John Johnson Collection: pre-1960 ephemera

Oxford Sketches

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Extent: 4 volumes + Volume 10 of Oxford Caricatures

The Oxford Sketches were published by James Ryman, 24 & 25 High Street, Oxford, from original drawings by Sydney Prior Hall (1842 – 1922). A key to the sketches was published.

Oxford Sketches 1

Has manuscript ‘title page’

The “Oxford Sketches”

Reproductions of the original drawings by Sydney Prior Hall, M.V.O. (Pembroke College)


Complete set of 100 sketches, numbered in manuscript.

Oxford Sketches 2

Contains two volumes, both from the Library of John Francis Fortescue Horner, Mells Park

The larger has a label on the upper board: Published by James Ryman, Printseller, Photographer, etc. 24 & 25 High Street, Oxford

The sketches are unnumbered.

The slighter album is not full, but also contains unnumbered sketches.

Oxford Sketches 3

Has owner’s name: R.T. Günter in manuscript on inside board.
Contains the Descriptive key as above. The sketches are not in numerical order, but a further copy of the key has been cut up and pasted onto each page, identifying the number and content of the print.

**Oxford Sketches 4**
Has a bookplate: Edmond Warre. Also contains the descriptive key. The sketches are unnumbered

**Oxford Caricatures 10**
Two volumes containing Oxford Sketches. S.P. Hall (not Shrimpton)
One is titled Oxford Caricatures.
The other has no title, but the subjects of the illustrations are identified in the margins

*See also Oxford Caricatures* for caricatures published by Thomas Shrimpton & Son