

Strong (Charles Augustus) papers

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Summary Information

Repository: Rockefeller Archive Center

Creator - ctb: James, William

Creator - ctb: Santayana, George

Creator - aut: Strong, Charles Augustus

Title: Charles Augustus Strong papers

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Date [inclusive]: 1877-1939, 1961, n.d.

Physical Description: 4 Cubic Feet 11 Boxes

Physical Description: 4 cubic ft.

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English

Material:

Preferred Citation

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Biographical/Historical note

Charles Augustus Strong, a philosopher of the American school of critical realists, was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts on November 28, 1862. He was the eldest of six children born to the Rev. Augustus Hopkins Strong and Harriet Savage Strong. In 1865 Rev. Strong, a Baptist minister, became pastor of First Church in Cleveland, Ohio. During the years 1865 to 1872, the Strongs grew well acquainted with the family of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., their fellow parishioners. In 1872 Rev. Strong was named President of the Rochester Theological Seminary in his hometown of Rochester, New York. It was there that the young Charles Strong received his early schooling. In the fall of 1877, Strong enrolled at Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, New Hampshire. He excelled in the study of Latin and Greek, played football and baseball, and served as editor of the school paper. In July 1881, Strong sailed for Europe to attend the Gutersloh Gymnasium in Gutersloh, Germany. On returning to America in 1883, he entered the University of Rochester, where he obtained his A.B. in 1884 and the LL.D. in 1919. Fulfilling a long-

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standing desire, he enrolled in Harvard College in the fall of 1884, graduating with a second A.B. in 1885.

Strong's Harvard experience proved to be a turning point. He came under the influence of the pragmatist philosopher and psychologist William James, and with his fellow student and life-long friend, George Santayana, founded the Harvard Philosophical Club. After a year (1885-86) at Rochester Theological Seminary, Strong embarked for Berlin on a James Walker Fellowship from Harvard, which by mutual agreement, he shared with Santayana. By this time, Strong had suffered a loss of faith and rejected the ministerial career which his father had envisioned for him. In Berlin, he studied psychology, philosophy, and physiology with professors Karl Stumpf and Friedrich Paulsen.

From 1887 to 1889, Strong served as part-time instructor in philosophy at Cornell University, then returned to Europe for studies at Berlin, Paris and Freiburg in 1889-90. On March 22, 1889, he married Bessie Rockefeller (1866-1906), the eldest daughter of John D. Rockefeller, Sr. They had one child, Margaret Strong de Cuevas (1897-1985).

In 1890 Strong became a docent at Clark University and in 1892 was appointed associate professor of psychology at the University of Chicago, where he remained until 1895. He served as lecturer in psychology at Columbia University from 1895 until 1903 and as professor of psychology from 1903 to 1910.

In 1903, Bessie Strong's failing health necessitated the Strongs' transfer to Paris, where Strong remained on leave without pay from Columbia University. After his wife's death on November 14, 1906, Strong settled in Fiesole, Italy in the villa known as "Le Balze." There, he raised his daughter and continued to study, write, and receive visitors. Strong died on January 23, 1940 in Fiesole.

Strong's writings include "Why the Mind Has A Body" (1903), "The Origins of Consciousness" (1918), "Essays in Critical Realism" (1920), "The Wisdom of the Beasts" (1921), "A Theory of Knowledge" (1923), "Essays on the Natural Origin of the Mind" (1930), and "A Creed for Sceptics" (1936).

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Scope and Contents note

The Charles A. Strong Papers document the thought of philosopher and psychologist Charles Strong (1862-1940) and his friendships with George Santayana (1863-1952), William James (1842-1910), and a circle of academic philosophers known as the "critical realists". The critical realists worked within the school of American pragmatism originated by Charles Sanders Peirce (1839-1914) and popularized by William James. Also present in the collection are two letters from American novelist, Edith Wharton (1924, n.d.) and a small group of letters (1921-1935) to Strong from the English writer, Violet Paget (Vernon Lee, 1856-1935), documenting the close friendship between the two expatriates. The papers span the years 1877 to 1939, but the bulk of the material dates between 1906 and 1939. The collection was transferred to the Rockefeller Archive Center in 1994 by the donor.

