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DBS Records of Bleaymire and Shepherd, solicitors, of Penrith

Papers of the Scott Family

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Mary Jane Wood (Parramatta) to Miss Scott (Penrith), 8 April 1819: hard voyage of four months and two weeks on *Maria*; birth of a son; their 1600 acre property named 'Chipping'; goods from England are expensive; robberies and shortages in the colony; a good school mistress would make a fortune; the convicts; mutual friends.

Mary Jane Wood (Chipping) to Miss Scott, 20 Dec. 1819: her baby son; the property; stock; children's education; schools of industry; Governor Lachlan Macquarie and Elizabeth Macquarie.

Note of Mary Jane Wood, 1821.

Mary Jane Wood (Chipping) to Miss Scott, 1 March 1822: birth of another girl; her family; her poor health; servants and other employees; mutual friends and acquaintances; the new governor Sir Thomas Brisbane; her husband declined an offer to become a justice; their property.

Mary Jane Wood (Chipping) to Miss Scott, 28 Feb. 1826: death of Miss Scott's brother.

Mary Jane Wood (Sydney) to Miss Scott, 20 April 1826: thanks for gift; domestic news; Capt. Lamb.

Mary Jane Wood (Chipping) to Miss Scott, 9 July 1827: death of her brother George; hopes she and her husband will be spared until the children are old enough to take care of themselves; mutual friends and acquaintances; Governor Ralph Darling favours the military too much; attack on the property by bushrangers; lacks female friends; illness in the colony.

John Wood (Chipping) to Miss Scott, 26 July 1827: death of Mary Wood after a week's illness; arrangements for the children.

Mary B. Wood (Sydney) to Miss Scott, 21 Nov. 1830: thanks for books; family news.

Mary B. Wood (Sydney) to Miss Scott, 1 July 1831: glad she has arrived safely in England; when Mary leaves school she will go to Lowther [near Lithgow] where her father runs cattle; domestic news.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley, Bathurst) to Miss Scott, 14 April 1836: her marriage to Mr Lowe; her sister Alice Wood is at school in Sydney and Joseph is at Sydney College; her brother John is at Lowther with their father; town of Sydney has improved; drought.

Mary B. Lowe (Sydney) to Miss Scott, 10 July 1837: birth of a daughter; is spending the winter in Sydney where it is less cold; domestic news; Sir John Franklin; the new bishop.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 12 Aug. 1839: death of a cousin William Robinson at Demerara; births of two more children; the Church; immigrants are often worse than the convict population; severe drought.

Note on Catholic Church salaries, 1839.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 29 Dec. 1841: recovery after a severe illness following a still birth; drought; poor quality of immigrants; a new church and minister; domestic news.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 15 Jan. 1843: sorry for her illness; arrival of a cousin; loss of two little expected ones; the colony could absorb an industrious peasantry; a meeting in Sydney to petition for a supply of Indian coolies; growth of Sydney; Aborigines very troublesome in distant parts of the colony; many merchants have failed.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 31 Jan. 1845: death of a young son and daughter; domestic news; results of the policy of Sir George Gipps; clergy; education.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 22 March 1846: death of another child, the sixth; domestic news; Catholic converts.

Mary B. Lowe (Penrith) to Miss Scott, 1849: death of Miss Scott's sister; Lowe and her baby now well after a dangerous birth; domestic news.

Mary B. Lowe (Sidmouth Valley) to Miss Scott, 6 July 1852: death of a child; great increase in crime, gambling and drunkenness since gold was discovered; appointment of two Church of England ministers; domestic news.

DCR Papers of J.W. Crerar, antiquarian of Maryport, 1819-1951

DCR/17 Papers on the ballot in Maryport

Select:

Alexander Morison (Adelaide) to Crerar (Maryport), 7 June 1938: inquiry regarding Thomas English; encloses extracts from 1840 Act to constitute a Municipal Corporation for the City of Adelaide.

Crerar to Alexander Morison, 29 July 1938: thanks for material on Municipal Act; his interest in Thomas English; his claim that Maryport was the first English town to have a municipal election with a secret ballot; its relation to the practice in South Australia.

Alexander Morison to Crerar, 2 Sept. 1938: portraits of Robert Adair and Thomas English; forwards a paper (2pp) from the South Australian Archivist on the introduction of the ballot in South Australia for parliamentary elections; requests a copy of Crerar's article on Maryport and the ballot.

Crerar to Alexander Morrison, 19 Oct. 1938: would like to use his enclosure for an article.

G.H. Pitt (Adelaide) to Crerar, 25 Sept. 1938: thanks for reprints from *Truth* and *West Cumberland News* on papers on Maryport.

