THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE	THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES
NAME OF COLLECTION	Hunt, Phillip Charles Holmes
ACCESSION NO	1961.0015 in 1997.0145
CATEGORY ACTIVITY	Business, organisations Company directors, Engineers, gas
DATE RANGE	1888-1923
SIZE OF COLLECTION	12 Boxes
HISTORICAL	Born at Aston, Warwickshire, England in 1874, son of Charles Hunt, gas engineer, Hunt (known as P.C. Holmes Hunt) studied engineering and chemistry at Malvern College. He began work with the City of Birmingham Gas Works as Assistant to his father, became Superintendant of Works in 1899, and resigned in 1902 when appointed as Assistant Engineer to the Metropolitan Gas Company, Melbourne. Hunt took up duty with M.G.C. on 25 March 1903, and was appointed Engineer in October 1907. In August 1913 he resigned to take up several directorships, the chief being with the Colonial Gas Association Ltd. He was immediately made Chairman of the local Board of C.G.A., filling the vacancy left by George Swinburne. In 1922 he became Managing Director as well as Chairman. He visited London in 1923 to negotiate for the transfer of Head Office to Melbourne, effective from 1 January 1924. Hunt remained at the head of C.G.A. until his death on 6 May 1941. He was also a director of Mt. Lyell Mining and Railway Co., Wallaroo Mt. Lyell Fertilizers Ltd., Commonwealth Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd., Crankless Engines Ltd. and other companies.
DATE OF TRANSFER	1961 and 27 Dec 1997
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Open

DESCRIPTION	Correspondence 1894-1923; diaries and note books 1888-1890, 1903-1905, 1909, 1913-1922; personal accounts 1903-1923; technical reports, memoranda, notes etc. 1890-1918; printed matter 1898-1920; blueprints and drawings 1895-1909; memorabilia 1891-1920; photographs. Patent papers; Birmingham Gasworks correspondence, reports, working papers, Metropolitan Gas Co. appointment; engineering interests, directorships and business interests.
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	Accession 97/145 housed in Box 11
NOTE ON LISTING	Item 2/6/7 housed in O/S Box 1

# Private Papers of P. C. Holmes Hunt

NAME:

HUNT, Phillip Charles Holmes.

ADDRESS:

Deceased.

MAIN ACTIVITY:

Gas engineer and company director.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE: Born at Aston, Warwickshire, England on 19 July 1874, son of Charles Hunt, gas engineer. Educated at Malvern College and Mason University College (now Birmingham University), where he studied Engineering and Chemistry, becoming an Associate of the Institute of Chemistry in January 1896. He then began work with the City of Birmingham Gas Works as Assistant to his father, who was Engineer. Became Superintendant of Works in 1899, and resigned in 1902 (November) after his appointment as Assistant Engineer to the Metropolitan Gas Company, Melbourne.

Hunt took up his duties with M.G.C. on 25 March 1903. He was Acting Engineer from Jan. 1904 to Jan. 1905 and again from October 1906 to October 1907. From this date he was appointed Engineer. In August 1913, he resigned from M.G.C. to take up several directorships chief among which was that with the Colonial Gas Association Ltd. He was immediately made Chairman of the local Board of C.G.A., a position left vacant by the retirement of George Swinburne who was entering politics. In 1922 Hunt became Managing Director as well as Chairman. He visited Bondon in 1923 to negotiate for the transfer of Head Office to Melbourne. This change became effective from 1 January 1924 and Hunt remained at the head of C.G.A. until his death on 6 May 1941.

Hunt was also a director of Mt. Lyell Mining and Railway Co., Wallaroo Mt. Lyell Fertilizers Ltd., Commonwealth Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd., Crankless Engines Ltd., Johns & Waygood Ltd., and the Metropolitan Gas Co. He was consulting engineer to several gas undertakings including the Australian Gas Light Co. (Sydney), the South Australian Gas Co., and the City of Newcastle Gas and Coke Co., was founder and first president of the Australian Gas Institute, and one-time Chairman of the Gas Companies Association of Australia.

On 16 April 1907, Hunt married Frances (Frank) Annie Lugg, daughter of George Lugg of Melbourne. There were two daughters of the marriage, Phyllis (born 1908) and Cara (1913).

The records listed below cover the period c.1896 - 1922, and in particular Hunt's activities with the three gas works. There is also a large collection of letters from Charles Hunt, commenting on P.C.H. Hunt's career and gas matters in general.

The papers were found in three tin trunks among other records of the Colonial Gas Association Ltd. in a store at Dandenong belonging to the Association's successor, Colonial Gas Holdings Ltd.

## The records are in eight major groups:

- 1. Personal.
- 2. Birmingham Gas Works.
- 3. Metropolitan Gas Company, Melbourne.
- 4. Colonial Gas Association Ltd.
- 5. Engineering interests, directorships, etc.
- 6. Other business interests.
- 7. Designs and blueprints.
- 8. Photographs.

## Sub-groups are as follows:

	GROUP 1.
Box 1	1/1 Early life and education.
	1/2 Army career.
Box 2	1/3 Letters from Charles Hunt (father).
Box 3	1/4 Letters from Clifford Hunt (brother).
	1/5 Letters from Ettie Hunt (sister).
	1/6 Letters from Rhoda Hunt (sister).
	1/7 Letters from other members of the family.
	1/8 Papers concerning Bazaar held 6 Oct. 1916.
	1/9 Membership of the Australian Club.
Box 4	1/10 Miscellaneous correspondence inwards.
	1/11 Correspondence outwards.
	1/12 Applications for positions other than Melbourne.
	1/13 Money matters.
Box 5	1/14 Taxation papers.
	1/15 Children's affairs.
	1/16 Printed material.
Box 6	1/17 Miscellaneous.

#### GROUP 2.

- 2/1 Working notes and memos.
- 2/2 Reports.
- Box 7 2/3 Tables and graphs.
  - 2/4 Correspondence inwards.
  - 2/5 Correspondence outwards.
  - 2/6 Reference material on gas matters.
  - 2/7 Miscellaneous printed material.

# GROUP 3.

- 3/1 Appointment to Metropolitan Gas Co.
- 3/2 Working papers, memos, and business diaries.
- Box 8 3/3 Engineer's reports.
  - 3/4 Correspondence inwards.
    - 3/5 Correspondence with John Terry & Co., London agents.
    - 3/6 Engineer's overseas visit, 1910.
- Box 9 3/7 Tar distillation.
  - 3/8 Oakleigh works.
  - 3/9 Staff matters.
  - 3/10 Gas v. Electricity.
  - 3/11 Miscellaneous printed material.
  - 3/12 Appointment of new engineer, Reeson, 1913.

#### GROUP 4.

- 4/1 Appointment to Colonial Gas Association's Board.
- 4/2 Appointment of other Board members, 1913.
- 4/3 Purchase of Oakleigh and Footscray works.

Collection: Hunt, P.C.H. Acc: 1961.0015 inc 1997.0145 4/4 Correspondence with S. Spencer, London Board of C.G.A. 4/5 Correspondence with S.E. Figgis, member of C.G.A. Board3 4/6 Correspondence with R.E. Thwaites, industrial chemist. 4/7 Other correspondence. 4/8 Vertical Retorts case, 1916. 4/9 Note Book and Diaries. 4/10 Reference material. GROUP 5. Box 10 5/1 Automaton Gas Lamplighter Pty. Ltd. 5/2 Holmes & Allen, Patent Trolley Heads. 5/3 The Chadwick-Hunt Elevator Syndicate. 5/4 Patent papers. 5/5 Consultant to Townsville and Sth. Brisbane (Q'1'd) Cos. 5/6 Consultant to Australian Gas Light Co., Sydney. 5/7 Consultant to S.A. Gas Co. 5/8 Supervising engineer to Footscray Gas & Coke Co. Ltd. 5/9 Directorship of Mt. Lyell Mining & Railway Co. Ltd. and Wallaroo-Mt. Lyell Fertilizers Ltd. 5/10 Other directorships. GROUP 6. 6/1 Melbourne Fibre Syndicate. 6/2 New Guinea Rubber Estates Ltd. 6/3 Proposed Flats. GROUP 7. Box 11 7/1 From various sources. 7/2 From Walsall Corporation Gas Works. Acc: 97/145 7/3 From R. Dempster & Sons Ltd., Manchester. included in 7/4 From The Economical Gas Apparatus Construction Co. Ltd. this box 7/5 From New Conveyor Co. Ltd., Smethwick. 7/6 From Gibbons Bros., Dibdale Works, Dudley. GROUP 8. Box 12 This group is not sub-divided. -00000000-GROUP 1 Personal 1. Early life and Education. 1/1/1 Notebook. Scattered entries re pocket-money, time-table, etc. Difficult to read because of smudging. Contains also collection of seals and stamps. c. 1888. 1/1/2 Ditto. Re school life at Malvern College. 1889-90. 1/1/3 Note, H.K. Foster to Hunt.

Concedes the 2nd. XI to Hunt.

21 Nov. 1891. 1 p. pencil ms. 1/1/4 List of scores in contest between school houses for the Beechcroft Shield.

Probably a shooting contest. Hunt represented with the rank of B.S.M.

26 July 1892.

1 p. ms.

1/1/5 Rules, List of Members, and Annual Report of the Old Malvernian Society.

1900
70 pp. printed + cover.

Note: Photo of Dining Room at Malvern found. See 8/34.

1/1/6 Admission card for classes at Mason College, Birmingham.

Issued to Hunt for Physics and Chemistry classes.

1892-3.

1/1/7 Ditto.

For Chemistry and Zoology classes.

1895-6.

1/1/8 List of Books of Reference for Engineering Classes at The Mason College, Birmingham.
No date.
4 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

1/1/9 Woodward, C.J., A.B.C. Five-figure Logarithms.
Inscribed "P.C. Holmes Hunt, 1893".
60 pp. printed + cover.

1/1/10 Sulphur in Coal Gas, paper read before The Mason College Chemical Society by Hunt.
6 Dec. 1893.
46 pp. ms.

1/1/11 Programme of First Annual Excursion of the Mason College Chemical Society.

7 March 1895.

4 pp. (1 sheet) printed. (4 copies)

Note: Hunt was Hon. Sec. of the Society.

1/1/12 Newspaper cutting, Lectures on Steel at Mason College.

Given by a Mr. McMillan. Unable to identify newspaper.

No date.

1/1/13 Examination Papers in Practical Chemistry for the Associateship of the Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and
Ireland, held 7 - 10 January 1896.

Papers found for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th days only.

3 pp. printed.

Notes: Notes in Hunt's hand on verso of one paper.

1/1/14 Report of the Council of the Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and Ireland and Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held 3 March 1902. 16 pp printed in all.

1/1/15 Wallet containing gun licences, receipts, cards, etc. 1893-7.

1/1/16 Wallet containing cards, newspapers clippings, etc.

1/1/17 Wallet.

# 2. Army Career

1/2/1 Letter, Phillip H. Carter, Lieutenant, 1st Volunteer Battalion,
Royal Warwickshire Regiment, Headquarters, Thorp Street,
Birmingham, to Hunt.

Arranging for meeting, probably to discuss Hunt's enrolment.

1 June 1900.
1 p. ms.

1/2/2 Cash book.

Personal expenses of Hunt from June to Oct 1900, in connection with Army exercises, etc.

1 vol.

Note: Information given on fly-leaf indicates that Hunt was enrolled 22 June, elected 13 July and gazetted 19 July 1900.

1/2/3 Pamphlet, Aids to Signalling, by Sergeant-Major E.C. Howes, School of Signalling, Aldershot.

No date.

1 sheet printed.

1/2/4 Pamphlet, Parker's new and improved Combined Vernier and Wind Guage.

Published by A.G. Parker & Co., Manufacturers of Shooting Requisites, 264 Ickneild St., Birmingham.

No date.

1 card printed.

1/2/5 Circular Memo from Captain Carter to the members of the Cyclist Company, 1st V.B., Royal Warwickshire Regt.

Increased standards of efficiency required.

7 Jan 1902.

3 pp (1 sheet) printed.

Note: On verso in pencil ms. are notes on an exercise on 23 Jan. 1902.

1/2/6 Letter, Charles J. Hart, H.Q., Thorp St., Birmingham to Hunt.
Regrets Hunt is not well enough to go to camp.

50 July 1902.

2pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/2/7 Letter from Hunt, 127 Bristol Rd., Edgbaston to Carter.6
Resigning regretfully from Cyclist Company because of
Melbourne Appointment.

4 Dec. 1902.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/2/8 Letter from Hunt, Melbourne to Carter (copy).

Arrangements for a Challenge Cup to be donated by Hunt for competition within the Cyclist Company.

23 Sept. 1903.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/2/9 Letter from Hunt, Melbourne to Clive - . (copy).

Asks him to arrange for the making of the Challenge Cup.
23 Sept. 1903.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/2/10 Sketch of Challenge Cup.

In envelope postmarked Birmingham, 15 April 1904.

1/2/11 Letter, Phillip H. Carter, Carter & Co., Chartered Accountants, 33 Waterloo St., Birmingham to Munt.

Cyclist Co. to be disbanded. Asks Munt's views on what he would like done with the Challenge Cup.

5 Feb. 1908.

1 p. ts.

# 3. Letters from Charles Hunt.

Note: Charles Hunt, P.C.H. Hunt's father, was Engineer with the Birmingham Gas Works from 1872 until Sept. 1902 when he left to take up a seat on the Board of the South Suburban (then Crystal Palace District) Gas Co. He became Chairman in 1909, after the death of Sir Geo. Livesey. He was also Chairman of the Montevideo Gas Co. Ltd. and the Ceara Transways Light & Power Co. Ltd., and a director of the Bombay Gas Co. Ltd. and the Colonial Gas Assoc. Ltd. A Co-partnership scheme for its employees was a feature of the S.S. Gas Co., it having been imaugurated by Sir Geo. Livesey in 1894. Most of the letters are written from the home in Rectory Rd., Beckenham, although some originate from his office in Victoria St., Westminster. (See also 1/16/10 for fuller details of Charles' career.)

Box 2 1/3/1 From Berner's Hotel, Oxford St., West, London.

Advice to Hunt on terms to be arranged with John Grice of M.G.C. re Melb. appointment. Speaks of family's move to Beckenahm.

2 Dec. 1902.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/2 Newspaper cuttings only, London Gas - The Bills which Parliament is considering this Session, from The Times Engineering Supplement.

29 March 1905.

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1/3/3 Samples of letter-cards and account forms used by the Bournemouth Gas and Water Co.

Chas. Hunt has written details of cost of printing on forms. (1905).

1/3/4 From Bexhill.

Enclosing copy of letter from Colson re his process (not found) and forwarding copy of specification and patent (of tar distillation plant?). Family matters. Insurance. Swinburne, on Melbourne Board of C.G.A., writes suggesting Battersby as fourth Director. Chas. advice on stoking machinery to the Sutton Gas Co.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4 October 1905.

Appended: Letter from Lucy Hunt (P.C.H.H.'s mother)
4pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/5 Specification of Works for Installation of Tar Stills for Corporation of Leicester, Gas & Electric Lighting Dept.

Sent out by Chas. and referred to in 1/3/4 above. Colson was Engineer at Leicester.

Postmarked 3 Oct. 1905.

14 pp. roneoed script.

1/3/6 Re Stoking machinery at Melbourne, D.B. charger, Fiddes
Aldridge plant. Rosario Gas Works, owner would not extend
option. Llandrindod Wells scheme launched. Birth Certificate
enclosed. Family friends, Phelps and Murray. Davidson, of
Birmingham Gas Works, found cure for naphthalene in gas.

14 Nov. 1906.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letters from mother and two sisters, Rhoda and Ettie, all mentioning the arrival of Frank'in Melbourne. Hunt and Frank were married in April 1907. 8 pp. ms. in all.

Birth certificate.

1/3/7 Re new gas holders for Brighton and Heidelberg; types discussed.

Describes Worthington Church, who has asked favour of Chas.

24 March 1909.

8pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/8 Printed matter only.

Plan of Retort House for Dessau Vertical Furnaces.

Copy letter, Chas. Hunt to G. Hampton Barber, re Proposed

High Pressure Supply.

Copy of Report on Proposed New Retort House for the Montevideo

Gas Co. Ltd.

Posted 24 June 1909.

15 pp. roneoed ts. in all.

1/3/9 Re discussion with S. Cutler Junr. on machinery for Hunt. Fiddes Aldridge and De Brouwer machines. Testing new coal from Yorkshire. Trip to Germany planned. Prospects for installation of vertical retorts.

18 August 1909.

1/3/10 From Westminster.

Regret that Hunt has left England after a trip home.

28 Nov. 1910.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/11 Re information from John Terry and Cutler's on contracts for new machinery for Melb.

29 Nov. 1910.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/12 Re Cutler contract.

30 Nov. 1910.

1 sheet ms.

1/3/13 From Westminster.

Cutler contract settled. Encloses letters from Maybury (not fnd.).

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1 Dec. 1910.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/14 Copy letter, W.B. Leech, of Leech, Goodall & Co., to Chas.

Re retort settings, producer doors, bricks used for furnaces and drives for crushers. Letter headed Re Melbourne. Was probably forwarded by Chas. at Hunt's request.

Posted 13 Jan. 1911.

2 pp. ts.

1/3/15 Re new works at M.G.C. and Board's attitude. Swinburne "not the man we thought". Labour question will be problem. Encloses letters concerning Hunt's application for membership of the Institute of Civil Engineering. Consumption of gas increasing rapidly. Test to be made in Glover West retort with Australian coal. Possibility of installation of vertical retorts at Windsor St., Birmingham. Watson recalled from Calcutta Gas Works. Family matters.

15 Feb. 1911.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/16 From Westminster.

Explains Auction Clauses and Capital Conversion and Depreciation. Benefits which result from reduction in illuminating power of gas. Has given Mr. J. Tant an introduction to Hunt.

28 September 1911.

5 pp. ts.

Appended: 5 enclosures pertaining to above topics.

1/3/17 From Westminster.

Re Birmingham high pressure scheme.

29 November 1911.

2 pp. ts.

Appended: 9 enclosures re above.

1/3/18 Cable.

In answer to questions on costs, depreciation, etc. in England. 16 Jan. 1912.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

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Appended: Copy of Hunt's queries and suggested form of answers. It seems that Hunt may have been drawing up some form of plant valuation, possibly for a takeover. Other evidence for 1911 and 1912 is slight. Hunt's queries are dated 13 Dec. 1911.

1/3/19 From Westminster.

Further explanation of cable, 1/3/18 above.

18 Jan. 1912.

2 pp. ts.

1/3/20 From Westminster.

Definitions of maintainable and divisible profits. Further discussion of depreciation.

9 April 1912.

3 pp. ts.

1/3/21 Cable.

German expert has left Genoa.

28 June 1912.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/22 Cable.

Congratulations.

4 August 1912.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

Note: These two cables probably refer to the installation of Dessau Vertical Retorts at S. Melbourne works of M.G.C., put into operation 27 July 1912. See photo 8/24.

1/3/23 Cable.

Dessau order by Nechells.

30 Jan. 1913.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/24 From Westminster.

Re Patent for Hunt's improved retort. See 5/4/3 to 5/4/6.

14 Feb. 1913.

1 p. ts.

1/3/25 Re S.E. Figgis due to arrive in England. Koppers Ovens used at Saltley. (Glover) West system at Sydney. Woodall Duckham system at Birmingham. Comments on complaints, sales and canvassing departments at Melbourne. Mater (Lucy Hunt) improved. New order for verticals received from Melb. Profit v. prices at Montevideo.

26 Feb. 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/26 Re Hunt and family's move into new home Avon in St. Kilda Rd. Cutler's will be able to extend roof (of retort house?).

Schedules for Dessau retorts. Foundations (for verticals?)
Hunt's arbitration proceedings re Melb. strike. New order for Glover West retorts in Sydney. Coke brighter in Woodall Duckham system. Changes of personnel in amalgamation scheme

with Croydon (England) Gas Co. Mater better.

3 April 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Note from Ettie on Mater's condition.

1/3/27 Contract for Melbourne - Leech, Goodall & Co. protesting against the whole contract being given to Gutler & Son. Extra \$\frac{1}{2}\psi\$ dividend at Montevideo, and verticals to be installed. Telephone to be installed at Beckenham. Coal prices to rise. Bombay Gas Co. General Meeting.

9 April 1915.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/28 Fuel account in Melb. verticals too high. Gibbons (Bros.) interested in Hunt's improved retort. Visits to gas works, etc. arranged for Figgis. W. Melb. foundations. <u>Cears</u>

<u>Tramways</u>, its origins and personnel. S.S. land scheme; application for pier lodged with Port of London suthorities.

16 April 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/29 Arbitration proceedings at Melb. Coal dear and scarce in England. Dover coal. Sydney strike.

23 April 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/30 Mater's condition worsening. Figgis has arrived. Re Box Hill gas works and George Swinburne. W. S(winburne) is Managing Director of C.G.A. Re verticals at W. and S. Melb. Proposed installations at Wellington, N.Z.

30 April 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/31 Comments on a Judge being called in to adjudicate on stokers' complaint against verticals at Melb. New order for five additional beds at Melb. Cutler's lost contract for Birming-ham. Plans for Box Hill expansion and Swinburne's direction. Figgis considered as Director of C.G.A. Installation prospects for verticals. Complaints dept. at S.S. Doubts forming over their land scheme. Chas. position with regard to suggested installation of verticals at Montevideo; quotes to be invited.

7 May 1913.

8pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie re Mater's condition.

1/3/32 Mater's death.

14 May 1915. 8pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/33 Cable.

Mater's death.

15 May 1913.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/34 Arbitration in Melb. Mater's interrment. Figgis' visit. Montevideo \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \text{rise} \) in dividend.

21 May 1913. 8 np. (2 sheets) ms. 1/3/35 Figgis' movements. S. Brisbane order for verticals lost.
28 May 1913.
8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/36 Further discussion of S. Bris. order. Hull charging machine at Melb. Llandrindod Wells visit. Telegram received "re Oakleigh". C.G.A. matters and offer of seat on Board to Figgis. New share issue by C.G.A. and Hunt's investment. Rust in gas holders. Mater's grave & headstone.

4 June 1913. 8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/37 Appointment of Manager for Oakleigh. Methods of strengthening foundations at Melb. Woodall Duckham plant at Birmingham unsatisfactory. Comments on Glover West plant.

15 June 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie.

1/3/38 Cable.

Family well. See 1/3/39 below.
19 June 1913.

1 printed form with ms.

1/3/39 Reassurances that family are in good health and spirits following Mater's death. Discusses proposed amalgamation with Croydon.

25 June 1913.

27 June 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/40 Visit from John Hinde (M.G.C. Secretary), and his questions concerning verticals.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/41 Hinde "on the prowl". Tenders for new plant at Montevideo. Labour problems in Melb. Verticals. Capacity of W. Melb. retorts.

2 July 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter of sympathy on Mater's death from A.M. Danks.

1/3/42 Fuel account better with W. Melb. verticals. Hunt to be consultant on installation of verticals at Hobart. Candidatés for Oakleigh position to meet Figgis. Croydon amalgamation. Coal prices likely to be high in Eng. Wages arbitration in Melbourne.

9 July 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/43 High pressure main for Canterbury and Box Hill; W. Swinburne "to blame". Troubles with verticals in Melb. Slip-shod management in Sydney. Figgis and Oakleigh candidates.

16 July 1913.

1/3/44 From Westminster.

Enclosing report of comparison between Woodall Duckham and Dessau systems of vertical retorts. Also copy of letter from Korting, of the <u>Imperial Continental Gas Association</u>, Berlin, re amendments to retorts.

22 July 1913.

9 pp. ts. in all.

1/3/45 Mater's death. Croydon amalgamation. S. Suburban finance satisfactory. Reports on Figgis'movements. Results obtained from Dessau verticals. Ceara Tramways, Chas. as Chairman.

23 July 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie.

1/3/46 Arbitration in Melb. Fuel account of Melb. verticals improving. Tests with Pennsylvanian coal. Croydon amalgamation. Montevideo meeting. Oakleigh position - Moss appointed.

30 July 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/47 From Westminster:

Encloses results of tests on German coals, a comparison of the Dessau and WoodallDuckham systems of Vertical Retorts, and tests with Pennsylvanian coals. (All found).

5 August 1913.

11 pp. ts. in all.

1/3/48 Croydon amalgamation. Moss chosen for Oakleigh. Discussion of Glover West and Dessau verticals. S. Metropolitan accounts show very well. Coal store at Melbourne.

6 August 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets)ms.

1/3/49 Coke results from West's retort.

8 August 1913.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/50 Hunt's appointment to C.G.A., and Swinburne's retirement. Gasholders. Suggestion that Oakleigh be bought by C.G.A. Verticals not to be installed at Box Hill.

13 August 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/51 Hunt's C.G.A. appointment. Account of Figgis' movements.
Approves Hunt's scheme of employing a Research Chemist. (See
letters from R.B. Thwaites, 4/6., although these letters are
of much later date, e.g. 1921.) Trouble at Bombay and Calcutta
Gas Works. Oakleigh amalgamation with C.G.A. Dessau and
Clover West verticals.

20 August 1913.

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1/3/52. From Thun, Switzerland.

Holiday at Thun. Hinde's reaction to Hunt's resignation. Chas. approves of Figgis appointment as C.G.A. Director. Cost of labour and verticals.

27 August 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/53 From Thun.

Holiday. Figgis and C.G.A. Directorship. Chas. has visited Dessau.

3 September 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letters from Ettie and Clifford.

1/3/54 Figgis and C.C.A. Birectorship; also suggestion that Ballarat Gas Works might be taken over by C.G.A. Report by Korting on Glover West system at Maeindorf. Woodall Duckham system at Birmingham. London Board has elected Hunt Chairman and Figgis additional Director of C.G.A.

17 September 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/55 Hunt's C.G.A. appointment. Confusion over new Director, Coates also suggested, but Figgis already elected. Comments by Swinburne. Encloses Cost of Working of Carbonization Plant. (Found)

25 September 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/56 Misunderstanding over appointment to C.G.A. Directorship. (See also 4/2). Indifference of M.G.C. Board to Hunt's resignation, and comments on salaries offered by M.G.C. for Engineer and Secretary. Encloses share transfer certificate (not found). Also encloses copy of letter to Swinburne concerning the Directorship confusion. (Found).

29 September 1913.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms. + 3 pp. ts. in all.

1/3/57 Enclosing Observations on the Comparison between intermittent and continuous carbonizations, and letters from Korting retests on Dessau and Glover West reterts. Also letter from Henry Hack (formerly Engineer at Birmingham) commenting on Hunt's C.G.A. appointment. (All found).

2 October 1913.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/58 Hunt's appointment. Reeson, new Engineer at M.G.C. Verticals at Melb.

8 October 1913.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

Note: Chas. Hunt appears to have been responsible for the selection of M.G.C.'s new Engineer, although he holds no official position with the Co. This letter discusses the candidates for the position and Reeson in particular.

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1/3/59 Reeson's appointment. Verticals at Wellington, N.Z.
15 October 1961.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/60 Amalgamation with Brighton Gas Co. suggested. Reeson's appointment. Encloses arbitration proceedings of Swinton and Weyborough and the "Kirkaldy case". (Not Found).

22 October 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/61 Arbitration Court decision in Melb. Gas Exhibition in London. Parkinson's C.G.A. shares did not sell well.