Little information is available in these papers about Strong's personal life. There are scattered references to his wife, Bessie Rockefeller, and her illnesses, but there is no correspondence from her in this collection. Strong's relationship with the Rockefeller family can only be surmised from these documents. There are two letters from his father-in-law, John D. Rockefeller, Sr. (1927, 1933); the first relates to the disposition of Bessie Rockefeller's estate, the second to an allowance for Margaret, Strong's daughter. A 1916 letter from Rockefeller to Strong's father, Augustus H. Strong expresses the wish that the Strongs resettle in America, "instead of isolating themselves from their family, and making other connections with strangers." The bulk of Senior's correspondence with Charles and Margaret Strong is located in the Rockefeller Family Archives, Record Group 1, John D. Rockefeller Papers, Correspondence Series-Personal. Outgoing correspondence from the letterbooks is available on microfilm. There is incoming correspondence from Bessie Rockefeller Strong (1891-1894), Charles Strong (1886-1894), and Augustus Strong (1879-1894). In Record Group 2, (Office of the Messrs. Rockefeller), Series H, Friends and Services (Friends and Relations section), there is one folder of correspondence (1886-1911) from both John D. Rockefeller, Sr. and John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and their associates to Charles and Bessie (1886-1911). Also available in Record Group 2, in the personal papers of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is correspondence (1881, 1886-1925) between John D. Rockefeller, Jr. and Augustus and Kate Strong, Charles' sister. In the Strong papers described here, George Santayana's letters indirectly provide information about Margaret Strong and her husband, George de Cuevas, as Santayana remained a lifelong friend to the Strongs.

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Arrangement note

The Strong papers are arranged in five series:

Series 1 - Personal Correspondence; Series 2 - Professional Correspondence; Series 3 - Writings; Series 4 - Writings of Others; Series 5 - Miscellaneous Papers

Within the correspondence series, letters have been retained in their original order, in runs of Incoming and Outgoing correspondence. Series 3 - Writings is arranged alphabetically by title. Series 4 - Writings of Others is arranged alphabetically by author. In Series 5 - Miscellaneous Papers, materials are arranged alphabetically by type of material.

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Conditions Governing Access

Collection is open for scholarly research.

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Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

Rockefeller Family Archives

Record Group 1 - John D. Rockefeller Papers Correspondence Series - Personal

Record Group 2 - Office of the Messrs. Rockefeller Series H - Friends and Services, Friends and Relations section Series Z - John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Personal Papers

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Controlled Access Headings

- Philosophy and religion
- Religion
- James, William
- Santayana, George
- Strong, Charles Augustus

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

Materials requiring specialized equipment for access (film, audio, video, slides) may be closed to research dependent on availability of the applicable equipment

Brittle or damaged items, or materials otherwise in need of preservation care, may be closed to researchers at the discretion of the RAC Head of Archival Services/Head of Reference.

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Collection Inventory

Personal Correspondence, 1877-1889, 1903-1939, n.d.

Physical Description: 1.2 Cubic Feet 3 Boxes

Arrangement note

The letters in this series have been retained in their original order, in runs of incoming and outgoing correspondence.

Scope and Contents note

Series 1, Personal Correspondence, contains four folders of detailed letters (1877-85, 1891, 1939) from Strong to his family, written largely between the ages of fifteen and twenty-five. In them, Strong gives news of his scholastic achievements at Phillips Exeter Academy, the Gutersloh Gymnasium in Germany, and Harvard College. After his father opposed his first bid to attend Harvard, Strong wrote, "I think I have a moderately good faculty of putting up with my lot." The bulk of Strong's incoming correspondence consists of letters from his father (1910-1921) reporting on family activities in Rochester, New York and his frequent travels. The few letters from his mother, Harriet Strong, are interfiled with those of Augustus Strong.

