



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	EDGAR FAMILY
ACCESSION NO	A.1969.0005
CATEGORY	Other, individuals
ACTIVITY	Early settlers
DATE RANGE	1830-1963
SIZE OF COLLECTION	4 metres (25 archives boxes, 2 cm. photographs) Photograph; Plan, architectural; Newscutting; Publication.
HISTORICAL NOTE	Herbert Edgar, heir to the London silk importers Swan & Edgar, migrated to Victoria in the 1860's, buying land in Gippsland. His father-in-law, Col. W. Mair, founded the mounted police force under the Superintendent C.J. La Trobe in 1846. Mair's granddaughter, Blanche Due, lived in Shanghai 1910-1914, mixing in European circles there.
DATE OF TRANSFER	7 March 1969
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Open
DESCRIPTION	William Edgar papers includes: Personal correspondence; personal records; business records; investments; travel material. Helen Maffey papers includes: Correspondence; financial material. Herbert Edgar papers includes: Correspondence; birth certificates. Charles Maffey papers includes: Correspondence; Will Trust papers. Colonel William Mair papers includes: Diaries; reports; minutes; commission; newspaper clippings; correspondence; business records. Sara Mair letters. Isabella Smith papers includes: Letters; newsclippings. Ernest Fordham-Harriss papers includes: correspondence. J.M. Smith papers includes: Correspondence; financial records; newspaper clippings. Blanch Due and Family letters. Society of Edgar Families/Edgar History papers includes: Letters; minutes; receipts; financial papers; publications; newsclippings. Also relics; publications; postcard collection; material regarding Swan and Edgar; photographs. John Gill 1853 drawings for house for Captain Mair (2 sheets, one torn)
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	
NOTE ON LISTING	
LISTED BY	Elizabeth Lanyon Anna Blainey
DATE	January 1980

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ADDRESS:

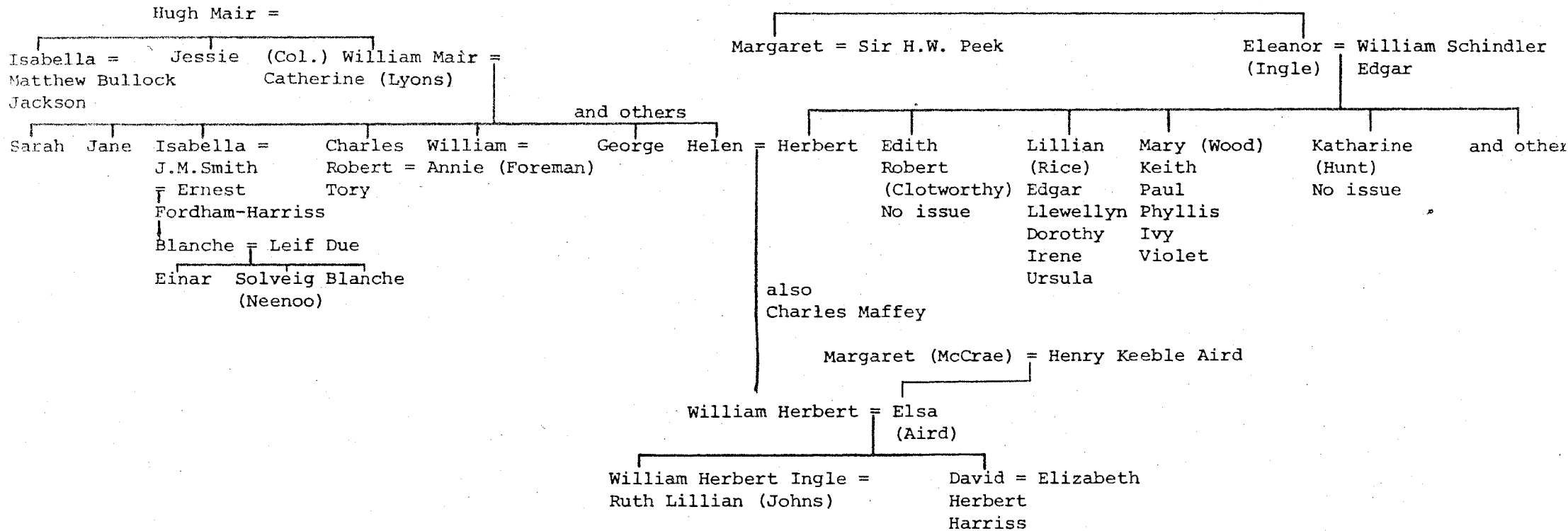
TRANSFEROR: Mrs. W. Edgar

DATE OF TRANSFER: 7 March 1969

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1830-1963

* FAMILY TREE - EDGAR *

Frances = William



BOXGROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR

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1/1 Personal Correspondence: Family

1/1/1 Eleanor Edgar to W.H. Edgar
11 April 1895

1/1/2 W. Mair (Grandfather) to W.H. Edgar
25 March ?

1/1/3 Maris (Rice) to W.H. Edgar
2 May 1913

1/1/4 G. Mair, Shanghai to W.H. Edgar
22 September 1914

1/1/5 Auntie Madge to W.H. Edgar
30 June 1915

1/1/6/1-10 Mrs. H. Maffey (mother) to W.H. Edgar
10 January 1913
23 May 1914
27 July 1914
16 October 1916
22 October 1916
22 October 1916
29 October 1916
5 November 1916
18 November 1916
13 July 1931

1/1/7/1-3 Edith Clotworthy to W.H. Edgar
(aunt)
6 November 1912
7 October 1924
26 November 1924

1/1/8/1-8 Lillian Rice (aunt) to W.H. Edgar
12 October 1936
24 January 1937
8 August 1937
26 October 1937
2 January 1938
13 March 1938
11 June 1938
29 June 1938

1/1/9 Irene Rice to W.H. Edgar
9 October 1938

1/1/10 C. Llewelyn Rice to W.H. Edgar
26 June 1938

1/1/11/1-5 Phyllis (Wood?) to W.H. Edgar
1 July 1937
16 August 1937
28 December 1937
5 January 1938
4 February 1938

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

- 1/1/11/6 Phyllis to Elsa Edgar
9 March 1938
- 1/1/11/7 Phyllis to W.H. Edgar
No date
- 1/1/12 Katharine Hunt to W.H. Edgar
(aunt)
5 August 1942
- 1/1/13/1-2 Lucy Hepburn to W.H. Edgar
1 December 1936
16 March 1937
- 1/1/14/1-2 Amy Hepburn to W.H. Edgar
27 November 1936 with photograph of family
6 August 1937
- 1/1/15/1-3 Postcards
Elsa Edgar to W.H. Edgar
- 1/2 Personal Correspondence: Other
- 1/2/1 Letter James Reynolds to Mrs. Edgar
12 November 1908
- 1/2/2 Letter John Thompson to W.H. Edgar; with
- 1/2/3/1-2 Letter Union Bank of Australia to W.H. Edgar
20 January 1932 and Cheque
- 1/2/4 Record Smoke Night to Mr. W.H. Edgar
18 May 1934
- 1/2/5 Letter Ralph G. Peters to W.H. Edgar
9 August 1934
- 1/2/6 Letter City of Brighton to W.H. Edgar
4 November 1936
- 1/2/7 Letter H. Hartwig to W.H. Edgar
7 August 1937
- 1/2/8 Letter W.J. Thompson to W.H. Edgar
7 January 1938
- 1/2/9 Letter Mitchell Library, Sydney to W.H. Edgar
9 February 1938
- 1/2/10 Letter E.E. Douglas Smith to W.H. Edgar
15 June 1938
- 1/2/11 Letter M. C. Smith to W.H. Edgar
29 January 1940

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

- 1/2 Personal Correspondence: Other cont.
- 1/2/12/1-2 Account Malleson Stewart Stawell and Nankwell to W.H. Edgar
24 June 1942
Estate of Mrs. H. Maffey; with
Receipt, 1 July 1942
- 1/2/13/1-2 Letters A.H. Devin, Darwin, to W.H. Edgar, Deputy Warden and
members, Box Hill F.A.P. and A.R.P.
14 March 1943 and undated
- 1/2/14 Letter A.H. Devin to W.H. Edgar
Undated
- 1/2/15 Circular letter International Book Club
9 December 1947
- 1/2/16 Draft letter
W.H. Edgar to A.M. Duncan, Chief Commissioner of Police, Victoria
11 February 1953; with
- 1/2/17 Letter A.M. Duncan to W.H. Edgar
13 February 1953
- 1/2/18 Letter M. Edgar to W.H. Edgar
24 July 1963
- 1/2/19 Excerpt Silken Threads Wilhelmina Stitch
- 1/2/20 Fragment Letter
- 1/2/21 Letter from Mrs. Edgar to Genealogical Society
- 1/2/22 Account Rates. Genealogical Society. 1942
- 1/2/23 Circulars Genealogical Society 1944
- 1/2/24 Letter Mrs. C. Kenny to Owners, "Forwood"
16 March 1958
- 1/2/25 Letter N. Learmonth to W.H. Edgar
9 July 1933
- 1/2/26 Summary of address by J. D. G. Medley "Cultural or Community
Centre". By W. H. Edgan for Box Hill Council
- 1/2/27 Poem To Mr. L. E. Scott from W.H. Edgan
24 December 1943

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

- 1/3 Estate of Mrs. Margaret Aird
- 1/3/1/1-4 Letter Trustees Co. to W.H. Edgar, 26 September, 1942, with
Letters Malleson, Stewart & Co. to Trustees Co.
7 September 1942
18 September 1942
23 September 1942 and
- 1/3/2/1-3 Letter Department of Mental Hygiene, Victoria to Trustees Co.,
23 September, 1942; and
Letter Coghill & Son to Trustees Co.,
28 August, 1942, and
Sketch Plan "Chester Hill" 85 Windsor Crescent, Mont Albert; and
- 1/3/3/1-2 Draft letter W.H. Edgar to Trustees Co.,
2 October 1942; and
Rough notes re "Chester Hill"
- 1/3/4 Letter Trustees Co. to W.H. Edgar
7 October 1942
- 1/3/5/1-2 Letter Trustees, Executors and Agency Co.Ltd. to W.H. Edgar
18 June 1943; with
Copy of letter Public Trust Office to Trustees Co.
11 June 1943
- 1/3/6 Letter Trustees Co. to W.H. Edgar
18 November 1955
- 1/3/7 Envelopes empty (8)
- 1/4 Personal Records: Car
- 1/4/1 Receipts Canada Cycle & Motor Co. 1940-1957
- 1/4/2 Accounts and Receipts F. Blight, Motor Engineer, Croydon
1953-1956
- 1/4/3 Account Vanguard Co. P/L 1956
- 1/4/4 Account Spicers Spring Works 1954
- 1/4/5 Account Valonia Motors 1952
- 1/4/6 Account Box Hill Tyre Service 1952
- 1/4/7 Account Solano Engineers 1953
- 1/4/8 Letter of Introduction "Motor Commerce" (Motor Trade Monthly,
England)
W.H. Edgar to Austin Motor Co.Ltd.
13 August 1934

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

- 1/4 Personal Records: Car cont.
- 1/4/9 Entry Form Fourth Victory Loan Rally
- 1/4/10 Notice to Drivers Endorsement of Licence 1952
- 1/4/11 Registration Papers
1953-1957
- 1/4/12 Miscellaneous Notes Car performance, etc.
- 1/4/13 Certificates of registration and other papers. Dodge
- 1/5 Personal Records: Justice of the Peace
- 1/5/1 Letter Secretary, Law Department to W.C. McKenzie
11 May 1934
(on reverse, note, W. McKenzie to W.H. Edgar)
- 1/5/2 Letter Secretary, Law Department to W.C. McKenzie
29 May 1934
- 1/5/3 Letter Honorary Justices Association of Victoria to W.H. Edgar
5 June 1934
- 1/5/6 Receipt Honorary Justices Association
1 September 1934
- 1/5/7 Constitution and Notice of Meeting Honorary Justices Association
17 March 1938
- 1/5/8 Letter of Introduction Honorary Justices Association. W.H. Edgar
3 May 1938
- 1/5/9 Notice of Appointment
29 May 1934
- 1/6 Personal Records: Banking
- 1/6/1 Cheque butts Union Bank of Australasia
1933-1939 (9 books)
- 1/6/2 Bank Book Union Bank of Australasia
1927-1936
- 1/6/3 Bank Statements
Union Bank
1938 and two drafts, Barclays
1939, 1943
- 1/6/4 Travellers' Cheque folder
Union Bank
- 1/6/5 Letter Walter D. Margetson to W.H. Edgar
undated
Contained in one envelope marked "Union Bank, London"

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

1/6 Personal Records: Banking cont.

