"The Boston Broad Brim," 1884
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**Summary Information**

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**Preferred Citation**

"The Broad Brim" by George A Barton (MC.975.07.011), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Biographical note

George Aaron Barton (1859-1942) was born on November 12, 1859 in Quebec, Canada, the son of Daniel and Mary Stevens (Bull) Barton. He was educated at Haverford College, was the editor of the Haverfordian, and graduated in 1882. He received his PH. D. from Harvard in 1891. Barton married Caroline Brewer Danforth. From 1884-1889, Barton taught at Friends School in Providence, R.I., and from 1891-1895 he was a lecturer at Haverford College. From 1904-1920 he was a professor of Biblical literature and language at Bryn Mawr College. Although Barton was a Quaker minister beginning in 1879, but by 1918, he had doubts about the Quaker peace testimony, and in 1919 he became a deacon in the Episcopal Church. Before he died in 1942, however, Barton began to again attend Quaker Meetings.

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of the single, handwritten volume manuscript of George A Barton's, entitled "The Boston Broad Brim." The piece appears to be satirical in nature, and, according to the introduction supplied by the manuscript, "The Boston Broad Brim is published Semi-Occasionally for the benefit of the Boston Meeting. It is the official organ of the Whittier Association," and was previously called the "Highland Hall News, and was a weekly paper." This volume provides a brief satirical history of Quakers, particularly their move from Switzerland to the United States, the "Eighth Idyll of Theocrates," "The Miracle" translated from German, and a story called "The Hoag Surprise Party."

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections September 2015

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Acquisition
"The Boston Broad Brim" by George A Barton was donated to Special Collections, Haverford College, in 1954 by Mrs. T. Beach Platt.

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Related Materials
Related materials
MC 950.015 George A. Barton papers

Controlled Access Headings
Genre(s)
• Manuscripts

Geographic Name(s)
• Boston (Mass.)

Subject(s)
• Parody.
• Quakers
• Quakers--History
### Collection Inventory

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