Title/Description	Instances

Strong, Augustus H. (Incoming), 1912-1915, 1918-1921, n.d.

box 1

folder 1

Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Achilles, Paul Strong, 1934	box 1	folder 2	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - de Cuevas, George, 1934, 1938-1939	box 1	folder 3	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Fowler, E. H., 1888	box 1	folder 4	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Norton, Mrs. M. B., 1888-1889	box 1	folder 5	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Prentice, Alta Rockefeller, 1914	box 1	folder 6	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Prentice, E. Parmalee, 1903, 1939	box 1	folder 7	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Rockefeller, John D. Sr., 1916, 1927, 1933	box 1	folder 8	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Rockefeller, John D., Jr., 1903	box 1	folder 9	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Sewall, Rev. Charles G., 1919, n.d.	box 1	folder 10	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 11	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 12	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 13	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 14	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 15	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1910-1914	box 1	folder 16	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 17	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 18	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 19	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 20	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 21	

Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 22	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 23	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 24	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 25	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 26	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 27	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Augustus H., 1915-1921	box 2	folder 28	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Harriet Louise Savage, 1911-1913, n.d.	box 3	folder 29	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Henry A., 1918	box 3	folder 30	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, John, 1938-1939	box 3	folder 31	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Julia, 1915	box 3	folder 32	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Kate, 1903, 1911-1914, 1919-1921, 1936, n.d.	box 3	folder 33	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Laura, 1914, 1920-1921, n.d.	box 3	folder 34	
Strong, Charles A Incoming Correspondence - Strong, Margaret, 1911, 1938, n.d.	box 3	folder 35	
Strong, Charles A Outgoing Correspondence, 1877-1885, 1891, 1939	box 3	folder 36	
Strong, Charles A Outgoing Correspondence, 1877-1885, 1891, 1939	box 3	folder 37	
Strong, Charles A Outgoing Correspondence, 1877-1885, 1891, 1939	box 3	folder 38	
Strong, Charles A Outgoing Correspondence, 1877-1885, 1891, 1939	box 3	folder 39	
Strong, Charles A Outgoing Correspondence, 1877-1885, 1891, 1939	box 3	folder 40	
Third Party Correspondence, 1904, 1912, n.d.	box 3	folder 41	

"Dot", n.d. Hovey, Henrietta B., 1904 Rockefeller, Laura Spelman, 1912? Sewall, Kate Strong, 1904

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Professional Correspondence, 1889-1939, n.d.

Physical Description: 2 Cubic Feet 4 Boxes

Arrangement note

The letters in this series have been retained in their original order, in runs of incoming and outgoing correspondence.

Scope and Contents note

Series 2, Professional Correspondence, fills Boxes 4 through 8 and contains Strong's correspondence with philosophers and writers. Strong's correspondents include Bernard and Mary Berenson, Henri Bergson, Alfred Binet, John Dewey, G. Lowes Dickinson, John Galsworthy, William James, Arthur O. Lovejoy, John Masefield, G. E. Moore, Friedrich Paulsen (1 letter), Charles S. Peirce (2 letters), Ralph Barton Perry (2 letters), Walter Rauschenbusch, Bertrand Russell, George Santayana, F. C. S. Schiller, and Paul Shorey. Among his most faithful colleagues and critics were Durant Drake (Vassar College), Dickinson S. Miller (Columbia), James Bissett Pratt (Williams College), A. K. Rogers (Yale) and Roy Wood Sellars (University of Michigan). Strong's outgoing correspondence includes a packet entitled "My Letters to Philosophers" (1902-12).

George Santayana's correspondence with Strong, located in Series 2, is the largest single correspondence in the collection. The letters are uninterrupted for the period 1900 to 1939 and fill twenty folders. Most of the letters were written after 1912 during extended sojourns in France, Italy, Germany, and Spain. Santayana's letters are warm and full of personal anecdote, and report on the books he is reading as well as the progress of his own writings, including "The Realm of Matter" (1930), "The Realm of Truth" (1937), "The Realm of Spirit" (1940), and the novel, "The Last Puritan" (1939). Although they remained loyal friends, Strong and Santayana continually disagreed over the scope and limits of perception. Their philosophical differences gradually took on a personal edge. After a 1938 meeting in Rome, which led to an altercation, Santayana wrote that he and Strong had fallen "out of sympathy on almost every current subject." In 1939, he declared, "Your presuppositions as to what can and what cannot excite consciousness are not such as I feel any need of making." Strong's letters to Santayana fill three folders and consist mainly of transcript drafts of letters for the years 1930, 1932 and 1933 concerning philosophical subjects.

