

BR57 Correspondence to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple

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| BR57/1/1-14 | Letters from Basil Wilberforce, to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about family; Broadlands Conferences and the war in South Africa; one letter from Lord Mount Temple to ?Moey (Basil Wilberforce ?) | c.1877 - 87 |
| BR57/2/1-14 | Letters from the Ven. Basil Wilberforce, Archdeacon of Westminster, to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple: about politics; financial and personal matters | c.1882 - 91 |
| BR57/3/1-15 | Letters from the Ven. Basil Wilberforce, Archdeacon of Westminster, to "beloved friend" (Lady Mount Temple ?, Lord Mount Temple died Oct 1888); mainly about personal and family matters; one letter from Molly (Mrs B.Wilberforce) | c.1887 - 99 |
| BR57/4/1-19 | Letters from Hannah W.Smith, Philadelphia, U.S.A., to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; mainly about religion; but also family; temperance; the Broadlands conferences; and the Smith family's life in America and travel to Europe | c.1874 - 79 |
| BR57/5/1-8 | Letters from Hannah W.Smith, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; from various places in U.S.A. and Europe; about travel around U.S.A. and to Europe; visiting Mr Harris (spiritualist and evangelist ?) in San Francisco; faith healing; condolences on ?Lord Mount Temple's death | c.1880 - 88 |
| BR57/6/1-22 | Letters from Hannah W.Smith, to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about family; friends; religion and spiritualism; Broadlands conferences; arranging visits; meetings and outings | c.1883 - 96 |
| BR57/7 | Letter from Adelaide Ann Proctor (poetess who wrote under the pseudonym of Mary Berwick; she was interested in social questions affecting women; wrote many hymns); to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about finding work for two women; the kind of work that is available for women; a position available in Scotland for a governess | c.1860 - 80 |
| BR57/8 | Letter from Anna Jameson, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; in which Anna Jameson declines to join the sanitary committee of ? | c.1859 - 69 |
| BR57/9/1-11 | Letters of condolence to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; on the death of William Francis Cowper Temple, first Baron Mount Temple | Oct-Nov 1888 |
| BR57/10/1-2 | Two letters from Frederick Hamilton Temple Blackwood, Marquiss of Dufferin and Ava, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; in which he thanks Lady Mount Temple for a volume she has sent him, which contains recollections about their friends; the death of Lady Jocelyn ? | 5 Dec 1894
14 Dec 1894 |

- BR57/11/1-20 [BR57/11/1-2] Two letters from Constance, Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Juliet ?Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple's adopted daughter; about Juliet's birthday; friends; lectures attended; books read; [BR57/13/3-20] letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion and attending church services; books read; family and friends; social engagements; their health; passages copied from the Bible are included; although Constance addresses Lady Mount Temple as 'Mother', they were in fact distant cousins; their friendship was partly based on their mutual interest in spiritualism; see also BR57/45-50 19 Jun 1889
8 Jun 1890
27 Nov 1890-
1 Sep 1891
- BR57/12/1-18 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about lectures attended; literary works they are reading; her children; friends and family; social engagements Oct-Nov 1891
- BR57/13/1-17 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about friends; religion; literary works read; social engagements; Oscar's work and travels; family; their health Oct 1891
- BR57/14/1-16 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about Oscar Wilde's work; her children; her health; friends and family; includes passages copied from the Bible and various literary works; some letters have pages missing and at least one is written to someone else, possibly Julia, Lady Mount Temple's adopted daughter Nov 1891
- BR57/15/1-19 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about the weather; her love for Lady Mount Temple; the Watts portrait of Lady Mount Temple; friends and family; visits to the country; books read; [BR57/15/4] Letter from 'Beam' to 'Dearest Moon'; saying that Lady Mount Temple is the most beautiful woman they have ever seen c.1892
- BR57/16/1-18 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about outings in the country; family and friends; Oscar's work; going to church services; religion; [BR57/16/18] eight pages of notes on Dante's 'Paradiso' c.24 Aug 1892-
5 Oct 1892
- BR57/17/1-17 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about friends and family; books and plays read; religion c.7 Oct 1892-
6 Dec 1892
- BR57/18/1-20 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about books read; religion; friends; religion; the weather; Christmas; quotations from the Bible and various literary works are included c.7 Dec 1892-
Oct 1893
- BR57/19/1-16 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion and church services attended; Lady Mount Temple's health; books read; social engagements; Oscar and the children, the weather; [BR57/19/16] thank you note from Vivian Wilde, to Lady Mount Temple c.14 Jan 1894-
7 Mar 1894
- BR57/20/1-17 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about Lady Mount Temple's health; social engagements; the marriage of Juliet (Lady Mount Temple's adopted daughter); books read; friends and family; a holiday in Worthing c.8 Mar 1894-
4 Sep 1894