29 October 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/62 Further discussion of Coates and Figgis and C.G.A. Directorships. Price reduction at Box Hill. Annual meeting of C.G.A. London Board; Directors' fees increased. Parkinson's shares. New work for Hunt in subsidiary Companies of Mt. Lyell and Broken Hill. Chas. as acting Chairman of Montevideo.

5 Nov. 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/63 Amsterdam visit re verticals. Advises Hunt to take Johns & Waygood directorship if offered. Re various members of the Institution of Gas Engineers. Low temperature carbonization and motor spirit supply; also Del Monte Co. in relation to same. Sydney arbitration for Hunt.

10 November 1913.

16 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie.

1/3/64 This letter addressed to Frank because of Hunt's absence in Tasmania. News therefore general and family.

19 November 1915.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/65 Cable.

Announcing documents posted 30 Jan.

9 Feb. 1914.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/ 66 Cable.

Successful process; test done by Parker.

16 Feb. 1914.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/67 Cable.

Request for information on pitch problem.

22 Feb. 1914.

l printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/ 68 Cable.

Parker and tar information.

21?-March 1914.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/69 Eron Westminster.

Thanks for information on Hydraulic Main.

14 April 1914.

l p. ts.

1/3/70 Cable.

Concerns a purchase by Melbourne Board of C.G.A., possibly of Footscray.

18 May 1914.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.

1/3/71 Cutting only.

Prospectus for Share Issue by British Isles Oil Producers, from The Times, 18 May 1914.

1/3/72 Cable.

"First proposition preferable."

6 September 1914.

1 printed form with ts. insertions.

1/3/73 Cable.

Gives weights.

11 September 1914.

1 printed form with ts. insertions.

1/3/74 Cable.

Re acquisition of works of some kind.

20 October 1914.

1 printed form with ts. insertions.

1/3/75 Hunt's Sydney arbitration. Loss of illuminating power; enclosing details (found). S.S. financial position. Hurll in London suggests Gas Engineering Co. in Australia. Suggests merger of positions of Chairman and Managing Director of C.G.A in Melbourne. Shortage of labour in England due to war. Has heard that Reeson (M.G.C.) not in favour of verticals.

21 April 1915.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/76 From Westminster.

Encloses reports on amalgamation schemes by British companies. Comments on amalgamations with Williamstown and Footscray gas undertakings.

21 June 1915.

38 pp. ts. in all.

1/3/77 Re production of toluol and discusses Davidson's and Carpenter's processes.

19 July 1915.

1/3/78 Re toluol. Encloses letter from Moulton, War Office, High Explosives Dept., which requests gas undertakings to obtain as high a production of toluol as possible. (found).

5 August 1915.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/79 From Westminster.
Information on toluol.
10 August 1915.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/80 Toluol and TNT. C.G.A. affairs - Sir John Taverner (Director) in London; merging of positions of Chairman and Managing Director in Melb.; formation of Australian company prevented by financial difficulties due to war.

24 August 1915.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/81 War news. Mentions documents sent by Schubridge.
1 Dec. 1915.
8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/82 New works at Hobart. Mt. Lyell and copper prices. War news. Board of Trade circular calling for economy. Llandrindod Wells paying dividend. M.G.C. offer for Box Hill.

10 May 1916.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/83 Mt. Lyell - copper prices and Hunt's trip to Tasmania. Gibbons favours Woodall Duckham verticals. Discusses Bond, an engineer. Ructions in England between the various associations of gas engineers. M.G.C. to take over Box Hill.

16 May 1916.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/84 Has sent cable about Brown Coal. Comments on Figgis' letters, and his silence about negotiations with M.G.C. Difficulties with coal supply to Montevideo.

5 July 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/85 War news - air raid on gas works. Draws attention to article in Gas Journal, 'The complete gasification of coal'.

10 July 1917.

7 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/86 Share business - Brown Coal Syndicate. Gasifying process.
19 July 1917.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/87 Prospect of Hunt as consultant in Sydney. Developments with Box Hill and Footscray. Answer to cable sent by Figgis. S.S. to amalgamate with Dartford Co. Vast expansion at Bromley. 26 July 1917.

1/3/88 Shares paid up on Brown Coal Syndicate. War news. Gas
Council meeting to discuss low temperature carbonization
at suggestion of Admiralty.

1 August 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/89 Brown Coal Syndicate. Oil situation in England; Govt. want coal tar.

9 August 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/90 From Bexhill.

Re C.G.A. and M.G.C. Bill and Figgis. Brown Coal Syndicate - agreement reached.

17 August 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/91 From Llandrindod Wells.

Trips around countryside. Hunt's brown coal scheme. Gas used instead of petrol.

23 August 1917.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/92 From Llandrindod Wells.

Weir on way to England. Establishment of colonial stove industry. Low temperature carbonization. Inert gases. Figgis and mistake over Casino. Gas for motor-driving.

29 August 1917.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/93 War news, bomb damage. Alteration of sliding scale of gas costs. Dartford Co. takeover.

6 September 1917.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/94 Election of Hunt to Australian Club. Weir's marriage. Comments on Box Hill. Dartford amalgamation. Inspection visits by Chas. New processes with Horizontals and Verticals.

14 September 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/95 Increase in gas consumption in Montevideo. Comments on Weir. War news. Dartford amalgamation Bill being considered. Revision of sliding scale.

19 September 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/96 Visit to Derby; Wilson and semi-continuous process. Comments on Weir. War news.

27 September 1917.

1/3/97 Unrest in Australia. Swinburne's political career. Revision of sliding scale and effects on dividends. Coal position.
Potential of gas as a substitute for petrol. Institute of Civil Engineers, H.E. Jones new President. War news.

2 October 1917.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/98 C.G.A. meeting - Weir finding it difficult to get passage back to Australia; Spencer wants to pay interest on preference stock. Gas driven motors. Chas. 75th birthday. Progress of Dartford amalgamation Bill. Bills to be brought into Parliament re non-illuminating gas.

11 October 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/99 Food position in England. 17 October 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/100 Dartford Bill. War news. Proposed union of gas and electricity undertakings in England.

24 October 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/101 Meeting of British Commercial Gas Association, and Sir Hallewell Rogers as President. Preparing parliamentary notices for Dartford Bill. National Gas Council and adjustments to sliding scale.

1 November 1917.

4 pp. (L sheet) ms.

1/3/102 Strike in Melbourne and general labour position. Weir to leave England. War news; position of gas industry. New installation of verticals in Switzerland. Annual dinner on Institution of C.E. Hunt having troubles with Sulphate and Arbitration Amendments.

6 November 1917.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/103 War news. Sliding scale revision by Board of Trade. Wages and price of coal affecting price of gas in England. Supply problems due to war. Encloses map of area serviced by South Suburban Gas Co. (found).

15 November 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/104 Melb. labour problems and advice on England procedures. Comments on shale oil scheme suggested by Hunt. Prices for Sulphate. Information on amalgamation schemes in Britain.

20 November 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/105 War news; discussion of war reporters; not sending English newspapers because Australian newspapers keep up to date by means of cables. Alterations to sliding scale. Suggests war bonuses to Australian employees, following English practice.

27 November 1917.

1/3/106 C.G.A. meeting. Calls for a report on Box Hill and Footscray. S.S. Bill to increase charges being prepared.

6 December 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/107 Progress of S.S. Bill. Coal and gas rationing. War news. Reform Bill passed enabling women over 30 to vote.

12 December 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/108 Problems of gas supply during winter. War news and shortages. S.S. Bill deposited with Parliament.

18 December 1917.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/109 Rationing. Gas problems; new steam boilers. Encloses list of costs of cables sent to Melb. re brown coal. (found).

26 December 1917.

9 pp. (3 sheets) ms. in all.

1/3/110 Swinburne retired from Interstate Commission; gives hope of getting "gas question" settled. Possibility of Hunt being asked to join M.G.C. Board. S.S. Bill launched.

3 January 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/111 Hunt as arbitrator in question of gas prices to be charged by Brisbane and Snadgate companies. Advises on amounts allowable for depreciation. Hunt as consultant at Newcastle. Discussion with Llandrindod Wells Council on Provisional Order concerning gas works. C.G.A. meeting - not enough preference shares being taken up.

9 January 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/112 Rationing. Harry (Rhoda's husband) a full Lieutenant. Demand for war bonuses by workers. Commonwealth Oil process for shale distillation.

16 January 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/113 War news. Encloses newspaper cutting, Reported Revolution in Finland. (found).

30 January 1918.

4 pp.(1 sheet) ms.

1/3/114 Hunt's trip to Tasmania. Grice and negotiations over Box Hill and Footscray. C.G.A. - matters satisfactory in Melb., but worry over lack of interest in preference shares in England. Food shortages and war news.

6 February 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/115 Ration cards. Chas. visits to inspect carbonizing plant installations. Vertical Retort Syndicate likely to be wound up in August. Gas and electrical power restricted. Sixteen

petitions against S.S. Bill. Mt. Lyell shares improving.

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13 February 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/116 Government to take over vertical retort installation at Leeds for experiments in oil production. War news. Staffordshire Co. want increase in price of gas. Discusses petitions against S.S. Bill.

21 February 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/117 War news and rationing. Kingdon (Sec. of London Board of C.G.A.)
has acquired promising gas works in Devon or Cornwall. Chas.
interview with Labour member for Dartford re S.S. Bill. Expansion
plans for S.S. curtailed.

26 February 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/118 Govt. to use shale deposits in Victoria. Placating opponents of S.S. Bill.

6 March 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/119 Possibility of M.G.C. Directorship for Hunt; not likely for the moment. Investigation being held into complaints about vertical retorts installed at M.G. C. Hunt lying low!.

14 March 1918.

8 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/120 From Westminster.

Re proposals of Melbourne Board concerning payment of dividends. Parliamentary committee to investigate Financial Hardships proposals of gas companies.

21 March 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/121 Coal hard to get for Montevideo. Okehampton(Devon) gas works acquired by Kingdon, Clifford and Chas. War news and travel restrictions. Encloses cutting from The Westminster Gazette, re distribution of German forces along the battle line. (found).

27 March 1918.

6pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/122 Success of Hunt's Bill for A.G.L. Co., Sydney; Chas. sending copy to Parliamentary Agents. Standard dividend of S.S. Co., and discussion of dividends of other British companies. Fighting for Provisional Order for Llandrindod Wells. Gas rationing. Instances of British cases of amalgamation with representation.

3 April 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/123 Enclosing material re Fiddes Aldridge charging machinery. (fnd.)
Dividend paid on C.G.A. preference shares. Wage rise in Brit.
Rationing system extending and growing in severity. Morrison,
engineer at Sheffield, retired because of indiscretion during
a visit to the works by Winston Churchill. Meeting at Board

of Trade re Provisional Order for Llandrindod Wells, determining prices and profits.

9 April 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/124 War news. Looking over farm for Wyllis (Hunt's young brother).
17 April 1918.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/125 Llandrindod Wells Order successful. Gas prices and other prices in England. Suggestion for establishing Box Hill as a separate company.

24 April 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/126 Leech, formerly of Leeds gas works, will testify to satisfactory performance of verticals if necessary for Melb. case. Meetings of Committee on Financial Hardship. Food and clothing shortages. Competition with M.G.C. in laying mains in Canterbury and from building of new works at Williamstown. Shipment of coal to Montevideo, first time for a year.

1 May 1918. 8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/127 Committée on Financial Hardship, Hunt's NSW Bill used in evidence. Chas. has asked for reports on verticals from British Companies to be used, if necessary, in Melbourne case. (Hunt's name does not appear to have been raised in connection with the controversy; however Chas. is concerned about the bad publicity for the system of vertical retorts.) 7 May 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/128 Comments on Geo. Swinburne and his political career. Hunt and new assistant. Only 4 shareholders at Montevideo General Meeting. S.S. financial position good, but great difficulty in obtaining coal. Proposal on gas rationing. Committee on Financial Hardship case finished; S.S. hope to obtain right to pay standard dividend.

16 May 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/129 Sulphate of Ammonia plants at Footscray and Ballarat. First year of Garden City plant of S.S. very successful. Comments on Hunt's proposal for a Bill to incorporate small companies around Melbourne. S.S. relief being considered by Committee on Financial Hardship.

21 May 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/130 Coal and gas rationing scheme in England. New vertical installations restricted by war; Chas. has asked for information on working of intermittent verticals for Hurll (the manufacturer). War news and shortages.

28 May 1918.

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5 June 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/132 Re fixing of standard prices, in response to request by Hunt who apparently is about to enter proceedings on the matter. (Chas. encloses separate letter written from Westminster, other correspondence and copies of two British Acts re same matter.) Matters improving with Cears Tramway & Lighting Co. Fiddes Aldridge charger. Labour costs with verticals. Reports from British Gas Co's. on verticals sent to Hurll. Coal sent to Montevideo from America.

12 June 1918.

6 pp. ms. +8 pp. ts. +13 pp. printed in all.

1/3/133 Report of Committee on Financial Hardship published; no relief for gas companies. Gas price increase. Food rationing and taxation. Clifford's (Hunt's brother) financial ventures. Swinburne finally retired from Commission.

18 June 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/134 Schubridge's method of production of Sulphate. S.S. Bill at second reading stage. Chas. has distributed copies of NSW Amendment Act to Parliamentary Agents. War news.

27 June 1918.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/135 Comments on Lord Mayor of Melbourne's proposal to municipalize gas works. Broken Hill Water Co. to be wound up. (This was one of Hunt's interests). C.G.A. finance matters; agents unable to send out new gas holder; increase in consumption planned for at Footscray. Farm bought for Wyllis. Coal, gas and electricity rationing order.

3 July 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/136 Gas rationing. Financial Hardships Bill in second reading. S.S. Bill in Committee soon. Steaming in horizontal retorts. War news.

9 July 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/137 Prospects of S.S. Bill. Standard of calorification. S.S. accounts sound. C.G.A. remittances sent to England.

16 July 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/138 Amendment to Financial Hardships Bill favourable to Gas interests. S.S. Bill through Committee of House of Commons; clauses discussed.

24 July 1918.

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1/3/139 Financial Hardship Bill in House of Lords. War news.
31 July 1918.
4pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/140 Change in gas prices at Sydney. Increased consumption at Footscray. London City Council defeated in Financial Hardship Bill. S.S. Bill to stand over till autumn session; S.S. half-yearly meeting. Comment re dividend under the sliding scale. Possibility of election in Britain. War news.

7 August 1918.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/141 Standards of gas quality. War news and rationing. Coal supply will be difficult problem.

13 August 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/142 From Rougement Hotel, Exeter.

Hunt's connexion with Government enquiry into M.G.C. Calorific power of gas. Comments on food shortages. War news. (Encloses newspaper cuttings).

18 August 1918.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/143 From Bude, Cornwall.

Comments on small English gasworks. Brown coal project revived in Melb. Excellent helf year for C.G.A. Holiday.

25 August 1918.

6 pp. (5 sheets) ms.

1/3/144 Domestics. War news. Coal prices. Holiday.

4 September 1918.

4 pp. ms.

1/3/145 M.G.C. enquiry; gas quality. Fuel rationing. Labour unrest in England. Conditions in England, France and Italy fue to war.

12 September 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/146 Labour troubles; co-partnership and unionization. Coal to Montevideo. War news.

18 September 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/147 Labour troubles and unions. War news.

27 September 1918,

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/148 London Board meeting of C.G.A. Unions and labour. War news. 2 October 1918.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/149 Reconstruction of all British gas associations mooted. 61st<sub>24</sub> anniversary of Chas. association with the gas industry. War news and fuel rationing order. Visit to Vickers factory, and their plans for post-war period. Future of verticals to be planned.

10 October 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/150 End of war in view. Paper by Parkinson to Institution of Gas Engineers on prevention of gas leakage.

17 October.1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/151 Trouble with domestics. Influenza. M.G.C. enquiry; Burner Committee and Reeson. Gas pressures in England and Australia. Reorganization of gas associations.

23 October 1918.

8 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/152 Discord among Adelaide gas companies. Influenza epidemic in London. Comments on Box Hill and Footscray works. New secretary for Melb. Board.

30 October 1918.

8 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/153 From Westminster.

C.G.A. dividend to be paid. Negotiations with M.G.C. over Footscray. S.S. gas bill through House of Commons. Armistice offer in war.

6 November 1918.

8 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/154 The Kaiser abdicated; armistice accepted. "Little bills" through Parliament.

14 November 1918.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/155 Report of Australasian Gas Co. Merger of British gas associations. Financial position of C.G.A. in Australia. Problems of gas industry in England.

21 November 1918.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/156 Discord among Adelaide gas companies. New secretary in Sydney. C.G.A. and negotiations with M.G.C.; also finance. Statute urged to standardize calorific power of gas. Oil washing of gas to remove benzol.

27 November 1918.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/157 C.G.A. finance and negotiations with M.G.C. Rationing conditions easier. Terms of armistice agreement being discussed.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4 December 1918.

25 1/3/158 C.G.A. negotiations with M.G.C. Domestic fuel rationing. Proposed reconstruction and extensions for S.S. after war. 10 December 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Co-partnership schemes and their working at Lower Sydenham, Bromley and Cray. Shipbuilding. 19 December 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/160 British labour question in delicate position. Comments on Hunt's address to the Premier in Melb. gas enquiry. Montevideo has had a satisfactory year.

26 December 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/161 Co-partnership. Account of Captain Temple, his war services and gas career. Complete gasification of coal. Letters from Carpenter re benzol extraction. Gas industry prospects under new English Government. Vertical Retort Syndicate to be wound up. M.G.C. and C.G.A. offers to takeover Williamstown Gas Co. 1 January 1919.

14 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

1/3/162 C.G.A. amalgamation with Williamstown. Drop in Mt. Lyell shares. Chas. shares in steel companies, etc. C.G.A. 7 % preference shares placed. Post-war return to normalcy. 8 Jamuary 1919. 9 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/163 MacDonald to be Sydney Manager for Parkinson & Cowan (manufacturers of engineering machinery). Labour unrest in England. Assistant to be sent out to Montevideo. Schubridge, engineer at S.S., to retire. S.S. consolidation scheme with Dartford and Bromley. Vickers' blue water gas scheme.

22 January 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/164 Peace agreements. War Memorial to be erected by gas associations. S.S. finance, reduction in gas price, Peace bonuses. Gas supply to Vickers during 1918. Plans for Schubridge's retirement and new engineer.

29 January 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/165 Strikes in Britain. Shortages being alleviated. Domestics hard to get. Supply of gas to Vickers. Offer of position to Temple (see 1/3/161 above) by Coalite Co.

6 February 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/166 Brentford 1868 Bill sent. Hunt permanent consultant in Sydney. Comments on (Henry) Woodall's career. Strikes in Britain. Sale of Sulphate in Melb. Food position and post-war social conditions.

12 February 1919.

- 1/3/167 Influenza epidemic in England. C.G.A. amalgamation and finance.
  Peace agreements. Labour troubles. Quality of gas in England.
  19 February 1919.
  8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
- 1/3/168 5.S. gemeral meeting satisfactory. English miners demanding wage rises. C.G.A. accounts good; helped by sale of Sulphate. Montevideo accounts good; helped by exchange rate. 'Flu. 26 February 1919.'
  8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
- 1/3/169 Brentford Bill certified copy sent. Finance restrictions in England and effect on C.G.A. Coal Commission enquiry into miners' wages. Gas workers wages rise. S.S. Terrace to replace Schubridge.

5 March 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/170 C.G.A. finance - capital for Footscray.
13 March 1919.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/171 Board of Trade to allow more latitude on calorific power.

Coal Commission and miners' dispute. Comments on Terrace. Gas
workers likely to strike.

18 March 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/172 Travel difficulties in England. Finance restrictions and C.G.A. Shortage of accommodation in London.

26 March 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/173 Finance restrictions and C.G.A. Good year for Bombay Gas Co. Post-war conditions.

2 April 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/174 Llandrindod Wells not enough profit to pay debenture interest. S.S. salaries increased by 20 %.

10 April 1919.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/175 Trip to England for Reeson (M.G.C.) Gas prices in England.C.G.A. finance for Footscray.

17 April 1919.

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8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/176 Calorific power - encloses cutting. Reeson's visit. Blue water gas production at S.S. C.G.A. amalgamation prospects for Williamstown, Footscray, Box Hill and Oakleigh. Market prices for S.S. stock. Terrace, new engineer.

23 April 1919.

1/3/177 Government control and Mt. Lyell. Report on England's gas industry by Sir George Beilby enclosed (not found). Shale scheme. Montevideo dividend to be tax free,

30 April 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/178 C.G.A. Figgis' letters; finance; amalgamation. Mt. Lyell workers' welfare, superannuation, etc. S.S. employee Directors in co-partnership scheme. Llandrindod Wells meeting.
7 May 1919.

12 pp. (3 sheets) mm.

1/3/179 C.G.A. Figgis' finance proposals turned down; discussion of financial policy and control by London Board. Talk of lowering the standard of Calorific Power. Bombay Gas Co. meeting satisfactory. Possibility of Hunt returning to England, 14 May 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/180 Tourney (from Sydney) on visit. Gas quality; amount of inert gases. Tourney's comments on systems of verticals he has seen in operation. Montevideo shares firm. No dividend from Mt. Lyell.

21 May 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/181 Montevideo General Meeting; Articles of Association revised.
Finance matters for C.G.A. Property values in England.
28 May 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/182 Gas Investigation Commission re low grade gas and standards of Calorific Power, in England.

6 June 1919.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/183 Single ascension pipes in retorts. S.S. - Terrace, a "new broom".
Oil boring in Derby shire.

12 June 1919.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/184 Influenza in Australia. Labour problem in Australia. Reports of Coal Commission sent. Has heard nothing of Reeson. C.G.A. having trouble with amalgamation plans; comments on Figgis and Weir. Gas consumption falling in England.

18 June 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) me.

1/3/185 Coal Commission and suggestion of nationalization of industry.

Standards of Calorific Power. New Articles of Association for
Montevideo. London branch of National Gas Council formed.

Chas. as Vice-president of Gas Companies Protection Association.

25 June 1919.

1/3/186 From Westminster.

Peace treaty signed. Possibility of difficulty with German patent rights and verticals. Account of position with regard to verticals. Coal and gas prices to rise. Meeting of C.G.A. London Board members with Hon. Mr. McPherson to discussion amalgamation of small companies around Melb.

2 July 1919.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/187 Results of McPherson (Vic. State Treasurer) meeting; precis enclosed (found). Coal price rise. Hunt house and land hunting. 9 July 1919.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms. Enclosure 2 pp. ts.

1/3/188 Coal price rise. Supplies determined by Coal Controller. Postwar conditions on continent. S.S. new superannuation scheme.

16 July 1919.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/189 Coal strike in England worsening. Clothworkers Company dinner.
24 July 1919.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/190 Coal strike. S.S. accounts down and effect on prices. Victorian Government to settle "gas question" next session.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
29 July 1919.

1/3/191 Strikes in England. Coal supply very short. Hunt to turn his attentions to gas legislation in Vic. English gas Bill proposed to incorporate Beilby's recommendations on fixing of gas prices on calorific power of gas. Chas. retired from Board of Directors of Goodall.

6 August 1919.

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8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/192 From Westminster.

Hunt having respite from Arbitration labours. Labour position in England. Coal strike. Prices.for gas. Comments on negotiations re Footscray and Williamstown.

11 August 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/193 C.G.A. half-year accounts good. Reorganization of Vertical Retort Syndicate. Discussion of aspects of C.G.A.finance prompted by accounts.

21 August 1919.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/194 Standards of Calorific Power. Tully's water gas plant. Seamen's strike in Australia. English post-war economy.

27 August 1919.

1/3/195 From Ocean Hotel, Sandown, Isle of Wight. Holiday. C.G.A. and Footscray. Labour problems in England. 3 September 1919. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/196 From Isle of Wight. Chas. has not seen Mitchell or Hartley. Govt. in Victoria "changed its mind" re amalgamation. Govt. in England to help gas companies financially. Gas Bill being prepared; to bring about standard price and standard dividend. 11 September 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/197 From Isle of Wight.

> Weir (of C.G.A.) to visit England. Improvements in Hydraulic Mains for verticals. Distribution of shares in reorganized Vertical Retort Syndicate. Directors of European Gas Co. to visit France.

19 September 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/198 From Westminster.

> Prospects for gas industry in England. Drake charger and discharger. Comments on V.R.S. Llandrindod Wells increase in gas consumption.

25 September 1919.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/199 Lightening strike of railway workers and effects on gas industry. Drakes charger and discharger.

1 October 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/200 Miners want nationalization of industry in England. C.G.A. negotiations for amalgamation; finance. Improvements planned for V.R.S. Morwell deposits of shale. Figgis wants to retire. Possibility of Moss as General Manager.

9 October 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/201 Problems of the coal shortage. British Govt. to introduce gas bill. Weir in England.

15 October 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/202 Co-partnership companies to meet to secure exclusion from participation in sympathetic strikes. Weir having difficulty in obtaining passage home. S.S. Superannuation Scheme Rules to be sent. Reeson in England but not seen.

21 October 1919.

1/3/203 Development of V.R.S. London C.G.A. Board meeting. National Gas Council and financial position of gas companies. Board of Trade's reductions in Calorific Power. Results of Beilby report.

27 October 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/204 Hunt's arbitration in Adelaide. Comments on V.R.S. Weir at London C.G.A. Board meeting; finance discussed; gasholder for Melbourne. Figgis' resignation and Moss recommended to fill his place. No settlement in negotiations with M.G.C. and amalgamations.

6 November 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/205 Lord Robt. Cecil to unveil War Memorial at S.S. Gas companies to obtain relief from financial hardship. Supply and prices of coal. Annual Meeting of Ceara Tramway Co. Gasholder for Melb. too expensive.

19 November 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/206 C.G.A. disposition of shares in Footscray works; Footscray works very profitable. Coal supplies and price. Possibility of public issue of shares by C.G.A. Building expensive in England. S. Metropolitan Gas Co. in bad light over attitude to strikers and demands of their gas bill.

25 November 1919.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/207 C.G.A. buying of new gasholders. Melb. to send money to pay dividend. Possibility of drop in English coal prices. Gas companies Bill re gas standards and prices. Many enquiries about verticals. Progress of Woodall Duckham retorts.

12 November 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/208 Hunt in Sydney with regard to water gas plant and low temperature carbonization scheme. V.R.S. approached re manufacture of a water gas plant for small works. Comments on interest in verticals. S.S. and S.M. to join forces over presentation of English gas bills.

13 December 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/209 Christmas festivities. Possibility of C.G.A. negotiations being resumed with M.G.C. Division of Turkey in armistice agreement. Press publicity on question of English gas bills. Board of Trade moves to introduce own bill. Increase in Labour vote in England. Drop of 10/- in price of coal and effects.

1 January 1920.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/210 Australian shareholders at London C.G.A. meeting; English tax on Australian dividends; complaints of rudeness against Figgis. Property values at Beckenham. S.M. Bill and sliding scale. Coal shortage. Low temperature carbonization scheme from Belgium. Trouble about clerks' salaries at S.S. Cost of building in Eng.

8 January 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/211 Verticals at Sunderland, Hull and Leeds. S.S. new works at Belvedere; Drake's machine at Lower Sydenham. S.M. Bill, if successful will open up wide possibilities. Increase in wages for gas workers. Other English wage increases, and Superamnuation Fund.

