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Acton Kilmacurragh Estate Collection

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Descriptive List

Identity Statement

Reference Code: IE WWCA/PP3
Title: Acton Kilmacurragh Estate Collection
Date: 1643 - 1965
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Description: Fonds/ Item

Extent: 12 boxes (includes 01 large Map box)

Context

Creator Acton Family of Kilmacurragh, Co Wicklow.

Archival History/ Source of Acquisition

The collection was created over many generations of the Acton Family. It was maintained by the Acton Family up to its transfer to the National Archives of Ireland to be held in trust for Wicklow County Council Archives in 2008. The collection was then transferred to Wicklow County Archives on 19 December 2022, where it is housed and available for researchers to view. Acton family papers were also donated to the National Botanic Gardens of Ireland.

Biographical History

The Acton Family history in County Wicklow dates back to the Cromwell period. Thomas Acton I, leased Bog Hall, Ballygannonbeg from Walter Byrne during the early seventeenth century. By the 1690's he leased Kilmacurragh from the Parson family. Thomas married Elinor Kempston and had a son, William and three daughters. Thomas was one of three Grand Jurors responsible for a new workhouse in the Borough of Wicklow, which opened in 1715 and was one of the first landowners in Ireland to plant trees on a grand scale. Thomas was succeeded by his son, William. William became a barrister and rose to become Keeper of the Writs of the Court of Common Pleas. He was also a member, or Serjeant, of the exclusive Order of the Coif from which all judges of the Court of Common Pleas (King's Bench) were

appointed until 1839. On 04 March 1736 he married Jane Parsons, second daughter of William Parsons, of Birr Castle. William and Jane had two sons and three daughters. The second son Thomas was the successor to Kilmacurragh.

Between about 1750 and 1850 Kilmacurragh became known as West Aston. Thomas married Miss Sidney Davis, daughter of Dublin barrister Joshua Davis. They had two sons, William and Thomas, and two daughters, Anne, Maria and Jane. The eldest son William succeeded to West Aston on Thomas's death in 1817. During the 1840s, William added two single story wings to the main house, which now reverted back to Kilmacurragh rather than West Aston.

On 16 June 1818 William Acton married his first cousin, Caroline Walker. Her father Thomas Walker lived at Tykillen in Co. Wexford and was a Master of Chancery. Her mother Maria was William's aunt. They had seven children; three boys (Thomas, William and Charles) and four girls of which three girls died (Maria (16), Sidney (20) and Caroline (12)) only Irene survived. William died aged 65 in April 1854, Caroline Acton, died a quarter century later on 11 April 1879. Thomas succeeded his father in Kilmacurragh. He expanded the gardens of Kilmacurragh with his sister Irene Ball Acton.

Thomas remained a bachelor and upon his death on 25 August 1908 he was succeeded by his nephew, Charles Annesley Acton, son of Charles Ball Acton and Georgina Cecilia Annesley. Charles died aged thirty-nine in WWI leaving Kilmacurragh to his only surviving brother, Major Reginald Thomas Annesley Ball-Acton. In April 1913 Reginald married Isabel Richmond, second daughter of the Rev. William Richmond, Rector of Rockhampton, Gloucester. On 22nd May 1916, barely eight months after his brother's death, Reginald was killed in action at Ypres leaving Kilmacurragh to his baby son Charles. Charles's mother, Isabel Acton, married Hugh Norman Dignes La Touche, son of James Dignes La Touche.

However, the house was abandoned during the 1920s and fell into disrepair until rented by a German, Charles Budina, who ran it as a hotel offering continental cuisine. From 1932 to 1952, Kilmacurragh Park Hotel was one of the best-known hotels in Ireland. After 300 years in the family, Charles Acton had sold the property in 1944. Shortly afterwards the hotel closed down. In 1956 it opened briefly as an Irish Summer School. The Land Commission acquired the property in 1974 and presented 58 acres comprising the house, arboretum, walled garden and entrance drive-way to the Forest and Wildlife Service. Two devastating

fires in 1978 and 1982 left the house derelict. However, the grounds are now the site of the National Botanic Gardens of Kilmacurragh.

Content and Structure

The collection contains many important papers dating back to 1640. From original deeds to correspondence between the landlord, his agent and the tenants of his estate. The collection has been catalogued chronologically by legal papers and correspondence to tenant and estate matters and accounts and finally, to personal and general correspondence of the Acton family.

Townlands covered in the estate collection include Carrigmore, Ballygannon beg, Ballgannon more, Coniamstown (Cunniamstown), Newbawn, Kilcandra, Tullylusk, Kilmacurragh, Ballynacooly, Bolagh, Kilmanogue, Ballyvaltin and Cloragh. Details include townland sizes and rents, and also correspondences from tenants on these lands to the Actons.

The collection houses many interesting papers, for example a threatening letter dated 1881 from *Captain Moonlight* to John Hudson accusing him of “land grabbing”. The estate account books detail men and women who worked in Kilmacurragh and their wages. There is a document describing the travel from Wicklow to Dublin during the 1798 Rebellion and children seeing rebels’ bodies scattered along the road, to the extent that they were no longer shocked by the image. A proclamation dated 1742, where King George II’s sheriff was to hang from the Church door, seeking John Bury for payment owed to Acton. Later correspondence in the collection also refer to Home Rule and WWI in letters between Kemmis and Acton.

This collection will give readers and researchers a vast amount of information on the relationship between landlord and tenants in the late seventeenth to the early twentieth century.

Scope and Content

It includes original deeds, leases and wills. There is a vast collection of correspondence between landlord and agent detailing tenant issues and rents. The collection contains accounts for the Estate, detailing rents, leases held and also account books listing men and women that worked in Kilmacurragh house and their wages. There are documents relating to loans taken out to provide improvement works to Kilmacurragh house and stables. The collection holds

receipts for general expenses of the house but also county cess, poor law and tithe rent of the county. It contains information on income tax for the Acton family over many years, investments and insurance policies of the estate. There are also some documents relating to the Kilmacurragh Gardens, in particular a 'Field Botanist Diary' of plants and their locations.

System of Arrangement

Documents are arranged from fonds to item level description.

Collection description adheres to ISAD(G).

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A. Deeds, Wills, Deaths and Royal Statements & Correspondence

I Deeds

1/1/1 14 July 1643

An indenture between the Heads of Courts and Thomas Bennett regarding property within the complex of Christchurch, Dublin. Very fragile with text faded – partial transcription available.

1 item

1/1/2 20 September 1663

An indenture between the Heads of Courts and Thomas Wale regarding property within the complex of Christchurch, Dublin. Fragile parchment with faded text - partial transcription available.

1 item

1/1/3 May 1715

Article of Agreement Tripartite between Grace Kempston (Dublin), John Kempston (Dublin) son of Grace, and Robert Finlay (London). Intact original wax seal.

1 item

1/1/4 15 November 1716

An Indenture of Tripartite between Dorothy Winstanley, Richard Morgan and Thomas Acton.

1 item

1/1/5 07 April 1756

Indenture Quadripartite -Deed of transfer subsequent to marriage settlement.

Parties: Dennison Hume of Kiltegan, Thomas Ball, Dunganstown, Nicholas Kempston, Kilcavan, his wife Alice (nee Acton), William Acton City of Dublin, Elinor Blachford City of Dublin – widow of the third part. References agreement 21 February 1736 between Thomas

Acton, Kilmacurragh and son William Acton – relating to marriage settlement between William Acton and Jane Parsons (granddaughter William Parsons, Parsonstown)

Lands of Ballynacooley, Ballykerone at Clarabeg, Agherpollace, Co Meath, and lands of Kilmacurragh. Beneficiaries to original marriage settlement Robert Perase Roxborrow, Galway, Henry Hatch, William Sandys, both City of Dublin. Contains original signature and seal.

1 item

1/1/6 23 April 1794

Copy of lease of part of the lands of Coolbeg, Co. Wicklow. Mrs. Elizabeth Jones Widow (Executor of Charles Jones deceased) to Brabazon Nobel Esq the sum of £1,137.10 sterling for 59 acres and 30 perches of Coolbeg.

4 pages

1/1/7 07 February 1832

Copy of Deeds for erecting portions of the parish of Castlemacadam, Arklow and Dugganstown into a separate Parish or perpetual Cure.

4 pages

1/1/8 19 June 1857

A list of Deeds, parties' names Elizabeth Parsons to William Acton. Elizabeth Jones to Brabazon Noble Esq., William Rowley to William Clement Gent. George Clement to William Acton, Thomas Beatty to Major Acton, William Somerville to William Acton, William Somerville to Rev John Drought, Lieut. Acton to Rev John Drought, and David Beatty to Thomas Acton.

1 item

II Wills

1/2/1 10 May 1718

Original will of Dorothy Winstanley, City of Dublin. Contains original seal.

2 pages

1/2/2 09 May 1723

A true copy of Mrs. Grace Kempton (died 12 May 1723) of the city of Dublin last will and testament leaving her grandson Henry Kempston lands of Kilnavara Co Cavan and lands in Co. Kilkenny on condition he pays his sister Grace Parson £100.

1 item

1/2/3 May 1723

Long thin black notebook with “account book of the late Mrs. Grace Thompson”, for affects, funeral charges, disbursements and other expenses. Text faded on pages.

19 pages

1/2/4 19 June 1754

Last will of Grace Ball (Dublin City) stepsister to John, William, Robert and James Ball, leaves each £100. To her Uncle William Acton, £100 and Aunt Eleanor Blachford £20.

2 items

1/2/5 03 June 1767

Extract from registry of his Majesty’s Court of Prerogative in Ireland the Will of Richard Warburton of Fir Mount, Co Kildare. Main beneficiary Mary Warburton (sister).

1 item

1/2/6 07 January 1818

Will of Thomas Acton appointing William Acton heir to Westaston made by Divine Providence.

1 item

1/2/7 09 January 1818

Original will and seal of Thomas Acton of Westaston Co Wicklow passing the lands of Grangecon, Kilmacanogue, Ballygannonmoreand Beg and Coranstown to his son Thomas Acton.

3 items

1/2/8 14 May 1829

Copy of Declaration of trust Major Acton to George Bury Esq. and others for sum of £1,000 sterling. Signes and given to Major Acton on the death of Richard Symes.

4 pages

1/2/9 03 October 1894

Copy of Will of William Molesworth Cole Acton of Summerfield Torquay, Co Devon, England.

5 pages

1/2/10 16 October 1897

Copy of will of Mrs. Georgina Cecilia Ball Acton resided in Hotel Victoria Lausanne, Switzerland. Refers to the marriage settlement between George Annesley, William Molesworth Cole Acton, John Tyndall and Francis Annesley.

5 pages

1/2/11 08 May 1907

Copy of Will and Codicil of Thomas Acton.

3 pages

1/2/12 January 1912

Letter from Georgina Cecile Ball Acton regarding items left to her family in a Codicil.

1 item

1/2/13 16 June 1915

Copy of Will of Captain Charles Annesley Acton requested by Irene Ball Acton to the High Court of Justice (Ireland) King's Bench Division.

1 item

1/2/14 06 November 1915

Copy of Will and Codicil of Elizabeth Frances Acton.

5 pages

1/2/15 16 August 1922

Copy of Will of Miss Grace Annesley Ball Acton formerly of Kilmacurragh now of Glenealy Lodge, Rathdrum.

9 pages

1/2/16 16 August 1922

Copy of Georgina A Ball Acton's memorandum to her Will after her under sister's death (Irene Ball Acton) Contains a handwritten and typed copy.

4 pages

1/2/17 1930

The Executors of Elizabeth Frances Acton (deceased 8 June 1928), list of assets at death.

9 pages

1/2/18 29 July 1933

Matters of the Estate of Colonel Charles Ball Acton deceased for lands of Lobinstown, Syddon and Polescastle and Lower Woodtown, Co Meath and £1,000 New Zealand stock.

5 pages

1/2/19 11 August 1942

Last will of Jane Spinks, widow of Glencapple, Kilmacanogue Bray, Co. Wicklow.

3 items

III Memorial Locks of Hair

1/3/1 1820 - 1834

Locks of hair enclosed in small envelopes. "Sidney Jane Acton's hair born 1820", "Carrie's hair. Caroline Acton born 1822 died 1834".

2 items

1/3/2 25 April [1870]

Letter addressed to Miss Acton from Anne Flemming, Enclosures: Small envelope titled "Dear Anne Drought's hair" with lock of hair enclosed. (Note: The Droughts lived at Hollywood House in Glenealy. Anna Sophia Acton married George Warburton Drought in 1861. The Droughts supposedly laid out a road through Deputy's Pass to get to Kilmacurragh House).

1 item

1/3/3 No date

Small envelope titled "Hair of Maria, Sidney, Caroline and Thomas Acton, note from the Reverend Thomas Acton to his brother Colonel William Acton".

1 item

IV Royal Statements & Correspondence

1/4/1 21 November 1698

Declaration from money paid to the High Sheriff by Thomas Acton and William Breach of Dublin. Document contains signatures of Thomas Acton, William Breach, William Acton, Anthony Ash, and Aston.

