

Thomas Hewitt IE CCCA/U15B Descriptive List (Fonds/Sub- Fonds/Series) Cork City and County Archives

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FONDS LEVEL DESCRIPTION

IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference: IE CCCA/U15B

Title: Thomas Hewitt

Level of description: fonds

Date: 1789 - 1873

Extent: 56 boxes

CONTEXT

Creators:

Hewitt, Thomas Henry | Merchant/Distiller, Cork | d1870

Hewitt & Co. Distillers

Biographical/Administrative History:

Qualified with an MA and BL. Eldest son of Rev. Francis Hewitt, Rector of Clonfert. Butter merchant and later founder of 'Watercourse distillery' 1792/3 with John Teulon, and London distiller Richard Blunt, located on the Kiln River, Blackpool, Cork City. By 1834 it was in Hewitt's sole control. In 1867 it amalgamated with Cork Distilleries Co. Ltd. Lived at Summerhill House, Glanmire and later at Bellavista, Queenstown/Cobh. Prominent member and official of Royal Cork Yacht Club/Water Club of the Harbour of Cork, and several other societies and organisations. Died 6 Jul 1870.

Archival History:

Donated to Archives by Irish Distillers in c1975

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Scope and Content:

Business and personal papers of Thomas Hewitt, merchant and distiller, Cork.

1795 -1860s Incoming business correspondence of Hewitt's Distillery, Watercourse Road, Cork, including letters from customers, agents, and suppliers. (U15B/B/1) (48 boxes) (Box nos. 1 – 45, 48, 49, and 56) (See Box List)

1789 - 1802 Thomas Hewitt, merchant, letterbook containing outgoing correspondence involving trade in butter and other articles. Mentions presence of the French Fleet at Bantry Bay in 1796. (U15B/B/2) (c250pp) (Box no. 47)

1794 - 1802 Hewitt & Co., letterbook containing outgoing correspondence mainly relating to the production or distribution of whiskey, rum, etc (U15B/B/3) (c100pp) (Box no.47)

c1821 - c 1870 Private correspondence, memorabilia, and accounts of Thomas Hewitt covering a wide variety of societies, companies, organisations and individuals. (U15B/P) (7 boxes) (Box nos. 46, 50 -55) (See item lists for U15B/P/A, B, C, D and series level descriptions for U15B/E, F, G)

System of Arrangement:

U15B/B Business correspondence, 1795 – 1860s (49 boxes)

- U15B/B/1 Incoming business correspondence, 1795 -1860s (48 boxes)
- U15B/B/2 Thomas Hewitt, letterbook, outgoing correspondence, 1789 - 1802 (c250pp)
- U15B/B/3 Hewitt & Co., letterbook, outgoing correspondence, 1794 - 1802 (c100pp)
- U15B/B/4 Managerial correspondence file, 1810 – 1860s (35 items)

U15/P c1821 - c1870 Private correspondence, memorabilia, and accounts of Thomas Hewitt (6 boxes)

- U15B/P/A Memorabilia; societies, associations, committees, 1840s – 1870 (2 boxes)
- U15B/P/B Correspondence and Accounts with Booksellers, 1840s – 1860s (1 box)
- U15B/P/C Correspondence with friends and relations, (1816) 1840s-1860s (425 items)
- U15B/P/D(i) Correspondence and accounts with Cork companies and firms, (1847) 1850s – 1873 (c100 items)
- U15B/P/D(ii) Correspondence and accounts with London firms, 1845-1873 (134 files)
- U15B/P/E Personal accounts, receipts, 1841 – 1850 (1 file)
- U15B/P/F Advertising catalogues, pamphlets, booklets, posters, c1851 (c300 items)
- U15B/P/G Miscellaneous documents and memorabilia, mainly personal, 1821-1865 (6 files)

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| PERSON/INSTITUTION INDEX: |
| Hewitt, Thomas Merchant/Distiller, Cork d1870 |
| Hewitt & Co. Distillery |
| Hewitt, Teulon and Blunt Co. Ltd. |

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| SUBJECT/EVENT ETC. INDEX : |
| Distilling |
| Watercourse Road, Cork |
| Industry and Commerce |
| Blackpool, Cork |
| Provisions Trade |
| Merchants |
| Butter Merchants |
| Personal Papers |
| 18th century |
| 19th century |

CONDITIONS OF ACCESS AND USE

Conditions Governing Access:

Open for research by appointment to those holding a current readers ticket.

Conditions Governing Reproduction:

Copies for research purpose only. Permission of Archives and Irish Distillers required for publication.

Language:

English

Some French in the series of catalogues and advertisements (U15B/P/F)

1 map in Irish language (in U15B/P/G/3)

Physical /Technical Requirements:

Mainly loose manuscripts

Finding Aids:

Box list for U15B/B/1, item lists U15/P/A, B, C, D(ii), D(i), series descriptions for U15B/E, F, G

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related Units of Description:

| <i>Reference</i> | <i>Description</i> | <i>Other</i> |
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| U15A | Cork Distilleries Company | Many business records also held at Irish Distillers Archive, Midleton. |
| IE CCCA/U229 | O'Flynn Exham Solicitors | |
| IE CCCA/U140 | Richard Dowden Papers | |
| U361 | John Street Distillery Cork | |
| U204 | Hewitt Estate Bandon Accounts | |

RULES /CONVENTIONS USED

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ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

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SUB FONDS & SERIES LEVEL DESCRIPTIONS:

U15B/B HEWITT BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE, 1789 – 1860s (49 boxes)

Ref. U15B/B **Date:** 1789 - 1860s

Title: Hewitt Business Correspondence (Box nos. 1 – 45,47, 48,49, and 56)

Level: sub-fonds

Extent: 49 boxes

Scope and Content:

Incoming business correspondence 1795- 1860s (U15B/B/1), 48 boxes, (See Box List)

Outgoing letterbook, 1789 - 1802 (U15B/B/2) 1 vol./ c200pp

Outgoing letterbook, 1794 - 1802 (U15B/B/3) 1 vol./ c100pp

Hewitt Managerial Correspondence file, 1810- 1860s, 37 items. (U15B/B/4)

U15B/B/1 Incoming Business correspondence, 1795-1860s (48 boxes)

Ref. U15B/B/1 **Date:** 1795 - 1860s

Title: Thomas Hewitt, Incoming Business Correspondence, (Box nos. 1 – 45,48,49, and 56)

Level: sub-fonds

Extent: 48 boxes

Scope and Content:

Incoming business correspondence of the Hewitt Distillery, Watercourse Road, Cork, including letters from customers, agents, and suppliers.

Letters from customers, suppliers, agents, employees and other business associates of Hewitt & Co. It is possible to trace the customer and supply base of the company over the period from the 1780s up to the 1860s. Hewitt & Co., were very strong in the southern half of the country; particularly in counties Tipperary, centred on Clonmel and Carrick on Suir; Waterford, Kilkenny, Wexford, Limerick, Kerry and Cork. The company had little or no dealings with the north or west of the county. However, they did have some customers in Dublin and Belfast. The relatively small number of customers in Dublin might be explained by a letter sent by Joseph Miller, Secretary of the Distillers Committee, 1812, reminding Hewitt & Co., of the resolution passed preventing Cork Distillers from making sales in Dublin (U15B/6/2).

