

**CATALOGUE OF THE PAPERS OF  
JOHN ROBERT SEELEY  
MS903**

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**M903**

**The Papers of John Robert Seeley**

**1846-c.1940**

**Extent:**

4 boxes

**Biographical Information:**

John Robert Seeley was born in London on 10 September 1834, the son of Robert Benton Seeley, a publisher and writer, and his wife Mary Anne Jackson. He had three brothers – Leonard, who became a lawyer, Richmond Seeley, who took over his father’s publishing business, and Walter. He also had seven sisters - Mary, Harriet, Anne, Edith, Elizabeth, Emma and Ada.

Seeley was educated at the City of London School and Christ’s College, Cambridge. After graduating in 1857, he was elected to a Fellowship in classics. In 1859 he was appointed chief classical assistant at the the City of London School. In 1863 he was appointed Professor of Latin at University College London. In 1869 he was appointed Professor of Modern History at Cambridge University, a position he continued to hold until his death in 1895. In 1894 he had been awarded the K.C.M.G. in recognition of his work.

Seeley wrote several books in his chosen professional field of history - *Lectures and Essays* (1870), *The Life and Times of Stein* (1878), *The Expansion of England* (1883), *A Short Life of Napoleon I* (1885), *The Growth of British Policy* (1895), and *Lectures on Political Science* (edited by Henry Sidgwick and published posthumously in 1895). However, he gained his fame as a writer with the publication in 1865 of *Ecce Homo*, which caused controversy with its description of the life of Christ without reference to the doctrine of the incarnation. Seeley’s only other work on religious issues is *Natural Religion*, which was published in 1882. His other writing reflects the variety of his interests – his translation of *The First Book of Livy* was published in 1871, his review of the work of Goethe (*Goethe Reviewed after Sixty Years*), in 1893, and his book on education (*English Lessons for English People*, written with Dr Edwin Abbott) was published in 1871.

Seeley played an important role in the reform of higher education, involving himself in the developments in teaching and courses which happened at Cambridge University during the late nineteenth century. He is regarded as an influential figure in the development of history into an analytical subject. The *Dictionary of National Biography* describes his attitude to history:

‘Historical narrative, without generalisation, had no value for him.’

He also played a supportive role in the campaign to admit women to study at the University.

Seeley had strong political views. In later life he involved himself with liberal unionism and took a strong stance against Home Rule in Ireland. He was also involved in the work of the Imperial Federation League.

Seeley married Mary Agnes Phillott in 1869. Mrs Seeley’s correspondence indicates that she also had an interest in educational and theological issues. They had one daughter - Fanny Phillott Seeley, born on June 6<sup>th</sup> 1871.

**Immediate source of acquisition or transfer:**

The papers were transferred to the University Library from the Institute of Historical Research in 1984.

**Scope and Content:**

The collection consists of the papers of John Seeley along with some material created by his wife and other members of the Seeley family. The majority of the material, whether created by Seeley or his family, relates to his life and work.

The majority of the material consists of correspondence, mostly dating from the period after Seeley had been appointed Professor of Modern History. A significant series dating from before this move to Cambridge is that which relates to the publication of and reaction to *Ecce Homo*. Files of newspaper reviews and other published responses to the book provide additional information.

Little of Seeley's own writing has been preserved in this collection. There are a small number of letters, some manuscript notes and poems and some printed lectures. However, the papers, especially the letters from friends and colleagues listed in MS903/1B, demonstrate the wide variety of Seeley's interests and his contribution to the fields of history, theology, literature and education.

Much of the correspondence has been annotated in a nineteenth century hand with the name of the letter writer. In addition, in many cases the letters have not been fully dated by the correspondent and a pencil note of the date has been added, again in a nineteenth century hand. In the catalogue, where this is the case, the date information is recorded in square brackets.

**Arrangement:**

The material has been divided up into the following series:

**Papers of John Robert Seeley**

- 1) General correspondence
- 2) Correspondence with family members
- 3) Papers relating to *Ecce Homo*
- 4) Lecture notes and other writings
- 5) Reviews of lectures
- 6) Reviews of publications

**Papers of Mary Agnes Seeley**

- 1) General correspondence
- 2) Letters of condolence
- 3) Other papers relating to Seeley's death
- 4) Correspondence relating to royal events
- 5) Miscellaneous

**Papers of other Seeley family members**

- 1) General correspondence
- 2) Newspaper cuttings
- 3) Memoir

All correspondence had been separated into outgoing and incoming letters, where relevant. It has then been arranged in alphabetical order by correspondent. In cases where there are a more significant number of letters from an individual, these have been grouped together and are placed at the beginning of the series.

