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D/EBP Papers of the Bouverie-Pusey Family, c. 1220-1890

F20 Family papers

Sir William Denison (Hobart) to Duke of Newcastle, 19 April 1854: agricultural improvements; purchase of digging machines and other implements.

H. Merivale (Colonial Office) to P. Pusey, 28 Aug. 1854: seeks advice concerning Denison's request.

D/EBY Personal and estate papers of Benyon Family of Englefield, c. 1250-1959

C43 Miscellaneous correspondence

Thomas Mills (Sydney) to his wife Ann Mills (Basingstoke), 25 March 1826: his innocence of the crimes for which he was transported; requests letter be given to Eastaff and Benyon.

Thomas Mills to Eastaff, Benyon and Rev. Williams: requests they write to A. Macleay, Colonial Secretary, on his behalf; John Hughes willing to testify to his innocence. (copy)

T. Eastaff (?) (Reading) to R. Benyon de Beauvoir, 5 Oct. 1826: believes Mills is innocent but testimony of one convict on behalf of another would not suffice to have case examined.

D/ECB Papers deposited by Cooke, Cooper and Barry, solicitors, of Wokingham, 1417-1931

B86 Papers relating to the marriage settlement of Rev. Henry Le Grand Boyce of Oving, Buckinghamshire, and Cordelia Mason (1846) and its subsequent administration to 1883. Includes:

13 Statement of John W. Boyce of Bundaberg, Queensland, concerning his life and family, n.d. (2pp)

14 Power of attorney from J.W. Boyce (Bundaberg) to N. Cork (London), 4 March 1882.

B93 Papers relating to the marriage settlement of John Hulme and Ann Donaldson of Rochester (1824) and subsequent administration to 1880. Includes:

Powers of attorney and other documents relating to William C. Hulme (d. 1858) of Bendigo, Gordon H. Hulme of Bundaberg, and John C. Hulme of Wagga Wagga, children of John and Anne Hulme.

D/ECH Deeds and Documents of the Buscot Park Estate, 1669-1949

Buscot Park at Faringdon, Berkshire, was owned by the New South Wales pastoralist and gold trader Robert Tertius Campbell (1811-1887) and his heirs from 1860 to 1889.

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R.C. Crawford (Hill End, NSW) to Anne Campbell, 21 March 1864: his affairs in NSW; refers to Maori War in New Zealand.

D/EDD Correspondence and papers of the Dundas, Crawford and Willis families, 1782-1916

F2 Miscellaneous correspondence, mostly of James C. Crawford, 1782-1901

James Coutts Crawford (1817-1889) served in the Royal Navy from 1831 to 1837. In 1838 he emigrated to Sydney and in 1839 he visited New Zealand. He purchased land near Wellington from the New Zealand Company and established a cattle station called Miramar. He later returned to England, where his wife Sophia died in 1852. Following his re-marriage, Crawford settled permanently in New Zealand in 1857. In addition to his farming and mining interests, he was active in public affairs: he was appointed the Wellington provincial geologist in 1861 and he was a member of the Legislative Council (1859-67), resident magistrate (1864-78), a captain in the Wellington Militia, and held office in several learned societies.

The letters, which were filmed in their entirety, are arranged roughly in chronological order. The letters of New Zealand and Australian interest include:

8 Lord Camperdown (London) to Crawford, 6 June 1839: introduces nephew who is going to Australia.

19 H. Keppel (Sydney) to Crawford [1850]: magnetic observations of *Bramble* on return voyage to England; possibility of Crawford and his wife sailing on HMS *Rattlesnake*.

20 Drawing of the headstone of Sophia Crawford (d. 1852), wife of J.C. Crawford.

32 ? (Penrith) to Crawford, 8 Oct. 1852: compensation to Crawford on account of land purchases in New Zealand.