1/6/6 Bank Drafts

1/6/7 Notes Cost of trip to England

1/6/8/1-5 Letters Union Bank to W.H. Edgar
12 April 1938
23 June 1938
20 July 1938
25 July 1938
6 August 1938

1/6/9/1-3 Statements Union Bank
1937
1938
1946

1/6/10 Notifications of remittances
Union Bank of Australia
1938
Cable
30 July 1938

1/6/11 Draft Letter W. H. Edgar to Manager, Union Bank of Australia
17 May, 1946

1/7 Personal Records: Business

1/7/1 The Australian Exporter Vol. 1 No. 1
August, 1935 (2 copies)

1/7/2 Leaflet The Australian Exporter: List of Service Departments
(4 copies)

1/7/3 Leaflet "26 Reasons Why!" The Australian Exporter
(19 copies)

1/7/4 Exercise Book interleaved with letters and invoices
Edgar and Hosking P/L
1935-1936

1/7/5/1-9 Correspondence W.H. Edgar and G.L. Hosking
29 June 1935
10 July 1935
15 July 1935 with draft Contract Form
3 September 1935
5 September 1935
8 September 1935
9 September 1935
10 October 1935
19 October 1935

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

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- 1/7 Personal Records: Business
- 1/7/6/1-2 Correspondence W.H. Edgar and A. Bishop
21 November 1935
25 November 1935 (2)
- 1/7/7/1-2 Letter G.J. Lucas to W.H. Edgar
9 October 1935; with
Memorandum Johannesburg Empire Exhibition
- 1/7/8 Letter Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce Insurance Co.Ltd.
to W.H. Edgar
16 October 1935
- 1/7/9/1-2 Telegrams George Cross to W.H. Edgar
31 January 1936
Geoffrey Hosking to W.H. Edgar
18 February 1936
- 1/7/10/1-2 Accounts W.H. Edgar
24 July 1935
Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Co.
30 July 1935
- 1/7/11/1-3 Code; with
Draft Lettergramme and blank telegramme form
- 1/7/12 Specification for Advertisement form
blank
- 1/7/13 Contract form
Blank
- 1/7/14 Draft Contract form
For Printer
- 1/7/15 Itinerary "The Australian Exporter"
Overseas Tour No.1
- 1/7/16 Miscellaneous Notes handwritten
- 1/7/17 Newscutting Sun no date Re exports
- 1/7/18 Pamphlet The New Markets Development League
- 1/7/19 Cheque butts Union Bank
August 1935 - October 1935
- 1/7/20 Statement Union Bank
1936
- 1/7/21 Notice Convening Meeting of Creditors of Edgar and Hosking Pty.Ltd.
J.K. Hall. Liquidator
10 December 1935

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

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- 1/7 Personal Records: Business cont.
- 1/7/22 Statement of Affairs Edgar and Hosking Pty.Ltd.
23 December 1935
- 1/7/23 Letter J.K. Hall to W.H. Edgar
26 February 1936
- 1/7/24 Promissory Notes
G.L. Hosking to W.H. Edgar
1935
- 1/7/25 Agreement J.K. Hall, Liquidator, Edgar and Hosking Pty.Ltd.
with W.H. Edgar (2 copies)
- 1/7/26 Account and Receipt Malleson, Stewart, Stawell & Nankwell
8 April 1936
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- 1/8 Personal Records: Investment
- 1/8/1 The following are contained in a National Bank of Australasia bag
- 1/8/1/1 Bankers' Cash Receipt Book
- 1/8/1/2 Plan of Survey Portion C Crown Allotment 5 Section A Parish of
Woolamai County of Mornington
- 1/8/1/3 Circular to Shareholders Silverton Tramway Company Ltd.
10 January 1921
- 1/8/1/4 Share certificate Federal Oil Development Syndicate
- 1/8/1/5 Receipt for certificate of title McCay & Thwaites, Solicitors
- 1/8/1/6 Receipt for share scrip Noall & Son
22 October 1923
- 1/8/1/7 Cheque Book Folder empty
- 1/8/1/8 Miscellaneous Note
- 1/8/2 Rate notices and correspondence
Shire of Bass
1952-1953
- 1/8/3 Rate notices and correspondence
Shire of Box Hill
1953-1955
- 1/8/4 Receipts Treasury, Victoria Payments of rent or purchase
money under Land Act. Various properties and people, not
W.H. Edgar 1903-1916
Annotated in Edgar's handwriting (Properties to him by will?)

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GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

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- 1/8 Personal Records: Investment cont.
- 1/8/5 Memorandum of Agreement W.H. Edgar, Peter Ingbristen and
Herman Christensen, San Remo
10 August 1927 Tenancy
- 1/8/6 Memorandum of Agreement W.H. Edgar and Peter Ingbristen
10 August 1930 Tenancy
- 1/8/7 Draft letter W.H. Edgar to Mayor, Lilydale Shire Council
Re planning permission, Croydon Rubber Mills Pty.Ltd.
- 1/8/8 Balance sheet Croydon Rubber Mills Pty.Ltd.
30 June 1958
Directors' Report Croydon Rubber Mills Pty.Ltd.
30 June 1958
- 1/8/9 Miscellaneous notes share dividends, investment returns, etc.
- 1/8/10/1 Brochure "Chateau Wyuna" Swansea Road, Lilydale
- 1/8/10/2 Letter Chateau Wyuna to W.H. Edgar
- 1/8/10/3 Letter Malleson, Stewart & Co. to W.H. Edgar
31 May 1956
Re Mortgage
- 1/8/11 Account and Receipt Malleson, Stewart & Co.
21 May 1956

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- 1/9 Personal Records: Travel Literature, etc.
- 1/9/1 The Battle of Greece Ronald Manson
- 1/9/2 Catalogues Theology, Philosophy and General Literature
W.F. Henderson, bookseller 1938
- 1/9/3 I ask for the War Way of Life 16 November 1942
- 1/9/4 Pamphlet Elshieshields Tower
- 1/9/5 Programme "Laburnum Grove" J.B. Priestley Duchess Theatre,
Aldwych
- 1/9/6 Pamphlet The Legend of the Twinlaw Cairns (2 copies)
- 1/9/7 The Portland Progress Association Guide 1926-1927
- 1/9/8/1 Pamphlet S.S. "Otranto" The Cocos Islands
- 1/9/8/2 Dinner Menu Orient Line Signed
- 1/9/9 The Styles of English Architecture Part 1 Arthur Stratton

GROUP 1. W.H. EDGAR cont.

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- 1/9 Personal Records: Travel Literature, etc. cont.
- 1/9/10 Menu London and North Eastern Railway
- 1/9/11 Ancient Monuments and Historic Buildings in Southern Scotland
Automobile Association
- 1/9/12 Passengers' Contract Ticket Oreint Line "Otranto"
1 September 1938
- 1/9/13/1-2 Card G.T. Bune. "National Health Insurance Optician"
Ticket "Buffet della Stazione Pompei"
- 1/9/14 Travel diaries and instructions for those left behind (6)
- 1/9/15 The "Express" Ready Reckoner
- 1/9/16 Transfers(2) Empire Exhibition Scotland 1938
- 1/9/17 Cards (?) Lamberts of Kingston Ltd.
- 1/9/18 Miscellaneous Notes (4)
- 2
- 1/10 Personal Records: Miscellaneous
- 1/10/1 School Reports Elm House Clapham Common 1896 (2)
- 1/10/2 Invitation "Pink Snake Brewing Co." Undated
- 1/10/3 Record 40th Wedding Anniversary
13 February 1954
- 1/10/4 Diary 1958
- 1/10/5 Identification Card W.H. Edgar Administrative Officer, State
Emergency Council for Civil Defence
10 January 1942
- 1/10/6 Letter Edith Clotworthy to W.H. Ingle Edgar
6 November 1923
- 1/10/7 Letter Margaret Edgar to W.H. Ingle Edgar
13 July 1963
- 1/10/8 Notice of Application for Probate
Elsa M. Edgar
- 1/10/9 Marriage notices W.H.I. Edgar to Ruth Johns
Age 23 December 1940
Argus 23 December 1940

BOX

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GROUP 2. HELEN MAFFEY

Note: W.H. Edgar was Helen Maffey's son by her first marriage

2/1 Correspondence: Family

2/1/1/1-5 Colonel W. Mair to Helen Maffey (daughter)
5 February 1899
21 March 1899
21 April 1900
15 July 1900
22 July 1901

2/1/2/1-13 Correspondence Herbert Edgar to Helen Maffey (then Mair)
1889-1900

2/1/3/1-22 Correspondence W. Edgar to Helen Maffey
1910-1934

2/1/4 Letter Eleanor Edgar (mother of Herbert) to Herbert and Helen
Edgar
3 September 1891

2/1/5/1-4 Letters A.S. Peek to Helen Maffey
18 March 1894
8 April 1893
31 December 1896
17 March ?

2/1/6 Letter Katharine Hunt (sister inlaw) to Helen Maffey
27 May ?

2/1/7 Letter Lillian Rice (sister inlaw) to Helen Maffey
21 November 1923

2/1/8/1-5 Letters Sarah Mair (sister) to Helen Maffey
16 October 1910
3 September 1912
12 August 1914
3 December 1914
22 March ?

2/1/9/1-6 Letters Edith Clotworthy (sister inlaw) to Helen Maffey
3 October 1912
19 June 1917
14 November 1917
2 December 1918
10 December 1918
24 October 1923

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GROUP 2. HELEN MAFFEY cont.

- 2/1 Correspondence: Family cont.
- 2/1/10/1-2 Letter Isabella Smith (sister) to Helen Maffey
13 January 1915
19 July 1917
- 2/1/11/1-6 Letters Mary Wood sister inlaw) to Helen Maffey
12 November 1915
16 January 1917
7 October 1917
14 December 1917
13 May 1918
10 December 1918
- 2/1/12/1-2 Letter William Mair (brother) to Helen Maffey
6 May 1919
11 November 1924
- 2/1/13 Letter C.R. Mair (brother) to Helen Maffey
17 March 1916
- 2/1/14/1-4 Letters Ivy Wood (niece) to Helen Maffey
28 April ?
28 July ?
18 October?
3 November ?
- 2/1/15 Letter Paul (Wood) (nephew) to Helen Maffey
25 January 1917
- 2/1/16/1-2 Letters Violet Wood (niece) to Helen Maffey
2 January 1919
22 November 1919
- 2/1/17/1 Letter Leif Due (nephew) to Helen Maffey
13 July 1914; with
- 2/1/17/2-12 Photographs Nanking (11)
- 2/1/18/1-3 Letters "Neenoo" Solveig Due (niece) to Helen Maffey
undated (3)
- 2/1/19 Letter Blanche Due (niece) to Helen Maffey, undated
- 2/1/20 Letter Einair Due (nephew) to Helen Maffey, undated
- 2/1/21/1-5 Letters (W.H.) Ingle Edgar (grandson) to Helen Maffey
undated (2)
14 November 1931
13 May 1934
2 August 1934

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GROUP 2. HELEN MAFFEY cont.