**Conditions governing access:**

Access to the items in the collection is unrestricted for the purpose of private study and personal research within the controlled environment and restrictions of the Library's Palaeography Room.

**Conditions governing reproduction:**

Copies may be made, subject to the condition of the original, which must be assessed by a conservator. Copying must be undertaken by the Palaeography Room staff, who will need a minimum of 24 hours to process requests.

**Language:**

English

**Related units of description:**

Cambridge University Library holds transcripts of eighteenth century government documents (Ref: Add 4252-305), and letters to Robert Herbert Quick, [1868-1891] (Ref: Add 9366); King's College Modern Archives Centre, Cambridge University, has letters from Seeley and his family to Oscar Browning, 1876-1901 (Ref: OB); Girton College Library, Cambridge University, contains letters to Sarah Emily Davies, [1867-1870] (Ref: Box 17); Trinity College Library, Cambridge University, holds letters to Henry Sidgwick (Ref: Add Ms c95/64-73); the British Library, London, contains correspondence with Macmillans Publishers, 1869-1894 (Ref: Add MS 55074); the Robinson Library, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne University, holds letters to Robert Spence Watson.

**Archivist's Note:**

Full catalogue compiled by Ali Burdon.

**Rules or conventions:**

ISAD(G) 2nd edition, and NCA rules for the construction of personal, place and corporate names (1997).

**Dates of description(s):**

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MS903/1	<b><u>General Correspondence</u></b>	1859-1895
	This material consists of correspondence with friends, University colleagues, other scholars and people who shared Seeley's interests and concerns. The letters contain a mixture of academic comment, personal news, and professional concerns. 24 envelopes	
MS903/1A	<b><u>Letters from Seeley</u></b>	c.1860- c.1889
	2 envelopes	
MS903/1A/1	<b>To the Revd. Professor Joseph B Mayor</b>	c.1860- c.1878
	Mostly dealing with academic and educational issues, but including personal news. 9 letters	
MS903/1A/2	<b>To other correspondents</b>	c.1860 - c.1889
	To the Rev. James Cartmell, J. Curtis, Sir William Hunter (2), C. E. Maurice (4), Henry Roby and an unnamed student, mostly concerned with academic and theological issues. 8 letters, 2 copies	
MS903/1B	<b><u>Letters to Seeley</u></b>	1859-1895
	24 envelopes	
MS903/1B/1	<b>From Edwin A. Abbott</b>	1861- 1866; 1878-1880
	Concerning theological and educational issues. Abbott had been one of Seeley's pupils. 10 letters	
MS903/1B/2	<b>From Henry Montagu Butler</b>	1861; 1885- 1893
	Containing personal news and comment on political subjects. 4 letters	

MS903/1B/3	<b>From John Conington</b>	1864-1867
	Mostly relating to their work on editions of Latin texts. 7 letters	
MS903/1B/4	<b>From the Revd. Mandell Creighton</b>	1885-1887; 1894
	Mostly professional correspondence arising from Creighton's editorship of <i>The English Historical Review</i> . 5 letters	
MS903/1B/5	<b>From Emily Davies</b>	1869
	Concerning the methodology of teaching women, including comments on the 'Proposed College for Women'. 5 letters; 1 draft report; 1 agenda	
MS903/1B/6	<b>From Canon Frederick William Farrar</b>	[1867]- [1891]
	Mostly concerning theological, clerical and educational issues. 9 letters	
MS903/1B/7	<b>From Sir Bartle Compton, Lady Catherine and Mary Frere</b>	1870-1878; [1890]
	Relating mainly to social arrangements. 8 letters, 1 newspaper cutting	
MS903/1B/8	<b>From Samuel R Gardiner</b>	1881-1895
	Academic correspondence, mostly in response to Seeley's books and articles. 9 letters	
MS903/1B/9	<b>From Frewen Lord</b>	1894-1895
	Requesting advice on his book. 5 letters	
MS903/1B/10	<b>From Richard Milnes, 1<sup>st</sup> Baron Houghton</b>	[1873]- [1880]
	Mostly concerning social arrangements, but including comments on Seeley's work. 5 letters	



