

Tasha Tudor

[Archive]: Original title page art and two spot drawings for "A Tale for Easter" with Correspondence and related material

New York: Oxford University Press (1941)

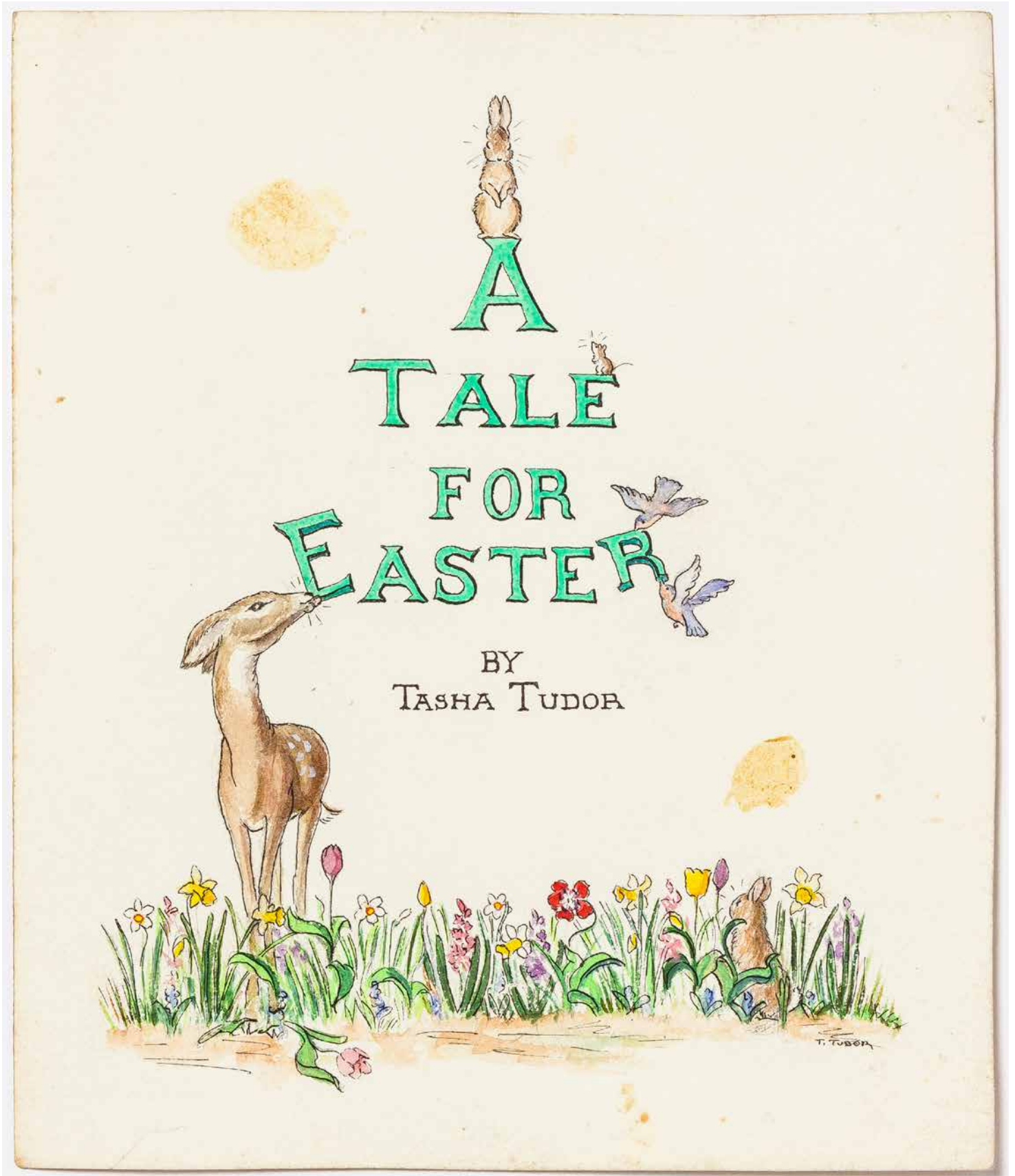
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A nice collection of three Tasha Tudor's original drawings from *A Tale for Easter* and four related Autograph Letters Signed from Tudor, plus a first edition copy of the book. The collection consists of:

Art:

1. Original title page illustration for *A Tale for Easter* with various animals interacting or perched on the letters of the title. Measuring 6" x 7". Pen and ink with watercolor. Signed in tiny script ("T. Tudor") in lower right corner. Two modest stains, possibly offsetting from a publisher's overlay else bright and near fine. With a small early paper sleeve or bag from a New Hampshire bookstore, hand labeled "Tasha Tudor title page."

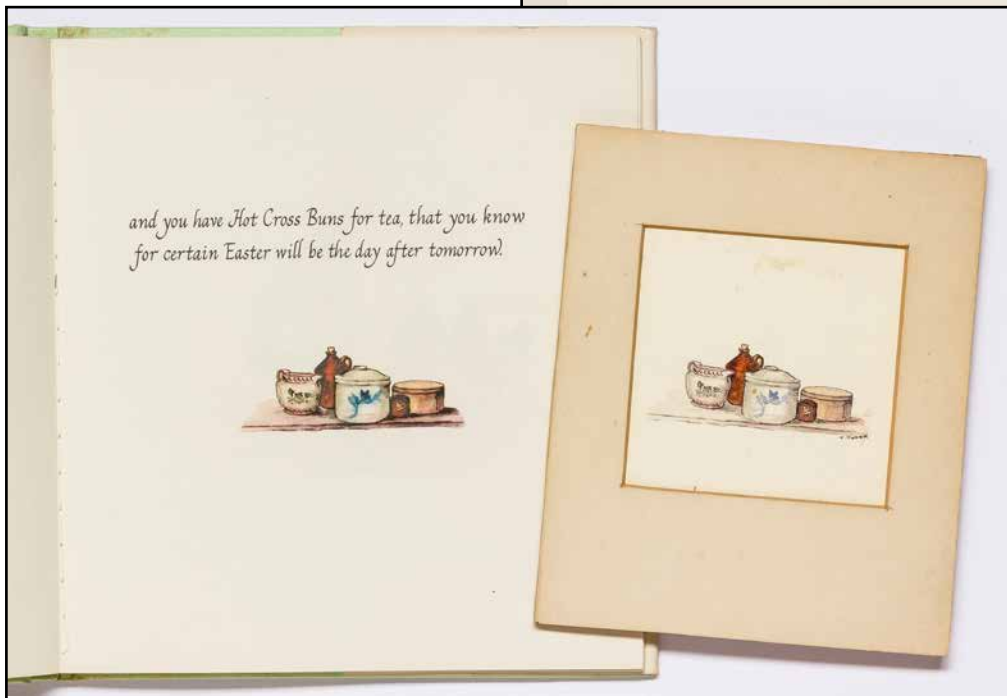
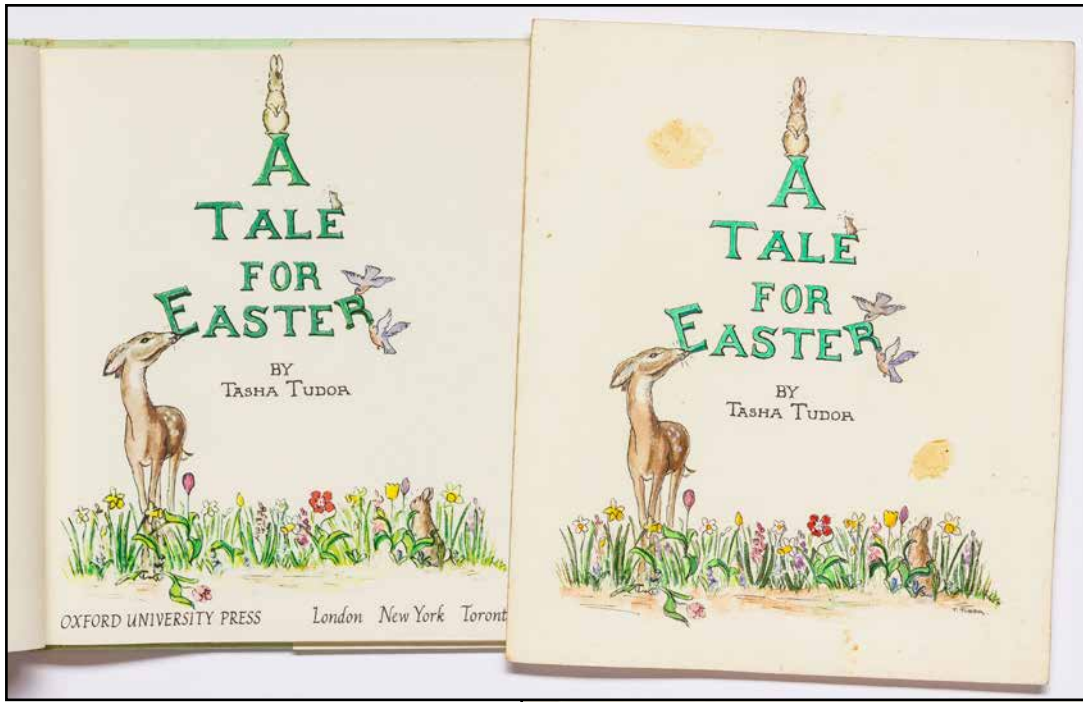


