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Title: Mary Lago - Amiya Chakravarty

letters

Dates: 1961 March-1977 March

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Name of Creator: Chakravarty, Amiya (1901-1986)

literary scholar

CONTEXT

Biographical/Administrative History: Dr Amiya Chakravarty accompanied Rabindranath Tagore on his visit to England in 1930 and was present at Tagore's meetings with H G Wells, Albert Einstein and other leading figures. In the early 1960s, Chakravarty was Professor of Comparative Oriental Religion and Literature at Boston University. He left this post in the summer of 1966 to become Visiting Professor in the Department of Religion at Smith College, Northampton, Massachussetts. In October 1967 he became Professor of Eastern Philosophy at New York State University College, New Paltz. Professor Chakravarty carried out many other engagements alongside his academic career, including a visit to India in 1962 for talks with the Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. In addition to his wide literary knowledge, he maintained a strong interest in contemporary Indian affairs and served as an Indian delegate to the United Nations.

CONTENT

Scope and Content:

Letters, mostly written by Professor Amiya Chakravarty, who held various posts in religion at American universities, to Mrs (afterwards Dr) Mary Lago of the University of Missouri-Columbia. Some of the earlier letters are concerned with Lago's PhD thesis (completed in 1969) on the influence of English literature teaching in Indian universities on Bengali writers during the 1890s, or with English translations, by Lago and fellow student Tarun Gupta, of Rabindranath Tagore's plays, poems and short stories (including some published as 'The Housewarming' in 1965). Other letters refer to a scheme (never realised) for a book of translations of the work of the poet Jivanananda Das and Lago's edition of the correspondence of Sir William Rothenstein and Rabindranath Tagore (published as 'Imperfect Encounter' in 1972). The letters also contain many references to contemporary Indian affairs.

ACCESS AND USE
Language of Scripts: Bengali, English

System of Arrangement: Chronological, with items for which no date could be established placed at the end of the sequence. Newspaper cuttings and offprints are filed with the letters that they originally accompanied.

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MS885/1	Note on the imagery of verse forms of Tagore Signed by Amiya Chakravarty.	1961 March
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MS885/2	Letter [?from Amiya Chakravarty to Tarun Gupta]	1961 October 4
MS885/3	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding the whereabouts in the USA of several works by Tagore.	1962 February 26
MS885/4	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding arrangements to meet.	1962 May 5
MS885/5	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago He is unable to see her because he must go to India for talks with Prime Minister Nehru.	1962 July 28
MS885/6	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Lago's thesis and book on Tagore.	1962 September 25
MS885/7	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1962 October 25

Refers to troubles on India's borders and to Lago's book.

MS885/8 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1962 December 7

Mentions Mrs [William Vaughan] Moody [Harriet Brainard Moody] (an admirer of Tagore's work), America's acceptance of Tagore, and 'Glimpses of Bengal'; also mentions the Sino-Indian crisis.

MS885/9 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963

Regarding Lago's Tagore book.

February 20

MS885/10 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963 March

Regarding an article by Lago on Tagore and W B Yeats, published in Indian Literature vol 6 no 2 (1963).

MS885/11 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963 March

16

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Regarding his projected trip to Missouri. Sent from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

MS885/12 Letter from Leon T Dickinson, Department of English, University of Missouri, Columbia, to **Mary Lago**

1963 March

Regarding the department's decision not to sponsor a public lecture by Chakravarty.

MS885/13	, , , ,	1963 March 30
	Regarding a reference to Chakravarty in the introduction to an unidentified book of Tagore's.	
MS885/14	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding plans for his visit to the University of Missouri to meet Lago and fellow student Tarun Gupta.	1963 April 1
MS885/15	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding plans for his visit to Missouri.	1963 April 3
MS885/16	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Tarun Gupta	1963 April 3
MS885/17	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding plans for his visit to Missouri.	1963 April 7
MS885/18	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1963 April 19
	Regarding Indian literary movements, including the 'Kallol-jug'. Sent from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.	
MS885/19	Notecard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1963 April 25

With a typescript article by Harold M Hurwitz, 'Tagore's English Gitanjali: reasons for its success', published in The Journal of the Royal India, Pakistan and Ceylon Society, vol 35, no 2.

8 leaves

MS885/20	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1963 April
		30

Regarding arrangements for his visit to the University of Missouri.

MS885/21 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1963 May 16

Sending thanks for her hospitality; mentions 'Vichitra', 'Geeta-Bitan', 'Shyamali'.

MS885/22 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1963 May 28

Regarding Lago's translations of Tagore; mentions Professor [K S] and Mrs [Nurjahan] Murshid.

