

John Johnson Collection: pre-1960 ephemera Samuel Johnson

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Box 1

Newspaper cuttings

‘Anecdotes of the late Dr Samuel Johnson by Mrs Piozzi’, *The County Magazine* for April 1786

‘Continuation of the Anecdotes of Dr Samuel Johnson’ by Mrs Piozzi, *The County Magazine* for May 1786

‘Dr Johnson’s Staircase, Inner Temple Lane’ *Illustrated London News* October 3 1857

‘The Johnson Club – A literary pilgrimage to Rochester’ by Sidney Lee published in the *Pall Mall Magazine* pp 513 – 521 [no date]

‘The Autocrat of Fleet Street – the Johnson Bicentenary’ *The Daily Graphic*, September 15 1909

‘Dr Johnson’s House’ part 1 by H Clifford-Smith published in *Apollo* LII November 1950

‘The Infant Samuel’ article in *The Sunday Times* 22 June 1953

‘The Great Sam - New Johnson Letters review’ by Raymond Mortimer in *The Sunday Times* February 8 1953

‘The Young Boswell’ article by Peter Quennell in *The Sunday Times* 8 October 1950

Graphic Illustrations of the Life and Times of Samuel Johnson LL.D., parts 1, II and III published John Murray 1835

Bookjackets

The Conversations of Dr Johnson edited with introduction by Raymond Postgate
published by the Chiltern Library

Dr Johnson Prose and Poetry selected by Mona Wilson, published by the Reynard
Library

Book prospectuses

Jarvis and Fielding's Edition of Dr Johnson's Dictionary of the English Language in two
volumes, Vol 1

Johnson's "Plan of a Dictionary" on thick paper – Elkin Mathews no 100

The Psalms and Hymns of Isaac Watts .. to which is prefixed the life of the author by Dr
Johnson – 1797

Johnson's Dictionary, edited by the Rev Mr Todd June 1814

Johnson's Dictionary parts I & II 1815

Samuel Johnson and Johnsoniana OUP 1926

Boswell's Life of Johnson edited by Arnold Glover, introduction by Austin Dobson,
published by J M Dent & Sons Ltd

Boswell's Life of Johnson edited by George Birkbeck Hill, Clarendon Press 1950

Booksellers' catalogues

The Great Chain of Literature – a catalogue of works by Dr Johnson and his literary
circle etc, catalogue 809 issued by Maggs Bros Ltd July 1952

Catalogue of a unique collection of Johnsoniana to be sold by auction Tuesday June 5
1888

Johnson Society

Transactions 1952-53

Transactions 1956

Johnson Celebrations 1709 – 1955: Supper menu and toast list, 17 September 1955

Johnson Celebration Hymn Sheet and Johnson's last prayer

The Johnson Birthplace Appeal for the sum of £25,000

Portraits and prints

Caricature entitled 'A Sally from TOMS' and 'A Real Character' pub 22 February 1776

Samuel Johnson from a painting by Sir Joshua Reynolds, published August 16 1786

Framed oval print [cut-out] circa same period

Urn to Dr Johnson at Gwagnynog – print illustration from the European Magazine 1 January 1794

Drawing printed 20 May 1804 of characters with Richardson in Tunbridge Wells in 1748, inc Dr Johnson and his wife

Miscellaneous

Epistle to Bennet Langton Esq. in his retirement by Bryan Waller – poem about 'the bosom-friend of Dr Samuel Johnson' 1802

Dr Johnson as representative of the Character of the Eighteenth Century by W R Barker [the Chancellor's English Essay Prize 1899] published by F E Robinson & Co 1899

The Bookman Dr Johnson Number July 1903

A Popular Sketch of Dr Johnson's life and works by the Very Rev H M Luckock Dean of Lichfield, First issue 1903, reprinted 1923

Samuel Johnson Londoner programme for exhibition during the Festival of the City of London at Royal Exchange 6 July – 1 August 1964
City and County of Lichfield Bicentenary Programme 15 – 19 September 1909

City of Lichfield Bicentenary celebration advertisement for 16 & 17 September 1909 of 'She Stoops to Conquer' by Oliver Goldsmith and dedicated to Dr Johnson by him

Two folded large notices as follows:

Privately printed by Halstead B Vanderpoel 1954 'to honor the two hundred and seventeenth anniversary of Johnson and Garrick setting off to London 2 March 1737': copy of manuscript extract from Boswell's *Life of Johnson* describing Johnson and Garrick setting out for London

Privately printed by Dorothy and Halstead Vanderpoel 1954 'to honor the two hundred and eighteenth anniversary of Johnson and Garrick setting off to London 2 March 1737':

copy of Latin letter of thanks from Dr Johnson for his MA to the vice-chancellor of Oxford University

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