- 2/1 Correspondence: Family cont.
- 2/1/22/1-3 Letters David Edgar (grandson) to Helen Maffey
undated (2)
30 August 1934
- 2/2 Correspondence: Other
- 2/2/1 Letter Thomas Cook & Son to Helen Maffey
9 May 1911
- 2/2/2 Letter Gwne Topp (?) to Helen Maffey
1 May 1917
- 2/2/3/1-2 Letters S.H. Sargant, London County Westminster & Parr's Bank
Ltd. to Helen Maffey
25 August 1919
19 June 1920
- 2/2/4 Letter Kitty (?) to Helen Maffey
26 January 1925
- 2/2/5 Letter Mission of St. James and St. John to Helen Maffey
3 January 1933
- 2/2/6/1-4 Letters Public Library of Victoria to Helen Maffey
10 October 1934
7 May 1935
17 August 1936
11 February 1937
- 2/2/7 Letter Mrs. Aitken to Helen Maffey
22 October 1923
Re Col. Mair
- 2/2/8/1-2 Letters Gilbert H. Mair to E. McCaughan "The Australasian"; with
Letter E. McCaughan to Helen Maffey
28 April 1937
- 2/2/9 Account H. S. King Dock Dues, etc. on baggage
20 December 1916
- 2/2/10/1-2 Letters Charles Strong to Helen Maffey
18 February 1914
25 February 1914
- 2/2/11/1-2 Letters F. Schroder to Helen Maffey
27 November 1918
11 December 1918
- 2/2/12 Postcard Annie (?) to Helen Maffey
1897
- 2/2/13/1-2 Accounts W. Lechte Grave Decorator
1926
1928

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- GROUP 2. HELEN MAFFEY cont.
- 2/3 Miscellaneous cont.
- 2/3/1 Receipt Sarah Mair to Helen Maffey Moneys repaid on loan
- 2/3/2 Note Date of marriage to Charles Maffey; date and place of death and burial
- 2/3/3 Marriage certificate Helen Edgar to Charles Maffey (2 copies)
- 2/3/4 Death certificate Charles Maffey
- 2/3/5 Miscellaneous notes in Helen Maffey's handwriting
- 2/3/6 Illuminated Scripture Text Book "To Helen Mair from her father 5 April 1877"
- 2/3/7 Bankbook Union Bank of Australia 1923-1931
Note: See also Herbert Edgar Will Trust of which Helen Maffey and W.H. Edgar were sole beneficiaries. Bank statements etc. are to be found there
- 2/3/8 Bank
- 2/3/9 Draft W. Mair in favour of Helen Maffey
19 April 1900
- 2/3/10 Poem "Sometime" In Helen Maffey's handwriting
- 2/3/11 Pressed flower "Worn at dear Willie's wedding"
- 2/3/12 Memo "For P de J. Grut" Re Eureka Stockade (2 drafts)

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- GROUP 3. HERBERT EDGAR
- 3/1 Certificate of Birth Streatham, Surrey 1864
- 3/2 Certificate of Marriage Herbert Edgar to Helen Mair
30 October 1889
- 3/3 Letter Cuthbert E. Peek to Herbert Edgar
27 January 1890
- 3/4 Letter Henry W. Peek to Herbert Edgar
14 August 1894
- 3/5 Letter Augusta Peek to Herbert Edgar
16 July 1901
- 3/6 Letter London and South Western Bank Ltd.
13 January 1905
- 3/7 Letter Charles A. Bannister & Reynolds, Solicitors to Herbert Edgar
26 November 1897 Re Eleanor Edgar's Estate

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GROUP 3. HERBERT EDGAR cont.

- 3/8 Statement of Distribution of Estate Mr. Oswald Edgar deceased
(Brother of Herbert Edgar) 1898
- 3/9 Letter E.A.G. Stawell to Herbert Edgar
12 February 1894
Re McDonald's Track property
- 3/10 Letter Cavell, Strachan & Lardell, Stockbrokers to Herbert
Edgar; with
- 3/11 Dividend Certificate Midland Railway Company 1899
- 3/12/1-10 Letters Cavell, Strachan & Lardell to Herbert Edgar
5 April 1900
10 April 1900
5 June 1900
29 August 1900
13 September 1900
6 November 1900
6 May 1901
6 June 1902
9 July 1902
24 November 1903
- 3/13 Letter Charles A. Bannister & Reynolds to Herbert Edgar
7 November 1900
- 3/14 Certificate of posting of a registered postal packet
10 November 1903
Annotated by Herbert Edgar

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GROUP 4. CHARLES MAFFEY

- 4/1/1-3 Letters Agent-General for Victoria
25 October 1910
(Permission to visit Tower of London)
(Re Woolwich Arsenal) 25 October 1910
(Ticket for Woolwich Arsenal) 26 October 1910
- 4/2 Envelopes Empty. Addressed to Charles Maffey (12)
- 4/3 Card Charles Maffey "Country Property Expert and Agriculturist"
- 4/4 Letter Helen Maffey to Reynolds (Solicitors) No date
Re Maffey's estate

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GROUP 5. HERBERT EDGAR WILL TRUST

Of which Helen Maffey and W.H. Edgar were sole beneficiaries

- 5/1/1-3 Accounts Reynolds, Miles, Barnes and Drake
1910
1913
1939
- 5/2/1-4 Letters Reynolds to Helen Maffey
22 October 1910
1 November 1911
15 November 1912
16 May 1913
- 5/3 Letter Malleson's to Helen Maffey
24 July 1913
- 5/4 Opinion A. St. John Clarke to Reynolds
11 November 1912
- 5/5/1-3 Affadavits Maffey & Edgar. In the High Court of Justice,
Chancery Division. Mr. Justice Warrington
Helen Maffey and Mrs. I. Smith
William Herbert Edgar
Charles R. Mair and A. Clarke
- 5/6 Letter Helen Maffey to (?) 1911
- 5/7 Letter Madden & Co. to Helen Maffey
22 November 1911
- 5/8/1-3 Letters Reynolds and Miles to Helen Maffey
22 April 1925
20 May 1926
27 May 1926
- 5/9 Letter (Copy) Public Trustee to Madden, Butler & Co.
23 September 1926
- 5/10/1-2 Letter Madden Butler & Co. to Helen Maffey
8 November 1927; with
Letters Public Trustee to Malleson & Co.,
3 October 1927
- 5/11/1-2 Account Madden, Butler & Co. to Helen Maffey
29 September 1928, with Receipt
- 5/12 Letter Reynolds, Miles & Co. to Helen Maffey
3 February 1939
- 5/13 Letter Malleson & Co. to W.H. Edgar
28 May 1928; with
- 5/14 Letter Public Trustee to Malleson & Co.
22 February 1927; and
- 5/15 Letter Lumley & Lumley to Reynolds & Miles
16 February 1927; and

BOXGROUP 5. HERBERT EDGAR WILL TRUST cont.

- 5/16 Letter Malleson & Co. to Public Trustee
1 April 1927
- 5/17 Letter Malleson & Co. to W.H. Edgar
27 June 1927; with
- 5/18 Letter Public Trustee to Malleson & Co.
20 May 1927
- 5/19 Letter Malleson & Co. to W.H. Edgar
28 May 1928; with
- 5/20 Letter Public Trustee to Malleson & Co.
24 April 1928
- 5/21 Telegram Reynolds & Miles to W.H. Edgar
undated
- 5/22/1-2 Letters Reynolds & Co. to W.H. Edgar
3 March 1939
29 May 1940
- 5/23/1-10 Bank statements London & County Banking Co.Ltd.
(later, Westminster Bank Ltd.)
1908, 1909, 1910, 1917, 1918, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929
- 5/24/1-8 Letters Westminster Bank to Helen Maffey
21 October 1910
20 April 1925
29 April 1925
5 March 1926
21 September 1926
30 March 1927
19 March 1928
4 May 1928
- 5/25/1-4 Letters Helen Maffey to Westminster Bank
12 September 1925
9 January 1926
7 June 1928
Undated
- 5/26/1-3 Bank statements Union Bank of Australia Ltd.
1928; 1931-2
- 5/27 Notices of credit Union Bank 1928-1938
- 5/28/1-4 Notices of debit Union Bank
1931-1936

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GROUP 5. HERBERT EDGAR WILL TRUST cont.

5/29/1-53 Letters Public Trustee Office, London to Helen Maffey
20 December 1922
22 December 1922
30 January 1925
20 April 1925) with letter Reynolds & Co. to Public Trustee
) and letter Public Trustee to Reynolds & Co.
4 May 1925
31 May 1926
15 June 1926) with letter Lumley & Lumley to Reynolds & Co.
30 August 1926
31 August 1926
6 January 1928
28 April 1928
17 May 1928 (2)
7 July 1928
13 July 1928
1 August 1928
18 October 1928 (2)
December 1928
1 January 1929
4 February 1929
16 February 1929
4 April 1929 (Receipt)
25 May 1929
30 January 1935
28 January 1938
1 February 1938) with letter Reynolds & Co. to Public Trustee
27 July 1938
July 1938
17 September 1938
18 October 1938
28 October 1938
17 November 1938
21 November 1938 (2)
2 January 1939) to W.H. Edgar
16 January 1939) to Helen Maffey
23 January 1939) with letter Lillian Rice to W.H. Edgar. To Lillian Rice
26 January 1939) to Helen Maffey
31 January 1939 (2)) to W.H. Edgar
2 February 1939) to W.H. Edgar, with letter Reynolds & Co. to Public Trustees
3 March 1939) to W.H. Edgar
20 March 1939) to Helen Maffey
28 August 1939) to W.H. Edgar
5 July 1939) to W.H. Edgar
19 September 1939) to W.H. Edgar
23 January 1940) to W.H. Edgar
19 June 1940) to Helen Maffey with notice of redemption, Dominion of Canada 4% registered stock
4 July 1940) to Helen Maffey
10 October 1940) to Helen Maffey with draft letter, Helen Maffey to Public Trustee
13 January 1941 (Telegram) with draft reply

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GROUP 5. HERBERT EDGAR WILL TRUST cont.

- 5/30/1-3 Letters (drafts) Helen Maffey to Public Trustee
11 October 1926
23 December 1928
12 April 1929
- 5/31 Letter W.H. Edgar to Public Trustee
27 August 1928
(draft and 2 copies typed)
- 5/32 Letter W.H. Edgar to Public Trustee
20 January 1939
- 5/33/1-3 Letter W.H. Edgar to Public Trustee (1939) with
Letter W.H. Edgar to Registrar of Deaths, 25 July 1939; and
Letter W.H. Edgar to Reynolds & Co., 25 July 1939
- 5/34/1-2 Letter Registrar to W.H. Edgar
11 September 1939; with
Receipts Certificates
- 5/35 Letter W.H. Edgar to Public Trustee (1944?)
- 5/36/1-2 Letter Inland Revenue to S.H. Sargent. Manager Union Bank
3 June 1910
Letter Chief Inspector of Taxes to Helen Edgar
26 May 1925
- 5/37/1-3 Letters Helen Maffey to Chief Inspector of Taxes
12 September 1925
25 January 1927
28 January 1927
- 5/38 Drafts for income tax forms
- 5/39/1-3 Income tax assessments Repayment claim
20 September 1926
29 March 1927
12 April 1928
- 5/40 Repayment claim forms completed (2)
- 5/41 Income tax forms, blank
- 5/42/1-2 Letter Great Western Railway to Helen Maffey
10 August 1910
Southern Railway
11 May 1928
- 5/43/1-4 Notices of transfer of stock
London Midland and Scottish Railway Co. 30 April 1928
London and North Eastern Railway 2 July 1928
Great Western Railway Co. 10 March 1939
London Midland and Scottish Railway Co.
10 March 1919

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GROUP 5. HERBERT EDGAR WILL TRUST

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- 5/44 Dividend Statements
Caledonian Railway Company
September 1915 - March and September 1916
Great Western Railway Company
August 1915, March and August 1916
London and South Western Railway Co.
August 1915, March and August 1916
North Eastern Railway
August 1915
February and August 1916
Midland Railway Company
August 1915
February and August 1916
- 5/45 Subscription Form
4% Funding Loan, 1960-1990
- 5/46 Miscellaneous empty envelopes
- 5/47 Note in Helen Maffey's handwriting
- 5/48 Note in W.H. Edgar's handwriting
- 5/49 Directions for executing deeds

BOXGROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR

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6/1 Personal Papers
- 6/1/1-14 Diaries Col.W. Mair. Travels. Melbourne to Sydney
4 January 1844-19 January 1844
(recorded only destinations and mileage)
Maitland to Sydney
16 October 1845
Sydney to Port Phillip
October 1846
Melbourne to Goulburn
May 1847
Melbourne to Albury
November 1847
Melbourne to Port Fairy
January 1848
Melbourne to Albury
April 1848
Melbourne to Broken River
February 1849
Melbourne to Albury
June 1849
Melbourne to Port Fairy
undated (3)
Various journeys from Melbourne 1843-1851
- 6/1/1/15 Pocket diary
1881
- 6/1/1/16 Pocket diary
1888 Some brief entries
- 6/1/1/17 Army diaries (3) undated
- 6/1/1/18 Extracts "From a journal kept by Colonel Mair". Extracts
written by Helen Maffey, interleaved with fragments of the
original
- 6/1/1/19 Typescript copy of above
- 6/1/2 Commission Ensign 99th Regiment of Foot. Clare, Ireland
14 December 1830
- 6/1/3 Commission Captain Brighton Volunteer Rifle Corps.
17 September 1861
- 6/1/4 Entree card Lieut. Col.Mair. Mess Dinner. Victorian
Volunteer Officers
9 October 1873
- 6/1/5 Card Colonel Mair
- 6/1/6 Minutes of Evidence Royal Commission on the Police
1863
- 6/1/7 Act to amend the law relating to the Police Force in Victoria.
25 November 1873

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GROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR cont.

