HAND-LIST OF ADDITIONS TO THE COLLECTION OF ENGLISH MANUSCRIPTS IN THE JOHN RYLENDS LIBRARY.

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701. [R. 69350.] CHESHIRE. Court book of the manors of Baddeley and Peover.

Paper. Ff. 237 + i. 358 × 233 mm. xviith-xviiiith cent.

* * * The contents are (ff. 1-125v) Baddeley, 13 Nov., 1665 to 26 Nov., 1728; (ff. 237v-237) Peover, list of constables, 1644-1714; (ff. 238v-178) Peover, 26 July, 1681 to 17 July, 1711, with the note (f. 178) "This was the Last Court of Sir Thomas Mainwaringe in Peover"; (ff. 126-177v) blank. Stamped cloth cover, with two metal clasps. For other Mainwaring records see Fawtier, Hand-list of the Mainwaring and Jodrell manuscripts at present in the custody of the John Rylands Library, M.U.P., 1923.

702. [R. 68999.] THEOLOGY. Theological miscellany.

Paper. Ff. 176. 187 × 145 mm. xvith-xviith cent.

* * * Several leaves evidently lost at beginning. In several hands. The contents include: (ff. 1-30) copies of various prayers in English and Latin, e.g. on f. 14 is Hymnus officium beatae Mariae ad vesperas with a marginal note, "This to Mr. Creatcheleye at Beauerley," and on f. 15 is a marginal note, "This prayer taken out of the Enlishe and Latyne Pryrner or Office of our Ladye, printed at Antwerp by Arnold Connings anno 1599"; (ff. 31-40v, 53-55v) a treatise, in Latin, begins Inter omnia pietatis verae exercitia . . .", and meditations for the days of the week; (ff. 41-51) a treatise, in English, begins "I John 4, 1.2.3. the bishoppes and preecheris . . ." with " T.C." in margin; (f. 56) Aetates et loca quorundam veterum doctorum; (ff. 57-76v) a treatise, in English, ends "farewell in him whom we are to followe the 30 of July, anno 1580," and refers to The surveye of poperie (? by Thomas Bell); (f. 77v) "Out of the playne mans patheway" (? by Arthur Dent); (ff. 82v-88v, 102-06) a treatise, in English, and on f. 83v is the marginal note, "The author's opinion concerning the necessitie and excellencie of devout and holye preachinge ys to bee readd in a Sermon preachced att Paules Crosse 1598, Maii 21, and printed att London page 43"; (ff. 89-91v) part of a treatise, in English, with marginal note "de sermone domini in monte, li: i, impress. Basill. 1548"; (ff. 92-95) prayers, in English and Latin; (ff. 95-98v, 152-155v, 149, 157-166) a treatise in English, begins
"Amongst all exercises spirittuale . . ."; (ff. 99-101) a letter, begins "Sir the Paper sent in your kynde letter unto mee by my brother Jorden I had returned with aunswere . . ."; (ff. 106v-111) a treatise, in English, begins "The scriptures which teach justification by workes . . ."; (ff. 112v-115v) "A conference att the fleete Anno dni 1584, Novemb. Cartwright his obiection"; (ff. 115v-116) "The exposition of Anomia . . ." with "Rhem. Testam. I Joh. 3. 4" in margin; (ff. 116-125, 127-130, 131-137, 140v, 148, 156) "Papisticall positions," etc.; (ff. 125b-127) "Reasons for peace. Considerations touching the peace now in speech"; (ff. 137v-140v) "The examination of prayer made to our Ladye. The morall actions of men . . ."; (ff. 141-147v, 156v, 150-151v) "Catholicone preface, by Andrewe Wyllet, 1602" (abbreviated); (ff. 171v-173) "The professione of the orthodoxe ffaith delyvered out accordinge to the decree of the Counsell of Trent." As is evident above different parts of a work are contained in different parts of the volume, due occasionally to faulty binding but more frequently to the practices of the scribes. Some of the works are obviously much abbreviated.

703. [R. 71049.] GEORGE HEYWOOD. Pedigree and diary, 1788-1843.

Paper. Ff. 113 (+ many blank). 242 × 190 mm. xixth cent.

** The contents are (f. 1) accounts; (f. 6v) Journal; (f. 111v) "The Heywoods of Huddersfield and Manchester."

704. [R. 70978.] LANCASTERE. A Survey of all the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments in the County of Lancaster, late belonging to Edward Chetham of Castleton, Esq., deceased. Taken in the year, 1770.

Paper. Ff. 36 + vi. 386 × 247 mm. 1770.

** This concerns property and tenants in Salford, Pendlebury, Broughton, Kersall, Chetham, Crumsal, Spotland, Newton, Droylsden, Failsworth, Manchester, Turton and Moston. There is the following note (f. 35v) "The Estimate of the within Estates made in the year 1770 and compleated on the 15th Day of September by us—R. Lang, John Taylor, Thomas Smedley."

705. [R. 54275.] W. FREDERICK CONNOR. Diary from July, 1886, to Sept., 1887, etc.

Ff. 27 (+ various papers). 254 × 190 mm. 1887-88.

** A notebook. The diary, which relates experiences in Palestine, covers from 1 July, 1886, to 18 Sept., 1887. The entries after 3 Sept., 1886, are few, on 4 pages. On several of the blank pages at the end are pasted the following items: (a) Journal of Trip to H(usu). 26-29 Nov., 1887, 6 pp.; (b) Agreement between Mrs. Shakoor and the Church Missionary Society concerning the British Mission in Cairo, 17 Feb., 1889, 3 pp.; (c) Journal of journey from Jerusalem to Medebah and Kerak, 2-10 Feb., n.y., 16 pp.; (d) notes, as part of (b), 2 pp.; (e) Agreement, as (b), by Mrs. Shakoor, 1 p.

** A letter-book containing copies (impressed and occasionally indistinct) of letters and papers, (a) Lord Russell to Foreign Office, with despatch of Ali Pacha, 21 Jan., 1866; (b) "Turkish law in connection with the educational question in Syria"; (c) a letter to Mr. Eyers (H.M. Consul, Beyroun) from (W. F. Connor ?), April, 1887, 14 pp.; (d) to Monsieur l'Ambassadeur, signed "Said" 24 Feb., 1887, 4 pp. ; (e) to Eyers from W. F. C., 20 April, 1887; (f) from the Catechist at Husu, 12 April, 1887, 4 pp.; (g) "To the Representatives of the Moslem Council of the village (——?) in the localities of Jerusalem"; (h) to Noel Temple Moor (H.M. Consul, Jerusalem) from W. F. C., 21 Sept., 1887; (i) 2 letters to W. F. C. from Medebah; and (j) W. F. C. to John Dickson (H.M. Consul, Damascus). Given by Mrs. H. Connor, Chulmleigh.


11 notebooks. Various sizes. xith cent.

** The contents of the books may be briefly indicated. I. Notes on dissent in Lancashire, concerning churches and chapels of Papists, Unitarians, Independents, Baptists, Moravians, Quakers, Methodists, etc.; some paper cuttings; miscellaneous notes; ff. 64 (remainder blank). II. Ecclesiastical Commission papers, printed, with MS. notes; miscellaneous notes; copies of letters, etc. III. Statutes relating to ecclesiastical institutions, printed, with MS. notes, lists of dissenting chapels, etc. IV. as III. V. Licensed chapels, tithes commuted under 6-7 Will. 4, c. 71, Queen Anne's Bounty, printed and MS. VI. Lancashire churches, population, etc., MS. lists. VII. Lancashire and Cheshire churches, MS. lists. VIII.-XI. Interleaved portions of F. R. Raine's Notitia Cestriensis (Chetham Soc. Pub.), with MS. notes on churches in Lancashire, consecrations and rebuildings, etc., etc. Given by Mrs. H. Connor, Chulmleigh.


21 items. Various sizes. 1813-43.

