

THE SOMERSET RECORD OFFICE
MAIN MANUSCRIPT ACCESSIONS
JULY 1967 — JUNE 1968

FAMILY AND ESTATE:

VAUGHAN LEE OF DILLINGTON: deeds, etc., of the Dillington House Estate in Ilminster, Whitelackington, etc., 1684-1906, including the manors of Whitelackington and Atherstone in Whitelackington, Ilminster (with abstract of title from 1602), and Dillington (with abstract of title to the manor of West Dillington from 1621), the advowson of Ilminster, Ashwell, Pretwood, Townsend, Chinkwell and Die Mill Farms and Eames Mill, all in Ilminster, and Whitelackington and Silvinge Farms in Whitelackington; deeds of additional properties, largely acquired or inherited by the successive owners of the Dillington Estate (Speke, Lord North, Hanning, Lee and Vaughan-Lee families), in Ilminster, 1620-1920, Kingstone, 1560-1899, West Dowlish, 1636-1823, Muchelney, Kingsbury Episcopi and Puckington (Harvard family), 1695-1791, Seavington St. Mary (including manors of Seavington Abbot and Hurcott), 1728-1911, and the manor of Seavington Vaux in Seavington St. Mary, 1629-1680. Wills, settlements etc., of the families of Hanning, Lee and Vaughan-Lee, 1768-1915, appointments, commissions, grants of arms for the same family, 1825-1912; Speke settlements, 1725, 1756. Leases for years and lives for Ilminster, 1713-1803, Whitelackington, 1724-1790, and Atherstone in Whitelackington, 1723-1784. Deeds, of Halsbury, etc., in Parkham (co. Devon), 1695-1746, and of Synderford in Thorncombe (co. Dorset, formerly Devon), 1621-1763 (Parker family). Maps of two farms in West Dowlish and Ilminster, 1767, manor and town of Ilminster, 1768, Ilminster common fields, 1798, parishes of Stocklinch Ottersey and Magdalen, 1834, and Cudworth tithe apportionment map and award, 1841. Survey of the manor of Ilminster, c. 1700; book of reference to the map of Ilminster, 1768, and to [missing maps of] the manors of Dillington, Whitelackington and Atherstone; rentals of Ilminster and Whitelackington, 1774-1791; surveys of Whitelackington, 1832, 1838; agreement for the private enclosure of the Ilminster common fields, 1802. Court rolls for the hundreds of Abdick and Bulstone, 1379-1380, 1470-1531. Business papers of William Hanning as a backer of various inventions including Goldsworthy Gurney's steam carriage, 1828-1833, 1839. Inventories of Dillington, 1874, 1882.

MISCELLANEOUS ESTATE DEPOSITS: deeds, etc., of Cheddar, 1698-1910; Chesterblade in Evercreech, 1624-1832; Kingston Seymour, 1674-1694; Nunney, 1744-1905; Wellington, 1663-1808; Wookey, 1733-1850; and Claverham in Yatton, 1635-1696. Radstock Collieries, abstracts of accounts, 1861-1896, and reports on workings (4), 1863-1887. Lethbridge family settlements, etc., 1746-1873. Wood's map of the borough of Chard, 1841. Letters from John Hammet, M.P., to Robert Beadon, including references to 1806 election for Taunton, 1806-1808. Surveys (books of reference to missing maps) of Marston Bigot, 1734, and Marston and Frome, 1788-89. Personal and estate account book of George Prior of Halse, 1758-1763. Commonplace and account book kept by the Rev. James Upton, successively master of the Ilminster and Taunton Free Grammar Schools, 1704-1746. Papers and correspondence of Francis Drake, ambassador to the republic of Genoa and the court at Munich, 1785-1809, and as a local political figure, 1791-1820.

BOROUGH: Bridgwater overseers' accounts, 1823-1836, with rates to 1828; valuations (parish), 1849-1876; rates, 1882-1919; port and navigation ledgers, etc., 1870-1936;

waterworks accounts, 1879-1930; corporation accounts of receipts and payments by the (deputy) receiver, 1788-1832.

