
Theodore and Heinrich Gomperz Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Theodore and Heinrich Gomperz collection

Dates: 1851-1934

Bulk Dates: 1870-1920

Collection number: H1959.1

Creator: Gomperz, Heinrich, 1873-1942

Creator: Gomperz, Theodor, 1832-1912

Collection Size: 1 linear foot

Repository: Claremont Colleges. Library. Special Collections, Honnold/Mudd Library.

Claremont, CA 91711

Abstract: The collection consists mainly of correspondence of Theodore Gomperz and his son Heinrich Gomperz with friends and associates including Edward Bulwer-Lytton, Hendrich Jaques, Lily and Heinrich Braun, Hermann Diels, and Ernst Mach.

Physical location: Please consult repository.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: EnglishGerman

Access

Collection open for research.

Publication Rights

All requests for permission to publish must be submitted in writing to Special Collections.

Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Information

Gift of Philip and Franciszka Merlan, 1959.

Biography / Administrative History

Philosopher and classics scholar Heinrich Gomperz, born in Vienna in 1873, was the son of philosopher Theodor Gomperz. While living in Vienna, Heinrich Gomperz was on the periphery of the Schlick Circle, a discussion group organized in 1924 by the physics professor Moritz Schlick. This discussion circle was pluralistic and committed to the ideals of the Enlightenment; The Circle sought to make philosophy

scientific with the help of modern logic on the basis of scientific and everyday experience.

Heinrich Gomperz came to Southern California in 1936 as Visiting Professor at the University of Southern California when his position at the University of Vienna was eliminated. In 1938, Gomperz, who was Jewish, made the decision to permanently emigrate to the United States. He died in 1942. His widow, Ada, gave this collection of correspondence to long-time friends, Claremont Colleges professor Philip Merlan and his wife Franciszka.

Scope and Content of Collection

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Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Diels, Hermann, 1848-1922 -- Correspondence
Gomperz, Theodor, 1832-1912 -- Correspondence
Gomperz, Heinrich, 1873-1942 -- Correspondence
Lytton, Edward Bulwer Lytton, Baron, 1803-1873
Mach, Ernst, 1838-1916
Philosophy, Ancient
Classicists -- Austria -- Correspondence

Folder 1 **Inventory lists for this collection**

Folder 2 **Heinrich Braun 1909-1913**

Physical Description: 8 Items
Physical Description: 43 Pages

Folder 3 **Lily Braun 1909-1914**

Physical Description: 14 Items
Physical Description: 61 Pages

Folder 4 **Lewis Campbell 1896-1908**

Physical Description: 29 Items
Physical Description: 63 Pages

Folder 5 **Hermann Diels 1871-1889**

Physical Description: 53 Items
Physical Description: 141 Pages

Folder 6 **Hermann Diels 1890-1896**

Physical Description: 43 Items
Physical Description: 107 Pages

- Folder 7 **Hermann Diels 1897-1912**
Physical Description: 30 Items
Physical Description: 100 Pages
- Folder 8 **H. [Goering?] 1900[?]-1912**
Physical Description: 2 Items
Physical Description: 7 Pages
- Folder 9 **Hendrich Jaques 1851-1883**
Physical Description: 14 Items
Physical Description: 58 Pages
- Folder 10 **Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton 1860-1862**
Physical Description: 19 Items
Physical Description: 56 Pages
- Folder 11 **Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton: [1863-1866] undated**
Physical Description: 17 Items
Physical Description: 35 Pages
- Folder 12 **Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton 1863-1869**
Physical Description: 21 Items
Physical Description: 76 Pages
- Folder 13 **Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton 1871-1890**
Physical Description: 11 Items
Physical Description: 67 Pages
- Folder 14 **Mss. of poems by Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton 1861**
Physical Description: 4 Items
Physical Description: 10 Pages
- Folder 15 **Edith Lytton 1892-1912**
Physical Description: 9 Items
Physical Description: 31 Pages
- Folder 16 **Ernst Mach 1895-1912**
Physical Description: 21 Items
Physical Description: 30 Pages

- Folder 17 **Heinrich Maier 1903**
Physical Description: 2 Items
Physical Description: 15 Pages
- Folder 18 **Richard Mueller-Freienfels 1917**
Physical Description: 3 Items
Physical Description: 5 Pages
- Folder 19 **Johann August Nauck 1864-1892**
Physical Description: 45 Items
Physical Description: 153 Pages
- Folder 20 **Edvard Norden 1915-1925**
Physical Description: 3 Items
Physical Description: 5 Pages
- Folder 21 **S. Luria to Heinrich Gomperz 1927**
Physical Description: 1 Items
Physical Description: 5 Pages
- Folder 22 **Unidentified correspondent Robert Di--? 1917, [1930]**
Physical Description: 2 Items
Physical Description: 3 Pages
- Miscellaneous Correspondence 1873-1934**
Physical Description: 11 Items
Physical Description: 26 Pages
- Folder 23 **a. 9/22/73 - signed letter Wallisrode**
Physical Description: 1 Pages
- Folder 23 **b. 12/13/73 - signed letter [Ludwig?] Wallisrode**
Physical Description: 4 Pages
- Folder 23 **c. 7/7/74 - from [S.? T.?] Bush to Max Mueller (in English) with note from Mueller**
Physical Description: 2 Pages
- Folder 23 **d. 3/22/78 - signed letter to von Wertheimstein (with envelope)**
Physical Description: 3 Pages
- Folder 23 **e. 6/13/93 - signed by [Niyra?] (in French)**
Physical Description: 1 Pages
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- Folder 23 **f. 2/5/94 - from C. [Homelle] (in French)**
Physical Description: 1 Pages
- Folder 23 **g. 11/18/98 - from Friedrich Marx**
Physical Description: 7 Pages
- Folder 23 **h. 1/12/05 - from L. [Muelleray?]**
Physical Description: 1 Pages
- Folder 23 **i. 4/30/30 - from Maurice Croiset (in French)**
Physical Description: 2 Pages
- Folder 23 **j. 11/30/30 - from J.L. Stocks (in English)**
Physical Description: 2 Pages
- Folder 23 **k. 11/4/34 - signed letter, Dr. Egmont Colerus**
Physical Description: 2 Pages

TOTALS

Physical Description: 362 Items
Physical Description: 1097 Pages