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Surviving letters and papers, ca. 1904-57, n.d, of Thomas Johnston P.C., C.H., LLD. (1881-1965), Secretary of State for Scotland, 1941-45; the papers are very fragmentary, and have been arranged chronological in subject files: two files of general correspondence have been placed at the beginning of the numbered series, and three notebooks at the end: the entire collection is contained in one box.

Bought, 1973.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PAPERS

1. General letters and papers:

Receipt, John Hardie letter [? Ancestor of T.J.] to Captain D.Young, 1841;
J.Keir Hardie letter (1, 1908) and notes concerning (n.d.);
Letter (1, 1925) on the Wireless Telegraphy Bill; William Bull M.P. (1,1925);
Sidney and Beatrice Webb (1 each, 1936, n.d.);
Lord Tavistock (1, 1942);
A Martin Haddow (1, 1942);
G.R. McIntosh (1, 1942);
Sir W.Y. Darling M.P. (1, 1951);
Douglas S. Wilson, I.C.I. (1, n.d);
Lewis Spence, **Curriculum Vitae**, n.d.

2. Correspondence on various points of historical research:

A. Burns, Cumbernauld Ho. (1, **pre**.1923);
W.Douglas Simpson, Aberdeen University Library (1, 1939);
T.M. Cooper, Lord Cooper (1, 1950)
John Dunlop, Mitchell Library (1 + extract, 1951);
C.T. McInnes, S.R.O. (1, with memo, 1952);
Professor Croft Dickinson (1, 1955);
Dr. Peddie (?), note, n.d., on Bishop Elphinstone.

INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT FILES

- 3. Essay, 1909, written at Glasgow University, ‘Synopsis of Lectures on Freedom and Law’, for ‘W.S.’. [probably William Smart, Professor of Political Economy].**
- 4. Letter and accounts 1923, 1931, relating to municipal banks in England and Scotland.**

5. Journalistic papers, largely book reviews:

E.D. Morel, notes on, with a printed programme of his memorial service, Dundee, 1924.
R.B. Cunnighame Graham, letter, May 1936 with a review for Reynold's News of his Rodeo;
André Maurois, Life of Disraeli, and Osbert Burdett, W.E. Gladstone, notes for a review;
John Reith, Autobiography, draft of a review;
Wilfred Taylor, Scot Free, letter and comment of T.J. on the book, 1953.
6. Mail services to the Western Highlands and Islands, letter, notes, and printed parliamentary papers, 1928.
7. Articles (2) on Scottish trade unionism, with a letter of G.D.H. Cole, 1937, on the same subject.
8. Scottish Home Rule and administrative devolution, papers, 1941-9, n.d.
9. 'Scotland at War', article, ca. 1943.
10. Fintry, Stirlingshire, notes, letters, etc. ca. 1943-6, on its local history.
11. North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board, notes and maps 1949, relating to visits and schemes for supply of additional and new power to the following areas:

Shetland
Orkney
Lewis
Bute and Cowal
Arran
Campbeltown and Kintyre
Oban and North Argyll
Mull
12. Aberdeen University: letters, papers and drafts of graduation addresses and other speeches, 1949-55, n.d., connected with the award of an LL.D. And the Chancellorship of the university: the letters are mainly from Principal Thomas Taylor.
13. Scottish Rights of Way Society, letters and papers, 1952.
14. Aberdeen Corporation, letters, 1948-51: with a letter, 1957, of Lord Provost George Stephen enclosing a volume and cuttings of his poetry [the volume now transferred to Printed Books Department].

15. 'A Case for Prestwick Airport', cyclostyled memo, with letter, 1953.
16. Notes and related letters and papers for the Dictionary of National Biography entry for David, Baron Kirkwood of Bearsden, 1957.

NOTES AND SPEECHES

17. Speech, n.d. and notes, probably for Burns Supper.
18. Miscellaneous notes and drafts of speeches, n.d.

VOLUMES

19. Notebook containing pencil and ink sketches and caricatures, Kirkintilloch, 1904-9, n.d.
20. Further sketch book, 1905-6.
21. Notes on Kirkintilloch characters and antiquities, n.d.
22. Notes on Hansard speeches on unemployment, and on West Stirlingshire electioneering, 1924-9.