

## Gladys Ellen Easdale Collection

### MS 4991

This collection consists of business and personal correspondence; writings by Gladys Easdale including short stories and articles and also work by Brian Easdale; a number of diaries and photographic material.

The Collection covers the year's 1870-1969.

The physical extent of the collection is 144 files.

**MS 4991/1** Business correspondence  
7 May 1935 - 12 Sep 1953

17 files

**MS 4991/1/1** Letter from Samuel Looker of Constable & Company.  
07/05/1935

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/2** Letter from Samuel Looker of Constable & Company.  
13/08/1935

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/3** Letter from O. Kyllmann of Constable & Company.  
09/09/1935

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/4** Letter from Samuel Looker of Constable & Company.  
19/09/1935

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/5** Letter from Samuel Looker of Constable & Company.  
21/01/1936

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/6** Letter from O. Kyllmann of Constable & Company.  
29/06/1936

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/7** Letter from The Manchester Guardian.  
21/04/1937

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/8** Letter from Geoffrey West.  
23/05/1937

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/1/9** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
31/05/1950

1 file (1 item)

**MS  
4991/1/10** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
03/06/1950

1 file (1 item)

**MS  
4991/1/11** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
02/12/1950

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/12** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
27/01/1951

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/13** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
01/11/1952

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/14** Letter from The Fortune Press.  
12/09/1953

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/15** Letter handwritten in pencil from Gladys Easdale to O.  
Kyllmann.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/16** Letter handwritten in pencil from Gladys Easdale to Mrs Woolf.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/1/17** Typed part of a letter by unknown author commenting on MS by  
Gladys Easdale.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/2** Personal correspondence  
23 Dec 1872 - 16 May 1969

30 files

- MS 4991/2/1** Letter from Edward George to 'Dear Ellie'.  
23 December 1872
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/2** Letter from Harold.  
01/10/1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/3** Letter from W.N.M Geary.  
09/10/1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/4** Letter from Nancy Bicknell.  
13/10/1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/5** Letter from Agnes Rushy[?] with reply from Gladys Easdale.  
15/10/1935
- 1 file (2 items)
- MS 4991/2/6** Letter from Wendy.  
21/11/1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/7** Letter from Ethelwyn.  
30/12/1935
- 1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/2/8** Letter from unknown as signature is illegible, from 'Quarry Orchard', Reigate.  
23/03/1936
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/9** Letter from Ida M. Cowley.  
07/06/1936
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/10** Letter from A.M. Nettleton.  
09/06/1936
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/11** Letter from Rolanda Hirst.  
21/06/1936
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/12** Letter from C.C. Martin, Administrator of the Dartington Hall Trust.  
12/08/1941
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/13** Air mail letter from her son, Brian Easdale, to Gladys Easdale.  
23/12/1944
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/14** Air mail letter from Helen in Colombo.  
01/05/1946
- 1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/15** Postcard from F.  
29/09/1946

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/16** Letter from Abbess Elizabeth of the Franciscan Convent,  
Woodchester.  
Easter 1953

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/17** Postcard from son Brian.  
23/08/1954

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/18** Letter from Dr. Heyworth of the Holloway Sanatorium.  
12/10/1956

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/19** Postcard from A. Leonard Poole, Holloway Sanatorium.  
16/10/1956

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/20** Letter from Joan Mackworter.  
21/01/1957

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/2/21** Postcard from Joan Curly.  
18/10/1960

1 file (1 item)

- MS**  
**4991/2/22** Letter from Ian F. Rose.  
03/06/1962
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/23** Letter from I.K. Smith, Holloway Sanatorium.  
30/10/1963
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/24** Letter from Richard .  
27/03/1968
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/25** Typed letter, unsigned, from Leonard Woolf.  
16/05/1969
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/26** Letter from E.I. Rendel.  
9 May, undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/27** Letter from Julia M. Rendel.  
4 November, undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS**  
**4991/2/28** Letter from husband Ernest Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/2/29** Letter from husband Ernest Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/2/30** Letter from husband Ernest Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3** Personal correspondence from Joan Easdale and her children  
c.1941-c.1964
- 30 files
- MS 4991/3/1** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/2** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/3** Letter from Jane (daughter of Joan) to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/4** Letter from Polly (daughter of Joan) to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)



