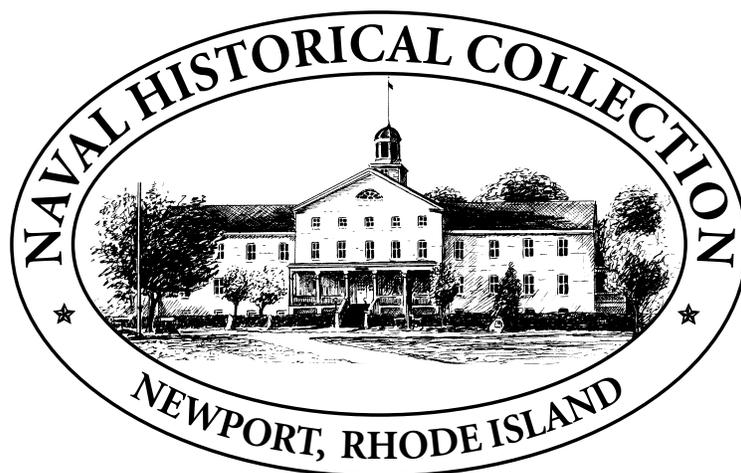


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Biography

William Sowden Sims was born on October 15, 1858, in Port Hope, Ontario Province, Canada, to Alfred William and Adelaide Sowden Sims. His father was a civil engineer involved in constructing harbor facilities on Lake Ontario. The Sims family, consisting of five siblings, lived in Canada until 1872 and then moved to Orbisonia, Pennsylvania.

Sims was appointed to the U.S. Naval Academy from Pennsylvania in 1876. He was not particularly well prepared for academic life and was an average student. After graduating in 1880, he served in USS *Tennessee* and later in USS *Swatara*, where he was promoted to ensign. Between 1882 and 1897, he served in USS *Yantic*, the schoolship, *Saratoga*, USS *Philadelphia*, USS *Charleston*, and the receiving ships *Colorado* and *Richmond*. In 1887, he received permission from the Navy Department to live in Paris for a year, where he perfected his French and absorbed French culture. This experience qualified him for an appointment as naval attaché to Paris, France; St. Petersburg, Russia; and Madrid, Spain in 1897, a position he held until 1900. During this time, he collected intelligence on Spain's preparation for war and studied the gunfire systems of foreign navies, which, he averred, were superior to those of the U.S. Navy.

In 1900, Sims was assigned to the China Station in USS *Kentucky*, the Navy's newest battleship. For the next two years, he continued to observe and report on the superiority of a new system of British naval gunnery that used the continuous aim method of firing developed by Royal Navy Captain Percy Scott of HMS *Terrible*. Sims felt that the U.S. Navy's gunfire systems had deficiencies that imperiled the service's effectiveness as a fighting force. After his pleas to the Bureau Chiefs and the Secretary of the Navy were ignored, Sims wrote directly to President Theodore Roosevelt about this matter in November 1901.

In 1902, after the Atlantic Fleet scored poorly in target practice, President Roosevelt recalled Sims from China and appointed him Inspector of Target Practice. Sims held this position for six and one-half years, while serving as a naval aide to the president during the last two years of this assignment. He was successful in improving the effectiveness of naval gunfire using the continuous aim system, and eventually it was introduced throughout the fleet. An outspoken critic of the Navy's bureaucratic system, he urged reform but made little headway. He did, however, succeed in getting the Navy to build the new heavy dreadnaughts.

Sims was rewarded for his loyalty and service by being named commanding officer of the Navy's premier battleship, USS *Minnesota*, an assignment he held for two years before being detached for instruction at the Naval War College as a member of the 1911 Summer Conference. He continued at the college as a student in the 1911–1912 Long Course and remained on the staff through June 1913, when he assumed command of the Destroyer Flotilla, Atlantic Fleet. As commander of the Flotilla, he devised new tactical maneuver doctrines for destroyers.

After a year as commanding officer of USS *Nevada*, Sims was selected as president of the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island, in February 1917, and promoted to rear admiral. Two months later, the college was closed when the United States entered the First World War, and he was sent to London to act as a liaison with the Royal Navy. Soon after he was appointed Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Forces in European waters as a vice admiral. In order to combat the heavy losses of

merchant shipping from U-boat attacks, he devised a plan to use destroyers as escorts. The convoy system worked remarkably well and cut shipping losses in half. He directed the operations of nine admirals under his command and worked harmoniously with the other allied powers while sanctioning the laying of the North Sea Mine Barrage.