** In one volume. No. 1 is to A. A. Renouard, Nos. 2, 4 and 5 to R. Triphook, bookseller; Nos. 6-7 to Francis Nugee, tailor; Nos. 8-9 to James Baker; No. 10 to Gossling and Egley, booksellers; No. 11 to Dawson Turner; No. 12 to R. H. Jackson; No. 13 to Lilly, bookseller; No. 15 to Joseph Langdon; No. 16 to Mons. Dinaux; No. 17 to Mons. Baron; No. 18 to Mons. Delepierre; No. 19 to the Secretary of the Society of Antiquaries; No. 20 to R. Ackermann, bookseller, and No. 21 to — Masters. No. 3 has no address and No. 14 is a notice. Two engravings of Dibdin are enclosed.


Paper. 226 × 180 mm. et circa. c. 1897.
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(i) Ff. 120. April, 1620-Oct., 1632.
(iv) Ff. 158. April, 1653-May, 1665.
(v) Ff. 162. June, 1665-May, 1680.

** In five notebooks. Each of the first four books is described as "First Copy," and No. I has the note: "Copied by W. I. Wild, F.R.Hist.S., and Walter Needham. With historical and genealogical additions and notes." MSS. 708-10 were given by J. H. Wild. See E. W. Bulkeley's Stockport Parish Registers, 1584-1620. With Notes. Mr. Wild began to publish the continuation in Cheshire Notes and Queries, 1897, pp. 31, 75, 179, and covered the period from January, 1619/20 to August, 1627.


Paper. 229 × 170 mm. et circa. c. 1897.


710. [R. 71525.] STOCKPORT. Registers of Mount Tabor Chapel, 1793-1832.

Paper. (i-ii) 230 × 180 mm., (iii) 230 × 177 mm. c. 1900.

(ii) Ff. 96 (+ many blank). Nov., 1798-Jan., 1832.
(iii) Ff. 115. Feb., 1810-Dec., 1822.

** In three notebooks. No. I. contains "Baptisms"; No. II. "Burials"; and No. III. "Baptisms." Transcripts only.

711. [R. 73812.] WILLIAM FARRER, Litt.D. Honors and knights' fees, etc.


** In twelve notebooks, containing also many blank pages, not included above, and many loose notes inserted between the pages. The contents of eleven books concern (i) Wahull, Chokes, Bidun, Visdelou and Chester; (ii) Chester, Curcy and Spalding priory charters (from B.M. Add. MS. 5844); (iii) Peverel of Nottingham, Huntingdon, Eudes the sewer, Giffard and Bolebec; (iv) Arsic and Warenne; (v) Wallingford; (vi) various southern
counties; (vii) the abbey of St. Edmund, etc.; (viii) Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire, etc.; (ix) various counties; (x) De Lacy family, etc.; and (xi) various genealogical notes, etc. The material of these notebooks was evidently gathered in preparing Farrer’s *Honors and knights’ fees*, vols. I, II, London, 1923-4, vol. III, M.U.P., 1925. The other notebook (xii) has on the flyleaf “MS. penes O. and J. Folds, Burnley,” and contains transcripts of documents concerning the Lord Lieutenancy of Lancashire and Cheshire and the raising of train-bands between 1585 and 1589. Given by Mrs. Petrie.

712. [R. 73812.] **WILLIAM FARRER, Litt.D. Honors and knights’ fees.**

** A box containing material relating to the honour of Gloucester, arranged in 127 sections, evidently prepared for a continuation of *Honors and knights’ fees*. Given by Mrs. Petrie.

713. [R. 73812.] **WILLIAM FARRER, Litt.D. Honors and knights’ fees.**

** A box containing materials relating to the honours of Abingdon, Bolebec and Giffard, arranged in 36, 12 and 98 sections respectively, evidently prepared for a continuation of *Honors and knights’ fees*. Given by Mrs. Petrie.

714. [R. 73812.] **WILLIAM FARRER, Litt.D. Honors and knights’ fees.**

** A box containing materials relating to the honours of Limesey, Oili, Pinkeny, Wallingford and Old Wardon, arranged in 25, 36, 16, 63 and 11 sections respectively, evidently prepared for a continuation of *Honors and knights’ fees*. Given by Mrs. Petrie.

715. [R. 73812.] **WILLIAM FARRER, Litt.D. Letters, notes, etc.**

** A packet of 86 letters, chiefly to Farrer and concerning his work. There are also three boxes of very miscellaneous material, notes and transcripts, made by or for Farrer. Given by Mrs. Petrie.

716. [R. 71253.] **GENEALOGY. Extracts and Notices concerning various Families and Places in Cheshire and the neighbouring Counties.**

Paper. Ff. 91 + i. 274 x 218 mm. c. 1799.

** Many references indicate the sources such as (f. 1) *Extracts from a Folio Manuscript belonging to the Manwarings of Peave, and which is entitled, Copies of several Records and Deeds, etc.*; (ff. 12, etc.) “from Sir Peter Leicester’s Genealogies M.M.S.”; (f. 90") “from Watson Memoirs,” etc. Emblazoned coats of arms. On the flyleaf is written “John Thomas Stanley, Alderley Park, 1799.” Old No., 12.
717. [R. 71253.] **Genealogy.** Pedigrees and coats of arms of prominent families in Cheshire and Lancashire, etc.

Ff. 140 (pp. 1-280). 270 x 210 mm. Early sixteenth cent.

**The contents include:** (p. 26) notes on the tenure of Nether Alderley; (p. 32) the descent of the Earls of Chester; (pp. 78-183) an account of Sir William Stanley, kt., "of the Holt Castle in Denbighshire" (+ 1495); grant of £5 p.a. "by Sr Peter Warberton to Butler's free school at Warrington, 1612"; copies of various inquisitions "post mortem"; (p. 277) contents, index, etc. Emblazoned coats of arms. Old No., 66.

718. [R. 71253.] **Genealogy.** Genealogies, Anecdotes and Notices of Families in the Hundred of Macclesfield in the County of Chester.

Ff. 81 + xi. 284 x 235 mm. Early sixteenth century.

**An index to the pedigrees is given on f. ii**. Emblazoned coats of arms. On f. ii is written "John Thomas Stanley, Alderley Park, 1805."

719. [R. 71253.] **Genealogy.** Cheshire genealogies.

Ff. 86 + vi. 287 x 233 mm. Early sixteenth cent.

**On f. 2 is the following heading** "Extracts from the Book of Cheshire Pedigrees at Tabley written by Sir Peter Leycester A.D. 1666. The book was transcribed by Sir Peter out of Mr. John Boothe of Twamlowes Book, but several of the Pedigrees were rectified by Sir Peter and to such he subscribed his name as being exactly true, the rest are declared by him to be more dubious. The following is a Catalogue of the Pedigrees which were by him drawn, altered or amended." P. 163 is headed "Descent of Owen of Penrhos communicated by S. W. Pritchard, 1815." There is (f. ii) an index to the present transcript and also (pp. 167-71) a table of the pedigrees "in Sir Peter Leycester's Book." Old No., 8.

720. [R. 71253.] **Genealogy.** Arms of Cheshire families.

Ff. 91 (including blank) + i. 274 x 220 mm. c. 1800.

**On f. 45 is the heading** "Arms of Cheshire Families not included in foregoing List from the Collection of John Watson, M.A., F.S.A., Rector of Stockport, 1781. The Original is in the Adlington Library." Another heading (f. 63) is "Arms from Leigh's Lancashire." At the beginning (f. 1) is an "Index to the Arms." Emblazoned coats of arms. On the flyleaf is written "Alderley."

721. [R. 71256.] **Letters.** Miscellaneous letters.

20 items. Various sizes. 1782-1814.

**Letters in a cover.** They include letters from the Hon. Maria Josepha Stanley, née Holroyd, one to her mother, others to Mrs. Firth, Doncaster (11); letters to the Hon. Mrs. Stanley, from Serena Holroyd (6), Sir W. Clinton, Lady Clinton (imperfect), and Ann, Lady Sheffield; an "abstract of the Will of Lady Willis," etc.

Paper. Pp. 1-229 (+ many blank). 281 × 229 mm. c. 1813, etc.

