

## JESUS COLLEGE OXFORD

### JC:F4 PAPERS OF SIR EDWARD BAGNALL POULTON (MATR. 1873; F. 1898-1943)

Sir Edward Bagnall Poulton, (1856-1943) matriculated from Jesus College in 1873 aged 17. He read Natural Science, getting a First in 1876, and remained at Oxford for the remainder of his life, devoting himself mainly to the study of entomology. In the 1880s he was a Lecturer in Natural Science at both Jesus and Keble Colleges, and then in 1893 he was appointed in Hope Professor of Zoology. In 1898 he was elected a Fellow of Jesus College. Although he retired from the Professorship in 1933, he remained a Fellow of Jesus College until his death. He was knighted in 1935.

Poulton retained a lifelong affection for his College, and in 1940 made a benefaction to the College to hold an annual dinner for members of the Governing Body and teaching staff, and their wives (the first dinner arranged at Jesus College specifically to include spouses). The Poulton dinner remains an annual event in the College.

Most of Poulton's papers are kept at the Oxford Museum of Natural History. The letters here were given by Poulton himself to the College in 1926 and once catalogued as MS 238; it is not known when or how the photograph came to the College.

Catalogued in January 2021.

### JC:F4/C1 – CORRESPONDENCE

#### JC:F4/C1/1

**13 Oct 1873**

Letter from Charles Williams, Principal of Jesus College, to Edward B. Poulton, written on the verso of a printed notice about elections to College scholarships, about Poulton's election to a scholarship.

#### JC:F4/C1/2

**30 Aug 1877**

Letter (with envelope) from Charles Williams to Edward Poulton, about coming into residence in College.

#### JC:F4/C1/3

**13 Dec 1926**

Letter from Edward Poulton to J. Goronwy Edwards (F. 1919-48), presenting the above two letters to the College.

### JC:F4/PI – GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

#### JC:F4/PI/1

**1878**

Photograph inscribed "The Ten St. Giles 1878". Names given as Alfred Goodwin (matr. Balliol 1875), Edward Hamilton Irving (matr. Balliol 1875), E. B. Poulton (Jesus), David George Ritchie (matr. Balliol 1874; Fellow of Jesus college 1878-94), Arthur Henry Bullen (matr. Worcester 1875), John Brandon Chancellor (matr. Balliol 1875), Thomas Rutherford Clark (matr. Balliol 1876), John Viriamu Jones (matr. Balliol 1876; Fellow of Jesus College 1897-8), Edward Sumner Bird (matr. Balliol 1876), James Macmullen Rigg (matr. St. John's 1874) and Arthur Venis Lazarus (later Venis; matr. Non-Coll. 1874; member of Balliol by 1878). Presumably the title

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of the group refers to the house in which they were all lodging at the time – not least because there are eleven people in the photograph. There are various pencil comments on the back of the photograph, but there is no indication of how this photo came to Jesus; presumably it was through the family of E. B. Poulton.

**Size** (including mount): 345 by 420 mm.