1 page

1/4/2 15 December 1703

Parchment from James, Duke of Ormond, Lord Lieutenant to grants Thomas Acton the office of Sonoschall of the Manor of Caranroe, County Wicklow.

1 page

1/4/3 April 1720

Note signed by Thomas Acton mentioning Daniel Dun of Brittis, James Loghlin of Ballysallagh and John Butler of Brittey. Money bound to the King.

1 page

1/4/4 17 June 1742

Copy of a proclamation entitled "Acton Against Bury" made by King George II to the High Sheriff of Wicklow that the body of John Bury of Knockourea County Wicklow to be taken and kept in safekeeping and then hung up on the door of his parish church on the day of the Lord.

1 page

1/4/5 1865

A proclamation by Captain Maurice Faulkner Dennis, High Sherrif of Wicklow has appointed 17 May to publish and proclaim that George V now King of Great Britain, Ireland and British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India a request to attend.

1 item

B. Solicitors and Land Agents

I Alfred McDermott

2/1/1 05 December 1851 – 01 July 1859

File of correspondence between Thomas Acton and Alfred McDermott, Chambers, 6. Lord Ormond Quays, Dublin and later 43 Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin. Solicitor letters dealing with estate, marriage settlements and payments. Correspondences mention lease of Steadman in Ballinaskea, Parnell, the land of Clogheragh and Macreddin and advice on Mr Burkitt.

27 items

2/1/2 04 November 1862

Documents from Alfred McDermott, Solicitor. Relating to purchase of R Fawcett's interest in lease of Ballygannonbeg. Miscellaneous costs between solicitor and client and correspondence

2 items

2/1/3 16 May 1872

Landed Estate Court Ireland, consolidated final notice to tenants and adjoining owners and occupiers in the matter of the estate of Thomas Acton for the lands of Ballinakea be investigated and a judicial declaration made by the Court. Tenants- Thomas Sharpe, Edward Cooney of Ballynaskeagh and Rabbit Warren. Signed by James Mc Donnell, examiner to the solicitor Alfred MacDermott, 43 Fitzwilliam Sq. Dublin.

1 item

2/1/4 16 May 1872

Landed Estate Court Ireland papers; consolidated final notice to tenants and adjoining owners and occupiers that an order from the Court that the title of said Thomas Acton in and to the lands of Bellpark be investigated and a judicial declaration made by the Court. Numerous copies of notices remain. For Bellpark (19 copies), Ballinaskea (12 copies), Rahavil (6 copies), Ballyclough and Bellinlea (3 copies).

40 items

II Robert Burkett

2/2/1 04 October 1861 – 29 December 1877

File of correspondence between Robert Burkett, Solicitors, Wicklow Town, the Poor Law Guardian and Thomas Acton on legal and tenant matters, including Burkett's own tenancy and maintenance of farm and shooting rights. Includes a request from Burkett that Acton to support him to replace deceased Grand Jury solicitor Mark Toomey. Acton declined; Burkett replied expressing his disappointment at lack of support from his landlord. Request from Acton that Burkett vote for tenant Benjamin Farrar to be a Poor Law Guardian to reduce Poor Law rates in Dunganstown West and reply from Burkett that he will comply.

40 items

III Francis Kennedy

2/3/1 28 April 1893

Documents from Francis Kennedy, Solicitor and Land Agent, Church St., Wicklow to Thomas Acton for costs of works carried out.

3 items

2/3/2 25 June 1909

Letter from Francis Kennedy advising recovered £28.5.9 for Hyland's half year rent due.

1 item

2/3/3 19 August 1914 - 10 May 1915

Letters between Captain Ball Acton and Francis Kennedy relating to Frank Spears and the sale of timber and John Deans and the sale of Oakwood.

8 items

IV L.G. Kemmis

2/4/1 02 August 1895

Letter to Thomas Acton Esq from Lewis Kemmis, Ballinacor House, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. Letter relates to Kemmis becoming an agent for Acton and arrangement of a first meeting.

1 item

2/4/2 11 November 1898– 18 November 1903

File of letters between Lewis G. Kemmis and Mr Thomas Acton. Letters refer to tenant William Strahan, Poor Rates, William Staunton appointed caretaker, Mary Farrell to remove her belongings within fourteen days, warnings about grazing of sheep on Clohernagh hills to Farrell, Turner and Brien. Mentions the lands of Grange Con, and the holdings of Turell and Bradshaw.

4 items

2/4/3 21 January 1903

Letter to Kemmis from Burne regarding a written games lease for Kilmarea, Redcross required for the Land Commission.

1 page

2/4/4 1908

Kemmis rough income accounts for 1908. Details outgoings, savings and incomings.

3 pages

2/4/5 1909

Purchase calculations of 1909 Act to Captain Acton by L.G Kemmis including envelope.

5 items

2/4/6 27 July 1909

Letter from James Byrne to Kemmis relating to land of Clohernagh advising James Farrell of Glenmalure wishes to take the land.

1 item

2/4/7 29 August 1910 – 05 September 1910

Letters from Edward A Edge to L. G. Kemmis regarding rent of Bellpark.

2 items

2/4/8 1909 – 1917

File of correspondence between Kemmis and Acton from 1909 to 1917 in relation to tenants and affairs of the Estate.

2/4/8/1 07 September 1908 – 23 December 1908

Letter between Kemmis and Acton regarding Kemmis visit to Kilmacurragh, Michael C Doyle of Macreddin, issues of loans and mortgages, Mrs. Evan of Ballynaskea, money of rents enclosed, Smyth and Keegan's holdings, Bellpark House, Farrell's, grazing and income tax.

11 pages

2/4/8/2 25 January 1909 – 16 December 1909

Letter between Kemmis and Acton of rents received and those unpaid, poor rates, income tax, lands of Macreddin and Clarawood, Whites renting of Clohernagh for grazing, lands of Ballygannonbeg, the transfer from Thomas to Charles Acton asking if Charles would like Kemmis to remain as agent, 1,000 acres of Clohernagh, Glenmalure tender for 11 months for grazing, James Byrne auctioneers, copy of newspaper clipping sent with letters related to the Land Commission, Kilcandra School, Mrs Evans and a visit to Kilmacurragh. Also new address for Kemmis 10 Boardwell Road, Oxford.

40 pages

2/4/8/3 01 January 1910 – 09 December 1910

Letter between Kemmis and Acton relating to Bellpark mortgage farm conditions, crop and animals, rents and payments, income tax, list of lands in Captain Acton's control, condition of Mrs. Ball Acton, Luke Byrne, grazing, and the inability to get Hyland's rent that Kennedy should be requested to sort the issue. Letters refer to Sheave, Grange Con and tithe rents.

39 pages

2/4/8/4 09 March 1911 - 21 December 1911

Letters between Kemmis and Acton. The years correspondence relates to John Byrne for nonpayment of rent. Hudson given a reduction in rent. Andrew Hyland declared bankrupt. Years Tithe rent charges and mortgage held. Mr. Acton's car. The setting up of the Unionist Club in Wicklow. Notes on the Edge Family who were described as protestants and very decent. Hyland mortgage sold by Hibernian Bank. Bellpark and the sale of Mrs Mauly's holdings sold to Cosgraves of Cullen. Lands of Ballinaskea to sell for £2,000. Also, Kemmis has new address 25 West Mall, Clifton, Bristol.

21 pages

2/4/8/5 18 January 1912 – 06 December 1912

Years correspondence between Kemmis and Acton that discusses Hyland's holdings bought by Timothy Lenahan, also the holdings of Thomas Richardson, Bolton and Kilcandra School House. Letters refer to the coal strike, the transfer of holdings from James Cosgrave to Mary Anne Cosgrave Byrne and rent repayments, Richardson sale of £300, a visit to Kilmacurragh, a new car. Letters also mention the Home Rule Bill, Clancy of Macreddin extension due to the death of his wife and child, socialism and taxes. A new address for Kemmis Kilmington, Oxminster, Devon.

27 pages

2/4/8/6 01 March 1913 – 16 December 1913

Years correspondence between Kemmis and Acton that discusses collection of rents, the railway strike, the Meath question under the Land Commission. Letters mention Linehan, the lands of Bellpark, Richard Hill and a loan for his water. Sharpe on the letting of Ballinaskea.

Sheaue's holdings. Weather mentions a sixteen-week drought then followed by two day and two nights heavy rain.

24 pages

2/4/8/7 16 January 1914 – 31 December 1914

Years correspondence between Kemmis and Acton that discusses Mary Farrell of Clohernagh. The Land Commission correspondence for Ballygannonbeg. Thomas Hudson and Home Rule. Windes applied to have their rents fixed. Sheaue's holdings, ways to earn money of Deerpark lands. The letters mention World War I and Acton to give Kemmis power of attorney. Issue of "Fair Rents" mentioned in letters. The fencing of Mrs Cosgrave lands. Acton's sister remains in Kilmacurragh to issue cheques on behalf of Captain Acton. Also mention of Kemmis is also trying to buy his son a commanding role in the army.

46 pages

2/4/8/8 11 January 1915 – 30 December 1915

Letters detail income tax demands, farmers appeals and WWI and getting Kemmis' son in the army under Acton. Acton's brother injured in the war. Kemmis writes that his nephew wrote saying Germans are showing signs of demoralisation. Craig from Dublin to replace Francis Kennedy. Letters refer to the Home Rule Bill. Cecile Bowne a yeoman wants to apply for the army but needs a major or colonel to accept him, Kemmis asks Acton for help on the task. Additional money to be made in Kilmacurragh using poultry and cattle. Stedman and Byrnes sheep in Ballygannon. Letters to Miss Ball Acton (sister) regarding apples. Letters also mention Hudson's holdings, the lands of Ballygannon at the Land Commission and the Clancy tenants of Macreddin.

32 items

2/4/8/9 06 January 1916 – 30 December 1916

Letters regarding income tax. The holding of John Byrne. Lands of Kilmacanogue. Mahony's of Grange Con and Rahavil property. Taylor's of Bellpark. An explanation of the Farmers Appeal. Also, Whites' purchase Ballygannonbeg for £807.15.10.

15 pages

2/4/8/10 27 March 1917 – 31 August 1917

Letters to Mr T Lineham on allowance of rent by Mrs Ball Acton. Letter regarding Fr. Byrne ill with influenza, William Rowlandson wants to take over Kemmis accounts. John Byrne bids £1,650 for Rahavil. Also, a mention of bad weather for the harvest and cutting of trees. Memo of cost from L. Kemmis Solicitors Wicklow to Miss Isabell Ball Acton of Killmacurragh. Letter relates to Francis Stedman, Land Stewart and T. Linehan's land case. Also receipts from Garvey & Good, 21 Lincoln Place, Dublin, for inspecting and valuing Timothy Linehan's tenant holding.

5 pages

2/4/9 *Receipts of Lewis Kemmis for the Acton Estate.*

2/4/9/1 1901

Receipts for Thomas Acton for rent paid on holdings of Ballygannonbeg, Co Wicklow.

3 items

2/4/9/2 22 November 1915 – 14 May 1917

Receipts from L.G. Kemmis Esq to The O'Mahony, Grangecon, Co. Wicklow.

4 items

2/4/9/3 09 November 1915 – 07 May 1917

Receipts from Guinness & Mahon, 16 College Green from the Representatives of Acton (L.G. Kemmis Esq.) for yearly rent of holdings.

7 items

2/4/9/4 01 January 1916 - 31 March 1917

Receipts from John Sutton & Son, Drapers, Grocers, Hardware & Seed Merchants for L.G. Kemmis, Wicklow.

6 items

2/4/9/5 05 February 1917

Letter to Lewis Kemmis from W.L. Mates Bally Keane Cottage. Oakwood, Red Cross, Co. Wicklow, thanking him for receipt of three half notes.

2 items

V E. White

2/5/1 1909

Thomas Acton (Deceased) Copy of Particulars of Real Estate and Charges affecting same E White, 16 Molesworth St., Dublin. "General statement of real estate Co. Wicklow. Two parts; first the lands and tenants of the estate. Second the charges and incumbrances affecting the estate. Mortgages created by the deceased. Annuities created by the deceased. Particulars of the lands of Ballygannonbeg and Kilmanogue contracted to be sold in testators' lifetime.

16 pages

2/5/2 17 August 1897

Letter and copy of Opinion of Council from E. White, a commissioner to administer oath to Thomas Acton relating to lands of Ballygannonbeg.

13 pages

2/5/3 01 September 1908 - 14 October 1911

File of correspondence between E. White, 16 Molesworth Street, Dublin to Captain Acton. The correspondence related to Acton's estate, his tenants, insurance policies, finances and maps of Kilmanogue. The tenants mentioned in the file include Moore, Miss Evans (Ballinaskea), Hudsons (Ballpark), Sheane (Rahaval) and details relating to the mortgage deeds for F. R. George head rent of Grange Con. Detail also mortgage wages and estate insurance, workman's insurance policies and fine policy.

184 pages

2/5/4 05 January 1910 – 12 October 1910

Copies of letters Charles Acton wrote to E. White in relation the issue of landlord and tenants. Letters regard tenant Sheaue and “clause 14”.

