Descriptive Summary

Creator: Whitehead, William, 1715-1785.
Title: William Whitehead Poem Addressed to Robert Lowth, 1758
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 303
Extent: 0.01 cubic ft. (1 folder)
Abstract: Contains one handwritten poem by Whitehead, addressed to Robert Lowth.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access
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Biographical Note
William Whitehead was born in Cambridge, England, in February 1715. Educated at Winchester College and at Cambridge, Whitehead served for many years as tutor to the sons of the Earl of Jersey and Earl Harcourt. In 1757, Whitehead was named Poet Laureate.

Whitehead died in London on April 14, 1785.

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**Biographical Source:** British Authors Before 1800, ed. Stanley J. Kunitz and Howard Haycraft, New York: Wilson, 1952.

**Scope and Content Note**
This collection consists of a handwritten poem by Whitehead, addressed to Oxford professor of poetry (and later Bishop of London) Robert Lowth. The poem was used as a dedication to Lowth’s *Life of William of Wykeham*, first published in 1758.

For preservation reasons, the poem has been encapsulated. Two preservation photocopies are included in the folder.