*** Stanley was created 1st Baron of Alderley in 1839. A note on the flyleaf dates the book "about 1813," but it was evidently written at different periods, a late additional note (p. 49) being dated 1847. Pocket journals (p. 27) were included among the material used, and a number of spaces left for additional matter have not been filled. The contents include early school recollections, travels abroad in Belgium, France, Germany, Switzerland, Sicily, etc., from 1781 onwards, pen and ink drawings of scenes in Italy and Sicily, reflections upon various writings of Rousseau, etc. Old No., 21.

723. [R. 71428.] Mary Chadwick. Rural and other poems.

Ff. 90 + ii. 225 × 184 mm. 1827.

*** On f. ii is written, "Manuscript Poems. To Dr Chadwick, the author dedicates her rural and other Poems, a slight, but sincere tribute of maternal affection. Ludlow, Dec' 31, 1827." On f. 11v is written, "This Manuscript and the copyright are presented to my son Adam Chadwick, M.D.—Mary Chadwick." See Rural and other poems, London [Ludlow printed], 1828.


Ff. 94 (+ 91 blank) + iii. 196 × 155 mm. Late xviiith cent.

*** Written usually on one side of the page only. To f. ii is attached a list described as List of Visites à Paris, 1772, giving names and addresses. The journal covers the periods 8-26 June (ff. 1-56), 27-28 July (ff. 57-61), 4 August (ff. 68-9), and 13-17 August, 1772 (ff. 79-108). It was evidently intended to fill in the blanks between the periods. The journal was probably copied up from diaries, see f. 56v with the note, "See the Diary of Transactions at La Rochelle & L'Isle de Ré. From June 26th to July 27th." The many places visited include Boulogne, Paris, Orléans, Blois, Amboise, Tours, Les Ormes St. Martin, Poitiers, La Rochelle, Chartonnai, Angers, La Flèche, Le Mans, Val-Dieu, La Trappe and La Ferté. There is a copy of a letter to Dr. Franklin, dated 21 June, 1772 (ff. 26v, 27), and Memorandums concerning the Torpedo made in the Journey from Paris to La Rochelle (ff. 53v-55v). Bookplate of Lord Ormathwaite.

725. [R. 23170.] Charles Dickens. Letters, manuscripts, etc.

*** Letters and manuscripts are inserted in an extra-illustrated copy of John Forster's The Life of Charles Dickens, second edition, London, 1872, three volumes, enlarged to thirteen volumes in 1874. The copy was briefly described in The World on 10 July, 1878, and was then in the bookshop of Francis Harvey, No. 4 St. James's Street. See also Tyson, A review and other writings by Charles Dickens, M.U.P., 1934. The volumes contain the following manuscripts:
(i) Thirty-five letters from Dickens to John Pritt Harley, George Hogarth, Frederick Dickens and others between 1836 and 1861.

(ii) A number of letters from various people to Mrs. Dickens and Miss Helen Hogarth and a miscellaneous collection of autograph letters and portraits of many persons mentioned in Forster's work.

(iii) A manuscript shorthand book in the hand of Charles Dickens. Ff. 12, 225 x 186 mm. In vol. i.

(iv) MS. of a review, in the hand of Dickens, of A letter to Lord Ashley, M.P., on the Mines and Collieries Bill, by C. W. Vane, Marquess of Londonderry. Ff. 8, 225 x 187 mm. In vol. i.

(v) MS., in his own hand, of the speech by Dickens at the Royal Academy dinner, on 30 April, 1870. Two large sheets have been cut into four. In vol. xii.

(vi) MS., in the hand of Albert Richard Smith, headed The Boy and the Mantle. A Theft from the Percy Reliques. Ff. 12, 249 x 199 mm. In vol. vi.

726-34. [R. 73813-8.] THE GASKELL COLLECTION.

** This group of manuscripts was given to the Library by the executors of the late Miss M. E. Gaskell.


Ff. 6. Various sizes. 1850.

** In one volume. A much-corrected manuscript in the hand of Dickens. His autograph is on f. 1, otherwise blank. The work was printed in Household Words in 1850.

727. [R. 73814.] GASKELL COLLECTION. Letters of Walter Savage Landor, etc.

5 items. Various sizes. 1854, 1858, etc.

** In one volume. Nos. 1 and 2 are letters to Mrs. Gaskell, No. 3 to the Rev. W. Gaskell, No. 4 is a MS. poem “To the author of Mary Barton,” and No. 5 is the corrected page proofs of part (pp. 145-60) of Giovanna of Naples, published with Andrea of Hungary in 1839. See also Ross D. Waller, Letters addressed to Mrs. Gaskell by celebrated contemporaries, M.U.P., 1935.

728. [R. 73815.] GASKELL COLLECTION. Letters of William Makepeace Thackeray, etc.

3 items. Various sizes. n.d.

** In one volume. No. 1 is a letter to Mrs. Procter, No. 2 a note to Mrs. James and No. 3 the MS. preface, much corrected and signed “M. A. Titmarsh, Kensington, December 15,” of Rebecca and Rowena, or Romance upon Romance, which was printed in 1850. There is a pen and ink sketch of the author, in bed.
729. [R. 73816.] GASKELL COLLECTION. Letters from Charles Dickens to Elizabeth Cleghorn Gaskell, etc.

30 items. Various sizes. 1850-62.

* * In one volume. All the letters are to Mrs. Gaskell, except Nos. 14, 18 and 30, which are to the Rev. William Gaskell. No. 26 was not written by Dickens, but by W. H. Wills, from the office of *Household Words*. In No. 3, the signature is cut away. See also Tyson, *A review and other writings by Charles Dickens*, M.U.P., 1934, pp. 18-19.

730-1. [R. 73817.] GASKELL COLLECTION. Letters to Elizabeth Cleghorn Gaskell and the Rev. William Gaskell, etc.


* * In two volumes, alphabetically arranged. Many of the letters are printed in Waller's *Letters addressed to Mrs. Gaskell by celebrated contemporaries*, M.U.P., 1935.

732-4. [R. 73818.] GASKELL COLLECTION. Miscellaneous letters, etc.


II. [733.] 72-141. He-Rom. Various sizes. Late xviiith-xixth cent.


* * In three volumes. Evidently an autograph collection made by Mrs. Gaskell. Small groups of letters are addressed to Sir Benjamin Brodie, the Rev. Edward Coleridge, W. J. Fox, Madame Mary Mohl, and others. Many nineteenth century celebrities, writers and politicians, are represented, including Richard Bentley, Robert Browning, William C. Bryant, William E. Channing, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Maria Edgeworth, Ralph Waldo Emerson, William Ewart Gladstone, Nathaniel Hawthorne (3), Charles Lamb, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Mazzini, Dr. Joseph Priestley, Samuel Rogers (2), Sir Walter Scott (2), Robert Southey, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Daniel Webster, Merimée, and Georges Sand. See also Waller, *op. cit.*

735. [R. 72649.] LIBRARY CATALOGUE. Catalogue of the Towneley Library.

Paper. Ff. 41. 376 × 240 mm., etc. Early xviiiith cent.

* * On the inside of the front cover is written *An Alphabetical Catalogue of the Books in the Library at Towneley*. Former owner: The Countess of Abingdon.

736. [R. 72650.] LANCASTRIAN CATHOLICS. Contributions collected for the Queen’s use in 1639.

Paper. Ff. 24 + ii. 144 × 90 mm. 1639.

* * Ff. 4, 7, 9, 15-18, 20 and 24 are blank. A record of the receipts of various collectors in Lancashire, see No. 737. Former owner: The Countess of Abingdon.

74 items. Various sizes. 1639, etc.

* * * In one volume. In 1639 the Queen induced Sir Kenelm Digby to appeal to the Catholics for contributions "towards defraying of his Majesty's most chargeable journey with his army at this present gone into the northern parts of his Realm." Most of the papers deal with the collectors and collections in Lancashire. The former were Sir William Gerard, Roger Bradshaigh, Robert Molyneux, Sir Cecil Trafford, and Charles Towneley, and these papers were probably in Towneley's possession. There are letters, chiefly to Towneley, from Bradshaigh, Antony Champeneys (4), A. C. and others, George Cage (3), Sir William Gerard (5), W. G. and others (2 and three copies), Radcliffe Houghton, R. Molyneux, Richard Osbaldeston, John Redman (5), James Sandes and Bernard Towneley. There are five letters, probably copies, from Charles Towneley, and a receipt from Digby and Basil Brooke to Towneley for £312 9s. 2d. Several later papers concern the Towneley family. Former owner: The Countess of Abingdon.