When the war was over, Sims returned to Newport and the presidency of the Naval War College, where he remained until he retired at age sixty-four in 1922. He increased the number of faculty and students and defended the college as a citadel of naval thought and intellectual training in warfare. He spent the last fourteen years of his life in Boston, where he wrote, lectured, and testified before Congress regarding what he considered deficiencies in the Navy. In 1921, Sims won the Pulitzer Prize for *Victory at Sea*, a factual and reasoned account of World War I. He died on September 28, 1936, and was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. His survivors included his wife, Anne Hitchcock Sims, two sons, William and Ethan, and three daughters, Adelaide (Mrs. Robert Fiske), Margaret (Mrs. Robert H. Hopkins), and Anne (Mrs. Elting Morison).

Sims received the following medals during the course of his career: the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Philippine Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal, the Victory Medal, the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George (Great Britain), Grand Officer of the Legion of Honor (France), Grand Cordon, Order of the Rising Sun (Japan), Grand Cordon, Order of Leopold (Belgium), and Grand Officer of the Crown of Italy. He refused to accept the Distinguished Service Medal because he objected to the Navy's policy of awarding medals to undeserving officers.

Sims received honorary degrees from the following universities: Yale, Harvard, Tufts, Columbia, Pennsylvania, Cambridge (England), McGill (Montreal), Queens (Kingston, Canada), and from Williams, Union, and Juniata Colleges, and Stephens Institute.

Three U.S. ships bore his name. The destroyer USS *Sims* (DD-409) was launched in 1939 and sunk during the Battle of the Coral Sea in 1942. The destroyer escort USS *Sims* (DE-154, then APD-50) was commissioned in 1943 and served during World War II. The third USS *Sims* (DE-1059) was commissioned in 1970 and served with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

Chronology of Naval Service

1858	Born, October 15
1880	Graduated, U.S. Naval Academy
1880–1882	USS <i>Tennessee</i> (Screw Frigate)
1883	Promoted to Midshipman
1884	Promoted to Ensign
1889–1893	<i>Saratoga</i> (Schoolship)
1893–1894	USS <i>Philadelphia</i> (C-4)
1894–1896	USS <i>Charleston</i> (C-2)
1897–1900	Naval Attaché, Paris, St. Petersburg, and Madrid
1900–1901	USS <i>Kentucky</i> (BB-6)
1901	USS <i>Monterey</i> (BM-6)
1901–1902	Staff, CINC, Asiatic Fleet, USS <i>Brooklyn</i> (CA-3)
1902	Promoted to Lieutenant Commander
1902–1908	Inspector of Target Practice
1905	Married, November 21 to Anne Hitchcock
1907	Promoted to Commander
1908–1909	Naval Aide to President of the United States
1909–1911	CO, USS <i>Minnesota</i> (BB-22)
1911	Promoted to Captain
1911–1913	Student, Staff, Naval War College, Newport, RI
1913–1915	CO, Destroyer Flotilla, Atlantic Fleet
1915–1916	CO, USS <i>Nevada</i> (BM-8)
1917	Promoted to Rear Admiral
1917	President, Naval War College and Commandant, Second Naval District

1917–1918	CO, U.S. Naval Forces, European Waters
1919	Returned to rank of Rear Admiral
1919–1922	President, Naval War College
1922	Retired from the U.S. Navy
1925	Temporary duty with BUNAV and Aircraft Board
1930	Commissioned Admiral on the retired list
1936	Died, September 28

Description of Papers

The late Anne Sims Morison of Cambridge, Massachusetts, daughter of Admiral William S. Sims, presented his papers to the Naval War College Foundation in Newport, RI. Deposits began in 1996, and the last one was made in 2001. The collection is located in the College's Naval Historical Collection. A larger and more complete collection of Sims' papers is located in the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress.