There is a large volume of correspondence from customers – both individual publicans, and larger merchants. It is notable that a significant proportion of the publicans were women. Many of the individual customers were long standing, and this data would be of assistance to anyone conducting historical streetscapes of Irish towns. It is also possible to see when things went wrong, and there is

some correspondence on bankruptcy proceedings taken against various customers of the company. Correspondence is also available from suppliers of the company; including grain suppliers from East Cork, and further afield; sugar suppliers; coopers; and suppliers of various industrial supplies. They also traded in England, and there is a significant volume of correspondence from merchants, agents and commentators in Southampton, Plymouth, Liverpool and London, as well as in Waterford and other Irish ports. Significant merchant correspondents include; Alexander and Henry Pope, Waterford; Henry Downes & Co. Waterford; Henry Gallwey, Waterford; Silvester Phelan, Waterford; B.P. Phelan Clonmel; James Coyne, Clonmel; Edmond/Edward Burke, Clonmel; Martin Creagh, Limerick; Coates & Co., Plymouth, and coal merchants such as Taylor & Sons, Ayr Colliery.

A small volume of correspondence survives with correspondents outside Britain and Ireland. These letters are from Lisbon, North American and the Carribean. The collection could also be used to analyse the nature of trade more generally, and there is commentary on the introduction of the Corn Laws. Hewitt & Co., corresponded with agents and commentators in major Irish and British Centres of trade on prices and trading of various goods. Especially important in this regard are companies such as Twiss & Browning, and David Smith Kidd, London, and Connolly Maxwell & Fortescue, Dublin. How the company carried out its business transactions, and made and transacted payments can also be traced through the correspondence in, and outward letter books. Especially important in this regard are companies such as Twiss & Browning, and David Smith Kidd, London, and Connolly Maxwell & Fortescue, Dublin. How the company carried out its business transactions, and made and transacted payments can also be traced through the correspondence in, and outward letter books. Important in this regard, are the letters from Mark O'Brien and J.J. Clarke, who were both employees and travelling salesmen of the company. (Text: Dr.Maeve O'Riordan)

(See box list of U15B/B/1 by Maeve O'Riordan)

U15B/B/2 & 3 Outgoing Letterbooks, 1789 - 1802 (2 vols.)

Ref. U15B/B/2

Date: 1789-1802

Title: Thomas Hewitt letterbook containing outgoing correspondence (Box 47)

Level: item

Extent: c200pp

Scope and Content:

Partially completed copy letter book of Thomas Hewitt, containing outward correspondence. Includes commentary on wider events effecting trade.

Correspondents include:

Mr John Hickey and four others, 15th July 1789, re butter; Richard Byrne, 18th July 1789 re. bill of loading for 50 casks of butter; Thomas Wood, London, 27 August, 1789; Charles John Warner Esq., St Vincents, 29 December, 1789, re sugar, mentions French revolution; Mr John Wilkey, Truro, 24th October 1789 re. butter; Mr Westcomb Forster, Bristol, 6 November 1789, Tallow; Mr. Joseph Pike, Chudleigh, 18th March 1790; Mr Westcomb Forster, Bristol, April 23 1790; Mr Joseph Pike, Chudleigh, Devon, Cork 23 April 1790, timber and bark, butter; Mr Adams Carr, St Vincents, January

14th 1793, re. provisions; Jan 2nd 1796: Mentions French Fleet at Bantry Bay; 'our situation ever since I recieved your letter has been such as prevented my reply nor is our alarm yet over. The French Fleet Anchored in Bantry Bay on the 22nd with 13 or 14 Ships of the Line & Four Smaller vessels full of hand forces. The Wind prevented their getting far into the bay on the 27th they were all blown out, since that time six or seven of them are returned and are at anchor...we have now A large force to the Westward that will dispute every inch of lande with them if they advance...'; Further commentary on the French is given in other letters from the time; Right Honble Joshua Cooper, Sligo, December 18th 1798; Mr John Allen, Waterford, Nov. 1799, re. Tallow.

Ref. U15B/B/3

Date: 1794 – 1802

Title: Thomas Hewitt letterbook containing outgoing correspondence (Box 47)

Level: item

Extent: c300pp

Scope and Content:

Hewitt, Teulon, Blunt & Company Distillers, letter book containing copies of outward correspondence, mainly concerning orders for whiskey, rum etc. Begins around the time of the establishment of the Distillery.

Correspondents include:

John Donovan, Glanworth, 7 March, 1794, Benjamin Godkin, Youghal, 8 March 1794; Samuel Tarrent, Mallow, 12 March 1794, William Cave, London, 18 March 1796.; The Right Honorable the Chief Commissioners of his Majesties Revenues C[ustom]House Dublin - The memorial of Hewitt Tulon & Comp. Proprietors of the Watercourse Distillery in the city of Cork - 27 March 1794; Mr Phillip Supple, {Butter} Cork 31 March 1794, John Tescott, Tralee, 12 April 1794, Mrs Elizabeth Holland, Bandon, 12 April 1794, Mr Pat Shaugnessy, Charleville, 25 April 1794, Mr John Stanton, 28 April 1794, Henry Brown, Castletownroche, 15 May 1794, Mr Daniel Ahern, Liscarroll, 23 May 1794, Mrs Bridget Brown, Youghal, 27 May 1794, Mr John Jeffett, Tralee 31 March 1794 Ann Hosford, Bandon, 1796, George Simkins, Youghal, 1796; Samuel Rogers & Co., Bristol March 9th, 1796; To the Commissioner of the Revenue, Dublin, Nov 1802; Also correspondence to: Daniel Ahern; Henry Adams; Cornelius Ahern; John Anderson; Honourable Richard Ansley; Richard Aylward; Sam Benner; Henry Brown; Bridget Brown; Phil Benner; John Burchell; Thomas Benner; Bastable; Richard Barry; Robert Bird; Philip Barry; William Bowles; William Brown; Baldwin; John Burke; William Cave and Son; Honourable commissioners; S.W. Coppinger; Josiah Coppinger; J & S Coppinger; D. Curtin; Thomas Checkley; Thomas Casey; Francis Cooney; John Cunningham; William Clarke; J. Condon; James Collins; Messrs Cuthbert; Richard Castle & Co; Thomas Clarke; Thomas Cantwell; Church Son & Busted; John Cuthbert; Michael Calvary; John Donovan; Dunn; Edward Dixon; Daniels; Davis & Strangmans; Daniels Stephenson; Daly; Ewing, Liverpool; Edgar Curtis & Co; William Edwards; Ewart & Rutson; John Flynn; Goerge Fitzgibbon; John Flaherty; John Fitzgerald; Westcomb Forster; John Freeman & Co; Morgan Flaherty; Edward Fitzgerald; John Fitzgerald Maryland; Foley; Michael Finn; Benjamin Godkin; Thomas Gray; M. Gentleman; John Grady; George & Co Bros; Thomas Green; James Glover; Henry Gunn; James Geary; Mary Holland; Tim Hurley; Jer. Horrigan; J. Healy; Mrs Hyde; Ann Hosford; D. Hennessy; L. Hartnett; J & H Hunt; Thomas Honor; George Hickson jnr.; David Hickey; Mary Harrington; Thomas Hore; Wm Harvey; Hunt O'Brien and Hunt; Hegarty; John Jeffcott;

Richard Jeffcott; Joshua Jepson & Co.; Robt Johnston; Inspectors, surveyors & Gaugers; James Kearney; Thomas Kitt; James Kelly; John Keating; James Lowe; Garrett Lynch; Hugh Lawler; Lysaght; Labath; Major Leslie; Miller; McCormack; Murphy; Mahony; McSweeney; McCarthy; Montgomery; Monaghan; Moore; Marks; Mansfield; Felton Matthew; Massy & Sutton; Marks; Moyneaux; McNab; McCall; Moriarty; Morgan; Mason; McCullan; O'Connell; O'Hara; John O'Brien; M.B. O'Brien; O'Keefe; Pollock; Popham; Purcell; Perrott & McCall; Michael Russell; Richard Roche; Reardon; Reardon; Roche; Reynolds; Reeves; Rogers & Co., Bristol; Roche; Rohan Supple; Sommerville; Stack; Sheehy; Smith; Sutton; Sullivan; Shaugnessy; Stanton; Sparks; Sullivan; Sparks; Shinnor; Scraggs; Simkin; Sealy; Sweeney; Seales; Swanton; Stanley; Smyth; Tarrant; Thompson; Turner; Vincent & Co.; George Winn; Webb; Warburton; Winwood; Wall & Hamilton; White; Wilson; Ward; Circular letters: includes lists of recipients - some of these are additional to above list: Robert Philpott, Newmarket etc.

