

LETTERS OF JAMES MACGINNIS 1862-67 - mainly Jedburgh.

1. James McGinnis, Valladolid to [John Strain]; he is going to St Sulpice, 19 Apr 1862
2. Same, St Sulpice to same: College life + studies, his future placing, 15 Nov 1862
3. Same to same: he starts for Edinburgh this summer, Seminary news, 27 June 1863
4. Same, Port Glasgow to same: his ordination, 8 May 1864
5. same, Haddington to same: asking for faculties to bless rosaries etc, 13 July 1864
6. same, Lennoxtown to same: Mr Gillin's bad health, Poor School collection, 13 March 1865
7. same to same asking for extension to Easter duties period, 24 April 1865
8. same, Jedburgh to same asking for powers to absolve in a reserved case, 22 Feb 1866
9. same to same: dispute regarding Lethian Fund, 23 March 1866
10. same to same; himself, Mr Kerrell + the Vestment case's ownership, 23 April 1866
11. same to same: what Mr Kerrell removed from Kebo chapel, 26 April 1866
12. same to same: his alleged injury of Mr Kerrell's reputation, 19 Dec 1866
13. same to same: objecting to his new posting, 8 June 1867
14. same, Dundee to same: asking for his sanction of The Christian Mothers archconfraternity, 30 Oct 1867

JAMES MACGINNIS letters contd, 1872-80 mainly Dundee.

1. Jas McGinnis, St Josephs, Dundee to Bp Strain: plans + costing for new chapel, 26 Sept 1872.
2. same to same: financing new chapel, Mr Bissett's odd notions + blunders 4 June 1873
3. same to same: date of opening of St Josephs + ceremonies planned, 5 Dec 1873
4. same to same: threat by planners to chapel house; should they buy another? 30 Jan 1875
5. same to same: finances, diploma for Privileged Altar, 17 March 1875
6. same to same: finances, 13 May 1875
7. same to same: Grieff finances - Mr Cumming's debts, 4 Jan 1876
8. same to same: finances - explanation of impact of new loan, 23 Nov 1876
9. same to same enclosing a cheque, 14 May 1878
10. same to same sending security for overdraft for St Patrick's Benefit Society; cost of new schools, 30 Sept 1879
11. same, St Marys, Dundee to same: finances, 5 Oct 1879
12. same, Alba to same enclosing interest due for Alba school, 13 Dec 1880

## MISSION LETTERS TO STRAIN, 1834-64

1. A McKenzie and A Williamson, Rome to John Strain, Dumpries: about Strain's missing box of books; College news - Propaganda college, etc, 11 March 1834
2. A McKenzie, Propaganda to same: Rome news, student deaths, etc, 14 Aug 1834
3. Peter Forbes, Glasgow to same, Dalbeattie: news of Glasgow priests, Strain's "Persecution", tracts for distribution etc, 7 Sept 1836
4. same to same: his battle with the Parsons + Infirmary directors, 13 Oct 1836
5. Aeneas Dawson to same: Malcolm's health [John Malcolm?], the Canongate Institution, Catholic schools management, n.d.
6. John Grogan, Stephen Keenan, etc, Dundee to same: Mr Dunne's uncomfortable + not respectable house: his application for funds is justified, 7 Nov 1839
7. A O'Donnell, Greenhill to same: financial problems, St Patrick's debt, 24 Nov 1859
8. John Wilkin, Dumpries to same: need for new trustees for fund, 23 June 1860
9. A Mackenzie, Edinburgh to same: St Vincent de Paul Orphanage, 31 July 1862
10. H Marshall, Edinburgh to [same]: alarming state of Rev Peter Grant, 24 June 1862
11. same to same: Mr Grant is to be provided with a regular keeper, 26 June '62
12. same to same: Mr Grant, much worse, is ordered to a lunatic Asylum, 27 June '62
13. same to same: financial problem involving borrowing by a priest, 10 Feb 1863
14. George Rigg, Perth to same: Criticism of Bp Gillis, 4 Nov 1863
15. John Prendergast, Haddington to same: Haddington debt, 14 June 1863
16. George Griffin to same: Dumpries school, Dalbeattie news, Jesuits' affair in Edinburgh, etc, n.d, part of letter only
17. Peter Forbes, St Marys, Glasgow to same: hoping for a "good Italian priest or two"; need for priests; can Strain get from Rome a condemnation of the Free Press, 15 Aug 1864
18. George Rigg, Perth to same: The boy Thomas Rowley, 10 May 1864
19. J Sheil, Co Monaghan to same: Estate of John O'Brien, Castle Douglas, 18 Dec 1864.