- 6/1 Personal Papers cont.
- 6/1/8 Essay on the Defence of Dandenong. Capt. R.H. Shakespeare
1879
- 6/1/9 Annual Report Police Department of Victoria
1946
- 6/1/10 Specifications "Erection of two dwelling houses in George
Street, Collingwood for Captain Mair under the direction of
John Gill Architect"
- 6/1/11 Certificate Life Governorship. Victorian Infant Asylum
23 August 1897
- 6/1/12 Valuation J.C.Ward "Autumn on the Dee, N.W." Picture sent
to Victorian Loan Gallery, Centennial International Exhibition,
Melbourne 1888
- 6/1/13 Police Pension form
1904
- 6/1/14 Map showing property measurements in Mair Street, Brighton
- 6/1/15 Receipt St. Paul's Cathedral Towers Fund to Helen Maffey
29 June 1926
In memory of Colonel William Mair
- 6/1/16 Newscutting showing corner stone for towers
- 6/1/17 Newscuttings relating to the Mair family pasted on to scrap
of cardboard
- 6/1/18 Programme The Association for the Advancement of the Blind.
Showing Brighton Home (which is situated in Colonel Mair's old
house)
- 6/1/19 Article "The 99th-114 Years Ago" W.H. Edgar
Description Litho of "Review of Encampment of Victorian
Volunteers" 1861
- 6/1/20 Miscellaneous notes some in Colonel Mair's handwriting re
Mair family
- 6/1/21 Programme The Unveiling of the Adam Lindsay Gordon Commemorative
Plate 28 June 1936 Brighton
- 6/1/22 Southern Cross
3 July 1936
Description of unveiling

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GROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR cont.

- 6/2 Correspondence: Personal
- 6/2/1 Letter from Col. Mair to Jane Mair
3 May 1896
- 6/2/2/1-16 Letters from Helen Maffey to Col. Mair
14 April 1893 - 24 February 1898
- 6/2/3 Letter from William Edgar (grandson) to Col. Mair
10 April ?
- 6/2/4/1-5 Letters Col. Mair to Robert Rede
30 November 1897 (copy)
(re seniority)
Robert Rede to Col. Mair
5 December 1897
27 December 1897
J. B. Hutton to Col. Mair
27 October 1897
7 January 1898
- 6/2/5 Letter Col. Mair to ?
23 January 1880
(answer to proposals of marriage to one of his daughters)
- 6/2/6 Information relating to seniority of officers, extracted
from Government Gazettes, etc.
- 6/2/7 Letter Chief Secretary, Police Department to Col. Mair
9 January 1885
- 6/2/8 Letter C. Rashleigh to W. Mair
13 September 1897
History of Rifle Corps.
- 6/2/9 Fragment letter from Joseph Ostler, District Clerk to Col. Mair
"the Moorabbin District Board on the occasion of your retirement
from the Chairmanship of the District"
- 6/3 Correspondence: Business and other
- 6/3/1 Account book 1852-1882
- 6/3/2 Rough plan Kyneton property
- 6/3/3 Agreement to purchase Kyneton land. John Hallow
1 May 1869
- 6/3/4 Memorandum of Agreement Cambridge Downs Pastoral Association
Ltd. and William Mair
1 April 1885
- 6/3/5 Letter G. Dougharty & Co. to W. Mair
22 November 1878

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GROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR cont.

- 6/3/6 Letter C.R. Mair (son) to W. Mair Re land
20 March 1891
- 6/3/7/1-3 Letters Department of Lands and Survey
29 June 1897
29 December 1899, with Application for Classification of
Agricultural Allotment
- 6/3/8 Note Purchase of land at Nyora
29 December 1899
- 6/3/9 Epitome of mortgage Mrs. E.E. Egan to Col.W. Mair
10 December 1888
- 6/3/10/1-2 Accounts Blake and Riggall
12 April 1900
14 May 1900
Re Egan's morgage sale to Robertson
- 6/3/11/1-3 Accounts
H. Langlands August 1853
Stevenson & Elliott 16 October 1865
John Buchan & Co. 1887
- 6/3/12 General Plan Great Fengall Association Gold Mining Leases
- 6/3/13 Correspondence: Foot's settlement
- 6/3/13/1 Letter Blake and Riggall to Col. Mair
6 October 1893
- 6/3/13/2 Letter Blake and Riggall to Col. Mair
27 October 1893
- 6/3/13/3 Letter Blake and Riggall to Col. Mair
22 October 1896
Re Kelly's mortgage
- 6/3/13/4 Letter Blake and Riggall to Col. Mair
9 December 1896
Re Investment of Blanche Power's money
- 6/3/13/5 Letter Joseph Peirce to Col. Mair
17 August 1899
- 6/3/13/6 Letter (copy) W. Mair to Joseph Peirce
19 August 1899
- 6/3/13/7 Letter W. Mair to F. Counchman
21 August 1899
- 6/3/13/8 Letter T. Couchman to W. Mair
21 August 1899
(copy)
- 6/3/13/9 Letter W. Mair to T. Couchman
23 August 1899

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GROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR cont.6/3 Correspondence: Business and other cont.6/3/13/10 Letter Emma Foot to Sarah Mair
5 December 18996/3/13/11 Letter Sarah Mair to Emma Foot
8 December 18996/3/13/12 Letter Emma Foot to Sarah Mair
13 December 18996/3/13/13 Letter J.M. Smith & Emmerton to Col. Mair
24 August 19006/3/13/14 Letter (copy) W.Mair to Smith & Emmerton
28 August 19006/3/13/15 Letter Smith & Emmerton to Col. Mair
30 August 19006/3/13/16 Letter Col. Mair to ?
15 September 19006/3/13/17 Letters W. Aitken (Mair's solicitor) to Col.Mair
17 September 1900
25 September 19006/3/13/18 Letter Col. Mair to Union Bank
18 September 19006/3/13/19 Letters Union Bank to Col. Mair
19 September 1900
5 October 19006/3/13/20 Letter Col. Mair to Smith & Emmerton
27 September 19006/3/13/21 List Documents relating to trust handed over by Col. Mair and
31 March 1887 copy.

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6/4 Books: Colonel Mair6/4/1 List of Chief Constables, District Constables, Police Cadets
and Police Officers in Victoria
1836-1907 T. O'Callaghan (Government Printer)6/4/2 Commercial Tables (Chambers, London) "W.Mair, June 1877"6/4/3 The Waterloo Banquet at Apsley House. Painted by William
Salter (Moon, London)6/4/4 New Army List H.G. Hart (Smith, Elder & Co.London, 1839)
"99 Brighton Officers Mess"6/4/5 Guy's Universal Penny Table Book (Allman & Son Ltd., London)
with

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GROUP 6. COLONEL WILLIAM MAIR cont.

- 6/4/6 Newspaper cutting Age 20 April 1908 "The Eureka Stockade"
- 6/4/7 The Horseman's Monitor G. Skravington, (2nd ed., Tallis, London)
- 6/4/8 The Queen's Regulations and Orders for the Army (Pocket edition; Allen & Co., London)
- 6/4/9 Rules and Regulations of Junior United Service Club July 1853 (Clowes and Sons, London)
- 6/4/10 Regimental Standing Orders for the Ninety-Ninth Regiment (Army Printer, Limerick 1830)
- 6/4/11 Casual and Squad Roll Book 99th Regiment "H.Mair"
- 6/4/12 Army List January 1842 (Army Printer, London)
- 6/4/13 Lists of Members of the Melbourne Club 1888, 1890
- 6/4/14 Rules and Regulations of the Melbourne Club
- 6/4/15 The Caledonian Society of Melbourne (Fergusson & Mitchell)
(Contains rules and names and addresses of members)
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6/5/1 Warrnambool Examiner 11 August 1851
See page 2 which contains a lengthy article on Col.Mair
- 6/5/2 Argus 14 August 1875 Col. Mair's report to Royal Commission on the Volunteer Force
- 6/5/3 Argus 24 March 1876 Volunteer Commission's Report
- 6/5/4 Argus 28 March 1876 Editorial on the Report
- 6/5/5 Argus 22 June 1887 Military tournament
NB. Also records of Jubilee celebrations
- 6/5/6 Argus 23 June 1887
Military tournament
- 6/6/1 Letter Gaspard Le Marehant to Hugh Mair
17 March 1843 with pencil transcript
- 6/6/2 Letter Duke of Wellington to Miss Mair
22 December 1839
- 6/6/3 Poem "The Variations of the Rose. Supposed by Cowper"
- 6/6/4 Poem Undated, unsigned. Mentions "Miss Mair"
- 6/6/5 Poem Farewell by Mary Bisett (?) to her schoolmates, including J. Mair 1837

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GROUP 7. JANE MAIR

- 7/1 Letter Jane Mair to Blanche
 23 January ?
- 7/2/1-4 Letters Col. W. Mair (father) to Jane Mair
 3 April 1893
 4 June 1894
 8 July 1894
 15 May 1896
- 7/3 Music "We Might Be Happy Yet" John Martin
 Marked "Miss Jane B. Mair, London February 19 1846"
- 7/4 Obituary Jane Mair

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GROUP 8. SARAH MAIR

- 8/1/1-8 Letters Col. W. Mair (father) to Sarah Mair
 21 May 1872
 28 December 1872
 22 January 1880
 13 January 1883
 7 December 1883
 5 December 1884
 13 February 1886
 16 October 1898
- 8/2 Letter Helen Maffey to Sarah Mair
 23 July 1897
- 8/3 Postcard from ? to Sarah Mair
 30 January 1908
- 8/4 Letter from Lyall to Sarah Mair
 17 May 1883
- 8/5 Book of Common Prayer
 Church of England
- 8/6 Account Ballantines. Sarah Mair's Gravestone
 3 June 1924
- 8/7 Valuation Jewellery, personal effects. Sarah Mair's Estate
- 8/8 Books
 Shakespeare Birthday Book (Hatchards, London, 1879) "Sarah
 Mair, Brighton 1879"
- 8/9 The Bread of Deceit (8th ed., Seeley, Jackson and Halliday,
 London, 1858) "Jane Mair from her affectionate friend Mrs.
 Champ"
 21 June 1860"

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GROUP 9. ISABELLA SMITH

Isabella Smith (nee Mair, married E. Fordham Harriss, and later John Matthew Smith)

- 9/1/1-10 Letters W. Mair (father) to Isabella
 9 March 1883
 16 September 1887
 15 July 1887
 15 August 1893
 4 December 1896
 6 June 1893
 10 April 1894
 1 October 1897
 2 December 1897
 3 July ?
- 9/2/1-5 Letters Helen Maffey to Isabella
 11 November 1887
 20 August 1889
 16 July 1897
 17 February 1898
 Undated
- 9/3/1-3 Letters Herbert Edgar to Isabella
 5 March 1893
 19 October 1894
 25 October 1894
- 9/4/1-2 Letter Sarah Mair to Isabella
 27 May ?
 11 November 1918
- 9/5/1 Postcard Sarah Mair to Isabella
 29 August 1915
- 9/6/1-4 Letters Charles R. Mair to Isabella
 4 December 1915
 25 December 1915
 4 January 1916
 15 March 1916
- 9/7/1-4 Postcards Charles Mair to Isabella
 18 November 1915
 23 December 1915
 2 undated
- 9/8/1-3 Letters William Mair (brother) to Isabella
 4 September 1916
 11 September 1916
 23 September 1916
- 9/9 Letter Tory V. Mair to Isabella
 5 March 1916
- 9/10/1-2 Letter Eleanor Edgar to Isabella
 17 March 1890
 Undated

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GROUP 9. ISABELLA SMITH cont.

