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Elsie M Cottom Collection  
Box List

**Description**

**Extent:** 2 boxes

**Dates:** [1930s-1950s]

**Scope and Content:** Papers collected by Elsie M Cottom, comprising documentation relating to her training at Rachel MacMillian College; documentation relating to her teaching practice at Bradley Road Nursery; books collected by Cottom.

**History:** Elsie M Cottom was a nursery teacher based in Lancashire. She trained at Rachael MacMillian College up to 1942. She was the headmistress of Bradley Road Nursery in Nelson Lancashire. The collection was donated to Lancaster University Library by her family.

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### Box 1

	<b>Documentation</b>	
1	The Rachel McMillian Training College prospectus	[1938]
2	Handwritten copies of stories for different ages including myths; Grim's fairy tales; Mary McClure Stories; original stories; and animal stories	N.D
3	The National Nursery Examination Board leaflet	Jan 1946
4	National Nursery Examination Board Certificate leaflet	1946
5	Leaflets regarding a fund to create a memorial to Margret McMillian	[1947]
6	Envelope : 'Nursery School Pictures' containing carbon copies of various drawings of animals etc (flashcards?)	N.D
7	Notebook containing various notes on nursery school activities and correspondence	1942-1946
8	Typescript: suggestions for Observations of Children (supplementary training course for temporary teachers in nurseries)	ND
9	Notebook 'Plan of School' contain various plans of Bradley Nursery School in Nelson. Also includes tea menus for the school.	[1940s]
	<b>Books (children's education)</b>	
10	Beatrix Tudor-Heart (1945) Play and toys in nursery years (Routledge, London)	1945
11	Frederick T Day (1937) Coloured papercraft for infant schools London: University of London Press	1939
12	M B Davies (1934) Hygiene and health education for training colleges London: Longmans	1934
13	Cusden, Phoebe E, 1942, The English Nursery School London: Kegan Paul	1942
14	Lumb, Reginald 1944, The next Three years: talks to modern parents and infant teachers. London: Mowbray	1944
15	Homles, BM, (1937) Organised play in the infant and nursery school. London: University of London Press	1937
	<b>Books for children</b>	
16	Clark, Elizabeth (1945) Twenty Tales for Retelling. Bickley: University of London Press.	1945

17	Clark, Elizabeth (1943) The Talkative Sparrow. Bickley: University of London Press. [no cover]	1945
18	Utterly, Alison (1942), Sam, Pig, and Sally. London: Faber & Faber	1942
19	Macgregor, A J and Coghlin, E M, Smoke and Fluff! A story in verse for children with illustrations in Colour. Loughborough: Wills & Hepworth	ND
20	Unknown, For the Smallest Person. Norwich: Jarroald & sons	ND
21	Foster, Elizabeth Glassier, Bruce Glasier and his poetry. Includes letter from the author to Cottom dated 1946.	ND
22	Hill, Frank H, (1949), A Squirrel's Revenge. London: W & AK Johnston	1949
23	Uttley, Alison, (1941), Ten Tales of Tim Rabbit. London: Faber & Faber	1941
24	Barnard, WE and Spriggs, E H, (1945) Tales to tell to little children. Wallington: Carwal Publication.	1945
24	Barnard, WE and Spriggs, E H, (1945) More Tales to tell to little children. Wallington: Carwal Publication.	1945
26	Bibby, Cyril (1941) how life is handed on. London: Thomas Nelson	1941

#### Box 2

27	Brisley, Joyce Lankester Brisley (1948), Milly-Molly-Mandy Stories. London: George Harrop.	1948
28	Brisley, Joyce Lankester Brisley (1939), Further Doings of Milly-Molly-Mandy. London: George Harrop.	1939
29	Clark, Elizabeth, (1943) The Famer and the Fairy and other stories. Bickley, University of London Press. [no cover]	1943
30	Macgregor, A J and Coghlin, E M, Five Little Kittens. Loughborough: Wills & Hepworth	ND
31	Levy, Murial, The House that Jack Built and other Nursery Rhymes. Loughborough: Wills & Hepworth	ND
32	Hill, Frank H, Badger's End. London: W & AK Johnston	ND
33	Bohatta-Morpurgo, Ida, My Little Friend Jesus, London: Burn Oats	ND
34	Bryant, Sara Cone, (1944) How to tell stories to Children. London: George Harrap.	1944
35	Tempest, Margaret (1944), A thanksgiving for children. London: Collins	1944

36	Ferguson, J M MacDougall, (1951) Hear My Prayer, the junior's own prayer book. Wallington: Religious Educational Press.	1951
37	Rostron, Hilda I, (1951), My first Praise book. Wallington: Religious Educational Press.	1951
38	Ferguson, J M MacDougall, (1949) Look upon a little child: a first prayer book for home and school. Wallington: Religious Educational Press.	1949
39	Clark, Elizabeth, (1943), Dobbin and the Silver shoes and other stories. Bickley, University of London Press. [no cover]	1943
40	Utterly, Alison, (1943), The Squirrel, the hare and the little grey rabbit. London: William Heinemann.	1943
41	Roly, Mary, (1941), A first book of bible stories. London: Adam & Charles Black.	1941
42	Cloke, Rene, With Happy Voices Ringing, Favourite Hymn painting book Number 2. Wallington: Religious Education Press.	ND
43	Hartman, Robert, Mr Buffins and Fluffy Rabbit. London: Morrison & Gibb	
	<b>Musical Scores</b>	
43	Williams Children's Pastime, Banks Edition No. 9. York: Banks & Son.	ND
44	Apple Blossom for Pianoforte by Leona Lacoste. London: Leonard, Gould & Bolttler.	ND
45	A Fragment by Mendelssohn. London: Arthur & Co.	ND