- BR57/21/1-16 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about her own health; Lady Wilde's (Oscar Wilde's mother) health; social engagements; attending church services; attending lectures; books read; religion; family and friends c.11 Sep 1894-10 Nov 1894
- BR57/22/1-28 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about her health; friends and family; lectures and church services; social visits; being urged to divorce Oscar; changing her name to Holland; visiting Oscar in prison and having to tell him about the death of his mother; having an operation and her stay in a hospital in northern Italy; her life in Italy and Germany, and trying to make plans for her and her sons' future; [BR57/22/18] includes a thank you letter from Vivian Wilde (signed Vivian Holland); [BR57/22/26] letter from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Juliet ? (Lady Mount Temple's adopted daughter) 17 Nov 1894-17 Dec 1897
- BR57/23/1-7 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from Otho Holland-Lloyd (Constance's brother), Laura Hope (wife of Cyril and Vivian Wilde's guardian, Adrian Hope), and John and Jane Simons; referring to Constance Wilde's death in Italy, 2 Apr 1898 9 Apr 1898-c.29 May 1898
- BR57/24/1-16 Letters from Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, to Mrs Emily Gurney; about family and friends; her health; social outings; religion and spiritualism; visitors c.1869-70
- BR57/25/1-12 Letters from Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, to Mrs Emily Gurney; about employing servants; the death of Mrs Gurney's mother; friends and social engagements; [BR57/24/12] second part of a letter only c.1870-1
- BR57/26/1-10 Letters from Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, to Mrs Emily Gurney; about religion; the death of her brother's wife, her dreams; her health; about Julia (Georgiana's adopted daughter) c.1870-1
- BR57/27/1-17 Letters from Emily (Emelia) Gurney, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about travelling and the scenery in Italy; religion and spiritualism; her husband's illness; family and friends; some letters written from America c.1870s
- BR57/28/1-16 Letters from Emily Gurney, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about a chalk sketch she would like to have done of Georgiana, by a French artist M. Langée; religion; seances and spiritualism; finding someone to look after an invalid; family and friends; dreams c.1870s
- BR57/29/1-18 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about growing older; family and friends; her health; religion and spiritualism; her husband's health; one item is mainly in French, others have a few French sentences c.1870s
- BR57/30/1-15 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion and spiritualism; caring for Annie Keary and other invalids; friends and family c.late 1870s-1880s
- BR57/31/1-17 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about events in Egypt at the time of the Mahdi uprising; politics; the weather; politics and spiritualism; family and friends; a cross she is having designed to be erected as a memorial c.late 1870s-1880s

- (?to her husband); staying with friends around England; books she has been reading; some parts of letters only and some written from America
- BR57/32/1-12 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion; spiritualism; dreams and seances; travel and visiting people in America; her uncle's death; her ?husband's health; some letters written from America c.1870s
- BR57/33/1-17 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about the death of several 'beloved' people, one of whom may have been her husband; people coming back to her in dreams; arranging visits with friends; discussion of three building sites in London; about someone she knows who takes in girls about to have babies, and finds them places after the baby is born, this in reply to an enquiry from Georgiana c.late 1870s-1880s
- BR57/34/1-15 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion and spiritualism; good and evil; visions; family and friends; a visit to Bordighera and Antibes; some parts of letters only c.late 1870s-1880s
- BR57/35/1-17 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about arranging visits to Broadlands; describing a visit to Broadlands (Georgiana was not there at the time); planning meetings with each other; family and friends; religion c.1880s
- BR57/36/1-16 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Cowper Temple; about dreams and spiritualism; her health; religion; life and death; arranging people to address conferences at Broadlands; looking through Broadlands conference addresses with the possibility of printing them; one letter from France c.late 1870s-1880s
- BR57/37/1-15 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about a visit to Broadlands and having come away spiritually enriched; family and friends; her health and diet; sleepless nights c.1880s
- BR57/38/1-16 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about travel arrangements and visits to Broadlands; books read; friends; the death of her three nieces in Egypt, in a boating accident on the Nile river; the political situation in Egypt; family and friends; some parts of letters only; [BR57/38/5] written in a different hand, no signature, about the boating accident in Egypt; [BR57/38/15-16] two reprints from *Evening Paper*; about General Gordon and the Khartoum Garrison; dated 28 Aug and 17 Oct 1884 c.1880s
- BR57/39/1-18 Letters from Emily Gurney to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion; relationships and love; her health; family and friends; her friendship with Georgiana c.1881-94
- BR57/40/1-19 Letters from Anthony Ashley Cooper, seventh Earl of Shaftsbury, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; mainly brief notes about what time he can meet her; that he will be happy to meet with the Ladies' Sanitary ?Committee; friends; the funeral of his ?daughter, ?Lady Constance Ashley; engagements he has over the following weeks 1858-74
- BR57/41/1-13 Letters from Anthony Ashley Cooper, seventh Earl of Shaftsbury, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about visits to 1875-85

