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Correspondence, papers and journals of or concerning the Cairns family, 18th-20th cents. The members of this distinguished family of ministers and theologians represented in the papers include; John Cairns (1818-92), philosopher, theologian and Principal of the United Presbyterian Synod College, Edinburgh; his brothers William, schoolmaster at Old Cambus, and David, United Presbyterian minister of Stichel (d.1910); the latter's sons, John (1857-1922), minister of Dumfries Buccleuch Street United Free Church, David Smith (1862-1946), Professor of Apologetics and Systematic Theology and Master of Christ's College, Aberdeen, and William Thomas (1868-1944), minister of Davidson Church, Eyre Place, Edinburgh; David (b.1904), Professor of Practical Theology at Aberdeen University (1947-72), and Alison Helen (1902-59), Secretary of the Saltire Society, son and daughter of Professor D.S. Cairns.

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Two travel diaries of the Rev Dr John Cairns; to Belgium, Germany and Switzerland, 1861; and to attend the Synod of the French Evangelical Church at Nimes, 1866.