposed for a New Library Building for the University of California</i> ; Berkeley, The University Press	1901 September
b. 10	<i>University of California Bulletins</i>	1906 April
b. 10	"The Bookbinding Problem Solved"	undated
b. 10	Flugel, Edward. <i>Henry Bradshaw</i> ; Library Association of California	1904
b. 10	<i>Impressions</i> ; published by D. P. Elder & Morgan Shephard	1901 October
b. 10	Newspaper article in the <i>San Francisco Chronicle</i> on the death of William Butterfield	1908 August
b. 10	Newspaper articles in the <i>San Francisco Examiner</i> on the sale of the Mercantile Library collection 2 Folders	1903 August
b. 10	Capital Book Store booklist	undated
b. 10	Stanley-Taylor Company advertisement	undated
b. 10	California Historic-Genealogical Society. <i>Publication No. III</i>	1902
b. 11	Paul Elder and Morgan Shepard (Firm), catalogues 3 Folders	1901-1902
b. 11	Paul Elder and Company, catalogues 3 Folders	1904-1906, undated
b. 11	Subscription order form from the Mirror Publishing Company	undated
b. 11	Envelope from Harris and Jones, blank book manufacturers	undated
b. 11	California Equal Suffrage Association. "List For Librarians: Votes for Women Books"	undated
b. 11	Cunningham, Curtiss & Welch, title and author list	undated

b. 11	<i>Redlands - California</i> , pamphlet issued by the Board of Trade	undated
b. 11	<i>San Francisco Chronicle</i> , Vol. LVII, No. 98 - Vol. LVIII, No. 169	1893
b. 11	<i>The California System of Vertical Writing</i> ; H. S. Crocker Company	1896
b. 11	Los Angeles Public Library Bulletin, Vol. I, No. 6-11, Vol. III, No. 12 <i>2 Folders</i>	1892-1897
b. 11	<i>Catalogue of the Practitioners' Series</i> ; Bancroft-Whitney Co.	1891
b. 11	<i>The American Art Printer</i> , Vol. VI, No. 1	1892 August
b. 11	Carbon of letter from W. C. Conroy, Sheriff of Place County ordering arrest of H. L. Parker for embezzlement	1891 April 20
b. 11	<i>Transactions of the San Francisco Microscopical Society</i>	1893
b. 11	<i>Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam</i> , translated by Edward Fitzgerald; The Dodge Book and Stationery Co., Publishers	1896
b. 11	Photograph of Mrs. Langtry	1882
b. 11	Correspondence between The San Francisco News Company and T. H. Griffin	1891, undated
b. 11	Bookplate of M. H. de Young	undated
b. 11	"Librarian's Report for the Public School in Rich Bar Districts, Plumas County"	1893-1894
b. 11	<i>The Epilark</i> , No. 25	1897 May
b. 11	"Les Jeunes," broadside with silhouettes and signatures including those of Frank Gelett Burgess and Willis Polk	1896
b. 11	Hanks, Henry G. "A California Book Worm," read at a meeting of the San Francisco Microscopical Society	1897 June 16
b. 12	Taylor, Alexander S. <i>Bibliografia California, 1510-1863</i> , sample sheets	1891
b. 12	<i>Phyllida: or, the Milkmaid</i> , No. 1	1897 January 1
b. 12	The San Francisco Women's Literary Exhibit. <i>A List of Books by California Writers</i>	1893
b. 12	"To the Members of the California Academy of Sciences"	undated
b. 12	Annual reports of the Mercantile Library Association	1891-1893
b. 12	Check from the Nevada Bank, San Francisco, signed by Adolph Sutro to Hicks-Judd Co.	1897
b. 12	Blank order form from P. J. Healy	undated
b. 12	Gayley, C. M. and Scott, F. N. <i>A Guide to the Literature of Aesthetics</i> ; University of California Library Bulletin, no. 11	1890
b. 12	<i>The Lark</i> , No. 1, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 20	1895-1899
b. 12	Photograph of H. H. Moore bookstore	1886