- 9/11/1-2 Letters W. Aitken to Isabella
 19 October 1898
 11 January 1889
- 9/12 Postcard W. Aitken to Isabella
 31 August 1915
- 9/13 Letter M. C. B. Jackson to Isabella
 30 October 1890
- 9/14 Letter Corporal W. Wright to Mrs. Smith
 28 April 1916
- 9/15 Letter Isabella to Blanche Due
 20 June 1917
- 9/16 Telegram Death of Blanche Due
- 9/17 Note "Volume and Folio of properties held by me".
- 9/18 Letter Isabella Smith to John Sadlier
 24 October, 1916
- 9/19 Letter Isabella Smith to Editor, The Herald
 12 March 1920
- 9/20 Newscutting The Herald
 17 March 1920
- 9/21 Letter Isabella Smith to George Mair
 16 September 1906
- 9/22 Postcard "Grannie from Neenoo"
- 9/23 Receipts Gippsland Co. Operative Bacon Curing Co.Ltd.
 1911-1912

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GROUP 10. ERNEST FORDHAM-HARRISS

- 10/1 Declaration of land pegged out
 7 July 1882
- 10/2 Letter W. Mair to Harriss
 17 July 1882
- 10/3 Receipts for licence fees and licence. Isabella Mair
 and Ernest Fordham-Harriss

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GROUP 11. J.M. SMITH

Married Isabella, daughter of Colonel Mair of Smith and Emmerton, Solicitors, Melbourne

11/1/1-2 Letters H. I. Hitcock (sister to J.M. Smith)
25 January 1855
17 February 1855

11/2/1-2 Letter Mrs. Marianne Hutchins to Jill Smith
4 August 1897; with
Letter Old Colonists' Association to M. Hutchins
21 July 1897

11/3 Receipt St. Andrews Church to J.M. Smith
19 February 1870

11/4 Newspaper cutting The Age,
8 August 1931 "Castlefield" Brighton (J.M. Smith's home)

11/5 Obituary J. M. Smith The Brighton Southern Cross.
23 April 1898

11/6 Newspaper cutting The Argus
24 May 1921. Trustees of will of Lucy Smith claimed compensation from Commonwealth for acquisition of part of Castlefield estate.

11/7 Advertisement Auction of Castlefield.
30 September 1931

11/8 Receipt Bank of Victoria. Estate of Lucy Smith
1 February 1927

11/9 Two pages Family scrapbook of newspaper cuttings re births, marriages and deaths

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GROUP 12. BLANCHE DUE AND FAMILY

Note: See separate listing of letters from Blanche Due to her mother compiled by Lynne Strahan

12/1/1-6 Postcards Blanche Due to Isabella Smith (6)

12/2 Score Card Blanche F. Harriss. Progressive Bridge

12/3 Luggage Label L. Due. SS. Tango. Kobe

12/4/1-2 Bank books State Savings Bank. Einar E. Due
Solveig N. Due (Neenoo)

12/5 Letter Helen Maffey to Einar Due
22 May 1924

12/6 Christmas Card Due family, Shanghai
1915

12/7 Letter Helen Maffey to Blanche Due
26 August ?

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GROUP 13. CHARLES, GEORGE, WILLIAM MAIR

- 13/1/1-2 Letters C. R. Mair to Tory Mair
19 January 1916
29 January 1916
- 13/2 Letter W. Mair to Minister for Health
12 January 1932
- 13/3 Price List Ma'adi Soldier's Club
C. R. Mair
- 13/4 Postcard Sarah Mair to George Mair
26 September 1911
- 13/5 Letter Sarah Mair to George Mair
6 October 1905
- 13/6 Letter Madden, Butler & Co. to W. Mair
29 February 1928

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GROUP 14. SOCIETY OF EDGAR FAMILIES/EDGAR HISTORY

- 14/1/1-28 Letters I. Trentham-Edgar to W.H. Edgar
12 February 1936 - 15 June 1942
- 14/2/1-4 Notices of meeting
3 November 1937
10 March 1938
27 November 1941
29 April 1941
- 14/3 Agenda Annual General Meeting
5 March 1940
- 14/4 Receipts Annual subscriptions. W.H. Edgar
1937-1941
- 14/5 Newsletter paper
Blank
- 14/6 Financial statement Year ending 28 February 1941
- 14/7 Ribbon Vice President
- 14/8 Brochure Society of Edgar families
- 14/9 Letter John Sinclair to W.H. Edgar
No date
- 14/10 Letter Lady Hersey Baird to W.H. Edgar
20 October 1937
- 14/11 Letters Ernest E. Edgar, Massachusetts to W.H. Edgar
27 August ?
undated

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GROUP 14. SOCIETY OF EDGAR FAMILIES/EDGAR HISTORY cont.

- 14/12 Letter Mrs. Dalrymple Hamilton to W.H. Edgar
10 March 1938
- 14/13 Letter Lilley West Edgar to W.H. Edgar
26 October ?
- 14/14 Letter R.H. Edgar to W.H. Edgar
25 August 1942
- 14/15 Letter W. F. Henderson, Bookseller to W.H. Edgar
6 January ?
- 14/16 Letter Public Library of Carlisle to W.H. Edgar
6 August 1937
- 14/17 Letter Dumfriesshire Library to W. H. Edgar
10 August 1937
- 14/18 Letter (draft) W.H. Edgar to Dumfriesshire Library
- 14/19 Letter (draft) W.H. Edgar to Carlisle Public Library
- 14/20 Letter Charles Thurnam & Sons, Carlisle, Booksellers to
W. H. Edgar
25 September 1937
- 14/21 Letter W. J. Cummings, Bookseller, Carlisle to W.H. Edgar
13 August 1938
- 14/22 Folder containing draft family trees, miscellaneous notes
concerning the Edgar family and some material about "Torwood"
W.H. Edgar's home in Mont Albert
- 14/23/1-11 News Bulletins The Genealogical Society of Victoria
nos. 1.September 1948
2.January 1949
3.April 1949
4.July 1949
6.June 1950
7.August 1951
8.April 1952
9.April 1953
10.October 1953
11.June 1954
Vol.2 No.1.November 1955
- 14/24 The Australian Genealogist
Vol. 11 Part 9
January 1938
- 14/25 Guide to the Victorian Historical Exhibition 1934 (3 copies)
- 14/26 Guide to the Collections. Public Library, Museums and
National Gallery of Victoria
- 14/28 A History of the Branch of the Family of Knox.
C. Campbell

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GROUP 14. SOCIETY OF EDGAR FAMILIES/EDGAR HISTORY cont.14/29 Newspaper cuttings relating to Edgar family members.14/30 Newspaper cuttings relating to England and Scotland, etc. generally.

The following is a list of newspapers which contain no immediately identifiable article relating to the Edgar Family:

14/31 The Herald
13 February 194314/32 The News
18 June 192614/33/1-2 The Argus
18 January 1904
20 February 1943

14/34/1-22 Letters to W.H. Edgar from Jean Grierson (2)

Dan Edgar 18 January 1938
D.J. Edgar 21 August 1941
W. Bophie 16 August 1938
G.H. Mair 11 July 1937
Mrs. Edgar and Mrs. R.L. Shackell
7 August 1942
Rev. R. Callen 27 September 1937
17 February 1938
28 September 1938
M. E. Smith 11 July 1939
17 August 1939
3 September 1939
Eleanor Edgar 8 April 1938
20 September 1938
10 October 1938
December 1938
Una Edgar undated
30 October 1943
G.C.B. Pulter 26 April 1944
22 August 1944
S.M. Martin 15 January 1940
Alfred Edgar 25 November 1947

14/35/1-5 Letters (drafts) W.H. Edgar to M. E. Smith undated
8 August 1939
3 November 1939
Rev. R. Callen undated
Lady Hersey Baird undated

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GROUP 15. RELICS

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|-------|---|
| 15/1 | <u>Thimble</u>
Mrs. McDonell |
| 15/2 | <u>Printing block</u>
Portrait of Col. Mair |
| 15/3 | <u>Printing block</u>
Col. Mair's card |
| 15/4 | <u>Printing block</u>
Letters |
| 15/5 | <u>Coin wallet</u> |
| 15/6 | <u>Tortoiseshell card case</u> |
| 15/7 | <u>Perfumed paper booklet</u> |
| 15/8 | <u>Tin tobacco case</u> |
| 15/9 | <u>Watchstand</u>
Col. Mair |
| 15/10 | <u>Powder box</u> |
| 15/11 | <u>Heather</u>
From Lanarkshire |
| 15/12 | <u>Brocade scrap</u> |
| 15/13 | <u>Miniature wooden easel</u> |
| 15/14 | <u>Slide</u>
Inscription on Satsuma vase |
| 15/15 | <u>Hand embroidered white Chinese baby's jacket</u> |
| 15/16 | <u>Drawstring bag</u>
Feather-stitched "S" |
| 15/17 | <u>Two mats</u>
Gold thread on black felt fringed |
| 15/18 | <u>Painting</u>
Oils on wood |
| 15/19 | <u>Case cover</u>
Leather lined with embossed velvet |
| 15/20 | <u>Swan & Edgar shirt</u> |
| 15/21 | <u>Programme</u> Coronation Service
26 June, 29 June 1902 |
| 15/22 | <u>Sketch and notebook</u>
Col. Mair? |
| 15/23 | <u>Implement</u> Supposed to be glass cutter.
Goodell-Pratt Co. U.S.A. |

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GROUP 16. BOOKS

- 16/1 Address to His Majesty King Edward VII from the Municipalities of Victoria 1901
- 16/2 Hymns Ancient and Modern (packet)
- 16/3 Eastern Arts and Antiquities mentioned in the Sacred Scriptures (2nd ed. The Religious Tract Society, London)
"Christmas 1857. Presented to Master Mair as a certificate of his having attained the First Place in the Fourth Class Woodford House, Brighton"
- 16/4 Autograph Book 1907-1908 [W.H.Edgar?]
- 16/5 Diary Pacific cruise
- 16/6 "Full Study of Character of Master J.H. Aird by A. S. Hamilton Phrenologist. 5 Collins West near Elizabeth Street, Melbourne August 1883."
- 16/7 In Memorial Cards (2)
- 16/8 Black edged cards (5)
- 16/9 Stationery
Eagle House, Clapham Common S.W. Black-edged (10)
- 16/10 In Memorial Cards
Prince Albert (2)
- 16/11 Memorial Poem
Prince Albert (2)
- 16/12 Folder-card for photograph, empty
- 16/13 "The Fairy Flower Bed" The Young Ladies' Journal. Pastime Supplement, Christmas, 1881
- 16/14 Poem "To my Baby"
- 16/15 If- Rudyard Kipling (1915 Macmillan)
- 16/16 Bill Amendment to Real Property Act
- 16/17 Act Voluntary Liquidation Act 1891
- 16/18 Act Land Act 1890 (No.2)
- 16/19 Ticket Queen's College, University of Melbourne, Pageant 6-7 April 1922
- 16/20 Entree card "Miss Mair" 11 May. Government House
Invitation from Governor General and Countess of Hopetoun to meet the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York.
- 16/21 Card containing Peri-Lusta Fine Darning Thread. Mercerised Cotton "Specially prepared for Fine Silk Hose"

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GROUP 16. BOOKS cont.

- 16/22 Sheet Preliminary Oath, Oath of Membership, Constitution
Which Organization?
- 16/23 Letter T.V. Hamley, Honorary Secretary, Junior Conservative
Club to unknown correspondent.
11 March 1898
- 16/24 Cheque forms
Australian Joint Stock Bank (3 forms)
- 16/25 Letter Hannah Massey to Mrs. Edgar (which one?)
31 December 1884
- 16/26 Pamphlet The Irish Problem. Local Government. Foreign
Loans and Depression of Trade.
M.B. Jackson
17 March 1886

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GROUP 17. POSTCARD COLLECTION

Comprising cards showing scenes of Australia, England,
Cairns and some Chinese. Predominantly blank.
Miscellaneous stamps.