The letters of William James to Charles Strong fill seven folders and are largely uninterrupted for the period 1898 to 1910, the year of James' death. In his letters, James discusses materialism, his reactions to Strong's writings, books he is reading, his teaching load, travel plans, family life, and the precarious state of his health. He describes in 1905 his first encounter with French philosopher Henri Bergson. Writing on 6 February 1906 from Palo Alto, where he was lecturing at Stanford University, he gives a lively account of his reaction to the San Francisco earthquake. Strong's letters to James fill one folder. Two letters (1889), written from Berlin, offer a theory of materialism explaining the relationship between the mind and the body, in which the human mind is a product of natural processes. Strong's theory found formal expression in his first book, "Why the Mind has a Body" (1903).

Title/Description	Instances	
Incoming Correspondence (A), 1914, 1929, 1936	box 4	folder 42
Incoming Correspondence (B), 1903-1904, 1915, 1918-1919, n.d.	box 4	folder 43
Incoming Correspondence - Berenson, Mary, 1911-1912, 1916-1917, n.d.	box 4	folder 44

Incoming Correspondence - Bergson, Henri, 1904-1910, 1918, 1923, 1926, 1932	box 4	folder 45
Incoming Correspondence - Binet, Alfred, 1906, n.d.	box 4	folder 46
Incoming Correspondence (C), 1903, 1906, 1908, 1913, 1930, n.d.	box 4	folder 47
Incoming Correspondence - Carr, Herbert Wildon, 1911-1913, 1919, 1928	box 4	folder 48
Incoming Correspondence - Cattell, James McKeen, 1904-1906	box 4	folder 49
Incoming Correspondence - Cohen, Morris R., 1919, 1930, 1932	box 4	folder 50
Incoming Correspondence - Cutting, Sybil Lubbock, 1915-1917, 1937, 1939, n.d.	box 4	folder 51
Incoming Correspondence (D), 1903, 1905, 1909, 1915	box 4	folder 52
Incoming Correspondence (G), 1904, 1915, 1920, 1931	box 4	folder 53
Incoming Correspondence - Drake, Durant, 1910, 1914-1917, 1926-1927, 1930, 1932, n.d.	box 4	folder 54
Incoming Correspondence (F), 1903, 1905, 1908, 1919-1921, n.d.	box 4	folder 55
Incoming Correspondence (H-K), 1903-1904, 1920, 1930-1931	box 4	folder 56
Incoming Correspondence - James, Alice H., 1909-1911	box 4	folder 57
Incoming Correspondence - James, Henry, Jr., 1911, 1922, 1937-1938	box 4	folder 58
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 59
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 60
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 61
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 62
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 63
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 64
Incoming Correspondence - James, William, 1889, 1895, 1898-1900, 1902-1910, n.d.	box 4	folder 65
Incoming Correspondence (L), 1918, 1921, 1925, 1928, 1930	box 5	folder 66
Incoming Correspondence - Laird, John, 1936-1937	box 5	folder 67
Incoming Correspondence - Lovejoy, Arthur O., 1919, 1921, 1925-1926, n.d.	box 5	folder 68
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Incoming Correspondence (M)