## MISSION LETTERS TO STRAIN, 1865-76

1. Walter Dixon, Govan to Bp Strain: cost of building Govan chapel, 4 Oct 1865
2. Patrick MacMahon, Co Tyrone to same about the O'Brien estate, Castle Douglas, 25 Oct 1865
3. John Prendergast, Haddington to same: his attempt to establish religion in an "official posting" by buying house + building chapel - finances attached, 27 Feb 1865
4. same to same: solving Haddington's financial problems, 4 March 1865.
5. Angus Fletcher to same: trustees of Mr Hutchison to meet, 9 July 1866, part of letter only
6. James Cameron, St Andrews to same: he has tried to contact Bp Gray, 30 May 1867.
7. same to same: news of Bp Gray and his proposed trip to Rome, 7 June 1867
8. D McNab, Airdrie to same: publishing his archaeological dissertation on birthplace of St Patrick, 28 Feb 1866

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- 9 W MacCasic, Ayr to Bp Strain: application by Mr Sheedy, Troon for an allowance from the Mitchell Fund, 5 Sept 1867.
- 10 James Stewart, Carstairs Mains to same: plans for building a school at Broxburn, 16 April 1867
- 11 B Tracy, Pollokshaws to same: pauper Catholic children and Catholic families who will look after them, 25 Jan 1867
- 12 same to same: Catholic poor children and orphanages etc, 2 Feb 1867.
- 13 P Burton, Lanark to same: the possible offence given to Fr. Scully, 6 March 1868
- 14 William Macdonell, South Uist to same about establishing the hierarchy in Scotland and Highland wishes in choosing a bishop, 2 March 1868
- (15-17) → 18 John Prendergast, Haddington to same: Poor School Committee collection, Haddington mission etc, 12 Oct 1869
- 19 Robert Campbell, writer, Stirling to same: arrears of feu duty due, 15 March 1873
- 20 Thomas Frew, Kilsyth to same: legalities surrounding the Catholic chapel at Kilsyth, and Mr Galvin, 17 May 1873
- 21 R. W. Hamilton, Glasgow to same: Father Forbes trust and the Rights of Blair, 25 May 1873
- 22 John A. O'Neill, Newton Stewart to same: receipt for loan of £200, 28 Sept 1876
- (17) Henry Gall, Nairn to same: about Menzies Trust, 24 July 1869.
- (15-16) D. Gallagher, Falkirk to same: letter from Provincial; Rockwell, 13 Sept, 22 Oct 1868

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MISSION LETTERS TO STRAIN, 1877-83

1. Wm Geddes, Edinburgh to [Bp Strain]: Pope's Jubilee collection, articles in journals, faculties etc, 17 May 1877
- 2 same to same: finances, Lady Hope Johnstone, an "Album", etc, 19 May 1877
- 3 same to same: Papal collection, news of Harry Bennett, etc, 30 May 1877
- (10) James McCartney, Linlithgow to same: Linlithgow chapel debt, 14 May 1879
- 4 Mc Grady + Christie, Dundee to same: account against late Rev. Mr Healty, 30 March '77
- 5 Wm Geddes, Edinburgh to same: departures for Rome, finances, 21 May 1877, with note added by George Rigg
- 6 George Rigg, Edinburgh to same: Eastern District news & administrative matters, Maryfield House, 22 May 1877
- 7 same to same enclosing printed resolutions congratulating the Pope on his Jubilee and condemning King Victor Emmanuel's usurpation of the Papal States, 30 May [1877]
- (9) (10) → 8 same to same: Eastern District affairs, 1 June 1877
- 11 John Smith, Portobello to same: Tranent title deeds, n.d.
- 12 Catholic Young Men's Societies, printed circular, 13 Jan 1883
- (9) Wm Caven, Glasgow to Archbp Strain: Does Nitgavie quota come from the ED or the WD quota fund? Similarly = Friendly Society? 9 June 1879