35 Helen Shelley to Crawford, 8 Oct, [1857]: sends note from Lady Shelley; Crawford's return to New Zealand.

38 E.J. Wakefield to Crawford, 18 Feb. 1858: willing to sell Crawford two sections of land on Watts Pensinsula.

43 ? (Auckland) to Crawford, 13 Jan. 1859: news of the *Novara*; possible journey of Governor Gore Brown; volunteer rifle companies.

45 G. Hart to Crawford, 29 Nov. 1860: vote of thanks to Crawford from Wellington Provincial Council.

- 47 F.R. Chesney to Crawford, 3 Dec. 1864: despatch of paper on earthquakes to J.H. Hector; interest of Royal Society of Tasmania in article on New Zealand geology.
- 48 A. Fitzgibbon (Nelson) to Crawford, 11 Dec. 1861: construction of railway and bridges in Marlborough district.
- 49 F.J. Huon to Crawford, 5 Dec. 1861: presentation of fossils to Wellington Museum.
- 50 F. Weld to Crawford, n.d.: proposes meeting when he returns from Wairarapa; militia companies.
- 51 D. Money (Nelson) to Crawford, 30 Aug. 1863: acknowledges geological reports; financial matters; offers Crawford use of a cottage at Nelson.
- 52 Memorandum and notes on Wellington Militia, Aug. 1863.
- 53 J.E. Featherston (Wellington) to Crawford, 27 Jan. 1862: offer of reward for discovery of a goldfield; large numbers of miners arriving from Australia.
- 55 C. Clifford (?) (London) to Crawford, 26 June 1861: Governor Gore Brown; return of Sir George Grey to New Zealand; meeting with Crawford's son.
- 56 G.P. Evans (Wellington) to Crawford, 1 Sept. 1862: thanks for papers on New Zealand geology; comparisons with geology of Victoria.
- 57 J.E. Featherston (Wellington) to Crawford, 12 Dec. 1861: offers Crawford the post of provincial geologist.
- 61 W. Wells (Nelson) to Crawford, 7 Sept. 1863: despatch of minerals and ores found in province of Nelson.
- 62 T.R. Gunn (Nelson) to Crawford, 30 Aug. 1863: geological resources of the Nelson district.
- 63 J.H. Hector (Wellington) to Crawford, 23 Nov. 1864: thanks for sketches; J. Haast.
- 64 F. Whitaker (Auckland) to Crawford, 7 July 1864: Crawford's suggestions about Marlborough Post Office; report on geology of Canterbury and Marlborough goldfields.
- 65 W.T. Gienez (?) (Auckland) to Crawford, 12 Sept. 1864: need to reorganise Dunedin office; staff changes; escape of prisoners from Kawau Island.
- 66 J.E. Featherston to Crawford, 4 Nov. 1863: government appointment.
- 69 Sketch of new theory of volcanoes in New Zealand, 27 Oct. 1865.
- 71 J. Haswell (Edinburgh) to Crawford, 27 Sept. 1866: thanks for geological reports and map; Wellington Museum.
- 75 W.L. Campbell (Hawkes Bay) to Crawford, 4 March 1869: registration of lease; problems with Land Court.
- 76 Crawford to Janet Crawford (daughter), 21 Nov. 1872: family news; refers to Sir George Bowen going to Melbourne.