- Broadlands; making speeches; his health; William Cowper Temple's health
- BR57/42/1-21 Letters from Revd Andrew Jukes to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about religion; his children; his health; Broadlands Conferences; thank you letters for gifts, and for visits to Broadlands; praising the Cowper Temples for what they have done for others 1878-99
- BR57/43/1-16 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple from different sources; about friends and family; life and death; their own health; some letters written on the death of friends and family, including the deaths of Mrs Russell (Emily) Gurney and Georgiana's sister, Marguerite; included are several poems and one printed leaflet containing passages from the Bible c.1892-7
- BR57/44/1-20 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from different sources; about friends and family; their own health; arrangements for visits; holidays in Egypt; thank you notes for gifts and visits to Broadlands; a printed leaflet containing poetry for Christmas and New Year c.1896-7
- BR57/45/1-12 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about Oscar; her love for Georgiana as her spiritual mother; overcoming jealousy; sickness; Georgiana's health; social engagements; family and friends; books read; religion and spiritualism 22 Jan 1891-22 Nov 1892
- BR57/46/1-15 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about reading Dante and Virgil; the weather at Babbacombe Cliff, Torquay; family and friends; her health; visiting one another; her son, Cyril's eye injury, and Oscar's health; Juliet, Georgiana's adopted daughter; finding somewhere else to live; travelling in Italy; some written from Florence, Italy 25 Nov 1892-11 Feb 1893
- BR57/47/1-19 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about the weather; friends and family; domestic matters; attending plays and lectures; Cyril's birthday; learning Italian; living in the country; her health a Georgiana's health; literary works read 29 Oct 1893-c.2 Dec 1893
- BR57/48/1-15 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about her health; family and friends; talks with Oscar about religion; attending plays, lectures and church services; literary works; her cousin Liliass's wedding; Oscar's health and activities; social arrangements; attending meetings of the Psychical Society 9 Oct 1893-28 Oct 1893
- BR57/49/1-20 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about literary works read; going to mass in St Peter's, Rome; condolences on the death of Georgiana's sister; new acquaintances in Italy, some of whom Georgiana knows; her sightseeing in Rome, Florence and Milan; arguing with Georgiana; holidaying in a cottage at Goring on Thames; arranging visits, comments about Oscar being cold towards her and about his butler knowing his plans, but she knows nothing 15 Feb 1893-1 Sep 1893
- BR57/50/1-19 Letters from Mrs Oscar Wilde, to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; about her 'earth' mother's illness; about her sons, Cyril and Vivian; arranging to visit one another; domestic matters; family and friends; how much she enjoys staying at Babbacombe c.27 Sep 1893-8 Oct 1893

Cliff, Torquay; her 'troubles' and trying to cope with them; Oscar's health; Oscar's mother, Lady Wilde; religion, spiritualism and clairvoyance; her love for Georgiana

- BR57/51/1-14 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; from different sources; about the memorials for, and in memory of William Cowper Temple; condolences on the death of Mrs Russell (Emelia) Gurney; the death of other friends; news of family and friends; dried flowers from Charlotte Hope's grave (daughter of Vice Admiral and Lady Tollemache); printed leaflet requesting donations for a memorial for Elizabeth Rundle Charles; thank you for a photograph; notes and a timetable for a religious gathering; one letter to Juliet with advice about the procedure for executing a will c.1896
- BR57/52/1-16 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; from different sources; about the death of Emelia Gurney, and possibly trying to hear from her spirit; spiritualism and the higher life; organising a venue for some meetings; Juliet's engagement and marriage; their health; included are one blank bridge card and a printed leaflet for New Year 1912 1874-5, 1886, 1897, 1912
- BR57/53/1-17 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from several sources, but mainly from Hannah and R. Pearsall Smith; about arranging conferences on the higher Christian life; a list of names and addresses of those to invite, and how to word the invitations; a request from R. Pearsall Smith not to have his name on the invitations if Mr Jukes is attending, they value his teaching except on the subject of Restitution and they know some of those invited also disagree with Mr Jukes' views on this subject; about a scandal in which Mr Smith was accused of embracing and kissing a young woman in his locked room; the state of the church in France; religious publications and meetings; a visit to Mr Harris (?spiritualist) in California, America 1873-7
- BR57/54/1-18 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Cowper Temple, from various sources; about family and friends; religion and spiritualism; thank you notes; comments on Broadlands conferences; selling or renting a small property; travel in France c.1875
- BR57/55/1-13 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, (one to Georgiana), from various sources; about Broadlands conferences; thank you letters; replies to invitations c.1875-6
- BR57/56/1-20 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about Broadlands conferences and other evangelistic meetings; replies to invitations to Broadlands conferences; requesting money for evangelical meetings and work; thank you letters; family and friends; religion; [BR57/56/20] an account of a conference, but the first four pages are missing; some are parts of letters c.9 Nov 1874-12 Apr 1876
- BR57/57/1 Newspaper cutting about the first religious meetings at Broadlands, and explaining the "purport and character of the meetings"; Mr Pearsall Smith is described as the originator and director of the meeting c.July 1874