MS885/23 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta] 1963 May 29

With a reprint of Chakravarty's 'Nehru: historian and statesman', from Journal of Human Relations, vol 11, no 2.

MS885/24 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1963 June 3

Regarding Professor K S Murshid.

MS885/25 2 postcards from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary

1963 June Lago 13

He has been teaching at a summer school. Sent from [Friends] World College, Harrow Hill, Glenn Head, Long Island, NY.

2 items

MS885/26	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Mentions payment to Tarun Gupta and 2 poems which Chakravarty has to translate. Sent from Friends World College, Harrow Hill, Glenn Head, Long Island, NY.	1963 July 27
MS885/27	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Mentions translation of 2 of Tagore's poems. Sent from Friends World College, Harrow Hill, Glenn Head, Long Island, NY.	1963 August 2
MS885/28	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding translation.	1963 August 16
MS885/29	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding possible publication of Tagore translations and discussing translating poetry in general; Madras food. Sent from the University of Madras.	1963 September 12

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MS885/30 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta]

On paper headed: 'The Galle Face Hotel, Colombo, Ceylon'. Enclosing a newspaper cutting reporting Chakravarty's inaugural address as Tagore Professor of Humanities, given on 19 September 1963 at the University of Madras.

MS885/31 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963 September 30

Introducing Sri B M Thirunaranan, Registrar of the University of Madras.

MS885/32 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963 October 17

Regarding the publication of translations of Tagore's work in the West; the PEN Club to publish a poem of Tagore's, translated by Lago and Tarun Gupta. Sent from the University of Madras. With a typescription copy of Gupta and Lago's English translation of Tagore's 'Arogya' ('Recovery'), and a newspaper cutting reporting a lecture given by Chakravarty on 16 October 1963.

MS885/33 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963 November 22

Mentions Lago's translation of 'Durbuddhi' [published in 'The Housewarming'] and the Tagore publishers in Bengal. Sent from the University of Madras. With a newspaper cutting from 'The Hindu' (6 November 1963), giving excerpts from a lecture by Chakravarty at the University.

MS885/34 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta]

1963 [November 28]

Sent from the University of Madras. With a printed poem and an offprint from Chakravarty's 'A note on the imagery and verse forms of Tagore'.

MS885/35 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Tarun Gupta

1963 December 1

Sent from the University of Madras.

MS885/36 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1963

December 5

Regarding the assassination of John F Kennedy; translations of Tagore. Sent from the University of Madras.

MS885/37 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

January 22

Mentions Nehru's health. Sent from the Great Eastern Hotel, Calcutta. With a newspaper cutting from [?dated 26 December 1963] reporting on the conferring of an honorary degree on Chakravarty.

MS885/38 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty [to Tarun **Guptal**

1964 February 1

Sent from Anchorage, Alaska.

MS885/39 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 February 1

Sent from Anchorage, Alaska.

MS885/40 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [to Tarun Gupta]

1964

MS885/41 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 February 12

Regarding arrangements for meeting.

MS885/42 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

Regarding arrangements for meeting.

February 15

MS885/43 2 postcards from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary

Lago

Regarding arrangements for meeting.

1964 February 17

February 17

2 items

MS885/44 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

February 20

Regarding Lago and Tarun Gupta's translation of

[Tagore's] 'The Trouble Maker.

MS885/45 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta]

1964 February 26

MS885/46 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 March

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He has talked to the publishers [of 'The Housewarming']. Sent from the United Nations Headquarters, New York.

MS885/47 Newspaper cutting from 'The Asian Student'

1964 [March ?16]

Reporting the award of a prize from the Sahitya Akademi (Indian Academy of Letters) to Amiya Chakravarty for his book 'Ghare Pherar Din' ('Homecoming').

MS885/48 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 March 18

With a photocopy of a newspaper cutting from the New York Times, regarding an award by the Sahitya Akademi (Indian Academy of Letters) to Chakravarty on 14 March 1964.

MS885/49 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta]

1964 March 25

MS885/50 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 April 4

Regarding Lago's translations of Tagore, including 'The Favored [sic] Quen's wish' and 'Consequences'.

MS885/51 Photocopy of an article by Amiya Chakravarty, 'A 1964 April 5 Pilgrim's Faith'

Article published in Span (February 1964). With a covering note attached.

