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HISTORICAL NOTE

Between 1859 and 1877 the landed interests in New Zealand of 17 individuals, companies and associations, all based in Scotland, were brought together to form the Australian and New Zealand Land Company. In 1865 the Canterbury and Otago Association was formed, with the Glasgow financier James Morton as the general manager. It took over three large properties which had been selected by Mathew Holmes, an Otago merchant. In 1869 it absorbed the holdings of another pastoral company, the New Zealand and Otago Agricultural and Land Investment Association, bringing its total acreage to almost 500,000 acres. Three years earlier, the New Zealand and Australian Land Company had been formed in Glasgow, taking over estates in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, Otago and Southland. Its holdings amounted to 186,000 acres of freehold, mostly in New Zealand, and 1.2 million acres of leasehold, mostly in Australia. The Company was also managed by James Morton and in 1875 he proposed that the two companies be amalgamated. In 1877 a new company was formed by a private Act of Parliament, taking over the interests of the two older companies. It had a capital of £2.5 million. The head office was initially at Glasgow, but moved to Edinburgh in 1879. Morton was briefly general manager of the new company, but in 1878 he stood aside in favour of William Soltau Davidson.

Davidson had migrated to New Zealand in 1865 and had been employed by the Canterbury and Otago Association, first as a shepherd and ultimately as inspector of estates. He remained the general manager of the New Zealand and Australian Land Company until shortly before his death in 1924. He and his New Zealand superintendent, Thomas Brydone, played a leading part in the establishment of the frozen meat trade in the 1880s. From the beginning, Davidson believed that Australia was more suitable than New Zealand for large scale pastoralism and his plan was to release capital from freeholds in New Zealand and re-invest in leaseholds in Australia. The withdrawal from New Zealand began in the last years of the nineteenth century and by 1910 the Company retained only two estates in the South Island. Between 1880 and 1914 its sheep flocks in Australia rose from 257,000 to 1.6 million and its cattle herds rose from 1100 to 100,400. It owned or leased over 50 stations in New South Wales and Queensland and in this period it began to acquire estates in Western Australia as well. It opened an office in Sydney in 1908, while its office in Dunedin was closed in 1917.

Under Davidson's successors, the Company continued to be the largest woolgrower in Australia. After World War II, it lost some of its largest properties when they were taken over for soldier settlement, but during the 1950s wool boom it purchased several new stations. By the early 1960s resumptions and rationalisations had reduced the number of properties to 22, extending from Charleville in Queensland to Yathroo in Western Australia. In 1968 the Company was taken over by Dalgety and New Zealand Loan Ltd., which in the next ten years proceeded to sell off all the stations.

General Managers

1877-78	James Morton
1878-1924	William S. Davidson (joint manager 1916-24)
1916-28	William Bonnar (joint manager 1916-24)
1928-36	Samuel McCall-McCowan
1936-46	T. Dangerfield

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Minute books, 1862-1962

- 1 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Otago Agricultural and Land Investment Association, March 1862 Aug. 1868.
- 2 Minutes of meetings of directors of Canterbury and Otago Association, May 1865 Oct. 1877.
- 3 Minutes of general meetings of Canterbury and Otago Association, Nov. 1865 June 1877.
- 4 Minutes of meetings of directors of Canterbury and Otago Association, Dec. 1866 April 1876.
- 5 Minutes of meetings of directors of Canterbury and Otago Association, May 1876 Oct. 1877.
- 6 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, March 1866

 Jan. 1867.
- 7 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, March 1866 Oct. 1877.
- 8 Agenda book of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, with notes by the chairman, Dec. 1866 Nov. 1873.
- 9 Agenda book of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, with notes by the chairman, Nov. 1873 Oct. 1877.
- 10 Minutes of general meetings of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, March 1867 June 1877.
- 11 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Nov. 1877 Feb. 1884.

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11 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Feb. 1884 – Nov. 1886.

- Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Dec. 1886 May 1900.
- 13 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, June 1900 July 1910.
- 14 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Aug. 1910 Sept. 1921.
- Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Oct. 1921 April 1934.
- Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, May 1934 Sept. 1941.

- Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Sept. 1941 Oct. 1945.
- 17 Minutes of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Nov. 1945 March 1955.
- Private minute book of meetings of directors of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, May 1910 April 1962.

Balance sheets, 1868-77

Balance sheets of Canterbury and Otago Association, 1870-76

- Balance sheet, March 1870.
- Balance sheet, March 1871.
- Balance sheet, March 1872.
- Balance sheet, March 1873.
- Balance sheet, March 1874.
- Balance sheet, March 1875.
- Balance sheet, March 1876.

Balance accounts of New Zealand and Australian Land Company, 1868-77

- 69 Balance account, March 1868.
- 70 Balance account, March 1869.
- 71 Balance account, March 1870.

- 72 Balance account, March 1871.
- 73 Balance account, March 1872.
- 74 Balance account, March 1873.
- 75 Balance account, March 1874.

- 75 Balance account, March 1874. (contd.)
- 76 Balance account, March 1875.
- 77 Balance account, March 1876.
- 78 Balance account, March 1877.

Letterbooks

The letter books (1864-78), general letter books, outward Australian correspondence and outward New Zealand correspondence all contain indexes.

- 278 Letter book of Douglas Alderson & Co. (Dunedin), Jan. 1864 Nov. 1866. Also includes copies of letters received by Alderson & Co., 1863-66.
- 279 General letter book of New Zealand and Australian Land Co., April Oct. 1882. (This volume is incorrectly numbered and should have followed item 294 on reel M1010.)

Letter books, 1867-78

The letter books contain copies of letters written by James Morton, the first general manager of the New Zealand and Australian Land Company. Australian and New Zealand recipients include Thomas Brydone (Dunedin), Archibald Buchanan (Chinchilla, Queensland), John Douglas (Dunedin), Bank of New South Wales (London), Bank of Otago (London), Douglas, Alderson & Co. (Dunedin), Holmes, White & Co. (Melbourne), B.D. Morehead & Co. (Brisbane), G.G. Russell & Co. (Dunedin) and Russell, Ritchie & Co. (Dunedin).

280 Index to letter book, Oct. 1867- July 1868.

- 280 Letter book, Oct. 1867 July 1868.
- 281 Letter book, July 1868- Dec. 1869.
- 282 Letter book, Dec. 1869 March 1870.

- 282 Letter book, March 1870 May 1871. (contd.)
- 283 Letter book, May 1871- Jan. 1873.

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- 284 Letter book, Oct. 1873 April 1875.
- 285 Letter book, April 1875 June 1876.

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- 285 Letter book, June July 1876. (contd.)
- 286 Letter book, July 1876 Oct. 1877.

General letter books, 1877-1945

The letter books mostly contain copies of letters sent to individuals, companies and government agencies in Britain, but there are occasional letters to individuals and companies in Australia and New Zealand. The letters were mostly written by the Company's secretaries (James Ellis, William Bonnar, J. Norman Bonnar, T. Dangerfield and Eric Burnet), but there are as well letters from the general managers and the colonial inspector. The legibility of the early letter books is variable.

287 General letter book, Oct. 1877 – Aug. 1878.

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- 288 General letter book, Sept. 1878 March 1879.
- 289 General letter book, March Oct. 1879.
- 290 General letter book, Oct. 1879 Feb. 1880.

- 290 General letter book, Feb. March 1880. (contd.)
- 291 General letter book, March July 1880.
- 292 General letter book, July 1880 Feb. 1881.
- 293 General letter book, Feb. March 1881.

- 293 General letter book, March Aug. 1881. (contd.)
- 294 General letter book, Aug. 1881 April 1882.
- 295 General letter book, Oct. 1882 Jan. 1883.

Reel M1011

- 295 General letter book, Jan. March 1883. (contd.)
- 296 General letter book, March Aug. 1883.
- 297 General letter book, Sept. 1883 Feb. 1884.

Reel M1012

- 298 General letter book, Feb. Sept. 1884.
- 299 General letter book, Sept. Feb. 1885.