## LETTERS FROM LAITY 1836-83

1. John Menzies, Greenhill Cottage to John Strain, Dalbeattie: about some pamphlets, 20 Oct 1836
2. Lord Herries, Everingham Park to [same]: bursary for ED students, 29 Sept 1859
3. same to same: bank ordered to pay bursary money, 30 Oct 1859
4. Bishop Forbes, Dundee to same: asking for information on Collegio Scozzese, 22 Sept 1863
5. same to same: books on Scottish history, [May 1864].
6. Lord Petre, London to same: Propagation of the Faith, 22 Dec 1864
7. Col. Kyle, Bingham Hill to same: forthcoming meeting regarding Pittodds Trust, 30 Jan 1865
- 8-9, same to same: Pittodds Trust, 18 Feb 1865, 7 March 1865
10. J Hope-Scott, London to same: progress re the Perth nuns, 11 Nov 1866
11. A.M.N., Paris to same: Mme Duchini's address, 13 Jan [nd]...
12. Lady Lethian: Pilgrimage to Shrine of Sacred Heart, desire for family burial place at St Davids, 22 July [nd]
13. R. Glendonwyn Gordon, Letterfearie to Bp Strain: acquiring a small piece of ground for a chapel [at Castle Douglas], 21 May 1865
14. James Hope Scott, Abbotsford to same: Perth prison, 25 Oct 1866
15. same to same: Prison report, 27 Oct 1866
16. P. V Smith Sligo, Inzievar to same: Catholic pauper orphans being boarded in Protestant homes, 26 Jan 1867
17. R Glendonwyn Gordon, Letterfearie to same: Kirkland of Parton, - is it church property? dampness of Letterfearie's chapel, 26 July 1872
18. P. V Smith Sligo, Bruges to same: giving money to build small chapel in N. Berwick, their house in Bruges, 8 March 1875
19. [J?] Smith Sligo to "my dearest William": they are taking in to their house priests exiled from Germany, teaching them English & hoping they can serve the church in Britain, n.d.
20. Ralph Kerr, Rawul uidi, India to Bp Strain about establishing Capuchins in Scotland, 19 April 1880
21. Same to same giving Strain a bursary to educate a boy for the priesthood for Strain's archdiocese, 1 Feb [1883]

BATHGATE. Mission (Broxburn and West Calder) 1863 - 74.

1. J S McCorry, Bathgate to John Strain: wants to build a school, financial problems of mission, purchase of cemetery, desire to be severed from N.D., 13 April 1863
2. same to same: the tremendous problems of financing Bathgate mission, 30 June 1863
3. same to same: wants to re-establish Ralho mission embracing Broxburn, Balerno etc; Crofthead Catholics; his previous mission stations + attendant trials, 2 Nov 1864
4. A Boland, Bathgate to Bp Strain: John McColl's refusal to pass the timber sent as good enough quality, 25 June 1868
5. John Prendergast, Bathgate to same: division of debt between Bathgate, Broxburn and West Calder, 1 Oct 1874
6. same to same: Bathgate's financial burdens, 6 Nov 1874
7. same to same: West Calder feu duty etc + Bathgate's finances, 16 Nov 1874
8. Wishaw Collieries to same: asking for settlement of late Mr Byrne's running account for farm produce etc, 1 Oct 1875.