- 77 Crawford to Janet Crawford, 22 Dec. 1872: refers to possibility of Bishop Abraham returning to New Zealand.
- 83 H.C. Field to Crawford, 25 April 1872: geological matters; Wanganui survey.
- 84 Bishop C.J. Abraham (Farnham) to Crawford, 10 Sept. 1872: visit by Janet Crawford; her engagement.
89. F. Weld (Hobart) to Crawford, 6 July 1877: information on irrigation in Tasmania.
- 93 W. Mantell (Wellington) to Crawford, 16 June 1880: comments on Crawford's book *Recollections of travel in New Zealand and Australia*.
- 94 W. Mantell to Crawford, 14 Aug. 1880: introduction of legislation; political news; J.H. Hector.
- 95 W. Turnbull (London) to Crawford, 20 June 1879: construction of a dock at Wellington.
- 99 F. Weld (Hobart) to Crawford, 12 March 1877: irrigation in Tasmania.
- 100 Trubner & Co. (London) to Crawford, 6 Aug. 1880: accounts and sales of his book.
105. J.H. Hector to Crawford, 17 July 1880: thanks for book; Sydney International Exhibition; geological matters.
- 121 Colonial Land and Emigration Office (London) to Crawford, 18 March 1853, 26 Nov. 1853: Crawford's entitlement to compensation under arrangements with New Zealand Company.
- 132 James Dundas to Sophia Crawford (daughter), 4 Dec. 1848: hopes of seeing her again; mutual friends; revolutions in Europe.
132. James Dundas to Sophia Campbell, 31 Oct. 1848: news of family and friends.
- 141 M.M. Russell (Wellington) to Crawford, 15 Dec. 1887: departure for England; financial and property matters.
- 144 Sketch of claims of Wakamarina Gorge [1880], geological and physiological maps of New Zealand; sketch map of New Zealand 'illustrative of a work by J.C. Crawford'.
- 145 J.D. Crawford to Crawford, 26 Jan.: Handley's campaign against the Arawa.

O2 Orders addressed to Captain James Coutts Crawford, 1811-12

James Coutts Crawford (1760-1828), the father of J.C. Crawford of New Zealand, served in the Royal Navy from 1776 to 1813. He commanded HMS *Hussar* in the East Indies in 1811-12. Includes:

Lords of Admiralty to Crawford, 4 Jan. 1811: order to proceed to East Indies

Extracts from Admiralty despatches to Admiral W. Drury for information of Crawford, Jan. 1811

Capt. H. Heathcote (HMS *Lion*) to Crawford, 9 June 1811: orders to convey Admiralty despatches to Commodore Broughton

Capt. H. Heathcote to Crawford, 11 June 1811: order to proceed to Straits of Malacca

Admiral R. Stopford to Crawford, 4 July 1811: orders Crawford to place himself under Stopford's command

Admiral R. Stopford to Capt. J. Edcumbe (HMS *Psyche*), 4 Aug. 1811: orders to intercept enemy near Sourabaya

Capt. H. Heathcote to Crawford, 21 Aug. 1811: orders for blockage of Sourabaya

Admiral R. Stopford to Crawford, 19 Sept. 1811: orders to stop attack on Madura

Admiral R. Stopford to Crawford, 19 Sept. 1811: orders to intercept in the Sourabaya area

Commodore W.R. Broughton to Crawford, 26 Sept. 1811: orders to watch Straits of Bali

Capt. G. Sayers (HMS *Leda*) to Crawford, 11 Nov. 1811: orders to proceed to Sourabaya for service with Government of Java.

Capt. G. Sayers to Crawford, 2 Jan. 1812: orders to proceed to Macassar

G. Sayers to Crawford, 17 March 1812: orders to convey despatches for the governing of Java

D/ELI Title deeds and papers of Lenthall Family of Besseleigh Check archival ref

F9 Photographs of Lenthall Family in Australia, 19th century

Photographs of three unidentified individuals taken in Melbourne, Wagga and Sydney. The photographs were microfilmed out of order and are located between the Crawford Family correspondence and the orders to Captain Crawford.

D/EPB Estate and family papers of the Pleydell-Bouverie Family, 1497-1925 Check archival ref

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Correspondence (1853-56) of William Pleydell-Bouverie, 3rd Earl of Radnor concerning his sponsorship of Mary Ann Sherwood, an 18 year old girl living at the Faringdon Workhouse, as an emigrant to Melbourne. The correspondents include Radnor, Elizabeth Herbert, C. Spoile, the master of the Faringdon Workhouse, and Ann Comely, the mother of Mary Ann Sherwood.

D/ESV/M Deeds and papers of the Stevens Family of Bradfield, 1614-1937

F7 Papers on private trade of Capt. John Stevens, 1744-65

The documents include bonds on cargoes and insurance policies on the *Godolphin*, *Portfield* and *Harcourt* trading in India and Bencoolen in the East Indies.