14 pages

C. Tenantry and Estate Matters

I General Tenantry Matters

(i) General Correspondence

3/1/1/1 1769

Book of transcript of “Ward v Ward; Tenor of Inhibition”, chapter titles include “original [Eion], promovents [Alleon], impugnants proxy, impugnants allegons, administration, commission for plantations return of [D.], impugnant allegations and rules. Patrick Ward of Galway (brother of Thomas) verses Sarah Ward (widow of Thomas). Sessions held under Hillary Term Acts had spied and dispatched in the dwelling houses of the Right Honourable Philip Tisdall Esq Dr of Law.

1 item

3/1/1/2 1717

Letter to Thomas Acton related to the account of rent and arrears received by John [Tronso] for the amount of £54.9.2 ½.

1 item

3/1/1/3 08 October 1823

Letter relating to changing of prices deducting £10 off leases.

1 item

3/1/1/4 15 January 1829

A rental of the fee simple estate of the town and lands of Macreddin otherwise Carysfort and the town and lands of Cloherna, in the Barony of Ballynacor, of the late Rev. Edward Bayley (deceased) to be sold by public auction.

1 item

3/1/1/5 23 November 1858

Letter and envelope to Charles Acton relating to altercation between Mr. Dycer and Mr. Walkin Heyman when intoxicated.

2 items

3/1/1/6 27 November 1865

Warning letter from O'Mahony to Acton joining of the [Cron Ban] Brigade. Noting the same mercy will be shown to him that he shows his tenancy.

1 item

3/1/1/7 1866-1877

Notebook entitled "Copies of letters from 1866". Letters regarding the estate, railway station in Aughtim, lands of Ballygannonmore, felling of trees, refusal to allow a gate, copies of letters to solicitors, Edward Cooney of Rabbit Warren and the will of Caroline Acton 1877.

1 item

3/1/1/8 1869

Account of Mr. Bowes. Record of stock and farming implements, including eighteen cows and one bull, thirteen ducks and twelve hens, etc.

1 page

3/1/1/9 10 June 1870

Landed Estate Court papers in the matter of the estate of Thomas Acton, (owner and petitioner), and the estate of Richard Morris (owner). Richard Morris and George Ruskell (petitioners). Rental and particulars of the land of Kilmacrea held under fee farm grant to be sold in two lots.

9 pages

3/1/10 30 December 1880

Letter from John Hudson, Kilnamanagh to Thomas Acton, Westaston seeking materials to build a potato store-house or asking Acton to apply to Board of Works for the £100. Accompanying envelope contains note "John Hudson Kilnamanagh answer no in book".

1 item

3/1/11 April 1881

Letter to John Hudson, Cumminstown, from "Captain Moonlight" accusing him of land grabbing the Byrne holding and threatening graphic violence and death. References being a member of secret society. Includes original envelope as well as a second envelope on which Thomas Acton notes "John Manley wanted the farm".

3 items

3/1/12 13 December 1881

Letter from Thomas Richardson to Thomas Acton regarding price of rent being too high under Poor Law Valuations. Richardson is a tenant of Ballyherig, Redcross.

2 pages

3/1/13 27 February 1882

Consolidated Final Notice to tenants. Order and sale of the yearly fee Farm rent of £37.7.8 for lands of Ballinclare, Carrigmore and parts of Breagura and Ballynamesheda. William Richard O'Byrne (owner) and ex-parte, George Hawkes (petitioner). Contains three copies of the notice.

10 pages

3/1/14 03 December 1896

Letter from Thomas Hudson Kilnamanagh Beg, to Thomas Acton, Kilmacurragh, asking to buy that townland under the land purchase act.

1 page

3/1/15 26 May 1902

Form no. 45 of the Land Law Act fixing of fair rents of holdings between Thomas Acton and Thomas Hudson, Kilnamanagh-beg.

1 page

3/1/16 23 March 1905

Letter from Weldon Molony, 28 South Frederick St., Dublin. Regarding the sale of Ballygannonbeg and Kinmanogue to Thomas Acton. Attached revised holdings after sale.

2 items

3/1/17 16 November 1908

Letter from Edward Ellison to Kemmis referring to Clohernagh and George Snell advising that he will make a good tenant and his friends offered to help him on the farm.

1 item

3/1/18 17 November 1908

Letter from George Snell (Jr) to Lewis Kemmis wishing to apply to let Clohenagh giving £42 a year. Only wants rabbits not winged game or hares. Snell is willing to purchase through the Land Commission.

1 item

3/1/19

20 November 1908

Letter from John R Hudson looking to rent Ballygannon's Fawcett's farm with a reply from Charles Acton. Note on back stating "not letting any outside farms only for grazing".

1 item

3/1/20

05 May 1915

Typed letter relating to sandbags M.L. Tyler Linden house, Highgate Road N.W.

1 page

3/1/21

02 June 1919

Two letters between Captain Acton and R. Malone, Wexford, relating to horse for sale and viewing the mare. Handwritten note on back of letter details assets of Captain Ball Acton under policy number 10015249 with a value of £7,700.

2 pages

3/1/22

No date

Account sheets entitled 'Form 419'. Details Townlands, Tenants, Poor Law Evaluations, Rents Balance, Chargeable Duty and Collection Balance. Tenant names include Manley, Hudson Hill, Kinsella, O'Keefe, Doyle, Stratan, Keegan, Evans, Hyland, Richardson, Taylor, Windes, Pearse, Farrer, Burne, Straham, Ryder and O'Mahony.

11 pages

3/1/23

No date

Sheet of Poor Law Valuations for Lands and tenants.

1 item

3/1/24

No date

Lists of callops and names. Charles Myrna, 6 callops; William Strahan, 6 callops; James Doyle 4 callops; Michael Fleming, 13 callops; Widow Hill, 0 callops and Hugh Smith 7 callops.

2 pages

(ii) *Francis Stedman*

3/1/2/1 19 September 1914

Letter to Captain Acton from Stedman. Letter updates Acton on farm matters, corn all in safe and in good condition. Bad weather and severe windstorm caused a large sycamore tree to fall bring down a wall in the corner of Huggard. Cattle are selling well. Letter also refers to Mr. Kennedy and Mr Spears and the sale of timber.

1 item

3/1/2/2 No date

Note on Kilmacurragh Rathdrum paper relating to timber sales. Note also refers to letter from Spears about Kirkpatrick. Stedman to make inquiries about how much Deans got Spears and Mr Edward Elisson & Son as they are considered respectable.

1 item

3/1/2/3 No Date

Letter to T. Taylor relating to management of oats in loft and feeding of horses with Mr. Stedman.

3 pages

(iii) *Mary Ann Evans*

3/1/3/1 11 March 1909 – 15 June 1910

Letters between Captain Acton and Mary Anne Evans related to Ruskell taking gravel and breaking through an entrance. Evans boys boarded up windows on a house in Ballinaskea. Also refers to money for grazing.

4 items

3/1/3/2 01 August 1898 - 15 April 1904

Agreement between Thomas Acton and Mary Anne Evans for grazing contract on the lands of Ballinaskea.

2 pages

(iv) *Samuel Sheane*

3/1/4/1 08 November 1909 - 05 January 1910

Letters between Captain Acton and Samuel Sheane, Coolnakilley, Glenealy, arranging a meeting to finalise agreement on rent of house and buildings of Tullylusk.

9 items

3/1/4/2 10 May 1911

Agreement between Captain Acton (landlord), Samuel Sheane (tenant) and Mr. McCall (contractor) regarding quarrying stone at Tullylusk.

2 pages

(v) *Thomas Sharpe*

3/1/5/1 02 May 1913 – 03 May 1913

Letter to Captain Acton from Thomas Sharpe, Ballinaskea House, Ballymoile, Arklow, Co Wicklow about tenancy and grazing of Ballinaskea and fishing rights. Also, about permission for cutting some trees.

10 items

(vi) *High Court*

3/1/6/1 10 November 1883

High Court of Justice in Ireland, Chancery Division Land judges consolidated final Notice to tenants and adjoining owners and occupiers in the matter of the State of Edward Hayes Keoghoe owner and petitioner for the sale of lands of Ballinclare and Carrigmore and parts of Breagura.

3 pages

3/1/6/2 16 April 1884

Charles Ball Acton (Plaintiff) v Thomas Boylan (Defendant) Statement of Claim (Robert C. Lee and Son Plaintiffs Solicitors 2 Inns Quay Dublin.) Statement of Claim in relation to lands of Syddan and Polecastle. (High Court of Justice in Ireland Chancery Divisions No. 6.041.

1 item

3/1/6/3 28 August 1884

High Court of Justice Ireland: Number. 6.041 Charles Ball Acton v Thomas Boylan, Affidavits of Robert Campbell Lee and James Tertius Donovan. Thomas Boylan was an infant under age of 21 by John Leonard, his Guardian-ad-litem, (Thomas Boylan Snr died 30 September 1871) relating to the land of Syddan under James Thunder Esq.

1 item

(vii) Land Commission

3/1/7/1 24 October 1887

Order of fixing fair rent under Land Law (Ireland) Act 1881 and 1887, Court of the Irish Land Commission between Thomas Acton and tenant Benjamin Farrar, Cuminanstown and Tullylusk.

1 page

3/1/7/2 1900

Irish Land Commission Church Property Branch, extract from the tithe rent charge (Ireland) Act 1900. Typed one page extract from section 3 (1) and (2), section b (1) and section 8 (4). Provisions affecting variations in the tithe rent charge.

1 item

3/1/7/3 14 February 1901

Order of fixing fair rent under Land Law (Ireland) Act 1881 and 1887, Court of the Irish Land Commission between Thomas Acton tenant and landlord Quinton Dick for land of Ballygannonbeg.

1 page

3/1/7/4 24 June 1910 - 27 July 1910

Letter from Richard Barrington of Irish Land Commission requiring if Major Acton would sell land to the Estate Commissioners to which Acton responded “no”. Barrington reviewed Fortified Estates of 1702 and 1703 and cannot find Acton’s property listed.

2 items

II Correspondence of Thomas Acton IV

3/2/1 July 1847

Note; agree to purchase Balinmandra, Bellpark, Drumcondra and Kilmacrea for £11,100. Note continues to mention owing his four children £4 and £5 for 17th of August 1847.

1 item

3/2/2 27 September 1847

Letter to Thomas Acton from Frances [Nuglie] relating to Mrs. Annesley's farm.

1 item

3/2/3 12 April 1849

Notes relating to one and a half years rent owed by Manley.

1 item

3/2/4 04 December 1851

Letters between Thomas Acton and Pierce Mahoney Esq. requiring payment of rent to be paid to his wife Mrs. Acton and son Thomas Acton.

2 items

3/2/5 18 June 1853

Letter and envelope relating to accounts of the rents charge due to Reverend William Magee on 01 November 1838.

2 items

3/2/6 1854

Valuation of tenements, Parish of Dunganstown page 125 and 126 from the Grand Valuation of Ratable Property in Ireland.

1 page

3/2/7 02 December 1854 - 21 December 1854

Letters from Thomas Acton to Michael Hudson, Woodmont, Arklow, relating to collection of money.

2 items

3/2/8 11 March 1856

Letter to Edward Byrne from Thomas Acton relating to 100 Barrels. And receipt for £90.3.4 for 200 barrels.

2 items

3/2/9 29 April 1857

List entitled "copy of leases put into parcel", contains lists of tenants and lands.

3 pages

3/2/10 28 August 1858

Letter from Thomas Acton to Bowes relating to the death of Mr Taylor.

1 page

3/2/11 11 January 1859

Empty envelope with writing Romair and Adiglie Dialogues to Thomas Acton.

1 item

3/2/12 21 March 1859

Letter to Thomas Acton from J. Bowes relating to trees at Clara.

1 item

3/2/13 28 June 1859

Letter relating to Clara from Mr. Byrne to Thomas Acton.

1 item

3/2/14 06 July 1859

Letter from Thomas Acton to Mr. [Feontine] relating to fence being broken as a public thoroughfare between Wicklow Road and Acton's Lawn.

1 item

3/2/15 21 July 1867

Letter from John Manley to Thomas Acton relating to the payment of £100. Manley looking for yearly instalments rather than a once off payment.

1 page

3/2/16 20 May 1869

Letter from W. Proby to Thomas Acton. Letter of apology regarding a large stone from Acton's estate.

1 page

3/2/17 30 November 1875

Letters and maps from solicitors Reeves & Son, 17 Merrion Sq East, Dublin, to the Landed Estate Court in the matter of the estate of William Radcliff owner and petitioner John Ashley and several other owners and petitions and the estate of Stephen Francis C Annesley. On owner of land and matters off the Partition Act 1868 public right of way are marked on maps attached also John Jenkinson and Thomas Byrne tenants, (Thomas Acton tenants) have right of way in lots no. 5 and 6.

2 pages

3/2/18 1882

Copybook of letters written by Thomas Acton regarding Martin Windes nonpayment of rent and cutting down an Ash tree worth £20 advising he requires his money. Letters regarding other estate matters to tenants, solicitors and the Land Committee. Front cover of notebook has writing "Newbawn Evictions 26 June 1888 John Mooney and William Mooney. Copy of letter relating to James Lenehan alleged lunatic was released from Richmond District Lunatic Asylum and threatened to kill his wife and brother.