U15B/B/4 Hewitt Managerial Correspondence File, 1810 – 1860s (37 items)

Ref. U15B/B/4 **Date:** 1810 - 1860s
Title: Hewitt Managerial Correspondence File (Box 47)
Level: file
Extent: 37 items

Scope and Content:

Managerial correspondence file containing letters etc. from other distillers, suppliers, managerial notes, accounts, material, etc.

Includes:

1. 1860s Thomas H. Hewitt & Co, Watercourse Distillery, calling cards for agents. (4 items)
2. 23 Dec 1834 Letter from ?Thomas Franks. (2pp)
3. 25 March 1873 Note from William Kelly to 'Dear Tom', re. letter from Hughes (1p)
4. 3 Sep 1849 Letter from ?Twiss and Browning to Dear Sir enclosing receipt (item 5 below) (1p)
5. 29 Aug 1849 Shipping receipt from Dublin, Belfast, Cork, Falmouth and Plymouth Steam Packet Wharf, Lower East Smithfield, London, for 3 boxes destined for Cork. Mentions CCSSC ships Preussischer Adler and Ajax. (1 item)
6. Apr, Sep 1849 Twiss & Browning, shipping dockets. (3 items)
7. 1853-4 Receipts from Thos. Henry Hewitt & Co., for delivery of bags of barley and white oats to Watercourse Distillery (6 items)
8. 1850s List of names and addresses of firms in [?London], such as Castle & Co. Milk Street; on Watercourse Distillery headed notepaper. (1p)

9. 1798 - 1833 Balances, P & L account, T. Hewitt & Co. (25pp)
10. ?1850s List of beverages [supplied by] Wine Vaults and Rectifying Distillery, 15 and 16 Princes Street, Cork. (2pp)
11. 18 Jan 1851 Letter from 'THH Esq', Sidney Place, to 'My dear ?John', Watercourse, 'After what has occurred between us it seems to me quite impossible that we can ever work together unless a perfect understanding exists between us - which at present I regret to say does not', suggests terms for partnership (see item 12) (2pp)
12. Jan 1851 Covenants for company partnership deed and proposed arrangements, working capital of £20,000. 'The Concern is divided into one eight shares. Of these 3/8 belong to Thomas H Hewitt and 3/8 to T.Hewitt likewise 2/8 to Reps of Isaac Hewitt (deceased)'; (5pp)
13. 3 Aug 1872 Notice from Cussen, Secretary, Cork Distilleries Co. Limited, Morrison's Island, Cork to Thomas Hewitt Esq., Crosshaven, regarding special meeting of the Directors on 6 August. (1p)
14. 11 Oct 1852 Letter from [William] Lane, Cork, to Messrs. Thomas and Henry Hewitt and Co., Watercourse Distillery, Cork, concerning George Dennis Estate. Undertaking regarding securities. (1p)
15. 18 Mar 1861 Letter from Jamesons & Robertson, Marrowbone Lane Distillery, Dublin to 'Dear Sir', Thomas Hewitt Esq., refers to two petitions and that 'many of the Irish Members would be absent' until after Easter. (1p)
16. 21 Mar 1861 Letter from Jamesons & Robertson, Marrowbone Lane Distillery, Dublin to Messrs Hewitt & Co. They have received the note and copies of the Petition, meeting of Irish Members in Dublin advised before their return to Parliament. (1p)
17. 21 Sep 1849 Letter from George Atkins and Son, Cork to Thomas Hewitt Esq., London, annexing an account for brandy and wines. (1p)
18. 9 Jun 1854 Letter from Robert King, Dundalk to 'My Dear Hewitt'. Refers to matter of the 'malt drawback'. (3pp)
19. 24 Oct 1872 Letter from P.M. Kelly, Watercourse Tannery, to Thomas Hewitt Esq; re horses. (1p)
20. nd [?1860s] Robert Cassidy, Cassidy's Distillery, Monasterevin, to Thomas Hewitt Esq. Hopes Hewitt will meet the Dublin traders in London. He met a few MPs in Dublin who promised co-operation. (3pp)
21. 30 May, 5 Jun 1856 2 Letters from Francis B. Beamish, London, to 'My dear Hewitt'. Refers to Cassidy of Monasterevin and Irish MPs, etc (2 items/5pp)
22. 3 Oct 1851 Letter from Henry Jameson, Maryfield Distillery, Clonmel, to 'My dear Sir'. He hoped to see Hewitt in Cork about some matters his cousin wrote from London. (2pp)
23. 11 Nov 1859 Letter from Francis McCarthy, Wine Vaults and Rectifying Distillery, 15 & 16 Prince's Street, Cork, to the Administrators of the estate of the late Anthony Motherway, enclosing

account of debts including over £600 to Thomas Hewitt; and statement of creditors stock debts. (3 items)

24. 1844-1855 Excise Office, Cork, permits to Hewitt & Co. to remove from warehouse specified quantities of spirits distilled in Ireland. Also 1 permit for foreign brandy. (6 items)

25. nd Table of comparative values for wheat. (2pp)]

26. 9 Dec [?1850s] Letter from Thomas Hewitt, Erechtheum Club, St. James' Square, to [Aneas] Coffey Esq., Bromley re. proposed condensing apparatus to the hill at the Watercourse. (2pp)

27. 20 Dec 1848 Extract from estimate from Shea and Sons for stills and drawings of distilling apparatus. (5 items)

28. March 1810 Petition to Parliament by the Irish Distillers. (3pp)

29. nd [1840s-1850s] Pamphlet, 'The Spirit Trade of Ireland', with the proceedings of an important meeting of manufacturers, merchants and dealers at Commercial Buildings, chaired by Alderman Robert H. Kinahan, High Sherriff of Dublin. Contributions by John Bagot, Alderman George Roe, Sir Timothy O'Brien, R. Cassidy, Francis Codd, John Jameson. (3pp)

30. 1844 - 1850 Notice, 'Irish Spirit Trade', noting great loss and injury owing to duties to be paid on strength etc.. With costed examples including 4 puncheons warehoused by John Jameson in 1847. (2pp)

31. c1850 Extract of article from the Leinster Express on The Spirt Trade, referring to losses sustained owing to duty (see item 30). (1p)

32. ?1820-1850 Pamphlet, 'A Statement of the Means adopted for excluding Irish Whiskey from English Consumption'.

