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Volumes

- A1** Minute book no.2 of Council of Franco-Scottish Society, 1897-1915, and Annual General Meetings of Scottish Branch, 1898-1915. Including:
- p.10 6 May 1897. Attempts by Secretary to secure learned Roman Catholic priests as members; his report that in an unlocked safe in the Scots College, Paris, were 'many valuable papers connected with Scotland', contrary to the generally accepted idea that the college was 'devoid of MSS'.
- p.40 26 July 1898. Secretary reported 'how constantly he was asked to find French governesses for Scotland, and Scots ones for France', and proposed a Ladies Committee to deal with this.
- 1898-1907. Discussions concerning proposals for renting rooms for Scots students in Paris, and possible purchase of Scots College building.
- pp.69-70 21 January 1902. Remarks at AGM by Chairman, Lord Kelvin on the Society's view of relations between Britain and France: 'they felt that although the issues of peace and war depended upon the skilful, careful, and patient management of the sovereigns, governors and ministers of the countries, every thing ultimately depended upon the feelings of the peoples concerned. In seeking to maintain the historic good feeling between Scotland and France, they were helping to maintain the peace of the world. He felt strongly that any thing that could be done to promote good feeling between different peoples was of vital importance'.
- p.154 11 October 1907. Report of statement by Lord Guthrie on state of chapel of St Ninian, Roscoff that was in need of preservation.
- A2** File of agenda for meetings of council and executive committee of council, and AGM's of Scottish Branch, 1916-38. Annotated by Secretary.

- A3** Minute book of Council of Franco-Scottish Society, 1937-74, and of AGMs of Scottish Branch, 1937-88. Including:

26 June 1940, AGM. General Secretary 'urged that in view of the collapse of France the efforts of the ... Society should be redoubled, rather than relaxed.... it should help the allied Cause by continuing and extending its lecture system, by keeping before this country the true France as distinguished from the Bordeaux government, by succouring French soldiers and refugees in Scotland, and by offering a welcome to French Canadians and representatives of the Franco-Scottish Society of Canada'.

- A4** Minute book of Council, committee and general meetings of members of Edinburgh Centre of the Franco-Scottish Society, 1920-37.

- A5** Minute book of Council, committee and general meetings of members of Edinburgh Centre of the Franco-Scottish Society, 1938-63.

- A6** Minute book of Council, committee and general meetings of members of Edinburgh Centre of the Franco-Scottish Society, 1963 to date [in possession of Secretary, Edinburgh Centre].

- A7** Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.1 1895-1897. Including:

Correspondence concerning establishment and funding of bursaries for Scots students to study in France, 1896.

- A8** Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.2, 1897-1909.

- A9** Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.3, 1909-1914.

A10 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.4, 1914-1915.

A11 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.5, 1915-1916.

A12 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.6, 1916-1917.

A13 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.7, 1917-1918. Including:

John Smart to Lt Col H Des Rosiers, 10th Reserve Canadian Bn., Bramshott, Hampshire. 27 August 1918. Concerning writer's visit to the soldiers. Raises the 'very ludicrous and very serious' question of the soldiers' infestation with lice, which will prevent them from getting beds in Overseas Clubs and elsewhere in Edinburgh.

A14 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, no.8, 1918-1919.

A15 Letter book of Secretary of Scottish Branch of Franco-Scottish Society, 1924-28.

A16- Transactions of the Franco-Scottish Society (Scottish Branch), 1898-1935. Vol.VI

A23 part wanting.

A16 Transactions 1898-1901

A17 Transactions 1901-1904

A18 Transactions 1904-1905

A19 Transactions 1905-1906

A20 Transactions 1906-1909

A21 Transactions 1909-1911

A22 Transactions 1914-1918

A23 Transactions 1919-1935

Bundles

- B1** Reports of Council of Franco-Scottish Society (Scottish Branch), 1914-38.
- B2** Constitution of Franco-Scottish Society and bye-laws of Scottish Branch, 1896, and constitution, 1929.
- B3** Lists of Members of Scottish Branch, 1922-37.
- B4** Miscellaneous printed papers concerning branches of Franco-Scottish Society, 20 cent. Including:
- Bulletin of French branch, 1916-38.
- Constitution of Franco-Scottish Society of Canada, 1931.
- Charles Sarolea (ed.), Revue Francaise d'Edimbourg, No.5, Sept-Oct 1897, including report of meeting at Edinburgh, 1897, including (pp.318-321) observations on teaching of French language and literature by Edmund Gosse and Andrew Lang.
- B5** Miscellaneous minutes and related papers (removed from Volume 1), 20 cent. Including:
- Copy minute of council on death of John Smart, and his work as Secretary of Society, n.d.
- List (incomplete) of French women in Scotland in receipt of allowances by the Society, n.d. [c. 1914-18].
- B6** Letters to President and Secretary of Society (removed from Volume 9), 1912-14.
- B7** Press cuttings concerning Society's activities and dinner invitations, menus and other papers concerning entertainments, 1897-8. Including:

Ticket to Franco-Scottish [Rugby] Football Match, Myreside, 19 February 1898.

B8 Miscellaneous papers concerning the Society's activities 1914-29. Including:

Letters (2) from Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Douglas Haig thanking the Society for conferring honorary membership, 15 September 1919.