MS885/52 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1964 April** 15 Regarding an article [author unspecified] on Tagore; difficulties in publishing Lago's book; mentions an article by Lago to be published by Krishna Kripalani [? in the Journal of the Sahitya Akademi]. With an offprint of Félix Martí-Ibáñez 'A Doctor Looks at Death', from Reader's Digest (March 1964). MS885/53 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1964 April** 22 MS885/54 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964 May 8 Regarding a joint translation [?by Lago and Tarun Gupta] of Jivanananda Das [?published in the Beloit Poetry Journal, but never published in book form]; Chakravarty suggests that Lago should translate some of Tagore's letters. MS885/55 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964 May 27 He plans to be in Chicago before 12 June; comments on Nehru's death. MS885/56 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964 June 12 Regarding the revisions in translations [of Tagore's stories].

1964 June

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MS885/57 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding an article on, and translations of the poetry of, Jivanananda Das; mentions Professor Edward C Dimock's article on Tagore and the Bauls ['Rabindranath Tagore, "The Greatest of the Bauls of Bengal"', Journal of Asian Studies vol 19 (1959-1960).

MS885/58	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Tarun Gupta	1964 June
		14

MS885/59 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964 June 18 Regarding translations and the conversion of Bengali

dates into western dates.

MS885/60 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Tarun Gupta 1964 July 1 Suggests that Gupta should try to publish his and Mary Lago's translation of a poem by Tagore in 'Saturday Review'.

MS885/61 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964 July 10 Mentions 'Badnam' ('The Scandal'). Sent from the Indian Embassy, Washington DC.

MS885/62 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta] 1964 July 10 Sent from the Indian Embassy, Washington DC.

MS885/63	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding problems in the translation of Tagore's works and the publisher's criticism. With a copy of a letter from Thomas J Davis [Associate Editor, The New American Library] to Chakravarty (10 July 1964).	1964 July 17
MS885/64	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty [?to Tarun Gupta]	1964 [July 25]
MS885/65	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Lago's translations [of Tagore].	1964 July 25
MS885/66	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding difficulties in translation and the structural weakness of some stories.	1964 August 7
MS885/67	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding the progress of Lago's book of translations and charges to be made by Macmillans.	1964 August 13
MS885/68	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Sends payment for Lago's translation work.	1964 August 21
MS885/69	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1964

Regarding Lago's article on Jivanananda Das. Sent from the United Nations Headquarters, New York.

MS885/70 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 August 28

Mentions an essay on Jivanananda Das and his poetry; specific points about Lago's translations of Tagore; Tagore's music; article by Lago published in a Boston journal.

MS885/71 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

He is glad that Lago has a Bengali lady with whom she can converse in the Bengali language.

August 30

MS885/72 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 September

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Regarding the publication of an article on Javanananda Das; Chakravarty hopes that the Journal of Asian Studies might accept it.

MS885/73 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

September

Regarding the publication of an article.

MS885/74 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

September

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Regarding the omission of one of the stories 'Rashmoni's Son' [later published in the Chicago Review] from the book of Tagore translations ['The Housewarming'], and difficulties in the translations.

MS885/75 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 September

13

Regarding the story ('Rashmoni's Son') dropped from the book 'The Housewarming'.

MS885/76 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

September 15

Regarding revisions in the translations [for 'The Housewarming'].

MS885/77 Cutting from an unidentified newspaper

1964

[?September]

Discussing the award of the Albert Schweitzer Medal to Amiya Chakravarty at the annual meeting of the Friends of Albert Schweitzer (held 25 September 1964).

MS885/78 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

September

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Regarding a manuscript about to go to the publisher.

MS885/79 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

[?October]

Regarding Dr Kopf at the Unviersity of Missourti. Hopes that the Jivanananda Da article will soon be published in the Journal of Asian Studies and that the Tagore book will be out in the spring. Sent from Hotel Loraine, Madison, Wisconsin.

MS885/80 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 October 25

Regarding a poem of Tagore's (in translation), which is 'greatly valued in India', to be sent to Mr [M J T] Tambimuttu.

MS885/81 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

Regarding [M J T] Tambimuttu.

November 5

MS885/82 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

November 6

Asks for information on Tagore to be included in the 'Introduction' [of a book or article].

MS885/83 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964 November

18

Regarding permission need to publish an article containing translations of Jivanananda Das's poems; Tambimuttu.

MS885/84 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1964

November

26

Regarding the Marianne Moore volume [i.e. M J T Tambimuttu (ed) 'Festschrift for Marianne Moore's Seventy-Seventh Birthday' (1964)].

MS885/85	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1964
		December

Comments on the publication of Lago's article in [the Journal of the] Sahitya Akademi.

MS885/86 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1964

Regarding a planned visit to Chicago.