BROXBURN, Ralho, Balerno: WILLIAM CORBETT, 1862-64; see also ED3/192

1. Wm Corbett, Ralho to John Strain asking for St Andrews Society Grant; attempt to procure Ralho hall for mass, Broxburn schools grant, 18 July 1862
2. same to same: Broxburn school - interviewing a teacher for it, 8 Aug 1862
3. same to same: Broxburn finances - school etc; demand for resident priest there, etc. mass in Balerno, etc, 2 Sept 1862
4. same to same: finances; proposal to send Mr Grant to Belgium, 25 Nov 1862
5. same to same: finances, his horse + trap, Broxburn finances, 29 Nov 1862
6. same to same: Mr Grant goes to Bruges, other news of priests, 17 Jan 1863
7. same to same: Mr Grant's debts, nuns coming to Edinburgh, etc, 22 Jan 1863
8. same to same: Poor School Committee, St Andrews Society, news of priests, 9 Feb 1863
9. same to same: news of priests; Jesuits and Dalkeith, July 16th 1863
10. same to same: he is to move to St Patricks, Edinburgh; Ralho and Balerno Catholics, 10 Feb 1863
11. same to same: he's appealed to Bp Gillis about Ralho; criticism of Gillis, 14 Feb 1863
12. same to same: Gillis's plans - or lack of them - for him, 16 Feb 1863.
13. same, St Patricks, Edinburgh to same: Dr Marshall's letters to Rome on ED, 14 April '64
14. same to same: Marshall's mischievous correspondence with Rome, 21 April '64
15. same to same: more on Marshall, 2 May 1864
16. same to same: Marshall is leaving; the trouble he has stirred up, 4 May 1864.

BROXBURN, Countess of Buchan 1866-1867, 1879. see also ED 3/156

1. Countess of Buchan to Bp Strain: money for Broxburn mission [9 July 1866]
2. same to same: Broxburn school very important for Catholic children, 4 Oct [1866]
3. same to same: plan for building provided by Mr Rantelth, Carstairs; her wish for a Temperance library at Broxburn, 29 Jan [nd].
4. same to [?]: Broxburn accounts, death of Mr Boland, [n.d.]
5. same to [Bp Strain] pressing for a school at Broxburn, 31 March [nd].
6. same to same: advising a plain building; girls' school at Broxburn, [nd]
7. same to same agreeing to pay £273, [May 1867]
8. same to same: her scheme to build a church at Broxburn, 14 Oct [nd].
9. same to same: delighted at completion of Broxburn chapel, 2 Dec [1867]
10. same to [?]: delighted about the chapel, 3 Dec [n.d.]
11. same to [?]: need for a picturesque building, [n.d.]
12. Lord Henry Kerr to Bp Strain: C. of Buchan's eagerness to build schoolhouse, 1 Feb 1866
13. Letter to Lady Buchan about disposal of her funds, 11 Aug 1879

JAMES CLAPPERTON, PEBBLES, 1859 - 83

1. James Clapperton, Peebles to [John Strain?]: St Andrews Society and Poor School Committee funds and collections; hopes for money for Peebles school, 7 Sept 1859
2. Same to John Strain: Wellburn, 23 Sept 1862
3. Same to same: St Andrews Society Collection, Traquair news, Galahicks + the Jesuits, 18 Dec 1862
4. same to same: ED annual meeting, Bp Gillis's poor health, 5 June 1863
5. same to Mr Marshall denying his allegations regarding the Stirling Memorial, 9 July '63, copy
6. same to Bp Strain about taking legal proceedings against the tenant of the church acre at Innerleithen, 12 Sept 1865
7. same to Bp Strain: lady Louisa's will; untrue allegations against Innerleithen mission, 31 Aug 1877
8. same to same; Peter's Pence; Traquair Trust + Mr Rankin's refusal to pay, 23 Feb 1879.
9. same to same enclosing copy of his letter to Mr Rankin about the Traquair Trust, 12 March 1879.
10. same to same: money matters, Innerleithen affairs, 31 Dec 1879.
11. same to same: his deafness + the problems it causes, especially in confession, 29 Aug 1881, with draft reply by Strain.
12. same to same: complaint by a member of his congregation about his deafness, 16 Jan 1883
13. same to same accepting his retirement but securing the means to provide for himself, 17 Jan 1883
14. same to same: his intentions as to his property in Peebles, 20 Jan 1883
15. R. Rankin, Edinburgh to Abp Strain: James Clapperton's deed of trust conveying his property at Peebles to Strain, with named trustees.
16. James Clapperton, Buckie to Abp Strain asking for his dimissorial letters; money matters, 14 Feb 1883
17. same to same: receipt of dimissorials, complaints about Strain's treatment of him, 17 Feb 1883.
18. R. Rankin to same: Mr Clapperton has decided to recall his deed of trust, 5 March 1883
19. same to same: Mr Clapperton takes legal steps to get deed of trust destroyed, 9 March 1883
20. same to same: he will consult counsel as to whether Clapperton can recall his deed of Trust, 29 March 1883
21. same to same: Counsel says Clapperton can demand return of the deed as it was not delivered, 13 April 1883
22. Finance Committee of Archdiocese of Edinburgh to R Rankin, authorising return of Clapperton's deed of trust to him, May 1883, unsigned copy sent by Rankin to Strain.