1 item

3/2/19 1882 -1883

Copybook of letters of Thomas Acton relating to his estate. Letters sent to solicitors. The Land Commission and tenants.

1 item

3/2/20 January 1884

Letter from Thomas Acton to Edward Doyle relating to the sale of Bellpark House and timber for £1,400 and a sixty-year lease for £136.4.0 a year.

1 page

3/2/21 1885 -1897

Copybook of letters of Thomas Acton relating to his estate. Letters sent to solicitors. The Land Commission and tenants.

1 item

3/2/22 13 March 1886

Statement by Thomas Acton to Nugent Lentaigne (for the Lord Chancellor) relating to the jailing of Michael Storey accused of attacking RIC officer during “land grabbing” or “boycotting” protest against his neighbour Benjamin Horan, “a protestant tenant” who replaced evicted tenant James Byrne.

1 item

3/2/23 02 November 1887

Letter from solicitors John K. Toomey to Thomas Acton regarding the management of tenants of William Dick on the lands of Ballygannonbeg and Kilmanogue.

1 page

3/2/24 17 April 1889

Form "Notice of Intention to sell tenancy", landlord Thomas Acton and tenant Edward Cooney Ballinaskea.

1 page

3/2/25 12 September 1891

Letter from Thomas Acton relating to shooting of deer and goose by Mr. Bald.

1 page

3/2/26 04 June 1897

Letter from Thomas Acton to George Brien relating to a fence on Cuminanstown.

1 page

3/2/27 [1898]

Partial correspondence to unknown recipient, unknown date, possibly written by Thomas Acton referring to the threat to "southerners" from secret societies such as the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Irish National Forristers, and United Irish League. Warns the recipient not to write about this in open postcards, and also to be cautious in letters sealed with wax. Also, mentions Acton's land agent Louis Kemmis and issues with land commission re payments on Ballygannonbeg.

1 item

3/2/28 22 May 1902

List of Thomas Acton's tenants showing when their leases expire. Acton offering a ten percent reduction to rents to keep issue out of court.

1 page

3/2/29 13 March 1903

Second statutory term between landlord Thomas Acton and tenant W.L. Burne record number 470.

1 page

3/2/30 23 October 1908

Copy of Valuation of Edward Ellison, Land Valuer, Rathdrum on the estate of Thomas Acton, Esq. deceased for amount of £17883.15.0.

2 pages

3/2/31 20 November 1908

Rathdrum Union, Boardroom, Workhouse, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. A list of townlands and valuations of the late Thomas Acton from the Clerk.

1 item

3/2/32 31 January

Letter to Thomas Acton relating to money given to Dunganstown, Castlemacadan, Kilbride and West and North Wicklow mad by Lord Wicklow.

1 page

3/2/33 No date

Notes torn from a book referencing horses being taken to Liverpool by Mr Keegan.

2 pages

3/2/34 No date

Empty envelope with a note written "I have purchased tenants' interest Conney, Ballinaskea £5.00; Jenkinson, Kilcandra £199 and Thomas Benjamin Hudson £400."

1 item

III Charles Annesley Ball-Acton

3/3/1 02 February 1909

Letter to Captain Acton from M.W. Whitney, Kilcandra. Letter thanks Captain Acton for money received and asks if he would like to buy fourteen young hens.

1 item

3/3/2 04 June 1909 - 08 June 1909

Letters to Captain Ball Acton from George F. Fleming Solicitors relating to access to the strand at Barrett's Bridge by the by the Dromgoole family.

2 pages

3/3/3 04 February 1910 - 26 May 1910

Letters between Captain Acton and Ruskell of Ballyrichard, Arklow, relating to lands of Kilmacurragh and drawing of gravel.

6 items

3/3/4 08 July 1910 - 20 June 1910

Letters to Captain Acton from Robert Heath, Templemichael, Arklow. Letter thanks Acton for the access to get sea gravel from Ballinaskea and hoping to extent the time as busy making hay.

2 items

3/3/5 11 July 1910

Letters to Mr. Acton related to Estate Commissioners request for lands of Ballygannonbeg.

1 page

3/3/6 30 September 1910

Telegrams from Haskins, Wicklow Auctioneers and Valuers to Captain Acton.

1 item

3/3/7 09 November 1910

Estate Commissioner's Office to Captain Acton relating to the purchase of land of Bell Park and Ballinaskea. Quote number E. 28956/ 10.

1 page

3/3/8 26 March 1912

Letter from Walter Byrne, Ballyedmonduff, Sandyford, Dublin, to Captain Acton, Kilmacurragh asking for help with fencing boundary between the two lands to stop sheep trespassing on the Acton lands.

1 item

3/3/9 21 May 1914

Letter to Captain Charles Acton from J.H. McCarroll & Co Solicitors for Church St. Wicklow, relating to Scheme 13, of the Rural District Council to advise payment due at next meeting.

1 item

3/3/10 18 April 1914

Letter to Captain Acton from K. Frobess, Casino, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. Letter thanks Captain Acton for word on his son, fearing the next four months of the war in London will be tough.

1 item

3/3/11 09 April 1914 - 05 May 1915

Two letters from Rathdrum Rural District Council, Clerk's office, Boardroom, Workhouse, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. P.W. Sheehan, Clerk of the County to Captain Charles A. Acton relating to abatement of rent of £5 due for the case in the site of 29A. Os 34 Macreddin West. Note from Acton, to ask when he will receive the payment from representatives of Mr. McCarroll.

2 items

3/3/12 28 January 1915 - 04 February 1915

Letters from J.H. McCarroll & Co. Solicitors, 4 Church St. Wicklow, relating to Rathdrum Rural District Council Scheme 13 Site no. 29a 0s 34 to Captain Charles Acton.

2 items

IV Estate Timber Correspondence

3/4/1 No date

Parchment entitled by "The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Wood, Forests and Land, Revenues, Works and Buildings, sum of £607.9.6, paid by William Acton of WestAston, to the commissioners. Number 354.

1 page

3/4/2 30 April 1821

Letter at a General Quarter Session of Peace held in Wicklow. William Acton of West Acton registers the following number of trees: 15,000 Larch 15,000 Scotch Fir and 150 Spruce fir planted on the lands of Ballygannonmore.

1 item

3/4/3 07 January 1825

Received from Anthony Thomas [Lipog] Esq., five shillings as a fine for prosecuting the widow Bryan and Matthew Mooney for cutting timber William Dunne.

1 item

3/4/4 27 July 1825

Fines for Timber Sergeant O Brien for £0.12.0.

1 item

3/4/5 28 July 1825

Receipt of £0.2s6d from Sergeant O Brien of Kilbride Police. Timber fines Dunganstown Parish of Thomas Acton by order of Mayor Acton.

1 item

3/4/6 18 May 1825

Rathdrum fine of five-shilling set by Mayor Acton.

1 item

3/4/7 27 July 1859

Letters from Cavanagh & Son to Mr. Thomas Cooney relating to Irish bark. Sold at £8 to £8.10 per ton.

1 item

3/4/8 23 June 1859

Envelope addressed to Thomas Acton Esq., Westaston, notes written "Cronney Byrne about bark".

1 page

3/4/9 10 April 1889

Memorandum from Edward N Wayne, Secretary to Grand Jury Courthouse, Wicklow. Relating to the cutting of trees and hedges, note on the back that 10 days' notice given to owners to cut hedges, but in no case should this be carried out in the months between March to September.

2 items

3/4/10 05 September 1907

Letter from J. Potter, Liffey Wheel and Wagon Works Contractor of H.M. War Department North Wall to Thomas Acton, inquiring about the sale of timber.

1 page

3/4/11 31 January 1917

Wages and receipt for train tickets for 31 January and 02 February 1917 for timber sent from Wicklow to Dublin for amount of £7.25.0 paid on 28 February 1917.

3 items

3/4/12 16 November 1917 – 02 February 1918

Copybook of duplicate letters sent from John E Radcliffe on behalf of William Ball Acton. Letters are addressed to Patrick Murphy, Ballygaffin; the Editor of the Irish Times; William Duffy; George Motor Works, Wexford; Harluis Brothers, Wicklow; John P. Hopkin & Sons, William Lendaum, Board of Agriculture and John Flemming, Wicklow. Letters relate to the lands and trees of the Ball Acton Estate.

1 item

V Kilmacurragh Gardens Correspondence and Copybooks

3/5/1 06 June 1861

Letter to Miss Acton, Westaston from Royal Dublin Society Kildare Street, Dublin relating to fifteen papers of rare Australian seed.

2 items

3/5/2 1872

Envelope to Miss Acton, photograph, dried leaves and note.

4 items

3/5/3 28 March 1885 – 13 February 1929

Drawings, notebook, articles, list of plants and correspondences all related to the Kilmacurragh Gardens and plants sown, empty envelopes and newspaper clippings. Correspondence contained in the file include letters from Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, sale of timber, Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University and Royal College of Science Ireland.

41 items

3/5/4 22 May 1893

Letters between Henry Moore the Director of Royal Garden and Thomas Acton relating to his visit to Kilmacurragh and the flowers received. Contains an envelope addressed to Thomas Acton Kilmacurragh and a plant identification letter for a Berberis Coriaria Boyle.

3 items

3/5/5 30 March 1911 – 13 October 1911

A field botanist diary of Irene Ball Acton listing plants and locations and dates. Contains a list of hundreds of flowers and dates beside them found at Locations include Kilmacurragh & districts, Brittas, Rathnew, Ashford, the Murrough Wicklow, Glendalough.

1 item

3/5/6 27 March 1911

Copybook entitled “Wild Flowers Irene A. Ball Acton”. A field botanist diary with a list of hundreds of flowers and dates beside them.

1 item

3/5/7 February 1913

Article entitled “The treatment of Hedge Grower Timber” by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instructions for Ireland.

1 item

3/5/8 No Date

Seed pouch made from leather with many compartments to house seeds and labels.

1 item

VI Maps

3/6/1 1677-1852

Maps and surveys of the Acton estate in the townlands of Ballinacoooley, Ballygannonbeg, Ballygannonmore, Ballyherrig, Bolagh, Cunniamstown, Kilcandra, Kilmacurragh (including Knocknattin), Kilmanoge, Kilnamanagh, Rahaval, Tullylusk. Includes three maps by Jacob Neville dated 1761 to 1772.

31 Maps

3/6/2 Undated

Maps relating to transfer property under the landed Estate Court; Sheet 130 establishment of the Trustees of Grace Kean, Dunshaughlin.

44 Maps

D. Estate Accounts, Inland Revenue & Income Tax, Loans, Insurance, Receipts & Newspaper Clippings

I Estate Account

4/1/1 22 December 1701

Large accounts workbook for the Acton's Estate containing over 360 pages. First page signed by George Booth and William Symes. Book contains list of names of over 100 men and woman that worked on the Acton Estate from 1701 to 1755. Page 115 notes Thomas Acton Snr death of 10 November 1716. Workers names and details of jobs and salaries included are; H. Rawbones, Martin Byrne, William Eves, Turlough Brennan, William Hutton, William Hudson, William Plinks, Patrick Confry, John Dwyer, George Bath, Edward Ryan. John and Thomas Bourke, William Ruttson, John Wyly, Moby Thornton. Thomas, Clare, Robert

Gibbon, Abraham Esgle, Darly Browne, Peggy Warryingham, Murtagh and Mary Magin, William Robinson, George [Lourlinson], Patrick Magin, Gowan Wilkinson, John Ennis, Dorothy Hodgkinson, William [Dollany], William Harroll, Henry Pemberton. George Tomlinson. Owen Laverty. Matthew [.olloy], Ellen Taylor, D. Matthews, Sam Smyth, Patrick Byrne, Denis Barry, Martin Byrne, William Manley, Myles [Plink], Patrick Doyle, Roger Laverty, A.M. Cardwell, William Farrell, Lawrence Carney, Jacob Williams, Ruth Daniels, Charles Byrne, John Manley, Denis Murphy, John Royly. Nicholas Chater Robert Davis, Owen Quin, Loughlin Byrne, Henry O'Neill, Bryan McGuire, James and Lewis Byrne, Hugh Kavanagh, Morris Bryan, Terrence Cariney, Jacob Darlington, Brian Hanlan, Dennis Doyle, John Tomlinson. John Wayly, B. Mulhall, James Clarke, Thomas [Hepenstall], James Wins, Edmond Magin, John Hackett, Alex Rawbones, Daniel Cowlan, Captain John Hen[gy], Pat Doyle, Jonathan Rogery, William Manley, John Asbourne, Dorothy Morris, G Wilkinson, Thomas Tindall, James Cutts, William Phuley, Terrence Lyne, Dennis Doyle, John Mulholy, Charles M Damsell, Charles Byrne, Richard Beasley, David Tindall, William Dellany, John Ryland, John Hodgson, William Tindall, Edward Coniam, Honora Moore, Anne Lumar, Alexander Sandons, John Carroll, John Ryder, Enoch Sharpe, Daniel McNamara, Darby Gormingon, Henry Elliott, George Spanior, M. Russell, William Snell, Thomas Quinn, William Toole. Dennis Strandon, Alderman, Richard Sutton, Patrick Doolin, John Goggins, Richard Lambert, Patrick M Dowall, William Solomon. Inggy Quinn, Catherine Purcell, Matthew Delaney, Christopher Wybrant, William Noale, Joseph Mills, James Jones, John Clayton, Catherine Lyng, Henry Addison, Tadhg Byrne, Peter Weade, Edward Hayes, Widow Carroll, John Carroll, John Rivelle, Anne Wattson, Morgan Toole, Jack Kearins, John Heipenstall, Jane Watson, James Sutton, Michael Malone, Michael Byrne, Humphrey Crawley, Patrick Kearin, John Regan, John Richardson, Richard Athenhurst, Constantine Cullen, Nurse Mooney, Richard Lambert, Thomas Luni, J. Martin, Elizabeth Noblel, John Doyle, Ned Magen, Nanny Carroll, A. Toole, Ally Ryan, James Smyth, Paddy Kinsulagh and Tom Carroll.