F9 Letters to Captain John Stevens, 1751-69

John Massey (Fort Marlborough, Sumatra) to Stevens, 12 Nov. 1751: effects of S. Goodman who died at Batavia.

Wotton Braham (Fort Marlborough) to Stevens, 24 Dec. 1753: Stevens's guardianship of orphan Phil Coates; sends information about estate belonging to the child.

Wotton Braham (Fort Marlborough) to Stevens, 11 Jan. 1755: investigations by [East India] Company; seizure of bonds belonging to estate of Henry Coates.

Joseph Darvall (Fort Ann, Sumatra) to Stevens, 20 Dec. 1763: sends order for £50 as acknowledgment of treatment on voyage from St Helena to Sumatra.

D/EWL Papers of Walter Family Check archival ref

T62 Title deeds to property in Winnersh, Berkshire, 1816-81

Includes powers of attorney from Mary Barklamb (Benalla, Victoria), Alfred Barklamb (Benalla) and John S. Barklamb (Benalla) to J.S. Barklamb (Dalston), 1878-81.

D/EX 160 Papers of the Reynolds Family of Faringdon Check archival ref

Account book of Elizabeth Reynolds and her son James Reynolds, c. 1848-56, with references to payments due to Robert Huntley and his wife Isett Huntley in Sydney.

Letters to Elizabeth Reynolds from her sister and brother-in-law Isett and Robert Huntley and their children Eleanor Huntley, A.S. Huntley and Bessie Griffith, 1847-48. The letters were written from Braidwood, Sydney and Gundagai and refer to general family news, the health of Isett Huntley, the move of Robert and Isett Huntley from Braidwood to Balmain in Sydney, Robert's medical practice, the prevalence of influenza, economic depression in the colony, the 1848 revolution in France, English news, turmoil in the Legislative Council elections, and increased immigration to Australia.

Letters to James and Michael Reynolds from Robert Huntley and his daughter Eleanor Huntley, 1848-49. They refer to the death of Elizabeth Reynolds, a bequest to Isett Huntley, the shipment of goods to Australia, and the departure of large numbers of workers for the Californian goldfields.

There is also correspondence with the Sydney Royal Mail Packets about the shipment of goods to Australia and various bills and receipts of Robert Huntley, 1850-51.

D/EX 169 Papers of the Williams Family of Warfield Lodge Check archival ref

Thomas Williams (d. 1881) was a banker and at one time High Sheriff for Northamptonshire. He was one of the largest shareholders in the South Australian Company. He and his family emigrated to South Australia in 1839 and he purchased a large property, 'The Hermitage', on the Little Para River north of Adelaide. In 1843 he was briefly a member of the Legislative Council, but he had to resign on account of insolvency. Williams and his wife returned to England in 1849, but their sons remained in South Australia.

W. O'Halloran to Williams, 12 June 1843: invitation to meet Governor Grey.

F. Bond to Williams, 21 July 1848: sends details of Williams's pedigree.

A. Troyte (?) to Williams, 12 May 1857: provides details of houses and schools.

Letterbook of Thomas Williams, 1847-59, relating to financial and property transactions, with some references to South Australia and Bishop M.B. Hale.

D/P 132 Tilehurst parish records, 1630-2014

Printed document concerning the new colony of South Australia issued by the Colonization Commissioners of South Australia, 4 Dec. 1835.

Printed documents concerning emigration to the Swan and Canning Rivers sent to the parish of Theale, Buckinghamshire, Nov. 1829.