b. 12	<i>Rules and Regulations of the Board of Education and Graded Course of Study for the Public Schools of Lake County, California</i>	1891, July
b. 12	<i>Le Petit Journal des Refusées</i> , No. 16	1896 Summer
b. 12	Edward S. Spear & Co., auction catalogues 3 Folders	1892-1897
b. 12	<i>Annual Report of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library and Report of Librarian</i>	1890
b. 12	<i>Catalogue of the Private Library of Anson Parsons Hotaling</i>	1897
b. 12	Bill for the <i>Evening Post</i> and newspaper clipping	1891, undated
b. 12	Press notices for "Across the Isthmus to California in 52'" by Sarah Merriam Brooks	undated
b. 12	Letter from H. H. Evans	undated
b. 12	<i>Adolph Sutro's Letter to the Regents of the University of California and to the Committee of Affiliated Colleges on the Selection of a Site for the Affiliated Colleges</i>	1895 September 5
b. 12	<i>Monthly Bulletin of the Pasadena Public Library</i>	1899 April
b. 12	<i>Surveyor-General, Letter, With Inclosures of W. S. Green</i> ; Sun Publishing Company	1893
b. 12	Invitation to visit Sutro Library and business card of Robert F. Cowan	1895
b. 12	Sutherland, H. V. <i>The Legend of Love</i> ; privately printed	1893
b. 12	Manning, Agnes M. <i>Because It Was a Woman's</i> ; P. J. Thomas, Printer	undated
b. 13	<i>The Arena</i> , Vol. 2, No. 3	1890 August
b. 13	Announcement of the publication of a <i>Tourists' Guide</i> by H. S. Crocker and Co.	1882 December
b. 13	Democratic State Central Committee. "Some Pertinent Facts About the State Printing Office and the Republican Candidate for State Printer"; Phillips & Smyth Print	undated
b. 13	<i>The Californian Illustrated Magazine</i> . "Summary of Contents"	1892 December
b. 13	Photograph by Runnels & Stateler	undated
b. 13	Advertisement of <i>A Tale of Two Oceans</i> by E. I. Barra	undated
b. 13	<i>The Overland Monthly</i> , Vol. XII, No. 70	1888 October
b. 13	Barra, E. I. <i>Tale of Two Oceans</i> ; Press of Eastman & Co.	1893
b. 13	<i>Catalogue of the Library of Joseph W. Winans</i> ; H. S. Crocker & Co., Printers	1887
b. 13	The Associated Pioneers of the Territorial Days of California. <i>Articles of Association, Roll of Members and Catalogue of Books in the Library</i> ; Press of J. J. Caulon	1884
b. 13	Ladies of the Auburn Library Association. <i>The Little Gem Cook Book</i>	1888