33. nd ?1820-1850 Note on 'Clause B', re, spirits distilled from malt in England or Ireland, delivery for consumption on half the malt allowance, etc. (1p)

34. 24 Mar 1873 Note from [J.Humphries] to Mr. WJ Kelly, re. obtaining an amount of money. (1p)

35. 1840s-1860s Miscellaneous rough accounts, calculations. (15 items)

36. 25 Sep 1845, 13 Oct 1845 Letters from Ebenezer Pike, Cork Steam Ship Company, to Thomas Hewitt re contracting for vessels and reduction of rates for shipping whiskey. (2 items)

37. c1846 Draft and copy letters relating to the drafting of a memorial to the Chairman and Board of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue;

Copy of Memorial of Thomas Henry Hewitt, 18 July 1846 and copy of reply from the Board of Excise, London, August 1846; To the Honourable the Commissioners of her majesty's Board of Excise, the memorial of Thomas H Hewitt & Co of the Watercourse Distillery

Also draft letters to the editor of the Times. (c30pp)

U15B/P PERSONAL CORRESPONDENCE, MEMORABILIA, ACCOUNTS, OF THOMAS HEWITT, c1821-c1870 (6 boxes)

Ref. U15B/P **Date:** c1821 - c1870

Title: Thomas Hewitt, Personal Correspondence, Memorabilia, and Accounts (Box nos. 50 -55)

Level: sub-fonds

Extent: 6 boxes

Scope and Content:

Private correspondence, memorabilia, and accounts of Thomas Hewitt covering a wide variety of societies, companies, organisations and individuals.

U15B/P/A Memorabilia and Correspondence re. Societies, Associations, Committees, 1840s – 1870 (63 files)

Ref. U15B/P/A **Date:** 1840s - 1870

Title: Memorabilia and Correspondence re. Societies, Associations, Committees Societies, (A/1-30 - Box 53; A/31-/63 -Box 54)

Level: series

Extent: 63 files (2 boxes)

Scope and Content:

Material, mainly printed memorabilia, such as, prospectuses, notices, statements, annual reports, programmes, subscription receipts, invitations, tickets, relating to the many societies, associations, committees, institutions, businesses which with Thomas Hewitt was involved, or that he took an interest in, including: (1) Art Union of Dublin, (2) Art Union of Great Britain, (3) Bankruptcy Court, (4) dinner in honour of Michael Joseph Barry, (5) subscription from FB Beamish, (6) Bianconi Coach (timetable, 1850), (7) Blackpool Scriptural Schools, (8) British Corn Millers' League, (9) Camden Society, (10) Cathedral building committee, (11) Cavendish Society, (12) Celtic Society, (13) Citizens River Steamer Company Merchants Quay Cork, (14) Colonial Society, (15) Commercial Buildings Company, (16) Cork Agricultural Association, (17) Cork Athenaeum /Cork Opera House, (18) Cork City Club, Cork County Club, Daly's Club, Middleton Club, (19) Cork Flax Spinning and Weaving Company, Cork (20) Fever Hospital, (21) Cork Harmonic Society, (22) Cork Ladies Auxiliary to IC Missions, (23) Cork Library, (24) Cork Model Dwellings Association, (25) Cork Saving Bank, (26) Cork School of Art, (27) Cork School of Design, (28) County of Cork Gun Club, (29) County and City of Cork Horticultural Society, (30) Cuverian Society, (31) Early English Text Society, (32) Elections (misc), (33) Exhibitions including Cork Exhibition 1852, Dublin Exhibition 1853, London Crystal Palace 1853, Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufacture & Commerce, (34) Free Masons, (35) Green Coat Hospital, (36) Indigent Room-Keepers Society of Cork, (37) Industrial Ragged School, (38) Irish Archaeological Society, (39) Irish Permissive Bill Association, (40) Dr.Keating Society, (41) Kilkenny & South East of Ireland Archaeological Society, (42) Masonic Female Orphan Asylum, Dublin, (43) Masonic Female Orphan School Dublin, (44) Masonic Orphan Boy's School Dublin, (45) North Charitable Infirmary, (46) Dr John O'Donovan Fund, (47) Ossianic Society, (48) Percy Society, (49) Protestant Hall and County and City of Cork Assembly Rooms, (50) Protestant Orphan Society, (51) Royal Cork Institution

(including accounts, meeting notices, etc 1840s-1850s), (52) Royal Cork Yacht Club, (53) Royal Dublin Society, (54) Cork Blackrock and Passage Railway (timetable and fares, 1850), Cork and Limerick Direct Railway, Cork and Milford Haven, Great Southern and Western Railway, West Cork Railway, (55) St.Luke's Male and Female Infant Daily Schools, (56) Shakespeare Society, (57) Society for Improving the Conditions of the Labouring Classes, (58) Society for the preservation and publication of Irish Music, (59) Southern and Western Mining Company, (60) Swivel Bridge Committee (Denny Lane, Sec.), (61) The Warton Club, (62) Waterford Mechanics' Institute, (63) Welled Screw Steam Fishing Company

See Item List

U15B/P/B Correspondence and Accounts with Booksellers, 1840s – 1860s (55 files)

Ref. U15B/P/B

Date: 1840s - 1860s

Title: Thomas Hewitt, correspondence and accounts with booksellers (Box 50)

Level: series

Extent: 55 files (1 box)

Scope and Content:

Prospectuses, invoices, receipts, catalogues, correspondence, accounts relating to purchases and subscriptions by Thomas Hewitt from various booksellers, authors, agents, publishers, newspapers, in London, Dublin, and Cork.

Includes (for example) James Barker, Regent Street, London, invoices for the Times 1861-65; Hodges and Smith, Grafton Street Dublin, correspondence and accounts, etc. 1853-1863; Stephen Moore Cork, accounts 1851-3; John O'Daly, Dublin 1846-51; J. O'Brien & Co., 45 Patrick Street, Cork, accounts 1853-4; Richard Sims, Grafton Street Dublin, prospectus and letters re. 'Handbook on Autographs', 1860

Richard Spenser, Masonic Depot, Queen St. London, letters, accounts etc. (56 items); Thoms Printing Office, Dublin correspondence re. exhibition catalogue, 1852; Subscriptions to Cork Constitution, Cork Daily Herald, 1860; Ulster Journal of Archaeology, subscription reminders, 1860-1; Also: Miscellaneous prospectuses for books and publications (30 items); Also: MS. Inventory and notes by Thomas Hewitt on the contents of his own library (c55 items)

See Item List

U15B/P/C Correspondence with friends and relations, (1816) 1840s-1860s (425 items)

Ref. U15B/P/C

Date: (1816) 1840s - 1860s

Title: Thomas Hewitt, correspondence with friends and relations (C/1-227 Box 51; C/228-425 Box

52)

Level: series

Extent: 425 items (2 boxes)

Scope and Content:

Personal correspondence of Thomas Hewitt from various friends, associates, and relations mainly in Cork, Ireland and England. Correspondents include (for example) John Anderson, Fermoy; George Armstrong (Royal Cork Yacht Club), George Atkins, John Benson (Architect), James Brenan (School of Art); William Fitzgibbon Mayor of Cork, Charles Hewitt, EH Hewitt, Florence Hewitt, Henry Hewitt, Mary Hewitt, Thomas Henry Hewitt, John Howes, William Johnson, Denny Lane, William Maginn, Robert Milliken, Robert WC Reeves, General CW Ridley, Richard Sainthill, Sir Thomas Tobin, War Office (re. rent of 26 Patrick's Hill), John Windele (Antiquarian), Francis Currey. Also, file of material relating to sale of Summerhill House.