14 January 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/212 Wages increase in England since 1914. Discussion of S.S. and S.M. gas Bills to be originated in House of Lords. Possibility of new works at Hobart. Shortage of accommodation and high rents in City of London.

21 January 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/213 S.S. year's accounts discussed. Board of Trade proposed bill likely to be put off. Effects of reduction in price of coal.

29 January 1920.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/214 Strike in Aust. settled. English strike over men who refused to join Union. Bonus shares from Johns & Waygood. M.G.C. to obtain land they wanted; no mischief to Footscray. Details of proposed Board of Trade bill. Chas. objecting to sale of neighbouring property to Y.W.C.A.

5 February 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/215 Asks for details of direct ammonia plant installed by Reeson at M.G.C. Asks whether Hunt has received dividend warrant for Llandrindod Wells (see also 1/15/12). Expansion of gas companies in England, and other building programmes. Carpenter (Chairman of S. M. ) pleased with reception of gas Bill.

11 February 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/216 English Government Bill to empower gas and water companies to raise money by terminable debentures, and preference stock at higher rates. Stocks and shares rising. Possibility of 4 % dividend for blandrinded Wells. Government holding coal for fear of miners' strike.

19 February 1920.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/217 C.G.A. accounts good. Montevideo accounts satisfactory. S.S. general meeting and Spencer. Possibility of getting Stock Exchange quotation for C.G.A. shares; formation of Australian company again mooted, in order to get over question of English income tax. Petitions against S.S. Bill.

24 February 1920.

1/3/218 C.G.A. appointment of a manager; comments on Figgis and Weir; possibility of 8 % dividend; proposals for formation of Australian company. Comments on Swinburne and Kift. Hunt declined offer of Employers' Federation.

4 March 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/219 Discussion of types of gas plant - Tully plant, Gibson's plant, Dutch coke oven resembling Dessau plant, Duckham coke oven.

V.R.S. and handling of Gibson's water gas plant. Formation of Australian company.

12 March 1926.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/220 C.G.A. formation of Aust. company and financial implications.
Repeats some information on gas plants found in 1/3/219 above.
with some elaboration. Suggestion made that S.S. might amalgamate with the West Kent Electricity Co. Encloses information on a gas meter invented by Professor C.C. Thomas of Johns Hopkins University, U.S.A. (found).

21 March 1920.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms. Enclosure 2 pp. ts.

1/3/221 C.G.A. Managing Directorship vacant. Suggestion for merger of Chairmanship and Managing Directorship. M.G.C. wanting to obtain land in Footscray area. Development in systems of complete gasification. Hunt not to return home that year. Coal supply to Montevideo difficult; supply from America. C.G.A. - authority of Accountant; position of Figgis and future management of Board; question of interim dividend reserved. Kift anxious about documents.

5 April 1920.

12 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

1/3/222 Improvements in hydraulic main of intermittent verticals at Auckland. Success with continuous verticals a matter of type of coal used. Complete gasification of coal. Prospects of S.M.'s gas bill in Parliament; standard dividends and gas prices. S.S. and amalgamation; Chas. and proposed South London scheme. Brentford Co. and river supply of coal.

14 April 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/223 Vacancy on S.S. Board because of death of Sir John Bosarton(?).

Encloses copy of Report of Fuel Research Board, and pamphlet re a metallic conveyor belt (not found). Difficulties of raising further capital for S.S. Hunt having difficulties at Adelaide. Robinson in London; to discuss position of C.G. Association. S.S. Directors to make report on Belvedere works; employee directors also consulted.

30 April 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/224 S.S. and S.M. and meetings with Committee of Lords re gas bills; both successful in demands for rises in standard dividends and prices; possible opposition in Commons from Board of Trade Bill. Possibility of Victorian gas legislation; foreshadows purchase of M.G.C. by local authorities. Robinson to meet London Board. Montevideo accounts show well. Clifford appointed Director of

16 May 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/225 Reference to S. Melb. gasholder "catastrophe". Prospects of S.S. with regard to pending English gas legislation. Possibility of S.S. amalgamation with smaller companies; also visit of Board to Sunderland to view installation of intermittent verticals.

26 May 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/226 C.G.A. London Board meeting; Robinson present; discussion of amalgamation with Williamstown and formation of a Suburban Co. S. Melb. gasholder "catastrophe". Unveiling of War Memorial at S.S. works. Consideration of S.S. and Board of Trade gas bills. Complete gasification of coal discussed at Gas Institution meeting; prospects still obscure. Kift and documents.

8 June 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/227 From Westminster.

C.G.A. Board positions; comments on Figgis and Weir; amalgamation with Williamstown; question of Managing Directorship. Strike of gas men in Melb. Strikes in England; S.S. men repudiated action of Unions; Chas. speculates on possibilities of a "basic wage" system being established; co-partnership as means to industrial peace. Progress of S.S. Bill hindered by strike.

16 June 1920.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/228 Farewell to Robinson. S.S. removed Financial Clauses from Bill.
Hunt's experiments with complete gasification of coal; also
installation of a "plant of local design". S.S. finance raising.
Cable from Hunt re position of debenture holders.

5 July 1920.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/229 Settlement of strikes in Melbourne and Manchester. S.M. Bill through Parliament. Opposition to S.S. Bill withdrawn; discussion of borrowing powers asked for. Progress of Gas Regulation (Board of Trade) Bill.

14 July 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/230 Unveiling of statue of Corbet Woodall at Beckton. (see also sections 1/12 and 2/4 for Hunt's connection with same). Kift quietened down. Aftermath of strikes in Melbourne and England. Dividends of S.S. and S.M. under new legislation. Record price for tar in England. Difficulties in raising money for S.S. new works. Acute shortage of coal.

3 August 1920.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/231 Hunt meeting frequently with Grice and Hinde (M.G.C.) over

labour problems. Coal strike expected in England. Labour Party and Direct Action Committees; labour politics in general. World shortage of coal.

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18 August 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/232 S.S. meeting to discuss raising of new capital and expansion of works; help offerred by S.M. Seeking Japanese coal.

23 August 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/233 From Sidmouth, Devonshire.

Holiday. Coal strike pending. S.S. expansion. Strikes in England and Melbourne. C.G.A. letter from Figgis; mentions Footscray and Williamstown.

7 September 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie.

1/3/234 From Sidmouth.

Hunt arbitrating in gas strike. Pending coal strike in England; President of Board of Trade handling talks ably. Hunt has launched complete gasification scheme at Footscray. Comments on letter sent by London Board to C.G.A. Board in Melb. reterms of negotiation over Williamstown and Footscray. Holiday.

20 September 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/235 Water gas plants v. complete gasification. Prospects of raising extra capital for S.S. Coal prices and shortages. S.S. ceasing to hire out heating appliances. Figgis' resignation.

28 September 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/236 Coal position; unable to get Japanese coal. English coal strike may be avoided. Cost of travelling. Prices of clothing down. Raising of capital for S.S. Dutch vertical ges oven. Encloses extract from letter of Figgis to Spencer (of London Board) with remarks as to Williamstown and Footscray (found), and comments thereon. Suggests Hunt taking on Managing Directorship as well as Chairmanship, and proposed moves in this matter. New standard price for S.S. Coal strike again imminent. Strike at Bombay.

18 pp. (5 sheets) ms.

12 October 1920.

1/3/237 Coal strike in England; country's reaction to "the Labour agression".

19 October 1920.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/238 C.G.A. negotiations for amalgamation (with Williamstown?) to come off; increase of Directors' fees postponed. Water gas plant at Footscray and cost of same. Installation of verticals in England. S.S. debenture issue fairly successful; extension plans; progress of application for new standard price for gas.

Hunt's position with C.G.A. and the position of Managing Director.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/239 Coal strike settled. Unveiling of War Memorial and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. American coal for Montevideo. Prices generally falling in England. Gibbons has formed company in Australia. (see also 1/13/11). C.G.A. proposed payment of dividend.

13 November 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/240 Drakes charger and discharger at Lower Sydenham works of S.S. Incréase in consumption due to cold winter. London hotels becoming offices. C.G.A. dividend - Spencer doubtful.

14 December 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/241 Encloses copy of S.M. Act. (not found). Little opposition from local authorities to the Gas Regulation Act. Gas works coping with cold winter. S.S. issue of debentures brought in £90,000.

23 December 1920.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/242 Overtures from M.G.C. to Hunt to join Board; also moves in relation to Williamstown and Footscray. Hunt and post of Managing Director. Mount Lyell having a bad spell. General slump in prices in England and elsewhere. C.G.A. finance. Staff loss in S.S. Orders likely under Gas Regulation Act. Labour problems with new furnaces at Lower Sydenham.

10 January 1921.

12 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie, and newspaper cutting re Board of Trade enquiries into gas by-products.

1/3/243 Slump in prices in England, especially in iron and steel.
London hotels being reopened. Order under Gas Regulation
Bill for S.S. General comments on workers strikes.

20 January 1921.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/244 Comments on official letter of Hunt's to London Board re negotiations with M.C.C. being successful; refers to Footseray Williamstown, Phosphate Co., Box Hill, M.C.C. Directorship for Hunt. New standard price from Board of Trade for Gas Light Co.(London). S.S. prospects for new order. Encloses S.S. accounts and those of National Provident Institute (not found). An amalgamation scheme defeated by shareholders, in England.

9 February 1921.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/245 Coal plentiful in England; to be de-controlled soon. Efforts made to get Hunt on M.G.C. Board. Hunt to go to England to discuss C.G.A. matters. Provision for Cara 6f £100 at coming of age.

12 pp. (5 sheets) ms.

22 February 1921.

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1/3/246 Official letter of thanks to Hunt for part in negotiations with M.G.C. over land in Footscray and Williamstown areas.
C.G.A. fianace; suggests sale rather than hire of gas appliances;
8 % dividend possible. New systems for production of gas in use on Continent.

3 March 1921.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/247 Comments on attitude of Weir, and moves to get leaders favourable to Hunt in English gas journals. S.S. application to Board of Trade for order under Gas Regulation Act.

23 March 1921.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

Note: It appears that Weir was offered and accepted a seat on the Board of M.G.C. when it was assumed it would be offered to Hunt. See also 1/3/248 below.

1/3/248 Further reference to Weir and the "Melbourne matter". Raising of capital for C.G.A. Slump of prices in England. Strikes in England.

\*CApril 1921.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/249 Hunt sending copies of report of meeting of M.G.C. and of relevant gas journals to C.G.A. shareholders re "Melbourne Matter". See above 1/3/247 and 248. Raising additional capital for C.G.A.— ways and means discussed; comparisons with other companies.

21 April 1921.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/250 Comments on letter of Hunt's re raising capital for C.G.A., and attitudes of English and Australian shareholders. News of old Birmingham associates. Coal strike in England. Some trouble with Tully's water gas plant.

9 May 1921.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/251 Mt. Lyell miners' strike possible. Productive capacity of S.S. to be extended. C.G.A. finance for expansion. Complete gasification in Melbourne. V.R.S. looking for suitable coal for complete gasification. Prospects for raising C.G.A. capital in England; problem of English income tax discussed; experience of other English companies; questions as to position in Aust. Comments on Swinburne withdrawing loan from C.G.A. Cost of living in England. Coal strike in England in 9th week; S.S. using French coal. Hunt and moves to get on M.G.C. Board.

31 May 1921.

16 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

1/3/252 Coal strike in England; effect on gas companies. £25,000 raised for C.G.A. by bonds, but on extravagant terms. Encloses letter from editor of Gas Journal re Weir's appointment to M.G.C. Board.

8 June 1921.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

1/3/253 Grant, from Hobart, in England to look at complete gasification. Census in England.

20 June 1921.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/254 Heat wave in England. Visits by Grant (see above). End of coal strike, but rise in price; Chas. thinking of getting American coal. Cost of strike to S.S. c. £15,000. C.G.A. dividend and English income tax. (cutting enclosed and found). C.G.A. transfer of company to Aust. and Hunt's position, 12 July 1921.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/255 Hunt also thinking about transfer of C.G.A. to Australia.

Taverner to visit Australia. S.M. issue of debentures; money market easier. Effects of coal stoppage on dividends. Rise in price of coal effectively opposed.

27 July 1921.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/256 Visits by Grant (see 1/3/253 above). Looking out for draughts-man for Melbourne. Hunt's anhydrous ammonia scheme.

9 August 1921.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/257 M.G.C. Directors worried about authorship of articles in gas journals re Weir's appointment to their Board. C.G.A. accounts very favourable; possibility of working up dividend to 10 %. S.S. capital and expenses re same. Hunt's position and fees. Coal prices falling in England. Grant's visits.

23 August 1921.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/3/258 From Paignton, South Devon.

Holiday. Moves re Metropolitan Cas Co.'s Board. Hunt's fees and C.G.A. dividend. Domestic problems (shortage of cooks and maids) in England and Australia. Vicar, Mr. Lees, appointed Archbishop of Melbourne. Grant given results of test made with Tully plant; compromise between complete gasification and ordinary process.

6 September 1921.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/259 From Paignton.

Chhosing draughtsman for Melbourne, Hunt's private practice.

Increase in Hunt's fees suggested. Rise in C.G.A. shares likely, because of increased dividend. Money easier in England. Holiday. Death of Mrs. Lugg (Frank's mother).

21 September 1921.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/3/260 C.G.A. dividend to be 82 %. Prices for materials lower in England. Bernard Kelham selected as draughtaman for Melbourne. Enclosing specification for gasholder, for comparative purposes when building at Footscray (found).

6 October 1921.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms. Enclosuse 33 pp. roneced ts.

1/3/261 Hunt's fees and proposed trip to England discussed by London
Board. Chas. not agreeable to 10 % dividend; comments on 36
difficulties of raising finance. Prices falling in England.
S.S. hopes to reduce price of gas. Visit to S.M. to see
Fuel Research Board plant in operation. Llandrindod shares
to be held in trust for Cara. Water gas and complete gasification
plant discussed with Cutler Jnr. Encloses correspondence
re appointment of Kelham as draughtsman (not found).

18 October 1921.

15 pp. (4 sheets) ms.

1/3/262 Kelham successful in obtaining passage; Chas. has advanced passage money. Spencer has bought more Colonial Gas Assoc. shares at 10/-.

21 October 1921.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/3/263 £500 to be advanced to Hunt for trip to England. Lees (former Vicar) invested as Archbishop of Melbourne. C.G.A. dividend likely to be 8 %; discusses other finance matters. Price of coal down.

6pp. (2 sheets) ms.

3 November 1921.

1/3/264 Draughtsman Kelham on way to Australia; Chas. encloses letter of thanks from him (found). New gasholder planned at Melbourne. New works for S.S. at Belvedere. Comments on Kelham's ability. Coal prices down; gas to come down. Dr. Lees (new Archbishop of Melbourne) given Hunt's address. Series of lectures to be given at Livesey Hall - one on Co-partnership.

17 November 1921.

10 pp. (3 sheets) ms. Enclosure 1 p. ms.

### 4. Letters from Clifford Hunt.

Note: Clifford was Hunt's brother. He was an M.A. but followed a business career largely in Chas. Hunt's footsteps. He had offices at 17 Victoria St., Westminster, the same address as Chas. and was actively associated with the Vertical Gas Retort Syndicate and other British companies. He became a Director of C.G.A. in 1925 and Secretary of the London Board at a later date. He was unmarried and lived with the family at Beckenham. The letters are in the main written from there or Westminster.

Box 3 1/4/1 Mater's death.

15 May (1913).

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/2 Mater's funeral.

23 May 1913.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/3 Family well. Townsville contract for verticals. Lost Brisbane contract. Mater's grave and headstone.

4 July 1913.

Christening of Rhoda's (Hunt's sister) baby Sheila. Prospects 1/4/4 for installation of verticals. Company ready to put Autolighter on market. 25 July 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Holiday prospects. Montevideo likely to have verticals. Chas. 1/4/5 and the Croydon amalgamation. 30 July 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Hunt's position with regard to possible installation of verticals 1/4/6 at Melbourne. Croydon amalgamation not successful. Proposed holiday in Switzerland. Comments on Willis (younger brother). 8 August 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. 1/4/7 Comments on appointment of Reeson to M.G.C. and Directors' attitude to Hunt's resignation. Will forward details of a Clock Controller produced by Autolighter Ltd. 24 October 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Comments on Hunt's various directorships. Visit to Amsterdam 1/4/8 re verticals. Bequest for Phyllis under Mater's will. 14 November 1913. 4pp. (1 sheet) ms. 1/4/9 News of old friends. Comments on Cockey & Son and Autolighter Ltd., two of Clifford's companies. Phyllis' bequest. 28 November 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. 1/4/10 Reeson's appointment to M.G.C. and appointment of Grice's (M.G.C. Chairman) son. Family friends. 4 March 1914. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Phyllis' bequest. Negotiations for Oakleigh and Footscray by 1/4/11 C.G.A. Comments on Spencer (Chairman of C.G.A.). Development of verticals as a business. 19 March 1914. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms. 1/4/12 Comments on Chas. health. Progress of verticals. Family friends. 3 April 1914. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Hunt finished "in grand style" at M.G.C. Firm of Roscoe & Co. 1/4/13 who had had orders from Hunt going broke. Gas Light & Coke Co. Bill gives new calorific standard. 'Pater's' new scheme to form company to take over Teneriffe & Las Palmas gas co's held by German interest.

1 May 1914.

Wreaths on Mater's grave. New enquiry re verticals from 1/4/14 Board meeting re possible takeover of Footscray by C.G.A.

15 May 1914.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

V.R.S. lost Melbourne order. Prospects for Footscray not rosy. 1/4/15 19 June 1914. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

War news. Comments on Willis (young brother). 1/4/16 11 Nov. 1914. 6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

War news. Willis' activities. Toluol manufacture. 1/4/17 19 February 1915. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Wreaths for Mater's grave. War news. Chas. health. 1/4/18 Llandrindod Wells annual meeting; secretary's salary increased. 13 May 1915. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Hunt's appointment on Government High Explosives Committee. 1/4/19 War news and Zeppelins. Agreement with Hurll. 21 July 1915. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/20 Congratulations on Cara's birth. Hurll - agency company formed with Hiller and Clifford as first directors. War news. 30 July 1915. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/21 Enclosing details of Toluck plant received from Carpenter (not found). Clifford volunteered; appointed Enumerator. War news. 19 Aug. 1915. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/22 Problems of drafting servicemen and Clifford's position, and also Willis'. Melbourne man in local hospital. 28 Warch 1916. 6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/4/23 Wreath for Mater's grave. Death of Sir Corbet Woodall. Recruiting problem and V.A.D.'s 18 May 1916. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/24 Comments on Reeson and complaints against verticals. War news. 20 June 1916. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/25 Reeson and verticals. War news. Friends in war. Clifford's home guard activities. Willis activities. 27 July 1916.

1/4/26 Regarding answer sent by V.R.S. to Reeson's compliants against verticals; no involvments of Hunt. Prospects for verticals after war; consideration of German element.

Willis appealing against call-up.

4 Oct. 1916.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/27 War difficulties. Willis' enlistment and marriage. Difficulties with C.G.A. dividend.

30 Nov. 1916.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/28 War and recruiting. Buying a farm for Willis. Family news. Orders for verticals.

19 July 1918.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/4/29 Comments on "peculiar position" re Hurll and the Syndicate.
17 June 1919.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/4/30 Discussion of intermittent and continuous verticals. Complete gasification, and Tully's plant. Clifford's interests in gas works. Family friends.

18 December 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/4/31 Coal strike in England. Visit to battle-fields of Continent.

Met Melbourne man Treganower. Complete gasification at Footscray contemplated. Verticals not moving. Comments on Willis and Pater (Chas.).

19 October 1920.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/4/32 Prices cheapening in England. Coal position. Hurll and Simplex plant, and comparison with Tully's.

11 January 1921.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

#### 5. Letters from Ettie Hunt.

Note: Ettie was Hunt's sister. She was unmarried and acted as housekeeper to her father at Beckenham after Mater died. Several notes from her are sometimes appended to Chas. letters. See 1/3/above, numbers 31, 37, 45, 53, 63, 233, and 242.

1/5/1 Hunt's departure after visit to England. Encloses post-cards from a friend and re accomodation in Paris (found).

27 Nov. 1910.

5 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/2 Mater's illness.

24 April (1913).

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

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1/5/3 Mater's illness.

1 May (1913.).

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/4 Mater's funeral. Encloses photos of grave. (found).
29 May (1913).
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/5 Rhoda's daughter born. Mater's headstone.
26 June (1913).
5 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/6 Birthday greetings. Gives address of W.R. Swan, Navy Offices,
Melbourne.
16 July (1913).
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/7 Letter addressed to Frank; re Christmas gifts sent to Australia.
30 October (1913).
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/8 Enclosing photos of Mater's grave. (found).
12 June 1914.
3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/9 Ettie to be Cara's godmother. War conditions. Clifford and V.A.D. 21 October 1915.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/10 Christmas festivities and war conditions.
30 December 1915.
8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/11 News of family and friends.
13 July 1916.
6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/12 Willis ' wedding and comments on Edith his wife. Encloses newspaper cutting.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/5/15 21 November 1916.

1/5/13 Christmas festivities. Family news. Willis ill after call-up.
19 January 1917.
8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/14 Family news, especially of Rhoda's children.
24 August 1917.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/15 Christmas festivities. War work.
9 January 1918.
7 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/5/16 Holiday, on way to Bude. Family friends, the Phelps. War conditions and rationing and domestic servants. Rhoda's children.

18 August 1918.
6 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/5/17 Christmas festivities and parcels from Australia. Visitors for Christmas.

15 Dec. 1918.

9 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

Note: 1 sheet and envelope show evidence of singeing.

1/5/18 Plans for Christmas. Domestics and other servants.
20 Dec. (?1919).
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/5/19 Addressed to Frank; sympathy on loss of father. Parcels from Australia.

19 Jan. 1920.

5 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
Christmas plans and good wishes.

12 Dec. 1920. 3 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

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1/5/21 Addressed to Frank; sympathy on loss of father. Encloses photos taken during holiday at Paignton, Devon.

10 Oct. 1921.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

# 6. Letters from Rhoda Ferguson (nee Hunt)

Note: Rhoda was Hunt's sister. She married Harry Ferguson c. 1908, and lived at Little Ganilly, Merstham, Surrey. During the war her husband was in the army, and the house was let for a period every year, so that the letters are not always written from Merstham. She had two daughters, Jean and Sheila.

1/6/1 From Wesel, Germany.

Best wishes for Hunt's 21st birthday. Tells of time spent in Germany at pensionnat. Ettie to join her.

17 July 1895.

60 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/6/2 Mater's illness and death.

11 and 14 May 1913.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

Appended: Letter from Ettie, dated 15 May 1913.

- 1/6/3 Asks Hunt to be god-father to next child. 18 June 1913.
  - 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 1/6/4 Christmas wishes. Congratulations on Hunt's new position. Family's well-being. Encloses card re Sheila's birth. (found). 12 November 1913. 6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
- 1/6/5 From The Berkeley Hotel, Marine Mansions, Bexhill-on-Sea. Describes the children. House being redecorated. Encloses photos of exterior and interior of Little Ganilly. 5 March 1914. 4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
- 1/6/6 Thanks for christening gift for Sheila. Family news. 28 April 1914. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 1/6/7 Thanks for birthday gift. 18 June 1914. 1 p. ms. Note: Letter re-addressed to Wentworth Hotel, Sydney. On back of envelope appear list of expenses probably for stay in Sydney.
- 1/6/8 News about husband's war training exercises and family generally. Encloses family photographs. (found). 28 February 1915. 12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.
- 1/6/9 Family news; husband's commission. 1 November 1915. 5 pp. ms.
- 1/6/10 Family news; comments on photos of Cara, Phyllis and Frank. 28 Dec. 1915. 12 pp. (4 sheets) ms.
- 1/6/11 From Lumley, Westville Road, Bexhill-on-Sea. Holiday with Mrs. Ferguson at Bexhill. Plans for Jean's education. Family news. 5 Sept. 1916. 4 pp. ms.
- 1/6/12 Willis' wedding. Family news. 20 November 1916. 3 pp. ms.
- Family news. Harry in France. 1/6/13 15 April 1917. 4 pp. ms.

1/6/14 Harry convalescing at Eastbourne. Jean at school. Family news, 27 May 1918.
4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/6/15 From The Orchard, Haslemere, Surrey.
Little Ganilly let. Jean at school. Family news.
5 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/6/16 Family news.
28 November 1918.
3 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/6/17 Parcels from Australia. Family news.
13 February 1919.
4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/6/18 From Field House, Bagnor, Surrey.

House let for five months. Family and friends.
9 July 1919.
4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/6/19 From Hillcroft, Kingsgate-on-Sea.

House let. Jean to go to Godolphin School at Salisbury.
Family news.

8 July 1921.
10 pp. (5 sheets) ms.

## 7. Letters from other members of family.

1/7/1 From. Lucy Hunt (mother), to Hunt at Birmingham.

Family news. Domestics hard to get. Recovering from illness.

31 Dec. 1902.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/7/2 News just after Hunts had left England in 1910. 30 Nov. (1910). 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Note: Other letters from Lucy Hunt found appended to Chas. letters - 1/3/4 and 1/3/6 above.

1/7/3 From Willis, Brook House, Hellingly.
Mater's death.
22 May 1913.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ts.

1/7/4 Ditto.

Christmas wishes. Reminiscences about Mater. Activities on farm.

3 Nov. 1913.

6 pp. (3 sheets) ts.

1/7/5 From Edith Holmes Hunt (nee Gower), Brook House, Hellingly.44
Thanks for wedding gift. Willis about to be discharged
from army. (Willis and she had been married Nov. 1916.)
21 June 1917.
2 pp. ms.

1/7/6 Letter, Chas. Hunt to Frank.

Reciprocates Christmas wishes. War conditions.

1 December 1917.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Note: On verso of envelope, draft note addressed to Mrs. Fink thanking for book.

1/7/7 Ditto.

Thanks for birthday wishes; mentions his deafness. Prices, domestics and family news.

22 Dec. 1919.

8 pp. (2 sheets)ms.

1/7/8 Letter, Leura (Frank's sister), Stratheden Mansions Hotel, 59-63 Regency Square, Brighton to Frank.

Her husband seems to be in some sort of drug firm; and has introduced a new kind of water "aqua poria". General family matters. Note written by Fred (husband) included.

20 Feb. 1915.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/7/9 Letter, Leura, Uplands, Pk. Hill, Carshalton to Phillip.
Thanks for news about new baby Cara.
14 Sept. 1915.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/7/10 Letter, Leura to Frank.

Sorry Frank has been ill. Family news.

16 June (1916).

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/7/11 Ditto.
Christmas wishes and friends.
10 November 1917.
2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/7/12 Letter, Leura, Caverhill Lodge, Plough Lane, Purley, Surrey to her father (George Lugg).

Worried about cable sent by Hunts that he was ill. (George Lugg died in Jan. 1920 and Hunt looked after his affairs for the family. This probably explains how this letter came into his possession).

10 January 1920.

6 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

1/7/13 Portion of letter, Leura to ?Hunt.

45 ter affairs.

Concerns husband and friends. Thanks for looking after affairs, possibly after father's death.

No date.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/7/14 Letter, Aunt Jane, Park House, St. George's Rd., Gt. Yarmouth, to Hunt.

Re Mater's death.

12 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

Postmarked 2 Sept. 1913.

Note: Aunt Jane is the prototype of the Victorian maiden aunt her letters are garrulous, heavily underlined and fervently pious.