PARISH: Charlinch (*additional*): churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1621-1665; copy glebe terrier, 1668. Chilthorne Domer: registers, 1678-1812b (burials), 1949c (christenings), 1951m (marriages); overseers' accounts, 1812-1836; valuation, 1844. Crewkerne: registers, 1558-1938b, 1954c, 1943m. Cricket St. Thomas: registers, 1564-1812b, c, 1836m; overseers' accounts, with rates, 1704-1805. Crowcombe: registers, 1641-1900b, 1948c, 1837m; register of banns, 1824-1888; churchwardens' accounts, 1723-1896, with occasional rates, 1725-1860; church plans, c. 1860; church house papers, 1860-1944; vestry minutes, 1808-1845, including minutes of Select Vestry, 1819-1838; minutes of Parochial Church Council, 1920-1940; overseers' accounts, with rates, 1677-1780, 1819-1848; settlement papers, etc., 18th and 19th cents.; surveyors' accounts, 1794-1863; Friendly Society accounts, 1858-1891; parish and tithing rates and tax assessments, 1647, 1686-1733. Haselbury Plucknet (*additional*): register of christenings, 1875-1951; minutes of Parochial Church Council, 1926-1945; churchwardens' accounts, 1680-1949, with rates to 1837; overseers' accounts, 1636-1811 (some gaps), with rates throughout. School managers' minutes, 1894-1951, accounts, 1893-1904, papers, 1894-1927, and roll book, 1903-1906. West Monkton: overseers' accounts, 1793-1812, 1828-1836; rates, 1774, 1777, 1816-1829; Select Vestry book, 1819-1828; settlement papers, apprenticeship indentures, etc., 1757-1836; surveyors' accounts, 1750-1812, 1836-1858. Norton Fitzwarren: registers, 1556-1890b, 1863c, 1933m; court book for the rectorial manor of Wooney, 1768-1879; churchwardens' accounts, 1777-1922, with rates to 1851; vestry books, 1574-1894, including summaries of annual accounts of churchwardens, 1574-1707. Othery: overseers' accounts, 1764-1821, with rates to 1804; valuation, 1864; settlement papers, apprenticeship indentures, 1688-1864; enclosure award, 1799. Spaxton: registers (much mutilated), 1558-1735; copy glebe terriers, 1638, 1670; churchwardens' accounts, 1794-1873; surveyors' accounts, 1773-1820; 'John Thomas his book', containing (*inter alia*) survey of parish by estates (sub-divided by fields and acreages), 1720, pew registers, 1618, 1726, copy of 'Hinton rate' (i.e. proportion for raising 100 men in the county assigned to individual hundreds), 1569, and subsequent assessments upon Cannington hundred, its tithings and Spaxton parish, agreements for better management of parish affairs, 1702, 1735, lists of surveyors, overseers and churchwardens, 1697-1755, overseers' receipts, 1697-1711, church rate, 1658, and extracts from churchwardens' accounts, 1651-1698. Street: registers, 1636-1955b, 1966c, 1949m; banns, 1823-1891; churchwardens' accounts, 1684-1903, with rates to 1857. Taunton, Holy Trinity: registers, 1842-1896b, (with occasional later entries to 1957), 1944c, 1962m. Winsford (*additional*): register of banns, 1754-1881; valuation, 1834, tithe rent charge collector's accounts, 1859-1885; papers relating to new organ, 1859, 1861. Winsham: registers, 1559-1925b, c, 1944m; churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1705-1827; overseers' accounts, with rates, 1651-1688, 1799-1837; rates, 1836-1852; settlement papers, apprenticeship indentures, etc., 1670-1850; surveyors' accounts, 1805-1824.

OFFICIAL: the final transfer of copy wills from the Estate Duty Office, 1848-1857 (whole transfer, 1812-1857, now fully indexed).

BUSINESS: minutes, accounts, etc., of a firm of brick and tile manufacturers in Wellington, 1866-1944.