MS885/87 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding arrangements for them to meet in Chicago; Dr K M George, Director of the Sahitya Akademi of South India, will also be in Chicago.

MS885/88 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding a Jivanananda Das article and footnotes [for 'The Housewarming'].

MS885/89 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding Bengali short stories by various authors. Sent from the United Nations Headquarters, New York.

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December 15

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December 18

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January 21

MS885/90 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 January 30 Regarding an article submitted by Lago to 'AAS' [the Association for Asian Studies]. MS885/91 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 February 23 Regarding Lago's book and article on Jivanananda Das and the 'Asian Society' [i.e. the Association for Asian Studies1. MS885/92 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 March 22 He is delighted that the 'Asian Journal' [i.e. Journal of Asian Studies] will publish Lago's article [on Jivanananda Das]; refers to Tambimuttu and to Brajendranath Bandajadhyay's 'Rammohan Roy'. MS885/93 Easter card from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 April 14 Mentions the Vietnam War. Sent from Denver, Colorado. MS885/94 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1965 April** 28 Mentions 'Prism', 'Mahfil' [a journal which later became 'Journal of South Asian Literature'], and delays in production [of 'The Housewarming'].

1965 May

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MS885/95 Photocopy of a newspaper cutting from the

Worcester Telegram

Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to the editor of the newspaper.

MS885/96 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1965 May 19

Mentions Lago's article, to appear in [Journal of] Asian Studies, and Chakravarty's own 'The Emergent Design'.

MS885/97 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1965 May

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Covering note, enclosing a photocopy of a letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Thomas J Davis III, Associate Editor, The New American Library, regarding a book of short stories [Lago's translations in 'The Housewarming'].

MS885/98 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1965 June 2

Regarding an article by Lago and Tarun Gupta.

MS885/99 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1965 June 3

Mentions Kripalani and Robert Lowell.

MS885/100 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1965 June 23

Regarding an article written by Lago; mentions Tagore and Gandhi, and work concerning them by Stephen Hay. Sent from Pocono Crest, Pocono Pines, Pennsylvania.

MS885/101 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 July 1 He has sent a copy of the 'Vendanta Journal'. MS885/102 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 July 11 Asks Lago to send him translations of 2 Tagore peoms for inclusion in a special annual volume of the Hindusthan Standard. MS885/103 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 July 25 Mentions Tambimuttu's journal, Dr K M George and Kripalani. Sent from the United Nations Headquarters, New York. MS885/104 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 August 8 Mentions the Beloit [Poetry] Journal [which published some translations by Lago of Jivanananda Das's poems] and Tambimuttu. MS885/105 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 August 9 Request for the loan of a record of a song of Tagore's. MS885/106 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 August 10 States that: 'Tagore ... belonged more to the Buddhist-Vedantist and non-representational tradition'.

MS885/107 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 August 14 Mentions "infiltration" by armed units in Kashmir' and fears of a Sino-Pakistani masterplan. MS885/108 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 August 31 Mentions M S Subbulakshmi; comments on Lago's review [in Books Abroad] of 'Binodini' [Krishna Kripalani's translation of R Tagore's novel, published (1964) by East-West Center Press, University of Hawaii, Honolulu]. MS885/109 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 September Regarding Lago's article on Jivanananda Das in the Journal of Asian Studies. 1965 MS885/110 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago September Thanks Lago from some proofs. Mentions translations used by her in the October Puja edition of the Hindusthan Standard. MS885/111 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965 September 13

MS885/112 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1965

Thanks Lago for the first page of her review of 'Biodini' [in 'Books Abroad']; mentions problems

between India and Pakistan.

	Regarding an article by Lago submitted to Literature East and West.	September 20
MS885/113	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding proofs [of 'The Housewarming'].	1965 September 29
MS885/114	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding proofs [of 'The Housewarming']; also the introduction, bibliography, etc.	1965 October 5
MS885/115	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding the cover design, etc [for 'The Housewarming'].	1965 October 24
MS885/116	Carbon copy of a letter from Mary Lago to S P Bhattacharya Regarding an acknowledgement in the book of Tagore's short stories ['The Housewarming'].	1965 October 25
MS885/117	Letter from Sauripada Bhattacharya to Mary Lago Reply to MS885/116.	1965 October 29
MS885/118	Copy of a letter from Mary Lago to S Bhattacharya	1965 November 2

MS885/119 Prospectus of the New American Library (April- 1965 October 1965)

Including a notice of 'The Housewarming' as forthcoming.

MS885/120 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

States that Bengali teaching must go on; date for celebrating the publication of 'The Home-coming' [sic, i.e. 'The Housewarming'].