MS903/1B/11	<b>From Rheinhold Pauli</b>	1874-1880
	Academic correspondence, mostly relating to research for <i>The Life and Times of Stein</i> . 19 letters	
MS903/1B/12	<b>From George W and Mary F Prothero</b>	[1893]-1894
	Personal and academic correspondence, including comments on <i>The Expansion of England</i> . 7 letters	
MS903/1B/13	<b>From Robert H Quick</b>	[1878]-1890
	Mostly relating to Seeley's books and articles, and to educational issues. 8 letters	
MS903/1B/14	<b>From Archibald Primrose, Earl of Rosebery</b>	1887-1890; 1894
	1894 letter informs Seeley of his investiture with KCMG. 5 letters	
MS903/1B/15	<b>From Henry Sidgwick</b>	[1866-1867]; 1893
	Mostly concerned with educational issues. 4 letters, 1 postcard	
MS903/1B/16	<b>From Brooke F Westcott, Bishop of Durham</b>	1881-1894
	Personal correspondence. 6 letters	
MS903/1B/17	<b>From other correspondents (Surnames A-C)</b>	1861-1894
	The number given in brackets indicates the number of letters from the individual. Correspondents are as follows:	
	Osmund Airy (3)	Carl A Buchheim
	Blayney Balfour	Andrew E Burn
	Colonel Jean Baptise Francois	Charles S Calverley
	Baille	William B Carpenter
	Samuel Barnett	Spencer Compton Cavendish,
	W L Beaufoy	Duke of Devonshire (2)
	George Bell	Martinego Cescerasco
	Edward S Beesley	Anne J Clough
	Christopher Benson	Stephen Cole

Professor Thomas R Birks	Sidney Colvin
Professor Boutroy	John C R Colomb
Thomas Brassey	Leonard Courtney (2)
Mainwaring Brown	Professor E. B. Cowell (3)
Oscar Browning (3)	

31 letters

MS903/1B/18 **From other correspondents (Surnames D-H)** c.1863-1894

The number given in brackets indicates the number of letters from the individual. Correspondents are as follows:

Canon J. P. Dalton	Maria Grey
Felix Dapanloup, Bishop of Orléans	Alexander B Grosart
John L Davies	Sir George Grove (3)
Mrs S. E. DeMorgan Charles W Dilke	Ivor C Guest
Edward Dowden	John W Hales
E. Enfield	Philip G. Hamerton (2)
Frederick Fitch (2)	Ernest Hart
H. O. Arnold Forster	Sir James W. Headlam
Jane Foster (2)	Auberon Herbert
Paul Fredericq	Robert J. W. Herbert
James A Froude (2)	Lord Arthur Hervey, Bishop of Bath and Wells
Frederick J Furnivall	Octavia Hill
Percy Gardiner	Professor F. J. A. Hort (3)
Comte Jacques de Germiny	Alfred W. Hunt
Helen Gladstone (2)	Sir William Hunter
George J. Goschen (2)	Richard Holt Hutton.

43 letters

MS903/1B/19 **From other correspondents (Surnames J-M)** 1865-1894

The number given in brackets indicates the number of letters from the individual. Correspondents are as follows:

Montague R James	George Macmillan
S. C. Jay	Joseph B. Mayor
Edward Jenks	George Paily
T. Hewitt Key	Sir Henry S. Maine
Henry Kingsley	Francis Martin
John Kirkpatrick	Dr. James Martineau (2)
George W. Kitchin	J. Maurice
James Knowles (2)	Frederick D Maurice
Francis Knollys	George McKay, Lord Reay (2)
F. P. De Labillière (2)	George Merrian

Sir John Laughton	Theodor Mommsen
H. Austen Leigh	Dr. F. Mortimer
Frederick Leighton	John Mortimer
James Lonsdale	F. Max Muller
Mrs L. C. Luard (2)	Ernest Myers
W. H. Lyttleton	Frederick W H Myers (2)
Alistair Macmillan (3, with enclosure from Mrs Humphrey Ward)	
43 letters	

MS903/1B/20    **From other correspondents (N-S)**    1862-1894

The number given in brackets indicates the number of letters from the individual. The letters to Juichi Soyeda are fragile and are in a separate envelope in the same location. Correspondents are as follows:

Francis Newman	Charles Rieu
Florence Nightingale (4)	Walter Sendall (3)
Olga Novikoff	Richard Shilleto
Sir George Paget	Louisa Shore-Smith
George R. Parkin	Professor W. W. Skeat (3)
John Yates Paterson (2)	Goldwin Smith
W. P. Pattison (4)	Edward A. Sonnenschein
Charles H. Pearson	Juichi Soyeda (3)
John Peile	Lady Augusta Stanley (2)
Bartholomew Price	Dean A. P. Stanley (2)
Alfred Rambaud (2)	H. S. Stork and G. H. Leonard
J. H. Ramsay (2)	R. Spencer Stanhope
Rawon Rawson	J. Stuart
André Réville (2)	William Stubbes, Bishop of Oxford
Sir John Russell Reynolds	
48 letters	

MS903/1B/21    **From other correspondents (T-W)**    1860-1894

The number given in brackets indicates the number of letters from the individual. Correspondents are as follows:

Joseph R. Tanner	C. E. Howard Vincent
Henry Taine (3)	A. W. Ward (3)
Aubrey Taylor	Robert S. Watson
Sir Henry Taylor	Philip Wickstead (2)
Theodosia A. Taylor	H. F. Wilson (3)
Lionel A. Tollemache	Laud Wilson
Arnold Toynbee (3)	Dr. J. J. Wilson
Coutts Trotter	Albert H. Wratislaw

	E. L. Vaughan	W. Aldis Wright.	
	27 letters		
MS903/1B/22	<b>Letters previously enclosed in Seeley's notebook (MS903/5/3)</b>		1884; 1889
	Professional correspondence and a letter suggesting a meeting with the Prince of Wales. From E. Butler, Canon John W. Dalton and Professor A. V. Dicey.		
	3 letters		
MS903/1B/23	<b>Letters of appointment</b>		1869; 1884; 1895
	Relating to the Chair in Modern History at Cambridge, an honorary doctorate from Edinburgh and the award of the K.C.M.G.		
	5 letters		
MS903/1B/24	<b>Invitation to Prince Edward's funeral</b>		1892
	1 item		
MS903/1C	<b><u>Letters of recommendation</u></b>		1862-1863
	2 envelopes		
MS903/1C/1	<b>To recommend Seeley for the post of Professor of Classical Literature at King's College</b>		1862
	Correspondents are as follows:		
	E. A. Abbott	J. W. Hales	
	W. J. Brodribb	Revd. Joseph B. Mayor	
	Robert Burn	Dr J. W. Mortimer	
	James Cartmell	H. A. J. Munro	
	W. G. Clark	Sir Henry Taylor	
	W. B. Gunson	Professor W. H. Thompson	
	12 letters		
MS903/1C/2	<b>To recommend Seeley for the post of Professor Latin at University College London</b>		1863
	For the post of Professor of Latin at University College London from Richard Shilleto and Henry Roby.		
	2 letters		

MS903/1D	<p><b>Correspondence relating to Seeley</b></p> <p>1 envelope</p>	<p>1866; 1873; 1884-1889</p>
MS903/1D/1	<p><b>Between miscellaneous correspondents</b></p> <p>Consisting of introductions, invitations and discussion of University appointments. Correspondents are as follows:  From B. Champeaux to S. S. Lewis (2)  From F. W. Newman to James Martineau  From Hallam Tennyson to Frederick J Furnivall  From Charles J. Stewart to W. Wright  From J B Lightfoot to F. J. A. Hort  From W. Norris to Professor Sainsbury  From an unknown correspondent to Charles (no surname given)</p> <p>9 letters</p>	<p>1866; 1873; 1884-1895</p>