Paper. Ff. 34. 305 x 195 mm. c. late xviith cent.

* * * There are the following divisions: (f. 1) "The preface to the Reader. As all scripture inspired by God . . ."; (f. 3) "A Briefe treatye of mans Justification. What is mente by the word . . ."; and (f. 21) "The seconde booke declaringe the second danger. How dangerous it ys for a man to presume onelye upon gods mercy . . .". Former owner: The Countess of Abingdon.


Paper. Ff. 28. 326 x 200 mm. Late xixth cent.

* * * A transcript of part of a manuscript in the Bodleian Library (Tanner MS. 118, ff. 128-135) described as "a note of all such troubles as I sir Alexander Colepeper of Bedgeburie had for the catholic religion since the second year of queen Elizabeth," with the names of knights and gentlemen committed to prison for recusancy in 1588, 1590, 1592 and 1593/4. Former owner: The Countess of Abingdon.


20 items. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.

* * * In a box, from various sources. No. 1 is a letter from Count Leo Tolstoy to G. T. Sadler, 16 Dec., 1898; Nos. 4-16 [R. 46804] are letters from or concerning Dr. Arthur Coke Burnell, the Sanscrit scholar.

134 items. Various sizes. xixth-xxth cent.

* In a box. Many of these letters were to Mrs. M. A. Rawson (née Read), Wincobank Hall, Sheffield, the compiler of *The Bow in the Cloud* (see Nos. 414-15); see N. B. Lewis, *The abolitionist movement in Sheffield, 1823-1833*: *with letters from Southey, Wordsworth and others*, M.U.P., 1934. Given by A. C. Wilson.


82 items. Various sizes. xixth cent.

* In a box. The contents include correspondence relating to *The Bow in the Cloud*, letters, rough notes, drafts of minutes concerning the activities of the Sheffield Female Anti-Slavery Society, etc. See No. 741. Given by A. C. Wilson.


Ff. 83 (+ 41 blank) + ii. 202 x 164 mm. 1825-33.


Ff. 13 (+ many blank). 250 x 197 mm. c. 1830.

* A few poems on slavery copied from several sources, manuscript and printed. Given by A. C. Wilson.

745. [R. 72934.] Rev. John Watson. Memoirs of the family of Bradshaw of Marple in Cheshire; an account of the ancient barons of Stockport; etc.

Paper. Ff. 103 (+ 5 blank) + i. 253 x 202 mm., 230 x 185 mm. (from f. 61). c. 1800.

* The volume contains: (I) *Memoirs of John Bradshaw*, ff. 1-10, with some additional notes by Hugh H. L. Bellot, see also Brayley and Britton, * Beauties of England and Wales* (1801), vol. ii, pp. 264-8; (ii) an account of Henry Bradshaw, the regicide's brother, with copies of letters, ff. 10v-27, see Bodleian MS. 25573 (among the Watson MSS.) and Helsby's edition of Ormerod's *History of Cheshire* (1882), vol. iii, pp. 844-7; (iii) Copy of the order under which the Earl of Derby was tried at Chester, f. 27; (iv) copy of a letter from John Bradshaw to Mr. Rushworth, Secretary to the Army, 30 Aug., 1647, ff. 28-29; (v) Pedigree of Dukenfield of Dukenfield, par. Stockport, ff. 31-37; (vi) copies of notes by [William] Davenport of Bramhall, 1 Jan., 1643-25 Aug., 1645, ff. 38-41; (vii) account of Bramhall, ff. 41-44; (viii) account of Marple Hall, with copies of letters by John Bradshaw, ff. 45v-48v, written by Hugh H. L. Bellot; (ix) *The Names of the Gent. & Freeholders in Cheshire with the number of Men which each of them
were able to make for the service of King Henry the 8th, ff. 53-54; (x) The Names of Gent. and Freeholders in Cheshire not appointed to be in readiness to serve K. Henry 8th, ff. 54-55; (xi) The Sheriffs of Cheshire (to Charles I.), ff. 57v-58v; (xii) An account of the ancient Barons of Stockport, taken from the late reverend John Watson's Memoirs of the ancient Earls of Warren and Surry, printed in 1779, ff. 62-86 (o.n. pp. 1-49); (xiii) A View and Account which states and sets forth the Original & beginning of the Barony of Stockport, together with the original and Continuation of the Office of Mayor there, and the authority, power and trust of the said Mayor in his Office within the said Town and Barony, ff. 87-89 (o.n. pp. 51-55); (xiv) An Account of the Foundation of the Free School of Stockport taken from Papers in the possession of Mr. Clarkson, ff. 89v-90 (o.n. pp. 56-57); (xv) extracts "from the MS. intitled Baronagium Cestriae," concerning the arms of the families of Venables, Aston and Leigh, ff. 90-93 (o.n. pp. 57-63); (xvi) grant of a crest to Lawrence Sweetenham of Somerford, ff. 92v-93 (o.n. pp. 62-3); (xvii) Copy of a Petition from the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, &c., of Cheshire, ff. 93, 94 (o.n. pp. 63-65); (xviii) copy, with translation, of the charter of foundation of the abbey of Newbo, co. Linc., by Richard Malebye, 19 Hen. III, ff. 95v-96; (xix) copy, with translation, of the King's Commission of Array for the North Riding of Yorkshire to Wm. Maleby, John de Colevill and Ankelina Salvyn, 25 Mar., 1284, ff. 96v-98; (xx) copy, with translation, of a grant by John Malbys to St. Mary's Abbey, York, ff. 98v-99; (xxi) A charter of Hugh Malbyse, copy, with translation, ff. 99v-100; (xxii) copy, with translation, of a quit-claim concerning Nicholas de Cantelou, from "among the Deeds of the Earl of Rutland at Beavoir Castle in Sir Christ' Hatton's Book of Seal," 28 Edw. III, ff. 99v-100; (xxiii) copy, with translation, of a deed of security from Sir William Malebyse, kt., to the abbot and convent of Whitby, concerning the chapel at Atton parva, ff. 100v-101; (xxiv) notes on the foundation of Spinnel priory, co. Camb., and on the Malebiche family, ff. 100v-101v; (xxv) Copy of a Grant of Arms to Richard Blackwall, 9 Hen. 7th, ff. 102-103v (o.n. pp. 65-68). The few additions by Hugh H. L. Bellot are recent (xvth cent.), but the MS. as a whole is clearly an early copy. Watson died in 1783. The volume is described on f. 1v as "Watson MS. 16. MS. Top. Cheshire E. 7." Bookplate of Holland Watson of Stockport, Major Commandant of the Stockport Volunteers. Former owners: R(obert) W. Killer, Manchester surgeon, 1829; [Mrs. W. H. Bellot, née Killer, niece of Mrs. R. W. Killer, née Watson]; [Hugh H. L. Bellot]. Given by Professor H. Hale Bellot. With this manuscript is also:


Ff. 439. 239 x 189 mm. Early xvth cent.


71 items. Various sizes. xviiith-xixth cent.

* * * In a box. Mainly of Cheshire interest, and consisting of various groups concerning Sir Willoughby Aston, Bt., and other members of the family of Aston of Aston; the establishment of Boards of Health in various Cheshire towns, in 1831-32, as a result of a cholera epidemic, etc. Former owner: R. H. Linaker.

748. [R. 26201.] Allan Ramsay. Songs.

Ff. 2. c. 300 × 200 mm. Early xviiith cent.