1 item

4/1/2 1720

1720's Estate accounts of Thomas Acton pages very fragile. Tenant names included in book are; Anderson, Bartram, Brady, Batty, Camon Chandy, Harrison, Hill, Loftus, Proby, Palmestown, Quin, Rose, Roding, Simpson, Twigge, Wadle

4/1/3 1745- 1847

Tenantry and lands listed in the record book include; John Revill lease date 19 Oct 1745 parts of Ballynacooly of Ballkoroge. Edward Byrne, lease of Ballnacooly for 21 years from 25 March 1789 at £55 per year. James Thomas, lease of Bolagh and Tullyslusk for life of 31 years 25 March 1806 at £43.15.0. Edwards Pitts, lease 26 January 1787 for parts of Kilcandra, Tullyluske and Bolagh at £41. William Johnson, 25 March 1805 for 49 acres of Kilcandras for £73 per year. Thomas M Daniel lease for parts of Kilcandras, Ballygannon for £25 per year. James Malone. Owen Byrne leases part of Kilcandra for £25 per year. James Annesly leased Kilmanogue for life of 31 years at £56. William Hudson dated 25 March 1805 held 21 years for £9.1.33 for Bolagh. Charles Jones dated 1701 lease for 140 acres of Kilmacurragh for the life of his wife Grace Jones now Sharp and later Anne Jones now Lawrence with a rent of £113.15.0. Terence Byrne held 31 acres of Ballygannon for £25. Thomas Bolton held 31 acres of Cunniamstown for 31 yrs at £25.4. William Bolton of Cunniamstown 1795, held a 31 years lease for £20.4.0. John Farrell of Cunniamstown. Thomas Grace – Cunniamstown a rent of £17.10.0. Alexandre M Daniel of Cunniamstown. Widow of James M Daniel (son in law Thomas Byrne) had a rent of £14 for land in Cunniamstown. William Farrelly of Cunniamstown paid a rent of £6.16.0. Michael Byrne of Cunniamstown. Martin Byrne of Cunniamstown. Gattets M. Daniels of Cunniamstown. William Malone, Ballgannonmors. Anne Malone, Widow of Michael – Edward eldest son of Ballygannon. Dorothy Murphy, sister of Patrick Malone her son Mathew Murphy of Ballgannon. James Malone of Ballygannon. Richard and George Taylor held seven acres and house at Kilcandra. John Jenkinson of Kilcandras seven acres and a house.

Michael Daniels (1821) House and Garden at £4. Robert Franklin 2 acres 2 roods 30 perches (1820) for £4.11.3. Mortgage land of Ballyvaltin (William Murray) £655 to be paid by tenant James Bunan at £84.16.8 (1839). John Hudson part of Ballygannonbeg 38a. 3r.8p for £28 for 21 years. Peter Bradshaw twenty-four acres for £30 (1824). Henry Harrington Esq. £241.10.0 for Grange Con. Hugh Byrne £19.14.7

Expenses sections lists the following names; Mrs Sidney Acton paid annuity of £200 per year in quarterly payments, James Ryder and Peter Blake and Mr William Beatty, Baggot Street; Robert Sharpe; Captain Thomas Bolton (1825-1843), Benjamin Fannan (1833 – 1847), Captain Keoghoe, Colonel Campbell, Doctor Nolan. Henry Windery (1839-1847), Mary

[Fanele] of Clanmagh. Michael [Fanele] of Closagh; Thomas Byrne, Clasenagh; John Byrne, Clasenagh; Richaed Ford, Macreddin; John Yorke, Macreddin; Michael Fleming, Macreddin; James Smith, Macreddin; Michael Byrne, Macreddin; John Boyne, Macreddin; John Doyle, Macreddin; Charles (Murne), Macreddin; Murtagh Byrne, Macreddin; John [Hill], Macreddin; William Staham, Macreddin; Martin Doyle, Kilmacangah; W [Fortune], Kilmacangah; David Hudson, Bolgh; William Hudson, and Andera and John Murphy. Edward Byrne, Kilmacanogue and house £5.10.0; Thomas Bolton, land and house in Ballygannon for £6.4.0; Dennis Regan, house and meadows of 16 acres in Killmacurragh for £16; Patrick Byrne, house and garden and two cows for- £7.19.4; James Byrne, worker; Edward Byrne; Robert Jackson; John Roche; Matthew and John Magee; Edward Farrelly; John Davis seven Acres of Kilcandras for £9; Patrick Lackin, worker; William Doyle; Thomas Bolton; Andrew Bryan, seven acres in Kilcandras and house for £9 18.15; James Bowes to hold William Doyles late of holdings on Kilmacanogue from 29 March 1800 for £9. James Gaffney; Anthony and William Fawcett lease for 3 lives from 1809 for £65.3.33 at Ballygannonbeg; Winifred Byrne and John [Luim]of Ballygannon Big; Peter [Divitin] lodged in Wicklow note due £28.15 paid in full; Matthew Farrell, lease for life 21 years 1819 of 24acres of Cuniamstown for £31.3.3; Thomas Byrne, a 21 years lease of 31acres for £43.14.2; C Chimeny paid £40.5.0 for 21 years Cuniamstown; Edward Chimeny 21 years lease for 45acres at Little Cuniamstown paid £57.2.6; Matthew Murphy held a 21 years lease of 32 acres paying £44.16.10 in Cuniamstown and Ballygannon; Louis Ned Malone held a 21 years lease in 1824 of 29 acres paying £40.7.3; John Malone held twelve acres paying £10 in 1820 lease was for three lives; Joseph Byrne, Ballygannon; Alexander Hill, Ballygannon and Kilcandra; Grace and James Hammond.

1 item

4/1/4 1778

Account book for Acton's detailing leases of James Kenny, grocer; Patrick Walsh, doctor; Darby Gallagher, doctor; James Scarlet; Christopher White, mealman; Thomas Fisher, linendraper; Nicholas Fitzsimon, doctor; Francis Carney; Jeffery Shanly, apothecary; Christopher Rigney, grocer; Thomas Coughlan, coach owner; Patrick and John McMahon, bakers; Francis Hamilly, apothecary. Book also details cattle bought and sold in the period 1793- 1820. Book is in a fragile condition with many pages loose from binding.

1 item

4/1/5 1782 -1815

Accounts book detailing ladies hired to work in the house and the cost of uniforms, shoes and wages. Names include; Alexander Bolton, Elizabeth Woods, Peggy [Herd], Ann Murphy, Bridget Redmond, I. Mathews, Mary Williams, J. Richardson, Rebecca McNarmara, Mary Pollack, Catherine Redmond, P. Ritty, Bridget Brennan, Elizabeth Murphy, Sarah Glynn, Bridget Dougherty, Catherine Clarke, Catherine Clancy. Account book also details household and kitchen equipment, chairs, cloths, handkerchiefs, aprons, etc.

1 item

4/1/6 07 September 1807 – 15 December 1808

Book, first eighteen pages refer to “Wicklow Repository”. Book detailing cost and expenses of staff and wages, Names of those included are; Thomas Cavanagh, Rose Bateman, Elizabeth Kearns, Ahina Hammond, Anne Bourke, Michael Byrne, Margaret Butler (Cook (C)), Catherine Sherry (C), Alicia [Con], Ellen Maguire, Sarah Bowes (to attend children), Sarah Taylor (Maid (M)), Anne Lynch (Laundry maid (LM)), J. Smith, Ellen Bell (kitchen maid (KM)), Mary Anne Hammond, Catherine Lee, Bridget Horan (KM), Elizabeth Jenkinson ((HM) (HM)), Mary Dalton (HM), Mary Byrne (KM), Jane Stanley(KM), Anne Stanley (KM), Susan Waldron(KM), Mary [Gethim], Sarah Smith (LM), Margaret Smith (LM), Ellen Smith, Mary Hegarty (KM), Mary Golding (KM), Mary Watson (C), Rose Trimble (C), Catherine Elton(LM), Jane Mullins, Alice Connell, Biss Conile, Eliza Tuke (LM), Mary Henry, Francis Malone(KM), Bridget Sinnott(KM), Mary Hale(KM), Michael Byrne (Farm labourer), William Byrne, Mary Garry, (HM), Elizabeth Griffin, Mary Anne Durnin (to attend Sidney), Ellen Mc[Grath], Elizabeth McGivin, (C), Catherine Doherty (C), John Hudson, John Matthews (Coachman), Andrew Keegan (Stable Assistant), Elizabeth Carn (LM), R. Windins (KM), J. Madden, Eleanor Reilly (C), Elizabeth Mates (LM and dairymaid), Lucy Greene (KM), Catherine [James], Elizabeth Brothers (C), Elizabeth Richardson (HM), John Brash (Stable Hand), Bridget Godtrim (C), Mary Malone (C), Mary McNulty (KM), Eleanor Waters, Sarah Waters, Michael Byrne, Eleanor Tuke, Anne McGee (KM), Jane Williams, Georgina Edgar, Ellen McGrath, J. Matthews, Patrick [Thamaitis] (stable boy), William Brennan, Thomas, Robert and John Keegan (Gardeners), Thomas Cross, James Taylor, Henry Cooney, Index at back of book detailing page number beside each name.

1 item

4/1/7 31 May 1816

Notebook – Front cover inscribed with “From 31st May 1816”. Notebook details names of works on the land weekly worked carried out by them in the Garden and holdings and observations of weekly accounts from 31st May to 28th November 1816. Labourers’ names include: Denis Regan, John Regan, Deward Malone, Thomas Malone, James Byrne, John (Jarne), Pat Larkin, James Gaffney, Matt Murphy, Pat Byrne, Thomas Cullen, James Byrne Son, Edward Cullen, James Bours, John Arthur, John Davis, (Edw)Davis, Marcus Larkin, Pat Byrne. Jobs such as gardening, washing sheep, farming and threshing.

1 item

4/1/8 1831

Large notebook with a letter posted to front cover date 31 May 1831, “Extracted from the Registry of his Grace Richard by Divine Providence Archbishop of Dublin Primate and Metropolitan of Ireland and Bishop of Glendalough. That we John Wright and John Manifold Commissioners duty appointed for the composition of Tithes in Ireland payable within Dungastown County Wicklow that £700 payable to Rev William Magee”. Book details landholder names, number of acres, rate per acre of composition and annual amount of composition and remarks. Books details the lands of Rosgath, Ballymnorn, Ballymoney, Ballykepogue, Gormastown, Bonabrough, Ballinamesstha, Ballinclare, Carrigmore, Kilmanogue, Ballgannonbeg, Ballygannonmore, Cumianstown Little, C Large, Newbawn, Balagh, Kilmacrea, Kileanderagh, Tullalusk, Kilmacurragh, Wesaton, Ballard, Kilboy, Ballinacor, Ballaharrow, Balycapple, Ballintyns, Ballkane, Ballgilarow, Rehavill, Temple Lyon, Killmurray, Ballykeroge, Clohogue, Cranaght, Cronakip, Ballinapark, Bellpapr, cullen, Three mile water, Ballydolan, Ballincarrig, Castleimon, Ballyflanigan, Dungastown, Ballinagron, Ballyvaltrin, Ballyclough, Maugherymore, Thomlagee, Ballysallagh, Raherd, Cornagower, Brittass, Ballinclay, Bonagro, Kilbride.

1 item

4/1/9 1849-1859

A3 in size fragile notebook detailing the accounts of Thomas Acton. Additional letter attached on page 19 for works of drainage and reclaiming of flat field bogland of

Kilmacurragh carried out by Martin Doyle 11 January 1858 to 15 June 1859 at a cost of £31.10.11 ½.

1 item

4/1/10 September 1849

Copybook with sketch of a cow on front details rent charges for the Acton's Estate. Names included are Joseph Revell, Edward Byrne, William Hudson, David Hudson, Edward Pitts, Henry Windes, John Hudson, James Bowes, Lawrence Bolton, Mrs Mary Farrell, Joseph Bolton, Alexander Hill, William Fawcett, John Fortune, Martin Doyle, George Pierce, Mrs Byrne, John Manly, Edward Chomney, Thomas Chomney, Peter Bradshaw, John Hudson Jr., David Mahony, James Ryder, George Blake, Mrs Sharpe, R Burkte, William Farrell, Thomas Mullen, Richard Bradshaw, Henry Perry, William Phillips, Benjamin Farren, Thomas Sharpe, Michael [Foinel], James Ford, Michael Fleming, Hugh Schmidt, William Fromel, John Doyle, Michael Byrne, Patrick Farrell, Charles Mernagh, Mrs Hill, William Strahan, William Byrne, William Shepherd, James Forbes, John Dalton, D. Nolan, James Finn, Thomas Cahille, Patrick Malone income total £2069.0.10.