See Item List

U15B/P/D(i) Correspondence and accounts with Cork companies and firms, (1847) 1850s - 1873 (c100 files/items)

Ref. U15B/P/D(i)

Date: (1847) 1850s - 1873

Title: Thomas Hewitt, correspondence and accounts with Cork companies and firms (Box 52)

Level: series

Extent: c100 files/items

Scope and Content:

Thomas Hewitt, correspondence, accounts, receipts, invoices, with mainly for Cork City companies and firms, including retailers, tradesmen, craftsmen etc.

Includes, (for example): Abbott Brothers, Stout and Bottling Store 13 North Mall, 1873; Richard Allen, Woollen Importer and Clothier, 69 Patrick Street, Cork 1852-64; Edward Casey, Apothecary Pembroke Street, 1846; N.Cummins Wine Merchant, 1853; John Duke, Corporation Meat Market, 1856; W. & HM Goulding, Druggists, Spice and Oil Merchants 108 Patrick Street, 1860; C.Hayes & Son, Grand Parade Market, 1873; Hive Iron Works/Richard Perrot and Sons, Hanover Street, 1855-67; Jeremiah Mullane, Carpenter, 1872; The Queen's Old Castle Company, 1846-8; Woodford Bourne & Co., 1861, 1870. (Box 52)

See Item List

U15B/P/D(ii) Correspondence and accounts with London firms, 1845-1873 (134 files)

Ref. U15B/P/D(ii)

Date: 1845 - 1873

Title: Thomas Hewitt, correspondence and accounts with London firms (Box 55)

Level: series

Extent: 134 files

Scope and Content:

Thomas Hewitt, various receipts, accounts for goods purchased, mainly from shops and firms in London, mainly in Turnham Green/Chiswick area, but also Hammersmith, Piccadilly, and other areas. . Also bundle of misc. items relating to Chiswick including appointment as Special Constable, 1848. Includes retailers, tradesmen, craftsmen, and Suppliers include shoemakers, chandlers, drapers, brewers, coal merchants, jewellers, ironmongers, carpenters, fishmongers, tailors, hardware merchants, stationers, etc. Such as, JW Allen, West Strand, Portmanteaus manufacturer, receipt 1861; Thomas Catchpool, Brewer and Coal Merchant, Hammersmith, 1845-51; James Eden, Plumber, 1849; William Evans, Masonic Jewel and Clothing Manufacturer, receipt for gauntlet, 1850; Hill Brothers Naval and Military Tailors, 1872; WC Pratt Grocer and Tea Dealer Turnham Green, 1846, 1851, etc. (Box 55)

See Item List

U15B/P/E Personal accounts, receipts, 1841 - 1850s (1 file)

Ref. U15B/P/E

Date: 1841 - 1850s

Title: Thomas Hewitt, personal accounts, receipts (Box 55)

Level: series

Extent: 1 file

Scope and Content:

Thomas Hewitt, audited personal accounts, 1841 - 1844. Daily expenditure and receipts 1859. Funeral expenses for Mrs Catherine Hewitt, 1847. Miscellaneous receipts for poor law rate, income tax, rents, tithes rentcharge in Liscleary, shipping receipts, receipts for registered letters. Hotel receipts including Devonshire Arms, Lismore; Eagle Hotel Westport; Imperial Hotel & Posting Ballina; Mackens Hotel Dawson Street Dublin; Railway Hotel Killarney (with engraving), also hotels in London and European mainland. (Box 55)

U15C/P/F Advertising catalogues, pamphlets, booklets, posters, c1851 (c300 items)

Ref. U15B/P/F

Date: c1851

Title: Advertising catalogues, pamphlets, booklets, posters. (Box 55)

Level: series

Extent: c300 items

Scope and Content:

Printed advertising catalogues, pamphlets, booklets, posters, for household goods, many for the Great Exhibition, London, 1851.

Such as; catalogue for J.Tylor & Sons, London, diving apparatus, baths, toilets, boilers, beer engines, etc, prepared for the Dublin Exhibition, 1853, (24pp); and Maison Balny Jenue, and London Exhibition [1851];

Includes: latest fashions, lamp shades, furniture, cookers, kettles, boot & shoe cleaning machine, washing machine, gas lamps, beds, hose reels, patent portable umbrella tent, bulbous roots, stationery, printers (including Trezise's at Crystal Palace, 1851), Patent Machine Ship's biscuits (by Baker & Co., Cork), auctions, fire arms experiment Colt/Adams pistols Woolich, tools, Picault's Oyster opener; McSwiney and Company Dublin share issue; cure for Cholera; John Grossmith, importer ir essential oils etc; Roasting by Gas at the Royal Naval School, Greenwich by BG Martins Gas Apparatus; Colt's patent revolvers of British Manufacture; Smith & Co. iron works, prize implements for 1851 exhibition; Tuxford & Sons steam engines; JL Pulvermachers Hydro-electric chain; Liquid Revivificators from Rosselet, inventor; Exposition Universale, Widow H.Schlose and Brother; Shears and Sons patent distilling and rectifying apparatus; Inlaid mosaic floorings and furniture by Marcelin, Paris; Prostectus of vessels for pharmacy by Mr W. Batka, Prague; Dr. Jacob Townsend's United States Sarsparilla; Merryweather's cabinet fire engine; Waterlows patent autographic press; William Busby agricultural implements; collection of casts for use in drawing schools, D. Brucciani; etc.

U15B/P/G Miscellaneous documents and memorabilia, mainly personal, 1821-1865 (6 files)

Ref: U15B/P/G **Date:** 1821 - 1865
Title: Miscellaneous documents and memorabilia, mainly personal (Box 55)
Level: series
Extent: 6 files

Scope and Content:

Miscellaneous documents and memorabilia mainly personal.

1. 1824 - 1825 'Hewitt's wallet contents'. Hotel and Shop receipts, notes & reservations made by Hewitt when travelling in France & Italy, includes pocket book and clippings. (1 file)
2. 1830 - 1865 Miscellaneous. Various calling cards and business cards; Cards soliciting favour in upcoming election for Town councillor, governor of the gaol; adverts for Paris restaurants, photographe, dentists and opticians etc; European train tickets; Baggage label; Lists; Voting registration for Thomas Hewitt; Programme des Courses au Bois de Bologne 1861; Correspondence; Rough accounts; Common Search for Judgements, Revivals; Statement of property & liabilities & improvements at Summerhill: 'work done on Summerhill since I came'; List of broken glass to be replaced, 1865; A list of broken and imperfect goods at Summerhill House; Stamp Department, Price lists; Memorandum of agreement between Thomas Hewitt & Thomas Henry Hewitt; 'Instructions for my executors' Isaac Hewitt, 1838; Stamp office. (1 file)
3. c1821 - 1861 Personal belongings of Thomas Hewitt. Handwritten lists of flowers and prices; Rough accounts including one with the Duke of Devonshire for rent; Legal items including: O'Brien v Callanan draft affidavit, Thomas Hewitt; Typed list of Debenture holders including Thomas Hewitt,

Summerhill; Correspondence re. courtcase; Typed list of resolves to induce the state to purchase the railways of Ireland; Light hearted letter re the sale of Grand Feminine Investment Co. By order P_Seey. Addressed to Thomas Hewitt; Handwritten Cork Queenstown timetable; Empty envelope for prescription prepared by Robert Alsop Chemist and Druggist for Thomas Hewitt; Handwritten verses including 'Character of Ring Wm 3rd..Born Nov 4th 1650, died March 1701 reigned 12 years and 25 days', 'The Kerry Recruit', 1822, various sayings; Hymns, verse and prose in french and english, musical sheet; Sketch plan of garden; List of butter merchants, Cork

Various addresses; Memento photos and description of Statue of Hardinge; Religious material including: 'The Varieties of the sacred name', handwritten prayer; Pamphlet: 'Information regarding her majesty's royal letters patent and the securing of inventions' n.d.