b. 13	<i>The Alta California Almanac and Book of Facts</i>	1880-1882
b. 13	Library card of George Catter for the Sacramento Free Library	1881
b. 13	<i>Special Sale of Books Comprising the Library of John W. Dwinelle, Esq.</i>	1877
b. 13	Auction catalogues by Edward S. Spear & Co. <i>2 Folders</i>	1884-1887
b. 13	<i>Printing: A Journal of the Graphic Arts</i> , Vol. I, No. 1	1889 September
b. 14	Annual reports of the Mercantile Library Association	1886-1889
b. 14	<i>San Francisco News Letter</i>	1887 June 18
b. 14	Letter from F. Percy to J. B. Golly	undated
b. 14	Bookmark of the Mercantile Library	undated
b. 14	Auction catalogues of Edward S. Spear & Co. <i>2 Folders</i>	1885-1887
b. 14	<i>A Memento: Charles de Young, Founder of the San Francisco Chronicle</i>	undated
b. 14	<i>Addresses at the Inauguration of W. T. Reid, President of the University of California, and the Dedication of the Bacon Art and Library Building, Berkeley, August 23, 1881</i>	1881
b. 14	Signature of California State Librarian and seal	1882 August 28
b. 14	<i>Reviews of "Sixty Years in California"</i> Includes bookplate of Robert Ernest Cowan.	undated
b. 14	Bill from Kusel and Son, Books and Stationery	circa 1884
b. 14	<i>Report of the Trustees of the State Library</i>	1879-1880
b. 14	Envelope from I. N. Choynski	undated
b. 14	<i>The California Florist</i> , Vol. I, No. 6	1888 October
b. 14	<i>Price List of Andrews' Patent Pencil-Holding Noiseless Slates; A. L. Bancroft &amp; Co.</i>	undated
b. 14	Society of California Pioneers. <i>Memorial of the Life and Services of Washington Bartlett</i>	1888
b. 14	Photograph of Frederick M. Stocking by J. H. Peters	undated
b. 14	<i>Reports of the Committees on California State Library</i>	1889
b. 14	Bill from A. W. Ericson, Books, Music, Stationery	1885
b. 14	<i>The Helix Farms Lemons</i> , broadside	undated
b. 14	<i>The San Franciscan</i> , Vol. I, No. 6	1884 March 22
b. 14	Photograph by Runnels & Stateler	undated
b. 14	Blank shares for the Argonaut Publishing Company	1887 June

b. 14	Portrait of Adolf Sutro	undated
b. 14	Blank check from the Bank of California, account of Bodie Railway and Lumber Co.; printed by G. T. Brown and Co.	undated
b. 14	<i>Catálogo de las obras publicadas en español</i> by the History Company	1890
b. 15	Material by or relating to Hubert Howe Bancroft, the Bancroft Company, and the Bancroft Library <i>24 Folders</i>	1862-1905, undated
b. 16	Material by or relating to Hubert Howe Bancroft, the Bancroft Company, and the Bancroft Library (continued) <i>17 Folders</i> Also stored in: Box 26 (Oversize)	1889-1914, undated
b. 16	<i>St. Dunstan's Library</i>	undated
b. 16	"Triennial Programme: The Grand Commandery of California"	1880 August
b. 16	Material by or relating to Clyde Browne <i>10 Folders</i>	1918-1948, undated
b. 17	Advertisement for <i>Voyage to California 1949</i> by James Ladd Delkin	undated
b. 17	<i>The Colt Springs High for 1940</i> , booklist	1940
b. 17	California State Library. <i>Do You Know?</i>	1949
b. 17	Goodspeed, Edgar J. <i>The Aitken Bible</i> ; Dawson's Book Shop	1949
b. 17	<i>Poets of the Pacific</i> , information pamphlet announcing group dedicated to promoting Western poetry	1941
b. 17	<i>On Account of a Visit to California, 1826-'27</i> ; printed at the Grabhorn Press for the Book Club of California	1941
b. 17	Horace Gunthrop and Son catalogue	circa 1943
b. 17	United States Government Printing Office. <i>Style Manual</i>	1945 January
b. 17	George Barrie and Sons catalogues	1923-1940, undated
b. 17	Bryant, Dolores Waldorf. <i>Charle P. Kimball, San Francisco's "Noisy Carrier"</i>	1940
b. 17	Book Mark catalogue	1945
b. 17	Dawson's Book Shop catalogue	1944 Spring
b. 17	Crocker, Templeton. <i>Books and Manuscripts</i> <i>2 Folders</i>	undated
b. 18	<i>Catalog of the Library of Mrs. Francis Carolan</i>	undated
b. 18	<i>The Miner's Progress; Or, Scences in the Life of a California Miner</i> ; Christmas facsimile souvenir from Carl Hoffman; printed at the Grabhorn Press	1943