Reel M1013

- 299 General letter book, Feb. 1885. (contd.)
- 300 General letter book, Feb. July 1885.
- 301 General letter book, July 1885 Feb. 1886.
- 302 General letter book, Feb. April 1886.

Reel M1014

- 302 General letter book, April May 1886. (contd.)
- 303 General letter book, May Nov. 1886.
- 304 General letter book, Nov. 1886 March 1887.
- 305 General letter book, March May 1887.

- 305 General letter book, May July 1887. (contd.)
- 306 General letter book, July 1887 Jan. 1888.

- 307 General letter book, Jan. May 1888.
- 308 General letter book, May June 1888.

- 308 General letter book, June Nov. 1888. (contd.)
- 309 General letter book, Nov. 1888 April 1889.
- 310 General letter book, April June 1889.

Reel M1017

- 310 General letter book, June Sept. 1889. (contd.)
- 311 General letter book, Sept. 1889 Feb. 1890.
- 312 General letter book, Feb. May 1890.

Reel M1018

- 312 General letter book, May June 1890. (contd.)
- 313 General letter book, June Nov. 1890.
- 314 General letter book, Nov. 1890 April 1891.
- 315 General letter book, April Aug. 1891.

Reel M1019

- 315 General letter book, Aug. 1891 Jan. 1892. (contd.)
- 316 General letter book, Jan. Oct. 1892.
- 317 General letter book, Oct. 1892 July 1893.
- 318 General letter book, July Sept. 1893.

- 318 General letter book, Sept. 1893 March 1894. (contd.)
- 319 General letter book, March Nov. 1894.
- 320 General letter book, Nov. 1894 June 1895.

- 321 General letter book, June 1895 Feb. 1896.
- 322 General letter book, March Oct. 1896.
- 323 General letter book, Oct. 1896 April 1897.

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- 323 General letter book, April July 1897. (contd.)
- 324 General letter book, July 1897 March 1898.
- 325 General letter book, March 1898 Jan. 1899.
- 326 General letter book, Jan. April 1899.

Reel M1023

- 326 General letter book, April Oct. 1899. (contd.)
- 327 General letter book, Oct. 1899 June 1900.
- 328 General letter book, July 1900 July 1901.

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- 329 General letter book, July 1901 May 1902.
- 330 General letter book, May 1902 April 1903.
- 331 General letter book, April Aug. 1903.

Reel M1025

- 331 General letter book, Aug. 1903 Feb. 1904. (contd.)
- 332 General letter book, Feb. Dec. 1904.
- 333 General letter book, Dec. 1904 Sept. 1905.

- 334 General letter book, Sept. 1905 June 1906.
- 335 General letter book, June 1906 March 1907.
- 336 General letter book, March Sept. 1907.

- 336 General letter book, Sept. 1907 Jan. 1908. (contd.)
- 337 General letter book, Jan. Oct. 1908.
- 338 General letter book, Oct. 1908 May 1909.

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- 339 General letter book, May 1909 Feb. 1910.
- 340 General letter book, Feb. Oct. 1910.
- 341 General letter book, Oct. 1910 Feb. 1911.

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- 341 General letter book, Feb. 1911. (contd.)
- 342 General letter book, Feb. Oct. 1911.
- 343 General letter book, Oct. 1911 March 1912.
- 344 General letter book, March Aug. 1912.

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- 344 General letter book, Aug. Nov. 1912.
- 345 General letter book, Nov. 1912 July 1913.
- 346 General letter book, July 1913 Jan. 1914.
- 347 General letter book, Jan. March 1914.

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- 347 General letter book, March Sept. 1914. (contd.)
- 348 General letter book, Sept. 1914 March 1915.
- 349 General letter book, March Sept. 1915.
- 350 General letter book, Sept. Oct. 1915.

- 350 General letter book, Oct. 1915 Jan. 1916. (contd.)
- 351 General letter book, Jan. July 1916.
- 352 General letter book, July 1916 Jan. 1917.