1/7/15 Ditto.

Re her classes, meetings and many Secretaryships. Much concerned with the Romish element in Australia.

9 November 1917.

3 pp. ms.

1/7/16 Ditto.

Speaks of her various duties. Mentions the kipper girls from the North. Includes pious pamphlets, etc.

22 Nov. 1920.

3 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/7/17 Cable.

Unsigned, but from Merstham. Gives date September 15th, possibly that of Sheila's christening.

11 Sept. 1913.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

#### 8. Bazaar at"Avon", 6 October 1916.

Note: This bazaar was organized by Frank and a ladies' committee and proceeds went to the Army and Navy Dept. of the Y.M.C.A. who used it to provide comforts for soldiers at the front. The affair was held in the grounds of the Hunts' home "Avon" in St. Kilda Road.

1/8/1 Letter, T. Thomas, Hon. Secretary, Army and Navy Dept., Y.M.C.A. to Hunt.

Acknowledges receipt of tickets to fete.

25 Sept. 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/2 Letter, Chas. F. Crosby, "Himalaya", 8 Tennyson St., St. Kilda, to Hunt.

Will send a marquee for Bazaar. Crosby was on the Victorian Citizens' Committee of Y.M.C.A.

27 Sept. 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/3 Letter, Thos. Evans Pty. Ltd., Importers and Manufacturers of Tents, Tarpaulins, etc., 415 Bourke St., Melb. to Hunt 46.

Re marquee to be erected at Chelmar, cnr. Toorak & St. Kilda Roads.

3 October 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/4 Ditto.

Re price of erection of marquee.

4 October 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/5 Letter, R.G. Boardemore, Acting General Secretary, Y.M.C.A., 130 Flinders St., Melb. to Hunt.

Congratulations on success of fete.

10 October 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/6 Letter, T. Thomas, Hon. Sec., Army and Navy Dept., Y.M.C.A. to Mrs. Hunt, Chelmar, St. Kilda Rd., Melb.

Thanks for efforts in raising £208.

31 October 1916.

1 p. ts.

Note: This letter gives address as Chelmar, whereas all of the letters from the family in England are addressed to Avon; both houses are in St. Kilda Rd. Probably however the name is an alternative one as the letter from Thomas of 25th. September is addressed to Avon.

1/8/7 Letter, T. Thomas to Miss Margaret S. Lewers, Hon. Treasurer, "Chelmar" Fete, Clontibret, St. Kilda Rd., Melbourne.

Encloses receipt for £208, and copy of letter sent to Mrs. Hunt (see 1/8/6 above). (Both enclosures found).

31 October 1916.

1 p. ts.

1/8/8 Copy letter, Hunt to H. M. Harper Esq., City Electrical Engineer, Town Hall, Melbourne.

Asks for assistance in lighting grounds of Chelmar.

30 September 1916.

2 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

1/8/9 Copy letter, Hunt to Thos. Evans Pty. Ltd., Tent Manufacturers, 415 Bourke St., Melb.

Re erection of marquees.

30 Sept. 1916.

1 p. ts. (carbon copy).

1/8/10 Copy letter, Hunt to Mr. A. Champion, Tent Manufacturer, 174
Queen St., Melbourne.

Re marquees for fete.

30 Sept. 1916.

lp. ts. (carbon copy).

1/8/11 Copy letter, Hunt to Mr. Munyard, 175 George St., Fitzroy. Re arrangements to provide an "Aunt Sally" and "Moopla". 5 October 1916. 1 p. ts. (carbon copy).

1/8/12 Cony letter, Hunt to The Attorney General, Crown Law Offices. Melbourne. Seeking permission for raffling of certain articles at fete. 6 October 1916.

1 p. ts. (carbon copy).

1/8/13 Note re terms of profit etc. for Mr. Munyard in providing Merry-go-round, Aunt Sally and Hoopla for fete. 4 October 1916. l p. ms.

1/8/14 Rough secount of takings at Chelmar fete. 1 p. ms.

1/8/15 Rough list of officials and stall-holders at fete. 1 p. ms.

#### 9. Membership of Australian Club.

1/9/1 Letter, Geo. Swinburne, Inter-State Commission, Melbourne. to Hunt. Will propose Hunt for membership. Bowes Kelly suggested it and will second nomination. 5 June 1917. 1 p. ts.

1/9/2 Letter, Alfred Cornish, Secretary, Australian Club, Melbourne to Hunt. Notification of election. 2 August 1917. 1 p. printed letter form with ms. insertions.

1/9/3 Booklet, Rules and Regulations of the Australian Club. Received 3 August 1917. 26 pp. printed + end pages + cover.

1/9/4 Telegram, George Swinburne, Port Pirie to Hunt in Sydney. Congratulations on election. 2 August 1917. 1 p. printed form with ts. insertions. Appended: Draft of telegram of thanks sent by Hunt.

1/9/5 Praft letter, Hunt to Alfred Cornish, Sec., Australian Club. Reply to 1/9/2 above. 6 August 1917. 2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/9/6 Notice of Special General Meeting of Australian Club.

Re alteration of Rule 15 re election of members. Meeting

21 March 1921.

to be held 14 April 1921.

2 pp. printed.

Appended: Statement of Committee's attitude to proposed alteration of Rule 15.

1/9/7 Report of Australian Club for year ending 31st. December 1921.

Includes notice for A.G.M. to be held 23 February 1922.

2 February 1922.

3 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

#### 10. Other Correspondence.

Box 4 1/10/1 Letter, Frank Rollason, Victoria Hotel, Woodall Spa, Lincoln. to Hunt.

Plans for visit to Pontresina with Hunt.

18 July 1895.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/2 Post card, E(dward) Davenport, Hamelin, Germany to Hunt.

Plans for Hunt's visit to Germany.

Postmarked 5 Sept. 1897.

1/10/3 Post card, Chas. Hunt to Hunt in Hamelin.

Family news; plans for Hunt to visit a Mr. Cassell.

Postmarked 11 Sept. 1897.

1/10/4 Invitation by the Imperial Continental Gas Association to dinner and a river excursion on 15 and 16 Sept, 1897 to be held in honour of the visit of the Incorporated Institution of Gas Engineers of Great Britain to Amsterdam.

1 printed card.

1/10/5 Telegram, (R.A.) Dry from Llandrindod Wells to Hunt. Committee regrets Hunt is not with them. 17 July 1897.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

Note: Dry was a fellow employee of Hunt's at the Birmingham Gas Works. See 1/10/6 below.

1/10/6 Letter, R.A. Dry, 24 Lloyd St., Small Heath, (Birmingham).
Thanks for good wishes and gifts on retirement.
13 Sept. 1898.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/7 Letter, E.M. Pearson, Villa Teresa, Carlsbad to Hunt.

Progress of his rest cure at Carlsbad. Sending Hunt gift of revolver.

1 Aug. 1900.

- 1/10/8 Card commenorating death of Frank Samuel Green on 20 April 1901.

  Sent to Hunt by his wife Phoebe Jane Green.

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  28 April 1901.
- 1/10/9 Letter, W.C. Collins, 10th Coy.R.E., Viljoeur's Drift, O.R.C. South Africa, to Hunt.

  Tells of his position as officer fighting the Boers. Edward Davenport (see 1/10/2 above) is with him.

  10 July 1901.

  6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.
- 1/10/10 Letter, J.N. Swann, 2 College Grounds, Malvern, to Hunt.

  Swann was presumably schoolmaster at Malvern, Hunt's old school. Thanks Hunt for contribution to Memorial Fund, and tells of new buildings.

  6 Aug. 1901.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 1/10/11 Letter, Sydney R. Barrett, City Gas Offices, Council House, Birmingham to Hunt.

  Wants to arrange farewell presentation to Chas. Hunt before departure from Birmingham.

  10 Sept. 1902.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 1/10/12 Souvenir Menu, Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Midland Association of Gas Managers.

  Chas. Hunt was president of Association at this time.

  11 Oct. 1902.

  1 printed card.
- 1/10/13 Letter, Edward H. Duncan, Ulladale, Strathpeffer Spa, N.B. to Hunt.

  Advice re "blood condition".

  16 Oct. 1902.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

  Note: Hunt was not well enough to attend a military camp in July 1902 (see 1/2/6 above). This letter and those below suggest that Hunt was troubled by a recurring eczema. See also 1/10/50 for confirmation of this).
- 1/10/14 Ditto.

  Re treatment with pills and "lithia".

  24 October 1902.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 1/10/15 Ditto.

  Regrets reappearance of the eczema.

  21 November 1902.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/16 Letter, Thomas Broadbear, 49 Holborn Hill, Birmingham to Hunt.

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Thanks for good wishes and gift on retirement from Windsor St. Works.

23 November 1902.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/17 Letter, Walter King, Editor, Journal of Gas Lighting, 11
Bolt Court, Fleet St., London to Hunt.

Hunt's appointment as Engineer to M.G.C. noted in Journal.

17 October 1906.

1 p. ts.

1/10/18 Invitation from Directors of the Hobart Gas Co. to a dinner to celebrate the Jubilee of Gas Lighting in Hobart, 1857-1907, to be held on 9 March 1907.

1 card printed.

1/10/19 Card from employees of South Melbourne, West Melbourne and Fitzroy works of M.G.C.

Best wishes, probably on occasion of Hunt's wedding.

16 April 1907.

1/10/20 Letter, John H. Terry, of John Terry & Co., 7 Great Winchester St., London to Hunt.

Explaining delay in sending wedding present for Hunt.

14 February 1908.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/21 Letter, F. Green & Co., 13 Fenchurch Avenue, London to Capt.
W.J. Jenks, R.M.S. Osterley.

Introducing Hunt and family who are travelling to London on Osterley.

20 Dec. 1909.

1 p. ts.

1/10/22 Letter, F. Green & Co. to J.H. Sparks, Purser, R.M.S. Osterley.
Contents similar to 1/10/21 above.
20 Dec. 1909.
1 p. ts.

1/10/23 Letter, Ella R. Morse, Chesuldene, Wellington Cres., Winnipeg to Mrs. Hunt.

Hoping for a visit while Hunts are passing through Canada.

20 April 1910.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/24 Letter, John Keillor, Engineer and Manager, Hamilton Gas Light Co., Hamilton, Ontario.

Hoping for a visit from Hunt while he is passing through Canada on way to England.

7 May 1910.

1 p. ts.

1/10/25 Letter, Fred G.P., Camwal Ltd., Raven Spring Works, Mitcham to Hunt at Burton's Hotel, Westminster.

Re nose specialists, seemingly needed for Mrs. Hunt.

19 October 1910.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Note: The writer is probably the husband of Leura, Mrs. Hunt's sister. See letters 1/7/8 to 1/7/13. Full name-F.G. Pirie.

1/10/26 Letter, John Monash, Melbourne to Hunt.

Expresses concern over fire at <u>The Grange</u>, the Hunt's home.

5 Jan. 1912.

1 p. ms.

Note: See photographs 8/17.

1/10/27 Letter, W.J. Chambers, Moonee Ponds, to Hunt.
Condolences on mother's death.
15 May 1913.
2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/28 Letter, John Grice to Hunt.

Condolences on behalf of Board of M.G.C.

16 May 1913.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/29 Letter, J.M. Macfarlane, Colonsay, North Rd., Brighton to Hunt. Condolences.

16 May 1913.

1 p. ms.

1/10/30 Letter, Kated Nash, Melimbe, Burnett St., St. Kilda, to Hunt. Condolences.

16 May 1913.

1 p. ms.

1/10/31 Letter, Kitty W. Lum, Melimbe, St. Kilda, to Hunt. Condolences.

16 May 1913.

1 p. ms.

1/10/32 Letter, Minnie - , 13 Collins St. to Hunt.
Condolences.
17 May 1913.
1 p. ms.

1/10/33 Letter, Alfred Johns, Johns & Waygood Ltd., City Rd., S. Melb. to Hunt.

Condolences.

20 May 1913.

1 p. ts.

1/10/34 Letter, John S. White, Forres, Normanby Rd., E. Kew, to Hunt. Condolences.
20 May 1913.

1/10/35 Letter, Frank L. Ham, Braemar, Woodend.
Condolences.
20 May 1913.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
Note: Another letter from Ham, 1/10/48.

1/10/36 Letter, S.E. Figgis, Montagu Grove, Frognal, Hampstead, England to Hunt.

Condolences.

1 p. ms.

24 May 1913.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/37 Letter, H.V. Mitchell, Engineer and Manager, Brighton Gas Co. Ltd., New Street, Brighton, to Hunt.

Condolences and thanks for courtesy during visit to S. Melb. works.

26 May 1913.

1 p. ms.

1/10/38 Letter, Ted Arnold, Moonee Ponds, to Hunt.
Condolences.
2 June 1913.

1 p. ms.

1/10/39 Letter, N. Schultz, Resident Secretary, A.M.P. Society, 459-463 Collins St. Melb. to Hunt.

Request for evidence of age in connection with insurance policies.

24 July 1913.

1 p. ts.

Appended: (i) Printed form, authorizing A.M.P.S. to obtain Certificate of Birth. (blank).
(ii) Printed notice, concerning procedures for obtaining proof of age.
Note: Birth Certificate appended to letter from Chas. Hunt, 1/3/6 above.

1/10/40 Telegram, John Hinde, Merridale, to Mrs. Hunt. Congratulations (on birth of Cara?).
29 August 1913.

1 p. printed form with ts. insertions.

1/10/41 Letter, Henry Hack, Langley Gorse, Erdington, England to Hunt.

Hack was formerly Engineer at Birmingham with Chas, Hunt. This
letter comments on gas matters and gives personal news.

6 Nov. 1913.

3 pp. pencil ms.

hetter, Henry C. Phelps, Ripple Rectory, Tewkesbury to Hunt. Phelps was a family friend, and is also mentioned in lettess to Hunt from various members of the family, e.g. 1/7/1. This letter gives personal news.

2 Dec. 1913.

8 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

1/10/43 Letter, Edwin Smith, Great Alne, Alcester, England to Hunt.

Smith was formerly Secretary to the Gas Dept. at Birmingham.

Letter gives personal news; mentions strike at Leeds.

22 Dec. 1913.

4 pp. (lisheet) ms.

1/10/44 Letter, James Paterson, The Shrubbery, Gloucester Road, Cheltenham to Hunt.

Paterson seems to be an old friend. Letter gives personal news.

4 Jan. 1914.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/45 Note, Solution of Bridge Problem.

In envelope marked "Mr. Hunt".

12 February 1914.

1 p. ts.

1/10/46 Letter, Moule, Hamilton & Kiddle, solicitors, 55 Market St.,
Melbourne to Hunt.

Encloses draft of proposed will (not found) and form of letter
to trustees to be used to direct disposal of investments (found).

9 Dec. 1914.

1 p. ts. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

1/10/47 Ditto.
 Encloses receipt for charges (found). The Equity Trustees to
 be Company Executor.
 22 May 1915.
 1 p. ts. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

1/10/48 Letter, Frank L. Ham, The Adelaide Club, Adelaide, S.A. to Hunt.
Farewell before leaving for England. See also 1/10/35.

10 March 1915.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/49 Letter, J.W. Billson, Chairman, State Parliamentary Recruiting Committee, 451 Collins St., Melb. to Hunt.

Requesting further information on reasons why financial reasons debar Hunt from enlistment for war service.

17 Feb. 1916.

1/10/50 Drafts of reply to 1/10/49.

No date.
7 pp.ms.

1/10/51 Letter, John Grice, Coolullah, Melbourne, to Hunt. Thanks for sympathy on death of son. 30 June 1916. 2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/52 List of Prices of Timber, etc. obtained from Messrs, Crisp & Gunn Co-op. Ltd. for Mr. Hunt by (?J.N.) October 1916. 1 p. ts.

1/10/53 Letter, George Swinburne, Shenton, Kinkora Rd., Glenferrie, to Best wishes for New Year. 26 Pec. 1919. 2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/54 Letter, C.E. Forsham, Manager, The National Bank of A'asia Ltd., Melbourne to Mrs. Hunt. Sympathy on death of Mrs. Hunt's father, George Lugg. 7 January 1920. 1 p. ts.

1/10/55 Letter, W.H. Sowden, Frankston to Hunt. Requesting use of boat moored at Frankston in return for caring for it. 22 Nov. 1920. 1 p. ms. Appended: Copy reply by Hunt, agreeing to proposal. 5 Dec. 1920. 2 pp. ms.

1/10/56 Letter from George Swinburne. New Year wishes. 1 Jan. 1921. 3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/57 Letter, S.E. Figgis, 12 Black St., Middle Brighton to Hunt. Thanks for sympathy on death of child. 22 June 1921. 1 p. ms.

1/10/58 Letter, H.E. Rowe, Lumeah, Domain Rd., South Yarra to Hunt. Congratulations on election as Director of M.G.C. 10 Dec. 1921. 1 p. ms.

1/10/59 Letter, D.G. Lumsden, Tatiara, Hopetoun Rd., Malvern to Hunt. Congratulations on M.G.C. Directorship. Lumsden was seemingly fellow Director on Mt. Lyell Board. 13 Dec. 1921. 2 pp (1 sheet) ms.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/10/61 Letter, F.W.R.Braddock, Menzies Hotel, Melbourne to Hunt.

Congratulation on M.G.C. Directorship.

28 January 1922.

2 pp. ms.

1/10/63 Telegram, signed Bishop, Malvern.

Expresses "still greater confidence, hope and esteem" in Hunt.

2 Nov. 1922.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

1/10/62 Letter, Marion Hunter, Blair, St. George's Rd., Toorak to Hunt.
Thanks for sympathy probably on death of husband.
20 July 1922.
1 p. ms.

1/10/64 Letter, Arthur Robinson, Solicitor General, Sheen, Barwon
Heads to Hunt.

Thanks for congratulations, probably on Knighthood. (Robinson
became Director of C.G.A. in 1925.)

4 Jan. 1923.

1 p. ms.

1/10/65 Invitation from John Grice to dinner.

No date.

1 printed card with ms. insertions.

### 11. Correspondence Outwards.

1/11/1 Diary 1903.

Lists mails in and mails out, summarizing information in some letters especially those to Chas. Hunt. This is valuable since originals do not survive.

1 vol.

1/11/2 Letter to Mr. M. Macintosh, 89 New Street, Birmingham.
Order for clothing. Macintosh is seemingly a draper.
12 Aug. 1903.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/11/3 Letter, unfinished, to The Editor, Birmingham Daily Gazette.

Despatch of Gazette to Hunt not satisfactory.

16 Sept. 1903.

1 p. ms.

1/11/4 Letter, unfinished, to The Editor, <u>Daily Post</u>, Birmingham. 56
Similar complaint to 1/11/3 above.

16 Sept. 1903.

1 p. ms.

1/11/5 Draft letter to George Swinburne.

Offers sympathy on loss of William (probably George's brother).

No date.

1 p. ms.

1/11/6 Letter to Ettie Hunt.

Encloses money order to buy gift for Mater who is ill. News of her death was probably received before the letter was sent.

14 May 1913.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

#### 12. Applications for positions other than at Melbourne.

1/12/1 Draft letter, applying for position of chief assistant at the Croydon gas works.

February 1899.

3 pp. ms.

1/12/2 Correspondence regarding application for position of Engineer at the Nelson gas works.

Testimonials received from:(i) Alfred Colson, Engineer and Manager, Gas and Electric Lighting Dept., Corporation of Leicester.

(ii) J.W. Helps, Engineer, Gas Works, Croydon.

October 1899.

1/12/3 Ditto, for position of Engineer and Manager, Walsall Gas Works.
Testimonials received from:(i) Alfred Colson.
(ii) Sydney G. Shoubridge, Engineer, Crystal Palace District Gas Co., Lower Sydenham.
(iii) Edwin Smith, Secretary, Gas Dept., Birmingham.
March 1900.

10 sheets ms.

17 sheets ms. in all.

1/12/4 Ditto, for position of Engineer and Manager, Gas Light & Coke Co., Derby.

Testimonials received in connection with 1/12/3 above were used. In addition, there is a letter from Chas. Hunt.

May 1900.

3 sheets ms. in all.

1/12/5 Correspondence regarding offer to Hunt of the position of Engineer at Singapore gas works by Corbet Woodall, of Corbet Woodall & Son, Civil Engineers, London.

Woodall had been asked to recruit someone for the position. The offer was made twice - in April 1901 and January 1902 - and was twice refused. 1899 Report of the Gas Co. included.

April 1901 - Jan. 1902.

13 sheets in all.

1/12/6 Correspondence regarding application for position of Engineer and Manager of Coventry Gas Works.

Testimonials received from: -

- (i) Charles Hunt.
- (ii) Alfred Colson.
- (iii) J.W. Morrison, Engineer, Sheffield.

The application and testimonials together with extracts of results of carbonization obtained at Adderley St. works, Birmingham were presented as a printed booklet, of which there are five copies. The ms. papers are also found.

February 1902.

20 sheets in all. Booklet 7 pp. printed.

1/12/7 Ditto, for position of Engineer at Windsor St. Works, Birmingham.

June 1902.

20 sheets in all.

1/12/8 Ditto, for position of Engineer and Gas Manager for the Ilford Gas Co.

Testimonials received from: -

- (i) Charles Hunt.
- (ii) Alfred Colson.

October 1902.

15 sheets in all.

Note: Hunt was a shareholder in the Ilford Company apparently. See Statement of Dividend 1/13/9 and Directors' Reports for 1900-01 1/16/14 and 15.

#### 13. Personal Finance.

1/13/1 Bank books.

In account with The Bank of Australasia.

8 vols.

3 April 1903 - 11 March 1921 (gaps)

- 1. 3 April 1903 20 May 1905.
- 2. 17 Sept. 1913 16 April 1914.
- 3. 17 April 1914 20 April 1916.
- 4. 20 April 1916. 28 October 1916.
- 5. 28 October 1916 9 Feb. 1917.
- 6. 12 Feb. 1917 30 July 1917.
- 7. 1 Feb. 1919 14 Oct. 1920.
- 8. 15 Oct. 1920 11 March 1921.

13 books.

2 Sept. 1918 - 5 March 1920.

- 1. 2 Sept. 1918 5 Oct. 1918.
- 2. 6 Oct. 1918 4 Nov. 1918.
- 3. 12 Oct. 1918 30 Nov. 1918.
- 4. 2 Dec. 1918 3 Jan. 1919.
- 5. 4 Jan. 1919 26 Jan. 1919. (inc. 6 Feb. 1919)
- 6. 31 Jan. 1919 17 March 1919.
- 7. 11 March 1919 4 April 1919.
- 8. 13 June 1919 14 July 1919.
- 9. 18 July 1919 14 Aug. 1919.
- 10. 26 Sept. 1919 28 Oct. 1919.
- 11. 23 Oct. 1919 11 Dec. 1919.
- 12. 21 Jan. 1920 14 Feb. 1920.
- 13. 14 Feb. 1920 5 Mar. 1920.

### 1/13/3 Household and living expenses.

1910 - 1922. (gaps)

- (i) Accommodation bills and travelling schedule across Canada.
  May 1910.
  8 sheets in all.
- (ii) Accounts for house rent of <u>Avon</u>, St. Kilda Rd. (monthly) 18 Nov. 1921 20 Nov. 1922.

  12 accounts.
- (iii) Yearly assessment of rates on 434 St. Kilda Rd. by City of South Melbourne.
  1918, 1920 and 1922.
  3 items.
  - (iv) Assessment of water rate by Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.

10 Dec. 1921. Receipt attatched.

- (v) Accounts and receipts from the Metropolitan Gas Co. for supply of gas, repairs and installations of fittings. Oct. 1921 - Dec. 1922. 16 items.
- (vi) Accounts and receipts from The Melbourne Electric Supply Co. Ltd. July 1921 - Dec. 1922.
  5 items.
- (vii) Accounts for telephone charges. Nov. 1921 - Dec. 1922. 4 items.
- (viii) Receipts for premiums on insurance policies taken out with A.M.P.S. Nov. 1914 - Dec. 1920. 14 items.
  - (ix) Ditto, with Victoria Insurance Co. Ltd. Feb. 1922.
    3 items.
  - (x) Accounts for groceries received from The Mutual Store Ltd.
    Oct. 1921 Dec. 1922.
    9 items.

1 Nov. 1922. 1 item.

(xii) Account for milk and butter received from The Willsmere
Certified Milk Co. Pty. Ltd., Richmond.
27 Oct. 1922.

1 item.

- (xiii) Accounts for oranges received from <u>G. Woolf & Sons</u>,
  Western Market.
  Aug-Sept. 1922.
  2 items.

  - (xv) Accounts from gardener. 1922. 3 items. (Rough notes only).
  - (xvi) Accounts for tobacco from W.D. & H.O. Wills and G.Damman & Co.
    Oct. 1921 Sept. 1922.

    5 items.
- (xvii) Accounts for table waters and spirits from E. Rowlands

  Pty. Ltd. and E.G.C. Smythers & Co.

  Nov. 1921 Oct. 1922.

  5 items.
- (xviii) Accounts for fuel from various suppliers. Feb. Nov. 1922.
  5 items.
  - (xix) Accounts from Wills & Paton Pty. Ltd., "The Edison Shop".

    March Nov. 1922.

    4 items.
  - (xx) Accounts for repairs and improvements to house and garden.

    May 1920 Oct. 1922.

    9 items.
  - (xxi) Accounts for household items, crockery, etc. Jan. - Nov. 1922. 12 items.
  - (xxii) Accounts and receipts for cleaning, repairing carpets and furniture from <u>Robertson & Moffat Pty. Ltd.</u> Oct. 1921 - Dec. 1922.
    7 items.
- (xxiii) Accounts and receipts from W. Cumming & Co., electrical engineers, for supplying electric fittings, lamps, etc. Aug. 1921 Dec. 1922.

  10 items.
- (xxiv) Accounts and receipts for stationary, newspapers, books, art catalogues, etchings, framing, piano tuning, etc. Oct. 1921 July 1922.

  16 items.
  - (xxv) Accounts (receipted) from Wm. Drummond & Co., Jewellers.
    Dec. 1921 Dec. 1922.
    5 items.
- (xxvi) Accounts for ladies and children's clothing from George & George Pty Ltd.

  Mar 1921 Jan. 1922.

  7 items.

1 p. ms.

1/13/5 Letter, Geo. C. Chadwick, Rusden House, Punt Hill, South Yarra to Hunt.

Re inability to liquidate his liability to Hunt.

27 June 1919.

1 p. ms.

1/13/6 Letter, Manager of Bank of Australia to Hunt.

Returning cheque of C.H.J. Anderson on the Bank of N.S.W. which has been unpaid.

8 March 1919.

1 printed letter form with ms. insertions.

1/13/7 Letter, C.H.J. Anderson, Avonlea, 31 Queen's Road, Melbourne to Hunt.

Apology for delay in disposing of debt.

25 March 1919.

1 p. pencil ms.

1/13/8 Letter, Anderson, c/- Electrical Dept., Commonwealth Naval Dockyard, Cockatoo Island to Hunt.

Tells of bad luck and misfortune. Hopes to pay debt soon.

15 July 1919.

1 p. ms.

1/13/9 Statement of Dividend from Ilford Gas Co. for half-year ended 31 Dec. 1901.

21 March 1902.

1 p. printed, with ms. insertions.

1/13/10 Receipt for application money paid for shares in <u>Crankless Engines (Aust.) Pty. Ltd.</u>

27 May 1922.

1 p. printed with ms. insertions.