b. 18	<i>Typography, Books, &amp; Printing by Grant Dahlstrom</i> ; exhibition catalogue printed at the Castle Press	1946
b. 18	Colt Press catalogues <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 18	<i>Timothy Bookworm</i> ; Greenwood Press	1949
b. 18	Anderson, Keith. <i>My Brother Gregg</i> ; printed by Grant Dahlstrom	1947
b. 18	"Some Notes for a [Quic]keepsake"; The Typophile P.A.B.	1947 October
b. 18	California County Free Library. <i>Facts</i>	1949
b. 18	Announcement of a Roxburghe Club meeting	1949 November
b. 18	Horace Gunthrop catalogue	1941 November
b. 18	"Frederic W. Goudy"	1947
b. 18	<i>Western Books</i> , exhibition catalogues	1946-1948
b. 18	Grabhorn, Edwin. <i>Some Remarks on the Printed Book</i> ; The Quercus Press	1948
b. 18	San Francisco Art Gallery auction catalogue	1940
b. 18	<i>Christmas Party Quarterly</i> , H.E. Huntington Library	1937-1949
b. 18	<i>Ode of Mrs. E. M. Wills</i> ; The Press of Muir Dawson	1947
b. 18	Advertisement of <i>Books of the California Gold Rush</i> by Carl I. Wheat; The Colt Press	circa 1949
b. 18	<i>Five Hundred Years of the Printed Book, 1440-1940</i> ; University of California Press	1940
b. 18	Bancroft, Philip. <i>Hubert Howe Bancroft</i>	1948 September 5
b. 18	Material by or relating to Ernest Dawson <i>2 Folders</i>	1947, undated
b. 18	Addison, Joseph. "An Essay on Scholarship"; printed by hand at the Hart Press	1941
b. 19	<i>The "Tribune" Holiday Cook Book</i>	1884
b. 19	<i>Transactions and Proceedings of the Geographical Society of the Pacific, 1881</i>	1882
b. 19	<i>Catalogue of the Loan Book Exhibition, Held at the University of California, Berkeley</i>	1884
b. 19	Samples from O. E. Olsen Lithograph Co.	undated
b. 19	Mercantile Library Association publications <i>4 Folders</i>	1870-1877, undated
b. 19	<i>Biennial Report of the Regents of the University of California for the Years 1872-1873</i>	1873
b. 19	<i>School Law of California, and Rules and Regulations of the State Boards of Education and Examination</i>	1876



b. 19	Unsorted checks and orders from California bookstores	1870s
b. 19	Letter to H. H. Moore from George Lette	1873 December 3
b. 19	<i>By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Odd Fellows' Library Association</i>	1870
b. 19	<i>Constitution, By-Laws, List of Members, Catalogue of Library, Rules of the School of Design of the San Francisco Art Association</i>	1878
b. 19	<i>Annual Announcement of the Medical College of the Pacific</i>	1875
b. 19	<i>The Pacific Coast Pulpit, Vol. I, No. 1</i>	1874
b. 19	<i>The California Teacher, Vol. IX, No. 1</i>	1871 July
b. 20	<i>Sunshine, Vol. I, No. 7</i>	1875 June
b. 20	Mechanics' Institute. <i>Concerts at the Mechanics' Pavilion</i>	1877 March 31
b. 20	Copy of deed between James Lick, the California Academy of Sciences and the Society of California Pioneers	1874 August
b. 20	<i>Willow Dale Press, Vol. I, No. 12</i>	1879 December
b. 20	<i>The Weekly Index, Vol. I, No. 5</i>	1879 August 28
b. 20	Advertisements for the Argonaut and the Weekly Bulletin Placard, San Francisco newspapers	undated
b. 20	Note from I. N. Choynski to Adolph Sutro	1877 May 9
b. 20	<i>Thompson &amp; West's Prospectus of an Illustrated History of Sutter County</i>	undated
b. 20	Letter from J. Rowell to Mrs. E. J. Henry	1876 June 2
b. 20	<i>Red Hot, Vol. I, No. 1</i>	1873 May
b. 20	<i>San Jose Daily Mercury</i>	1876 June 7
b. 20	Advertisements for California newspapers <i>4 Folders</i>	undated
b. 20	R. D. W. Davis and Co. auction catalogue	1877
b. 20	<i>M. J. O'Connor, Plaintiff, Against B. F. Good et al, Defendants</i>	undated
b. 20	<i>Advertisement for J. D. Mason's School for Penmanship</i>	undated
b. 20	Letter from Charles de Young and Co.	undated
b. 20	<i>Illustrated Postscript of the San Francisco News-Letter</i>	1870 November 5
b. 20	<i>The Pacific Expositor</i> <i>2 Folders</i>	1861
b. 20	<i>Speech of the Honorable Thomas A. Brown, of Contra Costa, on the Bills Prescribing Rules for the Government of the State Library</i>	1866