MS885/121 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Mrs Bonnie Crown [of the Asia Society, New York] is circulating Lago's article on Jivanananda Das.

MS885/122 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding publication of Lago's translations of Jivanananda Das's poems in the Beloit [Poetry] Journal; awaiting the appearance of ['The Housewarming'].

MS885/123 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

He has made some notes on an article on Tagore written by Lago; Lago should contact Miss Jay Tower, 'chief director of publicity' for the New American Library, about ['The Housewarming'].

1965

November 2

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1965 November

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December 2

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MS885/124	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Lago's book ['The Housewarming'] has appeared; mentions the ownership of the copyright of the material; disadvantage of shared authorship.	1965 December 4
MS885/125	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago They will need the help of Mrs Bonnie Crown.	1965 December 12
MS885/126	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding publicity for the book ['The Housewarming'].	1965 December 17
MS885/127	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding a proposed conference on translations.	1965 December 22
MS885/128	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago	1966 January 14
MS885/129	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Dr H Ziegler.	1966 January 17

MS885/130	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Dr Homer Jack; mentions Mahfil [Journal of South Asian Literature] and hopes 'Rashmoni's child' will one day be published.	1966 February 3
MS885/131	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding permission to use the Tagore- Rothenstein letters.	1966 March 1
MS885/132	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding permission from Visva-Bharati [the educational centre founded by Tagore] to use the Tagore-Rothenstein letters. Sent from Philadelphia.	1966 March 10
MS885/133	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Sent from Tucson, Arizona.	1966 March 23
MS885/134	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Lago's 'project'.	1966 April 14
MS885/135	Letter from the Macmillan Company, New York, to Mary Lago Acknowledging a letter from her.	1966 April 15

MS885/136 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1966 April** 28 The Vice-Chancellor of Visva-Bharati has given permission for Lago to use the Tagore-Rothenstein letters. MS885/137 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1966 May 16 Regarding a short story written by a relative of Chakravarty. MS885/138 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1966 May 21 Regarding royalties from the projected Tagore-Rothenstein book. MS885/139 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1966 May 29 Regarding obtaining permission from Mrs [Pratima] Tagore [Tagore's daughter-in-law] for publication [of the Tagore-Rothenstein letters]. Sent from Aspen, Colorado. MS885/140 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1966 June 14 Regarding Lago's retouching a story by Basanti Sanyal; Chakravarty's departure from Boston. MS885/141 Carbon copy typescript of a short story undated 'Haribabu's House', by Basanti Sanyal [?1966] With revisions by Mary Lago.

MS885/142 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1966 June 14

Regarding permission to publish the letters of Tagore and Rothenstein. Sent from Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

MS885/143 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1966 June 20

Sent from Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

MS885/144 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1966 June 26

Suggests that Lago should write to Krishna Kripalani; discusses Lago's translation of Bengali stories by Manik Bandopdhyay, Buddhadeva Bose and Pratibha Bose. Sent from Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

MS885/145 Review by Lila Ray of 'The Housewarming'

1966 May

From The Indian PEN XXXII no 5 (May 1966).

MS885/146 Amiya Chakravarty: poet and peacemaker

1966 May

Photocopy of the text of an address made by Walter G Muelder in honour of the retirement of Dr Amiya Chakravarty.

MS885/147 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1966 July

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Criticism of an essay by Lago on Tagore. Sent from Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

MS885/148	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding his criticsim of Lago's essay.	1966 July 27
MS885/149	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding a commendation to the 'A.P.S.' [?American Philosophical Society]; refers to the war in Vietnam and the protest from the USSR to the United Nations.	1966 July [29]
MS885/150	Copy of a letter from N Fedorenko, Permanent Representative of the USSR to the United Nations, to the President of the Security Council of the United Nations Registering a protest regarding the war in Vietnam.	1966 July 11
MS885/151	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Lago's 'J D [Jivanananda Das] book'.	1966 August 12
MS885/152	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Holt, Rinehart and Winston. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.	1966 September 8

MS885/153 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1966

	Regarding a bad translation of Tagore's stories. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.	September 22
MS885/154	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Giving his change of address.	1966 September 25
MS885/155	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding a Bengali scholar who had joined the University of Columbia, Missouri. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.	1966 October 6
MS885/156	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding Sobhanlal Ganguly mentions Mrs Majumdar. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.	1966 October 12
MS885/157	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Sent from Cleveland, Ohio.	1966 October 25

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December [?28]

MS885/158 Christmas card from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago and her family