Booklet: 'W. Belch's general arithmetical tables with a table of remarkable events, the kings and queens of England' nineteenth edition n.d.

Booklet: 'Notes of causes of fires; or which is the safest of various methods of warming buildings' (London, 1853); Handwritten recipe for tonic mixture, milk tonic pills, artificial milk, destroying apple disease, cough mixture, effervescing draught; Lists and scientific observations

; Draft letters and accounts; Plan of orchestra seating; Newsheet: 'The Freeholder' Tuesday December 20th, 1814; Paper cuttings of a lighthearted and political nature; Map of Ireland in Irish language ; One Pound Ten Shillings/Thirty Shilling Note of the Cork Bank; Watercolour sketch of round towers or grain stores; Mr Hewitt, Summerhill, calling cards; Material relating to election. (1 file)

4. 1850s Misc. notebook with three pages used for scientific lists; Catalogues for actions and exhibitions, including sale of art works including Joshua Reynolds; describing a viewing of 'The Chinese Lady, Pwan-ye-koo with small lotus feet, only 2 1/2 inches in length!...at the Chinese Collection, Albert Gate, Hyde Park'; Copies of lecture programme for 'Mr Juke's Lecture on the geology of the South of Ireland'; Descriptive cards; List of names and addresses. (1 file)

5. 1840s-1870s Misc. Including; letter from McSwiney Delaney & Co. Dublin; empty envelope addressed to Hewitt Esq, Adelaide Place, Cork; Great Western Railway, Luggage docket, 1846; personal receipts; letters re. purchases; receipt to Counsellor Hewitt from harness maker Thomas Farrell, 1854; receipt to Counsellor Hewitt for furniture, 1854; Note from 'Brotherly Love Bank', to pay Brother Cassia or bearer on demand 1 shilling, London Dec. 1803, for the Governor and Company of Universal Philanthropy, signed 'Christian Truth'. (16 items)

SEE ALSO: BOX LIST FOR U15/B/1, & ITEM LISTS FOR U15B/P, A, B, C, D

APPENDIX: EXTRACTS FROM OUTGOING LETTER BOOKS 1789-1802

Extracts from U15B/B/2 (1789-1802)

July 13th 1789

I am favoured with your's of 4th Currt. & agreeable to your hand order have shipped for your account on the Devonery of Cork. John Murray, master for Talmouth[?] & Quarter bound Casks of butter. Brick[?] & Quality if I was to adhere to yuor weight I could not have sent them by this opportunity as I could not get in this city the quantity of the weight that I would approve & you will please to examine the quality when they arrive as I paid something extraordinary on dec of the goodness & likewise was apprehensive the weight would be engaged by some other person as the vessel was nearly loaded, the people here were something stiffs with their 1sts and 2nds on account of a small demand for Lisbon theyn asked 43 & 44 for them tho I think 40/ & 30/ the full value therefore would not indulge them which price I think they will be at in a very few days and the 3rd a 34 therefore any more you msy have occasion would recommend your giving orders immediately as I apprehend it will be at the lowest the general run of the weight our 2nds is from [?] very few under that & Them in general of a bad Quality as they are made at Poor Dairies . Price of full bourds this day 44/ 42/ 36/ have wrote Messrs Wellbank & Co., London this post to insure £85 please order Messres Smyth Wright & Gray to accept...N.B. Would have advised you the Price of butter earlier but it was in so unsettled a state could not form an opinion how it was likely to be

Mr John Hickey and four others, 15th July 1789

'The unsettled state of the Butter Trade prevented my not paying you my respects earlier the present serves to advise you this day's price...any commandments you are pleased to favour me with may depend will do the best in my power for your interest

Richard Byrne, 18th July 1789

Inclosed you have a bill of loading for 50 Casks Butter ...

Thomas Wood, London, 27 August, 1789

I am duly favoured with your of the 20th which I observe and can not sufficiently acknowledge the trouble you have taken with respect to Wm Gluyas as this sd bill is for goods shipped him last November & bought for ready money there must be something Wrong with him that I should have every tenderness for an honest manin Distress I am obliged still to think of my own family therefore must beg of you to urge the immediate payment[.] Ad of that should fail to enforce it with with as much attention to his Credit as possible last month of recd. A Letter from from Lieut. Edwards of the royal saying you had informed him you had put a small Parcel on board a vessel to my care for him I

made enquiry of all the vessels arrivd from London & have recieved no acct of it. I am always with Esteem...

Charles John Warner Esq., St Vincents, 29 December, 1789

As sugars are likely to be high here Captain Carr informs me that there may be a possibility of Loading the Catherine immediately on her arrival with [?] Sugars if that should be the case and that you are Disposed tp get them Shippd. I am satisfied to one quarter one third or one half of the entire of the cargo as you and Captain Carr may agree about the matter provided they can be shipped on Board free of all charges at or under 44[?] St. Vincents. Currency french with the Present Revolution, in old france where no property at present is secure. Induce me to think there are many Sugars left in these Islands and that they can be had on very reasonable terms form your interest And Connection Capt. Carr is led to conclude that you will be able to effect this Business your bills for the amt. At 90 Days st. Shall meet due honour - as I am a perfect stranger to you Capt. Carr will remain on the spot till the vessels return will Guarantee the transaction If this adventure should not take Place your dispatching the Catherine the first ship with new Shugars[sic] to this Market will you may Depend on will making you A [?] of my best services here. Respectfully

Mr John Wilkey, Truro, 24th October 1789

I was duly favoured with yours of 3rd August...I have had freight engaged for your Butter this three weeks back but could not possibly get such 3rd Quality as I would send the demand has been so great for that Quanlity that I could not get them pickd, and they have brought them up to within 2/p[?] of the Seconds; the Price of thirds 40/Sec 42/ have stood off in hopes to get the Seconds at 41/ the thirds in the Run would never answer if your order had been a few days earlier could have expected it on very good terms but on its arrival the Country People were so Employ'd that little or no Butter came to market will on Monday purchase even 42/ if I can't do better & Ship immediately, be assured there is no one in Cornwall whose order I would sooner execute than yours the daily expectation of shipping your butter prevented my writing you & am always with esteem respectfully

Mr Westcomb Forster, Bristol, 6 November 1789

Inclosed you have bill of loading and Invoice anex'd for 30 Hlds Tallow for the Lovely Martha Wm Cranich Master for Bristol to your address, I rec'd yours of 29th & was surprised to find you had sold my former Tallow at 3 months it is what I should not wish in future you would do, notwithstanding the expectations of your chandlers, you may depend the Quality of Tallow from this to your place will not be great except encouraged by a very high Price & ready money. If I had received your letter before I shipped those should have sold here in acct of the timely demand by your Chandlers...very little doing in the slaughtering, price of beef is very low, many people will hold over their cattle, what tallow is now going is bought for the Consumption of this place...