Minutes of executive committee of Council of Scottish Branch of Society, chiefly concerning the international meeting at Nancy, and disbursements from the French Relief Fund and aid to needy Frenchwomen, 1914.

Printed letter, Isaac Fürst to Lord Strathclyde. Edinburgh, 31 May 1918.

Reports results of French Red Cross Flag Day organized by the Society.

Card from La Maréchale Foch acknowledging Society's condolences [on death of her husband, 1929].

B9 Volume of cuttings from Scottish and French newspapers with other papers relating to Society's activities, 1916.

B10 Printed papers concerning Society's activities 1919-43. Including:

Programmes for Edinburgh Centre's lectures, sessions 1931-2, 1933-4.

J-B Coissac, Catalogue de la Bibliotheque Francaise d'Ecosse, authors A-L (1919).

Letter, Ishbel, Countess of Aberdeen, to J Liddell Geddie, House of Cromar, 13 April 1934.

Thanks for condolences and appreciation of Lord Aberdeen's life and work.

- B11** Correspondence, reports and other papers concerning Society, mainly of Dr W K Dickson, 1930-66. Including:

Biographical notes on M le Pasteur André Monod (b.1877), 1939.

Programme and biographical notes concerning visit of Mayor of Metz, M Gabriel Hocquard and Capt J C Metadidier of London Section of French Ministry of Information, 1940.

Menu of PEN (World Association of Writers) banquet, Chairman R B Cunninghame Graham, Edinburgh, 1934.

- B12** Minutes of meetings of the executive committee of the council of the Franco-Scottish Society, 21 June 1915 - 18 November 1936.
- B13** General correspondence and papers, 1965-1967, including leaflet about visit of the society to Meudon on 12 June 1966.
- B14** General correspondence and papers, 1967-1968.
- B15** General correspondence and papers, 1969, including report on the society's Perth Centre.
- B16** General correspondence and papers, 1970-1971 including statement of accounts to 30 April 1970.
- B17** General correspondence and papers, 1971-1972.
- B18** General correspondence and papers, 1973-1974, including minute of AGM held in the French Institute, Edinburgh, on 23 June 1973.
- B19** General correspondence and papers, 1974-1975 including French report of visit to France from 20-30 June 1974.

- B20** General correspondence and papers, 1977 including printed leaflet about Château d' Harové.
- B21** General correspondence and papers, 1977-1978 including programme of visit of French delegation in June 1977 and minutes of committee meeting held at Langogne on 27 December 1977 to consider centenary celebrations of R L Stevenson's travels in the Cevennes.
- B22** General correspondence and papers, 1978-1979 including list of branches and office holders of the Franco-British Society.
- B23** General correspondence and papers, 1979-1980 including programme of A.F.G.B. Congress held in Scotland from 21-28 July 1980.
- B24** General correspondence and papers, 1981-1982 including letter from Mrs W M Ewing requesting list of Franco-Scottish societies in Scotland.
- B25** General correspondence and papers, 1982-1983 including report on activities of session 1983-1984.
- B26** General correspondence and papers including correspondence with Association Franco-Écossaise, Paris, 1981.
- B27** General correspondence, 1984.
- B28** General correspondence, including letters regarding the Thomas Blaikie memorial garden, 1984.
- B29** Reports on activities of Franco-Scottish Society, 1974-1985 and correspondence with the British Council regarding proposed twinning of Edinburgh and Tours, 1985.
- B30** Miscellaneous correspondence and papers, 1958-1972. Including:

Letters from John Hay of Hayfield about visit of Scottish musicians and dancers to France from 27 June - 13 July 1959.

Report of the Scottish branch of the Franco-Scottish Society for 1971-1972.

- B31** Correspondence, newspaper cutting and photographs relating to delegation visit to France, 1962.
- B32** Correspondence and papers concerning visit of French delegation to Scotland, 1967 and correspondence relating to various meetings and social functions in Scotland, 1956.
- B33** Photographs sent by the préfet of Haut-Rhin of social function held in the Colmar area, 1975.
- B34** Correspondence concerning relationship with the French Institute in Edinburgh and registration of the Franco-Scottish Society as a charity, 1980.
- Reports by the Association Franco-Écossaise, Paris, 1981, 1983.
- Typescript of lecture given in Paris by M Jean-Jacques Blanchot entitled La 'Vieille Alliance' Militaire et Culturelle, 1981.
- Correspondence with the National Library of Scotland, and the National Register of Archives (Scotland) concerning deposit in the National Library of Scotland by the Franco-Scottish Society of a household account of 4 February 1552 relating to Mary Queen of Scots at Amboise, 1982.

Additional papers

- C1-6** Material for the Franco-Scottish Society's travelling Centenary Exhibition, 1995.
- C1** List of contents and labels.
- C2** 'The Founding Fathers' (Part 1 of the exhibition).

- C3** ‘Bursaries and Prizes’ (Part 2).
- C4** ‘Students at home and abroad’ (Part 3).
- C5** ‘Fostering the Friendships’ (Part 4, no 1).
- C6** ‘Fostering the Friendships’ (Part 4, nos. 2-10).