1/13/11 Note on Gibbons Australia Pty. Ltd.

Gives capital, shareholders, details of incorporation and development of company.

No date.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Note: Gibbons Bros. were an English firm. The formation of the Australian company is mentioned in Chas. Hunt's letter 1/3/239.

1/13/12 Letter of Allotment and Renunciation to Hunt re Issue of Ordinary Shares of the Colonial Gas Association Ltd.

Hunt was holder of 25 Ordinary Shares at this period.

9 February 1912.

4 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

1/13/13 Prospectus and application forms for Issue of Shares and Debentures in the Colonial Gas Association Ltd.

April 1913.

6 pp. (5 sheets) printed.

6 pp. (5 sheets) printed. Note: All forms are blank.

1/13/14 Receipt from the Colonial Gas Association Ltd. for contribution on rights for Expenses Casimo.

C.G.A. had been operating Casino since October 1911.

15 June 1914.

1 p. printed with ms. insertions.

Note: For other information concerning Hunt's holdings of stocks and shares and other sources of income see Taxation papers 1/14.

### Box 5 1/14 Taxation Papers.

1/14/1 1907.

Victorian Returns Sheet only.

1/14/2 1913.

Vic. Returns Sheet, Hunt's working papers, receipt, and 1914 assessment based on 1913 return.

1/14/3 1914.

Vic. and N.S.W. returns, working papers, etc., including full details of 1914 income.

1/14/4 1915.

Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns, working papers, including list of Hunt's visits to Sydney and expenses "Re Sydney Resumption".

1/14/5 1916.

Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns, correspondence, working papers including expenditure with regard to Aust. Gas Light Co., Sydney.

1/14/6 1917.

Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns and Notice of Assessment for S.A. tax, correspondence, details of income and expenditure, working papers in relation to same.

1/14/7 1918.

Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns, correspondence, statement of expenses, list of fees received and dividend receipts from C.G.A., Llandrindod Wells Gas Co., and Australian Paper Mills Co. Ltd.

1/14/8 Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns and Notice of Assessment for S.A. tax, correspondence, expenses with A.G.L. Co. Dividend receipts and Fees Notices from A.P.M. Co. Ltd. Mt. Lyell, A.G.L. and C.G.A.

1919.

1/14/9
Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns and Notice of Assessment for S.A. tax, correspondence, list of fees and dividends, receipts for fees and dividends from A.P.M., C.G.A., A.G.L. North Shore Gas Co. Ltd., Mt. Lyell and Johns & Waygood.

Note: There is a good deal of material in this section regarding an error in compilation by Hunt, and a consequent amendment to the assessment figure.

1/14/10 1921.

Federal, Vic. and N.S.W. returns and Notice of Assessment for S.A. tax, lists of income and expenditure and some receipts for same, dividend receipts from C.G.A., A.P.M.

North Shore Gas Co., Johns & Waygood, Mt. Lyell, Llandrindod Wells Gas Co. and receipt of call moneys paid to Electrolytic Zinc Co. of A'asia Ltd.

1/14/11 1922.

Notices of Assessment for Federal and Victorian tax. Federal and Vic. returns for Mrs. F.A. Hunt (wife) and correspondence with regard to same.

1/14/12 1923.

Dividend and Sold Notes for shares in Electrolytic Zinc Co. Ltd., Llandrindod Wells Gas Co., A.P.M., Johns & Waygood, North Shore Gas Co., Mt. Lyell, C.G.A., and S.A. Gas Co.

Note: These are found in folder marked Federal Income Tax June 30th 1923, but no other papers are found.

15. Children's Affairs

1/15/1 Letter, Phyllis to Hunt.

No date.

1 p. ms.

1/15/2 Ditto.

Postmarked 20 Aug. 1914.

1 p. ms.

1/15/3 Ditto, from Toorak College, Toorak. 2 July 1918.

1 p. ms.

1/15/4 Series of letters from Phyllis, Toorak College, Toorak. 2 and 3 July 1918.

4 pp. ms. in all.

1/15/5 Letter, Cara to Hunt.

No date.

1 p. ms.

1/15/6 Ditto, from Mt. Colite.

13 Jan. 1922.

2 pp. ms.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

1/15/8 Notice requiring Vaccination of Cara. Certificate of Unfitness attatched, dated 11 Oct. 1916. 1 p. printed form.

1/15/9 Envelope containing Cara's 2nd. tooth. 4 May 1921.

1/15/10 Drawings of butterflies by Phyllis. 8 Aug. 1914.

1/15/11 Children's drawings. No date.

1/15/12 Report on Phyllis' progress from Toorak Preparatory School for Girls and Boys. For term ending 18 Dec. 1913. 1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

1/15/13 Ditto, for term ending 12 May 1915.

1/15/14 Ditto, for term ending 11 May 1916.

1/15/15 Report on Phyllis' progress from Toorak College. For term ending 17 May 1917. l p. printed form with ms. insertions.

1/15/16 Ditto, for term ending 30 Aug. 1917.

1/15/17 Ditto, for term ending 12 Dec. 1917.

1/15/18 Ditto, for term ending 15 May 1918.

1/15/19 Ditto, for term ending 29 Aug. 1918.

1/15/20 Ditto, for term ending 13 Dec. 1918.

1/15/21 Ditto, for term ending 29 Aug. 1919.

1/15/22 Ditto, for term ending 15 Dec. 1919.

1/15/23 Ditto, for term ending 13 May 1920.

1/15/24 Ditto, for term ending 26 Aug. 1920.

1/15/25 Letter, Isabel Hamilton, Principal, Toorak College, Glenferrie Rd., Malvern to Mrs. Hunt.

Regretting that Phyllis is leaving the school because of travelling involved.

16 Aug. 1920.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

1/15/26 Report on Phyllis from St. Catherine's Grammar School No date. (?1920).

1 p. printed with ms. insertions.

- 1/15/27 Ditto, for term ending 18 May 1921.
- 1/15/28 Report on Cara from Church of England Girls Grammar School.

  For term ending 14 Dec. 1921.

  1 p. printed with ms. insertions.
- 1/15/29 Notes, accounts etc., re Phyllis' Dance on 1 Sept. 1921.
  4 items.

#### 16. Printed Material.

- 1/16/1 Pamphlet on a nasal atomizer invented by Nathan Tucker, M.D.

  No date.

  1 folder.

  Note: Frenk (Hunt's wife) seems to have sufferred from
  - Note: Frank (Hunt's wife) seems to have sufferred from nasal troubles. See letter 1/10/25.
- 1/16/2 A Memento of Confirmation.

  Presented to Hunt on occasion of confirmation ?21 June 1891.

  28 pp. + cover.
- 1/16/3 Rules of the Royal Melbourne Golf Club.
  Altered and revised 30 Sept. 1914.
  23 pp. + cover.
- 1/16/4 Rules of the Albert Park Golf Club.
  1916.
  12 pp. + cover.
- 1/16/5 Report of Conversazione at the Midland Institute, held during the Priestley Commemoration.

  Reprinted by permission from the Birmingham Daily Gazette of 4 April 1867.

  11 pp.
- 1/16/6 The Book of Ready Made Speeches by Charles Hindley.

  New and revised edition, London, 189?.

  192 pp. + end pages + cover.
- 1/16/7 Catalogue of Exhibition of (Art) Works by Members of the Society of Twelve, London.

  Held at The Fine Art Society's Rooms, "The Centreway", Collins St., Melb. The manager was am. H. Gill.

  May 1915.

  28 pp. + cover.
- 1/16/8

  Catalogue of Etchings by Eminent Australian and European Artists.

  Exhibition held at The Fine Art Society's Galleries, 100 Exhibition St.

  October 1921.

  4 pp. + cover.

- 1/16/20 The Browley Chronicle, Thursday 21 May 1914.

  On p.5 is a biography of Charles Hunt under the title
  "A Distinguished Chairman". Refers to his chairmanship
  of the South Suburban Gas Co.
- 1/16/21 The Zinc Corporation Recent Developments by Rowland Fielding, M.I.M.M., A.R.S.M.

  Cutting from The Times, Finance, Commerce and Shipping Supplement, 19 Feb. 1914.
- 1/16/22 The Broken Hill Steel Enterprise Probable Date of Completion.

  Cutting from The Times, Finance, Commerce and Shipping Supp.,

  Friday 20 Feb. 1914.
- 1/16/23 Poem, The Day, by Henry Chappell.

  The poem is an accusation of moral guilt against Germany for instigating the First World War. This copy was seemingly sold to Hunt, the proceeds going to "Comforts for the Sick and Wounded".

  No date.

1 p.

1/16/24 Ditto.

This version on paper edged in red, white and blue. First printed in the London Daily Express, which held the copyright. Mr. Chappell was a railway porter at Bath.

No date.

1 p.

#### 17. Miscellaneous.

Box 6 1/17/1 Medical prescription, issued by ? W.D., Glandore, Erdington, Birmingham.

Made up by Magor Ltd., Wholesale and Retail Chemists for Hunt.

No date.

1 p. ms.

- 1/17/2 Certificate of Hunt's vaccination.

  Issued by Fay Maclure, M.D., F.R.C.S., 503 Toorak Rd., Teorak.

  31 Aug. 1913.

  1 p. ms.
- 1/17/3 Plan of Sub-division of Cilen-Shian, Frankston.

  Stamped Brody & Mason, Land and Estate Agents, Auctioneers,
  Frankston. The Hunts sometimes holidayed at Frankston; see
  letter 1/10/55.

1 Jan. 1920.

Appended: List of articles of furniture in Bunt's hand; headed Brody & Mason; dated 10 Dec. 1919.

1/17/4 Note on Xmas Boxes 1922.

Made by Hunt; concerns gifts to staff of the Australian Gas Light Co. and of the Wentworth Hotel where Hunt usually stayed during trips to Sydney.

1 p. pencil ms.

- 1/17/5 Rough sketch of floor plan of unidentified house.
  Nov. 1915.
- 1/17/6 Copy of testimonial presented from citizens of Melbourne to the Lord Mayor, Sir Malcolm Donald McEacharn.

  About 400 signatures appear, including Hunt\*s.

  No date, probably 1903-4.
- 1/17/7 Invitation from Directors of the Broken Hill Pty. Ltd. to attend Official Opening of the Steel Works at Newcastle on 2 June 1915.

Appended: Information on special train to run from Sydney.

- 1/17/8 Plan of table at Official Luncheon at Opening of Newcastle Steel Works.

  1 printed sheet.
- 1/17/9 Menu and place card for Hunt at same.
- 1/17/10 Certificate of Life Governorship of The Children's Hospital, Melbourne.

  Issued to Hunt, 19 Nov. 1907.

  1 printed card.
- 1/17/11 Certificate of Life Governorship of the Women's Hospital.

  Issued to Hunt, 27 Nov. 1908.

  1 p. printed.
- 1/17/12 Certificate in recognition of services under The Australian Red Cross Society during the Great War 1914-19.

  Issued to Mrs. Hunt.

  No date.

1 p. printed.

1/17/13 Extract from unknown source, Section IV, Professional Conduct.

Hunt founded the Aust. Gas Institute. This may be part

of draft Constitution.

No date.

1 p. ts.

1/17/14 Preliminary Report on Publicity Work.

Concerns a National Union of a political nature, designed to counteract the "widespread crusade against capital and against the Liberal doctrine of gradual and evolutionary reforms, and the local propaganda in favour of Revolution, Republicanism, Empire-Dismemberment and Treason."

Marked "Confidential".

28 April 1921.

2 pp. ts.

- 1/17/15 Bundle of working notes, mainly calculations in figures.

  All undated, although "8/2/14" on one may indicate 8 Feb.
  1914.

  14 pp. ms. in all.
- 1/17/16 Chart drawn up to assemble information obtained from visits to gas companies.
  24 questions are set out, but forms are not completed. They may have been intended for use on Hunt's 1910 tour of England and the Continent or a similar trip.
  No date. (2 copies).
- 1/17/17 Personal visiting cards and cards received from friends, etc.
  In card case.
- 1/17/18 Map, Bird's Eye View of Port Phillip and Corio Bay.

  Published by McCarron, Bird & Co., Printers and Lithographers,
  479 Collins St., Melbourne.

  No date.
- 1/17/19 Map, Dresden, Germany, 1902.

  Appended: Key to streets and squares. 20 pp. printed.

#### GROUP 2. Birmingham Gas Works.

#### 1. Working notes and memos.

Note: All memos are addressed to Hunt.

- 2/1/1 Memo from E.L. P(ryce).
  Sets out test for ferro-cyanide in gas. Marked "Private
  and Confidential".
  23 April 1896.
  2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 2/1/2 Calculation determining amount of ferro-cyanide.

  No date.

  1 p. pencil ms.
- 2/1/3 Note on testing for ferro-cyanide.
  No date.
  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/4 Memo from E. L. P(ryce).

  Re oil testing, presumably in gas.

  17 Nov. 1896.

  2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 2/1/5 Ditto.

  Re gas supply to test rooms.
  9 Jan. 1897.

2/1/6 Ditto.

Re analysis of gas.

26 Jan. 1897.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/1/7 Note, giving percentage components of gas from analysis of 3 March 1897.

In Hunt's hand.

1 p. ms.

2/1/8 Memo from E.L.P(ryce).

Re Dellwick Process and production of heat from coal.

28 June 1897.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/1/9 Ditto.

Re testing for free lime in spent lime.

24 July 1897.

1 p. ms.

2/1/10 Ditto.

Re removal of benzenoid hydro-carbons from gas.

8 Nov. 1897.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/1/11 Ditto.

Analysis of London gas, as supplied by Gas Light & Coke Co., The Commercial Gas Co., and the South Metropolitan Gas Co.

No date.

2 pp. (1 sheet) pencil ms.

2/1/12 Note Water Gas from Generator.

10 Feb. 1897.

1 p. ms.

2/1/13 Rough graphs.

Perhaps concerns decomposition of coal at certain pressures.

Taken 10 April 1897, 12.30 p.m.

6 pp.

Note: Badly faded.

2/1/14 Ditto.

No date.

2 pp.

2/1/15 Notes on Cyanogen, from conversation with Dr. Colman on

1 Feb. 1899.

In Hunt's hand.

1 p. ms.

- 2/1/16 Memo from E.B. T(omlinson)., Windsor St.
  Encloses 3 diagrams of roof structures (found).
  2 May 1901.
  - 1 p. ms. Enclosures: 3 blueprints.
- 2/1/17 Notes on <u>Boof Diagrams</u>, <u>Wind pressures</u> and <u>Girders</u>.

  In Tomlinson's hand.

  4 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

  Appended: 2 diagrams.
- 2/1/18 Notes on Determination of Strains on Warren Girders.
  In Tomlinson's hand.
  No date.
  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/19 Memo from E.B. Tomlinson, Adderley St., Works.

  Encloses notes on Strains on Gasholder Curbs and Crown
  Sheeting (found). Gives addresses during Christmas period.

  No date. (post 1900).

  2 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Enclosure 4 pp. ms.
- 2/1/20 Memo from H.E. T(emple), Test Works, Windsor St.
  Analysis of breezes at Adderley St., 4 Feb. 1902.

  8 Feb. 1902.

  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/21 Memo initialled C.H.E., Laboratory, Windsor St.
  Analysis of Butterley Coal and Ash.
  7 Oct. 1902.
  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/22 Memo from H.E. Temple.

  Analysis of Ash of "Bunkers Hill" Coal.
  28 Nov. 1902.

  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/23 Table showing results of Burner tests.
  27 Dec. 1902.
  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/24 Table showing Tests of Intensified Systems.
  No date.
  1 p. ms.
- 2/1/25 Diary.

  Contains brief working notes on visits to other works.

  13 Sept. 1897 Feb. 1903.

#### 2. Reports.

- Note: 1 to 14 are printed reports marked Private for the information of the Committee of the City of Birmingham Gas Dept. They were probably extracted from a bound volume of such reports, and are made chiefly by the Engineer, who was at this time Chas. Hunt; there are also several reports by the Secretary.
- 2/2/1 Report of Secretary on the supply of gas to small houses and houses in courts.

  1 March 1890.

  34 pp.
- 2/2/2 Report of Engineer on charging machinery for Windsor St. works.

  9 April 1890.
  26 pp.
- 2/2/3 Report of Secretary on hire of cooking stoves.
  17 Jan. 1891.
  12 pp.
- 2/2/4 Report of Engineer on stoking machinery for Windsor St.
  2 March 1891.
  15 pp.
- 2/2/5 Report of Engineer on estimated saving by use of hydraulic drawing machinery.

  2 April 1891.

  4 pp.
- 2/2/6 Report of Secretary on Prepayment meters.
  8 Sept. 1891.
  9 pp.
- 2/2/7 Report of Engineer on hydraulic stoking machinery. 21 Dec. 1892. 8 pp.
- 2/2/8 Supplemental report of Engineer on charging machinery at Windsor St.

  16 Jan. 1893.

  3 pp.
- 2/2/9 Report of Engineer on provision of machinery for removing coke at Windsor St.
  7 Feb. 1893.
- 2/2/10 Report of Engineer on prepayment meters.
  18 Sept. 1893.
  3 pp.

- 2/2/11 Further report of Secretary on prepayment meters.

  No date. (post 1893).

  10 pp.
- 2/2/12 Further report of Engineer on prepayment meters.
  6 April 1894.
  2 pp.
- 2/2/13 Tar Control Sub-Committee Report of Engineers (Chas. Hunt and Henry Hack) on Minute No. 7.

  19 Jan. 1898.

  15 pp.

  Note: Abstracts of Reports of P.C.H. Hunt are included. See full reports below 16, 19, and 20.
- 2/2/14 Report of Engineer on reconstruction of Adderley St. works.

  22 Jan..1901.

  10 pp.

  Note: Included is the report by P.C.H. Hunt. See ms.21 below.
- 2/2/15 Rough draft of report on tour of Continental gas works by P.C.H. Hunt.

  10 18 Sept. 1897.

  13 pp. pencil ms.
- 2/2/16 Report of visit to the Albion Works at Salford on 1 Dec. 1897.

  This report is unsigned. P.C.H. Hunt was one of those who visited the works. See diary 2/1/25 above.

  3 pp. ts. + drawing.
- 2/2/17 Copy of Report by F.S. Green and P.C.H. Hunt on a gas engine manufactured by Hardy & Padmore, Worcester.

  13 Sept. 1898.

  3 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

  Note: Print is badly faded, even obliterated in parts.
- 2/2/18 Report by P.C.H. Hunt on the Lennard Continuous Coal Tar Distillation Apparatus. 7 Dec. 1897.
- 2/2/19 Further report by P.C.H. Hunt on same.
  10 Jan. 1898.
  8 pp. ms.

3 pp. ms. + cover sheet.

- 2/2/20 Typed copy of 2/2/19 above. 6 pp.
- 2/2/21 Report by P.C.H. Hunt on the condition and possible restoration of Adderley St. works.

  31 Dec. 1900.

  14 pp. ms. (press copy).

#### 3. Charts and Tables.

Box 7 2/3/1 Preliminary Tables to determine Cost of Production at all Works.

1892 - 1901.

4 sheets.

2/3/2 Table - Cost of Manufacturing at all Works.
1897 - 1902.
4 sheets.

2/3/3 Table - Cost of Manufacture at Windsor St.
1896 - 1902.
4 sheets.

2/3/4 Table - Cost of Manufacture at Adderley St.
1897 - 1902.
4 sheets.

2/3/5 Preliminary Table, showing Cost of Production, Manufacturing Costs, Wages and Repairs, and Depreciation of Machinery, for half-year ending 31 March 1902.

1 p. ms.

2/3/6 Table - Cost of Production at all Works.
1902.
1 p. ms.

2/3/7 Table - Tests on Coal Types used in Gas Production.
1902.
2 sheets.

2/3/8 Table - Dissection of Cost of Repairs for year ended 31 March 1902.

1 p. ms.

2/3/9 Blank forms for recording tables, used by the Birmingham Gas Co.

24 sheets.

# 4. Correspondence Inwards.

Note: All letters are addressed to Hunt, except 2/4/1.

2/4/1 Letter from Wm. A. Tilden, The Mason Science College, Birmingham.

Encloses answer to problem sent to him by Chas. Hunt.

1 July 1884.

2 pp. ms. in all.

2/4/2 Letter from Edward A. Harman, Engineer and Manager, Corporation Gas Works, Huddersfield.

Reminiscences on visit to the Continent from which they had both returned. Suggests Hunt join Institution of Gas Engineers.

28 October 1897.

2 pp. ts.

2/4/3 Ditto.

Further remarks on same. Some discussion of water gas.

11 Nov. 1897.

1 p. ts.

2/4/4 Ditto.

Remarks on water gas, and on slopers v. machinery in loading retorts.

16 Nov. 1897.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/5 Letter from Robt. H. Pickard, Priory Rd. (Birmingham).

Re oil tar and filtering process used at B'ham. Offers to do analysis of sample.

9 Oct. 1897.

2 pp. ms.

2/4/6 Letter from F. Lennard, of Forbes, Abbot & Lennard Ltd.,
Manufacturing Chemists, 70 Gracechurch St., London.

Comments on draft of Hunt's report on Lennard's Continuous
Tar Still. (See report 2/2/18 above).

19 Jan. 1898.

2 pp. ts.

2/4/7 Ditto.

Sending copy of Chemical Trade Journal containing account of his still.

27 Jan. 1898.

1 p. ts.

2/4/8 Letter from Corbet Woodall, Civil Engineer, Palace Chambers, Bridge St., Westminster, London.

Has signed "the enclosed Paper" (not found).

10 May 1898.

1 p. ts.

2/4/9 Letter from Harold G. Colman, City Gas Works, Duddeston Mill Rd., Saltley, Birmingham.

Comments on Cyanogen washing process.

29 Aug. 1898.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/10 Copy of Memorandum of Sale of Water Gas Tar at the Windsor St. and Saltley Works of the Birmingham Corporation to Messrs. L. Demuth & Co. Ltd. from 1 Oct. 1898 to 31 Mar. 1899. Signed by Edwin Smith, Sec. to the Gas Committee.

27 Sept. 1898.

3 pp. ms.

Note: Probably sent to Hunt for reference purposes. See 2/4/11 below.

2/4/11 Letter from Edwin Smith.

Encloses copy of memorandum of sale of refined prussiate of soda (Cyanogen) to Blagden Waugh & Co., and also copy of correspondence re a former sales agreement with Messrs. Royse & Co. (All found).

27 April 1899.

1 p. ms. Enclosures 7 pp.

2/4/12 Letter from C. Dellwick, Hotel Cecil, Strand, London.

Arranging to call on Hunt. See memo on Dellwick Process 2/1/8.

30 July 1899.

1 p. ms.

2/4/13 Ditto.

Postponing visit for a few days.

31 July 1899.

1 p. ms.

2/4/14 Letter from A. Hussener, of a firm of coal distillation machinery manufacturers in Bulmke, Germany.

Arranging Hunt's visit to see their coke ovens. Firmly advises him to stay at Hotel Essener Hof, owned by Krupp.

17 Aug. 1899.

1 p. ts.

2/4/15 Ditto.

Further arrangements. Encloses suggested time-table. (found).

26 Aug. 1899.

2 pp ts.

2/4/16 Letter from Alex. P. Kerr, Hurston Rd., Gravelly Hill, B'ham.

Kerr is accompanying Hunt on the trip to Germany. Details of arrangements.

25 Aug. 1899.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/17 Letter from Edwin Smith.

Notifies Hunt of appointment as Superintendent of Adderley St. works with supervision of Windsor St. laboratory work.

12 June 1900.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/18 Ditto.

Answer to Munt's request for leave of absence for military training with the Volunteers.

24 July 1900.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/19 Letter from Harold G. Colman, City Gas Works, Saitley, De lean.

Reports that amount of sulphate is increasing in sodium 75 ferro-cyanide.

18 Feb. 1901.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/20 Letter from Henry Woodall, of Corbet Woodall & Son.

Asks Hunt's opinion of suggested nominee for the post of Engineer in Singapore. Note: This position was previously offered to Hunt; see 1/12/5.)

13 June 1901.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/21 Ditto.

Asks Hunt to test an Inverted Incandescent Burner being made by a Birmingham firm.

10 Dec. 1901.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/22 Ditto.

Further news of Burner. Comments on Coventry appointment which Hunt had applied for; see 1/12/6 above.

7 March 1902.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

2/4/23 Letter from J. Hampton Barber, Sec., Gas Dept., Birmingham.
Announces rise in salary for Hunt from £200 to £300.

14 Oct. 1902.

2 pp. (I sheet) ms.

Appended: Copy of Hunt's letter of thanks.

2/4/24 Letter from Henry Hack, Gas Works, Saltley, Birmingham.

Regretting that Hunt could not be granted leave of absence to accompany Mr. Corbet Woodall to Italy.

15 Nov. 1902.

1 p. ts.

2/4/25 Letter from Corbet Woodall.

Same regret; see 2/4/24 above.

14 Nov. 1902.

1 p. ts.

2/4/26 Letter from Henry Woodall.
Same regret.
15 Nov. 1902.
1 p. ms.

### 5. Correspondence Outwards

2/5/1 Letter book. (press copy).
17 Dec. 1901 - 3 Dec. 1902.

Reference Material on Gas Matters.

2/6/1 Copy letter, Chas. Hunt, Engineer to G. Hampton Barber, Sec. to the Gas Committee, Birmingham.

Reports on tests of high power incandescent burners.

2 June 1902.

2 pp. ts.

2/6/2 Testing Coal Gas for Cyanogen by Horace W. Crowther. 14 Feb. 1903. 3 pp.ts. (carbon copy).

2/6/3 On the Application of Oil for the Production of Illuminating

Gas .

Origin unknown. Historical survey and discussion of up-to
-date processes.

No date.

27 pp. ts.

2/6/4 Memorandum of tests made to ascertain the effects of passing Water Gas into the retorts during the carbonization of Coal.

Compiled by the Crystal Palace District Gas Works.

No date.

27 pp. ts.

2/6/5 The Measurement of Gas, paper read before the Institute of Civil Engineers Birmingham Association, 12 Nov. 1896, by B.R. Parkinson, of Parkinson & W. and B. Cowan, Stour St., Birmingham.

55 pp. ts. bound in booklet form.

2/6/6

Directions for erecting a 100,000 cu. ft. per hour Station

Meter.

Includes 6 tracings from W. Parkinson & Co., Gas Engineers,
Cottage Lane, City Road, London, dated 1885. The directions
themselves have no date.

17 pp. ms.

2/6/7 Structural Costs, a series of articles by A. Manufacturer.

Housed in separate
O/S SI Box Extracted from The Engineer of various dates in 1902, and bound in form of scrapbook.

7 pp. + 2 pp. not bound.

2/6/8

Rechentafel zur Bestimmung des Heizwertes mit dem Junkers'
schen Calorimeter.

Table for ascertaining heat capacity of a Junkers' calorimeter.

Printed by Weniger & Co., Dessau.

No date,

1 p. printed.

# 7. Printed Material.

2/7/1 Cutting, reprint of letter from "An Outsider" to the Times.

Probably appeared in a Birmingham newspaper. Concerns prices to be charged under a new Birmingham Gas Scheme. 77 26 Sept. - .

- 2/7/2 Extracts from Birmingham Daily Mail, 6 and 13 Nov. 1901.

  Re purchase of land at Birches Green for extension of gas works. An editorial suggests that competition from electricity might make extension plans impracticable.
- 2/7/3 Forms for a Memorandum of Agreement with the Gas Dept. of the Corporation of Birmingham.