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GROUP 18. SWAN & EDGAR

- 18/1/1-2 Letter Ivy Wood to W.H. Edgar
11 April 1962; with
- 18/2 Letter Dot (?) to Ivy Wood
9 April 1962
- 18/3 Letter I. Stewart, Managing Director, Swan & Edgar to
W.H. Edgar
16 April 1962
- 18/4/1-3 Letters W.H. Edgar to I. Stewart
11 June 1962
undated, after 15 June 1962
I. Stewart to W.H. Edgar 28 September 1962 with
- 18/5/1-3 Letter I. Stewart to W.H. Edgar
7 December 1962 with
Photograph Swan & Edgar Regent Street and
Tea towel Swan & Edgar
- 18/6 Letter W. H. Edgar to I. Stewart
20 November 1962
- 18/7 Letter W.H. Edgar to I. Stewart
undated
- 18/8 Letter W.H. Edgar to I. Stewart
11 August 1963
- 18/9 Account book Swan & Edgar?

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GROUP 18. SWAN & EDGAR cont.

- 18/10 Pencil sketch Swan & Edgar on Christmas card from I. Stewart
- 18/11 Watercolour Swan & Edgar on cover of menu, Regent Restaurant
- 18/12 Negatives W. S. Edgar and wife (founder, Swan & Edgar)
- 18/13 Photograph 150th Anniversary Celebrations, Swan & Edgar
- 18/14 Miscellaneous notes W. H. Edgar
- 18/15 Miscellaneous newscuttings London; Swan & Edgar

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GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS

- 16 19/1 Photograph Album
Mair family and friends (leatherbound)
- 17 19/2 Photograph Album
Aird family and friends (leatherbound)
- 15 19/3 Major Bull
- 19/4 Matthew Bullock Jackson and memorial card for Isabella Jackson (his wife)
- 19/5 A. D. McMillan, June 1877, April 1878; A. D. McMillan and Beatrice Stephen (June 1880); R.W. S. McMillan (January 1879, May 1881); Amy McMillan, Amy Mary McMillan
Two photographs of unidentified McMillan woman
- 19/6 Marie Renwick (October 1873)
Janie Renwick (1868)
Bessie Renwick (October 1873)
- 19/7 E. Backhouse and unidentified woman
E. Backhouse 1906
- 19/8 Skinner (2 photos)
Skinner and unidentified man
- 19/9 Miss Paterson
- 19/10 Rev. Smiley (March 1874)
- 19/11 Mrs. Blackburn & Miss Barker
Mrs. Blackburn and unidentified woman
- 19/12 Mrs. Edward Graham
- 19/13 George Loughnan (1876)
Agnes Loughnan (8 photos)
- 19/14 Sir Cuthbert Peek
Hon. Augusta Peek
- 19/15 Robert Haywood
- 19/16 General Roberts
- 19/17 Mrs. Armstrong (February 1874)
- 19/18 Florence Woolley (1868)
- 19/19 Miss Budd
- 19/20 Mr. Wright
- 19/21 Anna G. Rusall (?)
- 19/22 The Lonells, husband and wife with two children and Robert Haywood

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

15 19/23 Blanch Harriss

19/24 Blanch Harriss (8 photographs)

18 19/25 Miss Winkworth

19/26 Charles Edgar, son of David Edgar

19/27 Henry Edgar (4 photographs)
Henry Edgar and W. S. Edgar
Margaret, Mary and Henry Edgar

19/28 David Edgar
William Edgar

19/29 Lewis Edgar (5 photographs)

19/30 William S. Edgar (9 photographs)
W. S. Edgar coat-of-arms (2 copies)

19/31 Margaret Edgar

19/32 Unknown

19/33 Herbert Edgar (12 photographs)
Herbert Edgar and Isabella Harriss
Herbert Edgar and wife on coach, 2nd seat from back
Herbert Edgar and family
Bargrove (2 photographs)

19/34 Mary Little (daughter of Hannah Edgar)

19/35 W. Frank Hunt (3 photographs)
Katherine Edgar (3 photographs)
Katherine Edgar with unidentified woman

19/36 Mary Wood (nee Edgar) (2 photographs)
Mary Wood with Violet and Phyllis Wood
Mary Wood with two of her daughters
Mary Wood and Lillian Rice with Wood children
Violet Rosemary Wood, aged 3 months, with Mary
Phyllis Wood with Mary
Violet and Phyllis Wood (2 photographs)
Violet Wood (3 photographs)
Ivy and Violet Wood (2 photographs)
Ivy Wood aged 4 years
Ivy Wood
Florence and Louis Wood
Paul Bernard Wood aged 29 years
Keith Eric Wood aged 3½ years
Paul, Ivy and Keith Wood
Keith, Paul, Phyllis, Violet and Ivy Wood
Wood children with grandmother Edgar
Charles Wood (2 photographs)

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19/37 Francis Edgar (W.H. Edgar's great-grandmother) (3 photographs)
 William Edgar (W.H. Edgar's great-grandfather) (2 photographs)
 William and Francis Edgar

19/38 Lillian Rice (nee Edgar) (9 photographs)
 Grace Dorothy Rice aged 1 year
 Ernest, Grace and Irene Rice
 Edmund Rice with Dorothy (?) and Edgar (?)
 Edmund Rice
 A. Rice
 Edmund Rice (?) with two family members
 Edmund and Lillian Rice with Edgar, Irene, Dorothy,
 Llewelyn & Ursula

19/39 Edith Clotworthy (nee Edgar) (7 photographs)
 Robert Clotworthy (3 photographs)

19/40 Winifred Peppin (3 photographs)
 George Frederick Peppin "with the ram that made the
 "Wanganell Station" flocks famous"

19/41 Eleanor Edgar, wife of W. S. Edgar (12 photographs)

23 19/42 Major and Mrs. Birch and six others (unidentified)
 Member of Edgar family (unidentified) with truck (7 photographs)
 Member of Edgar family (unidentified) chopping wood
 Edgars on a cruise (5 photographs)
 Edgars on a picnic (3 photographs)
 Edgars in front of house
 Henry Francis, outside gate at "Bakers" Myra
 A foreman child on a pony
 Frey Boardway
 Two people (unidentified) by river
 Pte. J.L. Edgar on Honour Roll in The Sun 17 July 1941
 Ghawna the cat
 The bull dog
 An artesian bore on Burenda
 Houses (4 photographs)
 Bass River at Cuch
 Ponies
 Backyard (?) with crop
 Two photographs of house and two matching negatives
 Negatives

19/43 Ship and views from the ship (on which family sailed to or
 from England (?)) (22 photographs and negatives)
 W.H. Edgar, deputy warden A.A.P. (11 photographs)
 India (?)
 Dog on the Tuckerbox at Gundagai
 The Hotel Civic
 The Edgar family outside home
 A scene of rural Australia
 An Edgar (unidentified) canoeing (2 photographs)
 John
 Corfe Castle Dorset (2 photographs)
 Tunbridge Wells
 Swanage, Dorset
 Inside ship which goes to and from Phillip Island (?)

BOXGROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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- 19/43 cont.
Major Eustace Loder's racehorse called "Pretty Polly"
who won the Nassau Stakes
Unidentified pony
Governor LaTrobe's cottage, Agnes St. Jolimont
Three unidentified English (?) scenes
- 19/44 Negatives
- 19/45 English scenes
Christmas card from Ivy Wood to her cousin William Edgar,
showing Greathed Manor in Surrey, the home of the Woods
Loudon Hill (2 photographs)
View from Kennington Church
Unidentified English house
Arthur's Seat Edinburgh
Back view of Pettermill House, Edinburgh (2 photographs)
Pettermill house, front view
Doorway of Pettermill house
Unidentified church and cemetery
Westruther Old Church, south view
Wedderlie, an old house
Wedderlie, showing small window where watchers sat to
shoot cattle thieves
The last Laird of Weddelie's gift to the Church of Westruther
Blaylock's Cottage
Bassendene (?)
Dalverton Church and Sydenham House - on border of Somerset
and Devon
Dalverton Church and surrounding houses
Exeter Cathedral: The Choir looking East) magazine cutouts
Exeter Cathedral front view)
Bournemouth looking East (mounted photograph)
- 19/46 Gippsland photographs
Bargrove (2 photographs), the house
"Reduit" Nyora, a house
The Bourer (?), a monument
Tennis Party Coal Creek
Lachlan River 1887 - photograph of house
Poowong Church
Bargrove from distance (?)
Two horses at Bargrove
An unidentified house amidst bush
A bush scene
A bush scene round Bargrove (?)
- 19/47 Album containing the houses and general district at the
Edgar home in England

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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- 19/48 Sketches by G. B. Richardson
Halton Castle in Northumberland
Unidentified house sideview
Unidentified house backview
Six sheets of miscellaneous sketches
- 19/49 A House
- 19/50 Rousdon Peek's home, 1892
- 19/51 White Terraces, Rotarua, N.Z.
- 19/52 A house
- 19/53 The East and West Kent Regiments of Yeomanry Cavalry
Review at Moat Park Friday 26 May 1837
- 19/54 A sailing boat
- 19/55 Bell's house at Yarra Glen
- 19/56 Raaji - a horse
- 19/57 A house
- 19/58 A house
- 19/59 Pine Hills House, Harrow, Victoria 1927
- 19/60 A family photograph
- 19/61 A wedding photograph
- 19/62 A house
- 19/63 Joan Margaret ?
- 19/64 Family outside Pine Hills House
- 19/65 Jean Cameron as winner of Queen Carnival - her sister Lulu
Cameron is seated and two pages whose names are unknown
- 19/66 House near Heidelberg College
- 19/67 Sketch '"Abyssinia" - a witness to be examined' by Henry
Edgar and letter from Katharine Hunt to W.H. Edgar
explaining sketch
- 19/68 Thirteen beach photographs
- 19/69 A house
- 19/70 A house
- 19/71 Rousdon - front view

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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19/72 Rousdon Church
- 19/73 Ackeron River, Taggerty - a water colour
- 19/74 W. H. Edgar, Elsa Edgar, David Edgar and his wife
Elizabeth and two unidentified people - taken at David and
Elizabeth's wedding. (3 photographs)
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19/75 W.H. Edgar as a child (17 photographs)
W.H. Edgar with his parents - at Maidstone
W.H. Edgar with grandmother, Eleanor Edgar
W.H. Edgar with unidentified male relative
W.H. Edgar with his cousin, Blanche Harriss
The old dairy at "Bakers" - part of Reduit property where
W.H. Edgar started farming in 1910
- 19/76 W.H. Edgar in Aunt Edith Clotworthy's garden (2 photographs)
W.H. Edgar as a youth
W.H. Edgar with his mother (2 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and mother and male relative (?)
W.H. Edgar with David and Elizabeth Edgar and grandson
(4 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and wife, David and Elizabeth, parents and W.H.I.
Edgar and Ruth
W.H. Edgar with Elsa and descendants (2 photographs)
Unidentified couple outside mansion
David Edgar
Female relative of W.H. Edgar outside caravan
Edgar with David and Elizabeth and grandson
David and Engle Edgar (2 photographs)
Ingle and Ruth - wedding photograph
David and Elizabeth - wedding photograph
W.H. Edgar and Elsa
W.H. Edgar and descendants
Elsa Edgar and grandchild
Helen Edgar
Ingle and David Edgar
Ingle and Ruth Edgar - wedding photograph (3 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and Elsa and the sons (2 photographs)
Ingle Edgar - wedding photo
Ruth Edgar's mother (?) at Ingle and Ruth's wedding
Overseas Trip 1930s - E. Ursula Rice at St. Cergue Switzerland
Daphne Margaret Marks aged 10 months
W.H. Edgar and Elsa with children (unidentified)
Unidentified boy
Edgars with girl
Edgars with boy
Elsa Edgar
House at Hillslea Woldingham
Edgar grandchildren (9 photographs)
Edgar grandchildren and unidentified members of family (2
photographs)
W.H. Edgar and daughter-in-law Elizabeth (?) (2 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and Ruth (?) (2 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and Elsa and David and Elizabeth