MISCELLANEOUS: W.I. Scrapbooks for 1965 for Huish Episcopi, Merriott, Dowlish Wake, and Langford and Burrington.

REPRODUCTIONS OF RECORDS ELSEWHERE: microfilms of the census returns for the parishes of Taunton St. Mary and Taunton St. James, 1841, 1851; microfilm of the early 15th century cartulary of the Hylle family;¹ xerograph copies of inventories of church goods, ornaments, bells and lead, 1548; xerograph copies of ecclesiastical returns under the 1851 census relating to places of religious worship in the Superintendent Registrars' Districts of Langport, Somerton and Yeovil (all originals in the Public Record Office). Xerograph copy (with transcription) of the Petition of the County of Somerset (14,000-15,000 names) to the House of Lords, 1641 (House of Lords Record Office). Microfilms of ministers', bailiffs', etc., accounts for manors belonging to the bishopric of Bath and Wells, 14th and 15th cents. (Bodleian Library, Lambeth Palace Library, Public Record Office).

Xerograph copy of general record book relating to Cothelstone House and its estate, kept by Edward Jeffries Esdaile, c. 1830-1867 (privately owned).

II. SUMMARIES OF CATALOGUES OF MS. HOLDINGS

These summaries are intended to give more detail of MS. holdings for which catalogues exist in the Somerset Record Office.

HELYAR (WALKER HENEAGE) MSS.

The Helyar family first appears in Somerset with the purchase by William Helyar, archdeacon of Barnstaple, of the manor of East Coker in 1617. This became the family seat for over 3 centuries and the centre of their estates, which were extended by subsequent purchases both in East Coker and in the neighbouring parishes of Yeovil, Pendomer and Sutton Bingham. The manor of Lattiford in North Cheriton was inherited through marriage with the Cary family, and further properties were acquired by inheritance or purchase in the counties of Dorset, Devonshire and Wiltshire. No records of the family prior to Archdeacon Helyar's lifetime have survived with these archives, but fortunately earlier estate records were generally handed over upon purchase or inheritance, and the family has kept its own records in fair abundance since 1617. Finally, in the case of one property, Gaunt's Mill in Bruton, for which a fine group of mainly medieval deeds exists, there is no evidence that this former Weston property was ever owned by the Helyar family. Presumably, the deeds had been retained by the Weston family after their interest in the property ceased, probably in the first half of the 17th century, and were subsequently transferred to Coker Court at some date after William Helyar's marriage to Betty Weston in 1743 when the latter family's Dorset records were transferred to Coker Court.

Deeds, etc.: Bruton, including Gaunt's Mill, c. 1230-1645, East Coker, including the manor (from 1584), c. 1250-1895, Yeovil, including the manor or farm of Lyde, 1536-1860, North Cheriton, including the manor of Lattiford, 1355-1816, Pendomer, 1373-1888, Sutton Bingham, 1695-1810, and small groups for Marston Magna, 1648-1718 and Yeovilton, 1554-1689; (*Devonshire properties*) Christow, including Canonteign, 1534-

¹ Edited in Som. Rec. Soc., 68 (1968).

1806, Harberton, 1573-1845, Nymet Tracy, 1573-1809, and South Tawton, including Blackall, 1591-1886; (*Dorset properties*) Gillingham, 1610-1750, Haselbury Bryan, c. 1300-1644, and Stalbridge, c. 1250-1886; (*Wiltshire properties*) Sedgehill, 1561-1812.

Manorial records: manor of East Coker (some early references to the borough of Muryfeld—various spellings), court rolls, etc., 1392-1842, copy extent, 1321, surveys, 1598, 1614, bailiffs' accounts, 1457-1520, court papers, 1816-1836; manor of the parsonage of East Coker, court rolls, 1417-1418, 1482-1485; manor of Rimpton, rentals, 1543, c. 1600, with copy customs; (*Devonshire*) manors of Canonteign and Christow, court book, 1724-1739, and rentals, 1759-1795; (*Dorset*) manors of Stoke Abbots, Sherborne, Stalbridge, Bradford, Wyke, Obourne and Corscombe (Sherborne Abbey manors), court roll, 1515-1516; manor of Stalbridge Weston, court roll, 1611-1612; manor of Callow Weston in Stalbridge, rental, 1502; (*Wiltshire*) manor of Sedgehill, court book, 1559-1571.