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D/EBT. Records relating to the Barrett and Belson families, 1576-1960

Family records of the Barrett Family of Milton House, Milton, Berkshire, 1670-1947

D/EBT/F150

Letters of James W. Barrett (Melbourne) to his sister, Elizabeth Barrett (Iodon and Newbury), 1840-66. (9 letters)

Barrett was the son of J.W. Barrett of the legal firm Barrett and Eystone of Grays Inn, London, and later Newbury, Berkshire. The letters describe the voyage from Plymouth to Melbourne in 1840, economic depression in the colony (1844), business misfortunes, his involvement in smuggling, travels in the Australian colonies and New Zealand, his acquaintance with men of the Wiko Wiko tribe, the oppressive heat, his experiences as a customs officer, work on a whaling vessel in the Pacific, the improvement in his circumstances (1851), the separation of Victoria from New South Wales, Bishop Goold and his denunciation of secret societies, family news from England, and the disappearance of his brother John in Australia.

Elizabeth Barrett (London) to James Barrett, 20 Oct. 1854: family news.

James W. Barrett (Melbourne) to his cousin James R. Barrett (Abingdon), 14 Dec. 1854: forwards letter for his sister; Barrett's success at the goldfields; Eureka uprising; fears of a war of independence.

John R. Barrett (Melbourne) to his sister, Anne Barrett (London), 17 Sept. 1852: voyage from England to Melbourne; impressions of Melbourne; prices, parties leaving for goldfields.

Elizabeth Barrett (Newbury) to Inspector of Police, Melbourne, 2 April 1855: seeks information about her brother John R. Barrett, aged 26, who arrived in Victoria in Sept. 1852.

D/EWD. Papers of Sarah Weedon of Reading and her family, 1769-1926

D/EWD/C1-16 Weedon Family letters

D/EWD/C1-4

Frank M. Weeden (Melbourne) to his mother (Reading), 1852-53. (4 letters)

The first item is a letter-diary describing his voyage to Australia and the other letters give his impressions of Melbourne, and refer to prices, 'canvas town' in Melbourne, a journey to the Forest Creek goldfields, his work carting supplies to the goldfields, a visit to Bendigo, his lengthy illness, and his decision to return to England.

D/EWD/C5-16

Edward M. Weeden (Dunedin) to his mother and brother, 1853-56. (12 letters)

The first item is a letter-diary describing his voyage on the Carnatic and the later letters refer to his arrival in Otago, food prices, his apprenticeship with Edward B. Atkinson to learn the business of sheep and cattle management in the Waitaki district, work on a sheep station, travels in the country around Dunedin, and wheat prices.

Some of the letters have crossed writing and are virtually illegible.

D/EWD/Z1

Memoirs of Joseph Mason, 1838 (114pp).

Joseph Mason (1799-1863) and his brother Robert, who lived in Bullington, Hampshire, were agricultural labourers and political activists. In November 1830, at a time of widespread agricultural disturbances in southern England, they were leaders of a large demonstration at Sutton Scotney. In the following month they were convicted of robbery by a special commission in Winchester and were sentenced to transportation for life. Joseph Mason was transported on the *Eleanor* and arrived in Sydney in June 1831. The memoirs were written in England after Mason returned from his exile of seven years and were addressed to Charles Bastin of Wherwell, Hampshire.

The memoirs refer to the 1830 disturbances, the voyage on the *Eleanor*, his assignation to Hannibal Macarthur, the difficulties of adjusting to his new life, slab huts, cooking, impressions of Vineyard Cottage, Parramatta and Pennant Hills, journeys to Liverpool, farm work at Westwood, the remoteness of the farm, the productivity of various crops and fruit trees, the geography and history of the colony, the spread of settlement, the Blue Mountains and rivers, a visit to Campbelltown, the clearing of land and forests, bushfires, thunder storms, the culture, beliefs, skills and social organisation of Australian Aborigines, killings and massacres of Aborigines, Australian animals, birds, reptiles and insects, the grant of a pardon to Mason in November 1836, his visit to Newcastle and Maitland to see his brother, food and clothing prices in Sydney, impressions of Sydney, and the remarkable progress of the colony in fifty years.

The memoirs were reproduced in David Kent and Norma Townsend, eds. *Joseph Mason, assigned convict 1831-1837* (Melbourne, Melbourne University Press, 1996).