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Clement King Shorter letter to Gadric Gregory
1913 July 3

Abstract: Clement King Shorter letter to Gadric Gregory regarding Shorter's wife, Dora Sigerson Shorter.
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Biographical Note

English journalist and editor Clement King Shorter was born in London, at Southwark, on July 19, 1857, to Richard and Elizabeth (Clemenson) Shorter.

Shorter began his career in journalism in 1888, writing a weekly column about books for the Star and working as a sub-editor for the Penny Illustrated Paper. In 1890 he resigned his clerical position at Somerset House and focused on journalism. In 1891 he was made editor of the Illustrated London News, where he also edited "Album" and "Pick-me-up." In addition to editing, Shorter founded three papers: Sketch (1893), The Sphere (1900), and The Tatler (1903).

Shorter was editor of The Sphere from 1900 until his death in 1926, each week contributing his controversial column “A Literary Letter.”

Clement Shorter, the youngest of three sons, was a still a boy when his father died in Melbourne, Australia, where he had traveled in hopes of making a better living. Shorter was married twice: first to Irish poet Dora Sigerson, whom he married in 1896 and who died in 1918; and in 1920 to Annie Doris Banfield of Penzance. Doris Shorter and their daughter, Doreen Clement Shorter, survived Clement Shorter, who died on November 19, 1926, at his home at Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire.

Sources:

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of a letter from Clement King Shorter replying to a request that Gadric Gregory had sent to Dora Sigerson Shorter. Clement King Shorter states that his wife is unable to submit poetry to Gregory's "Irish Anthology" as she is under contract to a specific publisher. The letter is typed on the letterhead of The Sphere.
Selected Search Terms

Topical Terms

English poetry--Irish authors--20th century--Sources.

Form/Genre Terms

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