Note: for further correspondence on Kirklands of Peebles: see ED 4/144.

WILLIAM DOWNIE : INNERLEITHEN FIELD, 1865-66

1. Wm Downie, Traquair to Bp Strain : about the acre of ground belonging to Bp Strain's property and its rental, 24 July 1865.
2. same to same : possibility of John Dobson as a tenant, 2 Oct 1865
3. same to same : bill from Lady Louisa to Bp Strain, 21 Oct 1865
4. same to same : vandalism to a gate : offers for the field, 28 Oct 1865
5. same to same : leasing the acre field, 1 Nov 1865
6. same to same : offers for the field, 6 Nov 1865
7. John Dobson, Innerleithen : offer of £4 as yearly rent for field, 6 Nov 1865
8. Wm Downie to Bp Strain : money from Lady Louisa for Chapel field rent, 23 Nov 1865
9. same to same : taxes, and other money matters, 27 Nov 1865
10. same to same : Statement of matters regarding field at Innerleithen, 15 Dec 1866
11. Bathgate + Stevenson, Peebles to Bp Strain : Armstrong gives up his claim to field, so Mr Downie can now re-let it, 16 Nov 1865 +
12. Bathgate + Stevenson, Peebles to Bp Strain : receipt 24 Nov 1865

INNERLEITHEN MISSION, 1865-82

1. Account: Bishop Strain + others to Bathgate + Stevenson, Peebles : land in Innerleithen, 1865
2. Letter of Renunciation by Thomas Armstrong, Innerleithen, 1865
3. A Maxwell Stuart to Bp Strain wanting to know the intentions of the Trustees of Lady Louisa Stuart regarding foundation of church at Innerleithen, 27 Jan 1877
4. Same to same : Lady Louisa Stuart's will, and proposed Innerleithen chapel, 27 Aug 1877
5. Same to same : Lady Louisa's charges on Traquair estate; Innerleithen chapel, 11 Sept 1878
6. Same to Bp Rigg : Lady Louisa Stuart's endowment of Innerleithen + Peebles; a chapel, priest's house + then school should be built, 24 May 1879.
7. Petition of the Catholics of Innerleithen to the trustees of Lady Louisa Stuart's endowment asking for the speedy building of chapel etc, 3 Aug 1879.
8. John Smith, Innerleithen to Abp Strain : capital + expenditure of Innerleithen mission, 18 June 1881
9. same to same : Mr Ranken's account for past year, cost of opening church + other money matters, 19 Jan 1882
10. same to same thanking him for cheque, 11 Feb 1882



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GALASHIELS, HADDINGTON, SELKIRK, JEDBURGH, 1853 - 83

