

**College of the Holy Cross  
Archives and Special Collections  
Collection Inventory**

Accession Number: **SC2000-34**

Collection Name (Title): **Loftus, Edward J. Collection**

Dates of Material: **1400's-1500's**

Size of Collection: **1 Oversize Box**

Arrangement:

Restrictions:

Related Material: **Papers of Reverend Michael Earls, S.J.; Louise Imogene Guiney Collection**

Preferred Citation:

Processed on: **March 14, 2008**

**Biography/History:**

The Edward J. Loftus Collection was originally presented to the Louise Imogene Guiney Memorial Room in Dinand Library by Loftus in 1932. This was done in memory of Loftus's wife Esther Lewellyn Lucas Loftus. Loftus corresponded with Rev. Michael Earls, S.J.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The Edward J. Loftus Collection is comprised of manuscripts, incunabula, velum manuscripts, and books of early presses. Among the manuscripts are French and Dutch Books of Hours, part of the Bible, as well as Venetian and German items. Other items of note are a section of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales as well as music sheets. Items date from the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Centuries.

**Box and Folder List:**

Oversize Box 1:

- Folder 1: French Legal Mss., 1400
- Folder 2: Dutch Book of Hours, 1425
- Folder 3: French Book of Hours, 1480
- Folder 4: Venetian Printing with Woodcuts, 1573
- Folder 5: Latin Psalter – Mss. 15<sup>th</sup> Century
- Folder 6: 15<sup>th</sup> Century Musical Mss. on Vellum

- Oversize Folder 1: Bible, printed by Anton Koberger, 1483
- Oversize Folder 2 Nuremberg Chronicle, German Edition, 1493
- Oversize Folder 3 Chaucer, 1527
- Oversize Folder 4: German Illustrated Printing Item
- Oversize Folder 5: Illuminated Mss.