

Reference code: GB165-0087

Title: Jane Digby Collection

Name of creator: Mezrab, Jane Elizabeth Digby El (1807-1881) formerly Lady Ellenborough

Dates of creation of material: 1861-1870

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 1 reel

Biographical history: Mezrab, Jane Elizabeth Digby El (1807-1881) formerly Lady Ellenborough

Born 1807, daughter of Rear-Admiral Henry Digby. Married 1st, 15 Sept. 1824, Edward Law, 2nd Baron Ellenborough - 1 son (d.1830). Divorced by Act of Parliament, 1830, following her adultery with Prince Schwarzenburg in 1828. Travelled in Europe and the Middle East. Married, 2nd, Sheikh Mijwal el Mezrab and settled in Damascus. Died 1881.

Scope and content: Microfilm of Jane Digby's housebook and accounts, Damascus, 1861-1870.

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English

Physical Condition: A microfilm reader is necessary to view this reel

Conditions governing reproduction: No restrictions on copying or quotation other than statutory regulations and preservation concerns

Immediate source of acquisition: Received from Prof. Joseph J. Malone, American University of Beirut, October 1970.

Location of originals: No information

Location of copies: John Brinton, Beirut.

Related Units of Description: Letters, poetry & sketchbooks in the possession of Lord Digby.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Publication note: For biographies of Jane Digby see:

- Schmidt, Margaret Fox, *Passion's child: the extraordinary life of Jane Digby*, Hamish Hamilton, 1977
- Lovell, Mary S., *A scandalous life: the biography of Jane Digby el Mezrab*, Richard Cohen, 1995.

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