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Papers including biographical notes; copy of a letter from Jean Cocteau, 3 October 1921; memo on the Sheikh of Mohammerah by Sir Victor Mallet, 6 Dec 1924; spoof telegram to Lord Perth supposedly from Loraine, 10 Nov 1938

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Offprints of speeches by Sir Henry Layard in the House of Commons 31 March 1854 and 10 July 1868; *Sir James Hudson and Earl Russel. An Historical Rectification from Authentic Documents* by the Hon. George Elliot, London 1886; letter from Elliot to Layard 7 March 1887 about the Hudson pamphlet; Layard’s passport for travel on the Continent with Lady Layard and Miss Olivia DuCane, 8 September 1892
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