MS903/2	<b><u>Correspondence with family members</u></b>	c.1855- [1894]
	This material mostly consists of personal and family news, but includes material relating to John Seeley's work and Robert Benton Seeley's business affairs. 4 envelopes	
MS903/2A	<b><u>To family members</u></b>	c.1855- [1894]
	3 envelopes	
MS903/2A/1	<b>To Mary Agnes Seeley and Fanny Phillot Seeley</b>	[1872]- [1887]
	John Seeley's wife and daughter. 12 original letters and 3 copy letters	
	<b>Note:</b> 3 letters are too fragile for production and are in a separate envelope. There are handwritten copies of two of these letters. The other copy letter has no accompanying original.	
MS903/2A/2	<b>To Robert Benton Seeley and Richmond Seeley</b>	c.1855- [1894]
	John Seeley's father and brother. 15 letters	
	<b>Note:</b> 1 letter is too fragile for production and is in a separate envelope.	
MS903/2A/3	<b>To Ada, Elizabeth and Edith Seeley</b>	[1872]- [1894]
	John Seeley's sisters. 7 letters	
MS903/2B	<b><u>From family members</u></b>	1877-1892
	1 envelope	
MS903/2B/1	<b>From Robert Benton Seeley and Fanny Phillott Seeley</b>	1877-1892
	John Seeley's brother and daughter. 4 letters	

MS903/3	<b><u>Papers relating to <i>Ecce Homo</i></u></b>	1865-1895								
	<p>This material consists of letters, reviews and other papers relating to the success and controversy surrounding the publication of <i>Ecce Homo</i>. This series includes a file of letters from Alexander Macmillan, as the representative of Macmillan and Co. Ltd., the company which published the book. Many of the enclosures mentioned in Macmillan's letters are missing, but it is likely that some of the items listed under reference MS903/3B in this series are the items concerned.</p> <p>9 envelopes</p>									
MS903/3A	<b><u>Correspondence</u></b>	1865-1892								
	<p>The correspondents are friends, family, colleagues and people unknown to Seeley who had read the book.</p> <p>4 envelopes</p>									
MS903/3A/1	<b>Letters to J R Seeley from Alexander Macmillan</b>	1865-1867								
	<p>These letters contain comments on the preparation of the book for publication, critical reaction and reports of sales. Macmillan enclosed letters and other items sent to him to forward to Seeley. Significant enclosures are letters from William Gladstone, Frederick D. Maurice, Henry Sidgwick and Leonard Seeley, J. R. Seeley's brother.</p> <p>45 letters, 20 enclosures</p>									
MS903/3A/2	<b>Letters to Alexander Macmillan from various correspondents</b>	1865-1866								
	<p>It is possible that some of these letters may have been enclosed in letters from Macmillan to Seeley, listed in MS903/3A/1. Correspondents are as follows:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">J. Llewellyn Davies</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Rose Kingsley</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr J. A. Dorner</td> <td>Dean Liddel</td> </tr> <tr> <td>W. E. Gladstone</td> <td>Goldwin Smith.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Richard Holt Hutton</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>7 letters</p>		J. Llewellyn Davies	Rose Kingsley	Dr J. A. Dorner	Dean Liddel	W. E. Gladstone	Goldwin Smith.	Richard Holt Hutton	
J. Llewellyn Davies	Rose Kingsley									
Dr J. A. Dorner	Dean Liddel									
W. E. Gladstone	Goldwin Smith.									
Richard Holt Hutton										
MS903/3A/3	<b>Letters to J R Seeley from Henry Sidgwick</b>	[1866]								
	<p>The letters also mention general theological issues, and some University business.</p> <p>5 letters</p>									

MS903/3A/4      **Letters to J R Seeley from other correspondents**      1866-1867  
1879-1892

Letters from friends often also contain personal news.  
Correspondents are as follows:

Edwin A. Abbott	William H. Parry
H. Algar	W. C. Plant
Pfarrer Baum	C. Philit
Professor Robert Blackie	André Réville
George Bridgman	Mary Riley
John Christien	Mrs J. Ross
P. Fitzgerald	Mary Rumsey
W. R. Greg	Anne Seeley
John Haynes	Maria Seeley (cousin)
Richard H. Hutton	Richmond Seeley (brother)
W. H. Johnstone	Arthur Shaun
C. Jones	J. Skelton
Alice Lindsay	2 anonymous letters.
John McFarlane	
Revd. Professor Joseph B. Mayor	