Mr. Joseph Pike, Chadleigh, 18th March 1790

I was duly favour'd with yours of 12th and would have replied sooner but waited to see Mr Deaves who lives in the Country & did not see him till this day, the 3 Crates of Eastern Ware are here in Cellar to be delivered Mr Child's order he could not recollect the No. That was sold, he has a Bsnk +- since he received them, was not anxious to reply with respect to Capt. Patten as he was given up for lost, long before I recd your letter, I have likewise to acknowledge the rect of yours of 24st Inclosing Roylance Childs Affi.d of the sum due to him by F. Fitton; no proceedings can take place after 21st which is the day the bill on him will become payable it is dated 13 January & 2 months - I made it my business to call on Fitton he acknowldged freely to me that when it came due he could not be able to discharge it, from the losses he has had from Maur. Ahern I therefore see if, he is sued he will litigate it therefore I think it better not to proceed in that way till there can be sufficient proofs had here on the spot, would recommend giving him time by getting him to Acct two bills for the Amt one say at 4 months & The other @ 8 months & think the money would sooner come about that way than by a suit of law which would be expensive, by the bringing over of witnesses, & if he should then fail in the payment his name will be sufficient proof if Messrs Child & Co. Would approve of this method let the offer come from them, Our market here are high for butter say 60/ to 64/ scarce any to be had . Fresh pork 20/ to 22/ beef in no great Demand with best respects to all Yr good Family I am Dr Sir &cc NB Will note Fittons bill if not paid will not go to the expence of a protest

Mr Joseph Pike, Chadleigh, 22 March 1790

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Lark came up our river this morning by her have your kind favour ... Inclosing bills loading for 21 tons Bark...likewise for 6 pieces timber ot my address for which you will please accept my most grateful thanks, be assured I will do the best in my power for your interest the John and Mary arrived a few days back have not get sold the Bark on her as I wait for your orders, I expected£7 for it which price I could not obtain, as an inferior kind was sold here at £5.15.0, and think there is the difference between them, however yomorrow will do the best I can, & if possible sell for ready money, if that can't be effected would you wish to have the notes Discounted & Remit you the Amt. - Inclosed you have protest with Fitton's Bill; by a late Act of Parliament no Bill can be noted without taking out a protest

Mr Westcomb Forster, Bristol, April 23 1790

I was duly favoured with yours of 24th Feb & 14th Curr. And observe the disagreement between the Chandlers of your place, that cant last long as I always found it would in time work its own cure, do not understand that Tallow has come very low in London which is a great measure governs all the other markets in England, & hope you will obtain my limits, if at any time you should be inconvenienced by any advance for me you may sell my Tallow for what it will bring. I have a good many Hhds by me but will not ship one till there is a prospect of a saving price, the whole fault is with the people this side the water who send whether there's a demand or not, I have a certificate of my Freedom by me but have neglected sending it to you, English bills are now scarce on that

account, have this day drawn on you for £144.0.6 in two Vitz to order Jos. Pike £88.16.3 ot order Wm. Pike £55.43 which please and honour & Dr Sir

Mr Joseph Pike, Chudleigh, Devon, Cork 23 April 1790

Annexed you have Acct of Sales of Timber & Bark on the John and Mary Also for Bark & the Lark with Acct. Curr. Above balance due to you £95. 14.07 Irish Exchange at £88.16.3 Eng. For which you have my Dt on Westcomb Forster Bristol Inclosed could not get bills on London little business doing here paid this day ... For one bill to send your son William

Mr Arthur Rainy, Barbados, Dec 11th 1792

I wrote the 19th Sept past by Captn Carr, which I hope you have recd together with the Box, containing 11th Rainey's first order to Alexander, Annex you have invoice with inclosed bills of loading of 50 Boxes [?] 22 Firk Butter of the best Quality...

Mr Adams Carr, St Vincents, Cork Janaury 14th 1793

I expected ere this to have the pleasure of hearing of you safe arrival at St Vincents, I hope I soon shall, we now have every appearance of a war with France in consequence of Duct[?] Business & our troties[?] with them. I am much of the same opinion this year as I was last that West India produce will do no good though the Sugar has continued high still the sail[sic] has not been brisk Rum & Mollasses is not venable[?] Run there is little or no consumption for, & Molasses will not sell at any price Harvey & Deaves have £2000 worth of it by them & can't get an offer for it, would not recommend bringing it at 18d a gallon S Low has likewise all his by him though he refused a price for it which he would now gladly take, the S Houses are sick of it, Provisions are very high with us in consequence of Government Contracts & French orders we have now a general imbargo[sic] or grain except by special licence from Government to the Brittish Plantations, Capt now here intend sending a 100 boxes M Cands to you for our join Acct. Nothing Particular has happened since you left us I am &c [No signature]

Jan 2nd 1796

'our situation ever since I recieved your letter has been such as prevented my reply nor is our alarm yet over. The French Fleet Anchored in Bantry Bay on the 22nd with 13 or 14 Ships of the Line & Four Smaller vessels full of hand forces. The Wind prevented their getting far into the bay on the 27th they were all blown out, since that time six or seven of them are returned and are at anchor...we have now A large force to the Westward that will dispute every inch of lande with them if they advance...'

Further commentary on the French is given in other letters from the time

Right Honble Joshua Cooper, Sligo, December 18th 1798

I was duly favoured with yours of the 8th curr., I would have replied immediately, but waited to procure the particulars of the patentee[?] account you desired from our C. House which you have enclosed as likewise token Andersson Ac & Draft on Sir Thomas Highton & Co., 60 days of £208 one years rent of Ballanresig, I could not get a Bill at a shorter date though I paid Bank Notes for it I obtained it & favour people here are not fond of drawing on Dublin Excp being higher here than there - You may believe me when I assure you on my word that I have not received £100 out of your Grounds for three years back, I [?] them and they are now thrown back on my hands - with an arrear of £600 one shilling. I never expect to get the farm hands me more money than ever I expect to make of it - I do not complain in expectation of an abatement or allowance, but in hopes you may consult with your family, how far I may be entitled to it longer lease than I now have in expectation that my family may one day recieve part of the money which has been taken from them by it - Our Slang [?] season now open the last fortnight. Beef fell 10/ quantitiy considerably[sic] more than last year, A turn out of our Coopers the principal cause not a cask to be had to provisions[?] in, & the poor people selling their park from 10/ to 18/ something should be done to prevent these commotions[?] Agriculture has been so neglected in this part of the Kingdom that I believe some of the Distilleries will be obliged to stop, for want of Barley, other grain & potatoes an ample supply if so as to lease no apprehenton[sic] of a want here - would not recommend a speculation in store cattle next year, as Animal food has experienced so great a fall in England and Scotland, we shall not have buyers there except at very low prices

Mr John Allen, Waterford, Nov. 1799

Yesterday I was favour'd with yours of the 28th [?] & observe the high price of Tallow shared at your Market, no market in England will answer for these prices your melters must be mad, we have an arrival of Russia Tallow now here from London, shipped at 56/ those who laid in Large quantities at the high prices must loose [?] severely except for home consumption, with adequate prices, we charge but 9/6 ...

