

A Finding Aid to the Charles FitzGerald Scrapbooks, circa 1901-1918, in the Archives of American Art

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives of American Art

Title: Charles FitzGerald scrapbooks

Date: circa 1901-1918

Identifier: AAA.fitzchar

Creator: FitzGerald, Charles, 1873-1958

Extent: 1.1 Linear feet

Language: The collection is in English.

Summary: Six scrapbooks of art critic Charles FitzGerald measure 1.1 linear feet

and date from circa 1901 to 1918. They are comprised of newspaper clippings from the *Evening Sun*, *Sun*, *New York Times*, and other newspapers. Many of the printed articles, except where noted, were written by FitzGerald. Miscellaneous letters to FitzGerald are interleaved within the books and additional loose letters, writings, newspaper clippings, and notes are found. Also included are note

cards that contain an index to Scrapbooks #4-6.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The Charles FitzGerald scrapbooks were donated in 1964 by Ira Glackens, FitzGerald's nephew, and in 2007 by Susan Corn Conway. Glackens was the son of portrait painter William Glackens and Edith Glackens; Edith's sister, Irene Dimock FitzGerald was married to Charles. Conway purchased the Glackens' house where additional scrapbooks were located.

Available Formats

The collection was digitized in 2014 and is available on the Archives of American Art's website. Blank pages have not been scanned.

Processing Information

Materials received a preliminary level of arrangement at some point after donation and were partially microfilmed on reel 101. All materials were prepared for digitization and described by Judy Ng in 2014 with funding provided by the Sansom Foundation.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Art critic Charles FitzGerald (1873-1958) lived and worked in New York City, New York and was known for his articles promoting Ash Can school artists. As a writer for the *New York Evening Sun* and the *New York Sun* newspapers, FitzGerald frequently published critiques of the National Academy of Design, Society of American Artists, and other conventional art and institutions of his day. In 1915, he married Irene Dimock, whom he had met eleven years prior at the wedding of his close friends, the painter William Glackens and his wife, Edith Dimock Glackens.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged as 1 series.

Series 1: Charles FitzGerald scrapbooks, circa 1901-1918 (1.1 linear feet; Boxes 1-4)

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Art criticism -- New York (State) -- New York

Types of Materials:

Scrapbooks

Occupations:

Art critics -- New York (State) -- New York

Container Listing

Series 1: Charles FitzGerald Scrapbooks, circa 1901-1918

1.1 Linear feet (Boxes 1-4)

Scope and Contents:

The six scrapbooks consist of clippings from the *Evening Sun*, *Sun*, *New York Times*, and other newspapers. Many of the articles, except where noted, were written by Fitzgerald.

Topics include art, current events, education, medicine, the Navy, and war.

A handful of miscellaneous letters to Fitzgerald are interleaved within the books along with additional loose letters, writings, miscellaneous newspaper clippings on sculptures and photographic processes, and essay notes on works by old masters. Also included are cards

that contain a subject index to Scrapbooks #4-6.

Arrangement: Available

Materials are arranged by document type. This series has been scanned in its entirety.

Formats:

Box 1, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1902
Box 1, Folder 2	Writings, circa 1901-1918
Box 1, Folder 3	Clippings, 1909-1910 Notes: Clippings relate to wax bust by Leonardo da Vinci.
Box 1, Folder 4	Clippings, Miscellaneous, 1900
Box 1, Folder 5	Notecard Index to Scrapbooks #4-6, circa 1901-1918
Box 2, Folder 1	Scrapbook #1, 1902
Box 2, Folder 2	Scrapbook #2, 1903
Box 3, Folder 1	Scrapbook #3, 1903-1904
Box 2, Folder 3	Scrapbook #4, 1901-1913
Box 3, Folder 2	Scrapbook #5, 1904-1906
Box 4, Folder 1	Scrapbook #6, 1914-1918

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