Official functions and personal interests: Helyar family, wills, inventories, settlements, personal appointments, commissions, shrievalty records, etc., 1604-1874; (related families of) Weston of Stalbridge, wills, inventories, settlements, personal appointments, 1547-1775, and Goddard of Sedgehill, wills, inventories, etc., 1588-1716; three bound volumes of family letters, c. 1608-1797, including one letter reporting on the Monmouth rebellion and a list of suspected persons committed by William [Helyar], for complicity in the rebellion, 1685, and numerous bundles of correspondence addressed to various members of the family, sorted by recipients, c. 1738-1899; papers relating to William Helyar's composition for delinquency, 1647-1648; volume of press cuttings kept by the Rev. W. H. Helyar, rector of Sutton Bingham, 1873-1894; catalogues of books, c. 1725, 1761; papers relating to the East Coker troop of Yeomanry, 1803-1804; East Coker almshouse accounts, 1749-1822.

Estate management: maps of Pendomer, 1775, 1840, Sutton Bingham, 1699, 1839, Lattiford in North Cheriton, 1766, Lyde in Yeovil, 1654, and estates in Christow, 1773, Hennock, 1776, and Newton Ferrers, 1768; estate rentals, surveys, valuations, etc., for the Somerset, Devon and Dorset estates, 1654-1844; tithe accounts, surveys and associated papers for Harberton and Halwell, c. 1625 - c. 1796, and East Coker, 1708-1712; account of masons' and carpenters' work done at East Coker, 1766-1775; accounts, correspondence, etc., relating to the family's estates in Jamaica, c. 1660-1713, including references to and one letter from William Dampier, 1675.

Other records: accounts of Edward Curll, agent for the county, delivered to the Commissioners for compounding with delinquents, 1645-1646, 1649-1650; notes on folklore of East Coker and Pendomer, mid-19th century.

BAILWARD MSS.

A compact and orderly archive accumulation consisting of deeds of numerous properties in Horsington and neighbourhood, acquired by successive generations of the Bailward family from 1787.

Deeds, etc.: the manors of Horsington and Hatherleigh and other properties in South Cheriton and elsewhere in Horsington, 1597-1899; North Cheriton, 1698-1880; Stoke Trister, 1650-1876; and Templecombe, including the manors of Temple and Abbas Combe, 1772-1865.

PETERS MSS.

This collection consists of two apparently unconnected halves — part involves the depositor's family, Peters of South Petherton, and the remainder the Aysh family, originally a Devonshire family. The Peters family acquired the manor of South Petherton in the 19th century, but this ownership is only represented by the survival of an earlier court book and not by any title deeds. The Aysh family acquired parts of the manor of South Petherton *alias* Hele and this passed eventually through the female line to the Rev. Thos. Bowyer of Martock in 1735; by way of contrast their ownership is represented by some deeds, but not by manorial records.

Deeds, etc.: South Petherton, 1694-1879 (Peters family), 1557-1724 (Aysh, etc., families), including some for the manor of South Petherton *alias* Hyle *alias* Hele.

Manorial records: manor of South Petherton, bailiff's account, 1514-1515, court book, 1661-1841.

Estate and personal records: map of the manor of Bridge and Over Stratton in South Petherton, 1773; broken series of land tax assessments for tithings in South Petherton, 1701-1856; wills, etc., of the Peters family, 1817-1874; grant of wardship, valor, accounts during wardship, settlements and sequestration of estates (Aysh family), 1616-1683.

STRADLING MSS.