Sent from Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/159 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago undated [?1966]

Regarding questions in a letter from the Asia Society and a translation sent to Mrs Bonnie Crown; discusses Jivanananda Das's poems. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/160 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

On the difficulties of translating poetry. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/161 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Mentions translations of 'J D' [Jivanananda Das]. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/162 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding the Tagore-Rothenstein publication project; Lago's going to England. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/163 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding translations by Lila Ray. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

1967

January 14

1967 February 1

1967 March

MS885/164 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1967 April

Regarding difficulties with [translating] the poems of 'J D' [Jivanananda Das]. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/165 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1967 April

Macmillan has already published a translation of a story that Lago intended to translate. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/166 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Mentions Leonard Elmhirst, Dartington Hall, Sybil Thorndike and Horace Alexander, all in connection with Lago's visit to England. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/167 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1967 May 6

Mentions Lago's projected trip to England. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/168 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Chakravarty is about to go to Australia, Tokyo and South East Asia. Sent from the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel, Boston.

MS885/169 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Chakravarty intends to spend a short time in India; he is spending some days with Ambassador B K Nehru comments on Lago's work in Mahfil [Journal of South Asian Literature]. Sent 'on the way to

1967 June

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1967 April

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1967 July 2

Hawaii', from the Embassy of India, Washington DC.

MS885/170 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1967 July 23

Comments on his visits to Tahiti, Samoa, Fiji, and to the [Victoria] University of Wellington, New Zealand. Sent from the University of Melbourne, Australia.

MS885/171 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1967 September

Chakravarty is unable to visit London. Sent from Paris; recipient's address: Mecklenburgh Square, London.

MS885/172 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1967 October 2

Regarding the difficulty of publishing Tagore's work in the USA; mentions Lago's volume of 'Letters' [i.e. the Tagore-Rothenstein letters, later published as 'Imperfect Encounter]. Sent from State University College, New Paltz, New York State.

MS885/173 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1967 October 16

Mentions the tax position of writers. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/174 Invitation to the presentation ceremony of the G J Watumull Memorial Awards, etc, 1967

[1967 ?October]

Sent to Mary Lago from the Watumull Foundation of Honolulu. The ceremony was held at Saptur House, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi, on 15 November 1967.

MS885/175 Printed news released from the Watumull Foundation

Listing individuals selected to receive the G J Watumull Memorial Awards.

1967 October 16

MS885/176 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding good news about tax-deductions; discusses Tagore and honorary degrees, letters from Rothenstein to Dr D C [Dinesh Chandra] Sen, etc. Sent from State University College, New Paltz, New York State.

1967 November 1

MS885/177 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Regarding Lago's translation of a Bengali poem. Sent from New Paltz.

1967 November 7

MS885/178 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Thanking Lago for her article on Tagore's short stories. Sent from New Paltz.

1967 November 10

MS885/179 Typescript translation of Tagore's 'The Home and the World', page 1

Translated by Mary Lago and Supriya Majumbar.

1967 November 24

MS885/180	Photographs of Amiya Chakravarty	undated [1967]
	Cut from magazines.	[.00.]
	2 photographs	
MS885/181	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Mentions the Rothenstein manuscripts. Sent from New Paltz.	1967 December 14
MS885/182	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Suggests meeting in Chicago. Sent from New Paltz.	1967 December 15
MS885/183	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding her translation [of an unidentified text]. Sent from New Paltz.	1967 December 18
MS885/184	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Arranging a meeting; discusses Lago's article for the Saturday Review. Sent from New Paltz.	1968 January 16
MS885/185	Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Sent from New Paltz.	1968 January 18

MS885/186 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 February 14 Refers to Lago's letter to Mrs [Pratima] Tagore [Rabindranath Tagore's daughter-in-law]; royalties from 'The Housewarming'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/187 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 March 15 Regarding a meeting between them. Sent from New Paltz. With a photocopy of an article about Dr Albert Schweitzer. MS885/188 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1968 April** 15 Regarding later difficulties concerning 'The Housewarming'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/189 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 May 20 Regarding the poem 'Judgement'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/190 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 June 20 Regarding the Majumdars; Lago's work for her PhD and Bengali examination; [Robert] Kennedy's assassination. Sent from New Paltz. 1968 June MS885/191 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 25 Regarding negotiations with Mrs [Pratima] Tagore

regarding publication of the Rothenstein-Tagore

letters. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/192 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1968 July 29

Mentions Horace Alexander and publishing contacts in London. Sent from New Paltz; recipient's address: Lancaster Gate, London.