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Incoming Correspondence - Masefield, John, 1915	box 5	folder 70
Incoming Correspondence - McDougall, William, n.d.	box 5	folder 71
Incoming Correspondence - Michelson, A. A., 1921, n.d.	box 5	folder 72
Incoming Correspondence - Miller, Dickinson S., 1900-1901, 1905-1906, 1914, 1919-1934, 1939, n.d.	box 5	folder 73
Incoming Correspondence - Miller, Dickinson S., 1900-1901, 1905-1906, 1914, 1919-1934, 1939, n.d.	box 5	folder 74
Incoming Correspondence - Miller, Dickinson S., 1900-1901, 1905-1906, 1914, 1919-1934, 1939, n.d.	box 5	folder 75
Incoming Correspondence - Montague, William P., 1923, 1926-1928, 1931, 1937, n.d.	box 5	folder 76
Incoming Correspondence - Osler, Sir William, 1916, n.d.	box 5	folder 77
Incoming Correspondence (P), 1889, 1903-1904, 1916, 1919, 1924, 1928, 1932, 1938	box 5	folder 78
Incoming Correspondence - Paget, Violet (Vernon Lee), 1921-1935	box 5	folder 79
Incoming Correspondence - Pratt, James B., 1917-1921, 1931	box 5	folder 80
Incoming Correspondence (R), 1920-1921, 1930, n.d.	box 5	folder 81
Incoming Correspondence - Rauschenbusch, Walter, 1903, 1911, 1913, 1918-1919	box 5	folder 82
Incoming Correspondence - Rogers, A. K., 1903-1904, 1917, 1919	box 5	folder 83
Incoming Correspondence - Russell, Bertrand, 1930, 1938-1939	box 5	folder 84
Incoming Correspondence - Russell, Elisabeth, Countess, 1934-1935	box 5	folder 85
Incoming Correspondence (S), 1903-1933, 1937	box 5	folder 86
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 87
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 88
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 89
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 90
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 91
Incoming Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1889-1891, 1895, 1900-1926	box 6	folder 92

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Outgoing Correspondence - Letters, 1908, 1912-1913, 1921-1938, n.d.	box 8	folder 120	
Outgoing Correspondence - Letters, 1908, 1912-1913, 1921-1938, n.d.	box 8	folder 121	
Outgoing Correspondence - Letters, 1908, 1912-1913, 1921-1938, n.d.	box 8	folder 122	
Outgoing Correspondence (C-D), 1909-1910	box 8	folder 123	
Outgoing Correspondence - James, William, 1889-1890, 1895, 1908, n.d.	box 8	folder 124	
Outgoing Correspondence (L), 1920-1921, n.d.	box 8	folder 125	
Outgoing Correspondence (M), 1899, 1902, 1910-1911, 1921	box 8	folder 126	
Outgoing Correspondence - Moore, G. E., 1910-1911, 1922	box 8	folder 127	
Outgoing Correspondence (R-S), 1913, 1938	box 8	folder 128	
Outgoing Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1890, 1900, 1903-1904, 1912, 1919, 1930, 1932-1933	box 8	folder 129	
Outgoing Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1890, 1900, 1903-1904, 1912, 1919, 1930, 1932-1933	box 8	folder 130	
Outgoing Correspondence - Santayana, George, 1890, 1900, 1903-1904, 1912, 1919, 1930, 1932-1933	box 8	folder 131	
Outgoing Correspondence (W), 1903-1904	box 8	folder 132	

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Writings, 1890-1939, n.d.

Physical Description: 0.2 Cubic Feet 1 Box

Arrangement note

This series is arranged alphabetically by title.

Scope and Contents note

Series 3, Writings, contains a variety of unpublished writings by Strong, including prose, poetry, a play manuscript, and notes. The two poems, humorous riffs on the subject of giving up smoking, were addressed to Edith Wharton, probably during the early 1920's. Wharton's poem in reply is located in Series 4 - Writings of Others. Strong's 1937 attempt at a play, "Entbehren Sollst Du," reveals a highly complex but hidden emotional life. His philosophical autobiography (7 pp.) describes his rejections of Christianity, his studies with William James and Friedrich Paulsen, his differences with Santayana, and his views of the nature of perception and consciousness.

General note

Actual dates for this series are: 1890, 1905-1913, 1927-1928, 1938-1939, n.d.