- BR57/58/1 Printed booklet entitled *Caroline Fox and her Family*; taken from *Memories of Old Friends; being Extracts from the Journals and Letters of Caroline Fox, of Penjerrick, Cornwall*, edited by Harris N. Pym; Smith, Elder and Co., London; 1882 *n.d. c.1882*
- BR57/59/1 Printed booklet entitled *General Statement Explaining the Nature and Purposes of St George's Guild*, by John Ruskin; George Allen, Sunnyside, Orpington, Kent; 1882 1882
- BR57/60/1-11 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from several sources, including Sarah Wilberforce and Olive Seward; about family and friends; Broadlands conferences; religion and the work of spreading the word; their health; R. Pearsall Smith's breakdown and his threats to commit suicide; Sarah writes about her new friendship with Olive Seward; many letters written from America *c.1875-1880s*
- BR57/61/1-17 Letters from Hannah and R. Pearsall Smith, to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple; suggesting people to be invited to the Broadlands meetings, including a list of names and addresses; about religion and health; thank you notes; religious meetings; the beauty of the Cowper Temple's property at Babbacombe Cliff, Torquay; [BR57/61/15] letter to 'Dear wife' from R. Pearsall Smith, in which he writes of a visit to Mr Harris at his commune in California and concludes that Mr Harris's 'reason is affected now most seriously', he also mentions Harris's disrespectful and degrading attitude toward women; includes extracts from the Bible and poems of a religious nature 1874-90
- BR57/62/1-20 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about their health; family and friends; religion and spiritualism and the Hermetic Society; travel in Italy; thank you notes; Bible extracts and notes about faith and religion; a poem entitled 'A Memory to Broadlands'; some are parts of letters only *c.1874-93*
- BR57/63/1-15 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about religious writings; religion and spiritualism; travel in Switzerland; family and friends; the illness of Queen Victoria, written the day before her death on 22 Jan 1901 *c.1880-1901*
- BR57/64/1-22 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about invitations to Broadland's conferences; religious teaching; family and friends and their health; the death of various family and friends; [BR57/64/12] a request from Osborne, saying Queen Victoria would like to borrow several pictures to have copies made, written by Lady Jane Ely *c.1879-83*
- BR57/65/1-14 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about William's serious illness in early 1886; a request for Georgiana to be a godmother; family and friends; religion; death of friends; attending a seance; thank you notes 1883-95
- BR57/66/1-11 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Cowper Temple, from various sources; about family and a godchild; the death of family members; [BR57/65/10] letter to Juliet about Georgiana's death and funeral in Oct 1901 *c.1899-1901*

- BR57/67/1-15 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about family and friends; religion and meetings about the 'Higher Life'; Georgiana's health; attending seances; poetry; birthday greetings to Georgiana; about a novel, *Among the Chosen*, published by Hendy, Holt and Co. New York, 1884, based on the community under the rule of Mr Harris c.1883-99
- BR57/68/1-17 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about Mr Harris's teaching; their health; replies to invitations to Broadlands conferences; family and friends; the weather, the death of friends; religion and religious meetings; thank you letters c.1877-99
- BR57/69/1-15 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about family and friends; Broadlands conferences; religious teachings; replies to invitations c.1879-91
- BR57/70/1-20 Letters to William Cowper Temple, Lord Mount Temple, and Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Cowper Temple, from various sources; about religion; replies to invitations to Broadlands conferences; thank you letters; birthday greetings to Georgiana; family and friends; the work of Lucy Drake, a missionary in India c.1876-99
- BR57/71/1-21 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about family and friends; Georgiana's health and their health; the deaths of friends; the weather; thank you letters; religious meetings n.d.c. 1880s
- BR57/72/1-15 Letters to Georgiana Cowper Temple, Lady Mount Temple, from various sources; about family and friends; thank you letters; going to see Sarah Bernhardt in Hamlet; social engagements n.d.c. 1880s