  1 p. printed (duplicated).
- 2/7/4 Regulations and Instructions for Gas Fitters.

  Issued by City of Birmingham Gas Dept.

  Jan. 1889.

  Booklet, 22pp. + cover.
- 2/7/5 Duties of Prepayment Meter Inspectors.

  Issued by City of Birmingham Gas Dept.

  No date.

  Booklet, 3 pp. + cover.
- 2/7/6 Table of Multipliers for correcting the volume of Gas at various temperatures to 60 degrees Fahr.

  Compiled at Windsor St. Gas Works.

  4 Jan. 1889.

  1 p. printed (duplicated).
- 2/7/7 Photometrical Tables.

  Issued by City of Birmingham Gas Dept.

  No date.

  1 p. printed (3 copies).

# GROUP 3. Metropolitan Gas Company, Melbourne.

### 1. Appointment.

- 3/1/1 Letter, Chas. Hunt, Victoria St., Westminster to Hunt.
  Discusses Hunt's prospects for Melb. appointment.
  6 Nov. 1902.
  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 3/1/2 Letter, John Terry & Co., 7 Gt. Winchester St., London to Hunt.

  Arranging appointment for Hunt with Grice, Chairman of M.G.C.

  10 Nov. 1902.

  1 p. ts.

Collection: Hunt, P.C.H. Acc: 1961.0015 inc 1997.0145

3/1/3 Letter, John Grice, Dean's Hotel, Albemarle to Hunt.

Declines Hunt's invitation to see over Birmingham works.

Mentions havin had a long talk with Chas. Hunt.

16 Nov. 1902.

4 pp. (1 sheet)ms.

3/1/4 Telegram from Grice, re appointment. 25 Nov. 1902. 1 printed form with ms. insertions.

3/1/5 Ditto, offering position at Melbourne.
29 Nov. 1902.

1 printed form with ms. insertions.
Appended: Draft of Hunt's reply.

3/1/6 Letter, Clifford Hunt, 17 Bedford Row, London to Hunt.
Comments on parents' reaction to Melb. appointment.
3 Dec. 1902.
4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/1/7 Drafts of letter, Hunt to Grice.

Accepts appointment. Discusses terms. (There are two drafts).

3 Dec. 1902.

8 pp. ms. in all.

3/1/8 Copy telegram, Hunt to Grice.

Same information as 3/1/7 above.

No date.

1 p. printed form with ms. insertions.

3/1/9 Letter, Hunt to John Terry, of John Terry & Co.

Asks for copies of last two balance sheets of M.G.C. (John Terry & Co. were the London agents of M.G.C.)

6 Dec. 1902.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/1/10 Draft letter, Hunt to Chas. Hunt.
Farewell before leaving.
No date.
2 sheets in all.

3/1/11 Letter, T.H. Clare, Treasurer, City of Birmingham to Hunt.

Returning Hunt's contribution to Superannuation Scheme.

Encloses receipt for Income Tax Deduction.

30 Dec. 1902.

1 p. ms.

### 2. Working Papers, Memos and Diaries.

3/2/1 Engineer's Report by R.O. Thompson.

Gives general survey of state of M.G.C. works.

22 Jan. 1904.

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6 pp. ts.

Note: Hunt was Acting Engineer for 12 months from Feb. 1904 to Feb. 1905. This report may have been compiled to familiarise Hunt with the job.

3/2/2 Note, Re Mantles (for burners).
7 Dec. 1905.
1 p. pencil ms.

3/2/3 Table showing results of burner tests.

No date.

1 p. ms.

3/2/4 Letter, G.J. Cox, Metropolitan Gas Offices to Sec. of M.G.C.

Describes addition to gas meters to measure flow of gas
to heating appliances as distinct from lighting appliances.

3 June 1907.

2 pp. ts.

3/2/5 Memo. Chas. M. Howlett, Supt. of South Melbourne Works to the Engineer (Hunt).

Account of cost of building travelling platform and coke shoot at S. Melbourne Station in 1908.

17 June 1909.

1 p. ms.

Note: Comment in Hunt's hand also on page.

3/2/6 Ditto.

Reports on tests to ascertain the consumption of a <u>Sussex</u>
Stove at a pressure of 2 inches.

17 Feb. 1911.

1 p. ms.

3/2/7 Table showing results of tests to ascertain amounts of impurities in gas following various treatments.
22 July 1913.
1 p. ms.
Note: Calculations in Hunt's hand also on page.

3/2/8 Letter, J.H. Seaves, S. Melbourne Works to Hunt.

Gives plans and personal qualifications for job of fixing fire box on gas holder.

17 Sept. 1913.

2 pp. ms.

Appended: Sketches of Fire Box.

3/2/9 Memo re Use of Sulphur v. Pyrites.

This is seemingly for information of the Board; unsigned.

15 Jan. 1914.

2 pp. ts.

3/2/10 Report on Extraction of Benzol from Coal Gas.

Made by E.V. Espenham, Dipl. Ing.

No date.

5 pp. ts.

3/2/11 Report of tests on gases at South and West Melb. Works after being washed to extract benzol.

Signed E.V. Espenham.

No date.

1 p. ms. Also copy 1 p. ts.

3/2/12 Report of Test on Engines and Generators.

Made by G. Veitch. Includes tables showing details.

No date.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Tables 3 pp.

3/2/13 Note on Angle of Repose of Coke in heap at M.G.C.'s Yard.
No date.
1 p. ms.

3/2/14 Engineer's Report on the Rearrangement of West Melb. Works.

The report was made by R.O. Thompson, and is dated 4 July 1906. This is a copy made in Hunt's hand, but there is no indication of the time or occasion.

8 pp. ms (press copy).

3/2/15 Report on "Raft" to carry Retort Benches.
Signed John Monash.
28 Mar. 1911.
3 pp. ms.

3/2/16 Rough sketch, seemingly connected with 3/2/15 above.

No date.

1 p. pencil ms.

3/2/17 Report on Retaining Wall for Coal Bunker.
Signed J. M(onash).

16 May 1911.

1 p. ms.

3/2/18 Sketch relating to 3/2/17 above.
16 May 1911.
1 p.

3/2/19 Note on Coal Store Retaining Wall at South Melb. Works.
Unsigned; appears to be in H.E. Grove's hand.
25 May 1911.
1 p. ms.

3/2/20 Rough estimate of costs of alterations and additions to works.

No date.

1 p. ts.

3/2/21 Drawing of installations of Dessau vertical retorts.

Produced in Germany. On verse is pencil note "31 July 1911, South Melbourne", and a stamp of the same date ringed by name "Leech, Goodall & Co., Leeds".

Note: Installation of these retorts was completed the following year. See photograph 8/24.

3/2/22 Test of Dessau Vertical Retorts, West Melbourne on 10th and 11th Jan. 1914.

In table form, with three graphs.

14 Jan. (1914).

4 sheets in all.

3/2/23 Notes on <u>Vertical Retorts</u>.

In Hunt's hand.

17 Feb. 1914.

2 pp. pencil ms.

3/2/24 Copy report on <u>Purifier Foundations</u>.

Signed J. Monash, Superintending Engineer, <u>The Reinforced Concrete and Monier Pipe Construction Co. Pty. Ltd.</u>

13 Jan. 1914.

6 pp. ts.

3/2/25 Report by H.E. Grove re <u>West Melbourne Purifier Foundations</u>.

Comments on Monash's report 3/2/24 above.

18 Jan. 1914.

6 pp. ms.

3/2/26 Question and answer on cost of W(est) M(elbourne) Holder.

Ques. in Hunt's hand; answer in H.E. Grove's.

No date.

1 p. ms.

3/2/27 Diary for 1906.

Scattered entries concerning business matters in Hunt's hand.

3/2/28 Note book.

Entries cover period 21 - 24 June 1909.

3/2/29 Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Gas by Prepayment Meters.

Marked "For the use of the Company's Officials only."

No date.

2 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

3/2/30 Copy memo, H.B. Courtis, City Gas Manager, Gas Works, Anderson's Bay Rd., (Wellington, N.Z.) to unknown person.

Gives results of tests on types of coal.

20 April 1906.

1 p. ts.

Box 8 3/3/1

Reports made by Hunt as Acting Engineer, Assistant Engineer, and Engineer to the Metropolitan Gas Co.

These are grouped in two folders, one clip-back and one stapled. A list of Engineers Reports found at front of first folder is not a complete guide to its contents. Only those reports marked by a tick in the list are found in the folder. In addition there are seven reports not listed made when Bunt was the Acting or Assistant Engineer. The second folder has duplicates of Reports No. 20, 24 and 32 which are found in the first, but in addition there are five reports of a later date not found elsewhere.

30 June 1904 - 14 June 1911.

Folder 1. 31 June 1904 - 1 April 1908. Folder 2. 16 July 1908 - 14 June 1911. (+ duplicates dated Feb., May and Oct. 1907.)

3/3/2 Report on progress of works reconstruction.

Possibly made by Hunt to meeting of senior staff members and/or shareholders.

(71968).

3 pp. ts.

3/3/3 Report similar to 3/3/2 above, probably at some later date.

No date.

2 pp. to.

3/3/4 Reconstruction at the Melbourne Casworks.

This would appear to be an account compiled for a publication of some kind, probably The Gas World. See letter 3/4/24. Items 3/3/2, 3, and 4 were found inside cover of folder 1 of 3/3/1 above.

(1908).

12 pp. ts. (2 copies).

# 4. Business Correspondence. General.

3/4/1 Letter, F.J. West, of West's Cas Improvement Co. Ltd., Wanchester to John Terry & Co., London.

Re West's Rope Driven Charging and Drawing Machines for the W. Melbourne works of M.G.C.

23 Dec. 1901.

5 pp. ts.

Note: John Terry & Co. were M. G. C. 's London agents.

3/4/2 Letter, Jnc. W. Morrison, Sheffield United Gas Light Co. to Hunt.

At Munt's request gives information as to practice in supplying gas stoves and in incandescent maintainence.

16 Jan. 1903.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/3 Letter, C.R. Bellamy, Engineer, City Lighting Dept., Liverpool to Hunt.

Encloses replies to Hunt's queries (not found).

5 Feb. 1903.

1 p. ts.

3/4/4 Statement from Huddersfield Gas Works (unsigned).

Gives information on charges for gas, public lighting, gas cookers and heaters.

7 Feb. 1903.

3 pp. ts.

3/4/5 Letter, S. Falk, of Falk, Stadelmann & Co. Ltd., to John Terry & Co., London.

Re patenting of Welsbach mantle.

13 Feb. 1903.

5 pp. ts.

3/4/6 Letter, F.J. West, of West's Gas Improvement Co. Ltd. to Hunt. Information on coke carrying machinery. (Enclosed plans not found).

14 Feb. 1903.

1 p. ts.

3/4/7 Letter, Thos. Glover, Engineer & Manager, The British Gas Light Co. Ltd., Norwich to Hunt. Encloses answers to Hunt's enquiries (not found). 14 Feb. 1903. 2 pp. (1 sheet)ms.

3/4/8 Letter, John Young, Engineer and Manager, British Gas Light Co. Ltd., Hull to Hunt.

Information on slot installations and street lighting.

16 Feb. 1903.

3 pp. ts.

3/4/9 Letter, Jas. W. Helps, Engineer and General Manager, The Croydon Commercial Gas and Coke Co., Corydon to Hunt.

Information on prepayment meters and hiring of cookers and heaters.

16 Feb. 1903.

2 pp. ts.

3/4/10 Letter, James Randall, Secretary, Tottenham and Edmonton Gas Light and Coke Co., Tottenham to Hunt. Encloses information (not found). 16 Feb. 1903. 1 p. ts.

3/4/11 Ditto.

Further information on automatic meters, gas fittings and cookers.

17 Feb. 1903.

3 pp. ts.

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Encloses information on slot installations and pamphlet on Richmond's Cookers. (all found).

20 Feb. 1903.

5 pp. ts. in all. Pamphlet 32 pp. printed + cover.

3/4/13 Copy letter, Hunt to George Wilbow Esq., 79 Mark Lane, London.

In reply to information received re Wilbow's Patent Furnaces and re Cyanogen.

12 May 1903.

2 pp. ms. (press copy).

3/4/14 Letter, T.B. Smith, of Parkinson & Cowan Ltd., Gas Engineers, London to Hunt.

Re slot fittings.

19 June 1903.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Appended: Draft of Hunt's reply; mentions that he finds himself in "rather a difficult position" at M.G.C. 1 p. ms.

3/4/15 Letter, Sydney W. Barrett, City Gas Offices, Birmingham to Hunt.

Information on methods of dealing with complaints and with orders for fittings.

25 August, 1903.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/16 Letter, Hunt to Messrs. W.F. Mason Ltd. (unfinished).
In reply to information received about producer gas.
16 Sept. 1903.
1 p. ms.

3/4/17 Letter, Jno. W. Morrison to Hunt.

Information on methods of dealing with complaints, main laying, naphthalene, cooker maintenance.

17 Sept. 1903.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/18 Ditto.

Re proposed reduction in price of gas, the De Brouer charger, and cure for naphthalene found by Colson of Leicester.

15 Sept. 1904.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/19 Letter, Alfred Colson, Engineer & Manager, Gas & Electric Lighting Dept., Leicester to Hunt (via Chas. Hunt).

Re his solvent for naphthalene.

20 Nov. 1905.

6 pp. ts. in all.

Appreciation for his work as Acting Engineer 1904-5.

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4 Feb. 1905.

1 p. ts.

3/4/21 Letter, Cohen, Kirby & Woodward, solicitors, Bendigo to Hunt.

Re Hunt's remuneration for services rendered to Bendigo Gas Co.

10 Oct. 1905.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Appended: Hunt's draft of reply. 1 p. ms.

3/4/22 Letter, John Grice, Chairman, M.G.C. to Hunt.

Requests a report on proposed reconstruction of Retort House at South Melbourne.

15 Jan. 1906.

1 p. ts.

3/4/23 Letter, John Hinde to Hunt.

Notification of Hunt's appointment as Acting Engineer at £750 p.a. plus £100 allowance.

22 Aug. 1906.

1 p. ts.

3/4/24 Letter, Jas. Stewart, Editor, The Gas World, 8 Bouverie St., London, to Hunt.

Requests article on Aust. gas matters.

14 Feb. 1908.

1 p. ts.

Note: 3/3/4 may be the resultant article.

3/4/25 Letter, W.J. Campbell, Hobart Gas Co., Macquarie St., Hobart to Hunt.

Re difficulties of supply and help obtained from suggestion made by Hunt.

17 July 1908.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/26 Letter, Arthur Green, Secretary, Launceston Gas Co. to Hunt.
Thanks for services rendered by Hunt.

26 Oct. 1908.

2 pp. ms.

3/4/27 Draft letter to Mr. Wigglesworth from Hunt.

Re negotiations to bring Chas. Hunt out to arbitrate a case in Perth.

30 October 1908.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

Note: Presumably these negotiations came to nothing.

3/4/28 Letter, Walter T. Dunn, Secretary, Institution of Gas
Engineers, 39 Victoria St., Westminster, England, to Hunt. 86
Re M.G.C.'s contribution to the Publicity and Special
Purposes Fund.

18 Dec. 1911.
2 pp. ts.

3/4/29 Ditto.

Hunt's subscription due. Encloses Annual Report 1911-12, Report of Committee of Benevolent Fund, and subscription request for Presentation Portrait of Thomas Newbigging (all found).

25 May 1912.

1 p. ts. Enclosures: 36 pp. printed.

3/4/30 Letter, James Hurll, of Jas. Hurll & Co. Ltd., Carbonizing Specialists and Constructional Gas Engineers, Sydney, N.S.W. to Hunt.

Re floods in Q'1'd. and N.S.W. damaging their installations. Installation of Dessau verticals at Townsville. Cheque for royalty on Williamstown travelling platform sent to Hunt.

31 May 1913.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

- 3/4/31 Letter, A. Chancellor, Secretary, Hobart Gas Co. to Hunt.

  Re gas and meter tests. Hunt to visit Hobart early 1914.

  17 Nov. 1913.

  1 p. ts.
- 3/4/32 Letter, D. Wilkins, Box 78, P.O., Newcastle to Hunt.

  Asks for information on results obtained from Bellbird coal.

  Mentions Chadwick-Hunt elevator and Hunt's transfer to C.G.A.

  27 Dec. 1913.

  3 pp. ms.
- 3/4/33 Letter, Richard Wilcher, Secretary, Institute of Chemsitry of Gt. Britain, London to Hunt.

  Encloses letter from President and booklet re Building Appeal Fund. (found).

  20 May 1913.

  1 p. ts. Enclosures: 2 pp. ts. and Booklet 24 pp. printed.
- 3/4/34 Post card, Thos. Glover to Hunt.

  Acknowledges receipt of M.G.C. Balance Sheet.

  (1913?)
- 3/4/35 Letter, A. Featherstone, Cheslyn, Chepstow Rd., Croydon, Eng. to Hunt.

  Just returned home from Australian trip. Unable to accept order for gasholders, but accepts order for purifiers.

  21 Aug. 1913.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/4/36 Letter, Wm. Ferguson, Managing Director, Wellington Gas Co. 87 Ltd., Wellington, N.Z. to Hunt.

Re imports of Japanese, South Yorkshire and "Bengal" coal. Encloses Balance Sheet and off-print of newspaper report of general meeting of his company. (found).

19 Feb. 1914.

1 p. ts. Enclosures: 5 pp. printed.

3/4/37 Letter, H.J. Sleeman, Australian General Electric Co., Melbourne to Hunt.

Information re flow meters. Encloses Bulletin of the General Electric Co., Schenectady, New York on same subject (found). 16 Jan. 1914.

3 pp. ts. Enclosure: 56 pp. printed.

### 5. Correspondence with John Terry & Co.

3/5/1 Invoices and accounts for goods sent.

These are debited to Hunt's personal account.

July 1904 - August 1914.

3/5/2 Correspondence with John Terry & Co.

These letters mainly cover period when Hunt was in England and on the Continent in 1910. There are 52 separate letters in folder, some bound, some loose.

9 June 1910 - 4 Jan. 1911.

# 6. Engineer's overseas visit, 1910.

6.

3/6/1 Correspondence with John Hinde, Secretary of the Metropolitan Gas Co.

These are both inwards and outwards letters - 45 items in all.

11 May to 28 Nov. 1910.

3/6/2 Report on the Engineer's Visit to Europe 1910.

Discussion is under the following heads:

Manufacture: Carbonization Systems.
Coal Storage.
Coal Discharge from Colliers.
Coke Handling.
Purification.
Napthalene.

Distribution: Pressure.

Public Lighting.
Automatic Lighting.
Slot Cookers.
Robberies from Slot Cookers.
Publicity and Propaganda Methods.
Training Junior Gas Fitters.
Mantles.
Motor Vehicles.

General: Reduction in Illuminating Power.
Co-Partnership.
Legislation affecting Gas Undertakings.

Dated 7 April 1911.

94 pp. printed + cover. (2 copies).

3/6/3 Notes and correspondence re Horizontal Retorts and Stoking Machinery.

Letters from Aldridge & Rankin, Gibbons Bros. Ltd. and W.J. Jenkins & Co. Ltd., all gas engineers, with quotes for machinery; also several pages of notes made by Hunt. All papers except one letter are bound in a folder.

August - October 1910.

#### 7. Tar Distillation.

Box 9 3/7/1 Report from Superintendant of the South Melbourne Works on the Working of the Tar Plant.

Includes report on sample of tar from the Dessau plant. Report signed by Fred. K. Blott.

7 Dec. 1912.

3 pp. ms.

3/7/2 Balance Sheet - "Statement re distillation of 1,250,000 gallons of Tar".

24 Feb. 1914.

1 p. ms.

### 8. Oakleigh.

3/8/1 Rough notes on Estimated Expenditure. 24 July 1913.

2 pp. ms.

3/8/2 Notes, headed "Oakleigh Gas Co. - Mains, Services, etc. for next year".

26 Aug. 1912.

5 pp. ts.

3/8/3 Note headed "Aproximate (sic) lengths of Main from Site of New Holder to points mentioned".

Signed Thos. Foster.

No date.

1 p. ms.

3/8/4 Rough plans of streets. (2)

Seemingly connected with 3/8/3 above.

No date.

3/8/5 Table of results for years 1912 and 1913.

No stated connection with Oakleigh, but found in folder marked so.

1 p. ts. (5 copies.

#### 9. Staff Matters.

3/9/1 Memo, G.J. Cox to Hunt.

"Re Technical Training for Tradesmen".

27 July 1909.

3 pp. ms.

3/9/2 Letter, F.W. Manning and R. McConchie on behalf of the Inspectors and fitters of the Prepayment Dept. to Hunt. Wishing him a pleasant trip home.

9 April 1910.

1 p. ms.

3/9/3 Letter, Sydney Y. Shoubridge, Engineer, South Suburban Gas Co., Lower Sydenham, England to Hunt.

In reply to Hunt's enquiries re co-partnership scheme; its operation at S.S.

17 March 1911.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

3/9/4 Letter, A. Strang, R.C. Shaw, and L.J. Herridge to Hunt.

Thanks for help in procuring Staff positions and increases in salary.

31 July 1911.

1 p. ts.

3/9/5 Letter, J.I. Crane to Hunt.

Thanks for efforts in obtaining increase in salary.

31 July 1911.

1 p. ms.

3/9/6 Letter, Geo. W. Wales to Hunt.

Thanks for increase in salary and bonus.

1 August 1911.

1 p. ms.

3/9/7 Letter from eight members of the Engineering Staff to Hunt.
Thanks for increase in salary.
2 August 1911.
1 p. ts.

3/9/80 Letter, W. Wood, Fitzroy Station to Hunt.
Thanks for increase in salary.
4 August 1911.
1 p. ms.

3/9/9 Letter, J.I. Crane to Hunt.

Thanks for increase in salary.

2 Sept. 1913.

1 p. ms.

3/9/10 Paper on the Profit-Sharing Scheme of the South Metropolitan Gas Company, its History and Results, by George Livesey.

Read at the Co-Partnership Conference of the Labour Association at Newcastle-on-Tyne, October 14th, 1899.

41 pp. printed.

### 10. Gas v. Electricity.

3/10/1 Letter, John Price, City Engineer and Surveyor, Birmingham to Hunt.

Thanks Hunt for sending a newspaper in which Chairman of M.G.C. speaks in complementary terms about Birmingham's gas street lighting. Makes comments about prospects of electricity replacing gas.

7 Sept. 1903.

1 p. ts.

3/10/2 Cutting from the <u>Bexhill Chronicle</u>, letter to the Editor from A. Visitor.

Advocating gas as against electric street lighting.

Letter dated 29 Sept. 1902.

3/10/3 Article, Gas v. Electricity - by a Londoner.

This is undated, but it may have been prepared in response to instructions Hunt received from the Secretary of M.G.C. while he was overseas in 1910. See 3/6/1, letter dated 8 Sept. 1910.

20 pp. ts. (2 copies).

3/10/4 Cutting from Melbourne Mage", letter to Editor from Geo. Swinburne.

Re differential rates for gas and electric lighting.

No date, except 14 December.

3/10/5 Table showing comparative cost between gas and electricity.

Compiled by the South Metropolitan Gas Co., London.

No date.

1 p. printed.

3/10/6 Notes calculating comparative cost of gas and electricity per hour.

No date.
2 pp. ms.

### 11. Miscellaneous Printed Material.

3/11/1 Copy of <u>The Argus</u>, Wednesday July 29, 1903.
On p.8 is an account of the M.G.C. half-yearly meeting.

3/11/2 Cutting from The Age, 28 Sept., 1903.
"American Business Methods".

- "Our Brown Coal Deposits".
- 3/11/4 Cutting from unknown newspaper.

  Advertisement calling for tenders for the supply of stores to Birmingham Gas Dept.

  Dated 26 Feb. 1906.
- 3/11/5 Gas Fitting Dept., Stove Dept., and Engineer's Reports for the Gas and Electric Lighting Dept., Corporation of Leicester. For week ending 25 Dec. 1902.

  3 sheets.
- Note: 3/11/6 to 3/11/9 are pamphlets by W.H.Y. Webber, Secretary,
  Advisory Committee appointed by the Institution of Gas Engineers.
  They are the printed notes of short talks given by Webber at
  the International Gas Exhibition, Earl's Court, London, from
  November 19 to December 17, 1904.
- 3/11/6 Factories without Chimneys.

  52 pp. + cover.
- 3/11/7 Gas Cookers and Gas Fires. 24 pp. + cover.
- 3/11/8 Lights and Lighting. 24 pp. + cover.

3/11/3

- 3/11/9 The Cheapest Electric Light.
  24 pp. + cover.
- 12. Appointment of new Engineer.
- 3/12/1 Cutting from The Gas World, Amended Advertisement for position of Engineer with M.G.C.

  Dated 8 Dec. 1913.
- 3/12/2 Notes, seemingly draft of cable to Chas. Hunt re the English Committee to choose new Engineer.

  No date.

  5 pp. ms.
- 3/12/3 Cable from Hunt, London.

  Has bought M.G.C. shares. Committee in difficulties.
  29 Sept. 1913.
- 3/12/4 Cable from Chas. Hunt.

  Reeson has refused position, but may accept if salary raised.

  4 October 1913.
- 3/12/5 Draft of cable to Chas. Hunt.

  Announcing that Chairman's son appointed assistant; Hunt protesting.

  No date.

  1 p. ms.

3/12/6 Cable from Chas. Hunt.

Possibly in reply to 3/12/5 above. Advises Hunt to tread warily.

5 Oct. 1913.

3/12/7 Ditto, to Hunt in Queenstown, Tas.

Reeson appointed; salary over fifteen hundred.
? Oct. 1913.

3/12/8 Ditto.

Reeson has withdrawn owing to appointment of Chairman's son as Assistant.

16 Oct. 1913.

3/12/9 Ditto.

Reeson's salary was to have been £1700.

18 Oct. 1913.

3/12/10 Ditto.

Salary £2000; rumour that Reeson will accept.

18 Oct. 1913.

3/12/11 Ditto.

Reeson appointed.
21 Oct. 1913.

3/12/12 Ditto.
"Yes" in answer to question by Hunt.
22 Oct. 1913.

3/12/13 Note, probably draft of reply.
No date.
1 p. ms.

Note: See also letter from Chas. Hunt 1/3/58.

# GROUP 4. Colonial Gas Association.

# 1. Appointment.

4/1/1 Draft of cable, Hunt to Chas. Hunt.

Asks advice on whether he should accept offer of directorships.

No date.

2 forms with ms.

4/1/2 Reply to 4/1/1 above.
12 August 1913.
1 printed form with ms.

4/1/3 Ditto. Requesting further information. 17 August 1913. 1 printed form with ms.

Notes, seemingly drafts of cables to Chas. Hunt giving 4/1/4 information as to positions offered. No date.

5 pp. ms. in all.

4/1/5 Cable from Chas. Hunt. Advises Hunt to accept. 20 August 1913. 1 printed forms with ms.

4/1/6 Letter, John Grice to Hunt. Advice about positions offered, after Hunt had sought him out in an interview. 11 August 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/1/7 Ditto. Geo. Swinburne has been to see Grice about Hunt's appointment. (Note that it was the resignation of Swinburne from C.G.A. Board which made the vacancy for Hunt.) 13 August 1913.