- 352 General letter book, Jan. 1917. (contd.)
- 353 General letter book, Jan. Dec. 1917.
- 354 General letter book, Jan. 1918 July 1919.
- 355 General letter book, July 1919 March 1920.

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- 355 General letter book, March Nov. 1920. (contd.)
- 356 General letter book, Nov. 1920 May 1921.
- 357 General letter book, May 1921 Jan. 1922.
- 358 General letter book, Jan. March 1922.

Reel M1035

- 358 General letter book, March Sept. 1922. (contd.)
- 359 General letter book, Sept. 1922 Feb. 1923.
- 360 General letter book, Feb. Oct. 1923.
- 361 General letter book, Oct. Nov. 1923.

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- 361 General letter book, Nov. 1923 Feb. 1924. (contd.)
- 362 General letter book, Feb. Oct. 1924.
- 363 General letter book, Oct. 1924 Feb. 1925.
- 364 General letter book, Feb. 1925.

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364 General letter book, Feb. – Aug. 1925. (contd.)

- 365 General letter book, Aug. 1925 Jan. 1926.
- 366 General letter book, Jan. June 1926.
- 367 General letter book, June Aug. 1926.

- 367 General letter book, Aug. Dec. 1926. (contd.)
- 368 General letter book, Dec. 1926 May 1927.
- 369 General letter book, May Dec. 1927.
- 370 General letter book, Dec. 1927 Feb. 1928.

Reel M1039

- 370 General letter book, Feb. June 1928. (contd.)
- 371 General letter book, June Dec. 1928.
- 372 General letter book, Dec. 1928 Sept. 1929.
- 373 General letter book, Sept. Dec. 1929.

Reel M1040

- 373 General letter book, Dec. 1929 Jan. 1930. (contd.)
- 374 General letter book, Jan. Oct. 1930.
- 375 General letter book, Oct. 1930 March 1931.
- 376 General letter book, March Nov. 1931.

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- 377 General letter book, Nov. 1931 Aug. 1932.
- 378 General letter book, Aug. 1932 Jan. 1933.
- 379 General letter book, Jan. Oct. 1933.

- 380 General letter book, Oct. 1933 April 1934.
- 381 General letter book, April Nov. 1934.

- 382 General letter book, Nov. 1934 July 1935.
- 383 General letter book, July Aug. 1935.

- 383 General letter book, Aug. 1935 Jan. 1936. (contd.)
- 384 General letter book, Jan. Oct. 1936.
- 385 General letter book, Oct. 1936 April 1937.
- 386 General letter book, April May 1937.

Reel M1044

- 386 General letter book, May Nov. 1937. (contd.)
- 387 General letter book, Nov. 1937 Aug. 1938.
- 388 General letter book, Aug. Oct. 1938.

Reel M1045

- 388 General letter book, Oct. 1938 June 1939. (contd.)
- 389 General letter book, June 1939 Dec. 1940.

Reel M1046

- 389 General letter book, Dec. 1940 Aug. 1942. (contd.)
- 390 General letter book, Aug. 1942 July 1945.

Outward Australian correspondence, 1882 – 1912

The great bulk of the letters were written by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, and the secretary, James Ellis and William Bonnar (who succeeded Ellis in 1886). The recipients were White, Alford & Co. (Melbourne), Dennys, Lascelles, Austin & Co. (Melbourne) and, from 1908 onwards, the New Zealand and Australian Land Company (Sydney). Occasionally, letters were addressed to individuals.

- 391 Outward Australian correspondence, May 1882 March 1883.
- 392 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1883 March 1884.
- 393 Outward Australian correspondence, April Nov. 1885.
- 394 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1884 March 1885.

- 395 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1886 March 1887.
- 396 Outward Australian correspondence, April Aug. 1887.

- 396 Outward Australian correspondence, Aug. 1887 March 1888 (contd.).
- 397 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1888 March 1889.
- 398 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1889 March 1890.
- 399 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1890 March 1891.
- 400 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1891 March 1892.
- 401 Outward Australian correspondence, April Oct. 1892.