1. James Hope Scott to Bp Gillis: Trust conveyance of land + houses at Galashiels, 2 Nov 1853.
2. Same to same: Galashiels deed, 17 Dec 1853
3. same to Bp Strain: Haddington Chapel + Proposed Railway, 18 Dec 1865
4. same to same: The Tyne valley railway and the chapel, 2 Feb 1866
5. Lord Henry Kerr, Huntlyburn to same: drawing of Selkirk schoolhouse and its initial cost - with view to similar at Broxburn? see ED3/152 20 Feb 1866
6. same to same inviting Strain to stay with him for the opening of the new Selkirk chapel, 3 April 1866.
7. same to same: Mr Hope Scott's will and his bequest to the missions of Galashiels and Selkirk, 16 June 1873
8. George Bayley, Edinburgh to same: Trust deeds of Galashiels and Selkirk properties, 8 Dec 1873
9. Same to same: Hope Scott Trust, Selkirk property, 24 Feb 1874
10. Lord Henry Kerr to same: petition to Propaganda about Galashiels mission and Hope-Scott's desire to have it run by a religious order, 2 Dec 1874
11. George Bayley to same: The Hope Scott Trust and New South Wales bonds for Galashiels mission, 5 April 1875
- 12, 13 → 14. Joseph Maxwell Scott, Pisa to same: The Petition to Propaganda about the Galashiels mission belonging to the Jesuits, 13 April 1877.
- 15 → 16. George Bayley to same: Hope Scott Trust and Selkirk property, 20 April 1882
17. R. D. Kerr to same: prospect of building church + presbytery at Jedburgh, 17 Dec 1882.
18. Same to same: further on Jedburgh mission, 15 April 1883
19. Same to same: plans for chapel + presbytery at Jedburgh, 10 May 1883
20. John Morris SJ, St Asaph to Lord Henry Kerr, Melrose: repeating to Rome the proofs of Mr Hope Scott's mind, 13 Nov 1875, copy
21. S Lambert SJ, Collegio Inglese to same: the reasonableness of carrying out Mr Hope Scott's wishes re Galashiels, 26 Jan [1876?], copy
22. Cardinal Franchi to Mr and Mrs Maxwell Scott respecting the Society of Jesus remaining in perpetuity at Galashiels + Selkirk, 23 Aug. 1877 copy
23. "Copy of sense of letter to Card. Simioni" from Mr Maxwell Scott, Abbotsford 3 Aug 1883, copy of letter docketed as above.
24. "Memorandum on the Mission of Galashiels", n.d., copy.
25. Mr. Maxwell Scott to the Pope about Galashiels mission, n.d., copy.

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RICHARD SINNOTT, NEWTON STEWART, 1835-36

1. Richard Sinnott, Newton Stewart to John Strain, Dalbeattie: arranging to meet, 3 Apr, 1835
2. same to same: his proposed visit + the route he will take, 4 June 1835
3. same to same introducing Bernard Pollin who sells bibles, 1 Sept 1835
4. same to same, sending salmon, Wigtownshire news etc, 23 Sept 1835
5. same to same: botanical notes, news + commissions, 2 Nov 1835
6. same to same: lending copies of the Orthodox Journal, local news, 2 May 1836
7. same to same: news + gossip, 29 July 1836
8. same: "Hymn to the Virgin Mary, the Star of the Sea", n.d.

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JOHN GROGAN: CASTLE DOUGLAS, GATEHOUSE, KIRKCUDBRIGHT., 1864-67

1. J. Grogan, Castle Douglas to Bp [Strain]: documents + purchaser of property, 29 Dec 1864
2. same to same: Castle Douglas missin, 31 May 1865
3. same to same: sale of property in Gatehouse will include the Hall used by Catholics,  
13 Feb 1866
4. same to same: possibility of buying property in Gatehouse, 19 Feb 1866
5. same to same: Castle Douglas feu + Gatehouse property, 20 April 1866
6. same to same: McCartney's feu, 23 April 1866
7. same, Kirkcudbright to same: McCartney's feu: sketch of it, costs etc, 27 April 1866
8. same Castle Douglas to same: where is chapel to be built? Gatehouse business,  
16 May 1866
9. same, Kirkcudbright to same: arrangement to lay foundation stone, 23 Nov 1866
10. same, Castle Douglas to same: postponing foundation stone ceremony, 25 Nov 1866
11. same, Kirkcudbright to same: all is ready for laying foundation stone, 11 Dec '66
12. same to same: building house in Castle Douglas, 17 May 1867
13. same to same: their claim on McCartney's feu etc, 30 May 1867
14. same, Castle Douglas to same: new church in Castle Douglas is progressing, 30 Sept '67
15. same, Kirkcudbright to same: opening of chapel, 2 Nov 1867 - i.e. Castle Douglas
16. same to same: purchase of feu for new schools, 18 Dec 1867