- MS 4991/3/5** Letter from Jane to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/6** Letter from Polly to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/7** Poem, with accompanying note, on hearing of the death of  
Virginia Woolf, no signature but probably written by Joan.  
15/12/1941  
(date on envelope).
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/8** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
7 December, undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/3/9** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
16/01/1951
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/10** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
26 February, undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/11** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
25 January, undated
- 1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/12** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
8 March, undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/13** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
5 April, undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/14** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
19 April, undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/15** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
1 May, undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/16** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/17** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
2 Jun undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS**  
**4991/3/18** Letter from Polly to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Newspaper cutting 'Artist says: State aid is 'debasing'.  
**4991/3/19** Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Child's drawing with writing 'To 'dear Granny' from Alexander'.  
**4991/3/20** Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
**4991/3/21** 18 January, undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
**4991/3/22** 30/05/1952

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
**4991/3/23** 09/05/1954

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
**4991/3/24** 10/07/1954

1 file (1 item)

**MS** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
**4991/3/25** 29/09/1955

1 file (1 item)

- MS  
4991/3/26** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
21/10/1955
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/27** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
26/06/1957
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/28** Three pages of incomplete letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/29** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
01/07/1964
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/3/30** Letter from Joan to Gladys Easdale.  
15/10/1964
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/4** Book of typed letters written from W. Hale White to Gladys  
Easdale  
24 Mar 1906 - 11 Dec 1909
- 1 volume
- MS 4991/5** Miscellaneous correspondence  
c.1931 - c.1944
- 11 files

- MS 4991/5/1** Letter from Frieda Nicklaus to Brian Easdale.  
09/07/1931
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/2** Letter from Brian Easdale to Frieda Nicklaus.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/3** Letter from Brian Easdale to Frieda Nicklaus.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/4** Letter from Brian Easdale to Frieda Nicklaus.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/5** Letter from Brian Easdale to Frieda Nicklaus.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/6** Letter from Eric (?) of 4 Sherlock Mews, Baker St. to Garth  
[Adeney].  
29/07/1944
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/5/7** Letter from D (?) to E (?), annotated in pencil 'Denton Welch?'  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/5/8** Four undated fragments of letters.  
Undated
- 1 file (4 items)
- MS 4991/5/9** Postcard from Lilian (?) to Mrs F. Hampton.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/5/10** War time ration coupons.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS  
4991/5/11** Hotel card.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/6** Short stories by G.E. Easdale  
Undated
- 5 files
- MS 4991/6/1** TS of The lamp in the shrubbery.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/6/2** TS of Ladies bower.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/6/3** TS of The Day.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/6/4** Handwritten copy of Trespassing.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/6/5** Notebook containing The Terrace.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/7** Articles  
Undated

3 files

**MS 4991/7/1** TS of The art of letter writing.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/7/2** TS of Memories of The Old Court House.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/7/3** TS of article about natives.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/8** Middle Age  
c.1935  
A novel written by Gladys Easdale and published in 1935.
- 2 files
- MS 4991/8/1** Notebook containing handwritten notes on Middle Age  
c.1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/8/2** Typed notes on Middle Age.  
c.1935
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/9** Miscellaneous writing  
Undated
- 4 files
- MS 4991/9/1** Handwritten sheets entitled The seasons. Mixture of prose and  
poetry.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/9/2** TS of poem Westgate .  
1961
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/9/3** Three unidentifiable fragments of writing.  
Undated
- 1 file (3 items)