* * * Bound up with an extra-illustrated copy of Ramsay's The gentle shepherd (Glasgow, 1788), etc. The MS., which has many alterations, contains the following, with the numbers as given: (a) Air 11 Oer Bogey. Well I agree . . .; (b) Song 12 Wat ye wha I met yestreen. But from Rusticity . . .; (c) Tunne 14 (from 12) Kirk wad let me be. Duty and part . . .; (d) 14 song Was my heart. Speak on . . .; (e) Song 15th Tweed Side. When hopes wer all sunk . . .; (f) Song 16 Bush aboon Traquair. At seting day . . .; (g) Air 8th Happy Clown. Hid from himself . . .; (h) 41 Air 9th Auld Lang Syne (heading only); (i) 47 Air 10th Hap me with thy Peticoat. Wer I assurd you'll constant prove, . . .


Paper. Ff. 249 (pp. 1-498) + vi. 187 × 108 mm. Early xixth cent.

* * * This is a manuscript copy of a printed book. The copied title-page (f. v) is as follows: A collection of Hymns for the Use of the People called Methodists. By the Rev. John Wesley, A.(M.), Late Fellow of Linclon (sic) College, Oxford. The Twentieth Edition [1808]. Former owners: (f. vi) Wm. Ellis, Prisonnier de guerre. Anglais Depo\textsuperscript{1} Longuy. Dep\textsuperscript{4}, Mozelle, France, 1813; extract from an inserted letter from W. C. Ellis to Mr. Garratt, dated 8 April, 1895, "My father was a Captain in the Merchant Navy, his ship was captured by a French Man of War during the time of the first Napoleon, he together with his crew—were conveyed to France being prisoners of War, and kept in captivity for four years; while there a powerful spiritual awakening took place amongst hundreds of prisoners, who prayed, and sang together. There was but one hymn-book amongst the many, and that was John Wesley's. My father had with him as his servant a young man who was a good penman, and he copied in a beautiful manner the whole of the hymns contained in the book. These were used at the meetings held, and afterwards bound together in the present form. This I consider is too precious to be lost, and therefore ask your acceptance of the same, if so it will afford me pleasure to know that it is in safe keeping to be placed amongst other things associated with Wesleyan Methodism"; (f. ii) The Rev\textsuperscript{4} Charles Garrett gave this Book to R. Thursfield Smith, June 1899, Highfield, Whitchurch. The volume was acquired, together with a large collection of Wesleyan printed works, from R. Thursfield-Smith.

** A box containing a large number of papers relating to *The Twentieth Century New Testament*. A translation into Modern English, made from the Original Greek (Westcott and Hort's text), London, 1898, etc. The contents include: (a) circulars, mainly typed, sent to the scholars engaged on the work between 1891 and 1903; (b) a Secretary's notebook and various official papers relating to the preparation of the work; (c) a collection of short autobiographical details of the following workers, Henry Bazett, T. Sibley Boulton, W. Tucker Broad, John A. Barrow Clough, W. Copland, E. Bruce Cornford, William M. Crook, Peter William Darnford, George G. Findlay, Edward Deacon Girdlestone, Mary Higgs (née Kingsland), J. K. Homer, A. Ingram, Ernest de Méridol Malan, S. Elizabeth Mee (née Butterworth), R. O. P. Taylor; (d) copies of a magazine (MS.) circulated among the workers; (e) groups of letters to Mrs. Higgs from Mr. Malan (1891-93) and the Rev. H. C. Leonard (1891-92), letters from Malan to Leonard, and letters from Mrs. Florence E. Booth, A. Gribbon, Mrs. Higgs, Mrs. Mee, Isaac Pitman, W. T. Stead, etc.; (f) notes on the history of the undertaking, balance sheets, news cuttings, etc. Given by Mrs. Mary Higgs, Bent House, Oldham.

751-840. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS.

** This group of manuscripts was acquired for the Library from Arthur Hulme, Esq. Many of the manuscripts are described, or referred to, in *Samuel Oldknow and the Arkwrights*, by George Unwin, with chapters by Arthur Hulme and George Taylor, M.U.P., 1924.

751. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Letters to Samuel Oldknow, etc.

334 items. Various sizes. 1783-1812.

** In a box, alphabetically arranged. The letters relate to business, domestic and personal matters.

752. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Invoices, statements of accounts, etc.

350 items. Various sizes. 1782-1811.

** In a box, alphabetically arranged. The documents are for the most part to Oldknow. They consist of invoices for work done or goods received, statements of accounts, delivery notes, receipts of all kinds, business receipts, receipts from surveyors of highways, etc. There is a small packet of slips recording payments due to workmen for work done, usually as members of a "wall gang" or "road gang" and evidently relating to a "New Turnpike Road on Mr. Oldknow's account." A small group consists of sales invoices and accounts copied from day books.

753. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Pay tickets.

** A box containing 3153 engraved pay tickets. Payable at Samuel Oldknow's Counting House between 6 Jan., 1789 and 11 Oct., 1794.
754. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Shop notes, etc.

479 items, some very worn. Various sizes. 1793-94.

* A box containing the following: (a) 324 shop notes, some partly printed, dated between 13 April, 1793 and 12 April, 1794, each note giving the amount paid, the place (Mellor), and the date, with the more or less common formula "Pay—or Order,—in Goods to that Amount. Saml Oldknow," the indication "To the Shop" or "At the Shop," and the No. of the employee; (b) 133 printed notes, filled in by hand and dated between 4 May and 20 July, 1793, each note giving the No. of the employee, the place (Mellor), and the date, with the heading "At Saml Oldknow's Counting House Pay or Order the Balance of the Account" above a balance, usually signed "H. Mason for S.O.," on the credit side of which are the amounts earned by the workman, his family or household, and on the debit side items described under "Rent," "Cow," "Shambles Meat," "Potatoes &c.," "Coals," and "Sundry articles"; and (c) twenty-two slips, including pay slips to Stockport workers for making caps, etc., and other records of payments.


Ff. 244. 318 x 200 mm. 1784-85.

* Imperfect. The leaves are numbered 21-4, 26-42, 45-98, 98*, 99-241, 243-8, 251-3, 255-60, 262-6, 269-71, and there are two leaves of a later book. Several leaves are injured or partly torn away.


Ff. 8. 406 x 160 mm. Aug., 1786-May, 1787.

** Fragment only, f. 1 (part missing) is headed "Winding Acct., 1786."


Ff. 135. 406 x 160 mm. 1786-89.

* Imperfect, the condition of ff. 1-6 is very poor. The contents are: (a) ff. 1-84, described as "Weaving Account" and covering the period from Oct. 1786 to 23 May, 1787 (see Samuel Oldknow and the Arkwrights, pp. 48-9); (b) ff. 84v-86r, described as "Spinning Account" and covering the period from 1 Jan.-28 July, 1788; (c) ff. 88v-123 (o.p. 1-63, 66-71, 98) containing winders' accounts and covering the period from July, 1788, to Jan., 1789; (d) ff. 123v-135, described as "Winding Account" and covering the period from 16 Oct., [1786?] to May, [1787?]


Ff. 105. 406 x 160 mm. 1787-88.

* Imperfect. The leaves are numbered 2-4, 7-20, 23-105, 107-114. Several leaves are decayed through damp.


Ff. 15. 490 x 280 mm. Mar.-Oct., [1787].

* A finishing or cutting frames book, recording work done on thirty frames.
760. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Spinners’ account sheets.
Ff. 36. Various sizes. 1788-92.
** Separate sheets in a folder. Ff. 1-12 have no headings, and relate to the period from 18 Sept. to 18 Nov., 1788; ff. 13-29 are headed “Spinning account” and mainly relate to the years 1788-92; and ff. 30-36 are mainly spinning accounts, with some accounts of winding and reeling, for the years 1789-90.

(i) Ff. 39. 320 × 204 mm. 1788-93.
(ii) Ff. 34. ** 1788-93.
(iii) Ff. 39. ** 1787-94.
(iv) Ff. 31. ** 1789-94.
(v) Ff. 32. ** 1787-94.
(vi) Ff. 35. ** 1787-93.
(vii) Ff. 32. ** 1788-91.
(viii) Ff. 8. ** 1788-91.
(ix) Ff. 34. ** 1787-93.
(x) Ff. 36. ** 1788-[91 ?].
(xi) Ff. 41. ** 1787-93.
** 11 folio notebooks. These books were originally numbered 1, 2, 3, 6 (and 2), 7, 10, 11 (and 21), 12 (and 22), 16 (10 and 26), 17, 19 (17, 21 and 29). These numbers evidently indicate the mills of which these are the records. Several of the books are considerably decayed, especially No. X.