J.W. Crerar. Maryport and the ballot, [1939]. (8pp, typescript with ms amendments)

DCR/18

Select:

J.W. Crerar. Maryport and the ballot: a priority claim not challenged: a son of Maryport introduced system into Australia, *West Cumberland News* 5 Aug. 1939. (reprint)

DCR/19

Select:

Alexander Morison (Adelaide) to Crerar, 5 April 1938: sends a biographical note (2pp) on Thomas English, Mayor of Adelaide in 1862-63.

J.T. Gill (Cockermouth) to W.J. Wilson (Maryport), 27 April 1938: Thomas English married Sarah Brown at Crosscanonby on 20 June 1848.

DKEN Papers of the Kennedy Family of Crosby-on-Eden, 1543-1870

Georgiana Kennedy (1805-1843), who was born near Carlisle in Cumberland, married Captain John Molloy in 1829. They sailed to the Swan River shortly afterwards and joined other settlers in forming a new settlement at Augusta. From 1836 onwards she spent her spare time collecting botanical specimens for Captain James Mangles. In 1839 the Molloy family moved to the Vasse district.

DKEN/3/28 Georgiana Kennedy

Chart of Swan River from a survey by Capt. James Stirling, 1827. Tracing, ink on paper.

Georgiana Molloy. Journal of a voyage on the *Warrior* from Portsmouth to the Cape of Good Hope, 19 Oct. 1829 – 18 Jan. 1830. (21pp) The entries are mostly brief and refer to preparations for the voyage, the departure (23 Oct. 1829), sea-sickness, high seas in the Bay of Biscay, sighting of Cape Verde Islands, landing at Porto Praya on St Jago (Santiago), sightings of ships, fellow-passengers, church services, continued illness, arrival at Table Bay, landing at Cape Town.

Georgiana Molloy (St Jago) to her mother, Elizabeth Kennedy, brothers and sisters, 23 Nov. 1829: voyage of *Warrior* from England to Cape Verde Islands. (crossed)

Extracts from letters from Swan River Western Australia, London, 1830. (24pp)

Extracts from letters from Swan River Western Australia, 2nd ed., London, 1830. (40pp)

Georgiana Molloy (Cape Town) to Elizabeth Kennedy (Rugby), 12 Jan. 1830: voyage of the *Warrior*. (crossed)

Capt. John Molloy (Cape of Good Hope) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 25 Jan. 1830: voyage of the *Warrior*. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Perth) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 4 April 1830: arrival at Swan River; impressions of the colony (crossed).

Georgiana Molloy to Elizabeth Kennedy, n.d.: disappointment with land surrounding Swan and Canning Rivers; sailed in brig *Emily Taylor* to south of Augusta and have taken up a grant of land; John Molloy appointed as a magistrate; birth and death of their child; local and domestic news. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy. Journal, 24 May – 3 June 1830. (4pp) The entries describe the birth of Molloy's first child, Elizabeth Mary, her ailments, measures taken by Molloy and a nurse, and the baby's death.

Emily Bollen (Perth) to Georgiana Molloy (Augusta), 20 July 1830: intends to return to England. (crossed)

Ellen Stirling (Perth) to Georgiana Molloy, 11 Aug. 1830: hopes that Molloy's little settlement thrives; their community at Perth; mutual friends; Perth has much improved. (crossed)

? (Swan River) to [Capt. John Molloy (?), 5 Jan. 1831: description of the area; voyage of HMS *Sulphur* north of Cockburn Sound; return of Governor James Stirling; discovery of good pasturage at head of Swan River; Thomas Peel.

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 9 July 1831: voyage from England; settlement at Swan River; family news. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy to Elizabeth Kennedy, 4 Dec. 1831: a new baby; local news. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy (Cheltenham), 16 July 1832: domestic and local news; arrival of HMS *Sulphur* with provisions for the near-starving settlement. (crossed)

John Molloy (Augusta) to Dalton Kennedy, 18 July 1832: advice on his conduct of life; their infant child; life since they landed at Western Australia. (crossed)

Notes on excursion with John Bussell from Augusta to the Vasse River, 7-15 Jan. 1833. (6pp)

Part of a map of the Vasse District.

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 28 Feb. [1833]: her need of women's company; requires help on their holding.

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy and family (Cheltenham), 22 April 1833: local news; goods that she would like to have shipped from England.

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 29 May 1833: local news; sends an extract from a letter from Col. Harry Smith at the Cape referring to the Governor and Ellen Stirling. (crossed)

Part of a letter dated 24 July – 6 August. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 26 June 1834: a new baby; local news. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 14 Jan. 1835: the baby; John Molloy will go to England; domestic news.