The twenty-five box collection measures twelve and one-half linear feet and is divided into five series. Series I contains typescript copies of personal letters sent by Sims to his parents, his sister Louisa and brothers, Harry and Alfred, his friend Jones, and to his wife, Anne Hitchcock Sims. They date from 1881 to 1925. Several personal letters Sims received are located here. The letters focus on his daily shipboard routine, family matters, health, social life, financial matters, and friends as well as his duties as a naval officer and naval attaché. He described the geography, politics, economics, people, and customs of the countries he visited in Europe, Asia, South America, and the Caribbean. Sims also exposed the Navy's deficiencies in gunnery and construction and made proposals to correct them in his correspondence.

Series II consists of personal letters of Anne Hitchcock Sims to William S. Sims, along with diaries of their children's activities. This series contains both holographic letters and typescript copies of the same, dating from 1906 to 1921. Her daily letters discussed family matters; the children's health, behavior, and activities; her parents; her sister Peg; her own health, social life, travel, and vacation plans; visitors, friends and neighbors. They include comments on politics, especially President Theodore Roosevelt's administration, as well as naval affairs.

Series III houses Anne's letters to her sisters, Sarah Hitchcock Shepley and Margaret Hitchcock of St. Louis, Missouri, dating from 1899 to 1905. Several letters received are included in this series.

Series IV contains Sims family photographs, and Series V, miscellany, has newspaper clippings and a poem.

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Series I

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1		Personal letters sent, 1876–1885
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, June 25, 1876–January 24, 1881.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Hal, March 19, 1882–September 12, 1882.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, March 11, 1882.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, April 12, 1883.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, May 4–August 3, 1883.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, August 13–October 10, 1883.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Hal, October 23, 1883.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father and Lou, October 31–November 3, 1883.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, November 14, 1883.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, November 18–25, 1883.
	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, December 7–11, 1883.
	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, January 7–20, 1884.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, February 5–20, 1884.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, March 3–April 18, 1884.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, May 2–30, 1884.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, May 31–June 27, 1884.

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1	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, July 2–25, 1884.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, August 3–September 14, 1884.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, November 6–29, 1884.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, December 2–11, 1884.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Lou, December 23, 1884.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, January 10–17, 1885.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Alf, January 23–April 29, 1885.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, March 1–29, 1885.
	25	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, March 31–April 31, 1885.
2		Personal letters sent 1885–1887
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, May 13–June 21, 1885.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 5–October 18, 1885.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, October 28–December 10, 1885.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father and Lou, December 20, 1885–January 7, 1886.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Adelaide, January 14–21, 1886.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, January 28–February 27, 1886.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, March 15–May 3, 1886.

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2	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, June 1–7, 1886.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, June 15–August 25, 1886.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, August 27–September 12, 1886.
	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, Lou, and Jones, September 18–December 17, 1886.
	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, December 22, 1886–January 27, 1887.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, Lou, and Jones, February 3–March 21, 1887.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family and Jones, April 2–May 11, 1887.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family and Jones, May 21–June 7, 1887.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, June 7–12, 1887.
	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family and Jones, June 15–July 11, 1887.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family and Jones, July 14–September 30, 1887.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, Lou, and Jones, October 2–24, 1887.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, Lou, and Jones, October 25–November 22, 1887.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Lou and Jones, November 25–December 11, 1887.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Lou and Jones, December 14–31, 1887.

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3		Personal letters sent 1888–1893
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Lou and the Chamberlains, January 4–March 4, 1888.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family and friends, March 17–28, 1888.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Jones and Lou, June 9–August 14, 1888.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, Lou, and Jones, August 16–September 15, 1888.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Lou and Jones, September 21–October 6, 1888.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, Lou, and Jones, October 10, 1888–January 3, 1889.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Jones, Lou, and Mother, January 15–February 3, 1889.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, February 9–17, 1889.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, March 3–10, 1889.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Adelaide, Jones, and Mother, March 17–31, 1889.
	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent April 1889–April 14, 1889.
	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, April 21, 1889.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, Lou, and Old Man, May 12–19, 1889.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father and Lou, May 26–June 9, 1889.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Father, Old Man, Lou, and Captain Green, July 14–November 29, 1889.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Old Man and Pa, December 22, 1889–February 24, 1890.

