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# 前言

清末民初的中国，是极富动感的时代，整个社会在精神和物质诸多方面，都处于千古未遇的深刻变动之中。呈现在读者面前的这部《上海图书馆藏盛宣怀档案萃编》，就是我们试图以原生档案文献形式，向公众多视角再现这一历史巨变的初步尝试。

顾名思义，这部《上海图书馆藏盛宣怀档案萃编》，系从上海图书馆所藏的「盛档」中精心选编而成的，大多首次面世。

众所周知，盛宣怀（一八四四至一九一六）是晚清重臣，亲身经历或直接参与近代许多重大历史事件，长期追随李鸿章创办洋务，成为近代骨干实业和多种文教事业的重要奠基者。值得注意的是，从盛宣怀父辈开始的盛氏祖孙三代，都具有浓烈的档案保存意识。尤其是盛宣怀，在其数十年从政生涯中，几乎将经手的所有公私文档均妥加保留，除大量往返公牍外，还有更多的私人信札，甚至自家账册、发票、收据、礼单、请柬、签条、剪报、丹方等等，无不悉心保存。这批文档的历史跨度长达八十年（一八五六至一九三六），总数超过十七万件，字数上亿。如此巨量的私家文档，在近代中国，迄今还找不出第二家。更兼盛宣怀的地位、经历、交游乃至作为，使「盛档」内容既广博又深厚。它涉及近代中国的内政外交，涵盖政治、经济、文教、科技及社风民俗等方面；当年活跃于历史舞台的重要人物和各界名流，大多同盛宣怀有过交往，在「盛档」中留下各自的历史足迹。这些都为今天深入认识与了解清末民初的中国社会，提供了不可多得的历史素材。

盛宣怀档案结缘上海图书馆，个中颇有历史渊源。盛宣怀生前不但注重档案的收存，而且总是将文档随带身边，以便及时查考。他晚年定居上海后，这批档案也就随之带到申城。盛宣怀过世后，「盛档」收藏于沪西的盛家祠堂内。上世纪三十年代末，盛家祠堂面临市政拓路，将被拆除，盛氏后人便将这批档案送交盛宣怀生前友好张元济创办、并由顾廷龙具体管理的合众图书馆收藏。新中国成立后，合众图书馆并入上海图书馆，「盛档」也

就随之成为上图的馆藏珍品。

上海图书馆深知「盛档」的珍贵，在妥善保存的基础上，分外重视整理开发。数十年来，「盛档」成为海内外学术界热切关注的目标。此前也曾经整理出版过数次。其间，一九三九年曾由盛氏后裔和幕僚编撰出版过《愚斋存稿》一百卷，约一百八十万字；上世纪七十年代开始，又集中上海学者陆续整理出版过《盛宣怀档案资料选辑》，计八辑十二册，总共七百三十多万字。这些面世的文献，同「盛档」上亿字的文献总量相比，仅占十分之一左右。有鉴于此，改革开放以后，我国学术界泰斗胡绳、王元化和上海图书馆馆长顾廷龙等，多次呼吁全面整理出版盛宣怀档案，强调指出：「『盛档』原件如能公布，将能补史之阙，纠史之偏，正史之讹。」（王元化语）在上海市委、市政府和市委宣传部的支持下，上海图书馆于一九九六年初成立「盛档整理小组」，组织近十名研究人员，对八十多家「盛档」原件，予以逐一启封、清理、登记、修补，将「盛档」整理视作具有重要现实意义和深远历史意义的重大文化工程。经过十年埋头苦战，终于完成了对十七万多件「盛档」文献的基础编目、卡片制作、原件扫描和数据库建设等繁重任务。

为了实现在「盛档」整理过程中既出成果又出人才的双重目标，在「盛档」的数据库建设大体完成后，本馆又组织「盛档」整理小组成员着手选编这部《上海图书馆藏盛宣怀档案萃编》，从浩瀚的「盛档」文献中发掘若干主题，精选出以往未曾面世过的、又具有重要历史价值的珍贵史料，列为经济金融、时事政治、慈善事业、文化教育和社会习俗等五个门类，予以集结成册，影印出版，力求既反映整理小组辛勤耕耘的初步成果，更为关心「盛档」的社会各界人士，提供一扇亲近这批历史文献珍品的窗口。

# Preface

At the end of the Qing dynasty and the beginning of the Republican period, China was in an age full of turbulence, and the whole society was experiencing great and unprecedented changes in spiritual and material aspects. *The Collection of Sheng Xuanhuai Archives in Shanghai Library* shows our effort in presenting such historical changes from multiple perspectives by reproducing the original archival documents.

Just as the title implies, *The Collection of Sheng Xuanhuai Archives in Shanghai Library* consists of carefully selected documents from Sheng archives held in the Shanghai Library, most of which are published for the first time.

As is well-known, Sheng Xuanhuai (1844~1916) was a very important bureaucrat of the Qing dynasty. He personally experienced or directly participated in many significant historical events of modern China. He followed Li Hongzhang in leading the Westernization Movement and was one of the pioneers of modern industry and commerce and a founder of many cultural and educational undertakings. What is remarkable is that three generations of the Shengs' family, from Sheng Xuanhai's grandfather to Sheng Xuanhuai, especially Sheng Xuanhuai himself, all had a strong awareness for archive preservation. In his decades of political career, he took pains to keep all the public and private documents he personally handled with, including official correspondence, private letters, even account books, invoices, receipts, lists of presents, invitations, notes, newspaper clippings and medical prescriptions. Everything was well preserved. The archives cover a span of 80 years from 1856 to 1936, with altogether 170,000 items and over a hundred million Chinese characters. To such a great amount of archives privately preserved, no match can be found in modern China. In addition, due to Sheng Xuanhuai's status, experience, social relations and achievements, the Sheng archives contains profound and extensive substances, covering such areas as politics, economy, culture, education, science and technology, as well as social customs and habits. Most of the important contemporaries active in the historical stage had contacts with him and left their traces in the Sheng archives. As a result, these documents provide us with rare historical materials for our in-depth understanding and knowledge of the Chinese society during the end of the Qing dynasty and the beginning of the Republican period.