Extracts from U15B/B/3 (1794 – 1802)

John Donovan, Glanworth, 7 March, 1794

Agreeable to your favour we send you one Hogshead of whiskey the strength & sweetness of which we have no doubt will please you provided you get it in the same state we deliver it, which we cannot answer for; it is our determined resolution to make it every man[']s interest to deal with us, & hope to be able to convince you, it will be able to convince you it will be allways your interest to favour us with your Commands - with respect to your last Hogshead we have only to observe you are the first Person since we commenced Bussiness that found any fault, & be assumed when ever you have any reason to complain it is the barrier to look to[,] for you may Depend we will never send you any but of the very best Quality

Benjamin Godkin, Youghal, 8 March 1794

[Thanking him for his payment]

Samuel Tarrent, Mallow, 12 March 1794

[re his order of one puncheon of whiskey, and informing him that they have no malt at the moment]

William Cave, London, 18 March 1796

We are duly favoured with yours of the 4th and are surprised you did not reply to our former letter, where we mentioned we would let the balance stand till due, however, fearing you may want . Inclosed we hand you John Anderson's Draft on Boyd Bansfield & Co. At 3 mo for £300 which when paid you will pass to our credit, the remainder will not remitt until our season is over which we expect will be by the first July please write to us on receipt of this and say what the current price of Copper is

To the Right Honorable the Chief Commissioners of his Majesties Revenues C[ustom]House Dublin -
The memorial of Hewitt Tulon & Comp. Proprietors of the Watercourse Distillery in the city of Cork -
27 March 1794

that the memorialists have entirely lost one hundred and eight barrels of Malt, by its being burnt on the kiln when drying which notwithstanding they mashed on the 24th Instant and were obliged in the presence of the Surveyor Mr Creech and Mr Wan[?] officer of the Walk to turn it out being so much burnt as to render any means used with it ineffectual, Memorialists therefore hope your honour will please to allow them the duty thereof in their next month charge of malt.

Thomas Hewitt came before me this Day and made oath on the Holy Evangelists that the matters stated in the above Memorial are True, Sworn before this day of March

Thomas Hewitt

Mr Phillip Supple, {Butter} Cork 31 March 1794

Agreeable to your favour we send you Two Hogsheads of Whiskey of whiskey on acct of which we Received Twenty eight Guineas as Acct. Inclosed which we hope will turn out as pleasing as the last - you may allways Depend upon getting such spirits from us. As will turn out to your advantage, provided you procure carefull Carrmen, we need not inform you how much the quality of your

Liquor Depends on the Carrier I recommend you to charge them to watch it by night particularly, cost what it will

John Tescott, Tralee, 12 April 1794

Dear Sir

Agreeable to your favor we send you one puncheon of whiskey the Quality of which have no Doubt will Turn out as pleasing as the last, - The Method we make colouringus to put some raw sugars say about 3lbs in the Bottom of a pot and Keep it Constantly stirring for at least 2 Hours, & occasionally as you find it Grow thick, to put about a Quart of Water by little & little into it to make this Coloring is very troublesome and requires some Experience the Simplest Method is to buy one Penny worth of Rasped/Nasped[?] logwood Put it in a Vessel and pour two or three Quartes of Boyled Water on it, Cover it up, and leave it lie for a day or two, and pour as much of it in the puncheonas you think Necessary, this colouring You'll find to answer every purpose you wish

Mrs Elizabeth Holland, Bandon, 12 April 1794

Madam

Agreeable to your Kind order have sent you one Hhd of superior Whiskey which we hope on arrival will please Amt as P Inclosed Acct. £18.2.8 to your debit, we received the former Empty Hhd therefore do not charge for this

Mr Pat Shaugnessy, Charleville, 25 April 1794

Agreeable to your favour send you Two Quarter casks one of Rum the other Brandy with one punch of Whiskey which the Carrier was satisfy'd to take & which we hope will turn out pleasing. We have only to request you will make every tryal you can think of on our Whiskey, if you are particular in doing so we flatter ourselves you will find it superior Stength & Sweetness to any you ever bought; & if there are any Housekeepers who are very particular in the quality of their Liquer we beg you will distribute it among them & let them spake of it as it deserves I am sorry had not the pleasure of seeing you when you were last in Cork

Mr John Stanton, 28 April 1794

Dr Johnny

Agreeable to your Favor, we send you a puncheon of whiskey & a Tierce of Brandy as P Acct. Inclosed - The Whiskey you will find to be Capital proof 1 to 2 & am bold to say it will hold that proof this two months to come, it is the oldest & Best we have in the cellar

Henry Brown, Castletownroche, 15 May 1794

Sir

We dont intend giving any more than the price you got for the last Malt you delivered us, Nor would we Close with any person, without a sample

I am for Hewitt & Co., s. Graves

Mr Daniel Ahern, Liscarroll, 23 May 1794

Sir

We rec'd your Kind favour of the 20th and agreeable to your order have sent you one Hhd superior Whiskey of 2 1/4 proof amt as P Inclosed Acct £17.07 which the Bearer have paid us for, you may depend we will allways pay particular attention to your orders by sending you the very best quality whiskey. Be assured there is not better spirits in the Kingdom than we make at our distillary we flatter ourselves that what we send will meet your approbation so as to induce you to continue the darling we are[?] NB we send you a small bottle of the same

Mrs Bridget Brown, Youghal, 27 May 1794

Madam

We send you by March your four remaining puncheons of whiskey, also one Tince of Rum & a qtr Cask of Brandy Amt as Pr. Inclosed Acct. £26:17:1 to your Debit, if you should at any time be out of Spirits, and not Coming to Town, by Writing you Can have what you Want, on as good terms as if You were on the Spot, we are well assured that you have had from us must be for your Interest as there is no better Spirits in the Kingdom

Sir

We are duly favourd with yours of yesterday and agreeable thereto have sent you a good Punch. Whiskey particulars Inclosed. Barley from 27/ to 31/ Malt 18/ to 20/ have not yet heard of the additional gd hope the bill did not yet return from England

Mr John Jeffett, Tralee 31 March 1794

Sir

Agreeable to your favour we send you Two punchn of whiskey & one Anker of Gineva which you will find to be as good proof & quality as you ever received; provided you receive it in the same genuin state we deliver it to the Carriers - We recommend to you allways to give the carriers a particular charge to watch their Spirits day & night if they do not you can never be sure of getting it in the same state we deliver it to them - you may depend as long as you employ careful carriers to get such Spirits from us as will turn out a Credit to ourselves & an advantage to you we are & Send you by the Carrier one bottle of Colouring One Noggin of which will be sufficient to colour a Pehn; at any time you chooseto have whiskey sent you by a reem colour, it is only order us to do so, & we will colour it for you

To: Ann Hosford, Bandon, 1796

'Agreeable to your directions send you one puncheon of the best rum the Flavour of which you will find to be remarkably fine & recommend you to reserve for housekeepers of you find the Plain Rum such as you got last which is one shilling a gallon less than this and equally strong will answer the Common Rum of your customers recommend you to send for a puncheon'

George Simkins, Youghal, 1796

We received your favour of the 6th Inst & beg leave to inform you that the last Whiskey we sent you was charged at the lowest price we charged any other person at the time - however ddetermined we are to give general satisfaction to our Customers we will endeavour to accommodate you to your satisfaction'

Samuel Rogers & Co., Bristol March 9th, 1796

'It was but yesterday we got in the 3 Puncheons of yeast & as we are willing to impute it in part to the Length of time it was on ship board we allow you to ship for us every other Opportunity that offers relying on your attention to the Quality & your care the Shortest and speediest passage. One of the last casks wanted of being half full owing to badness of the Head by which it is necessary you will choose good casks which is a material object to us being satisfied you did the best for us sending the last Barn we make a final close of the Transaction hoping our new Dealing will be for mutual benefit'

To the Commissioner of the Revenue, Dublin, Nov 1802

Enclosed you have drawback paper & Certificate for 44 [?] of Irish Spirits shipp'd on the Stag for London which we earnestly request you will order to be examined & return'd to us together with the drawback paper for the 50 shipped[sic] on the Traveller for London & Cost - please observe that we ensured but at the rate of 2/6 per Gallon on said spirits, [?] of said Ensurance received was £820St. If you require it we can satisfy you by affidavit or any other way you may think proper to direct

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