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3	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, August 3, 1890–February 27, 1891.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, February 12– 22, 1892.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, March 13–25, 1892.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, April 1– June 27, 1892.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 31–August 27, 1892.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, August 29, 1892.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, July 3, 1893.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 14–August 20, 1893.
	25	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, September 21, 1893.
	26	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, September 24–29, 1893.
4		Personal letters 1893-1895
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, October 7, 1893.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, October 15, 1893.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, October 29, 1893.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, November 4–11, 1893.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, November 16, 1893.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, November 26, 1893.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, December 8–13, 1893.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, December 21, 1893.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, January 5–10, 1894.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, January 25, 1894.

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4	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, February 7, 1894.
	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, February 11, 1894.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, February 28–March 7, 1894.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, March 16, 1894.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, March 31–April 15, 1894.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, April 28, 1894.
	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Lou, May 14–31, 1894.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and John, June 2–28, 1894.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 1–10, 1894.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Varley, July 10–26, 1894.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 31–August 25, 1894.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, September 11–October 11, 1894.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and family, October 15–29, 1894.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and family, October 31–November 10, 1894.
	25	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, November 24–25, 1894.
	26	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, December 10, 1894.
	27	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and family, December 25 (and no date), 1894.
	28	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and family, January 6–29, 1895.

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5		Personal letters sent 1895–1896
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, February 1, 1895.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and family, February 7–22, 1895.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, February 28, 1895.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, February 28, 1895.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, March 9–18, 1895.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, March 24, 1895.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, April 21, 1895.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Adelaide, April 25–May 14, 1895.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, May 21–June 3, 1895.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, Adelaide, and Mrs. “Jimmie,” June 8–22, 1895.
	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Lou, July 2–August 12, 1895.
	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Varley, August 31–September 20, 1895.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and sister, September 20–October 20, 1895.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Professor, November 4–20, 1895.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Elsie, November 20–29, 1895.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, December 9, 1895.
	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, December 29, 1895–February 6, 1896.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, February 12–March 10, 1896.

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5	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, March 15–April 3, 1896.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and John, April 4–May 8, 1896.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents and Jimmie, May 20–29, 1896.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, June 8, 1896.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, July 1, 1896.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, July 13–21, 1896.
6	Personal letters sent 1896–1914	
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, October 1896–March 5, 1897.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Adelaide, March 9–April 15, 1897.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Adelaide, April 11–June 25, 1897.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Adelaide, June 29–November 11, 1897.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, November 25–December 17, 1897.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, January 2–21, 1898.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Sister, February 15–April 3, 1901.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to family, June 1–15, 1901.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to parents, July 15–August 19, 1901.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Pee Gee, August 21–September 7, 1901.
11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother, Admiral, and Pee Gee, September 17–28, 1901.	

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6	12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Mother and Adelaide, October 1–24, 1901.
	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, April 16–May 23, 1905.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 1905.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 2–6, 1905.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 10–30, 1905.
	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 15–23, 1905.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 24–25, 1905.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 26–28, 1905.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 29–September 1, 1905.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 2–21, 1905.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 23–29, 1905.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, October 4–November 19, 1905.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, undated 1905.
	25	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, March 18–April 2, 1906.
	26	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, April 4–July 3, 1906.
	27	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, 4–10, 1906.
	28	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 12–18, 1906.

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6	29	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 20–August 6, 1906.
	30	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 7–15, 1906.
	31	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 16–December 25, 1906.
7	Personal letters 1907–February 1910	
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, March 15–30, 1907.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 14–July 6, 1907.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 1–September 15, 1907.
	4	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 16–23, 1907.
	5	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 23–27, 1907.
	6	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 28–October 1, 1907.
	7	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, October 2–5, 1907.
	8	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, October 6–9, 1907.
	9	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, April 21–June 13, 1908.
	10	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 14–18, 1908.
	11	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 19–25, 1908.
12	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 26–July 21, 1908.	

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7	13	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 22–August 11, 1908.
	14	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 13–October 3, 1908.
	15	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, March 1–30, 1909.
	16	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, June 21–July 7, 1909.
	17	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, July 8–August 1, 1909.
	18	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, August 3–31, 1909.
	19	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, September 1–20, 1909.
	20	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, October 7–28, 1909.
	21	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, December 3–21, 1909.
	22	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, January 4–30, 1910.
	23	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, February 1–17, 1910.
	24	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, February 19–28, 1910.
8		Personal letters sent March 1910–August 1913
	1	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, March 1–31, 1910.
	2	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, April 1–13, 1910.
	3	Correspondence, William S. Sims letters sent to Anne H. Sims, April 14–30, 1910.