1 item

4/1/11 August 1849 - March 1859

Summary of accounts records.

6 pages

4/1/12 26 March 1855

Schedules of accounts of Thomas Acton for the Inland Revenue on the Estate of Westaston.

2 items

4/1/13 1869 -1917

Rental Account books detailing names and lands held over a period of forty-four years and two separate accountants. Alfred MacDermott (1869- May 1895) and Lewis E W Kemmis (Nov 1895 to 1917, with years 1909-1915 not included). In 1869 there were forty tenants with an income of £3148.7.0, this number lowered in 1917 with twenty-one tenants with an

income of £1334.12.0. Names of these tenants included; Thomas Sharpe, Timothy Linehan, Samuel Meredith, Mrs Sarah Taylor, Thomas Winder, Edward Pierce, Miss May Anne Cosgrove, Benjamin Farrar, Archibold [Sheane], John Joseph Burce, William L Burue, W Hudson, Albert Strahan, Michael Doyle, Mrs May O Keeffee, John Clancy, John Byrne, The O Mahony, Richard Hill, Samuel Sheane. Land holdings listed, Ballinaskea, Togher, Ballyherrig, Kilcandra, Coniamstown Big, Tullylusk, Kilmacrea, Kilnamanahbeg, Marcreddin Est, Rahavill, Temple Lyon, Grangecon.

54 items

4/1/14 1870

Notebook in a very fragile condition with traces of water damage many pages are unable to be opened. Dated 1870 to 07 October 1878 January accounts for Thomas Acton.

1 item

4/1/15 1874 – 1881

Small leather-bound notebook, payments for personal and household items e.g. ribbon, pinafore, valance for drawing room, coal skuttle, etc.

1 item

4/1/16 25 August 1908 - 1913

Stephen's 'book of the farm' Blackwood. Accounts of the land of Kilmacurragh, Ballygannon, Clohenagh, Ballinaskea, Clara, Bellpark, Tullylusk and Kilcandra. Money noted from the small grazing, rabbits, wages, gun licences, stamps, coal and nails. Book contains three additional pages; A letter dated 06 Feb 1913 relating to three Irish settlers that have not been received signed by Michael O'Feary. Notes made on the Kildare Street Club in relation to election of a permanent member to be held on 26 February 1914. Additional note on back to pay £52.16.11 Land's let Laudin Hauds and refused to pay £18.4.7 for Sch B and to look for a refund. Third additional page titled "In comePlex notes Sch A £8.19.7 and Sch B £1.10.0.

1 book

4/1/17 April 1915 - September 1917

Kilmacurragh Analysis Book, details the expenditures and receipts. Income columns detail cost for cattle, sheep, pigs, produce, house, rents, rabbits, mill and sundries. Expenses column list costs of cattle, sheep, pigs, labour, feed, seeds, manure and maintenance.

1 item

4/1/18 1929

Large A1 sheet folded in four. Title "Farm and demesne year 1929", detailing expenses and rents received through timber and grazing.

1 item

II Inland Revenue and Income Tax

4/2/1 February 1854

Inland Revenue succession duty for property not chargeable by way of annuity. Folio no. 88, for the property of Colonel Charles Ball Acton of the Yorkshire Regiment stationed in India upon the death of William Acton, who died 11 April 1854. Derived from Thomas Walker predecessor under settlement dated 15 June 1818. Charles Ball Acton. Is a lineal issue of Caroline Acton. Amount £60.13.10. paid on the 20 February 1884.

1 item

4/2/2 1888-1903

Hand written account of income tax for Thomas Acton for years 1888-89, 1899-1900 and 1902-1903 by Thomas Douglas.

3 items

4/2/3 11 April 1906

Receipt for £40 for income tax payment to Mr. White from Thomas Acton. Signed David Moore.

3 items.

4/2/4 1906-1908

Income Tax schedule A forms for year 1906-1907 and 1907-1908 for Thomas Acton and form no. 38D for 1907-1908 Relief to Earned Income.

3 items

4/2/5 1906-1917

Income tax receipts for Thomas Acton and Charles Acton under Kemmis for 1906-1917.

31 items

4/2/6 26 August 1908 – 31 March 1909

Farmers Appeal Income Tax, statement of payments and receipts for lands of Captain A. Acton occupation for the purpose of husbandry. Includes empty envelope with note stating 'no appeal made as not eligible owing to included property'. Also copies of particulars of the lands to which the appeal relates.

15 items

4/2/7 April 1913

Memorandum from the Assistant Secretary and Controller of Stamps and Taxes, Customs House, Dublin. Detailing bank interests enclosed and order is sent in repayment of Income Tax in respect of banks interest for April 1913. Note written letter by Charles Acton seeking more detail, to know for what bank and for which year.

1 item

4/2/8 11 July 1914

Two Notice of Vesting. Land Purchase Acts for estate of Truell. Record number EC4311. Annuity of £2171 by Captain C.A. Ball Acton successor on the title of Thomas Acton. Also attached 2 copies of Income Tax Schedule A for 1911 and 1912 for. Charles Acton Interest to be paid on the Gale Day. Half yearly instalments of £35.5.7 and £51.11.7.

4 items

4/2/9 25 May 1915

Copy of tax returns 1914, handwritten by Charles Acton. (b) Form, Property total of £2,197.8.0, particulars of charges on income of £598.7.10.

1 item

4/2/10 28 May 1915

1914/15 Income Tax Relief Claim War Office Army Form 0.1656 Captain Charles A Acton Regiment, 9th Service Royal Fusions Welsh Fusiliers Station. A PAP house Camp Tides worth and doors

1 item

4/2/11 30 June 1915

Letter to Captain Acton from the Office of the Surveyor of Taxes. Account was undercharged and new amount to be paid of £13.3.8.

2 pages

4/2/12 01 July 1915

Income Tax Ireland Office of the Collector of Income Tax, 2 Leirim Place, Wicklow, tax due for 1914/1915 was adjusted to £13.3.8 for Captain Charles A. Acton Killmacurragh.

1 item

III Loan Correspondence

(i) *Loan 21422*

4/3/1/1 01 December 1908

Letter from the Office of Public Works advising to note no. 21422 on correspondences with the office.

1 item

4/3/1/2 04 December 1908 – 10 November 1909

Letters from the Office of Public Works to Charles A. Ball Acton applying for a loan for Sanitary Works and re-roofing the Westaston House. Included in letter is an approved plan, estimate of cost and specifications. Acton asked for £500 but Board approved £250. On 08 November, Acton asked for a further £50.

13 items

4/3/1/3 25 April 1909 -16 November 1909

Letters from Francis R. Coffee to CA Ball Acton relating to recommendation for a loan of £160 on foot of loan 21422

5 items

4/3/1/4 30 April 1909

Note made on back of Joseph Bloomer & Co, Pitwood importers letter relating to larch. Note to advise Mr. Coffee to visit same day as Mr Ross to inspect drainage. Note requests a copy of deeds.

1 page

4/3/1/5 10 May 1909

Board of Public Works letter relating to Land Improvement Services estimate of works improving farm offices at Westaston, under loan 21422 for amount £250 signed by Inspector Coffee.

1 page

4/3/1/6 10 May 1909

Board of Public Works document, "Abstract of Specifications" estimates of sanitary work of farmhouse and for re-roofing amounting to a total of £250.

1 page

4/3/1/7 10 May 1909

Land Loan Services document; "Specification for Implement" shed and small stores to be improved in accordance with accompanying Plan on Borrowers Holding at Westaston.

1 page

4/3/1/8 10 May 1909

Sanitary Works estimates composed by Mr. Coffee for works under loan 21422 amount to £160 handwritten and typed copies.

3 pages

4/3/1/9 27 May 1909

Memorandum from Land Loans Department Secretary H. William. In accordance with Act of Parliament loan of £250 to be advertised in Dublin Gazette on the 28th May and the General Advertise on the 29th till 12th Jun 1909. Letter to Mr. Coffee from Charles Acton written on back of document.

1 page

4/3/1/10 07 June 1909

Unofficial letter from W.G. Towers from the Office of Public Work Law Department to White relating to Acton's Loan.

1 page

4/3/11 08 June 1909

Letter from 16 Molesworth St to advise Acton that the loan request be expedited.

1 page

4/3/12 02 July 1909

Loan Land Improvement 21422 contains two drawings “Sanitary Works at Westaston House” and “Part First floor Plan & Plan Elevation”.

2 pages

4/3/13 13 October 1910

Accounts Department for the Office of Public Works letter relating to Loan number 21422 of 22 years. Accountant seeking clarification on amount paid by Charles A Acton.

1 page

4/3/14 08 November 1909

Copies of Acton’s response letters to Coffee both dated 08 November 1909 relating to the loan for drainage and a further application of a loan of £40 for concrete floors. Second letter requires the loan to be increased to £50 to concrete four out-office, two stables, a coach house and a store.

2 pages

4/3/15 22 November 1909

Land Improvement loan number 21422 received from Charles Ball Acton £4.12.4 for preliminary expenses paid by Commission of Public Works to date.

1 page

4/3/1/16 No date

Board of Public Works document with two copies loan for Improvement of lands memorandum for applicants' information. Form has notes made in margin works for roofing south side of yard repair to house roof kitchen.

2 items

4/3/1/17 No Date

Memorandum from the Board of Public Works Land Loan Ireland, "The Commission of Public Works informs Applicants a memorial for a loan must pass at least 2 months before it can be granted"

1 page

4/3/1/18 13 October 1910

Letter from Sterling Debenture Corporation to Thomas Acton to become a Telepost investor. Letter crossed out with note on back relating to interior plastering, the room size and requiring good lime and clean gravel.

1 page

(ii) Loan 22152

4/3/2/1 No date

Map stamped 22152 with boundary of Kilmaccurragh East highlighted in yellow.

1 item

4/3/2/2 No date

West Aston demesne, Kilmaccurragh East (stamped 22152) boundary highlighted in yellow.

1 item

4/3/2/3 17 November 1909

Memorial number 22152 given to Captain Acton's application.

1 page

4/3/2/4 07 December 1909 - 04 April 1912

Documents related to loan no. 22152 for loan of £50 for concrete floors in eight horse stables, machine shed, coach house, cow house, four horse stables and a store house. Advertised in Dublin Gazette 7th January and General Advertised 8th and 15th 1910. Loan and method for floor approved 24th March 1910. Extension sought by Acton to completion of work to date and approved to 1st July 1912.

11 items

4/3/2/5 04 February 1914

Letter from Land Improvements Office of Public Works, Dublin, for payment required of £3.2.6 for loan number 22152 for Captain Charles Acton.

1 item

(iii) General Loan Documentation

4/3/3/1 No Date

Land Loan Service Instruction to Borrowers on a pink page

1 page

4/3/3/2 06 August 1900

Letters from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instructions for Ireland to Mr. Acton relating to the selling of Ballinaskea and a loan of £300.

1 page

4/3/3 03 February 1902

Secretary of Office of Public Works writes to Kemmis to advise some loans are repayable in 22 years by a rent change of 6 ½ per cent other in 35 years at 5%.

1 page

4/3/4 28 February 1913

Letter from the Land Loan Service to advise £160 of an instalment of a loan was advanced to Captain Charles Acton in November 1909 and details of expenditure on work executed under the loan to date needs to be provided.

1 item

IV Killmacurragh Improvement works

4/4/1 1707

Estimate of expenses on the lands of Killmacurragh for building ditches and other improvements.

1 page

4/4/2 1718

Estimate of expenses and charges of the building at Killmacurragh in 1718 to 1719 amounting to £909.3.1.

1 page

4/4/3 26 September 1729

Article of agreements between Thomas Acton and Thomas Burke, Edmund Magan and Richard Potter for digging and drawing stones for a paddock wall. Signed by all mentioned.

1 page

4/4/4 26 September 1729

Agreement of bond that the sum of £50 to be paid by Thomas Acton to Thomas Burke, Edmond Magan, Richard Porter and James Wingrove for work carried out.

1 page

4/4/5 08 October 1729

Article of agreement between Thomas Acton, John Elliott and Henry Cross for the erection of a wall around parts of the lands of Killmacurragh. Signed by all mentioned.

1 page

4/4/6 08 October 1729

Article of agreement between Thomas Acton and John Elliott and Henry Cross that a stone wall will be built by the 01 November 1730, to make a paddock at Deerpark. Contains signees and witnessed signatures.

1 page

4/4/7 1762

Willian Acton's expenses of repairing old offices and rebuilding coach houses and two stables.

1 item

4/4/8 16 June 1894

Letter from Michael Byrne, Rathdrum to Thomas Acton. Proposal and agreement to make a pond at Killmacurragh measuring 30 yards by 30 yards. Depth of five foot in the deepest part, running to two feet at edge with a space of 12 foot in the centre for fowl to rest. At a cost of £60.