2. Original small pen and ink and watercolor spot illustration for *A Tale for Easter* of two pitchers, a plate of pancakes, and a covered butter dish. Measuring $2\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Matted. Signed in tiny script ("T. Tudor") in lower right corner. A little bleed-through from the glue used to mount the drawing, near fine.



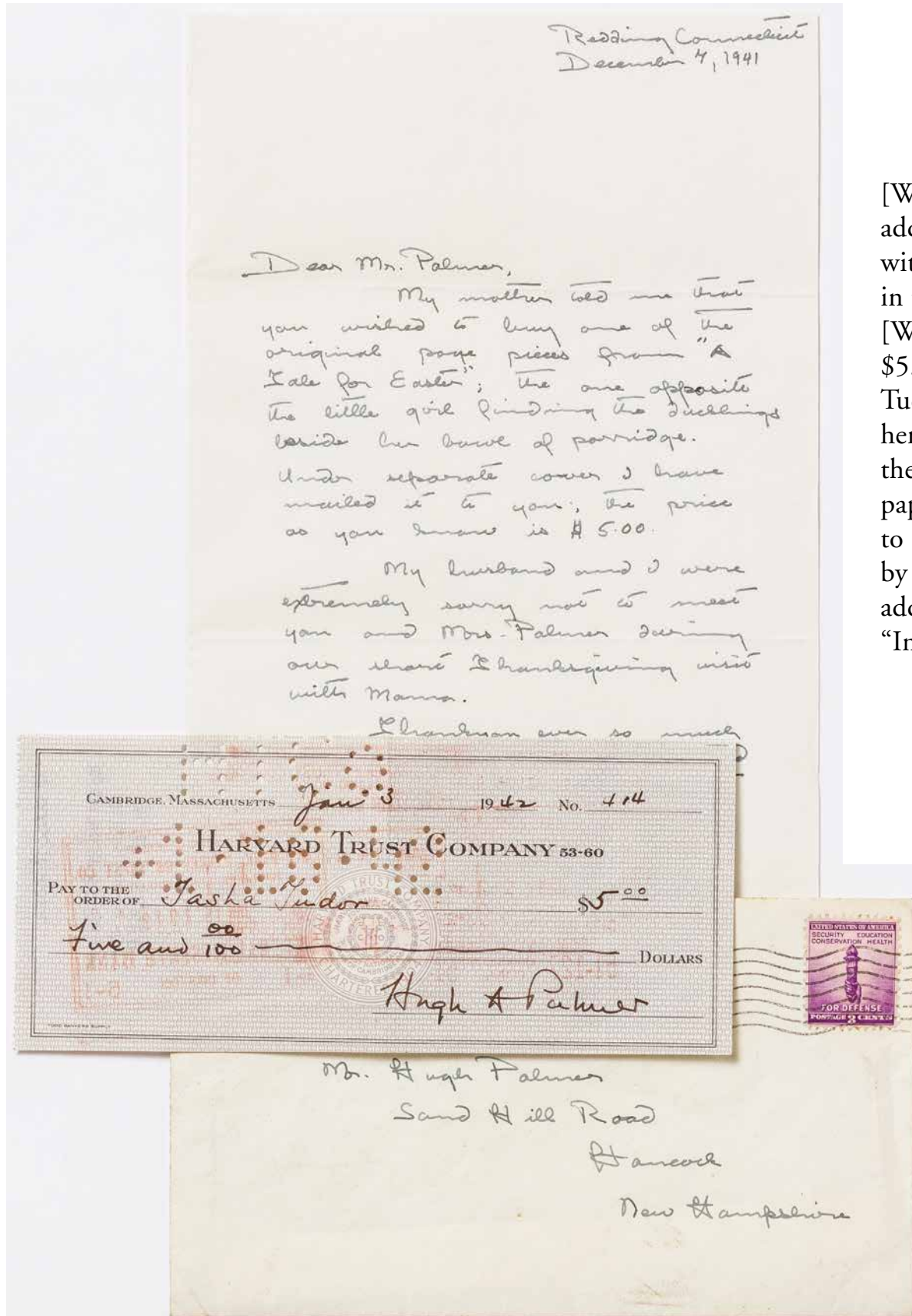
3. Original small pen and ink and watercolor spot illustration for *A Tale for Easter* of a jug, two covered boxes, a covered canister, and a pitcher. Measuring $2\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Signed in tiny script ("T. Tudor") in lower right corner. Matted. About fine.