Ff. 59. 418 × 272 mm., etc. 1790.
** Fragments only. They consist of the following: (a) ff. 1-5 are fragments of a ledger for 1790, the first four leaves being paginated 44-7, 350-1, 356-7; (b) ff. 6-41 (a.p. 837-906, 911-12) are payments for a ledger for 1790-91; (c) ff. 42-59 is part of an index (E-W) of names.

763. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Weavers’ account sheets.
** Separate sheets in a folder, headed “Weaving Account.”

Ff. 54. 317 × 195 mm. Nov., 1790-April, 1791.
** Stockport pickers. On ff. 33b-34b are accounts of spinners’ “soft” and “hard” waste in early 1791.

Ff. 92. 190 × 155 mm. June, 1792-Jan., 1793.
** Part of the book is decayed through damp.
766. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Pickers' bills, etc.
   * * Separate sheets in a folder. Some are headed 'Pickers bills.'

767. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Weavers' stock books, etc.
   Ff. 18, 16. 200 x 162 mm. c. 1792-93.
   * * Two small notebooks.

768. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Weavers' accounts and payments books.
   (i) Ff. 42. 320 x 95 mm. 1-26 June, 1793.
   (ii) Ff. 12. 374 x 80 mm. 28-29 June, 1793.
   * * No. I is imperfect, with leaves torn away; ff. 35-41 are incomplete or blank, and on f. 42b is a list of workers and amounts "paid as p' Tickets" on 9 Aug., 1793. Part of No. II has been torn away.

   Ff. 27. 340 x 205 mm., and smaller. Mar.-Dec., 1793.

770. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Reeling account.
   Ff. 6. Various sizes. 1793.

771. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Women spinners' account book.
   Ff. 47 (pp. 1-94). 322 x 198 mm. 1795.

772. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Warpers' books.
   (i) Ff. 12. 198 x 160 mm. Aug., 1804-April, 1805.
   (ii) Ff. 6. 196 x 165 mm. July-Nov., 1805.
   * * Three small notebooks. No. III is described as "Warpers Delivery Book."

773. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Account ledger for creditors and servants.
   Ff. 75 (a.p. 6-155). 233 x 183 mm. 1782-86.
   * * Here and there are short summaries with headings such as "Anderton Cash Acct.," "Manufacturing Wages," etc.

   Ff. 99 (a.n. 3-101). 410 x 158 mm. 1782-84.
   * * There are sections headed "Cash Account" (ff. 6-17, 91v-93), "Stock taken 11th August, 1783" (ff. 48'-51), "Fixtures and Utensils" (ff. 51v-52), "Debts" (ff. 54v-55), "Manufactured Goods Bro' hither" (ff. 55v-57v), "Book debts owing" (58), "Small expenses for Building" (f. 97v), etc.
   Ff. 286.  400 x 158 mm.  June, 1786-Nov., 1787.
   Imperfect, with old foliation 331-378, 381-453, 454-482 (parts of leaves torn
   away, but many of them preserved), 483-560, 586-631, 632-641 (not
   numbered), 647, 648.

   Ff. 203.  404 x 160 mm.  May-Nov., 1788.
   * * Several entries are headed "Dr. to Sir Richard Arkwright in Interest."

   Ff. 233.  400 x 160 mm.  Mar., 1789-Feb., 1790.
   * * Imperfect, with old foliation 2-5, 8-141, [142], 190-283.

778. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Ledger fragments, etc.
   Ff. 15.  400 x 160 mm., etc.  c. 1789-90.
   * * Ff. 1-9 are leaves of a day book, dated 9-12 Sept., 1789, 20-22 Feb.,
   1790, 18 June, 1790; ff. 10-15 are odd leaves of other ledgers.

   Ff. 11 (+ many blank).  325 x 100 mm.  June, 1790-July, 1791.
   * * Concerns business with Wells, Fisher & Co., London.

   Ff. 44.  180 x 113 mm.  Nov., 1801-July, 1811.
   * * "Joshua Wrigley in account with Sam'l Oldknow & Co."

781. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Account ledger.
   Ff. 29.  317 x 198 mm.  1801-04.
   * * Fragment only, containing leading accounts.

782. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Record of bills of exchange.
   Ff. 5.  Various sizes.  1803-06.
   * * In a folder.  Lists of bills, with details regarding dates, to whom pay-
   able, by whom drawn, on whom drawn, etc.

783. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Account ledger.
   Ff. 21.  363 x 235 mm.  1808-20.
   * * Fragments only, with old pagination 311-14, 389-414, 431-42.  They
   relate to large accounts.

784. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Weight book.
   Ff. 6.  316 x 204 mm.  June-Aug., 1788.
   * * Records of weights of material, etc., numbered 1-9.
786. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Winding book.
Ff. 29. 318 x 190 mm. Mar., 1791-Sept., 1794.
** A record of winding done.

787. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Manufacture to spinning account book.
** A record of daily deliveries from Oldknow's spinning to his manufacturing departments. Ff. 1-7 are badly decayed through damp, and many other leaves affected.

788. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Manufacture to spinning account book.
Ff. 41. 406 x 160 mm. May, 1793-June, 1794.
** See MS. 787.

788. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Output records.
** Separate sheets in a folder. Mellor records of "Twist Reeld and made up in 10 pound Bunches."

790. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Miscellaneous accounts.
Ff. 7. Various sizes. 1797-1811.
** Various records of sales of twist at the Manchester warehouse; of returns "of Sales at Manchester W(h)arfe for Samuel Oldknow Esq. by Joseph Allen, on credit"; etc.

791. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Monthly account sheets of Mellor mill.
** Separate sheets in a folder; f. 1 is for the period from 7 Nov. to 4 Dec., 1807, f. 2 for the period 18 May to 14 June, 1811, ff. 3-8 for the period 30 Nov. 1811, to 15 May, 1812, ff. 9-12 for the period 5 Sept.-25 Dec., 1812.

792. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Cutting account, deliveries, receipts, etc.
Ff. 9. 483 x 150 mm. 1786-87.
** Separate sheets in a folder. Ff. 1-2 are headed "Cutting Account" and concern the period from 18 Sept.-21 Dec., 1786; ff. 3, 4" are headed "Sent to Croft," and are dated 13 Mar. and 12 June, 1787; ff. 5-5" record "Cravatts" "Received from Sir R. Arkwright"; and ff. 6-9 cover the period from May-Nov. 1787.

Ff. 14. 490 x 135 mm. 18 June-31 Dec., 1787.

In three columns. Under separate days of the month and one of the headings "Weaving," "Winding" or "Spinning," are recorded lists of payments. Several leaves are affected by damp.

794. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Reed-making book, etc.

(i) Ff. 15. 233 x 135 mm. 1787-89.
(ii) Ff. 31. 191 x 158 mm. 1789.

Two notebooks. No. I contains (a) "Reeds made and mended by M. Pollit," for the period 26 Sept., 1787-2 Feb., 1789, ff. 1-4; (b) "George Sharples Reed Acct.," 17 Oct., 1788-26 Feb., 1789, f. 4v; (c) "J. Whitworth's Reed Account," 3-8 Oct., 1788, f. 7v; (d) "John Welsh's Reed Account," 27 Sept., 1788-10 Mar., 1789, ff. 9-10. The book is badly affected by damp. No. I1 contains (a) "Reeds & Heals in Weavers Hands without work," ff. 1-3; (b) "Reeds & Heals in the Warehouse," ff. 3v-11; (c) a record headed "Warp, 1789," ff. 24v-18v; (d) similar to (c) without heading, ff. 13-16; (e) a record headed "Weft, 1789," ff. 31v-25v.


Ff. 16. 490 x 135 mm. Feb.-July, 1788.

The usual heading is "Goods for Finishing." The book is badly affected by damp.

796. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Costings books.