2 items

4/4/9 03 October 1913

Tender to Captain Ball Acton from J.A. Syme, Rathdrum for concreting stables, coach house and cows house at the cost of £0.1.10 per square yard. And tender for alterations and repair to Beechmont House for the sum of £25.

2 pages

4/4/10 No date

Estimates from Norman McKay Contractor of Wicklow to Acton for Labour, Building and plastering and supplies for £17.11.6.

1 page

4/4/11 No date

Estimate of money for WestAston by Thomas Acton for trees, out offices, Deerpark, repairs and rebuilding. Amount £4016.6.4.

1 item

V Insurance Correspondence

4/5/1 06 October 1909 – 17 November 1909

Letter from Sun Insurance Office, 9 College Green, Dublin relating to the premium of £8.2.6 to the executor of the late Thomas Acton. Policy no. W25477 for house and board and fire policy. Paid to Captain Charles A Ball Acton.

23 items

4/5/2 21 February 1910

Letter from Sun Insurance Office to Captain Charles Ball Acton relating to his policy W.25477. Noting that no money compensation is paid out in first week under the policy.

1 page

4/5/3 19 October 1914

Letter to Captain Charles Acton from Sun Insurance Office, 9 College Green, Dublin, on payment of compensation to John Fleming whilst incapacitated as a result of an accident.

1 item

4/5/4 03 July 1915

The Workman's Compensation Act, 1906 Form 28, Notice of Memorandum having been received John Fleming, Cuniamstown and Charles A. Acton. J. Fleming sustained a personal injury while employed at Killmacurragh on the 28 September 1914 and to receive compensation of £40. He sustained a fractured arm from a cart overturning.

3 items

VI Estate Receipts

(i) General Receipts

4/6/1/1 No date

Receipt from Robert Wheatley to Thomas Acton for work carried out on Bellpark House includes new windows, door repair, concrete floor, skirting and painting for a cost of £78. Thomas Acton made a note on receipt, "work beautifully done".

2 items

4/6/1/2 05 April 1858

Letters advising sender does not owe Mr. Dycon £6.4.0 for repairs of carriage.

1 page

4/6/1/3 11 November 1858

Letter from Office of Official Assignees, No. 10 Mountrath Street, Dublin, to Mrs. Acton of Rathdrum. In the matter of Charles Dycer bankrupt, owed £6.4.0 for work done.

1 item

4/6/1/4 17 September 1859

Receipt for £525.8 lodged to the Bank of Ireland from James Donovan on behalf of Mr. McDermott to Thomas Acton.

1 item

4/6/1/5 07 June 1861

Receipt for £47.5.0 for a second hand Hansome cab from Robert and Joseph Afford, London.

1 page

4/6/1/6 16 November 1864

Receipt to Thomas Acton for £5 from John Regan. Taking care of house and field at Westaston.

1 page

4/6/1/7 12 February 1881

Receipt for £0.7.6 to Miss. Webb from H. Hatton. Great. Bedwyn Wharf.

1 page

4/6/1/8 25 September 1883

Receipt for £1.0.0. for Thomas Acton from Thomas McKenzie and Son Limited, 34 Dawson St., Dublin.

1 page

4/6/1/9 23 November 1888

Letter to Mrs. Acton accounts for Charles Dycer for £1.4.0.

1 item

4/6/1/10 14 February 1899

Receipt for James Keeffe for Grand Jury Cess of £10.9 ½.

1 page

4/6/1/11 1899

Cost of house in Ballygannon £78.14.0 for slates, nails, timber, mason work, carpentry, labourer's wages, lime, sand and salter.

1 page

4/6/1/12 22 May 1900

Receipt from W. Smith & Son, Family grocers to Mr. Taylor, Kilcandra. £0.0.10 for cheese paid.

1 item

4/6/1/13 20 May 1905

Receipt for payment of £18.10.4 to Land Purchase account of. W.H. and Truell Estate Ballygannonbeg by tenant Thomas Acton.

1 page

4/6/1/14 24 December 1908 - 21 January 1909

Two letters from the Irish Automobile Club, 34 Dawson St. Dublin to Acton, relating to cover for Acton's car. Maintenance of gears and license required to drive a car applied for to Wicklow County Council for £5.

4 pages

4/6/1/15 31 January 1913 – 30 March 1917

Receipts from J.P Hopkin & Son, Corn, Flour and Provisions Merchant.

8 items

4/6/1/16 20 June 1916 - 31 March 1917

Receipts from Haskins Brothers, Agricultural Implements, Manure, Seeds & Merchants, to Thomas Ball Acton.

6 items

4/6/1/17 23 October 1916

William Giffney, Timber Merchant and General Carpenter to Mr. Acton. Advised to send receipts to L.G Kemmis for repairing van wheels, shod with new iron for amount of £1.10.0. Paid.

1 item

4/6/1/18 04 November 1916

Receipts from Lever Brothers Limited to Captain Ball Acton for £22.6.9 for “strap palm nuts cake (nuttred with condiment), Special war risk”. Small receipts stuck to bottom.

2 items

4/6/1/19 04 November 1916

Receipt from Robert Taylor paid £0.17.1½ for reshoeing horses.

1 item

4/6/1/20 20 November 1916 - 05 March 1917

Two receipts from Doctor Joseph Pim to Miss Ball Acton, Killmacurragh.

2 pages

4/6/121 02 December 1916 - 05 March 1917

Receipts from Robert Taylor for the amount paid of £1.5.8 for farm work.

3 items

4/6/122 11 December 1916

Receipt for roughing black mare from M & P Clarke, Farrier amount £0.1.6.

1 item

4/6/123 30 December 1916

Mrs Ball Acton, Kilmacurragh, receipts from G. Newsom (M.R.C.V.S. Doctor) for amount of £3.50 paid 28 March 1917.

1 item

4/6/124 13 December 1916 - 20 March 1917

Receipts from W. Smith & Son, High Class Grocers and Provisions Merchants to Mrs. Ball Acton.

4 items

4/6/125 01 January 1917

Receipts from John Deans, Steam Sawmills, Glenealy, Wicklow, Timber Merchant to Miss Ball Acton for 20 oaks at £1.19.7 paid by cheque on 02 April 1917.

1 item

4/6/126 11 January 1917

Receipt of £ 2.12.2 from L.G. Kemmis to R Leeson.

1 item

4/6/1/27 23 October 1916

Receipt from Mr. Farrell, Ballygannon, Rathdrum, to L.G. Kemmis Esq for cheque of £9.12.6 for threshing.

1 item

4/6/1/28 29 January 1917

Receipt from Morris, Little & Son Limited, Doncaster, Medical Hall, for the price of £.1.0.3.

1 item

4/6/1/29 11 February 1917

Receipt from S. Cole family grocers, Kilboy Wicklow for amount of £0.2.9 paid.

1 item

4/6/1/30 February 1917

Receipt memorandum from Thomas Codd, Rathdrum, Co Wicklow to William Caranagh Killmacurragh for threshing for Mr. Ball Acton.

1 item

4/6/1/31 30 April 1917

Note with names and amounts. J. Bolton, J. Byrne, Tom Null, J. Stranton, J. Whelan, John Whelan, J. Breen, William Dunne, J. Null and M. Murray. Total £7.2.

1 item

4/6/1/32 May 1920

Note from Garsonite stating "I owed the late Mr. Thomas Acton £9. I enclose £10."

1 item

WWCA/P3/

4/6/1/33 28 July 1872

Receipt from J. Ray Esq for £3.18.0 for rent.

1 item

4/6/1/34 09 February 1917

House account receipts for C Ball Acton.

1 item

(ii) *Tithe Rent, Poor Rates and County Cess Receipts*

4/6/2/1 November 1898

Receipts from the Irish Land Commission for annual Tithe Rent charge for November 1898 for Rathdrum.

3 items

4/6/2/2 03 December 1900 – 22 June 1907

Receipts for Tithe Rent Charge for Thomas Acton.

4 items

4/6/2/3 15 November 1902 - 26 July 1906

Receipts for Poor Law and County Cess payments of Thomas Acton.

16 items

4/6/2/4 1914-1919

Demand notes for payment of general charges and separate charges for 1914 and two for 1919 for the rural district of Rathdrum.

28 items

4/6/2/5 November 1915 - May 1917

The Irish Land Commission (Church Temporals Accounts) Tithe Rent Charges for Captain Reginald Ball Acton of Rathdrum, Kilbride and Dugganstown.

12 items

4/6/2/6 1914 - 1919

File of Poor Rate receipts for Rathdrum. Receipts detail the prayer, the amount and the collector.

76 items

4/6/2/7 17 March 1915

Letter and envelope for receipt of payment of £59.17.11, second annuity of Poor Rates, signed J. Conriff.

2 items

VII Investments

4/7/1 15 September 1859

Receipt from E&A FOX Agents and Government Stocks for amount of £531.5.

1 item

4/7/2 03 October 1859

Letters from A. Moore to the Dublin and Wicklow Railway Company relating to shares of Thomas Acton.

5 pages

4/7/3 18 October 1895

Letter from Charles Ball Acton relating to the sale of. Portion of Alston Pastures in Warwickshire for £62. Money to be invested in “New Ireland” at 4% to be signed by. W.M. Acton, Georgina Cecilia Ball Acton, J Warre Tyndale and Reverend F.H. Annesley.

1 page

4/7/4 1906

Red copybook entitled “Particulars of the Aunt Liz Trust at the other end of book are more details”. First two pages had been removed. Writing begins on page 10, “Colonel and Mrs W.M.C Acton’s marriage settlement. Also includes details of investments dated 1906

1 item

4/7/5 No date

List of investments in railway, tobacco, brewing and Bristol Gas companies.

1 page

4/7/6 03 October 1910

Letter from Boyle, Low, Murray & Co., Agents for the Alliance Life and Fire Assurance Company relating to the new price of guaranteed stock.

1 item

VIII Newspaper Clippings

4/8/1/1 1758 -1912

Newspaper clip from The Dublin Journal, George Faulkner, number 3282 mentioning the wood of Clara being belonging to William Acton to be sold. Proposal of lands to be made to

WWCA/P3/

Westaston up to the 06 November. Woods are described as mainly contain oak and being very extensive.

4/8/1/2 1855

Newspaper clipping relating to Byrne and Acton to recover value of manure.

1 page

4/8/1/3 17 May 1856 - 16 February 1859

Newspaper clippings (very small) detailing classes, accommodation to let with fishing and Rathdrum Union rate books.

8 items

4/8/1/4 1898 – 1912

Newspaper clippings from the Wicklow People.

6 items

4/8/1/5 No date

Newspaper clip “Eviction of tenants without previous notice”

1 item

E. Irene Ball Acton

I Family History

5/1/1 No date

Photo of two young women embracing. Note on back” Emile Blumel & Irene A. Ball Acton.

Size: 6.5cm x 9.5

1 item

5/1/2 No date

Handwritten history of Acton family and Kilmacurragh. Mentions that in 1798 the family were sent to Dublin under the protection of Yeomanry and the children became so accustomed to seeing bodies of dead rebels that they ceased to notice them. In 1822 a hundred people came looking for work during a potato famine. None were turned away all employed to make the large sunk fence around Deerpark which took 1 year. In 1697 building of Kilmacurragh house began and to be called West Aston after Acton’s greatest friend, Mr Aston who built his house at Jack Whites Cross Road called it East Acton. Letter further details the house and trees that surround.

2 pages

5/1/3 No date

Envelope titled “Memorandum book of Thomas Acton (born 1671 died 1750) of Kilmacurragh covering years 1694 to 1697”, envelope is empty.

1 item

5/1/4 1902

“Notes by Charlie when Uncle T still alive in 1902.” Clohernagh 1000 statute acres and mentions 15 bullocks walked down the road into the grass. No country folk had ever seen such a herd.” Notes from Apocryphal and Canonical Book on back.

1 page

5/1/5 1932

Transcription of documents made by Irene A Ball Acton.

11 pages

5/1/6 29 May 1934

Copy of Deed of Lease of Sir John Temple to Richard Winstanley. 1683 ordered by Miss Irene A Ball, Acton from the Public Records Office, Dublin.

5 pages

5/1/7 27 August 1960

Letter from [B]to Miss Ball Acton relating to research on the history of the Acton Family and reproducing a diary of Major Acton.

1 item

5/1/8 19 December 1962 – 28 June 1967

File of letters from White & Meares Solicitors to Irene A Ball Acton. Correspondence relates to cheques on the sale of Kilcandra, mental state of Miss Long by Rev. Baird, death of Irene Ball Acton and the sale of Glencapple.

16 items

II Stock, Shares and Receipts

5/2/1 04 July 1917 – 14 September 1925

Receipts for Irene Ball Acton from £5 per cent War Stock 1929- 1947.

4 items

5/2/2 14 August 1923 – 16 May 1963

File of stock bought and sold by Irene A Ball Acton with James Capel & Co. Companies mentioned are Harrods, Shell, General Electricity, Lever Brothers, Johnston Mooney & O'Brien Ltd and Hely Ltd.

