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Hand, Joseph.
Papers, 1803-1905.

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Box 1

I. Record Book

II. Letters
   [some dates inferred by content, script, etc.]

   For reference, a 2000 road map of part of Staffordshire is included, with towns mentioned in the letters highlighted.

   Note that these letters have also been digitized and are available through the IHLC Manuscript Collections Database.

   A. The Hands in England
      [Items with an asterisk (*) have been transcribed and are filed in Subseries C.]

      1. M[ary] Turlington to Sarah S. Hand, Mar. 17, 1824
      2. Elizabeth Gough, Gravehanger Hall [the Hardings'], to Sarah A. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Needwood Forest, near Lichfield, May 17 [ca. 1835?]
      3. Mary Harding, Willoughbridge, Wells [Staffordshire] to Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Yoxall, Staffordshire, Mar. 11, 1835
4. Mary Harding, Willoughbridge, Wells [Staffordshire] to Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Yoxall, Staffordshire, Nov. 16, 1835
5. Mary Harding, Willoughbridge, Wells [Staffordshire] to Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Yoxall, Staffordshire, Mar. 15, 1836
6. Mary Harding, Willoughbridge, Wells [Staffordshire] to Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Yoxall, Staffordshire, Jan. 12, 1837
7. Mary Toppen? to Sarah A. Hand (a recipe), [ca. 1835-40?]
9. Samuel Harding to Mr. & Mrs. Hand, Jan. 27, 1841
10. William Willson, Newborough [Staffordshire], to Sarah A. Hand June 8 [ca. 1842?]
11. E. Brown, Coton Hall [near Hanbury, Staffordshire], to Sarah A. Hand, Linbrook Farm, Mar. 10, 1843, with envelope. *
12. Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, to Sarah A. Hand, Coton Hall, Apr. 24 [1843]
13. Sarah S. Hand, Linbrook Farm, to Sarah A. Hand, Coton Hall, July 21 [1843]
15. Jane Geary?, Birkley Lodge [Yoxall], to Sarah A. Hand [at Dockseys?], Feb. 15 [1844?].
The next two are from the same envelope, postmarked Burton, June 6, 1844:
16. Emma Bentley, Coton Hall, to Sarah Hand, c/o Dockseys, High St., Burton, June 3, 1844
17. E. Bentley, Coton Hall, to Sarah Hand, undated
18. [Miss] A. W. Dudley, Coton [Hall], to 'My dear Lissley [Sarah's nickname], Dockseys Grocers [ca. June 1844?] with envelope, in the same hand, inserted, July 22, 1844
19. Mary Green, Wall [near Lichfield], to Sarah A. Hand, August 25 1844, with envelope
21. Hannah Dodge, Coton Hall, to Sarah A. Hand, [ca. 1844] includes wry lines by another writer, p.4. Inserted: printed handbill ca. 1844 'A List of Genuine Articles, sold by John Docksey, Tea Dealer and Family Grocer, High Street, Burton-on-Trent'
B. The Hands Move to Illinois

22. Edward Watkin, Dunstall [Staffordshire], to Joseph Hand [departing for Illinois], Jan. 24, 1845 *

23. [Rev.] H. Price, Needwood Parsonage [Staffordshire], to Joseph Hand [Yoxall], Feb. 22, 1845, typescript

24. 'Hymns, Sung at the Burial Service of Sarah Hand, My Wife who departed this life ... 29 March 1845 ...' [Buried at sea on 30th, en route to New Orleans, aboard the ship Walpole. Item in hand of and initialled by Daniel Mackintosh of Edinburgh, Scotland, a Mormon minister, who at J. Hand's request led a Church of England service.


27. William / Ann Willson to Joseph Hand, Mar. 30, 1847 *

28. [Rev.] H. Price, Needwood Parsonage [Staffordshire], to Joseph Hand [by hand of daughter Mary], Jan. 27, 1848 *

29. William Elkin, No 3 Kinaston St., Oakly St., Lambeth, London, to Joseph Hand ('Dear Cousin'), Paddocks Grove, Sept. 12, 1849, with envelope *

30. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Father, brothers and sister Oct. 28, 1850. [However, this letter is not in her hand.]

31. Samuel H. Hand, Hatton [Derbyshire] to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Nov. 25, 1850 / Sept. 22, 1851 [1850 is the real letter; sender transcribed and re-sent it in 1851 fearing the original had gone astray.]

32. Mary Hand [wife of Richard Hand], in Illinois, to Sarah A. Hand, Bunker Hill, [ca. 1852?]

33. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill July 24, 1852, with envelope *

34. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Miss [Ann] Holles, [Mar. 29, 1854?] 

35. ??, Yoxall, Woodhouse [Staffordshire] to Sarah A. Hand, Bunker Hill, Apr. 8, 1854 [Your Uncle Richard has died].

36. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Father Brothers and Sisters, Bunker Hill, Aug. 21, 1854, with envelope

37. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Father Brothers and Sisters, Bunker Hill, June 17 [1855?], with envelope

38. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Father Brothers and Sisters, Bunker Hill, June 7, 1856

40. George Shipton, [Staffordshire], to Joseph Hand, Aug. 25, 1856
41. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Sept. 13 [1856?]
42. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Mar. 1, 1857, with envelope
43. Thomas Rushton, Uttoxeter, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Apr. 24, 1857
44. Rushton-Cooper, Uttoxeter, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, June 10, 1857. Inserted: envelope postmarked Uttoxeter June 19 1857, to J.Hand
45. Rushton-Cooper, Uttoxeter, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Aug. 7, 1857
46. Rushton-Cooper, Uttoxeter, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Nov. 6, 1857
The next two from the same envelope:
47. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Sept. 21, 1857
48. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, undated
49. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Joseph Hand, Bunker Hill, Sept. 19, 1859 *
50. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Sarah A. Hand, Jan. 29 [1860?]
The next two sent together?:
52. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to George Hand, Mar. 27 [1861?]
53. Ann Wilson, Newborough, to Sarah A. Hand Nov. 15, 1861, with envelope
54. Richard and Mary Hand, Dudleyville, Bond County, Illinois, to Sarah A. Hand, Bunker Hill, June 28, 1866
56. [Mrs.] E. Shipton, Bank House, Yoxall, to Sarah Hand, Bunker Hill, Mar. 30, 1886 *
57. Mary Partridge, Macksville, Kan., to (her aunt) Sarah A. Hand, Bunker Hill, Apr. 23, 1903, with envelope

C. Typescripts of letters marked with asterisks (*) above
D. Genealogical items

Three printed death notices (Mary Cruickshank; William Cruickshanks [sic]; Miss Sarah Hand); printed obituary of W. Cruickshank; five 20th-century scraps sketching out connections among the Shipton, Hand, Cruickshank, and Mize families; a sketchy family tree, showing the donor's descent from Joseph Hand; and a transcription of notes written into a printed book, *The English Ladies Pocket Book; for the Year 1805*. This book was transferred to the Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

III. Financial Papers

A. Documents
(in flat storage)

1. Two farm-sale broadsides for Linbrook Farm, Yoxall, Staffordshire, England, 1844 and 1845. Includes a negative film and a print of each.
3. Cash patent transmittal letter, Dept. of the Interior, General Land Office, to [Sarah Hand?] June 20, 1873
4. Photocopies of four original land patents for Madison and Macoupin counties, July 1, 1851; June 1, 1852; Aug. 1, 1853; Mar. 1, 1855.

B. County Tax Receipts

103 receipts for taxes paid (property, school, road, county, etc.) to Madison and Macoupin counties, 1845-1903, 1905, levied upon Joseph Hand, Sarah Hand, William Cruikshank, Scott Mize, Sarah Hand Mize. A fine series, showing the evolution of the types of taxes levied and the forms used.

C. Manuscript Receipts and Notes

Dated:

27 various notes, 1829-1862, mostly after 1844 -- auction expenses, medical bills, rent notices (some signed by Gershom Flagg), receipts on disbursals from Joseph Hand's will, etc.

Undated:

1. 'Mr. Shipton ... L 4 - 15 - 0'
2. 'Mr. Hand to John Chappell ... $22.50'
3. 'Bunker Hill Nov 3rd [60?] ... 78 [cents]'
IV. Printed Books

1. The Complete Ready Reckoner, in Miniature ... by Thomas Collins. London: Ptd. for B. Crosby & Co., 1802. iv, [pp. 1-8 lacking?] 9-232 pp. 9 x 7 cm. OCLC has records for 1803 (U. of Newcastle, 228 pp.), 1806, 1813, 1816, but not this one, which was transferred to the Rare Book and Manuscript Library in 2004: MINI00434.

2. The English Ladies Pocket Book; for the year 1805. Birmingham: Ptd. and sold by Knott & Lloyd; also sold by C. Law, London ... Folded frontis.; [1]-136. 12 x 8 cm., leather self-wrap with ribbon-tie. OCLC has 1798 ed., 136 pp., at UCLA, but not this one. This book was transferred to the Rare Book and Manuscript Library in 2004: 513.92 C69c1802.


4. The Holy Bible, Containing the Old Testament, and the New ... Appointed to be Read in Churches. Oxford: Ptd. at the Clarendon Press, by Dawson, Bensley, and Cooke, 1803. [price:] 3s. unp. [1,092 pp.] 14 x 8 cm. Split along spine. Similar eds. in the U. of I. Stacks. This: OCLC 25149123 (U. Va.)

5. The New Testament of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Translated ... New York: American Bible Society, 1877. [1]-405 pp. 13 x 8 cm. Many similar editions in the U. of I. Stacks but not this year. This edition: 41464618 (Union Theological, Meadville-Lombard Theological)