Records accumulated by William Stradling of Chilton Polden, antiquarian, consisting of correspondence on personal and archaeological matters, his historical notes relating to Chedzoy and original records relating to the same place, presumably acquired for the purpose of his history, and some groups of estate, family and business papers inherited through his wife (*née* Light) and his mother (*née* Anstice).

Correspondence: letters received by Wm. Stradling, 1811-1856, including personal letters from or concerning his brother, 1831-1856, letters relating to archaeological excavations in Somerset from Samuel Hasell of Littleton, near Somerton, 1826-1847, and a small number from George Roberts of Lyme Regis, antiquary, 1840-1849; correspondence received by Samuel Hasell relating to excavations and antiquarian matter generally, including significant groups from Sir Richard Colt Hoare, William Stradling, and the Rev. John Skinner of Camerton, 1827-1838.

History of Chedzoy: Stradling's antiquarian and historical notes, compiled *c.* 1850, including biographies of some lords of the manors, extracts from registers, lists of churchwardens, notes on bells and plate; churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1662-1703; inventory of church vestments, books, etc., 1599; manorial presentments, 1747, 1756.

Personal records: deeds of Backwell (Light family), 1601 - *c.* 1830; small groups of wills, etc., relating to the families of Light, 1748-1860, Parker, 1800-1840, and Parsons, 1751-1819, including some farming and domestic accounts, 1776-1818, and Timsbury poor rate, 1803; letter book of R. Anstice of Bridgwater, a Newfoundland merchant, 1769-1781.

CLARKE, LUKIN & NEWTON (SOLICITORS) OF CHARD MSS.

Appropriately for an accumulation of records received from a firm of solicitors, this collection can be divided into two distinct halves: the records of the firm, including records of offices held (in this particular instance as Clerk to the Lieutenancy) and the records of its clients. The major group in this second category is the series of personal

and estate records of the families of Fraunceis and Gwyn, which includes medieval manorial records for manors in Somerset and Devon. A smaller group relates to the Speke family and there are, inevitably, miscellaneous records not obviously assignable to either family.

OFFICIAL AND PROFESSIONAL RECORDS:

The firm's letter books, 1810-1828, and accounts, 1805-1826. Lieutenancy minute books, 1805-1815, letter books, 1805-1823; account books, 1804-1818. Militia, lists of commissioned officers, 1808-1811, roll of Polden Hill Local Militia, c. 1809, misc. returns, etc., 1820-1831; Yeomanry muster rolls, 1824-1831.

FRAUNCEIS AND GWYN FAMILIES:

Somerset deeds, etc.: Bradford, 1372-1689; Combe Florey, 13th cent. - 1693; West Buckland, including manor of Gerbeston, 1437-1766.

Devon deeds, etc.: Bradninch, Broad Clyst, including Killerton, Buckerell, Thorncombe, including Ford and Ford Abbey, Tiverton, including East Chevithorne and Loman Clavel, etc., 1300-1836. Leases for years and lives of property in the manor and parish of Buckerell, 1615-1775, in the manor of Loveton and parish of Broadhembury, 1660-1775, in the manor of Hele Payne and parish of Bradninch, 1589-1744, and in the manor of Loman Clavel and parish of Tiverton, 1615-1811.

Somerset manorial records:² court rolls for the manors of Bradford, 1399-1618, Combe Florey, 1533-1638, and Gerbeston in West Buckland, 1398-1638; reeves' accounts for same manors, 1492-1597, 1429-1519, and 1452-1512 respectively; survey, c. 1700, and custumals, 1353, 1544, for Bradford, and rental for Combe Florey, 1343.

Devon manorial records:³ court rolls for manors of Talaton, 1416-1638, Loman Clavel, 1403-1638, East Membury, 1573-1587, Hele, 1355-1618, Bradninch, 1391-1415, Killerton, 1352-1638, East Chevithorne, 1440-1541, Buckerell (Fraunceis), 1444-1638, and Pittinghaies (in Broadhembury), 1482-1618; reeves' accounts for Talaton, Loman Clavel and Killerton, 1426-1551, Hele, 1355-1469, and East Chevithorne and Buckerell, 1426-1512.