24 letters

MS903/3B      **Critical Response and Reviews**      1866-1867;  
1895

Printed booklets and newspaper cuttings.  
3 envelopes

MS903/3B/1      **Published responses**      1866-1867

Other than newspaper and journal reviews.  
4 booklets, 1 cutting

MS903/3B/2      **Newspaper and Journal Reviews**      1866

13 cuttings

MS903/3B/3      **Newspaper Reviews (Eversley Series edition)**      1895

The Eversley Series including reprints of Seeley's works.  
2 cuttings



MS903/3C	<b><u>Promotional leaflets</u></b>	1866
	1 envelope	
MS903/3C/1	<b>Promotional leaflets</b> For the American edition and the 7000 <sup>th</sup> copy to be published in England.	1866
	2 leaflets	
MS903/3D	<b><u>Proofs</u></b>	c.1865
	1 envelope	
MS903/3D/1	<b>Proofs</b>	c.1865
	2 pages from <i>Ecce Homo</i> 1 item	

MS903/4	<b><u>Lecture Notes and other writings</u></b> 5 envelopes, 1 volume	1864-1893
MS903/4/1	<b>Manuscript lecture notes</b> On political science, the Third Ascendency (2 sets), the William Pitt, the elder and younger in English government, University settlements and 'manliness'. 6 items	n.d.
MS903/4/2	<b>Printed lectures</b> <i>Education and Politics</i> (5 copies), <i>Christianity in the Present Age</i> , (2 copies), <i>Classical Studies as an Introduction to the Moral Sciences</i> , <i>The Empire, Bonaparte</i> , <i>The Impartial Study of Politics</i> , <i>Which are Hamlet's 'Dozen or Sixteen Lines'?</i> , <i>The Ideals of the Churches</i> .  14 items	1864-1893
MS903/4/3	<b>Note book</b>  Containing lecture notes on the European states, the War of Austrian Succession, International Relations in the Revolutionary Age, the relations between England and France, and on the study of history. It also contains notes and maps for <i>The Life and Times of Stein</i> , and notes on a 'Tour of 1873'.  Letters originally enclosed in this book are listed under MS903/1B/22  1 volume	c. 1875
MS903/4/4	<b>Working papers and drafts</b>  Relating to <i>The Growth of British Policy</i> , and <i>Lectures and Essays</i> . 4 items	n.d.
MS903/4/5	<b>Manuscript poems written by John R Seeley</b>  Only one poem is dated. 15 poems	1846; n.d.

MS903/4/6

**Christ's College publications**

1863;1886

*An Introduction to Studying in Cambridge*, by Seeley and  
*Christ's College Magazine*, including an article by Seeley.  
2 items

**MS903/5**                    **Reviews of Lectures**                    **c.1880-1889**

Newspaper cuttings and articles cut from journals.  
1 envelope

**MS903/5/1**                    **Reviews of lectures**                    **c.1880-1889**

From the *Cambridge Chronicle* on Home Rule, from *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Times* and from an unidentified source on the Empire, from *The Times* on Britain in the Georgian and Victorian era, from *The Times* on imperial federation and from an unidentified source on ethics.

7 cuttings

<b>MS903/6</b>	<b><u>Reviews of Publications</u></b>	<b>1893-1899</b>
	Newspaper cuttings and articles cut from journals. The majority of the cuttings are attached to cuttings slips sent by Macmillan's. 8 envelopes	
MS903/6/1	<b>Reviews of <i>Goethe – Reviewed after 60 years</i></b>	1893-1894
	11 cuttings	
MS903/6/2	<b>Reviews of <i>A Short History of Napoleon the First</i></b>	1896
	2 cuttings	
MS903/6/3	<b>Reviews of <i>An Introduction to Political Science</i></b>	1896-1897
	33 cuttings	
MS903/6/4	<b>Reviews of <i>Natural Religion</i> (Eversley Series edition)</b>	1895
	9 cuttings	
MS903/6/5	<b>Reviews of <i>Natural Religion</i> and <i>Ecce Homo</i> (Eversley Series edition)</b>	1895
	2 cuttings	
MS903/6/6	<b>Reviews of <i>Lectures and Essays</i> (Eversley Series edition)</b>	1895
	18 cuttings	
MS903/6/7	<b>Reviews of <i>The Expansion of England</i> (Eversley Series edition)</b>	1895; 1899
	14 cuttings	
MS903/6/8	<b>Reviews of <i>The Growth of British Policy: An Historical Essay</i></b>	1895-1896
	29 cuttings	

MS903/7      **Photographs**      c.1890

1 envelope

MS903/7/1      **Photographs of John R. Seeley**      c. 1890

All the photographs are of head and shoulders only and are 17cm by 12cm. Two are full face and the third pictures Seeley in slight profile.