(i) Ff. 65 + 1. 184 x 118 mm. c. 1788 (?).
(ii) Ff. 16. 189 x 116 mm. c. 1791.

Two notebooks. Several leaves of No. I are decayed through damp; No. II is imperfect, consisting of loose leaves.

797. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Weaving prices books.

(i) Ff. 5. 315 x 198 mm. July, 1788.
(ii) Ff. 11. 308 x 190 mm. 1792.

Two notebooks.

798. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. List of prices of winding, etc.

Ff. 14. 377 x 136 mm. 1788, etc.

A notebook containing (a) list of prices of winding, 17 Dec., 1788; (b) an index of workers' names; (c) amounts of various materials received, 1789; etc.


Ff. 8. 473 x 140 mm. June, 1788-July, 1789.

Part only, and a section covering 22 Dec., 1788 to 23 April, 1789 is missing.
     Ff. 6 (+ 2 blank). 312 × 200 mm. 1789.
     * * Separate leaves in folder. Old pagination 2-7, 14-17.

     Ff. 27. 324 × 205 mm. 1789-91.

     Ff. 39. 385 × 133 mm. May, 1790-Oct., 1791.
     * * Usually headed "Sent up, Mr. Oldknow."

     Ff. 19. Various sizes. 1792-93.
     * * Separate sheets in a folder, usually headed "Delivered from Croft."

     Ff. 8. 240 × 188 mm. May-Sept., 1797.
     * * This gives daily statistics.

     * * Entries are usually headed "Messrs. Sam'l Oldknow & Co. Delivered to Mr. Geo. Haworth the undermentioned Packs."

     * * There are entries such as "came in Octo' 24th, 1803," "Mixt Octo' 25th, 1803," etc.

     Ff. 14. 200 × 162 mm. 1805.
     * * A notebook with statistics of weights, described as "Stretchers' Work Book."

     (i) Ff. 28. 327 × 197 mm. 1806-07.
     (iii) Ff. 20. 326 × 205 mm. 1808-13.
     * * Two notebooks. No. II is badly holed.

     Ff. 7. 226 × 188 mm. Feb.-Mar., 1810.
     * * Partly decayed through damp.
810. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. List of piece goods wanting places in sales.

Ff. 38. c. 305 × 93 mm. 1788.

** A notebook, very badly affected by damp.


(i) Ff. 22. 191 × 156 mm. n.d. [P 1788].
(ii) Ff. 19. 190 × 155 mm. n.d. [? 1790].
(iii) Ff. 40. 192 × 156 mm. 1790.
(iv) Ff. 37. 188 × 154 mm.; 195 × 158 mm. 1791.


(i) Ff. 8. 195 × 150 mm., etc. 1792.
(ii) Ff. 12. 208 × 165 mm. 11 July, 1793.
(iv) Ff. 7. 240 × 190 mm. 1794.


(i) Ff. 7. 240 × 192 mm. Mar.-June, [post 1797].
(ii) Ff. 4. 252 × 198 mm. 1 Sept., 1798.
(iii) Ff. 10. 198 × 124 mm. n.d. [c. 1800].
(iv) Ff. 7. 196 × 160 mm. n.d. [post 1800].
(v) Ff. 22. 125 × 102 mm. 1801-03.

   (i) Ff. 22. 266 × 210 mm., etc. 1804-07.
   (ii) Ff. 3. 230 × 188 mm. 1808.
   * * No. I consists of sheets recording stocks of twist, cotton, etc., average weights, etc.; No. II of a fragment of a notebook recording “Stock of Sundries in diff Rooms, 1 Jan’y, 1808.”

815. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Disgrace account, etc.
   Ff. 9. 470 × 263 mm. May-July, 1787.
   * * A large notebook recording mistakes made by women workers, with a conduct report; also several women’s separate “Cap Accounts.”

   (i) Ff. 38. 325 × 200 mm. c. 1791-93.
   (ii) Ff. 35. 205 × 160 mm. Oct., 1793-Jan., 1794.
   (iii) Ff. 77. 195 × 163 mm. Nov., 1794-Mar. 1795.
   * * Three notebooks, with times worked by warpers, winders, reelers, spinners, carders, rovers, drawers, cutters, smiths, filers, joiners, apprentices, etc. No. I is imperfect and several leaves are badly affected by damp. No. II has had a number of leaves roughly removed.

   (i) Ff. 20. 160 × 100 mm. Mar., 1796.
   (ii) Ff. 20. 160 × 100 mm. April, 1796.
   (iii) Ff. 10. 240 × 190 mm. Feb.-June, [1797 ?]
   (iv) Ff. 11. ? × 186 mm. [1807 ?].
   (v) Ff. 8. 188 × 155 mm. 1809.
   * * Five notebooks. Nos. I and II contain “Names of the Hands off work” and the times; No. III, “Men at work at and for the Lime Kilns &c.,” also times of carders, spinners, etc.; No. IV, times of spinners, carders, winders, etc.; and No. V, “Mens’ Time working out of Doors in 1809.” No. III is imperfect, and No. IV is very badly affected by damp.

818. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Records of Mellor shop notes, etc.
   Ff. 15. Various sizes. 1792-94.
   * * Separate sheets in a folder. Several are concerned with Mellor shop notes. f. 13 records “Heaton tickets in the Hands of B. Brooks,” others are notes concerning wage payments.

   Ff. 16. 310 × 200 mm. Dec., 1793-May, 1794.

   Ff. 20. Various sizes. c. 1789-95.
   * * Separate sheets in a folder. They consist of lists of wages and payments to workers, amounts debited for goods, milk, etc.
821. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Index of workers.
Ff. 8. 305 × 190 mm. n.d. [1787?].
** Fragment only, from D to T inclusive.

822. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Workers' account sheets.
Ff. 4. Various sizes. 1791, 1794.
** Separate sheets in a folder. Ff. 1-2 are "Bleachers Accts" for 1 and 25 June, 1791; ff. 3-4 are "Cotton Pickers Accts" for 24 July and 21 Aug., 1794.

823. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Miscellaneous wages book.
** A large number of slips pasted on leaves of brown paper. The slips record payments to farm workers, lime workers, coal workers, wood cutters, repairers and others for work usually out of doors.

824. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Wage payment papers.
Ff. 47. Various sizes. 1803-11.
** Separate sheets in a folder. They consist of (a) statistics relative to wage payments, etc., ff. 1-8; (b) statistics relative to wage payments between May, 1805, and April, 1806, ff. 9-33; (c) statistics relative to wage payments and average prices per 1000 hanks between Mar., 1811, and Dec., 1812, ff. 34-43; and (d) other statistics relative to average prices between Jan., 1811, and May, 1812, ff. 44-47. Both (b) and (c) have suffered greatly through damp, and (b) is evidently the remains of a companion ledger to MS. 825.

825. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Wages ledger.
** Statistics relative to wage payments.

826. [R. 73730.] OLDKNOW PAPERS. Miscellaneous papers.
Ff. 25. Various sizes. 1782, etc.
** Separate sheets in a folder. They include: (a) papers relative to the lime trade, dated 1782, etc., ff. 1-5; (b) notes relative to goods sent to and from Anderton, etc., dated 1788-92, ff. 6-9; (c) notes on transport of packages in 1788, f. 10; (d) a record of calico, etc., received in July, 1790, f. 11; (e) a record of "Roving sould" from Oct., 1792, to Feb., 1793, ff. 12-13; (f) "Heaton Rents paid by Mr. Parker to Wm. Egerton, Esq., prior to 16th of Nov., 1793," ff. 14-15; (g) statements, etc., relative to Mellor mill, 1797-98, ff. 16-19; (h) "Prices of Machine Twist," Sept., 1797, and Sept., 1798, ff. 20-22; (i) an estimate of Mellor mill (on the reverse of a letter from S. Oldknow to — Dewhurst, dated 24 Aug., 1798), ff. 23-24; and (j) "Stock taken at Manchester W(h)arfe," Jan. 3, 1810, f. 25.
827. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Miscellaneous papers.

Ff. 38. Various sizes. n.d.