Cornwall manorial records: court rolls for manors of Tregear, 1482-1530, and Burneare, 1528-1573; survey of Burneare, 1549.

Family records: settlements, wills, appointments, commissions and other personal documents relating to the families of Fraunceis and Gwyn, 1458-1831, including household and personal accounts of Francis Gwyn, 1713-1738.

Estate records: survey of manors of Buckerell, Hele Payne and Loveton, 1789, and Loman Clavel, ?1808, with amendments to at least 1827; account of head rents for same four manors and Killerton, 1704-1757; Llansannor Estate (co. Glamorgan), deeds, etc., 1668-1838, rentals, accounts, vouchers, 1828-1836.

SPEKE FAMILY:

Deeds, etc., for East and West Dowlish, 1686-1863, Ashill, 1702-1858, and Buckland St. Mary, 1583-1866; settlements, wills, etc., 1759-1859; hundred of Abdick and Bulstone, court papers, 1788-1840, case concerning holding of courts, 1798, and grant, 1611; survey of rectorial tithes for East and West Dowlish, 1829; account of rents for manors of East and West Dowlish, 1813-1840; Curry Rivel Easter book, 1688-1706.

² Broken series of court rolls and accounts within outside dates quoted.

³ Broken series of court rolls and accounts within outside dates quoted.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS:

Deeds, etc., for Chard, 1749-1857, Combe St. Nicholas, 1724-1866, and Crewkerne, 1615-1824. Copy court book for manor of Chard, 1728-1733; custumal, *c.* 1600, and estreats for manor of Wellington, 1574. Various papers relating to Combe St. Nicholas, including copy glebe terriers, 1613, 1634, copy tithe customs, 1662, and tenants' rentals, 1831-1852.

Character sketch of Charles II, early 18th cent.; catalogue of references in public records concerning lands, mainly in Somerset, held of the King, late 16th cent.; survey of estates of the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery in the counties of Glamorgan and Monmouth, *c.* 1670.

PARISH

Ansford: overseers' rates and accounts, 1836-1890; surveyors' labour and materials book, 1837-1841.

Banwell: churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1732-1763; vestry minutes, 1854-1894; overseers' accounts, 1711-1836, with rates to 1831, surveys, 1815-1843, and rates, 1825-1865; specification, etc., for erecting workhouse, 1800; settlement papers, 1670-1864; papers relating to emigration to Quebec, 1837-1838; apprentice indentures and registers, 1660-1834; waywardens' accounts, 1769-1856, with rates, 1815-1836; parish record books containing lists of various officers, jurors, etc., 1669-1855, trained foot soldiers, 1660-1678, and population figures, 1792; water jury, accounts and presentments, 1815-1848; Banwell Level rate books, 1843-1858.

Batcombe: churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1669-1766; overseers' accounts, 1652-1668 (with rates), 1728-1746, 1768-1836; settlement papers, 1632-1860; apprenticeship indentures, 1601-1765; surveyors' accounts for Westcombe tithing, 1817-1846, and for Batcombe, 1836-1842.

Berkley: overseers' rates, 1802-1845, and accounts, 1712-1765, 1801-1836; surveyors' rates, 1837-1842, and accounts, 1789-1845; accounts, etc., of the Men's and Women's Clubs, 1783-1935.

Bicknoller: churchwardens' accounts, 1600-1649 (loose sheets); inventories of church books, 1581, 1610; agreement to cast bell, 1632; overseers' and tithingmen's accounts, 1599-1642 (loose sheets); settlement papers, 1621, 1655-1858; apprenticeship indentures, 1600-1805; survey and map of parish, 1811; census return, 1831.

Bradford on Tone: overseers' accounts, with rates, 1719-1788.