Letters:

4. One-page Autograph Letter Signed as both Tasha Tudor and with her married name (Mrs. T. L. McCready, Jr.), dated 4 December 1941 from Redding, Connecticut, to Hugh A. Palmer of Hancock, New Hampshire. In part: "My mother told me that you wished to buy one of the original page pieces from "A Tale for Easter", the one opposite the little girl finding the ducklings beside her bowl of porridge. Under separate cover I have mailed it to you; the price as you know is \$5.00."



[With]: Original envelope addressed to Palmer and with Tudor's Signature in the return address.

[With]: Bank check for \$5.00 made out to Tasha Tudor and endorsed by her with her Signature on the verso. [With]: Brown paper wrapping addressed to Palmer and Signed by Tudor in the return address, with her note: "Insure for \$5.00."

Redding
Connecticut
January 11, 1942

Dear Mr. Palmer,

I thank you so much for
the check. I am extremely sorry
that you have had so much
trouble with your hand and
do hope you are fast
recovering.

It makes me happy
to hear that you are
pleased with the drawing.
I am complimented!

With best wishes to you
and yours for this new
year, and hope that we

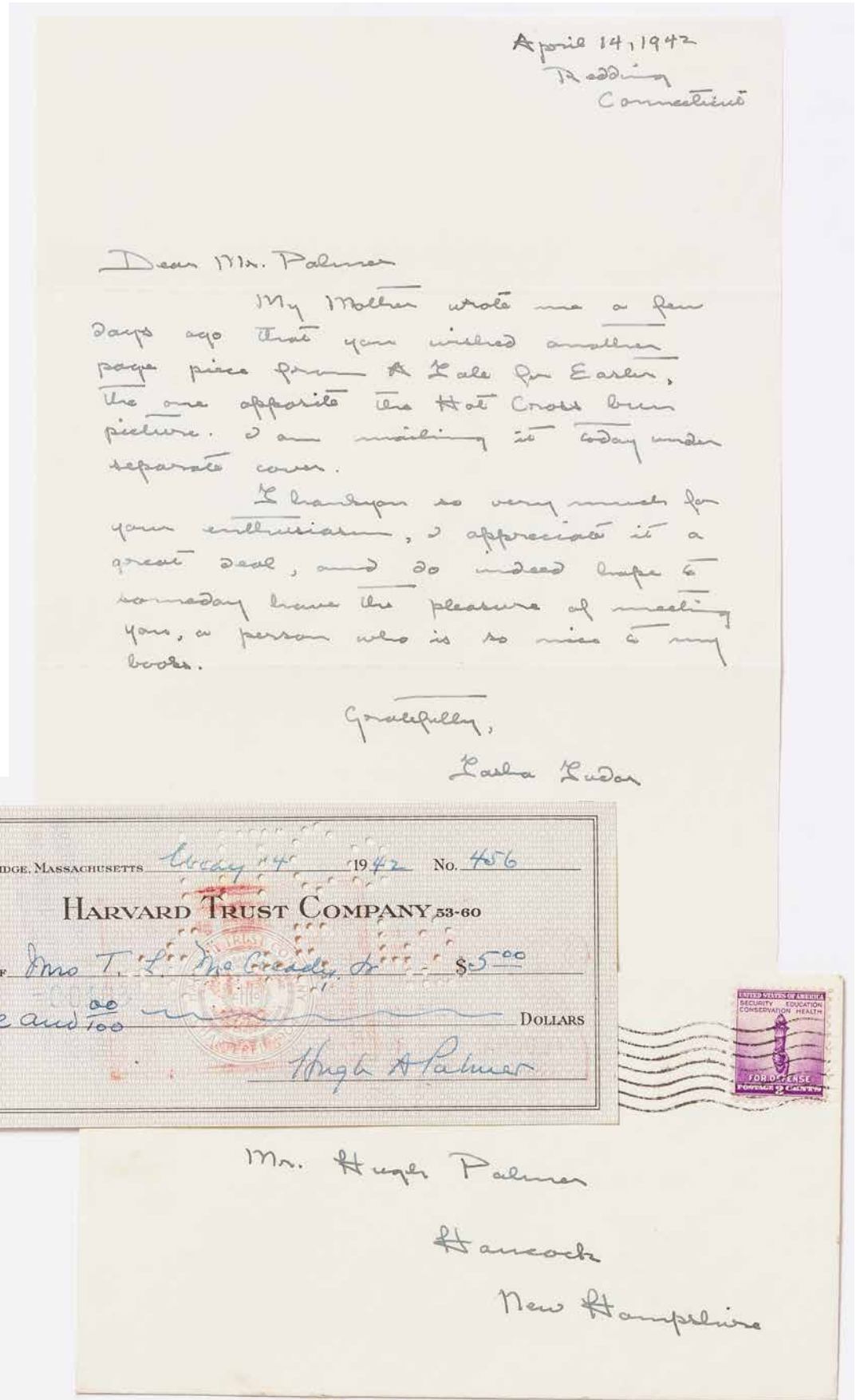
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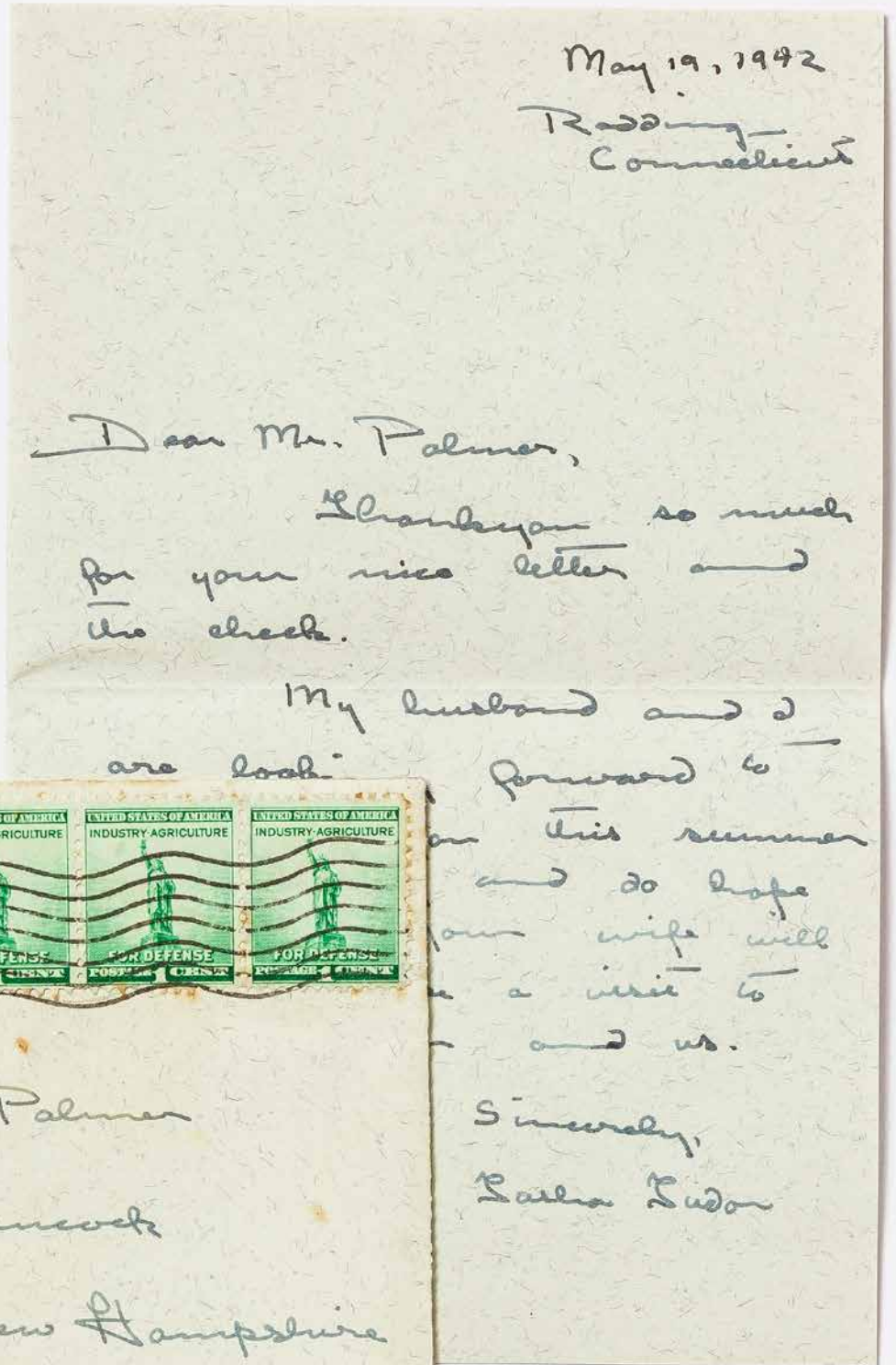
Mr. Hugh Palmer
Sand Hill Road
Hancock
New Hampshire