b. 20	"A. Roman & Co's Monthly List of New Publications"	1868 November
b. 20	<i>The San Francisco Fairy</i>	1868
b. 20	J. Bithell, Importer of Books and Stationery order form	1868 June 25
b. 20	Philip Cowen, Petaluma bookstore form	1863
b. 20	Barra, E. I. <i>Something About Coins</i>	1863
b. 20	Antiquarian Silver Mining Co., deed and assessment	1862
b. 20	Mining and Scientific Press, order form	undated
b. 20	Stereoscopic view of the Mercantile Library	undated
b. 20	Sales receipts and checks <i>5 Folders</i>	1860-1868
b. 20	<i>Puck</i> , Vol. I, No. 1	1865 January
b. 20	<i>The Masonic Mirror</i>	1869
b. 20	"New Sabbath School Library Books"; published by Carter & Brothers	1867
b. 20	<i>The Golden Monthly</i> , Vol. I, No. 1	1861 January
b. 20	<i>The Pacific Law Magazine</i> , Vol. I, No. 1	1867 January
b. 21	Annual reports of the Odd Fellows' Library Association	1865-1869
b. 21	<i>Hubert Burgess' System of Penmanship in Ten Books</i>	1865
b. 21	<i>The Overland Monthly</i> , Vol. 2, No. 6	1869 June
b. 21	Stationery with drawing of the New York bookstore in the Russ House	undated
b. 21	Society of California Pioneers. <i>Ceremonies at the Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Pioneer Hall</i>	1862
b. 21	Letter and merchandise receipt from Charles Kimball	1857, undated
b. 21	Letter to the editors of the Mercantile Library Bulletin	undated
b. 21	Conveyance of title on sealed paper, in Spanish, signed by "Castro" and Angel Ramirez	1834
b. 21	Advertisements and drawings of Pioneer Bookstore; Marvin and Hitchcock, Printers	undated
b. 21	Draft of a bill providing for the distribution of books by the state of California	1860
b. 21	Cards, advertisements, and receipts from San Francisco booksellers and stationers	undated
b. 21	State of California, issued check	1852
b. 21	Deeds and early California printing samples	1849-1853, undated
b. 21	<i>Town Talk</i>	1855

b. 21	<i>Minority Report of the Assembly Committee on State Library on Senate Bill No. 42 and Assembly Bill No. 261</i>	undated
b. 21	<i>Daily Evening Journal</i> 2 Folders	1852
b. 21	<i>The California Pictorial</i>	circa 1858
b. 21	<i>Annual Report of the Secretary of State for the Year 1860</i>	1860
b. 21	<i>The Pacific Expositor</i> , Vol. I, No. 5	1859
b. 21	<i>The California Culturalist</i>	1859 May
b. 21	Report of the Mercantile Library Association	1859
b. 21	Letter from John G. Lewis to William H. Davis Includes earliest authenticated bookmark in California	1850 March 6
b. 22	Crawford, Theron Clark. <i>James G. Blaine</i>	1893
b. 22	<i>Antiquarian Bookman</i>	1951 July 21
b. 22	<i>The Shirley Letters from California Mines, in 1851-52</i> 2 Folders	1922
b. 23	<i>Annals of the English Stage</i> ; W. J. Widdleton, Publisher	1865
b. 23	Early stamps of California and Pacific Coast dealers 2 Folders	undated
b. 24	Early stamps of California and Pacific Coast dealers (continued) 2 Folders	undated
b. 24	Newbegin's Bookshop compliment slip	undated
b. 24	<i>The San Francisco Daily Herald</i> , Vol. I, No. 298	1851 May 17
b. 24	Annual reports of the Mercantile Library Association	1871-1893
b. 24	Mechanics' Institute Library, letter and catalogue	1867, undated
b. 25	Unsorted checks, subscription and order forms, correspondence, and other material pertaining to bookselling in California 6 Folders	1830s-1860s
b. 25	Printing block	undated
b. 26 (Oversize)	Book Club of California, minutes of two meetings	1913
b. 26 (Oversize)	"George Watson Cole, L. H. D."	undated
b. 26 (Oversize)	Davis, Robert H. "I Am the Printing Press"	1941
b. 26 (Oversize)	Alta California Bookstore administrative files and printing samples	1922-1936, undated
b. 26 (Oversize)	John Henry Nash printed material 3 Folders	undated

