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Chandler family letters, 1870-1949

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Summary Information

Repository:	Maine Women Writers Collection
Creator:	Chandler family
Title:	Chandler family letters
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ID [aspace_uri]:	/repositories/3/resources/499
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Physical Description:	.5 linear feet 28 folders
Language of the Material:	English .

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Biographical/Historical Note

Ellen and Grace Chandler, daughters of Horace and Grace Chandler, were descendants of Parker Cleaveland, noted geologist of Brunswick, Maine. They were raised in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts in the late 1800s and had one brother (Peleg). Grace travelled in Europe from 1904-1906, and throughout the 1920s and 30s resided in Washington D.C., Grand Manan Island, and in Brunswick, Maine. Ellen lived primarily in the Boston area until the 1920s, when she and Grace took up residence in the Parker Cleaveland House in Brunswick. Grace never married, and took charge of managing the family finances and household affairs, including lodgers. Ellen married James Sleator Quin, a businessman on Grand Manan Island, in 1934, and the couple maintained residency at the Parker Cleaveland House after Grace's death in 1938.

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Collection Scope and Content

This collection includes primarily correspondence to and from members of the Chandler family from 1870-1949. The bulk of the letters date from 1925-1947, and are addressed either to Grace ("Bird") or Ellen ("Lulla" / "Kit"). Many of the letters document Grace's handling of the family's investments, as well as the financial challenges caused by the 1929 stock market crash. Correspondence to Ellen is of a more personal nature, and includes a large number of letters from her future husband, James Sleator Quin. Included in the correspondence files is a variety of ephemeral material, primarily receipts. In addition to the correspondence are two notebooks kept by Grace, one of which includes her poetry and thoughts on womanhood and spirituality.

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Arrangement

This collection is organized as a single series.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Spirituality
- Brunswick (Me.)
- Diaries
- Correspondence
- Ephemera
- American poetry -- 20th century
- Negatives
- Chandler family
- Chandler, Grace
- Chandler, Ellen
- Quin, James Sleator

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, 1870-1899 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 001
Private. Some Thoughts of Grace, [diary], 1887 November <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 002
Photo negatives, 1893 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 003
"An Old Maid's Soliloquy in 1903" [letter from Grace to friend Alice], 1903 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 004
Correspondence, 1904-1906 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 005
Notebook - Grace Chandler, 1908	Box 1	Folder 006

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Letters to and from Grace, 1908 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 007
Letters to Ellen, 1909-1911 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 008
Correspondence, 1912-1914 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 009
Correspondence, 1915-1918 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 010
Correspondence, 1919-1923 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 011
Correspondence, 1924-1925 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 012
Correspondence to Grace, 1926 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 013
Correspondence, 1927 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 014
Correspondence, 1928 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 015
Correspondence, 1929-1930 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 016
Correspondence, 1931-1932 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 017
Correspondence, 1933 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 018
Letters to Ellen from S. Quin, 1933 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 019
Correspondence, 1934 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 020
Correspondence from Grace to Ellen, 1935-1936 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 021
Correspondence to and from Ellen, 1937-1938 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 022
Correspondence to Ellen, 1939-1942	Box 1	Folder 023

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Correspondence to Ellen, 1944-1945

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Folder 024

Language of the Material: English.

Correspondence to Ellen, 1946

Box 1

Folder 025

Language of the Material: English.

Correspondence to Ellen, 1947-1949

Box 1

Folder 026

Language of the Material: English.

Fragments/undated letters, undated

Box 1

Folder 027

Language of the Material: English.

Box 1

Folder 028