

C Robinson, Hamline E. (1845-1907), Papers, 1877-1879
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INTRODUCTION

The papers of Hamline E. Robinson, a Maryville, Missouri, book collector, consist of a diary that discusses the books Robinson acquired or read, with only occasional, brief comments concerning the weather, events and people in his life; a catalog of his occult library; and a volume that includes a “Sketch of the Life of Thomas Taylor, the Platonist” and a bibliographical account of Taylor’s works.

DONOR INFORMATION

The Hamline E. Robinson Papers were purchased by the State Historical Society of Missouri on 7 December 1916 from the Powner Book Company.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Hamline E. Robinson Papers include a diary that consists primarily of the comments and opinions of a Maryville, Missouri, book collector about the written works he acquired or read during the late 1870s. He usually tells how he acquired an item, what he paid, and his opinion of the value of the purchase, as well as the worth of the contents of the work. Included is a lengthy index created by Robinson that lists rather specific topics, as well as the authors.

Occasional comments relating to the weather, and even fewer concerning people or events in his daily life, contribute little to an understanding of Robinson’s personal life beyond his book collecting.

The catalog of his occult library is arranged alphabetically by author with brief descriptions of that author’s works.

FOLDER LIST

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