

(Left) from Mary Hope Greg's Nature Notebook (1905-22).



Mary Hope Greg (1850-1949) was a lifelong follower of John Ruskin, and a Companion of Ruskin's Guild of St George.

She was a passionate supporter of museums during the early 20th century, giving collections of domestic crafts and children's toys to Manchester City Art Galleries and London's Bethnal Green Museum.

She established her own museum in the Hertfordshire village of Westmill as a memorial to her late husband, fellow collector and local landowner Thomas Tylston Greg. She later set up the T&M Greg Trust to preserve land and property in the village for future generations. She was also a keen amateur naturalist and watercolour painter, recording the changing seasons of the Hertfordshire countryside in her nature diaries, now in the collections of the Guild. She did most of this between the ages of 70 and 99.

Until recently, however, little was really known about her life. In this talk, Liz Mitchell shares the latest findings of her PhD research. She provides fascinating insights into the development of Mrs Greg's dedication to Ruskin from her early life in Liverpool as a member of a family of wealthy philanthropists, through to the diverse achievements of her old age.

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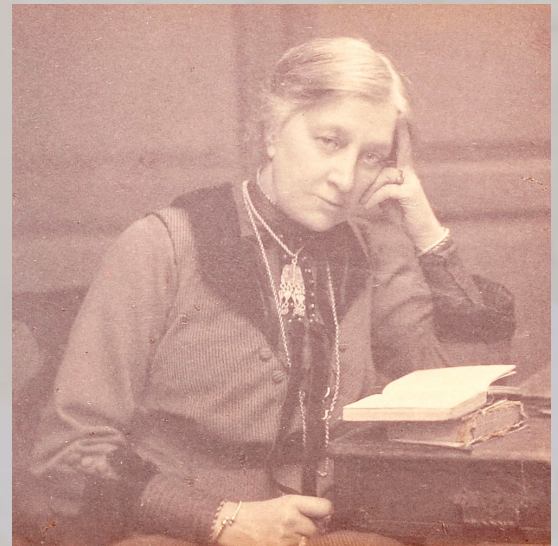
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Westmill Village Hall, SG9 9LJ
'Treasuring things of the least':
Mary Hope Greg of Westmill
A talk by Liz Mitchell

Part of a day of events on
Saturday, 24th June, 11.30-15.00.



Mary Hope Greg (1850-1949),
photograph c.1922.



Dolls' house, 19th century, from the Mary Greg Collection at Manchester City Galleries.



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