



Sir John Collings Squire Papers

Reference: JS

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- JS Sir John Collings Squire Papers [1900s]-
[1950s]
- A small collection of autograph drafts typescripts and proofs, many revised and signed with autograph corrections, of his poems The Enemy; Farewells; Birthday Gifts; The Lover's Lute; Anarki; The Rebel Heart and others. The poems range from serious subjects to amusing verses.
- Administrative history:** Reference: University of Birmingham, Guide to Special Collections Archives and Manuscripts (http://www.is.bham.ac.uk/specialcoll/archives_btb.htm). Accessed January 2002.
- 53 items
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- Language:** English
- Creator name:** Squire, Sir, John, Collings, 1884-1958, writer and journalist
- Acquisition:** This collection was purchased at Sotheby's in June 1979.
- Related material:** University of Birmingham Special Collections also holds the Raglan Somerset Papers (GB 0150 RS), which were part of the same Sotheby's lot as the Sir John Collings Squire Papers.

- JS/1 Ballad of non-rationed food 1940
- Dated 8 May. Poem dedicated to Lord Woolton and to the Wine and Food Society for 'its un-ration book'.
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JS/2	Diplomatic News, 1940	1940
	Poem dated 24 January.	
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JS/3	Gangaran	1940
	Dated 28 February. Poem based on an 'Evening News' item about an Indian ascetic named Gangaran who for the past 2 years had 'been hanging from his toes from a branch of a tree in Rajputana'.	
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JS/4	Hymn of hate	1940
	Dated 13 March. Poem about Hitler based on overheard quote 'I wish ole Hilter 'ad a touch of flue'. Also includes a carbon copy of the poem.	
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	Access: Open	
JS/5	The slave's dream	1940
	Poem dated 17 January.	
	1 item	
	Access: Open	
JS/6	A house	[mid 20th century]
	Undated poem with minor annotations.	
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	Access: Open	
JS/7	Elergy	[mid 20th century]
	Undated poem.	
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	Access: Open	
JS/8	Anarchy Undated poem. The document has been removed from an unidentified publication. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/9	The rebel heart Undated poem. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/9a	Anarki Poem dated December. Swedish translation of the poem 'Anarchy' with minor annotations. For English text version of the poem see JS/8. 1 item Access: Open Language: Swedish	1925
JS/10	The journey Undated poem published in the [West]minster Gazette. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/11	From a window Undated poem taken from an unidentified publication.. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/12	O Thou to whom I speak Undated poem in the author's hand.	[mid 20th century]

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- JS/13 When the fierce arm flings down his blazing heat [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in author's hand.
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Access: Open
- JS/14 Dark as the void outside no sound of man [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in the author's hand with annotations.
- 1 item
Access: Open
- JS/15 Strange beasts have died [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in the author's hand.
- 1 item
Access: Open
- JS/16 The cruel nymph to the dejected shepherd [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in the author's hand. Written on
letterhead from Firth's Cottage, Bowlers Green,
Surrey.
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- JS/17 Honesty at a fire [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in the author's hand.
- 1 item
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- JS/18 The lover's lute and the Inscrutable mistress [mid
20th
century]
Undated poem in the author's hand.
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- Access: Open
- JS/19 On the speeches at a general election [mid
20th
century]
- Undated poem in the author's hand.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- JS/20 Spring; and The great and the little [mid
20th
century]
- Two undated poems.
- 2 items
- Access: Open
- JS/20a Farewells; and The seldom-flowering tree 1931
- Two poems dated 8 April. Publishing proof from the
'London Mercury'
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- JS/21 The enemy [mid
20th
century]
- Undated poem with minor annotations. Attached is a
note requesting the return of the document 'if rejected'.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- JS/22 Drafts of several short poems [mid
20th
century]
- Undated draft in the author's hand.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- JS/23 Farewells [early
20th
century]
- Undated poem. See also JS/20a for publisher's proof
copy of the poem.
- 1 item
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JS/24	A London sunset Undated publisher's proof of the poem. The page includes a line drawing illustration. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/25	On a friend recently dead Undated poem with major annotations. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/26	The ship Undated poem in the author's hand. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/27	The march Undated poem. 'New Statesman' proof with annotations. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/28	Faith Undated poem. 'New Statesman' proof with annotations. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/29	A fresh morning Undated poem in the author's hand. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/30	Interior	[mid 20th

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	Undated poem in the author's hand.	century]
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JS/31	There was a younger person Aldonis	[mid
	Undated poem in the author's hand.	20th
	1 item	century]
	Access: Open	
JS/32	As he wrote a good movie in Lincoln	[mid
	Undated poem in the author's hand. Also included is a poem titled 'Chamber of Horrors'.	20th
	1 item	century]
	Access: Open	
JS/33	A lament for Disney	[mid
	Undated poem. Written after finding that he had missed an exhibition of Walt Disney's original drawings. Also included are a further 16 poems titled 'Reflection at dawn', 'In another country churchyard', 'Bitter lament of all the world', 'Young man's lament over a wasted day', 'Lament of a modern young man', 'Lament for vintages departed', 'Gloomy urban meditations after St. George's day', 'Drawback to visiting friends in Italy', 'The lament of a slow bat over the new L. B. W. rule', 'Elegy on Bill, a friend', 'Funeral eulogy for an income-tax collector', 'Lament for an ex-public schoolboy', 'Lament after dinner with the rich', 'Plaint of a traveller', 'Lament of a kindly spoonbill', and 'Lament of a Dowager'.	20th
	1 item	century]
	Access: Open	
JS/34	Ballade of strange meats	1936
	Poem dated 1 April.	
	1 item	
	Access: Open	

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JS/35	Metempsychosis; or the transmigration of Souls Poem dated 22 April. 1 item Access: Open	1936
JS/36	The country dance Undated poem described as a modern folk song. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/37	The seldom flowering tree Undated poem. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/38	A face in the candelight Undated poem with minor annotations. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/39	An epitaph Undated poem. 1 item Access: Open	[mid 20th century]
JS/40	Songs of ignorance Poem dated 11 September. Written by the author 'after a tour through long-remembered and much- changed places'. 1 item Access: Open	1935
JS/41	On a white butterfly Poem dated 20 February. Poem is on a page taken	1925

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from 'The Cambridge Review' which also features poems by A. Y. Campbell, Edward Davidson, Frank Kendon, D. L. C. Anderson, A. D. F., F. W. Stoke and B. L.

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JS/42	The fall over the cliff	[mid 20th century]
	Undated poem.	

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JS/43	Jagganath	[mid 20th century]
	Undated poem. Also includes a poem called 'The deep of the years'.	

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JS/44	Keats	[mid 20th century]
	Undated poem.	

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JS/45	A book of proverbs	[mid 20th century]
	Undated incomplete draft of an essay in the author's hand.	

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JS/46	The electorate on elections	1935
	Poem dated 30 October.	

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JS/47	The storm	[mid 20th
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Undated poem written by E. S. [Eileen Squire]. century]

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JS/48

Letter from Doll to Sir J. Squire

1946

Letter written from South Devon, dated 10 December.
Letter written by his sister Dolly asking if there is anything she can do for him.

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