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and *Poems* by Ridgely Torrence, from Mrs. Laura E. Richards, both inscribed by her; *A Northern Countryside*, by Rosalind Richards, and *Rowen*, a collection of verse by Harold Trowbridge Pulsifer, from Miss Rosalind Richards.

Among letters and manuscripts recently acquired by the college library, special mention must be made of several holograph letters of Edwin Arlington Robinson, given by Mrs. Laura E. Richards; several long and particularly interesting letters of Sarah Orne Jewett; a manuscript (probably unpublished) on "Tennyson," written by Frederic Harrison; and the manuscript of Ben Ames Williams's recently published *Time of Peace*. Further comment on these last two manuscripts will be found on another page of this quarterly.

The library has also received from Mrs. Laura E. Richards a photograph album filled with excellent pictures of the South Berwick home of Sarah Orne Jewett; accompanying the picture is a descriptive comment written by the late Mrs. Ernest Bowditch, a frequent visitor in the Jewett home. The album has been inscribed as follows:

"Here dwelt, among the books and pictures they loved, two rare and noble women, Sarah Orne Jewett and her sister Mary, fine flowers of the New England which they loved and served in their widely different ways. After the death of the two sisters, Mrs. Bowditch arranged this lovely tribute, and gave me this treasured copy. I now give it to the Library of Colby College, in the hope that this reminder of a gracious and scholarly Past may be an inspiration for the students of the Future. — Laura E. Richards."



NOTES AND QUERIES

THE Colby Library Associates met in the Alumnae Building on Friday, October 9, 1942, in anticipation of the 450th anniversary of October 12, 1492. Mr. Paul A.

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Fullam, of the History Department, spoke of Morison's recent life of Columbus, *Admiral of the Ocean Sea*.

Have any of our members, or readers, letters of Sarah Orne Jewett? If so, please communicate with the editor.

A very important event took place shortly after Colby Night in October. The college's rare books and manuscripts were moved to Mayflower Hill, where they are temporarily housed in a Treasure Room in the Women's Union. These books and manuscripts, all of them rare and some of them unique and irreplaceable, are at last in a fire-proof building, and cold chills will no longer run up and down the spine of the curator of rare books whenever the fire siren sounds in Waterville.

The Library Associates met on Friday, November 13, at which time Dean Marriner announced the gift of the manuscript of *Time of Peace* by Ben Ames Williams. Mr. Samuel French Morse, of the Department of English, spoke on "I Too Dislike It: Notes on Some Contemporary Poets," illustrating his remarks with a number of books by contemporary poets, particularly those issued by private and small presses.

Have any of our readers any first editions of works by Henry James? If so, please communicate with the librarian. We propose to observe the centenary of Henry James: he was born on April 15, 1843.

Have we not a special reason for commemorating Henry James, the novelist? He was the son of Henry James (b. 1811), the author of *The Secret of Swedenborg*, who was the son of William James, a wealthy merchant in Albany, whose eldest son was the Rev. William James (b. 1791), whose daughter, Elizabeth Tillman James, married the president of Amherst College, Julius H. Seelye, whose daughter, Elizabeth James Seelye, was the mother of Dr. Julius Seelye Bixler, now President of Colby College.