

**Roanoke Public Libraries
Virginia Room
Roanoke Book Collectors, Rare Books**

Collection Description:

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Title: Roanoke Book Collectors, Rare Books

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Scope and Content:

Ten small books / pamphlets, dating from 1862 to 1950. They include two copies of Moore's *The Night Before Christmas*, one dating to 1862, and several books with ties to Roanoke, as they were edited by, published by, or privately printed for Roanoke residents. Of note is an illustrated version of Edgar Allan Poe's *The Raven*, published by Stone Printing, Roanoke, in 1909.

Container List:

Box 1

- Browning, Elizabeth Barrett. *Sonnets from the Portuguese*. Portland, ME: Thomas B. Mosher, 1910.
- Gissing, George. *Books and the Quiet Life*. Portland, ME: Thomas B. Mosher, 1922, 2nd edition.
- Hanes, Leigh. *The Star That I See*. Roanoke, VA: The Brenburn Press, 1950.
Signed by author.
- Hewlett, Maurice, *Quattrocentisteria*. Portland, ME: Thomas Bird Mosher, 1927.
- Moore, Clement Clarke, illustrated by F. O. C. Darley. *The Night Before Christmas*. New York, NY: James G. Gregory, Publisher, 1862. Note says gift of Mr. James C. Hancock.
- Moore, Clement Clarke. *The Night Before Christmas*. With life of the author written by Arthur N. Hosking. Mount Vernon, NY: Rudge Printing Company, 1933. Private printing for Junius P. Fishburn.
- Poe, Edgar Allan. *The Raven*. Lettered and decorated by Sexton Wilkerson, Roanoke, VA: Stone Printing and Manufacturing Co., 1909.
- Stone, Edward L., ed. *A Book-Lover's Bouquet*. New York: William Edwin Rudge, 1931. Signed by the editor. [two copies]
- Wilde, Oscar. *The Selfish Giant*. Larchmont, NY: Peter Pauper Press, 1931.