4/1/8 Fragment of draft of letter, possibly to Grice. Difficulty he is experiencing in making decision. No date. l p. ms.

4/1/9 Letter, Hunt to John Grice. Tendering resignation from M.G.C. 22 Aug. 1913. 4 pp. ms. (press copy).

4/1/10 Reply to 4/1/9 above. 23 August 1913. 4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/1/11 Letter, Hunt to John Grice. Sets out proposed division of his time between M.G.C. and new interests until end of the year. 10 Sept. 1913. 2 pp. ts. (press copy).

4/1/12 Cuttings from The Gas World and the Journal of Gas Lighting re Hunt's appointment. No date. 3 items.

4/1/13 Letter, John Monash, Iona, Toorak to Hunt.
Congratulations.
28 August 1913.
1 p. ms.

4/1/14 Letter, Louis Waxman, solicitor, 360 Collins St., Melbourne to Hunt.

Congratulations.

28 August 1913.

1 p. ts.

4/1/15 Letter, H.V. Mitchell, Engineer and Manager, Brighton Gas Co., New Street to Hunt.

Congratulations.

29 August 1913.

1 p. ms.

4/1/16 Letter, A.J. Kingdon, Secretary, Colonial Gas Assn. Ltd., Suffolk House, Laurence Pountny Hill, London to Hunt.

Congratulations. Encloses card for his contracting and shipping business (found).

10 Sept. 1913.

2 pp. ms.

4/1/17 Card from Fred G. Pirie, Upwoods, Park Hill, Carshalton, England.

Congratulations.

25 Nov. 1913.

4/1/18 Letter, John Turner, George Havill and John Bramwell of the Fitzroy works to Hunt.

Appreciation for the way in which Hunt has treated men.
28 Jan. 1914.

1 p. ms.

Appended: Copy of Hunt's reply.

4/1/19 Letter, R. Southgate of S. Melbourne works to Hunt. Similar to 4/1/18 above.

4 March 1914.

2 pp.ms.

4/1/20 Letter, J. Wallace Bennett, Craignoon, Ross St., Sth. Northcote to Hunt.

Wishing Hunt success.

9 March 1914.

1 p. ms.

4/1/21 Letter, W.G. Walker, 12 Bayview Terrace, Ascot Vale to Hunt. Thanks for kindnesses.

16 March 1914.

1 p. ms.

Appreciation for Hunt's efforts in getting him into his present position. Best wishes for success.

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No date.

4/1/22

1 p. ms.

### 2. Appointment of additional Directors.

4/2/1 Cable from Chas. Hunt.

Figgis elected; had received cable pressing him to do so.

No date.

1 printed form with ts.

4/2/2 Ditto.

No further information re cable to Figgis. Proposes Coates as additional Director.

26 Sept. 1913.

1 p. printed form with ts.

4/2/3 Draft letter, Hunt to Figgis' brother.

Seeking information about cable to Figgis.

No date.

1 p. ms.

4/2/4 Draft of cable to Chas. Hunt.

Same content as 4/2/3 above.

No date.

1 p. printed form with ms.

4/2/5 Drafts of letter from Hunt to George Swinburne seemingly.
Further discussion of Figgis' appointment.
No date.

3 pp. ms in all.

4/2/6 Copy of letter and telegram received by George Swinburne from Secretary of London Board of C.G.A.

Refer to appointment of Hunt and Figgis and misunderstanding over telegram sent by Swinburne.

28 Aug. & 1 Oct. 1913.

3 pp. ms. in all.

4/2/7 Letter, W.H. Figgis, Ballarat to Hunt.

Re brother's acceptance of C.G.A. position.

25 Sept. 1913.

2 pp. ms.

4/2/8 Ditto.

Re telegrams sent to brother on same matter.

6 Oct. 1913.

1 p. ms.

3. Negotiations for Purchase of Cakleigh and Footscray Gas Works.

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4/3/1 Cable, Hunt, London to Hunt, Avon, St. Kilda Rd., Melbourne.

Go ahead with proposition (probably re purchase).

12 Jan. 1914.

1 printed form with ts.

4/3/2 Copy cable, Hunt to London Board.

Re details of negotiations for purchase of Oakleigh.

23 Jan. 1914.

1 p. ts.

4/3/3 Reply to 4/3/2 above.

Suggest offer of lower price.

4 Feb. 1914.

1 printed form with ms.

4/3/4 Cable to Hunt from London (unsigned).

Further advice on Oakleigh.

16 March 1914.

1 printed form with ts.

4/3/5 Copy letter, munt to S. Spencer, (Chairman of C.G.A), 14
Gt. St. Thomas Apostle, London.

Gives details of purchase and history of Oakleigh. Still
hegotiating for Footscray; M.G.C. have declined to make offer.
Note: Footscray was secured on 1 July 1914.

8 April 1914.

5 pp. ts.

4/3/6 Cable, Hunt, London to Hunt, Melbourne.

Advises bigger offer to secure Footscray.

28 April 1914.

1 printed form with ts.

4/3/7 Newspaper cutting from The Age.

Re C.G.A.'s offer to the Footscray Gas and Coke Co. Ltd.

No date. (1914).

# 4. Correspondence with S. Spencer.

Note: Samuel Spencer was Chairman of the London Board of C.G.A. With J.E. Spencer, he was head of the firm of J.E. & S. Spencer,
Manufacturers and Merchant Engineers, 14 Gt. St. Thomas Apostle St., London. Later the offices moved to 16 Dowgate Hill. Some letters are written from his private address - Court Vale,
Molyneux Park, Tunbridge Wells. In general the letters report on meetings of the London Board.

4/4/1 Letter from Spencer.

Pleased with Hunt's appointemnt.

28 August 1913.

1 p. ms.

4/4/2 Ditto.

Hunt's election as Chairman of Australian Board. Mr. Worthington Church's emigration to colonies.

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6 November 1913. 2 pp. (1 sheet) ts.

4/4/3 Ditto.

Footscray negotiations at end for the time being. Hartley, Chairman of Brighton Gas Co. on visit to England; gives advice on price of Footscray shares. C.G.A. interim dividend 3 % and annual dividend 7 %. Advice on Broken Hill Water Co. shares asked for. (Note: Hunt was Director of this Company for a time.)

12 March 1914.

5 pp. (3 sheets) ts.

4/4/4 Ditto.

Re Oakleigh and Footscray. (See 4/3 above.)

15 May 1914.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ts.

4/4/5 Ditto.

Thanks for information on Broken Hill Water Co.; price of shares in England discussed. Asks for a cautious hand with C.G.A. finances after outbreak of War. Footscray in order; Australian shares to be £1 rather than £5.

14 August 1914.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4/4/6 Ditto.

C.G.A. and £1 shares; finance matters. Broken Hill Water dividend disappointing.

17 Sept. 1914.

5 pp. (3 sheets) ts.

4/4/7 Ditto.

Thanks for sympathy on wife's death. Asks advice on selling Broken Hill Water shares. Death of Wm. Swinburne. Comments on M.G.C.'s action as to Box Hill area.

23 Feb. 1915.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4/4/8 Ditto.

Board of Trade refused C.G.A. application for issue of £50,000 more shares. Has received private letter from Grice (M.G.C.) "desirous of arranging matters in an amicable spirit".

26 March 1915.

3 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4/4/9 C.G.A. economy in finance matters desirable; suggests Hunt combine positions of Chairman and Managing Director. No dividend from Broken Hill Water; shareholders dissatisfied.

6 July 1915.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ts.

- Note: Figgis and his brother were Directors of the Ballarat Gas Co.

  S.E. Figgis was a member of the M.G.C. Board up till 1913, when he resigned and joined the C.G.A. Board at the same time as Hunt. His election to the C.G.A. Board took place while he was overseas. See 4/2.
- 4/5/1 Letter from Figgis, on board <u>Otranto</u> en route for England.

  Refers to Hunt's part in arbitration court case. Says Geo.

  Swinburne spoke to him about position on C.G.A. Board.

  No date. (? Feb. 1913).

  1 sheet ms.
- 4/5/2 Ditto.

  News of voyage.

  1 April 1913.

  2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 4/5/3 Ditto, from London.

  News of people in the gas world he has met; also latest reports on verticals, the Wilton process, Glover West system.

  30 April 1913.

  4 pp. (1 sheet ms.)
- 4/5/4 Ditto.

  General news of people, the Glover West and Dessau systems.

  Has been asked to join C.G.A. Board.

  19 June 1913.

  2 pp. ms.
- 4/5/5 Systems of verticals. Has ordered Wilton's sulphate plant.
  Staff problems necessity of obtaining engineers in England.
  Moss selected for Oakleigh. C.G.A. position Hunt's
  impressions. Comments on visits around England.

  2 August 1913.
  4 pp. ms.
- 4/5/6 Ditto, from <u>Hawthorn</u>, Sidney Parade, Dublin.

  Comments on Hunt's "contemplated movements" re C.G.A. Adds some on his own position.

  20 August 1913.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 4/5/7 Ditto, from Geissbach, Switzerland, Europe.

  Comments on Hunt's C.G.A. position. J.S.W. (Weir?) urging Figgis to join Board. Refers to "wheels within Wheels" of M.G.C. and visit from Hinde (Sec. of M.G.C.)

  30 August 1913.

  4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 4/5/8 Comments on suggestions that Coates may join C.G.A. Board.
  Does not like him much. Figgis has accepted position.

  2 Sept. 1913.
  3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/5/9 Ditto, from Ballarat.

Difficulties at Box Hill. Advises Hunt about positions 99 on Williamstown and Footscray Boards. Cost of verticals. Comments on members of staff. Possibility of Hunt joining Oakleigh Board. Prices of Lyell Blocks.

29 Nov. 1913.

3 pp. ms.

4/5/10 Ditto.

Re Ballarat Board's decisions to be made about verticals, and Figgis' discussion of same. Comments on C.C.A. matters-Box Hill booster and New Engineer, Reeson.

2 Dec. 1913.

6 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4/5/11 Ditto.

Negotiations for Footscray. Re seat on some Board for Hunt and best way of negotiating it.

20 Jan. 1914.

4 pp. ms.

4/5/12 Ditto.

Further comments as in 11 above.

21 Jan. 1914.

2 pp. ms.

4/5/13 Ditto.

More comments as in 11 above. First mention of "the Enemy" (? M.C.C.) In Footscray negotiations. Engineer's salary at Ballarat.

23 Jan. 1914.

3 pp. (1sheet) ms.

4/5/14 Ditto.

Re Figgis' personal prospects e.g. directorships, particularly with C.G.A.

28 Jan. 1915.

4 pp. (2 sheets) ms.

4/5/15 Ditto.

Figgis and C.G.A. Comments on Box Hill and Footscray. Letter sent to Mt. Gambier. Johns & Waygood shares available.

16 Feb. 1915.

3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/5/16 Ditto.

Applauds Hunt's suggestion as to moves in strike e.g. not to call in Union but to get men to approach Figgis to ask for rise.

15 April 1915.

2 pp. ms.

4/5/17 Ditto

Results of meeting of (Ballarat ?) Directors. Strike 100 resolutions and Figgis' retirement.

29 April 1915.

2 pp. ms.

#### 6. Letters from R.E. Thwaites, industrial chemist.

4/6/1 Letter, from Castlewood, Toowong, Brisbane.

Plans for coming South. Seems to have been engaged by Hunt for June 1921.

27 Nov. 1920.

1 p. ms.

4/6/2 Ditto.

Further arrangements for coming South. Speaks of a laboratory being constructed, and also of H.S.& Co. (Howard Smith & Co. probably) who seem to be arranging his salary. Appears to be about to begin an investigation into the distillation of motor oils from coal.

5 Dec. 1920.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/6/3 Ditto.

Memo sent to H.S. & Co. re fuel position - solid, liquid and gaseous.

8 Dec. 1920.

1 p. ms.

4/6/4 Ditto.

Reasons given for preparation of memo mentioned in 3 above. Commonwealth Govt. has refused grant of £5000 to the Committee of the Institute of Science and Industry, which was interested in similar problems to Thwaites.

19 Dec. 1920.

1 p. ms.

4/6/5 Letter, from Gabbinbar, Toowoomba, c/- Lady Nelson.

Re gas standards, flow of gases (+ newspaper cutting), Ipswich Coke Ovens, Gibson, Batile & Co. Maitland coal tests; also encloses cutting re research to be done on by-products of coal gas manufacture. (found).

15 Jan. 1921.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/6/6 Ditto.

Encloses copy of a memo sent to Heward Smith & Co. Notes on the Present Position and Prespects of Utilizing Coal for Production of Motor Spitit and Fuel Oils (found). Also discusses the utilization of Altona Brown Coal with Maitland coal in his process, and establishment of works at Altona B.

30 Jan. 1921.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 6 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

4/6/7 Ditto.

Encloses notes on Development of Altona Coal Field for Gas and Power Supplies (found).

1 Feb. 1921.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 4 pp. ms.

4/6/8 Ditto.

Comments on analysis of Morwell coal. Relative values of Maitland coal and Altona or Morwell coal.

18 Feb. 1921.

1 p. ms.

4/6/9 Ditto.

Encloses notes on Circulating Hot Gas in Carbonization (found) and a comment on complete gasification.

2 March 1921.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 2 pp. ms.

4/6/10 Ditto.

Arriving Melbourne May 16th. Re ordering of rotary scrubbers and washers (for gas production). Suggestion for circumventing use of sulphuric acid for fixing ammonia.

4 March 1921.

l p. ms.

4/6/11 Note, Cost of Elimination of CO2 from Gas by compression over Water.

Has comment Power required - Data from Mempe's Engineer's Year Book 1918, page 888. This note is not signed, but writing is unmistakably Thwaites'.

No date.

1 p. ms.

### 7. Other Correspondence.

4/7/1 Letter from Geo. Swinburne, <u>Skenton</u>, Kinkora Rd., Glenferrie.

Congratulates Hunt on appointment as Arbitrator for S.A.

Gas Co. before the Govt. Commission on Gas. See also 5/7.

15 Feb. 1914.

4 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/7/2 Letter from A. de Barry, Gleneara, Studley Park Rd., Kew. Re tests on brown coal.

22 Feb. 1914.

1 p. ms.

4/7/3 Ditto.

Re delivery of tar and coke, the results of test.

22 Feb. 1914.

1 p. ms.

- 4/7/4 Ditto, from Hyde Park Hotel, Knightsbridge, London.

  Re tests of Morwell coal at Birmingham, and distillation of tar from Melbourne. Tests sometimes interfered with by German attacks.

  4 September 1914.

  11 pp. (3 sheets) ms.
- 4/7/5 Letter from C.N. Newman, Howard Smith Co. Ltd, Steamship Agents and Coal Contractors, Melbourne.

  Re possible allied interests to Caledonian Colleries.

  25 March 1914.

  1 p. ts.

  Appended: Copy Hunt's reply agreeing to meeting.
- 4/7/6 Letter from H.E. Grove, 114 Barkly St., St. Kilda.

  Working capacity of "Dessau" coal store at W. Melbourne
  Gas Works. Purifier costs. Note: Grove is a former
  confrere of Hunt's at M.G.C.

  21 May 1914.

  2 pp. ms.
- 4/7/7 Letter from Geo. Swinburne, New South Wales Club, Sydney.

  Recommending R. Schuchard for position of Auditor to C.G.A.

  15 July 1914.

  3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 4/7/8 Letter from S.J. Sawyer, The Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Co., Ltd., Box 161, Toowoomba, Queensland.

  Inquiring as to position as collector for M.G.C.

  27 July 1914.
  2 pp. ms.
- 4/7/9 Letter from T.B. Smith, Parkinson & W. & B. Cowan Ltd., gas engineers, Cottage Lane, City Road, London.

  Congratulations on appointment as Consulting Engineer to Sydney. Death of Mr. Bush.

  16 Oct. 1914.

  3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.
- 4/7/10 Notes (unsigned, and first page missing)

  Deals with laying mains in Kent St. In envelope addressed to Hunt in Sydney and postmarked Melbourne, 24 Oct. 1914.

  2 pp. ts.
- 4/7/11 Letter from John Grice, Coolullah, Hawksburn.

  Introduces Mr. V.J. Saddler who hopes to get on to the Broken Hill Water Supply Board in place of late Robt. Power. Note: Grice is Chairman of M.G.C. Board.

  13 Nov. 1914.

  2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

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4/7/12 Letter form Fred. E. Williams, Shirley Rd., Wollstonecraft, N.S.W.

Discusses problems of a Sydney Gas Company, possibly Aust. Gal Light Co. to whom Hunt was Consultant.

7 May 1915 (?)

4 pp. (3 sheets) ms.

4/7/13 Letter from C.F. Broadhead, The Brisbane Gas Co., 545 Queen St., Brisbane.

Letting Hunt know of increase in salary. (This seems to have been a period when Engineer's salaries were being increased generally after much petitioning. Cf. Figgis' letters and Hunt's own reasons for leaving M.G.C.)

25 June 1915.

1 p. ms.

4/7/14 Letter from H.E. Grove. (See also 4/7/6).

Costs of Horizontal House at Sydney (e.g. retort house); Local manufacturers of hot coke conveyors Messrs. Chas. Rufvolt (?) Pty. Ltd. of Richmond. Increase of salary for self and staff. (See also 4/7/13 above).

28 March 1916. 2 pp. ms.

4/7/15 Letter from P.T.T.(aylor), Sydney.

Refers to A.H. holding the matter up.
12 Sept. 1916.

1 p. ms. (with some pencil ms. inserted.)

4/7/16 Ditto, 114 York St., Sydney. Leaving the matter in A.H.'s hands.

14 Sept. 1916.

1 p. ms.

4/7/17 Note, no signature.

Seems to be record of a meeting with men named at top of page e.g. Poynton, Fuller, Grahame, Brown, Deer.

6 Nov. 1918.

1 p. pencil ms.

4/7/18 Letter from Geo. Steward, Government House, Melbourne.
Thanks for congratulations.
22 Feb. 1919.

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1 p. ts.

4/7/19 Letter from Thos. W. Harpies, Collins House, 381 Collins St., Melb.

Encloses outlines of aims of Proposed Institute for Promoting Industrial Peace and Progress.

12 May 1920.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 2 pp ts. (carbon copy).

4/7/20 Note, unsigned.

Seem to be points on how to deal with a strike committee.

Friday, 16 July 1920.

2 pp. ms.

4/7/21 Letter from H. Tindale, Australian Gas Light Company, Engineer's Office, Sydney.

Thanks for recommendation as Acting Works Engineer at

7 October 1920.

Mortlake.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/7/22 Letter from John M. Higgins, 113 William Street, Melb.

In appreciation of letter received from Hunt signifying his distress at remarks made about Higgins at a M.G.C. meeting. (Copy of Hunt's letter appended.)

5 Feb. 1921.

2 pp. (1 sheet) ms. Hunt's letter 3 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

4/7/23 Letter from Chas. E. Murray, Thornhill Rd., Handsworth, England.

Compliments Hunt on his recent "fight" with the Board and Management of the M.G.C. (of which Hunt is now a Director). Note: The writer is probably the "Murray" often mentioned in Chas. Hunt's letters.

29 April 1921.

4 pp. ms.

4/7/24 ? Copy cable.

Re sulphate production. Requests copy of "GAS LIGHT BILL". See 4/10/1.

No date.

1 p. ms.

#### 8. Vertical Retorts Case, 1916.

Note: Vertical retorts were installed by Munt at M.G.C. in 1912. The new Engineer Reeson did not favour them, and when it was found that running costs were becoming expensive, an enquiry was commenced in 1916. Although never publicly Munt took an active interest in the progress of the enquiry as these letters etc. show.

4/8/1 Letter from Jas. Hurll & Co. Ltd., Carbonizing Specialists and Constructional Engineers, 20 Loftus St., Sydney.

(Agents for the Vertical Gas Retort Syndicate, distributors of Dessau Vertical Retorts).

Encloses letter from Sec. of Vertical Gas Retort Syndicate (C. Holmes Hunt) asking that as agents they should investigate complaints made in letter to Syndicate from M.G.C. (also enclosed). Includes also personal note from Jas. Hurll to Hunt.

20 April 1916.

1 p. ts. Enclosures 7 pp. in all.

4/8/2 Letter from Norman S. Kennedy, Midora St., Cabarita.

Gives information about quantity of labour needed with verticals.

1 May 1916.

2 pp. ms.

4/8/3 Copy letter to Vertical Gas Retort Syndicate from (?Hurl1).

Results of interviews with legal advisors and P.C.H. Hunt; think that M.G.C. has no legally valid position but suggest a visit from Mr. Goodall to investigate. Emphatically renounce any suggestion that P.C.H. Hunt act as advisor.

16 May 1916.

5 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

4/8/4 Copy cable to V.G.R.S. by Hurll.

Requesting all details of contract.

16 May 1916.

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4/8/5 Letter from Wm. Tipper, Healsville.

Encloses account of experience in the working of Dessau verticals at W. Melb. Works. (not found).

20 October 1916.

1 p. ms.

4/8/6 Copy letter from J. Lowe, Engineer and Manager, Aukland Gas Co. Ltd. Aukland, N.Z.

Gives results of their experiences with vertical retorts.

13 Sept. 1918.

2 pp. ts.

Note: Since the date given is two years later, it is not certain that this letter was received in connection with the Case. Its similar subject matter would suggest this.

#### 9. Note Books and Diaries.

4/9/1 Diary 1913.

4/9/2 Diary 1914.

4/9/3 Diary 1916.

4/9/4 Diary 1917.

4/9/5 Diary 1918.

4/9/6 Diary 1918 (small).

4/9/7 Diary 1919.

4/9/8 Diary 1920.

4/9/9 Diary 1921.

4/9/10 Note Book c. 1913.

4/9/11 Note Book c.1917-18.

4/9/12 Note Book c. 1919.

4/9/13 Note Book c. 1920.

4/9/14 Note Book c. 1922.

The London County Council in opposition to The Gas Light 4/10/1 and Coke Company's Bill, Mr. Charles Hunt's Evidence in Parliament. Session 1898. 20 pp. copperplate ms.

Morley Gas Arbitration. Proof of Evidence of Mr. Charles 4/10/2 Hunt. No date, but possibly late 1898. (See p. 10) 12 pp. ts.

Brigg Gas Arbitration, Proof of Evidence of Mr. Charles 4/10/3 No date, but possibly c. 1900. 10 pp. ts.

4/10/4 North Western Electricity and Power Gas Bill and Gas Companies' opposition. Proof of Evidence of Mr. Charles Hunt. In Parliament. Also five tables of figures. Session 1903. 6 pp. ts. with notes added in ms. by Chas. Hunt.

4/10/5 Nantwich Gas Company, Joint Valuation of Mr. William A. McIntosh and Mr. Henry Woodall of the Lands, Buildings, Machinery, Apparatus and Plant, including Mains, Services, Meters and Stoves, the property of the above Company.

In Arbitration 1904.

11 pp. printed.

4/10/6 Exeter Gas Light and Coke Co., Rating Appeal. Structural Valuation of Mr. Charles Hunt of the Works of the Company situated in the Parish of St. Thomas. No date, but post 1904. 9 pp. ts.

4/10/7 A Bill to Authorise the Acquisition by the South Suburban Gas Co. of the Undertaking of the Dartford Gas Co.; to confer further the powers on the S.S. Co.; and for other purposes.

Session 1918.

39 pp. printed.

Appended: Covering letter from Blyth, Dutton, Hartley, & Blyth, solicitors, London, announcing that Chas. Hunt had asked them to forward a copy of the Bill.

4/10/8 Report and Balance Sheet of the Brighton Gas Co. Itd. for the half-year ended 31 Dec. 1913. 5 Feb. 1914.

3 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

Report and Balance Sheet of the Hobart Gas Co. for the

4/10/9 half-year ended 31 Dec. 1913.

2 Feb. 1914.

3 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

#### 1. The Automaton Gas Lamplighter Pty. Ltd.

The Company was formed in May 1908, and consisted of James Notes Crawford Hiscox, 34 Queen St., Melb, Director of Companies; George Robson, 194 Collins St., accountant; Fitzroy Redmond Millar, 380 Flinders Lane, Customs Agent; James Charles Bartlett, 146 Williams Rd., E. Prahran, gentleman; Alfred William Dolamore, 34 Queen St., accountant. Robson was the inventor of the lighter, and because Hunt had encouraged him to use M.G.C. laboratories for his testing, he keeps up a correspondence from the London Office of the Company which he set up soon after his arrival in 1908.

Box 10 5/1/1 Memorandum and Articles of Association. Prepared by Moule, Hamilton & Kiddle, selicitors, Melb. (1908). Booklet 33 pp. + cover.

5/1/2 Letters from Robson.

> There are 20 in all. Give fairly detailed account of progress of the lighter, improvements, comparisons with other automatic lighters, details and cost of commercial manufacture, etc. In letter dated 29 Oct. 1909 he amnounces that Clifford Hunt is forming a company to take over the world rights excluding Australasia under name of The Pressure Clock Lamp Lighter Ltd. British rights sold to Chas. Hunt's company Auto Lighter Ltd.

16 July 1908 - 2 Dec. 1909.

46 pp. in all.

# Holmes and Allen Patent Trolley Head.

Letter from A.D. Allen, of Holmes & Allen, Wellington, N.Z. Acknowledges Hunt's acquisition of an interest in the venture; gives account of progress. Note: Full name of it. is Holmes & Allen, Auto. Non Fouling, Swivelling Trolley Head. Inventors and Patentees - G.B. Holmes and A.D. Allen. 24 July 1908.

2 pp. ts.

5/2/2 Letter from John Holmes, 289 Collins St., Melbourne. Note: John is the father of G.B. Holmes, one of the inventors. Gives details of use of trolley head. 28 July 1908. 2 pp. (1 sheet) ms.

5/2/3 Ditto.

> Appears to be an agent for inventors. Gives brief details of the Trolley Head, Jack Gas Light (report enclosed), and Rapid Coal Elevator. Also announces that Mr. G. Kempster has invented an automatic Gas lamp lighter. Encloses also printed circular letter announcing that his son Garnet Bowen Holmes has opened an office in London, and would be willing to act as agent for other inventors and patentees.

30 July 1908.

5/2/4 Ditto, from 339 George St., Sydney.

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Medal awarded to Trolley Head at Franco-British Exhibition. Asks for information of Geo. Robson; says original company have best automaton lighter and may stop Robson's negotiations in London.

22 Oct. 1908. 1 p. ms.

5/2/5 Ditto.

Delays in supplies of trolley heads from manufacturers. Congratulates Hunt on suggested improvements to coal elevator.

1 Jan. 1909.

1 p. ms.

5/2/6 A Wonderful Record, Continued Progress of the Holmes & Allen Papent Trolley Heads, extract from Progress, Wellington, New Zealand, 1 Sept. 1908.

1 p. printed.

# 3. Chadwick and Hunt's Rapid Coal Discharging Elevators.

5/3/1 Letter from Geo. C. Chadwick, Strathmore, 43 Longmore St., Middle Park.

Reports discussion with Mr. Appleton on use of his elevator to load coal into ships, and encloses cutting from The Daily Telegraph, showing loading equipment at Port Natal. Encloses also copy of letter to C.S. Cross with option to act as San Francisco agent.

9 June 1909.

2 pp. ms. Enclosure 2 pp. ts.

5/3/2 Letter from Alex. B. Moncrieff, Railways Commissioner, Adelaide.

Asks for details of elevator.

8 March 1911.

1 p. ts.