Bruton: churchwardens' accounts, with rates and inventories of church plate, etc., 1784-1831; accounts of the High Constable for Bruton Hundred, 1687-1745; vestry minutes, 1790-1820; overseers' accounts, 1653-1836, with rates to 1789 and workhouse accounts, 1734-1759; overseers' rates, 1824-1836; settlement papers, 1652-1840; apprenticeship indentures, 1660-1832; surveyors' accounts, with rates, for the tithing of Discove, 1816-1872.

Buckland Dinham: churchwardens' accounts, 1743-1890, with occasional rates from 1828; overseers' accounts, 1763-1836.

Creech St. Michael: churchwardens' accounts, with rates, 1826-1869; vestry minutes, 1824-1837; overseers' accounts, with rates, 1761-1789; settlement papers, 1656-1852; apprenticeship indentures, 1672-1798; surveyors' accounts, 1812-1832, 1844-1857, and rates, 1812-1832, 1853-1858.

TURNPIKE TRUSTS

Surviving records of eleven of the Turnpike Trusts based on Somerset have been deposited in the Record Office and have now been fully catalogued. In addition, some records of or references to nine further Trusts have been found, either amongst the records of other Trusts or in privately deposited collections, and details of these have been incorporated in the office catalogue.

Other material relating to all Trusts in the county will be found in the records of the court of Quarter Sessions in the Record Office: the series of deposited plans includes many plans of schemes for road improvements; copies of annual statements of accounts were required to be deposited and these exist between 1822 and 1882; and a copy of the return of information required by an Act of 1820 has been preserved.

The office catalogue is completed by a comprehensive survey prepared previously by Sir Robert de Z. Hall of all the Trusts operating in Somerset (i.e. it includes those based outside the county boundaries which were responsible for roads in Somerset). This gives dates of legislation and descriptions of roads involved and notes on record material. Also available in the Record Office are the 1" O.S. sheets on which Sir Robert Hall plotted all turnpike roads.

The list below deals with three of the eleven Trusts for which official deposits are held.⁴ Details of the holdings which survive for the remaining Trusts will appear in next year's volume.

BATH TRUST:

Acts, 1793-1829; minutes, 1757-1854, with occasional plans of improvements, from 1806, and occasional reports of surveyors, from 1817; draft minutes, 1794-1823, 1867-1878; minutes of the London Road Committee, 1757-1762; maps of all roads in the Trust, 1787, 1827; papers and correspondence of the treasurer and the clerk, 1809-1880, including some during the progress of the 1810 and 1829 Bills; reports on state of roads, 1823, 1827; draft conveyances of toll houses, 1821, 1866-1878; papers relating to letting of tolls, 1785-1820; returns of tolls at individual gates, April 1823; deeds of properties acquired for improvements in Lyncombe and Widcombe, 1696-1824, and Walcot, 1767-1825; litigation papers concerning siting of a toll gate, in dispute with the Bristol Trust, 1818-1819.

Professional records of Philip George, sometime clerk to the Trust, as a solicitor in his own right and in particular as the legal representative of John Morris, likewise a solicitor and possibly George's partner, including: wills, settlements, etc., of the related families of Morris and Webb of Bath, Wellow, Winford, etc., 1725-1801; executorship papers and inventory (including 12 pages of books) of John Morris, 1814-1817; deeds of Newton St. Loe, 1698-1774, and of the advowson of Winford, 1714-1801; Winford tithe accounts, etc., 1657-1757, and brief survey of the manors of Winford Rodney and Winford Horsey, 1635; Norton and Wellow charity schools, accounts, appointments of masters and lists of scholars, 1770-1808; Wellow tithe assessment, 1690.

BRUTON TRUST:

Book of orders, 1850-1876, with names of toll houses sold, 1876; ledgers, 1829-1876; registers of notices issued, 1818-1876, and of mortgages of tolls, 1793-1840.

FROME TRUST:

Minutes, 1772-1826; map of roads, with later additions, *c.* 1815.

⁴ See *Proc. S.A.S.*, 110 (1966), 113, for a report on the deposit of Wells Turnpike Trust records.