Title/Description	Instances
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[Autobiography] (mss. typescript), 1927	box 9	folder 133	
[Autobiography] (corrected), n.d.	box 9	folder 134	
"Entbehren Sollst Du" (Play), 1937	box 9	folder 135	
"Essay on the Nature of Unpleasantness" and Other Writings Relating to an Operation, 1905	box 9	folder 136	
Introduction to "Essays on the Origin of the Mind", ca. 1930	box 9	folder 137	
Miscellaneous Writings, 1937-1939, n.d.	box 9	folder 138	
Miscellaneous Writings, 1937-1939, n.d.	box 9	folder 139	
"The Missing Link in Epistemology", n.d.	box 9	folder 140	
Notes, 1907-1913, 1928, 1938-1939	box 9	folder 141	
Notes, 1907-1913, 1928, 1938-1939	box 9	folder 142	
"Notes on the Relation Between Mind and Body", 1890	box 9	folder 143	
Poems	box 9	folder 144	

"To A Lady," [to Edith Wharton] (photocopy), n.d. "To The Lady," [to Edith Wharton] (photocopy), n.d.

"Strong's Miscellany", 1939	box 9	folder 145	
Unidentified and Miscellaneous Prose, n.d.	box 9	folder 146	

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Writings of Others, 1906, 1917-1919, n.d.

Physical Description: 0.4 Cubic Feet 1 Box

Arrangement note

This series is arranged alphabetically by author.

Scope and Contents note

Series 4, Writings of Others, includes unpublished manuscripts of Durant Drake, Arthur Lovejoy, Violet Paget, James Bissett Pratt, and George Santayana. Also present are galleys of William James' "Pragmatism" (1906), annotated by Strong.

Title/Description	Instances		
Comments on Strong's 1917 Paper (Rogers, Drake, Macintosh, Pratt, Sellars), 1917	box 10	folder 147	
Drake, Durant - Conference Paper (Untitled), ca. 1917	box 10	folder 148	
Drake, Durant	box 10	folder 149	

"The Correction of Naive Realism," ca. 1919 "Drake on Strong," ca. 1919 Letter to Strong, 1919

James, William - [Pragmatism] Galley Proof with Annotations by Strong, ca. 1906	box 10	folder 150	
Lovejoy, Arthur O.	box 10	folder 151	
Scope and Contents note			
"On the Meaning of the Word 'Exist'," 1918 Unidentified typescript, 1918			
Paget, Violet	box 10	folder 152	
Scope and Contents note			
"An Enquiry Into Individual Differences," n.d. "Musical Memory," n.d.			
Pratt, J. B "Critical Realism and Its Critics", n.d.	box 10	folder 153	
Santayana, George - "The Efficacy of Thought" - Galley Proof, n.d.	box 10	folder 154	
Santayana, George - "Notes. Strong's Use of 'Psyche' and 'Psychic'", n.d.	box 10	folder 155	
Santayana, George - "Three Proofs of Realism", n.d.	box 10	folder 156	
Strong, Augustus H "Every Christian a Missionary", n.d.	box 10	folder 157	
Strong, Augustus H "Motoring in Europe", ca. 1919	box 10	folder 158	
Strong, Augustus H Travel Diary - "San Francisco to Colombo and Return Through Central China", 1916-1917	box 10	folder 159	
Wharton, Edith	box 10	folder 160	

Scope and Contents note

"To a Gentleman," poem, n.d., with letter of Violet Paget, n.d.

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Miscellaneous Papers, 1906-1939, 1961, n.d.

Physical Description: 0.2 Cubic Feet 1/2 Letter Box

Arrangement note

This series is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Series 5, Miscellaneous Papers, contains copies of newspaper clippings and obituaries, printed materials, visiting cards left by Strong's guests in Fiesole, and the wills of Santayana, Augustus H. Strong, Harriet Savage Strong, and Charles Strong.

Title/Description	Instances	
Clippings, 1910, 1924, 1939, n.d.	box 11	folder 161
Letters and Clippings (Copies) - Attack on Strong, 1909	box 11	folder 162
Obituaries (Strong Family), 1906, 1921, 1961	box 11	folder 163
Obituary (Laura Spelman Rockefeller), 1915	box 11	folder 164
Scope and Contents note		
Filed with letter from Starr J. Murphy, 1915.		
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