Georgiana Molloy to Elizabeth Kennedy, n.d.: hopes Kennedy will come to Western Australia; local and domestic news. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy to her brother George Kennedy (Exeter), 13 Sept. 1835: possibility of their mother coming to Australia. (crossed)

John Molloy to Elizabeth Kennedy, 10 Oct. 1835: away from home, purchasing cows and a mare; family is 'emerging from the shades of poverty'; he cannot afford to visit England and leave Georgiana in her present situation; inquires whether Kennedy plans to come out. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 22 Dec. 1835: the three children; family problems. (crossed)

Georgiana Molloy (Augusta) to Elizabeth Kennedy, 13 Feb. 1837; John Molloy is at Swan River; family and local news. (crossed)

John Molloy to Elizabeth Kennedy, 2-5 April 1837: thanks for gifts; he has the largest grant of land at Geographe Bay where he will build a house and acquire stock; general news.

DX 46 Records of Tullie House Museum and Art Gallery, Carlisle

DX 46/320 Miscellaneous records, 1783-1944

Select:

DX 46/320/5 Letters from John Gibson, 1854-74

John Gibson (Liverpool) to his mother, 18 Dec. 1854: does not know when he will sail.

John Gibson (Melbourne) to his mother, 1 Aug. 1855: voyage to Australia; very little work in the colony.

John Gibson (Parramatta) to his mother, 17 July 1857: no settled place of abode; voyage from Liverpool to Melbourne; various work including building and gold digging; descriptions of the country and Melbourne, Sydney and Parramatta.

John Gibson (Parramatta) to his mother, 15 May 1858: will send Australian birds in return for ornamental lettering; he is not dead as she thought; would like his brother Joseph to come out as a partner to combine masonry and carpentry.

James Simmons (Parramatta) to ?, 30 July 1874: has heard no news of her brother from any of the stonemasons; he was a very heavy drinker and is probably dead.

YDX 71 Title deeds of 35-36 King Street, Whitehaven, 1752-1919

Select:

65 Conveyance for £2200 of premises no. 36 King Street and nos. 3-5 Chapel Street, Whitehaven, from Charles Fisher (Distington Hall), James Dees (Whitehaven), James Wilfred Marsden ((Isel Nelson, New Zealand) and Edward Atter (Whitehaven) to John Steward (Whitehaven) and others, 23 June 1905.

DX 67 Title deeds and papers of Magden Family of Nenthead, 1611-1917

37 Family and business correspondence, 1838-1910

Select:

Stephen Magden (Melbourne) to his father Robson Magden (Alston), 22 Sept. 1854: passage to Australia; obtained work gardening and quarrying; plenty of work for those willing to work hard; local prices. (poor legibility)

Stephen Magden to Robson Magden, 22 Sept. 1854. (clear copy)

Stephen Magden (Tarrangower) to Robson Magden, 5 July 1855: working on goldfields but without extraordinary success; local prices.

Stephen Magden (Pleasant Creek) to Robson Magden, 13 March 1859: work on quartz reef at Pleasant Creek [near Stawell, Victoria] for last two years; local prices.

Stephen Magden (Greymouth) to his brother, 18 Feb. 1866: very rough country in New Zealand; plenty of gold; prices.

Samuel and Margaret White (Ipswich, Queensland) to their brother and sister, 19 Nov. 1866: no work for four months; thinking of taking up land.

Samuel and Margaret White (Brickfields) to their brother and sister, 14 Feb. 1867: Sam is working sinking a shaft for coal; they did not get the land they wanted.

Samuel and Margaret White (Ipswich) to their brother and sister, 19 Nov. 1867: local news; many people have flocked to the diggings at Maryborough.

Samuel and Margaret White (Normandy Reserve) to their brother and sister, 29 March 1869: bad weather and caterpillars have affected cotton; local prices.

Stephen Magden to his brother, 29 Sept. 1872: has received no letters; has worked hard and had some illness and injury; lived with a widow but she wanted marriage so he left.

Stephen Magden to his brother, 22 April 1876: settling down with Margaret and Samuel White; will buy some land.

Stephen Magden (Ipswich) to his brother, 22 April 1876: seeks money left in his father's will.

Robson and Mary Unwin (Adelaide) to their uncle and aunt, 20 March 1886: recently arrived and settled in a house and garden; impressions of Adelaide.

DX 50 Scrapbooks of McMorran Family of Cotehill, 1899-1946

William McMorran (d. 1915) had four sons, two of whom, Archie and John, migrated to Australia in 1884. James McMorran (d. 1927), the son of their brother William McMorran (d. 1949), also migrated to Australia in 1911.