30 items

5/2/3 17 August 1923- 17 January 1940

Receipts for Irene Ball Acton from £4 per cent funding stock.

3 items

5/2/4 25 March 1930

Contract note from Cazenove & Akroyds, London to Irene Ball Acton for stock bought under rules and regulations of the Stock Exchange London.

2 pages

5/2/5 12 August 1932 - 07 June 1934

Letters between M. Caldwell & Son, Book Binders, 9 South Frederick Street, Dublin, to Miss Ball Acton, Killmurray Grove, Wicklow. Letters mention a missing page of a book and the cost from mounting deeds.

3 items

5/2/6 08 July 1937

Letters from Cable and Wireless Holding Ltd., relating to stock of £306 to Irene Ball Acton.

1 page

5/2/7 29 February 1944 – 18 August 1965

Correspondence between Irene Ball Acton and Glyn, Mills & Co (Holt & Co.), Army and Air Force Agents related to buying of stock.

11 items

5/2/8 18 April 1955

Letter from Winter & Co to Irene Ball Acton relating to Mrs. Elizabeth F Acton's (deceased) stocks in 69 Mercantile Investments and General Trust Company.

1 page

5/2/9 28 May 1956

Letter from the manager of the National Bank Ltd. To Mrs. Mary Cahill care of Miss Ball Acton related to war stock receipts. Handwritten list on back of receipt of other stock.

1 page

5/2/10 10 December 1962 – 11 December 1962

Receipts from Edward F. Harris, Delgany, Wicklow. (Auctioneer, Valuer, Insurance, House & Estate Agent) to Irene Ball Acton for furniture at Kilcandra Cottage.

3 pages

5/2/11 19 June 1963 – 12 February 1964

File of letters between Irene Ball Acton and M. W. O'Reilly, Government Stockbroker. Relating to shares bought.

4 pages

III Birth Certificate & Will Documentation

5/3/1 1926 – 1964

File of documents written by Irene Ball Acton for her Will. Documents detail her jewellery, furniture, stock and other belongings. Also notes about her burial wishes.

41 pages

5/3/2 21 November 1944

Copy of birth certificate for Irene Ball Acton, daughter of Colonel Charles Ball Acton and Georgina Cecile Ball Acton formerly Annesley born 21 October 1883.

3 items

IV Correspondence

5/4/1 05 August 1910

Royal Dublin Society, Leinster House Richard J Moss to Miss Irene Ball Acton of Kilmacurragh relating to award for planting between 1766 to 1806 stating that thirty-four premiums were awarded in Co Wicklow of £723.18.10 but the Acton name not amongst them.

1 item

5/4/2 09 August 1910

Royal Dublin Society, Leinster House Richard J Moss to Miss Ball Acton advising that she can search through the minute books for 1761 to 1765 for what she requires.

1 item

5/4/3 11 March 1932

Letter from I. A. Ball Acton, 9 Morehampton Road, Donnybrook, Dublin, to Isabel requesting if she would like the old account and papers of the house to be given to Mr. Forbes for the Academy. That torn papers may be repaired and if agreeable they can sort all papers to be sent to the Public Records Office together.

2 pages

5/4/4 02 May 1932 – 20 April 1932

Letters from the Public Records Office Ireland to Irene A Ball Acton acknowledging loan of papers to the office for the purpose of making copies, signed James F. Morrissey, Assistant Deputy Keeper of the Records.

2 items

F. Isabel D. La Touche

6/1 17 October 1758

Empty brown envelope with handwritten notes entitled “Faulkner’s Dublin Journal 17- 21 October 1758” Contains obituary of Van Molesworth Announcement of Amicable concert, Beggans Opui at Theatre Roge and Crow St., William Acton setting timber at Clara. Typed address “Mrs Isbela D La Touche, Stradbrook House, Blackrock, Co Dublin L.20”.

1 item

6/2 1922 – 1933

List of costs from Whites & Meares to Mrs La Touche for services to date dated 30 March 1933. For the amount of £299.18.10. for income tax and general estate matters. Papers detail the appointment of a new agent, deeds of gifts to Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Wheatley, tenants’ objections in the Land Commission sale, Handcock’s tenancy, death duties and the sale of County Meath Estate. Proposed lease of Kilmacurragh to Mr. Kennedy. Macreedin quarry and proposed private company.

29 pages

6/3 15 November 1927

Letter from Sir F. W. Moore, Willbrook House, Rathfarnham, Dublin to Mrs La Touche. Items taken from Kilmacurragh by direction of Mrs La Touche on 05 November 1927.

1 item

6/4 12 February 1929

Corrective Affidavit for Estate Duty signed by Isabel Dignes La Touche on the death of Charles A Acton to become the principal executor of the lands of Kilmacurragh after the death of her late husband Reginal Thomas Annesley Ball Acton.

1 item

6/5 14 March 1932 – 14 April 1937

File of letters between White & Meares Solicitors, 41 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin and Mrs La Touche and Charles Ball Acton. Letters relate to the lands of Kilmacurragh and Rahaval.

74 items

6/6 13 June 1934

Letter to Mrs La Touche from E.H. Walpole, Dublin relating to nineteen volumes of books by Antoinette Bourignon. Lady Morre advised that Mr Budina has no objection to their removal.

1 item

6/7 03 January 1935

Letter from the Church Temporalities Branch of Irish Land Commission Tithe. On the Tithe rent charges of Mrs Isabel Dignes La Touche acknowledgement of cheque for £40.3.2.

1 item

6/8 02 March 1935 – 18 March 1935

Two letters from P.T. Healy, Wicklow County Council Court House, Wicklow to Mrs La Touche relating to credit notes for forestry of Clarabeg South.

2 items

6/9 17 August 1935

Letter to Mrs La Touche for Rate Accounts for the Year 1935 -36 amount due £6.18.2, signed by Michael Roche, Rate Collector, 21 Main Street, Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

1 item

6/10 No date

Typed page Mrs. I. D. La Touche, Westaston “204 acres heading land, bldgs. Rent and net for sch A asst. amount total £186.”

1 item

6/11 No date

Land Purchase (Ireland) Act. Requisition for copy of map of the estate of Ms Isabella D. La Touche Co. Wicklow. Tullylusk plot 4a. 4b and 4c.

1 item

G. General / Personal Correspondence

7/1 29 June 1713

Letter from Mr Thomas Acton to his son, apologising for leaving town so suddenly that he was unaware he was travelling to London.

1 item

7/2 11 July 1728

Letter “To my dearest life” from John Blackford, mentions that it is the first love letter he ever wrote and that he hopes he is in her thoughts as much as she is in his. Original letter and transcript of letter.

2 items

7/3 23 February 1739

Letter to Mrs Jane Acton, Bride Street, Dublin from W. Parsons (note on side says “Lory’s (?) letter” and begins “Dear Jenny” re gift of horses from her (Jane’s) grandfather and hoping for a visit from Jane and husband William Acton.

1 item

- 7/4** 27 November 1739
Letter to Mrs Jane Acton (Dear Jenny) – note on side “Letter giving the chain” from W. Parsons, of Parsonstown, relating to “trinkets worn by my wife”.

1 item
- 7/5** 03 September 1743
Letter to William Acton, ‘Killmacorah’, Wicklow from Elizabeth Candler ‘Killblineline’ – Kilblineline Castle, Co. Kilkenny. Letter relates to a request by Elizabeth for interest to be paid on a deed and Acton’s plan to visit.

1 item
- 7/6** 20 June 1790
Letter to Thomas from Lady George asking him to come to town as soon as possible. As a woman/girl is very ill.

1 item
- 7/7** 25 May 1801
Letter from Thomas Acton to Mr. Sibthorp relating to £1,500 owed to Acton.

1 item
- 7/8** 15 December 1931
Entrance Examination Trinity College Mathematics.

1 page
- 7/9** 28 August 1845
Small book Football Rugby Rules played at Cheltenham.

1 item

7/10 08 February 1857

Letter and envelope addressed to Mr. Herbert, 117 Grafton Street, Dublin, from Annie Vernin. 62 Upper Manor Street Kings Rd.

2 items

7/11 04 February 1858

Letter to J. Acton from R.W. Greene thanking for the gloves sent and hoping for a return to Wicklow.

1 page

7/12 22 August 1865

Letter from Robert Molesworth to Thomas Acton. Letter informal and speaks of ports and rails being very dangerous. Molesworth states that his neighbour was killed this year and other minor casualties. Letter mentions Sydney, Australia.

1 item

7/13 22 October 1881

Letter from William Francis Littledale, The Cottage, Whaley Abbey, Rathdrum to Thomas Acton. Letter relates to a paper cast of a 10th century tombstone, a slab of granite with plain cross. A copy of the cast included with letter.

3 items

7/14 1881

Plan of the Graveyard in Dunganstown from New's Plan 1881 with names inserted from his key. Copied in 1908. Second page details the population of Dungastown Parish in 1643-1908 as displayed on head and tombstones in the churchyard. 'S Lane. Poole. del 1908'. Chart gives names and year of birth and death and age at death.

2 pages

7/15 1882

Page two sided, front a typed poem entitled “Two Great meetings of landlords in Dublin December 1881 to January 1882”. Back of page a handwritten transcription of a letter to My good Caroline with some text unknown about school. No date bottom corner torn off from page.

1 item

7/16 11 June 1882- 06 April 1883

Letters from James Donovan to Colonel Acton regarding Acton 's interest in Parsonstown. Offaly. Letter speaks of damage done to the Memorial Church including its window broken.

3 pages

7/17 21 September 1890

Letter from W.H. Saunders related to arrangements of a day shooting.

2 items

7/18 20 December 1895

Letter “To my dear Tom the plants arrived and all planted and should do well. From your Affectionate brother Charles Ball Acton”.

1 item

7/19 1909

Wall Calendar, Guardian Assurance Company Ltd, March – December left on one calendar.

1 item

7/20 1913

Thomas Acton appointed executor of Rev John Wynne Affairs notes taken from Publication of University of Manchester “Ireland under the Commonwealth by Robert Dunlop Vol 11 p 543.

1 item

7/21 27 July 1936

Letter addressed to Ms [Meaies], Grata Quies, Brummouth, to advise that a cheque for £238.0.9 for costs and £150 for interest will be sent on a later date, no signature.

1 item

7/22 29 December 1947

Letter from Aldenhalt Park, "To my dear Ray", speaks of return from London. Letter informal and friendly.

1 item

7/23 14 May

Letter from Philip Matthews to Charles A Walker Esq, 14 Manchester Buildings, Westminster, England. Letters discusses new type of light that does not use gas and a new coffee machine. Matthews' travels through Germany and the shooting of hares and bears.

2 pages

7/24 No date

Small envelope containing hand-drawn cut out of a fish on tracing paper.

1 item

7/25 No date

Letter to Miss Acton from Christina Marc of Wiesbaden, Germany.

1 item

7/26 No date

Faint sketch no date/ details.

1 item

7/27 No date

Three business cards for M.B. Alder, 44 Clifton Gardens, Clifton Rd. Paddington. Theodor Scharuntz, Obertieutenant and Bogen Rosenberg.

3 items

7/28 No date

Letter advising to instead of purchasing any earthenware that maybe be broken, add the value of the final payment to Brethins Bank. Also contains a list of stored items and costings. No signatures of details of recipient.

1 item

7/29 No date

Letter to Charles, writing eligible and no sender name.

1 item

7/30 No date

Small note, An Lynne Andreais Popetit, group Schonborniser.

1 item

7/31 No Date

Envelope "Copy of lost deed" – Empty

1 item

7/32 No date

Character of Dr Thomas by his mother, stating that he is honourable and just in all his dealings. Strictly religious and compassionate. Affectionate and attentive during two years of being confined by rheumatic pains.

1 item

7/33 No date

Small page and fabric with a riddle “except the kettle boiling B, filling the teapot, spoils the T.”

2 items

7/34 29 June 1731

Letter from J Marlborough to Lady Dillon, of Jervis Street, Dublin requesting assistance on the issue of Mr. Hussoy.

1 item

7/35 No Date

Empty envelope addressed to Thomas Acton

1 item

7/36 No Date

Torn piece of paper with notes "Old Grand Jury Present", Aunty's diaries" "sent to M.S.S".

1 item

H. Magistrate Records of Summons

8/1 1821- 1827

Magistrate Records of Summons 1821-1827

I. Grand Jury Presentments**9/1** 1790 -1810

Grand Jury Presentments for 1790 to 1810 (missing years 1791, 1793 and 1798). Thomas Acton is listed among the Assizes among other family names such as included families such as Parnell, Brabazon, Wingfield, Stratford, La Touche and Synge.

18 items

J. Poll Book for Parliamentary Election**10/1** 1832

County Wicklow Poll book 1832 for Parliamentary Elections. The volume contains the details of four polls taken on polling days 18-21 December 1832 to return two Wicklow M.P.s to parliament. Candidates were Major William Acton, James Grattan, Ralph Howard and Major Humphreys. (The latter eliminated after the first poll). Volume includes list of electors, their residences and candidate they voted for, and votes were tallied. Grattan and Howard were elected MPs for Wicklow.

1 item