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Administrative Information

Title:
Pandita Ramabai Microfiche and Microfilm Collection, 1858-1922

Collection Identifier:
CFT00039

Creators:
Ramabai, Pandita (1858-1922)

Size:
910 microfiche, 6 rolls of microfilm

Repository:
David Allan Hubbard Library
Fuller Theological Seminary
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Pasadena, CA 91182
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Provenance:
The archive of Pandita Ramabai is located in Kedgaon, India, on the Ramabai Mukti Mission compound.

Conditions Governing Access/Restrictions:
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Language:
English

Finding Aid Revisions:
Andrew Wong, July 2018; Alyson Thomas, March 2019
Biography

Ramabai Dongre Medhavi, known as Pandita Ramabai (1858-1922), was an Indian evangelist, social reformer, Bible translator and theologian. She developed Mukti, an orphanage and center of refuge for women. In 1905, a Pentecostal style revival took place at Mukti, influenced by the Wesleyan Holiness missionary Minnie Abrams. From that time onward, Pandita Ramabai offered hospitality and opportunities for ministry to Pentecostal missionaries from around the world. This was especially true for the Scandinavian Pentecostal missionaries to India between 1908 and 1922. Some Pentecostals used her and her ministry as ideals of women in ministry, including T.B. Barratt who visited from Norway.

Scope and Content

The microfiche edition (910 fiche) of this collection includes unpublished letters, photographs, periodicals, and copies of 249 books that were in her library and the Ramabai Mukti Mission. The collection also includes 6 rolls of microfilm, the records from the Ramabai Association, the US funding base for Ramabai’s work in the early years. It is mostly correspondence including letters from Ramabai and from her daughter Manorama, with some accounts and other miscellaneous matters. The bulk are from 1887 (roll 1) through 1904 (roll 6). There are a few items from 1908 to 1911 including Psalm 1 - 4 and Matthew 1 with parsing and interlinear translations, possibly Ramabai’s work.

Related Collections:
Copies of the microfilm/microfiche collection are located at multiple institutions including UC Berkeley, Wheaton College, Regent University, and Yale University.
OCLC Number: 47998351

Arrangement

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Microfiche Index

INDEX: Begins on fiche #1

CABINET #1: Begins on fiche #1

1. Library cards listing books formerly and presently in PR’s library (no comparison was made to see how complete this list might be. The editor assumed it was incomplete but may have contained titles no longer in Cabinets 5 and 6)
2. Archival register
3. Pamphlet on Korea
4. Register of publications printed at Mukti Mission Press from September 1904 to August 1909
5. Miscellaneous records
7. 5 photographs
8. An out-of-print book, edited by A.B. Shah, containing published letters of PR is in this cabinet; however, the book was filmed as the second to last of the books on this fiche, beginning on #885.

CABINET #2: Begins on fiche #7

1. Shelf #1: Contains books, selected ones of which were filmed with Cabinet 5 and 6 beginning on fiche #405
2. Shelf #2: Contains autograph letters, typescripts of articles by and about PR, letter book of letters to PR, Ladies College Magazine for 1908, clippings, pamphlets, obits, Guide to the Cheltenham Ladies College, pics of Mukti girls, Sanskrit Ode delivered by PR at Congress of Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland in Berlin (September 1881), The Plagues at Poona (1897), sketch of Mary Lucia Bierce Fuller (Oberlin graduate), George W. Pentecost articles in re: PR conversion, photos, Kaiser-I-Hind award, God’s Signs at Mukti, reviews of The High Caste Indian Widow
3. Shelf #3: Photos and letters
4. Shelf #4, Row #1: Letters and postcard
5. Shelf #4, Row #2: Norton Review, fragments, Fuller sketch, photostats of letters, bibliography file
6. Shelf #4, Row #3: Mss of “The Cry of Indian Women,” clippings, history of Mukti, untitled typescript
7. Shelf #5, Row #1: Mukti board meetings
8. Shelf #5, Row #2: Atlas, letters, pictures
9. Shelf #5, Row #3: Scrapbook of administrative letters
CABINET #3: Begin on fiche #75

Note: Cabinet #3 was the least organized of all the cabinets and there was no practical way to sort the material according to shelves and piles. The downside of this is that there is a lot of material in this cabinet waiting to be “discovered.” In this cabinet are also several biographies of PR, which have been included in the book section of this fiche beginning at #405.