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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- 19/76 cont.
W.H. Edgar and Elsa with grandchild (4 photographs)
Grandchild (2 photographs)
W.H.I. Edgar
Ingle and Ruth Edgar and baby
Ingle Edgar at wedding
Ingle and David Edgar
W.H. Edgar and Elsa and David and Ingle
Grandchildren (2 photographs)
Baby second cousin with Chinese servant (3 photographs)
W.H. Edgar and Elsa with David, Elizabeth, Ingle,
Ruth and grandchild (2 photographs)
Grandchild in basket
Holiday photographs - New Norfolk, near Hobart
Old Church at Albany
24 unidentified photographs
3 unidentified photographs of Australian
country scenes
Reduit
- 19/77 Councillors of the Shire of Phillip Island and Woolamai
Identification of individuals is attached to photograph
1924
- 19/78 Baby photograph
J. M. Smith
Photograph J.M. Smith in the uniform of Prince of Wales
Light Horse
J.M. Smith and his son J.M.V. Smith
Mrs. J.M. Smith (nee Hunt) First wife
Mrs. J.M. Smith First wife (?)
- 19/79 J.M. Smith as an old man
- 19/80 Castlefield. With Isabel Smith, nee Mair, Mrs. Cock and
Sarah Mair (2 photographs)
Castlefield. Same aspect
Castlefield
Castlefield
Alice Smith (daughter) (2 photographs)
Alice Smith
Lucy Smith (daughter) (2 photographs)
Lucy Smith. Tinted photograph
- 19/81 Bundoora Park, Bundoora. Home of J.M.V. Smith
- 19/82 Charles Cock. Son of Emily (Smith) and Charles Cock
Grandson of J.M. Smith
- 19/83 Lilian Cock (Hughes) with Emily Elizabeth Cock, her
daughter
- 19/84 Mother and child (framed) - identification unknown
- 19/85 Lieutenant Marsden

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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- 19/86 Ingle Edgar (framed)
- 19/87 Ruth Edgar and children (framed)
- 19/88 W.H. Edgar and baby descendant
- 19/89 David Edgar (?) in soldier's uniform
- 19/90 (Envelope) The Edgars and Dues - Ruth and Dues and Chinese servants (3 photographs)
W.H. and Elsa Edgar and Ingle and Ruth and Dues and Chinese servants
Two Chinese servants
W.H. and Elsa Edgar and descendants outside house (2 photograph
- 19/91 (Envelope) An Edgar child - unidentified
- 19/92 W.H. and Elsa Edgar with Ingle and grandson
- 19/93 W.H. and Elsa Edgar with Ingle, grandson and cat
- 19/94 W.H. and Elsa Edgar and sons, pussycat and unidentified female relative
- 19/95 Ingle and Ruth
- 19/96 Ingle and Ruth
- 19/97 Ingle and Ruth - wedding
- 19/98 Ingle Edgar
- 19/99 Ruth Edgar
- 19/100 An Edgar child
- 19/101 W.H. Edgar and unknown man amidst cars
- 19/102 Elsa and Ruth and unknown woman outside house
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- 19/103 Annie Mair, aunt of W.H. Edgar (2 photographs)
Annie Mair on horseback (2 photographs)
- 19/104 Mrs. Isabella Smith, later Mrs. Fordham Harriss (nee Mair)
aunt to W.H. Edgar (4 photographs) Two of 1897
Isabella with Blanche (?) 1898
Reduit - March 1898
- 19/105 Mrs. Catherine Mair, grandmother of W.H. Edgar
- 19/106 James Mair
- 19/107 Jane Mair
Jane Mair and Mrs. Dodds April 1878
- 19/108 Sarah Mair 1882
Sarah Mair 1868

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GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

- 19/108 cont.
Sarah Mair 1874
Sarah Mair (5 undated photographs)
Sarah and Isabella Mair
- 19/109 C.R. Mair, uncle of W.H. Edgar (2 photographs)
Home of C.R. Mair at Poowong, South Gippsland
with C.R. Mair and Wife, Annie, in foreground and
Colonel Mair and wife on verandah
C.R. Mair and Arthur Clarke
- 19/110 William Mair, Co. Mair's son, as child 1865
William Mair (in hat)
William Mair (3 undated photographs)
- 19/111 George Mair, son of Col. Mair, on horseback
George Mair at Maidstone
George Mair (postcard) (4 copies)
George Mair with horses
George Mair with J.M.H. Hill
- 19/112 Helen Mair, mother of W.H. Edgar, as baby
Helen Mair as young child
Helen Mair wearing brooch presented to her by Sir Henry
Peck (2 photographs)
Helen Mair, 1902
Helen Mair, now Mrs. Edgar
Helen Edgar (postcard) (5 copies)
Helen Edgar in fur stole
Helen Edgar, middle aged (3 postcards)
Helen and son
Helen, Violet, Ivy, Mary and Phyllis
Helen, Isabella and Sarah (2 postcards)
Helen with 2 unidentified women (postcard)
Helen with her son W.H. Edgar (postcard)
- 19/113 Silhouette Hugh Mair Copy
Silhouette Wife Copy
Silhouette Jessy Mair. Sister of W. Mair
- 19/114 Photographs W. Mair 1870
1899 (2, one framed)
Four undated
- "Reduit" Nyora house with W. Mair on the verandah 1900-1903?
2 copies
- "Sandringham House" Mair Street, Brighton Beach Victoria
(5 copies)
W.H. Edgar has annotated "I think the lower building on the
right is the original dwelling imported from England as
a "pre-fab" and possibly dates about 1850"
- Sergeant T.J. Ivy's Office. Brighton Volunteer Orderly
Room. North Brighton. Col. Mair, mounted, surrounded
by troops
- 19/115-116 Officers and N.C.O.'s of Brighton Co. Royal Victorian
Volunteer Rifles, c.1862. Captain W. Mair commanding
(2 copies)

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GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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19/117 Grave of Elizabeth, James and Catherine Mair, Elizabeth McDonnell and Ernest Fordham-Harris

19/118 Same as above

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19/119 Unidentified Mair photographs

19/120 Unidentified Mair photographs

19/121 Unidentified Mair photographs

19/122 Unidentified Mair photographs

19/123 Unidentified Mair photographs

19/124 Unidentified Mair photographs

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19/125 Elsa Aird with Keeble Aird
Elsa Aird (postcard) (2 copies)
Elsa Aird holding grandchild
Margaret McRae, Elsa's mother, (framed)
Margaret McRae as young woman
Margaret McRae as child (2 photographs)
Margaret McRae and Barbara Aird
H.K. Aird, Elsa's father (framed)
H.K. Aird (2 other photographs)
Barbara McRae, grandmother of Elsa
Barbara McRae with daughter Margaret
Hon. John McRae, grandfather of Elsa
Elsa's great grandfather Aird
Elsa's great grandmother Brown, Barbara McRae's mother
Margaret Brown, sister of Barbara Brown
Martha Rutherford, wife of Margaret McRae's cousin Henry J.A.C. McRae 1876
William Brown, Elsa's uncle
William Brown, Elsa's cousin
Four unidentified photographs of women
One unidentified baby
One unidentified male relative

19/126 Ethel Lloyd Taylor
Ethel and Annie Lloyd Taylor (2 photographs)
Mrs. Percy Dobran, nee Lloyd Taylor

19/127 Unidentified Aird girl (framed)

19/128 Aird family gathering (individuals unidentified)

19/129 Unidentified

19/130 Charles Aird, Uncle to Elsa, with wife and ten children

19/131 Barbara Aird and others

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19/132 Eagle House, Clapham Common, home of William Edgar, father of W.S. Edgar - view of the farm
Eagle House living-room
Eagle House lounge room
Eagle House diningroom

GROUP 19. PHOTOGRAPHS cont.

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- 19/132 cont.
Eagle House Boudoir
Eagle House Hall
Eagle House diningroom
Eagle House lake
Eagle House - another view of lake
Eagle House gardens
Eagle House outhouse
Eagle House tree lined walk
- 19/133 Eagle House - back view(?) pond
- 19/134 Houses round Clapham Common (?)
- 19/135 Unidentified man in grounds of Eagle House
- 19/136 Unidentified house

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THE LETTERS OF BLANCHE DUE

The letters of Blanche Due are part of the collection of papers which emanate from the Mair and Edgar families. Much of the collection consists of material which concerns the military and police career of Colonel William Mair who was a founder, during La Trobe's lieutenant governorship in the 1850s, of the Victorian mounted police force. A small amount of material relates to merino sheep-breeding in New South Wales.

The 49 letters which make up the relevant portion of the collection were written by Blanche Due, a grand-daughter of Colonel Mair, to her mother Mrs. J.M. Smith, from Shanghai between late 1910 and the end of 1914 when she returned to Australia (some of the Shanghai letters are imperfectly dated, and can only be dated approximately from internal evidence). Occasional notes from friends and relations are interspersed; and the Archives holds other letters written by Blanche Due after her return to Australia.

Blanche Due went to China soon after her marriage to Leif Due, a Norwegian employed by the firm of Arnhold Karberg in Shanghai. Her correspondence with her mother is largely domestic and personal. Home improvements and decorating, fashions, the management of servants, lassitude during pregnancy, a child's "milestones", the acclimatisation of fougloves and hyacinths, backbiting at bridge parties, are her apparent preoccupations.

Despite their sparkling and resilient self-centredness, her letters home present striking vignettes of the European enclave unquestioningly reproducing a somewhat pallid microcosm of Western social life through their coronation celebrations, bridge parties and pony clubs, rowing and polo, masked balls and operas, essentially cut off from the life around them, except for the employment of Chinese domestics, or the purchase of exotic furnishings for their houses. Although her acquaintances seem to have been insulated from social and political change in China, her comments also reflect some of the attitudes of the European community to revolution in China with its confused loyalties and lightning reversals of fortune and allegiance.

6. "I tried to dye my old kimono mauve with Maypole soap. Mrs Posar was so successful with it. However I was not... I wonder if you were in town for Coronation day. There were great celebrations here... The town was decorated & illuminated & there was a much talked of torch-light procession in the evening, consisting of various sailors, bands, the Shanghai Volunteers, the fire brigade, all the Japanese residents, cars representing Britain & the Colonies & other different things... we expected to get a splendid view from the race club. However by the time the procession reached there it seemed to be in semi darkness, the different parts of it were scattered all over the ground & the small portion which came in front of the race club was hidden from sight by smoke from the torches - the poorest show I have ever seen. The only people who showed any enthusiasm were the Japanese." 25th June 1911.
21. "At last I have got together the whole outfit for the baby & have washed everything that came from the Chinese tailor... I am always glad of recipes. Though I have a very good cook, he never finds out anything new. I told him about the grated cheese in the soup... I was sorry about Mrs. Posar. Leif never questioned her morals... but ... when it came to Carlsen's treacherous behaviour & Mrs. Posar's

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talk about "defending her honour to the last" he soon lost patience with both.. I went to a bridge party the other day..."
23rd January 1912.

36. "Leif offered to take in one or two of the Germans - wives of the soldiers who might be in need of help - we heard such pitiful stories about them. They had to leave Tsingtao, but wanted to be near their husbands, so went inland as far as Tainan & were living there on Chinese chow, in Chinese houses of course in extreme poverty. However the Japanese are spreading themselves about & have taken the railway between Tsingtai & Tainanfu & now the German refugees have arrived in Shanghai with nothing more than the clothes they have on - everything else stolen from them by the Japanese & Chinese, so we heard - it may be true or not."
12th October 1914.

Lynne Strahan.

BLANCHE DUE - LETTERS TO HER MOTHER, MRS. J.M. SMITH

Box

1. 11 5 Mar. 1911

Hankow (?) Anticipating arrival home; instructions to "boy" to await them at Jardine's wharf; pleasantness of trip, though boat "not much"; Captain's pleasure that they were married on his wedding anniversary and are following his own "honeymoon" trip; fixing up house.

2. 14 Apr. 1911

Thanks for money; improvements to house; purchase of household goods at auction; happy preoccupation with household affairs; dismissal of "that boy who was really no better than a coolie"; glad her mother's trip to Brisbane livened by pleasant companion - "I see you are acquiring a taste for foreigners too"; contentment in marriage - glad to have been saved "twice from an unhappy marriage"; Leif (husband) in "camp" at present, not office.

3. 30 Apr. 1911

Shanghai. to her mother on board the "Aldenham". Social calls; Mrs. Arnold who says she is "getting too fat since she came to China" through lack of exercise; house improvements; auction to purchase mosquito net and electric fans; possible French lessons from "the Baron"; joining Bridge Club; correspondence.