- MS 4991/9/4** Small painted sketch.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/10** Work by Brian Easdale  
Undated
- 2 files
- MS 4991/10/1** Work by Brian Easdale: TS of The evolution of the cadenza.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/10/2** Work by Brian Easdale: TS of The soft wild fire.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/11** Works by other authors  
c.1951
- 2 files
- MS 4991/11/1** Eyes, article by R. Baxter.  
Undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/11/2** TS of The Wordsworths by Joyce Cockcroft.  
1951
- 1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/12** Diary Initialled W.P.H.[Walter?]  
1893  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/13** Diary unsigned but by Mrs. Adeney  
1899  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/14** Diary 'First visit to America and Canada July 1905', unsigned but  
by Mrs. Adeney.  
July 1905  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/15** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1917  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/16** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1918  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/17** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1921  
  
1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/18** Diary Unsigned but by Mrs Adeney.  
1922  
  
1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/19** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1923

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/20** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1924

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/21** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1925

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/22** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1926

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/23** Diary Signed 'M.J. Adeney'.  
1928

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/24** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1929

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/25** Diary Signed 'Mrs Adeney'.  
1932

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/26** Diary Unsigned, includes photograph of unidentified seated lady.  
1902

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/27** Diary Nellie Adeney.  
1870-1883

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/28** Diary Garden Diary for Crouch Farm House.  
1927-1930

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/29** Account written by Gladys Easdale 'My life, written at the  
request of Mark Rutherford about 1904'.  
c.1904

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/30** Account of her childhood handwritten by Gladys Easdale in an  
exercise book.  
Undated

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/31** Autobiographical writing by Gladys Easdale, in notebook.  
c. 1930

1 file (1 item)

**MS 4991/32** Notebook of religious writing by Gladys Easdale  
undated  
Includes loose notes and a letter dated 27 October 1958  
1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/33** Notebook containing further religious writing.  
undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/34** Notebook entitled 'The Living Fountain', religious writing.  
undated  
Some horticultural notes at back of book c. 1930
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/35** Diary written in unknown hand.  
undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/36** Notebook entitled 'A Diary Letter' unsigned but written by  
'Robert'  
c.1907  
First entry dated 29 July 1907, last 28 August.
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/37** Notebook entitled 'An Autobiography by a middle aged woman  
1885-1931 Part II & III'.  
c.1935  
Part of Gladys Easdale's book Middle Age published in 1935.
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/38** Sketchbook of Joan Easdale.  
1929
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/39** Don't Blame the Stars published under Gladys Easdale's  
pseudonym Francis Adoney, The Fortune Press, 1949. Signed  
by G.E. Easdale.  
1949
- 1 file (1 item)

- MS 4991/40** Mark Rutherford; A biography of William Hale White by Catherine Macdonald Maclean, Macdonald, 1955.  
1946-1955  
Includes 3 letters from the author to Gladys Easdale 19 March 1946, 4 October 1946, 22 July 1954.
- 1 file (4 items)
- MS 4991/41** William Hale White (Mark Rutherford); A critical study by Irwin Stock, George Allen and Unwin Ltd, 1956.  
1907-1959  
Includes an article in The Times 22 January 1959, by Oliver Edwards on Mark Rutherford's father William White MP; five letters from Irwin Stock to Gladys Easdale 2 July 1950, 3 August 1950, 7 August 1950, 2 January 1951. Handwritten note, unsigned, 4 June 1907, probably from William Hale White to Gladys Easdale.
- 1 file (8 items)
- MS 4991/42** Letters to Three Friends by William Hale White (Mark Rutherford), Oxford University Press 1924, inscribed G Easdale.  
c.1924
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/43** Programme for 'Il est permis de se pencher au-dehors!' concert of poetry reading with some music composed by Brian Easdale.  
undated
- 1 file (1 item)
- MS 4991/44** Number of unidentified photographs of rural scenes, in envelope marked Countisbury.  
c.late nineteenth century
- 1 file

**MS 4991/45** Number of unidentified photographs, largely of people.  
c.early twentieth century

1 file

**MS 4991/46** Number of small contact prints, unidentified but probably  
Gladys, Joan and Ernest Easdale.  
c. 1945

1 file

**MS 4991/47** Four packets of photographic negatives, one includes five  
photographs of European views.  
undated

1 file

**MS 4991/48** Three boxes of glass negatives.  
undated

3 boxes