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- 401 Outward Australian correspondence, Oct. 1892 March 1893. (contd.)
- 402 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1893 March 1894.
- 403 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1894 March 1895.
- 404 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1895 March 1896.
- 405 Outward Australian correspondence, April Aug. 1896.

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- 405 Outward Australian correspondence, Sept. 1896 March 1897. (contd.)
- 406 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1897 March 1898.
- 407 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1898 March 1899.
- 408 Outward Australian correspondence, April Dec. 1899.

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- 408 Outward Australian correspondence, Dec. 1899 March 1900. (contd.)
- 409 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1900 March 1901.
- 410 Outward Australian correspondence, April Sept. 1901.

- 410 Outward Australian correspondence, Sept. 1901 March 1902. (contd.)
- 411 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1902 March 1903
- 412 Outward Australian correspondence, April Nov. 1903.

- 412 Outward Australian correspondence, Nov. 1903 March 1904. (contd.)
- 413 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1904 March 1905.
- 414 Outward Australian correspondence, April Dec. 1905.

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- 414 Outward Australian correspondence, Dec. 1905 March 1906. (contd.)
- Outward Australian correspondence, April 1906 March 1907.
- 416 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1907 Feb. 1908.

Reel M1054

- 416 Outward Australian correspondence, March 1908. (contd.)
- 417 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1908 March 1909.
- 418 Outward Australian correspondence, April Nov. 1909.

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- 418 Outward Australian correspondence, Nov. 1909 March 1910. (contd.)
- 419 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1910 March 1911.
- 420 Outward Australian correspondence, April Nov. 1911.

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420 Outward Australian correspondence, Nov. 1911 – March 1912. (contd.)

Outward New Zealand correspondence, 1882 - 1912

The great bulk of the letters were written by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, and the secretary, James Ellis and his successor William Bonnar. They were sent to the Dunedin office of the New

Zealand and Australian Land Company. Occasionally letters were addressed to individuals, such as John Angus.

- 421 Outward New Zealand correspondence, May 1882 March 1883.
- 422 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1883 March 1884.
- 423 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1884 March 1885.
- 424 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April Oct. 1885.
- 425 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April July 1886.

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- Outward New Zealand correspondence, July 1886 March 1887. (contd.)
- 426 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1887 March 1888.
- 427 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1888 March 1889.
- 428 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1889 March 1890.
- 429 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1890 Jan. 1891.

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- 429 Outward New Zealand correspondence, Jan. March 1891. (contd.)
- 430 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April March 1892.
- 431 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1892 March 1893.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1893 March 1894.
- 433 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1894 March 1895.
- 434 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April May 1895.

- 434 Outward New Zealand correspondence, June 1895 March 1896. (contd.)
- 435 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1896 March 1897.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1897 March 1898.
- 437 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1898 March 1899.
- 438 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1899 March 1900.
- 439 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April Sept. 1900.

- 439 Outward New Zealand correspondence, Sept. 1900 March 1901. (contd.)
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1901 March 1902.
- 441 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1902 March 1903.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1903 March 1904.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1904 March 1905.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1905 March 1906.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1906 Jan. 1907.

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- Outward New Zealand correspondence, Jan. March 1907. (contd.)
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1907 March 1908.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1908 March 1909.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1909 March 1910.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1910 March 1911.
- 450 Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1911 March 1912.

Outward colonial correspondence, 1879-80, 1912-39

The 1879-80 letters were written by W.S. Davidson and James Ellis and were sent to the Dunedin office of the New Zealand and Australian Land Company and its Australian agent, Alford & Co. in Melbourne. The 1912-39 letters written by the general managers (W.S. Davidson, William Bonnar, Samuel McCall-McCowan and T. Dangerfield), the secretaries (William Bonnar, J. Norman Bonnar and Eric Burnet) and the colonial inspector (J.C. Thierens). The letters were sent to the Sydney office of the New Zealand and Australian Land Company, the Dunedin office of the Company and, from 1917 onwards, the National Mortgage and Agency Company in Dunedin. The letters were often addressed to particular individuals, such as Samuel McCall-McCowan and R.C. Botterill in Sydney, R.H. Botterill in Perth, and John Angus in Dunedin.