4. 25 May 1911

Shanghai to her mother in South Gippsland. Patriotism stirred by a "gumleaf"; Bridge Club; domestic arrangements smooth because "boy" so reliable; too busy to take French lessons; has heard of "the wonderful chances in Western Australia"; dinner parties; celebrations amongst the Norwegian community of the anniversary of "the disunion of Norway from Sweden"; kittens and puppies; pony show; incessant rain; social calls owed.

5. 19 June 1911

Postmarked to her mother in Sandringham. Part of first page missing. Visitors from Chinkiang; brocade cushions; pink silk and cream lace evening dress; usefulness of black Manchurian feathers; banjo and piano lessons; a wedding. Enclosed: photograph of part of a room with draped mantelpiece, wallpaper and an elaborately framed print of "the Laughing Cavalier".

6. 25 June 1911

From Shanghai. No use for a side-saddle; failed dyeing experiment with "Maypole soap"; "happier than ever"; Coronation Day celebrations - sports at the race course, crowded streets, illuminated decorations; and an evening torch-light procession consisting of sailors, bands, the Shanghai Volunteers, the fire brigade, all Japanese residents and "cars representing Britain and the Colonies"; they watched from the racecourse where the procession's effect was diminished by dispersion semi-darkness and a smoke-screen from the torches "the poorest show I have ever seen. The only people who showed any enthusiasm were the Japanese"; banjo progress; posting postcards and "a Social Shanghai".

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7. 11 2 July 1911

Shanghai. to South Gippsland. Re missing documents; (share scrip duplicates); thanks for bank draft; enclosed photo. of the artillery firing a royal salute on Coronation Day (Lief is on the last gun); tiring of the Bridge Club; constant rain; would like to see Vida Goldstein in parliament; husband working for Arhold Karberg.

8. 11-12 July 1911

Shanghai. Arrival of box with household items - intact except for a picture of "Pretty Polly" the English racehorse; thanks also for "sewing chains"; present of silver from Leif's Norwegian relations; photo of father; the etiquette of making "calls" - "finished for the season"; hard times in Gippsland.

9. 29 July 1911

Shanghai to South Gippsland. Australian mail; earrings; pregnancy - "I would rather have this trouble now than later on"; membership of rowing club and swimming baths - "I go before tiffin"; entertaining the Bridge Club; Rasmussen's visit - gift of crystal snuff bottles; meeting Leif at the Polo.

10. 12 Aug. 1911

Shanghai. Merits of various riding masters - one "seems to be always in a kind of exaggerated riding dress ... he is just as likely to be going in a ricsa as on a horse; Bridge Club procedures altered because of hot weather; "a raging typhoon; giving a successful dinner party; Rasmussen's generosity; dislike of Chinese curios"; rats in all the houses.

11. 19 Aug. 1911

Shanghai. Birthday - flowers and bonsai trees; "bad reports" from Australia; Mrs. Posar's birthday party; house boy "as good as ever ... it is a great comfort"; gift of Pongee silk.

12. 27 Aug. 1911

Shanghai to South Gippsland. Leif's operation.

13. 9 Sept. 1911

Shanghai. Sending "a Social Shanghai" with pictures of the horse show and "the French Fire Brigade"; assorted marriages; décor of a house spoiled by "one or two hideous and dirty looking curios"; exceptional good taste of the Shanghai people in furnishing; has left the Bridge Club who were "on the verge of fighting like cats"; parlous state of the dairy at home; Purchase of a winter hat; impossible to save in Shanghai - "The fact is one lives in luxury here, without noticing it" ... lots of people ... live beyond their means".

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14. 11 28 Sept. 1911, 8 Oct. 1911
Shanghai. Leif "out with the Volunteers", goes shooting tomorrow; visit to Chinkiang; deaths and marriages; pregnancy going well - "I keep my mind very successfully shut against unpleasant thoughts"; boat races at "Hin Li" - "after seeing such a huge and gorgeous sight as Henley in England these little regattas are tiresome unless you know someone competing"; Leif at "the Rifle Range". Two letters attached, one regarding the potential noisiness of infants with "cold feet", the other offering belated congratulations on her marriage.
15. 14 Oct. 1911
Irish lace blouses. Enclosing a letter from "Aunt Edith" regarding her taste in birthday presents, and two photographs probably taken at the "boat races".
16. 13 Nov. 1911
"Chain purse" sent for birthday present, more valuable in Melbourne "than here where the workmanship counts for so little with the Chinese"; The rebellion is still going on ... everything is going in favor of the rebels so far" - trouble expected in Chinkiang, strong support for rebels, Manchus "cruel and unscrupulous", a republic "should mean progress for China", white flags flying in support of the rebels, rebel leader has abolished "torture in the examination of prisoners"; plans for the future; growing hyacinths; the races; ermine.
17. 24-25 Dec. 1911
Shanghai. The "bestly nuisance" of getting "together a baby's outfit" with the help of an ignorant man and "a half witted Portuguese girl"; ups and downs in social life - falling out with Mrs. Posar ("even her flirting is clumsy"); rumours of prosperity after the revolution - "more scope" for Leif in China; thanks for "the Ladies Field"; Christmas; sale of shares.
18. Undated note enclosing a letter from Leif's mother to her mother re the marriage.
19. 29 June 1911 - 1 July 1911
Leif Due to Mrs. Smith. Cricket, baseball and polo at the Recreation Grounds; arrangements for dividends on shares; Blanche's "allowance" still needed; prefers money from her rather than asking the firm for "advance" because "I have every intention to break the contract"; limited chances for "an outside man" in Arnhold, Karberg Co.; proposes partnership with Herbert in Australia on the land; intention to leave Shanghai next May.
20. Sheet of paper half written on! by whom? re doings of friends.
21. 23 Jan. 1912
Baby's outfit complete - has washed everything that came from the Chinese

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tailor; good cook but "he never finds out anything new"; bridge party. Enclosing Aunt Edith's both from letter of 2nd Dec. 1911 (need to be insulated from the anxiety England of the Revolution) and Blanche H? letter of 3rd Dec. 1911 ("Does all this revolution and fighting affect the English people at all?

22. 11 7 Feb. 1912

Shanghai. Visitors for "Tiffin"; bridge parties; theatre.

23. 2 Sept. 1912

Townsville.

24. 4-10 Oct. 1912

Shanghai. Cholera in Shanghai and Japan; looking for a new house - "the neighbourhood is still crammed with Chinese" and they want a garden for the child; has a good amah; Leif rehearsing for theatrical performance.

25. 11 Nov. 1912

Shanghai. Departure of friends; bridge and races; new house; early snow.

26. 26 Nov. 1912

Shanghai. Performances of Mignon highly successful; child being taught to sing by amah; visiting auctions to get furniture in "Canton blackwood".

27. 16 Dec. 1912

Shanghai. Rasmussen's wedding to a cosmopolitan Scot; a Christmas tree.

28. 18 June 1913

Shanghai. Illness - pregnancy; child's progress; "like a Viking" request for cloth-of-gold rose; Mrs. Ket "I liked her very much and could not possibly understand why she ever married a Chinese".

29. 23 July 1913

Shanghai. Child's progress; heat; "There has been trouble here again - this time the South against the North. The Southern troops seem to be chiefly coolies & riff raff of all kinds & the poor brutes half of them don't seem to know what they are fighting for - but they hate the President, Yuan-Shih-Kai. The better class Chinese don't want this fighting at all, & a general idea seems to be that it is being stirred up by Japanese who want to keep up an appearance of trouble or even actual fighting and so spoil the credit of China, in Europe, so that they can make loans to China on their own terms... The Arsenal here (at Kiang-nan

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5 or 6 miles away) is held by Northern troops & the Southerners fought from 3 this morning till 8 to take it - 5 hours solid fighting & even at intervals after that - but we have just heard that they have had a bad defeat & that the trouble is over. I do hope it is true chiefly for the sake of the miserable women"; tailor working in the house; Leif - gold pin with his birthday money. Mentions cable sent by Leif to assure her that the fighting has not harmed them.

30. \ | 19 Sept. 1913

Cable Leif Due to Mrs. Smith. New contract with firm; "Come to China soon, heaps of money to be made!!"

31. 16 Dec. 1913

Christmas - rocking horses and electric "tramway"; photos of "GoogGoo" (her son) in Japan; a new amah; "the way the Chinese shoot is disgraceful - a splinter of shell struck Mr. Arnhold's verandah while he was standing there & another one tore up the road at the corner ... The President Yuan shih Rai is a splendid man... probably the best or only one in China fit for the position"; fashions from the Ladies' Fields; GooGoo "quite the Viking type"; indifferent health.

32. 9 March 1914

Shanghai. Rearranging furniture; township allotment in Corinella; attends German Mask Ball as a Turkish lady; proposed visit of mother; garden; interest in soap combine - live next door to Lever Bros. Shanghai manager; purchase of Japanese chiffon at an auction; searching for book on gardening in China; passionflowers and clematis.

33. 19 March 1914

Shanghai. watercolours of Brighton and Mt. Dandenong; dressmaking patterns; amiability of amah.

34. 15-18 May 1914

Shanghai. 9 boronia plants up; Norwegian National Day - celebrations; tailor works "beautifully" for 70 cents a day, not worth sewing.

35. 13 Aug. 1914

Shanghai. War - "So many men have gone from here Germans Austrians & French - the Germans have gone to Tsingtan of course - what a pity that nation after nation saw fit to shove themselves in for the cause of 'honor'"; wild summer - 6 typhoons in one month; garden.

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36. 11 12-17-24 Oct. 1914
Shanghai. "Leif offered to take in one or two of the German - wives of the soldiers who might be in need of help - we heard such pitiful stories about them - they had to leave Tsingtao, but wanted to be near their husbands, so went inland as far as Tsinan & were living there on Chinese chow, in Chinese houses of course in extreme poverty. However the Japanese are spreading themselves about and have taken the railway between Tsingtao & Tsinanfu & now the German refugees have arrived in Shanghai with nothing more than the clothes they have on - everything else stolen from them by the Japanese & Chinese, so we heard - it may be true or not; futility, horror and injustice of war; cook sent away "forcibly".
37. 13 Nov. 1914
Shanghai. Leif unable to get leave from Arnhold to return to Australia; enjoying cooking "a' la Beaton"; American boots for GooGoo; snail creeper flowering; friend "making sets of clothes for Belgian children"; Shanghai little affected by war - many new cars about.
38. 1st July
Shanghai. Visit to Ming tomb in Nanking. (sometime in 1914 - 2nd baby teething).
39. Undated. Shanghai. Before birth of children.
40. 1st Feb.
2nd child a baby therefore 1914; football match; stoutness.
41. 20th Jan. 1914
Visit of Uncle George - easy to adapt in Shanghai; request for passionfruit vine; magazines.
42. 14th May
Amah dismissed - relatives a nuisance; vegetables probably 1913.
43. 19th Nov.
Hankow, Terminus Hotel. Proceeding to Nanking and Shanghai. Races; extreme cold. ~~no~~ mother in Shanghai, so probably 1910?
44. undated pencilled note to her mother in Shanghai from on board ship just before she leaves. therefore probably late 1910.
45. Shanghai. thanks for "Glad eye" doll for Ninoo (daughter) and other gifts; Uncle George there, therefore earlyish 1914; late nights; garden; shopping.

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46. || 29th Aug.

Ikkakuro Hotel, Obama, near Nagasaki, Japna. Progress in swimming; enjoyable Japanese trip; Shanghai quiet at present; "In Nanking the merchants are offering the rebels money not to fight...Nanking has changed, or been forced to change 5 times so far!...when they fight they fight very bravely. There must have been some terrific fighting when the Arsenal at Shanghai was beseiged by the rebels & held out against them. The awful thing was the suffering of the non-combatants who were driven from their homes"; birthday telegram from Leif.

47. to cousin (?) Else 25th Nov.

Shanghai. Velvet hat from "one of the French shops; GooGoo talking English and Chinese; request for foxglove and crysanthemum seeds and paper patterns during 2nd pregnancy therefore 1913.

48. 23rd Nov.

Nanking to mother in Shanghai re their return to Shanghai and visit to the "Exhibition" in Nanking on the way home. therefore prob. 1910.

49. 7th Feb. 1908

letter in French from Shanghai to Miss Fordham Harris Sandringham, Melb. Re correspondence; Lovelornness of "Dick"; visit to theatre; Italian friends; letter from husband.