3 photographs

<b>MS903A</b>	<b><u>Papers of Mary Agnes Seeley</u></b>	<b>1861-1924</b>
	Consisting of her personal correspondence and material relating to the death of her husband.	
	16 envelopes	
<b>MS903A/1</b>	<b><u>General correspondence</u></b>	<b>1861-1924</b>
	The correspondence consists, in the main, of personal news and social arrangements, but also contains material relating to Lady Seeley's interests, including education, theological issues and the career of her husband.	
	8 envelopes	
<b>MS903A/1/1</b>	<b>From Arthur C. Benson</b>	<b>1904-[1918]</b>
	Relating to his writing and social arrangements.	
	6 letters	
<b>MS903A/1/2</b>	<b>From Robert Hugh Benson</b>	<b>1903-1919</b>
	Relating to theological issues and social arrangements.	
	5 letters	
<b>MS903A/1/3</b>	<b>From Percy Corder</b>	<b>1913-1915</b>
	Enclosing copies of letters (16) written by John R. Seeley to Mr and Mrs Robert Spence Watson (1862-1883)	
	3 letters, 16 enclosures	
<b>MS903A/1/4</b>	<b>From A. E. Houseman</b>	<b>1912-1917</b>
	Invitation acceptances	
	6 letters	
<b>MS903A/1/5</b>	<b>From George W. Prothero</b>	<b>1895; 1901</b>
	Relating to the publication of J. R. Seeley's <i>The Growth of British Policy</i> , and an article in <i>The Cambridge Review</i> .	
	9 letters	

MS903A/1/6      **From other correspondents A-C**      1861-1921

The number in brackets indicates the number of letters:

Lady Acton (3)	S. Brodribb
Lord Acton	Edward S. Browne
Alfred Ainger (2)	J. H. Browning
A. J. Balfour	Oscar Browning (3)
Count Ugo Balzoni	C. Perch Buckitt (3)
E. W. Barnes	F. C. Buckitt (3)
Professor E. Beesly	N. Buckitt
Mrs H. S. Bennett	Sir Frederick Burton
Sir Arthur Bigge (2)	H. Montagu Butler (2)
Harriet Jex-Blake	L. Boivin Champeaux (3)
Katherine Jex-Blake	John C. R. Colomb.
34 letters	

MS903A/1/7      **From other correspondents (D-L)**      1865-1916

The number in brackets indicates the number of letters:

John Llewelyn Davis (2)	F. L. Foakes Jackson
? Dickinson	Revd. Dr. Latimer Jackson
L. W. Dobson	Keith Jenner
Helen Gladstone (3)	F. Jenkinson
Frederick Harrison	Mary Kingsley
Walter Headlam	Sir Sidney Lee (3)
Octavia Hill	A. Austen Leigh
Julia Ward Howe (3)	Professor W. J. Lewis
Mary Howitt (2)	J. B. Lightfoot
Edith Holman Hunt (3)	H. R. Luard
Jean Ingelow (3)	Mrs. K. Lyttelton.
34 letters	

MS903A/1/8      **From other correspondents (M-W)**      c.1865-1924

The number in brackets indicates the number of letters:

George MacDonald	W. A. Raleigh (2)
Louisa McDonald (2)	Richmond Seeley (2)
James Martineau	Eleanor Sidgwick (2)
Jane Martineau	Professor Henry Sidgwick (4)
John E. B. Mayor	J. R. Tanner
J. H. Middleton	J. J. Thompson



J. Bass Milligan  
H. A. More  
Charles Moule  
Lucy Neville  
Archibald Primrose, Lord  
Rosebery

Reginald E. Thompson  
R. Cambell Thompson  
Linda Villari (4)  
Father P. N. Waggett  
W. Aldis Wright  
2 unidentified.

34 letters

**MS903A/2      Letters of condolence to Mary Seeley      1895**

On the death of John R. Seeley  
2 envelopes

**MS903A/2/1      **From family members**      1895**

From Arthur Church, Alice Innes, Harriet Mackintosh and William Mackintosh.