1. Misc. record books
2. 1904 issue of Marathi magazine entitled The Honey Bee
3. Unidentified Marathi fragment
4. Folder, trip to England
5. Series of title pages of Mukti publications in Marathi
6. Magazine articles from late 1800s, 1879-1884
7. Pandita Ramabai’s writings in a magazine entitled Dnyanodaya
8. Title page from PR’s Hebrew Grammar
9. Magazine articles about PR and Mukti
10. Autograph letters, pamphlets, speeches, interviews
11. Tracts, songbook, prayer circulars. Filling with the Holy Spirit and Baptism of Fire (Marathi, 1906), Travels in America
12. Kulkarni and Tarkadkar, Biography of Pandita Ramaban in Poetry, 1904
13. The Latter Rain, showers of Blessing
14. California legal document

CABINET #4: Begins on fiche #118

1. Shelf #1, Row #1: centennial celebration letters
2. Shelf #1, Row #2: letters re: missionaries and workers
3. Shelf #1, Row #3: miscellaneous correspondence
4. Shelf #2, Row #1: letters and pamphlets (The Book Triumpham and Infallible by Alfred S. Dyer)
5. Shelf #2, Row #2: pamphlets and fragments
6. Shelf #2, Row #3: correspondence
7. Shelf #3, Rows #1 and 2: unidentified materials
8. Shelf #3, Row #3: Bible revisions
9. Shelf #4, Row #1: unsorted letters re: American Council of Ramabai Mukti Mission
10. Shelf #4, Row #2: administrative records and visitor book
11. Shelf #4, Row #3: register of library books
12. Shelf #5: miscellaneous biographies of PR
13. Shelf #5, Row #2: educational materials used at Mukti
14. Shelf #5, Row #3: 1972 International Conference records
CABINET #5: Begins on fiche #405

Books. See itemized list that follows

CABINET #6: Begins on fiche #405

Books. See itemized list that follows

CABINET #7: Begins on fiche #202

1. *Prayer Bell* (annual reports, largely the writing of PR in the early years)
2. *Prayer Bell* (monthly reports)
3. Miscellaneous reports
4. Australian edition of *Prayer Bell*
5. Mukti Means Salvation
6. *Praise and Prayer Reports*
7. *Buds and Blossoms*
8. *Calls to Prayer*
9. Prayer calendars

CABINET #8: Begins on fiche #287

1. Shelf #1, Row #1: PR’s death, obits, will, tributes
2. Shelf #1, Row #2: row caption is “PR,” basically more of row #1
3. Shelf #1, Row #3: row caption is “Manoramabai.” Autograph and typescript letters, obit, etc.
4. Shelf #2, Row #1: more Manoramabai materials, letters from Am Carmichael, R.A. Torrey, pamphlet on speaking in tongues, etc.
5. Shelf #2, Row #2: caption reads “miscellaneous letters,” Abrams, Haili, etc.
6. Shelf #2, Row #3: miscellaneous papers re: Shanti Sadan and Sharada Sadan
7. Shelf #3, Row #1: Rehobeth and Supa missions, trustee list
8. Shelf #3, Row #2: business documents, deeds, real estate, receipts
9. Shelf #3, Row #3 caption reads “Plans and Blue Prints:
10. Shelf #4, Row #1: American Ramabai Association reports, 1890-1929
11. Shelf #4, Row #2: *Prayer Bells* are located on this shelf, but they are duplicates of materials found in Cabinet 7 and thus were not filmed again
12. Shelf #4, Row #3: admissions and departure records
13. Shelf #5, Row #1: caption reads “Registration Records”
14. Shelf #5, Row #2: journals about Mukti girls for 1906-1907, some financial records
15. Shelf #5, Row #3: more journal entries re: Mukti girls from 1896 to 1926(?)
16. Shelf #6, Row #1: caption reads “Class records, prayer union list for New Zealand, Australia, Canada”
17. Shelf #6, Row #2: caption reads “Two Books of marriage records”

TABLE: Begins on fiche #400

1. Photos
2. Miscellaneous documents and letters
3. Letters to PR (from Annie Scott in London?)
4. Form letter of PR, clippings, book list of PR library
5. Autograph letters to PR from Kate Steel, Miss B. Bennell, Miss Harrison, Joan McGregor, Francis Lysman, D.H. Faram, Alice Faram, James Ferguson

WALL: Begins on #404

1. Letters and photographs