- 451 Outward colonial correspondence, April 1879 March 1880.
- 452 Outward colonial correspondence, April May 1912.

- 452 Outward colonial correspondence, May 1912 Dec. 1913. (contd.)
- 453 Outward colonial correspondence, Dec. 1913 Aug. 1914.

- 453 Outward colonial correspondence, Aug. 1914 Sept. 1915. (contd.)
- 454 Outward colonial correspondence, Sept. 1915 July 1916.

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- 454 Outward colonial correspondence, July 1916 June 1917. (contd.)
- 455 Outward colonial correspondence, June 1917 Sept. 1919.

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- 455 Outward colonial correspondence, Sept. 1919 April 1920. (contd.)
- 456 Outward colonial correspondence, April 1920 Sept. 1922.

Reel M1066

- 456 Outward colonial correspondence, Sept. Nov. 1922. (contd.)
- 457 Outward colonial correspondence, March 1926 Nov. 1929. [1922-26 volume was missing]
- 458 Outward colonial correspondence, Nov. 1929 Oct. 1930.

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- 458 Outward colonial correspondence, Nov. 1930 Nov. 1933. (contd.)
- 459 Outward colonial correspondence, Nov. 1933 Jan. 1935.

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- 459 Outward colonial correspondence, Jan. 1935 Nov. 1936. (contd.)
- 460 Outward colonial correspondence, Nov. 1936 Feb. 1938.

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460 Outward colonial correspondence, Feb. 1938 – April 1939. (contd.)

Outward Australian and New Zealand correspondence, 1939-45

461 Outward Australian correspondence, April 1939 – Aug. 1942.

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- Outward Australian correspondence, Aug. 1942 Dec. 1944.
- Outward Australian correspondence, Dec. 1944 June 1945.
- Outward New Zealand correspondence, April 1939 May 1945.

Foreign letter books, Australia and New Zealand, 1882-1934

The letter books contain copies of letters from W.S. Davidson and William Bonnar, the general manager and secretary of the Company, to the Company offices in Sydney and Dunedin and to individuals and companies in Australia and New Zealand. The Australian recipients include J.C. Alford (Melbourne), James Ashton (Sydney), R.C. Botterill (Sydney), Dennys, Lascelles, Austin & Co. (Melbourne), John Leahy (Brisbane), Samuel McCall-McCowan (Sydney), Donald McLarty (Jerilderie) and B.D. Morehead & Co. (Melbourne). The New Zealand recipients include Thomas Brydone (Dunedin), Canterbury Frozen Meat Export Co. (Christchurch), James Drysdale, Robert Jackson, National Mortgage and Agency Co. (Christchurch) and South Canterbury Refridgerating Co. (Timeru).

- 464 Foreign letter book, Australia, March 1882 March 1915.
- 465 Foreign letter book, Australia, March 1915 May 1934.
- 466 Foreign letter book, New Zealand, March 1882 March 1891.

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- 466 Foreign letter book, New Zealand, March 1891 March 1906.
- 467 Foreign letter book, New Zealand, Sept. 1907 Nov. 1924.

Inwards letters registers, 1932-62

The registers, known as letters inwards books, give the registered number and date of each letter, the name and address of the sender, and a brief note on the contents.

- 468 Letters inwards register, Aug. 1932 July 1936.
- 469 Letters inwards register, July 1936 Nov. 1939.
- 470 Letters inwards register, Nov. 1939 March 1946.
- 471 Letters inwards register, March 1946 Sept. 1951.
- 472 Letters inwards register, Sept. 1951 Aug. 1954.

- 472 Letters inwards register, Aug. 1954 Sept. 1957. (contd.)
- 473 Letters inwards register, Sept. 1957 July 1962.
- Letter book of correspondence with H.M. Inspector of Taxes and Inland Revenue, April Sept. 1945.