b. 26 (Oversize)	"Printing Is the Interpretation of the Written Melodies of Word"; Knight-Connihan Co., Printers	1928
b. 26 (Oversize)	<i>The Wednesday Press</i>	1903 February
b. 26 (Oversize)	"The Sunday World, Los Angeles, Christmas 1893"	1893
b. 26 (Oversize)	"By-Laws and Regulations of Bernal Lodge Library"	1889
b. 26 (Oversize)	<i>The Welcome Visitor</i>	1880 July
b. 26 (Oversize)	<i>The Wasp</i>	1885 April 18
b. 26 (Oversize)	<i>Harper's Weekly</i>	1887 December 31
b. 26 (Oversize)	Anti-Kearney poster published by I. N. Choyinski	undated
b. 26 (Oversize)	Checks and other financial material relating to Joseph Ellery	1857-1865
b. 26 (Oversize)	"Administrator's Sale," broadside announcing booksale at San Jose's Mayor's Office	1852 November 4
b. 26 (Oversize)	"The Celebration in San Francisco"	1858 September 27
b. 26 (Oversize)	<i>Daily Evening Picayune</i>	1852

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## 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.

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Libraries -- California  
Printers -- California  
Printing -- California -- History  
Private presses -- California  
Small presses -- California

### Geographic Names

California -- Bibliography  
California -- Intellectual life -- 20th Century

### Genres / Formats

Pamphlets -- California -- 19th century  
Pamphlets -- California -- 20th Century  
Posters -- California -- 19th century

### Occupations

Printers -- California -- 20th Century

### Names

Bancroft, Hubert Howe, 1832-1918  
Browne, Clyde, 1872-1942  
Cowan, Robert Ernest, 1862-1942  
Dahlstrom, Grant Edward, 1902-1980  
Dawson, Ernest, 1881-1947  
Delkin, James Ladd  
Huntington, Henry Edwards, 1850-1927  
Nash, John Henry, 1871-1947  
Ritchie, Ward, 1905-1996  
Swingle, John

### Corporate Bodies

Acorn Press  
Alta California Bookstore  
Bancroft Library  
Bohemian Club (San Francisco, Calif.)  
Book Club of California

California Historical Society  
California Society of Etchers  
California State Library  
Castle Press  
Colt Press -- Catalogs  
Dawson's Book Shop  
Eucalyptus Press  
Flame Press (Pasadena, Calif.)  
Garret Press  
Golden Gate International Exposition  
(1939-1940 San Francisco, Calif.)  
Grabhorn Press  
H.H. Bancroft and Company  
Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery --  
Catalogs  
Historical Society of Southern California  
Jake Zeitlin Books (Firm : Los Angeles, Calif.)  
Library Association of California  
Los Angeles Public Library  
Mills College  
Pasadena Public Library  
Paul Elder and Company  
Roxburghe Club of San Francisco  
San Francisco Public Library  
University of California (1868-1952)  
William Andrews Clark Memorial Library