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	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, April 5–8, 1906.
	4	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, July 2–5, 1906.
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	15	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, Diary July, 1910.
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14		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, September 1910–February 1912.
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15		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, February–December 1913.
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	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, February 25–28, 1913.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 1–4, 1913.
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	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 14–16, 1913.
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	14	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 8–11, 1914.
	15	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 12–15, 1914.
17		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, March 16–May 8, 1914.
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	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 20–23, 1914.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 24–27, 1914.
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	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, April 17–21, 1914.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, April 22–25, 1914.
	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, April 26–30, 1914.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 1–4, 1914.
	13	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 6–8, 1914.
18		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, May 9–October 18, 1914.
	1	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 9–11, 1914.
	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 12–13, 1914.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 14–16, 1914.
	4	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 17–19, 1914.
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	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 25–31, 1914.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 9–11, 1914.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 15–17, 1914.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, no date–June 23, 1914.
	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 23, 1914.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 24–25, 1914.
	13	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 26–28, 1914.
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19		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, October 20, 1914–February 1915.
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	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 24–30, 1914.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 31–November 2, 1914.
	4	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 3–6, 1914.
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	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, January 15–31, 1915.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, children’s diary February 1–14, 1915.
	13	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, February 11–28, 1915.
	14	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, children’s diary February 16–21, 1915.
	15	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, children’s diary February 24–27, 1915.
	16	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, children’s diary March 2–7, 1915.
20		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, March–December 1915.
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	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 1–18, 1915.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 17–31, 1915.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 2–22, 1915.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, December 27, 1915.
21		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, January–May 1916.
	1	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, January 4–31, 1916.
	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, February 1–29, 1916.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 1–15, 1916.
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	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 15–31, 1916.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 1–14, 1916.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 19–28, 1916.
22		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, July–October 12, 1916.
	1	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, July 10–13, 1916.
	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, July 24–26, 1916.
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	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 5–7, 1916.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 8–10, 1916.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 10–13, 1916.
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	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 16–21, 1916.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 22–24, 1916.
	13	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 25–27, 1916.
	14	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 8–12, 1916.
23		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, October 13–December 8, 1916.
	1	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 13–16, 1916.
	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 17–20, 1916.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 20–23, 1916.
	4	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 25–27, 1916.
	5	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 29–30, 1916.
	6	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 1–4, 1916.
	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 5–8, 1916.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 20–23, 1916.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 24–25, 1916.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 26–28, 1916.
	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, November 29–30, 1916.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, December 1–8, 1916.

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24		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to William S. Sims, March 1917–March 1921.
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	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 23–28, 1917.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 15–June 16, 1917.
	4	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, June 19–July 24, 1917.
	5	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, July 24–28, 1917.
	6	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 25–30, 1917.
	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 1–December 11, 1917.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, April 23–27, 1918 and two letters (P.S. notes), no dates.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, May 5–October 25, 1918.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 29–November 1, 1918.
	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 16–November 19, 1919.
	12	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, February 24–March 23, 1920.
	13	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, March 24–August 27, 1920.
	14	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, September 1–22, 1920.
	15	Anne H. Sims letters sent to William S. Sims, October 1, 1920–March 16, 1921.

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25		Correspondence, Anne H. Sims, letters sent to Margaret Hitchcock and Sara Hitchcock Shepley, 1899–1905; letters received 1910–1912.
	1	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, May 24, 1899.
	2	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, November 3–23, 1899.
	3	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, December 3, 1899–January 27, 1900.

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	5	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, May 16–28, 1900.
	6	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, June 3–24, 1900.
	7	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, January 4, 1902–January 11, 1903.
	8	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, March 27–December 11, 1904.
	9	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, April 28–May 28, 1905.
	10	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Sara Hitchcock Shepley, June 5–August 11, 1905.
	11	Anne H. Sims letters sent to Peg Hitchcock, July 25–28, 1905.
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