New Zealand and Australian correspondence 1881-84

The three letter books contain copies of correspondence between the general manager and secretary of the company and employees and agents in New Zealand and Australia. The correspondents include William Davidson (Edinburgh), James Ellis (Edinburgh), John Angus (Dunedin), Thomas Brydone (Dunedin), W. Cunningham Smith (Dunedin), R.A. Hopkins (Wellshot, Queensland), John Lindsay, J.M. Ritchie, and White, Alford & Co. (Melbourne).

475 New Zealand and Australian correspondence, Sept. – Nov. 1882.

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- 475 New Zealand and Australian correspondence, Nov. 1882. (contd.)
- 476 New Zealand and Australian correspondence, Nov. 1882 –Aug. 1883
- New Zealand and Australian correspondence, Sept. 1883 Feb. 1884.

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- 477 New Zealand and Australian correspondence, Feb. April 1884.
- 478 Kawarau letter book, June 1884 Nov. 1888.

Kawarau was a property in Otago owned by the New Zealand and Australian Land Company. Most of the letters are from James Melvin of the Boroughloch Brewery in Edinburgh to Thomas Brydone and the National Mortgage and Agency Company of New Zealand in Dunedin.

479 Private letter book, June 1887 – Oct. 1907.

Copies of private letters written by W.S. Davidson and William Bonnar, the general manager and secretary of the Company. The recipients include Robert Stewart, the chairman of the company, J.C. Alford (Melbourne), Thomas Brydone (Dunedin), F.J. Croaker (Quirindi, NSW), George Drysdale

(Melbourne), Dennys, Lascelles, Austin & Co. (Melbourne), R.A. Hopkins (Wellshot, Queensland), David Murray (Glasgow) and J.M. Ritchie (Dunedin).

Colonial cablegrams, 1888-1963

Copies of cables received from or despatches to New Zealand and Australia.

480 Colonial cablegrams, April 1888 - March 1900.

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480	Colonial cablegrams, March 1900 – March 1903. (contd.)

- 481 Colonial cablegrams, March 1903 Jan. 1910.
- 482 Colonial cablegrams, March 1910 July 1915.
- 483 Colonial cablegrams, July 1915 March 1921.
- 484 Colonial cablegrams, April 1921 Feb. 1927.
- 485 Colonial cablegrams, Feb. 1927 Nov. 1932.

Reel M1076

- 485 Colonial cablegrams, Nov. 1932 July 1933.
- 486 Colonial cablegrams, July 1933 Feb. 1940
- 487 Colonial cablegrams, March 1940 Sept. 1963.

Reports and balance sheets, 1865-1926

- 488 Private report by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, to the directors of the Company, March 1882. (198pp)
- Private report by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, to the directors of the Company, Oct. 1886 (141pp) and supplementary report on reduction of capital, April 1887. (21pp)

- 490 Report by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, to the directors of the Company, Jan. 1890. (71pp)
- Report by the general manager, W.S. Davidson, on the Company's estates in New Zealand: Clydevale, Edendale, Hakateremea, Kawarau, The Levels, Moeraki, Pareora, Jan.–March 1896.

- 492 Printed reports of the annual general meetings of the New Zealand and Australian Land Company, 1877-1909.
- 493 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1867-83.
- 494 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1884-89.
- 495 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1890-1900.

- 495 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1900-7. (contd.)
- 496 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1908-15.
- 496A Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors, 1916-26.
- 497 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors and other printed papers, 1877-83.
- 498 Printed balance sheets and reports by the directors and other printed papers, 1884-1909.

Reel M1079

Miscellaneous papers, 1865-1946

- 499 Canterbury and Otago Association. Circulars sent to members, 1865-77.
- New Zealand and Australian Land Company. Circulars sent to members, 1866-77.
- New Zealand and Australian Land Company. Circulars sent to members, 1877-83.
- New Zealand and Australian Land Company. Circulars sent to members, 1884-1913.
- Valuations book, with values of New Zealand properties, 1867-70.
- Valuation book, with values of New Zealand properties, 1889. (68pp)
- Land sales register, with sales of New Zealand properties, 1879-1913.
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