It was by the coincidence of history that the Shanghai Library had the great fortune to receive Sheng's archives. Sheng Xuanhuai not only took great care to preserve documents, but also kept them with him wherever he went for ready reference. When he moved to Shanghai in his old

age, the archives came with him to this city. After Sheng Xuanhuai's death, they were kept in Sheng's family temple located in the west of Shanghai city. At the end of 1930s the family temple was about to be pulled down due to the municipal planning, and Sheng's descendants donated the huge archives to the Hezhong Library, which was founded by Zhang Yuanji, a good friend of Sheng Xuanhuai, and managed by Gu Tinglong. After the foundation of the People's Republic of China, the Hezhong Library was merged with the Shanghai Library, and Sheng's archives became a treasured collection of the Shanghai Library.

Well aware of the value of Sheng archives, the Shanghai Library has paid great attention to the organization and exploitation of these documents, as well as their preservation. For decades, Sheng Archives has been the focus of attention from scholars at home and abroad. The documents were published several times before. In 1939, Sheng's descendants and his aids and staff compiled and published *Yu Zhai Cun Gao* (Collected Works of Yuzhai) in 100 volumes and with about 1.8 million Chinese characters. From 1970s onwards, scholars in Shanghai were invited to organize and publish *Selected Materials from the Sheng Xuanhuai Archives* in 8 selections with 12 volumes, and over 7.3 million Chinese characters. However, the published documents only occupy about 10% of the archives, which consists of over 100 million Chinese characters. Since the reform and opening-up, some famous scholars as Hu Sheng, Wang Yuanhua and Gu Tinglong, late Director of the Shanghai Library appealed many times to sort out the archives for publication . As Wang Yuanhua pointed out, "If the original documents in Sheng Archives can be published, they will supply what the history lacks, put the bias in history right and correct wrong historical records." With the support of Shanghai Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China, Shanghai Municipal Government and the Propaganda Department of the Shanghai Municipal Committee of the CPC, the Shanghai Library established a "Sheng Archives Working Group" at the beginning of 1996, inviting about 10 researchers to unseal, organize, register and restore the original documents in over 80 cases of the archives. All the effort was conducted as an important cultural project with both current and historical significance. After a decade of hard work, the Shanghai Library finally completed the difficult task of cataloging, card making, full text scanning and database establishment of the over 170,000 items in Sheng Archives.

To reach the double targets of making achievements and training professionals during the organization of Sheng Archives, the Library has invited the members of the Sheng Archives Working Group to compile this *The Collection of Sheng Xuanhuai Archives in Shanghai Library*, deriving several subjects from the extensive archives and selecting highly valuable historical documents, most of which have never been published before. These documents are placed into five subjects, including economy and finance, current political affairs, philanthropy, culture and education, customs and habits. They are reproduced by photomechanical printing, with the purpose to reflect the preliminary research result of the Working Group, and to provide a window for those who are interested in Sheng Archives to be closer to these treasured historical documents.

# 凡例

一 本书所有图录均用上海图书馆收藏的盛宣怀档案原件翻拍影印。

二 本书分为上下两册，五个分编：上册商战求富，激荡楸枰；下册赈灾济贫，欧风美雨，风尚习俗。分别选编经济金融、时事政治、慈善事业、文化教育、社会习俗方面的档案。各编撰有导言，按所选内容分为若干章节，章节各有名称。

三 每件档案撰有简短提要，题名为编者所拟。

四 提要一般不对人物做介绍，只在必要时撰写简介。

五 提要附有两个描述档案原件的物理要素：一是档案产生年月，按原件著录，编者不作改动；二是档案原件尺寸，以厘米（cm）为单位，按高×宽标注，双页和多页档案均按单页尺寸标注。

六 各分编编纂人员：商战求富：李卉卉、黄嬿婉；激荡楸枰：计宏伟；赈灾济贫：冯金牛；欧风美雨：郑春生；风尚习俗：高洪兴。

# Guide to the Catalog

1. This Collection is photo-offset copies of original documents in the Sheng Xuanhuai Archives in the Shanghai Library.
2. This Collection is in two volumes. Volume I consists two parts, including Trade War for Wealth, the Storm in Political Game. Volume II consists three parts, including the Disaster Relief, Impact of the West and Customs and Habits.
3. There is a general introduction in front of every part. Every part includes several sections characterized by the subjects.
4. Each document is attached with a caption and titled by the editors.
5. The biography of the person related is not given in details, but brief introduction when necessary.
6. The caption of the document marks two important issues: I. date of the document; II. size of the document. The size of the multi-page document is marked by the single page in it.
7. Editorial: Trade War for Wealth, Li Huihui, Huang Yanwan; The Storm in Political Game, Ji Hongwei; The Disaster Relief, Feng Jinniu; Impact of the West, Zheng Chunshen; Customs and Habits, Gao Hongxing.

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