**Separate sheets in a folder. They consist of (a) papers relative to patterns, manufacture, etc., ff. 1-10; (b) papers relative to weaving, etc., ff. 11-18; (c) "List of mule yarn," ff. 19-20; and various miscellaneous items, odd leaves of account books, etc. There is also a packet of samples of cloth, affected by damp.**

828. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Note books.

(i) Ff. 7. 173 × 107 mm. n.d. [c. 1800].
(ii) Ff. 4. 200 × 167 mm. Jan., 1802.
(iv) Ff. 28. 167 × 107 mm. 1805.
(v) Ff. 26. 164 × 107 mm. 1806-07.

**Five notebooks. No. 1 records "Debts owing Sam'l Oldknow & Co." and "Debts owing by S.O. & Co."; No. II, the same for 1 Jan., 1802; No. III, the same for 1 Jan. and 1 May, 1805; No. IV, the same and miscellaneous items, 1805-06; and No. V, debts owing and miscellaneous items, mainly 1806-07.**

829. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Note books.

(i) Ff. 14. 164 × 100 mm. Jan.-May, 1795.
(ii) Ff. 26. 185 × 110 mm. 1801-02.
(iii) Ff. 27. 166 × 104 mm. 1803.
(v) Ff. 13. 196 × 120 mm. Mar.-Sept., 1805.
(vi) Ff. 26. 166 × 96 mm. 1807.

**Six notebooks. No. I records receipts and payments; No. II, sales, debts owing, bills of exchange, etc.; No. III, sales and miscellaneous items; No. IV, cloth for (workers?); No. V, sales and cash receipts; and No. VI, miscellaneous accounts, debts owing, consignments, etc.**

830. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Inventory of tools.

Ff. 20. 153 × 98 mm. c. 1787.

**"An inventory of Wm. Smithells's tools.**


**Record of "getting stone in Cobden," by David Wilson & Co.**

832. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Brick sales book.

Ff. 6. 173 × 105 mm. May, 1804-Oct., 1805.

833. [R. 73730.] **Oldknow Papers.** Accounts and payments for work at Bottoms Hall, &c.

Ff. 28. Various sizes. 1787-93.

**Separate sheets in a folder. They relate mainly to outdoor work, farm work, removing soil, tree felling, fence and bridge repairing, etc.; f. 27 is "an account of coals sold at Bothams Ha' coalpit for Mr. Samuel Oldknow."

Ff. 16.  c. 157 × 98 mm.  1812-13.
** List of names with numbers indicating amounts (? of coal).

836. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Inventories of furnishings.
(i) Ff. 12.  195 × 160 mm.  n.d.
(ii) Ff. 7.  320 × 195 mm.  n.d.
** Two notebooks.  No. I gives furnishings of the sale room, counting house, new counting house, packing rooms, taking-in room, weft room, cellars, size house, spinning rooms, engine room, etc.; No. II the furnishings of "Cotor House" (dyes, etc.), the cutting shop, machine room, print room, stove room, printing shop, "Callendar House," dye house, lower dye house, etc.

837. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Peak Forest Canal permits, coal delivery notes, etc.
79 items.  1799-1807.
** A folder containing printed permits (two sizes) issued to boats on the canal, and filled in with the number of the boat, the master's name, the contents [limestone or coal usually], places of loading and delivery, weight, distance in miles, and payment per ton.  There are fourteen large size permits dated between 3 July, 1799, and 26 May, 1800, and thirty-two smaller permits dated between 3 Jan., 1805, and 7 April, 1807.  There are also in the folder a shipping bill, a receipt of the Trustees of the late Duke of Bridgewater, and thirty-one filled in receipt forms for coals, bought of the Trustees of J. & J. Dodgson, dated at Hagbank between 7 Jan. and 15 May, 1805.

838. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Property-tax and rate papers, receipts, printed notices, etc.
17 items.  Various sizes.  1800-11.
** In a folder.  They concern Bradshaw Edge, High Peak, the Township of Manchester, Mellor, and the Township of Romiley.  There are also two printed reward notices concerning the destruction of larches in Mellor, and a printed notice of a sale by auction at the Navigation Inn, Marple, on 27 Sept., 1798, of property in Stockport, Marple, Disley and Mellor, and of "an excellent Steam Engine, of Messrs. Boulton and Watts constructing."

839. [R. 73730.] Oldknow Papers. Callicoes and other goods for sale at the East-India House, March sale, 1789.
** Printed list with MS. additions.

Ff. 11.  373 × 243 mm.  c. 1770.
** Imperfect, and partly burned.  Many individuals and firms, with what appear to be prices of goods, are recorded.  Goods mentioned include various kinds of buckles, buttons, links, etc.
841-3. [R. 73881.] LETTERS. Bishops and Deans.
   I. [841.] 1-147. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.
   ** In three volumes, lettered "Portraits and Letters of English Bishops."
   The contents consist of letters, notes, signed documents, cut-away signatures, etc. Inserted are numerous engravings and other illustrations, portraits and caricatures. Nos. 1-322 are autographs of Archbishops and Bishops of the British Isles and Dominions; most of the others are autographs of Deans.

844-5. [R. 73882.] LETTERS. Presidents of the Wesleyan Conference.
   ** In two volumes. Each President from the time of John Wesley up to 1910 is represented by a letter, and one or more portraits.

846-54. [R. 73883.] LETTERS. Wesleyan Ministers.
   I. [846.] 1-499. A-C.
   II. [847.] 500-994. D-H.
   III. [848.] 995-1212. I-L.
   V. [850.] 1304-1506. Moll-Pow.
   VI. [851.] 1507-1866. Pow-S.
   VII. [852.] 1867-2117. T-Wi.
   VIII. [853.] 2118-2152. Wi-Wr.
   IX. [854.] 2153-2161. Y.
   ** In nine volumes. Inserted are a large number of engravings, prints, photographs, etc., of many of the ministers. The volumes are labelled "Portraits and Letters of Wesleyan Ministers." There are also two large volumes labelled "Portraits of Wesleyan ministers," containing many hundreds of portraits.

855-6. [R. 73884.] LETTERS. United Methodist Ministers.
   ** In two volumes, labelled "Portraits and Letters of United Methodist Ministers." Many portraits have been inserted.

   II. [858.] 38-75. Various sizes. xixth-xxth cent.
   ** In two volumes, labelled "Letters and Portraits of some leading Laymen belonging to the United Methodist Free Churches." A number of portraits have been inserted.

75 items. Various sizes. xixth-xxth cent.

* * In one volume, labelled "Portraits and Letters of the Chairmen of the Congregational Union." The earliest chairman represented is the Rev. Joseph Gilbert (1833). Many portraits have been inserted.

860. [R. 73887.] Letters. Congregational Ministers, etc.

222 items. Various sizes. xviiith-xixth cent.

* * In one volume, labelled "Portraits and Letters of Congregational Ministers." Many portraits have been inserted.


88 items. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.

In one volume, labelled "Portraits and Letters of Baptist Ministers." Many portraits have been inserted.


87 items. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.

* * In one volume. Nos. 1-28 are letters, etc., of Roman Catholic Cardinals, Bishops, priests, etc.; Nos. 29-44 are letters, documents signed, or signatures of Lord Mayors of London; and Nos. 45-87 are letters of Presbyterian ministers. Many portraits and illustrations have been inserted.

863. [R. 73890.] Letters. Temperance workers, editors, etc.

84 items. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.

* * In one volume, lettered "Portraits and Letters of Temperance worthies, editors and publishers." No. 1-28 are letters from Temperance workers; Nos. 29-70 are from publishers and editors; and Nos. 71-84 are from Unitarian Ministers. Many portraits and illustrations have been inserted.

864 [R. 73891.] Letters. Miscellaneous letters, etc.

74 items. Various sizes. xviith-xixth cent.

* * In one volume. This miscellaneous collection includes letters from, or documents signed by, clergymen, bankers, authors, politicians, officials, antiquarians, engineers, etc.


80 items. Various sizes. xviiith-xxth cent.

* * In one volume. There are letters, occasionally with portraits, of most of the Presidents from Alexander Mather (1792) to Marshall Hartley (1903). Former owner: R. Thursfield-Smith.