MS885/193 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1968 Septemb

September 17

Mentions 'The Housewarming'; Mrs [Pratima] Tagore and the Tagore-Rothenstein letters. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/194 Gandhi: a modern image, by Amiya Chakravarty

1968 September

Article extracted from 'Hemisphere' vol 12 no 9 pp 2-9 (September 1968).

MS885/195 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1968 October 2

Regarding a book Chakravarty began with Edward [John] Thompson; comments on Mukul Dey, William Pearson and C F Andrews. Sent from Temple University, Philadelphia.

MS885/196 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1968 October 17

Regarding Lago's Bengali exam; Chakravarty is writing to the Vice-Chancellor of Visva-Bharati [the university and cultural centre founded by Tagore] about permission to publish the Tagore-Rothenstein and other letters. Sent from London [en route to India].

MS885/197 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 November 4 Sent from London. MS885/198 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1968 November 7 Regarding difficulties with Mrs [Pratima] Tagore [Rabindranath Tagore's daughter-in-law]. Sent from New Paltz. 1968 MS885/199 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago December 9 Mentions Dr Anil Seal and Professor Gilbert Murray. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/200 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1969 January 20 Mrs Pratima Tagore has died. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/201 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1969 February 3 Regarding permission for Visva-Bharati [to publish the Tagore-Rothenstein correspondence]. Sent from New Paltz. 1969 March MS885/202 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

Celebrating the centenary of Gandhi's birth. Sent from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

MS885/203 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 April 20

Mentions Lago's translation of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/204 Photocopy of a letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 April 20

Regarding [Lago's] translation of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz. Marked: 'Original to Thos. Lloyd, copy in V-B [Visva-Bharati] file'.

MS885/205 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 May 24

Regarding delays in the publication of [Lago's]

translation of 'Nashtanir'; comments on a Pasternak manuscript. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/206 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 June 2

He has written to Ranjit Roy [of Visva-Bharati]; uncertainty following the death of Pratima Devi [Tagore's daughter-in-law]. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/207 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 June

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Mentions a letter from Ranjit Roy. Sent from Balliol College, Oxford.

MS885/208 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969

October 8

Chakravarty was asked to take a spring of jasmine flowers from near Moscow to the Gandhi memorial, in Raj Ghat, New Delhi. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/209 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 November 25

Regarding translations by Surendranath Tagore of essays in 'Greater India' (1921). Difficulties in obtaining permission for publication of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/210 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969

December 1

Regarding a letter written by Lago to Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India. Sent from New Paltz. With a typescript, unsigned copy of Lago's letter to Mrs Gandhi (in which she asks for assistance in obtaining permission to publish a translation of 'Nashtanir'); marked 'not mailed'.

MS885/211 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1969 December

12

Regarding translations of Tagore; a planned trip to India; Visva-Bharati. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/212 Duplicated letter from Haimanti and Amiya Chakravarty

[1969 December]

Sending Christmas greetings.

MS885/213 Postcard from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970

January 22

Sentr from London.

1970 MS885/214 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago January 30 Regarding Visva-Bharati Publishing and [Lago's translation of] 'Nashtanir'. Sent from India International Centre, Lodhi Estate, New Delhi. MS885/215 Extract from The Interim Oracle 1970 February 6 Pages 2-3 and 17-18, containing an article about Amiya Chakravarty receiving the Padma Bhushan civilian decoration. 4 pages MS885/216 Note from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1970 February 10 Sent from New Paltz. MS885/217 Letter from Mary Lago to Amiya Chakravarty 1970 February 14 Asking questions about Tagore's associates and others. With answers added in the margins in Chakravarty's hand. MS885/218 Letter from Mary Lago to Amiya Chakravarty 1970 March

1970 March

Requests biographical and bibliographical

MS885/219 Letter from Mary Lago to Amiya Chakravarty

information; asks permission to quote from 'cholo jai'. With answers added in Chakravarty's hand.

Requests information on H G Wells's visit to Tagore, 'the artist Hnevkovsky', Tagore's poems and plays, Ghose, etc. With answers added in Chakravarty's hand.

MS885/220 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 March

17

Written in reply to MS885/217, sending further information and notes. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/221 Letter from Mary Lago to Amiya Chakravarty

1970 April 10

Covering letter enclosing index cards containing queries about Tagore's poems. With notes and comments added to both the letter and the cards in Chakravarty's hand.

MS885/222 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 April

13

Comments on the conversation between [H G] Wells and Tagore, and the 'Einstein interview'. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/223 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 May

12

Regarding good news about [the publication of] 'Nashtanir'.