4 letters

**MS903A/2/2      **From friends and acquaintances**      1895**

Correspondents are as follows:

Blayney R. Balfour	A. Austen Leigh
Samuel A. Barnett	B. Fossett Lock
John L. Boyes	P. J. Main
John Bloemfontein	Mrs A. Marshall
Oscar Browning	Alfred Marshall
J. Bryce	George R. Parkin
Mrs A. S. Burn	Mrs J. Peile
H. Montagu Butler	George H. Phillott
C. S. Calverley	Henry W. Phillott
J. Grosvenor Calverley	J. P. Postgate
Evelyn Montinengo Cesasesco	Archibald Primrose, Lord
S. Cheetham	Rosebery
Revd. Alfred Church	Mrs. G. W. Prothero
Fanny Clark	G. W. Prothero
Mandell Creighton	Henry Sidgwick
John S. Dalton	Henry Solly
Revd. J. Llewelyn Davies	John Sparkes
W. De Morgan	Mary S Stokes
A. A. Ferrier	Mrs L. S. Todhunter
Paul Fredericq	Elizabeth Spence-Watson
Octavia Hill	B. F. Westcott, Bishop of
T. F. C. Huddleston	Durham
H. Kingsley	H. F. Wyatt

46 letters

MS903A/3	<b><u>Other papers relating to the death of John R. Seeley</u></b>	1895-1897
	3 envelopes	
MS903A/3/1	<b>The establishment of a memorial fund</b>	1895-1897
	Correspondence, cuttings, leaflets and a list of subscribers to the memorial fund. 8 items	
MS903A/3/2	<b>Obituaries from Cambridge College journals</b>	1895
	Taken from <i>The Caiian</i> and <i>Christ's College Magazine</i> . 2 cuttings	
MS903A/3/3	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	1895
	A letter about Seeley's funeral and a memorial card. 2 items	

<b>MS903A/4</b>	<b><u>Correspondence relating to royal events</u></b>	<b>1897; 1902</b>
	Papers relating to obtaining tickets for royal occasions, consisting of letters from Joseph Chamberlain, tickets and programmes. 2 envelopes	
<b>MS903A/4/1</b>	<b>For Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee procession</b>	<b>1897</b>
	2 letters, 2 tickets, 1 programme	
<b>MS903A/4/2</b>	<b>For Edward VII's coronation procession</b>	<b>1902</b>
	6 letters, 4 tickets	
<b>MS903A/5</b>	<b><u>Miscellaneous</u></b>	
	1 envelope	
<b>MS903A/5/1</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>1868; 1918</b>
	Printed leaflet of the address made to E. A. Abbott to celebrate his 80 <sup>th</sup> birthday. Mary Seeley's name appears on the list of supporters. Receipt for a subscription to the 'Ladies London Emancipation Society' in the name of Mary Phillott. Part letter to an unknown correspondent from Florence Baines which mentions Lady Seeley (n.d.).  1 receipt; 1 leaflet; 1 part letter	

MS903B	<b><u>Papers of other Seeley family members</u></b>	1842-c.1940
	Consisting of correspondence of other family members and a collection of newspaper cuttings. 5 envelopes	
MS903B/1	<b><u>General Correspondence</u></b>	1842-1929
	Mostly consisting of family and business correspondence and material relating to Seeley's life and work.  4 envelopes	
MS903B/1/1	<b>Between Fanny Seeley and others</b>	1895-1929
	12 letters	
MS903B/1/2	<b>Between Richmond Seeley and others</b>	1895-1911
	Mostly consists of letters from Robert Benton Seeley and from the Revd Alfred Church relating to the Seeley family pedigree. 15 letters, 12 enclosures	
MS903B/1/3	<b>Between Robert Benton Seeley and others</b>	1842-1858; 1884
	5 letters, 2 part letters	
MS903B/1/4	<b>Between Ann, Edith, Harriet and mother Seeley and others</b>	[1865]- [1866]; 1895
	7 letters	
MS903B/2	<b><u>Newspaper cuttings</u></b>	1894-c.1940
	1 envelope	
MS903B/2/1	<b>Newspaper cuttings</b>	1894-c.1940
	Mostly obituaries of friends, but also other material. Publications are generally unidentified. 25 cuttings	

MS903B/3      **Memoir**      n.d.  
1 envelope

MS903B/3/1      **Memoir**      n.d.  
Manuscript notes probably written by Mary Seeley, John R. Seeley's older sister. The bookley contains a list of books and tracts written by Mary Seeley and a description of her working life, including attempts to set up a school.  
1 booklet