Select:

1-2 Scrapbooks of photographs and press cuttings

The scrapbooks, which date from about 1890 to 1964, contain photographs, newspaper cuttings, cards and printed ephemera relating to various members of the McMorran Family. The subjects of the photographs include Archie and James McMorran, the daughters of Archie McMorran and the wedding of his daughter Jean, the wedding of James McMorran and Lily Hansford in Sydney (1926), St Paul's Church, Burwood, and St John's Church, Canberra (where James McMorran was buried), other family members in Australia, Australian scenes, and labels from Australian food parcels. There are also postcards from Australia, a press cutting about James McMorran's death (1927), and letters (1946) from Bill McMorran (Gunnendah, NSW) and John McMorran (Sydney).

DCU Records of Curwen Family of Workington Hall, 1358-1939

DCU/1 Family records

Select:

DCU/1/35 Lieut. Henry Roberts. *A general chart exhibiting the discoveries made by Captn. James Cook in this and his preceding two voyages, with the tracks of the ships under his command*, n.d. 36" x 22" (approx.).

DLONS/L Estate records of Lowther Family, Earls of Lonsdale, c. 1135-1968

Box 5

Select: T. Bowen. *A new and complete chart of the world displaying the tracks of Captn. Cook and other modern navigators*, n.d. 17½" x 12½" (approx.). Bound as part of *A treatise on naval affairs*, 1790.

The Carlisle Journal

Carlisle Journal, 28 March 1871, page 2, containing an obituary from the *Timaru Herald* of Francis Jollie. Francis Jollie (1815-1870) was the son of Rev. Francis Jollie of Carlisle. In 1842 he emigrated to Nelson, New Zealand, where he was the agent of the New Zealand Company. In 1853 he moved to Peel Forest in South Canterbury. He was a member of the House of Representatives from 1861 until his death. His brother Edward Jollie, a surveyor, also settled in New Zealand in 1842.

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BDX 170 Journal of Joshua Hughes, 1863

Journal kept by Joshua Hughes on the voyage of the *Montmorency* from Liverpool to Brisbane and during his first weeks in Brisbane, 10 April – 7 August 1863, transcribed by William Hughes. (84pp)

The journal, which is quite detailed, describes Hughes's preparations for the voyage, his departure from Liverpool (15 April), sightings of ships and the Welsh coastline, sea sickness of passengers, church services, meals, his duties as messman, squabbles among passengers, passengers placed in irons and other disciplinary action by the captain, the weather and the seas, concerts, dances, car playing, handball and other pastimes, the ship's newspaper *Montmorency Chronicle*, illnesses of passengers, a measles epidemic and deaths of children, Crossing the Line ceremonies, sightings of porpoises, flying fish, Cape pigeons and other fish and birds, shooting of birds, accidents arising from rough seas in the Indian Ocean, the sighting of Cape Moreton, the Brisbane River, the arrival at Brisbane (23 July), Hughes's search for lodgings and employment, his meeting with the governor Sir George Bowen, possum shooting and his work as a shingle splitter.

BDX 166 Diary and papers of John S. Littlewood, 1898-1920

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BDX 166/1 Diary of John Littlewood on the barque *Oakhurst*, 1898-99

Diary kept by John Swainson Littlewood (b. 1874) of Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire, on the voyage of the *Oakhurst* from Liverpool to Adelaide and Port Augusta and on the return voyage to England, 5 February 1898 – January 1899.

Littlewood was a member of the crew of the *Oakhurst*, which was carrying general cargo from England to South Australia. His diary contains entries of varying length, with a few gaps, and some of the pages are faint and possibly water-damaged. It refers to the weather and the seas, his relations with Russian, Swedish and other foreign sailors, daily work on the vessel including steering, sail changes, cleaning and painting, meals, sightings of other ships, sighting of Tristan da Cunha, the ship's arrival at Port Adelaide, unloading of cargo, repairs, visits to Woodville and Adelaide, walks around the city and visits to the botanical and zoological gardens and the art gallery, the referendum on Australian federation (4 June 1898), the voyage to Spencer's Gulf and Port Augusta (22 June 1898), impressions of the town 'illuminated by electric light', ship arrivals and departures, Littlewood's loneliness and lack of a friend on the ship, the departure from Port Augusta (23 July 1898), the return voyage to Liverpool, and Littlewood's return to Barrow. The day of the week is given for each entry, but only a few are dated. At the end of the diary are a number of poems, including 'When Dad comes out of gaol' from *The Bulletin* (Sydney) and Rudyard Kipling's 'If'.