MS885/224 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 July

22

Mentions Sudhir Ghosh, [H G] Wells and Tagore; and a book on Ezra Pound containing Tagore material [N Stock 'Life of Ezra Pound' (1970)]. Sent from the Abbey of Gethsemani, Trappist, Kentucky.

MS885/225 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 August 3

Mentions a visit to Pablo Casals; also mentions 'Dr or Professor Geiger', 'Tsu-Shimo', etc. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/226 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 October 14

'Nashtanir' is in press, etc. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/227 Cutting from the India News

[1970]

About Amiya Chakravarty receiving the Padma Bhushan civilian decoration.

MS885/228 Press release issued by State University College, New Paltz

[1970 November 9]

About Amiya Chakravarty being made a Professor of the University.

MS885/229 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1970 December 5

Regarding the film 'Charulata' (based on Tagore's 'Nashtanir'); mentions Tarun Gupta. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/230 Satyagraha and the Race Problem in America, by 1970 Amiya Chakravarty Offprint from Sibnarayan Ray (ed) 'Gandhi, India and the World, an international symposium' (1970) pp 300-318. MS885/231 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1970 **December** 12 Mentions 'The Housewarming' and 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/232 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1971 January 22 Lago's book 'Nashtanir' has appeared. Sent from New Paltz. 1971 MS885/233 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago February 20 Comments on Lago's translation of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/234 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1971 February 23 Detailed comments on points in Lago's translation of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/235 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago **1971 March** 8

Suggests sending copies of 'Nashtanir to 'key' persons in colleges and universities. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/236	Copy of a letter from Mary Lago to Amiya Chakravarty Regarding the possibility of a British edtion of 'The Broken Nest' [i.e. 'Nashtanir'] to be published by Macmillan; work on the Rothenstein-Beerbohm letters.	1971 March 22
MS885/237	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding the distribution of copies of 'The Broken Nest' ['Nashtanir'] and errors therein.	1971 April 12
MS885/238	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Lago has been given the Phi Beta Kappa award of Bucknell University. Sent from New Paltz.	1971 April 28
MS885/239	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Regarding copyright on pictures and drawings by Tagore. Sent from New Paltz.	1971 May 11
MS885/240	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Negotiations with Visva-Bharati regarding the Macmillan edition of 'Nashtanir'. Sent from New Paltz.	1971 June 1
MS885/241	Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago Mentions a letter from Ranjit Roy and legal action. Sent from Lancaster Gate, London.	1971 July 5

27 Regarding a painting by 'W R' [?William Rothenstein] and the disappearance of Indian works of art during British rule in India. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/243 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1971 September Requests the name of C F Andrews's trustee; difficulties regarding reproductions of paintings and letter from the Tagore-Rothenstein book; meeting with Pablo Casals. Sent from New Paltz. MS885/244 Greetings card from Amiya Chakravarty to 1971 [?September] Mary Lago MS885/245 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago 1971 September 12 Sent from New Paltz. MS885/246 Note from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago undated [1971] Originally accompanying a book [wanting] of translations from Bengali poetry. MS885/247 Copy of a letter from Mary Lago to Amiya 1971 Chakravarty October 12

MS885/242 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1971 July

Mentions Miss Jane Boulenger and Mr Murray; Lago will not be translating any more stories.

MS885/248 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1971 October 22

Points regarding translation; Tagore's writing in Bengali rather than any other language. Sent from Asia House, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

MS885/249 Visit to India and Bangladesh, by Amiya Chakravarty

1971 [?December]

Duplicated typescript of an essay.

5 leaves

MS885/250 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1972 March

Regarding Lago' book 'Imperfect Encounter' [an edition of the Tagore-Rothenstein letters]. Sent from New Paltz.

MS885/251 Letter from Amiya Chakravarty to Mary Lago

1977 March

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Regarding Chakravarty's travels, etc. Sent from New Paltz. With a copy of an invitation from Visva-Bharati [University] to Chakravarty, offering him a visiting fellowship between January and June 1977.

MS885/252 Bundle index cards

undated [c1961-1977]

Bearing queries in Mary Lago's hand, with comments and notes in Amiya Chakravarty's hand.

33 cards

MS885/253 Form and imagery in modern lyrical poetry, East and West, by Amiya Chakravarty

undated [c1961-1977]

Offprint from a supplement to 'Yearbook of Comparative and General Literature' pp 159-161.

3 pages

MS885/254 Tagore's educational outlook and the modern experiment, by Amiya Chakravarty

undated [c1961-1977]

Typescript draft [?of a lecture] for the Friends World College, [New York].

5 leaves