6. One-page Autograph Letter Signed as Tasha Tudor, dated 14 April 1942 from Redding, Connecticut, to Hugh A. Palmer of Hancock, New Hampshire. In part: "My mother wrote me a few days ago that you wished another page piece from A Tale for of Easter, the one opposite the Hot Cross buns picture. I am sending it today under separate cover. Thank you so much for your enthusiasm, I appreciate it a great deal..."

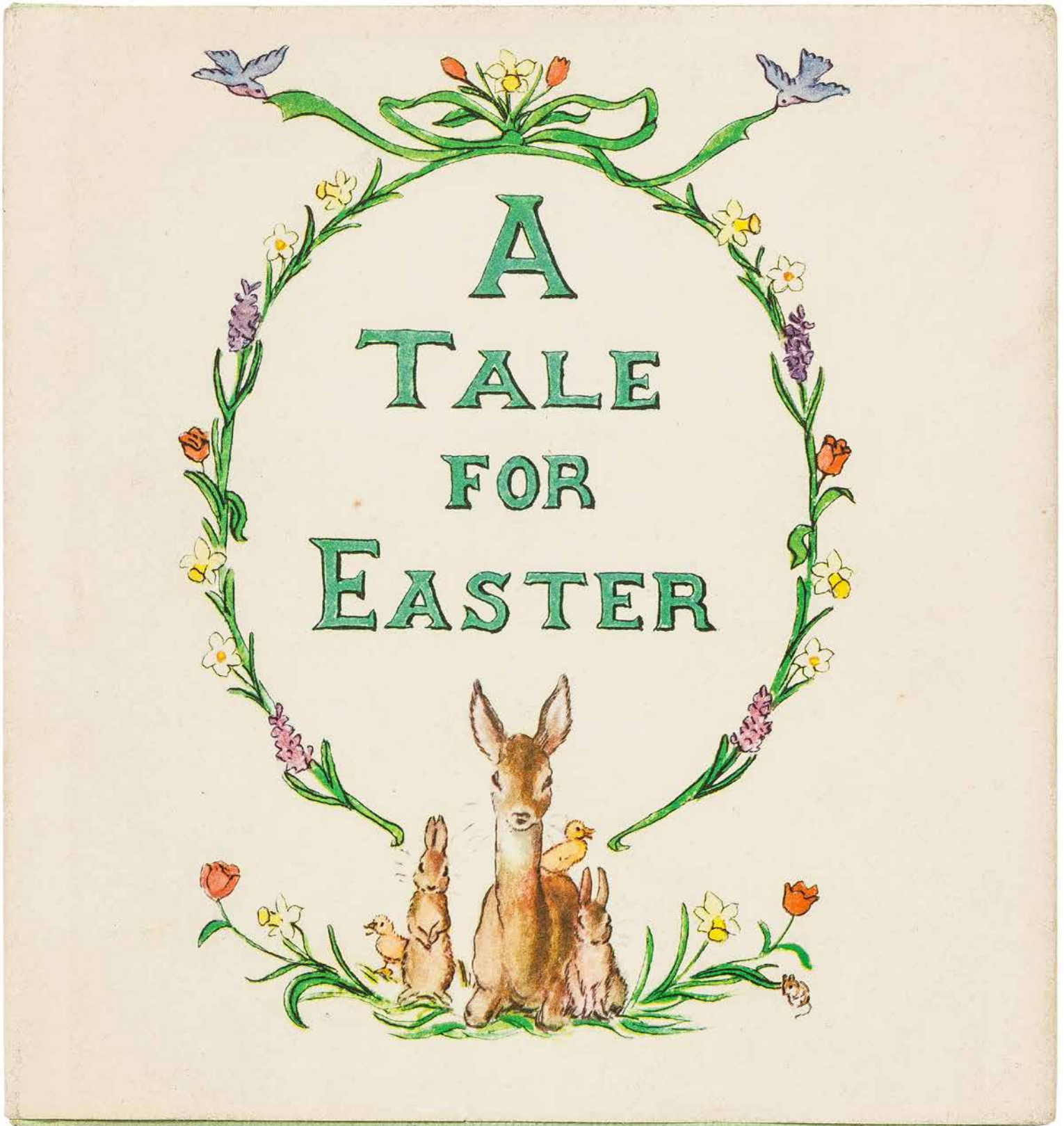
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7. One-page Autograph Letter Signed as Tasha Tudor, dated 19 May 1942 from Redding, Connecticut, to Hugh A. Palmer of Hancock, New Hampshire. In part: "Thank you so much for your nice letter and the check. My husband and I are looking forward to meeting you this summer in Redding and do hope you and your wife will really make a visit to my mother and us." [With]: Original envelope addressed to Palmer and with Tudor's Signature using her married name in the return address.



Books:
8. *A Tale for Easter*. First edition. 24mo. Measuring 6¼" x 6½". Fine in just about fine dustwrapper with a small stain on the rear panel.



A wonderful little self-contained and self-explanatory archive from the noted children's book author/artist. [BTC#426349]