5/3/3 Reply to 2 above.

Informs that patents now the property of the Commonwealth Elevator Proprietary Co. Ltd., the Secreatry being W.H. McLennan. Gives some details of machine.

10 March 1911.

4 pp. ts.

5/3/4 Letter, Hunt to McLennan.

Informs of Moncrieff's enquiry,

13 March 1911.

1 p. ts.

5/3/5 Reply to 4 above.

13 March 1911.

5/3/6 Letter, Geo. C. Chadwick, The Chadwick Hunt Elevator Syndicate, Stott's Chambers, 54-56 Market St., Melb.

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Encloses list of names of personnel associated with the Syndicate. (found). Requests interview with Hunt before members of the Mt. Lyell Co. and Crosby & Co. inspect model of the Elevator.

9 March 1914.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

# 4. Hunt's Patent Papers.

5/4/1 Complete specification, Apparatus for use in storing coal or coke, described by P.C.H.H.

This is a copy made by Arthur Otto Sachse C.E., Patent Attorney, cnr. Collins & William Sts., Melbourne.

4 Sept. 1909.

5 pp. ts. + 2 blueprints.

5/4/2 Complete specification, Means for receiving coke from gas retorts and delivering or directing such coke into a furnace or alternatively to a conveyor or trucks for depositing it where required.

Copy made by A.O. Sachse.

1 Dec. 1909.

5 pp. ts. + 1 blueprint. (Duplicated).

Note: See also 5/5/1.

5/4/3 Complete specification, Improved retort for the manufacture of coal gas, as described by P.C.H. Hunt and F.J. Tipper.

Published by the Dept. of Patents, Patents Act 1903,
Commonwealth of Aust. Patent number is 2494/11.

Application dated 16 Sep. 1911.

3 pp. printed.

5/4/4 Ditto.

Amended specification; probably application for British patent. 1912.

4 pp. ts. + plan. (Specification only is duplicated).

5/4/5 Re English Citations regarding Application of P.C.H. Hunt and F.J. Tipper.

This answers objections lodged to granting of patent applied to in 4 above.

No date.

4 pp. ts.

5/4/6 Note headed Copy of Extract.

Appears to be part of the British Patent Agent's letter to patentees, with regard to some of the objections, dealt with in 5 above.

No date.

#### 5. Queensland Gas Companies.

5/4/1 Blueprint, Holmes Hunt Travelling Platform, marked Townsville Gas & Coke Co., new settings erected 1911, with Holmes Hunt Travelling Platform.

Note: Se also 5/4/2.

5/5/2 Note, re planning of Townsville retort settings.

9 Nov. 1912.

1 p. pencil ms.

5/5/3 Ditto, re same as 2 above.

18 Nov. 1912.

1 p. ink ms.

5/5/4 Ditto, re planning of South Brisbane retort settings.
No date, but probably made at same time as 3 above.

1 p. ms.

5/5/5 Report on the Distributing Plant, Townsville Gas and Coke Co. Ltd., by Andrew Wilson, Consulting Engineer. 15 Feb, 1928.

#### 6. Consultant to Australian Gas Light Co., Sydney.

5/6/1 Letter from R.J. Lukey, Secretary, Aust. Gas Light Co., Sydney.

Request for Hunt to act for the Company before Arbitration Court in the case of the Government's resumption of the Company's Head Station.

15 August 1913.

1 p. ts.

5/6/2 Reply to 1 above.

Hunt agreeable. Terms and fee discussed.

21 August 1913.

1 p. ts. (carbon copy).

5/6/3 Letter from Lukey.

Encloses letter to Chairman of M.G.C. (Grice) seeking permission for Hunt's services in Sydney case. Also comments on Hunt's resignation from M.G.C.

5 September 1913.

1 p. ts. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

5/6/4 Draft of letter to P.T.T(aylor).

Re the extended length of Resumption Case and Hunt's position as advisor to the Company.

No date, but possibly Jan. 1914.

7 pp. ms.

Note: Atyped facsimile of the draft is appended, since original is in very rough form, and difficult to read.

#### 7. Consultant to South Australian Gas Co.

5/7/1 Letter from A. Dawkins, Secretary, S.A. Gas Co., 90 King William St., Adelaide.

Request that Hunt act as expert witness and advisor to Company in the Royal Commission "to inquire and report whether it is advisable to municipalize the Gas and Electric services within the Metropolitan area, and if so on what basis".

10 Jan. 1913.

1 p. ts.

5/7/2 Télegram (copy) to Dawkins. 12 Jan. 1914.

5/7/3 Telegram, reply to 2 above, from Dawkins.
12 Jan. 1914.

5/7/4 Telegram to Dawkins. 14 Jan. 1914.

5/7/5 Copy letter to Dawkins.

Agrees to act as advisor; terms discussed.

14 Jan. 1914.

3 pp. ts.

5/7/6 Ditto.

Requests clarification of his position as "advisor".

17 Jan. 1914.

1 p. ts.

5/7/7 Letter from Dawkins.

Acknowledgment of 5 above.

17 Jan. 1914.

1 p. ts.

5/7/8 Copy table to Chas. Hunt, London.

Requests latest Parliamentary bills, reports from Britain on valuations of gas undertakings.

24 Jan. 1914.

5/7/9 Letter from Dawkins.

Enlarging the scope of Hunt's services to include valuations of Company's works.

22 Jan. 1914.

2 pp. ts.

5/7/10 Letter to Dawkins.

Acknowledgment of 9 above.
23 Jan. 1914.

1 p. ts.

- 5/7/11 Telegram to Dawkins.

  Adelaide visit planned.
  28 Jan. 1914.
- 5/7/12 Copy letter to Dawkins.

  Enlarged scope of services required and fees for same.

  28 Jan. 1914.

  3 pp. ts.
- 5/7/13 Telegram from Dawkins.

  Re Adelaide visit from Hunt.
  29 Jan. 1914.
- 5/7/14 Telegram from Howard Lloyd, a Director of S.A. Gas Co. Offer of accommodation. 29 Jan. 1914.
- 5/7/15 Reply to 14 above. 30 Jan. 1914.
- 5/7/16 Telegram to Dawkins.
  Altering arrangements.
  30 Jan. 1914.
- 5/7/17 Letter from Dawkins.

  Details of Adelaide visit.
  29 Jan. 1914.
  2 pp. ts.
- 5/7/18 Letter to Dawkins.

  Confirmation of 16 above.

  31 Jan. 1914.

  1 p. ts.
- 5/7/19 Letter from Dawkins.

  Acceptance by Company of Hunt's terms and conditions.

  4 Feb. 1914.

  1 p. ts.
- 5/7/20 Copy letter to Dawkins.
  Reply to 19 above.
  6 Feb. 1914.
  1 p. ts.
- 5/7/21 Telegram to Dawkins. Enquires when required. 11 Feb. 1914.
- 5/7/22 Reply to 21 above. 11 Feb. 1914.

Collection: Hunt, P.C.H. Acc: 1961.0015 inc 1997.0145 Copy letter to W.J. Isbester Esq., of Messrs. Isbester & Pendlebury, 16 Weymouth St., Adelaide. Re Isbester's address before Commission. 14 Feb. 1914. 1 p. ts. Reply to 23 above. Isbester & Pendlebury are solicitors. 18 Feb. 1914. 1 p. ms. 5/7/25 Telegram from Dawkins. Asks what is current charge for prepayment gas. 18 Feb. 1914. 5/7/26 Letter from Isbester. Asks price per 100 cu. ft. for street lighting. 20 Feb. 1914. 1 p. ts. 5/7/27 Reply to 26 above. 24 Feb. 1914. 1 p. ts. 5/7/28 Various statements of accounts of British Gas Companies probably sent out by Chas. Hunt in reply to 5/7/8 above. All accounts are for year ending Dec. 1912 or March 1913. (i) Nottingham Corporation Gas Committee. (ii) Manchester Corporation Gas Works. (iii) Leicester Corporation Gas Dept. (iv) City of Birmingham Gas Dept. (v) Glasgow Corporation Gas Committee (part of Report of Gas Committee). 5/7/29 Acts of British Gas Companies, probably also sent out by Chas. Hunt. (i)South Suburban Gas Act 1912. (ii) Morley Corporation Act 1913. (iii) Wandsworth Wimbledon & Epsom District Gas Act 1912.
(iv) Portheawl and District Gas Act 1913.
(v) Bournemouth Gas and Water Act 1913. (vi) Redcar Coatham Marske & Saltburn Gas Act 1913. (vii) Slough Gas Act 1913. 5/7/30 Letter, Arthur Langley, Adelaide, to Hunt. Says that Mr. Durkin has been appointed Engineer to S.A. Gas Co. Thanks Hunt for help in the matter. 8 April (?May) 1915. 1 p. ms. 5/7/31 Ditto.

Further reference to Durkin. Comments on "feeling" shown at Sydney (Aust. Gas Light Co.?), and notes that Hunt will be advisor to S.A. Gas Co. in the "Parliamentary action now imminent".

11 June 1915. 1 p. ms. 5/7/31 Ditto.

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Concerns death of Mr. Dawkins. Other comments on Durkin and the Parliamentary Commission.

11 August 1915.

2 pp. ms.

# Advisor to Footscray Gas & Coke Co. Ltd.

5/8/1 Letter from F. Bengney Denton, Sec., Footscray Gas & Coke Co. Ltd., Whitehall Street, Footscray. Invitation to attend Board meeting. 6 March 1914.

1 p. ms.

1 p. ts.

5/8/2 Reply to 1 above. Also contains comment on form of Manager's weekly report. 9 March 1914.

5/8/3 Ditto. Re fees for Hunt's appointment as Supervising Engineer. 19 March 1914.

1 p. ts.

5/8/4 Letter from Denton. Reply to 3 above. Cummings & Sharp to confer with Hunt on matter of fees. 28 March 1914. 1 p. ms.

Letter to Denton. 5/8/5 Acceptance of terms. 7 April 1914. 1 p. ts.

5/8/6 Reply to 5 above. 9 April 1914. 1 p. ms.

# Mt. Lyell.

5/9/1 Letter from Wm. Jamieson, Mt. Lyell Co., (Melb.) Request that Hunt meet Board. 21 August 1913. 1 p. ms.

5/9/2 Letter from Thos. W. Haynes, Business Manager, The Mt. Lyell Chemical Works, 39 Queen St., Melbourne to The Chairman, Chemical Works Committee. Reports on management of Wallaroo-Mt. Lyell Fertilizers Ltd.

4 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

11 Feb. 1914.

5/9/3 Memo from Bowes Kelly.

Outlines proposals regarding Board elections.

23 October 1918.

1 p. ms.

5/9/4 Drafts of Hunt's reply to 3 above.
Rejects proposals.
30 October 1918.
2 sheets ms. in all.

5/9/5 Letter from C.W. (?)Grong, Market Place, Hobart.

Asks Hunt's advice on proposal by Bowes Kelly to appoint a Tasmanian Director. Encloses copy of letter, Grong to Kelly (found).

8 October 1920.

1 p. ts. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

5/9/6 Cutting from unknown newspaper.

Comment re takeover of the Primrose Co. by the Mt.Read-Rosebury company. Refers also to Bowes Kelly.

No date.

# 10. Other Directorships.

5/10/1 Letter, Jas. Cant, General Manager, The Australian Law Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., 237 Collins St., Melbourne to Hunt. Offers seat on Board. 5 Feb. 1914.

5/10/2 Letter, H.J. Harvey, Sec., Williamstown Gas Co. Ltd. Encloses 96th Half-yearly Report of the Directors of Company (found).

29 April 1914.

1 p. ts. Enclosure 2 pp (1 sheet) printed.

# GLASS 6. Other Business Interests.

# 1. Melbourne Fibre Syndicate.

6/1/1 Letter from David Melvin, Mining Agent & Manager of Mining Companies, 414 Collins St.

Offers Hunt a share in Syndicate. Encloses circular reformation of Syndicate. (found).

26 March 1909.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

6/1/2 Ditto.
Allotting shares to Hunt.
5 April 1909.
1 p. ms.

6/1/3 Ditto.

Reports on meeting of Syndicate. Encloses copy of report by prospector (not found); also encloses copy of motions passed at meeting re division of shares and formation of subsidiary Company to dispose of four of their leases. (fnd.)

1 May 1909.

2 pp. ms. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

6/1/4 Ditto.

Advises of meeting to discuss forming syndicate into Co.

6 May 1909.

1 p. ms.

6/1/5 Circular to members of Syndicate, reporting on fibres tested.

Signed David Melvin.

14 May 1909.

1 p. ts. (roneced).

6/1/6 Letter from David Melvin.

Advises that he holds la shares in trust for Hunt.

27 May 1909.

l p. ms.

6/1/7 Ditto. Melvin now describes himself as Secretary of Anglo-Australian Fibre Pty. Ltd., 414 Collins St.

Issue of Reserved Shares to provide funds for necessary expenses.

25 June 1909.

I p. ts.

6/1/8 Ditto.

Encloses 5 shares in new Co. to replace  $l_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$  shares formerly held in Syndicate. (not found).

6 July 1909.

I p. ms.

6/1/9 Ditto.

Requires endorsement of enclosure which is not found.

12 July 1909.

1 p. ms.

6/1/10 Report of Directors.

Gives lists of shareholders, names addresses and occupations of Directors and copy of Agreement setting up Company.

23 July 1909.

3 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

6/1/11 Letter from Melvin.

Issue of more Reserved Shares.

23 August 1909.

Re selling a share for Hunt. Encloses copy of letter from Frank O'Dowd, a shareholder, in Adelaide. O'Dowd seems to be watching the progress of a Bill through the S.A. Parliament which could have affected the Company's leases. Also comments on arrival of Dutch and English Engineers.

3 Sept. 1909.

1 p. ms. Enclosure 1 p. ts.

6/1/13 Ditto.

Encloses scrip; and reports progress on sale of one of Hunt's shares.

7 Sept. 1909.

1 p. ms.

# 2. Kemp Welch River Rubber Estates Ltd.

6/2/1 Circular from A.S. Bloomfield, Sec., New Guinea Rubber Estates No Liability. 450 Collins St.

Note: Circular is actually headed N.G. Rubber Estates Ltd. but later letters show that the limited Co. was not formed until later.

Reports formation of new comapny out of old Syndicate, and subsequent issue of shares. Also gives some account of state of property in New Guinea.

22 Feb. 1908.

1 p. ts.

6/2/2 Ditto.

Reports on visit to plantation. Note: The company is here described as No Liability.

29 July 1908.

1 p. ts.

6/2/3 Receipt for E. Tivey (Munt's broker) for 8th instalment on shares.

29 Oct. 1908.

6/2/4 Sold note concerning Hunt's shares in Tingha Consolidated Tin Co.

Issued by Edwin Tivey, Stock and Share Broker, 91 Queen St. 16 Dec. 1908.

6/2/5 Circular from Bloomfield.

Reports on prospects of Company, and notice of amalgamation of three leases under one manager.

2 Dec. 1908.

1 p. ts.

6/2/6 Letter from Bloomfield.

Requesting Hunt to take up new shares.

7 Dec. 1908.

6/2/7 Ditto. Future prospects for finances satisfactory; encloses receipt for application money for new shares. 22 Dec. 1908. 1 p. ts. 6/2/8 Receipt for 11th instalment on shares. 26 Jan. 1909. 6/2/9 Receipt for 12th instalment on shares. 2 March 1909.

6/2/10 Letter from Bloomfield. Encloses scrip for 2 Original Shares. 4 March 1909. 1 p. ts.

6/2/11 Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting of N.G. Rubber Estates No Liability. To discuss liquidation of Co. 12 March 1909. 2 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

6/2/12 Notice of Meeting to amalgamate the N.G. Rubber Estates No Liability with "other interests to form a bimited Liability Co. 12 March 1909. 4 pp. ts. (carbon copy).

6/2/13 Letter from Robt.L.Leane, Secretary, Kemp-Welch River Rubber Estates Pty. Ltd., 450 Collins St. Encloses scrip. Note: This co. is one of the "other interests in the Limited Liability Co. to be formed. (see 6/2/12 above). Addresses of this and N.G. Rubber Estates No Liability are the same. 31 March 1909. I p. ts.

6/2/14 Ditto. Acknowledges payment of call. 5 April 1909. 1 p. ts.

6/2/15 Ditto. Payment of second call. 19 April 1909. 1 p. ts.

6/2/16 Letter from Arthur Begg, Liquidator, New Guinea Rubber Estates No Liability, 450 Collins St. Announces allotment of shares in new company, Kemp-Welch River Rubber Estates Limited. 8 May 1909. 1 p. ts.

6/2/17 Letter from R.L. Leane.

Acknowledges payment of call in Kemp-Welch River Rubber Estates Ltd.

1 June 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/18 Letter from Bloomfield.

Request for payment of call to build up credit of Co.
2 July 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/19 Letter from Leane.

Acknowledgment of payment of call.
5 July 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/20 Ditto.

Allotment of shares, 260 of £1, in Kemp-Welch River Rubber Estates Ltd.

13 July 1909.

I p. ts.

6/2/21 Report on Visit to Plantation by A.S. Bloomfield. 14 July 1909.

4 pp. ts.

6/2/22 Letter from Bloomfield.

95 shares available @ 4/6 per share, at Hunt's request; also comments on general state of Company.

13 August 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/23 Ditto.

Requires confirmation of number os shares required.

17 August 1909.

1 p. ms.

6/2/24 Ditto.

Receipt for cheque enclosed. £15,000 to be spent on property.

19 August 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/25 Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting.

To discuss sale of company.

20 August 1909.

3 pp. ts. (roneoed).

6/2/26 Letter from Bloomfield.

In reply to queries from Hunt about sale of Co. and financial position.

27 August 1909.

l p. ts.

Collection: Hunt, P.C.H. Acc: 1961.0015 inc 1997.0145

6/2/27 Letter from Leane.

Acknowledges payment of call.

31 August 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/28 Letter from Bloomfield.

Asks Hunt to have talk with him about a Sisal-hemp venture.

3 Sept. 1909.

1 p. ts.

6/2/29 Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting.

For confirmation of Resolutions re sale of Co.
6 Sept. 1909.
1 p. ts. (roneced).

6/2/30 Letter from Leane.

Acknowledges payment of call.

1 Nov. 1909.

1 p.ts.

6/2/31 Report of Directors.
6 Dec. 1909.
3 pp. (1 sheet) printed.

6/2/32 Letter from Leane.

Requesting payment of second instalment on £25 Debenture.

20 June 1921.

1 p. ts.

Note: Receipt appended.

6/2/33 Ditto.

Request for payment of third instalment of £25 Debenture.

19 Sept. 1921.

1 p. ts.

6/2/34 Ditto.

Amount of instalment on Debentures not covered by a second Lien.

19 October 1921.

1 p. ts.

6/2/35 Card, announcing 5th Call. 14 Oct. 1921.

6/2/36 Letter from Leane,
Asking that money be paid before due date as it is urgently required.
21 Oct. 1921.
1 p. ts.
Note: Receipt appended.

#### 3. Proposed Flats.

- 6/3/1 Set of Plans for Flats.

  Marked "Scheme 4".

  No date.

  4 drawings.
- 6/3/2 Rough estimates, marked "Proposed Flats etc. Scheme No.4".
  No date.

  1 p. pencil ms.
- 6/3/3 Note, marked "Residential Flats Cubings for approximate Estimate".

  No date.

  1 p. pencil ms.
- 6/3/4 Prospectus.for Proposed Flats.

  Gives costs, proposed methods of construction, methods of raising finance. Note: The handwriting seems to be Hunt's 31 Dec. 1912.

  6 pp. ms.

# CLASS 7. Blueprints, and designs, etc.

# Box 11 1. From various sources.

- 7/1/1 Drawing, Regenerative Furnaces for Adderley St. Works, Birmingham.

  Produced by a German engineer at Dortmund.

  No date.
- 7/1/2 Blueprint, Details of Sight Boxes for Regenerative Furnaces.
  Produced by City of Birmingham Gas Dept.

  11 June 1902.
- 7/1/3 Blueprint.

  Another detail similar to 7/1/2 above.
  31 May 1902.
- 7/1/4 Blueprint, Shustoke Industrial School Proposed Extensions to Gas Works.

  Produced by the School itself (?) Initialled E.B.T.

  29 June 1900.
- 7/1/5 Blueprint, Proposed Radial Coke Shoot at End of Conveyor at W. Melbourne Works of the Metropolitan Gas Co.

  Produced by Johns & Waygood Ltd.

  31 March 1909.

7/1/6 Blueprint, Proposed Arrangement of Coal and Coke Handling Plant at Devonport Gas Works.

Produced by ?.

No date.

7/1/7 Blueprint, 12" Pitch Stamped Steel Chain. Produced by ?. No date.

7/1/8 Drawing of Hoppers.
Produced by ?.
No date.

# 2. Walsall Corporation Gas Works.

- 7/2/1 Drawing, General Details of 1st. Floor Joist Framework.
  Initialled B.N.S. (?B.N. Smith, Engineer to Gas Works.)
  4 Feb. 1901.
- 7/2/2 Blueprint, Proposed Reconstruction of Retort Settings, No. 1 Retort House.

  Drawing No. 2; signed B.N. Smith.

  No date.
- 7/2/3 Blueprint, Retort House No.1.
  Drawing No. 3.
  No date.

# 3. A. Dempster & Sons Ltd. (later R. & J. Dempster Ltd., Gas Plant Works, Manchester).

- 7/3/1 Blueprint No. 6750.

  Patent "Periect" Hot Coke Conveyor.
- 7/3/2 Elueprint No. 6785.

  New Patent Arrangement of Inclined Retort Houses.
- 7/3/3 Blueprint No. 7083.

  Design for Coal Weighing and Charging Machine.
- 7/3/4 Drawing No. 7229.

  General Arrangement of Hot Coke Conveyor.
- 7/3/5 Drawing, The "Darwen" Patent Bridge Pipe.
  Has some notes in ms. added.
- 7/3/6 Blueprint No. 12581.

  General Arrangement of Feld's Centrifugal Gas Washer; also some literature on same.
- 7/3/7 Brochure and drawings.

  Gas holders with Patent Spiral Plates.

  5 pp. (2 sheets) printed.
- 7/3/8 Brochure with drawing.
  Benzol Carburettor. 2 pp. printed.

Note: 7/3/5 to 7/3/8 found in envelope postmarked 19 ?April 1908.

# 4. The Economical Gas Apparatus Construction Co.

- 7/4/1 Blueprint, Worthington Steam Pump. 4 Jan. 1895.
- 7/4/2 Set of plans, Carburetted Water Gas Plant for Rochester Gas Works.
  - (i) Elevation 15 April 1898.
  - (ii) Building July 5, 1898.
  - (iii) Plan 28 June 1900.
  - (iv) Plan 3 Nov. 1902.
  - (v) Building 3 Nov. 1902.
  - (vi) Block Plan 9 June 1898.
- 7/4/3 Set of plans, Carburetted Water Gas Plant for Newport Gas Works.
  - (i) Building 28 June 1900.
  - (ii) General Elevation 4 July 1900.
  - (iii) General Plan 16 May 1902.
  - (iv) Block Plan 26 Sept. 1900.

Note: Both 7/4/2 and 7/4/3 were despatched (to Melbourne?) on 28 January 1903.

# 5. New Conveyor Co. Ltd., Smethwick.

- 7/5/1 Printed sketch, Little's Patent Hot Coke Conveyor.
- 7/5/2 Blueprint, Plan of Alternative Method of Fixing Little's Patent Hot Coke Conveyor, No.2343.
- 7/5/3 Printed sketch, Combined Coal and Ash Conveyor for Boiler House.
- 7/5/4 Blueprint, Standard Sections of Conveyor, No. 2341.
- 7/5/5 Blueprint, Arrangement of Standard Retort Charging Shoot, No. 2324.
- 7/5/6 Blueprint, Section of 20" Elevator, No. 2317.

# Gibbons Bros., Dibdale Works, Dudley.

- 7/6/1 General Plan of Retort Bench Installation for Wrexham Gas Co., No. 5361.

  10 April 1907.
- 7/6/2 Cross Section of Proposed Retort House and Coal Store for Newcastle Gas Co., No. 6666.

  3 Sept. 1908.
- 7/6/3 Proposed Elevation of Retort Benches for Newcastle Gas Co., No. 6668.

MESSE B. Photographs.

	CLASS	8. Photographs.	
Box 12	8/1	Family group, framed.	
Acc: 97/ included this box	l in	Names from left to right are probably: Seated - Clifford, Pater (Charles), Mater, Ettie. Behind - Phillip Charles Holmes, Wyllis. In front - Rhoda.	
	8/2	Ettie (probably) framed.	
	8/3	Rhoda (probably) framed.	
	Note:	8/2 and 8/3 may be reversed.	
	8/4	Mater (2 photos.)	
	8/5	Family group and view from a hill.	
	8/6	English countryside, photographs and negatives in folder.	
	8/7	Group (possibly early one of family).	
	8/8	Young girl. Marked Dusseldorf, 22 VI 1900.	
	8/9	Young man. On back marked E.D. Easter 1895. Possibly Edward Davenport.	
	8/10	Young man. Marked on envelope P.C.H. Hunt.	
	8/11	Group of young people on lawn and tennis court. Possibly Hunt, sisters and friends.	
	8/12	Group of photos of Army parade, possibly the Cyclist Co., in envelope.	
	8/13	Group of photos of Army camps, bivouacs, etc., in 3 envelope	s.
Mary .	8/14	Young woman, possibly Frank, Hunt's wife.	
-	8/15	Group - Frank, Hunt, and ? Frank's parents Mr.& Mrs. Lugg.	
	8/16	Hunt and family at home after Cara's birth, e.g. c.1914.	
	8/17	Results of fire at The Grange, Jan. 1912.	
	8/18	Country homestead and races.	
	8/19	Postcards of Melbourne, c. 1910.	
	8/20	Two young children, possibly Sheila and Jean, Hunt's sister Rhoda's children.	
	8/21	Series showing aspects of a Gas Works, possibly Birmingham.	
	8/22	Series showing gas engineering and coal handling works.	
		Found in 2 folders marked "British" and "Continental". This however was no guide to contents, since in several cases the same photo was found in both folders.	
v	8/23	Series (4 photos) of gas street lamps.	
	8/24	Group taken at the South Melbourne Works of the M.G.C. on the occasion of the first charging of the Dessau Vertical Retorts, 27 July 1912. Names beneath photograph.	

8/25	Drawing Office Staff of M.G.C., October 1913.	
	Names of men listed on back.	125
8/26	Photographs of lake, machinery, and hunting scenes.	
	Found in envelope addressed to Hunt and postmarked Queenstown, Tasmania. In top left corner is written "Photogrphs only from B. Whitington".	
8/27	4 negatives of country similar to W. coast of Tasmania.	
8/28	Jet of water playing against side of hill - Mt. Iyell mining area?	
8/29	A family group - not the Hunts.	
8/30	2 photographs of a fun fair and machinery connected with same.	
8/31	Photographs of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris.	
8/32	Photograph of Napoleon's Tomb, marked Jan. 1903.	
8/33	Reproductions of <u>Venus de Milo</u> and <u>Mme. Mole Raymond</u> , from Maison Ad. Braun & Cie., Paris.	
8/34	Dining Hall, No. 2 College, Malvern, 1892.	
8/35	3 negatives of group of men at a Gas would be negative of " " (possibly thank a of Directors) - Melbourne?	rs Site board

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