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CUNNINGHAME: CASTLE DOUGLAS. etc, 1865 - June 1866

1. G.W. Cunninghame, London to [Bp Strain]: suitable type of chapel for Castle Douglas, if ground has been leased for the purpose, 10 Dec 1865
2. same to same: plan for Castle Douglas chapel, 16 Jan 1866
3. same to same: fees and plans for Castle Douglas chapel, Jan 1866
4. same to same: subscription for St Vincent's Boys Orphanage, 2 Feb 1866
5. same to same: finances, 10 Feb 1866
6. same to same: situation of McCartney's feu relative to present chapel, 20 March 1866
7. same to same: getting plan of chapel prepared, 23 March 1866
8. same to same: sketch of proposed Castle Douglas chapel, 6 April 1866
9. same to same: details regarding chapel, 11 April 1866
10. same to same: examination of new feu, building materials, etc, 26 April 1866
11. same to same: plans are on their way to completion, 10 May 1866
12. same to same: McCartney's feu, 23 May 1866
13. same to same: site chosen by Mr Goldie for new chapel, 25 May 1866
14. same to same: giving up the idea of McCartney's feu, 28 May 1866
15. same to same: Mr Goldie will examine feus personally, 2 June 1866
16. same to same: Mr Goldie + Castle Douglas plans, 10 June 1866
17. same to same: ground plan for chapel, 20 June 1866

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CUNNINGHAME contd. Aug 1866 - 1867.

1. G.W. Cunninghame, London to Bp [Strain]: plans finished, estimates in, for new Castle Douglas chapel, 23 Aug 1866
2. same to same: laying foundation stone ceremony, 17 Nov 1866
3. same to same: his brother's movements, 21 Nov 1866
4. same to same: his brother's movements + the laying of the foundation stone, 23 Nov 1866
5. same to same: fixing a day to lay foundation stone, 13 Dec 1866
6. same to same: death of his sister, 4 April 1867
7. same to same: extra feu proposed for Presbytery at Castle Douglas, 28 May 1867
8. same to same: Mr Goldie + opening of chapel, 29 Sept 1867
9. R D Barre Cunninghame, Hensol, Castle Douglas to same: considerable advance in chapel, and plan for its opening, 20 Nov [1867].
10. G W Cunninghame to same: opening ceremony, 24 Nov 1867
11. Same, Hensol to same: opening of chapel - invitations etc, 24 Nov 1867
12. G M Cunninghame to same offering set of Stations of the Cross for the proposed "School Church" at Kirkcudbright, n.d.

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JAMES GUTHRIE ; CASTLE DOUGLAS, 1868

1. Jas Guthrie, Tadcaster to Bp [Strain] : suggestion he come to Castle Douglas mission, 7 March 1868
2. same to same: Mr Cunningham and getting him released for Castle Douglas, 14 March 1868
3. same to same: he has permission to return to Scotland, 21 March 1868
4. same to same: his release from his present station, 26 March 1868
5. Same. Kirkcudbright to same: Mr Grogan's bad health, Mr Cunningham and Castle Douglas chapel, Castle Douglas mission in confusion etc, 6 May 1868
6. same to same thanking him for financial assistance, problem of Mr Farrell, 10 May '68
7. same, Castle Douglas to same: instructions for Mr Farrell, seat letting, his lodgings, Mass at Gathouse + Kirkcudbright, 24 May 1868.
8. same to same: insurance of Castle Douglas property now ready for occupation, 15 July 1868
9. same to same: finances, organ almost ready, High mass for its opening, 22 July 1868

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W. DOWNIE : NEW ABBEY , 1865 - 66

1. W. Downie, New Abbey to Bp Strain: queries about giving communion to the sick, 12 May 1865
2. same to same: communion to the sick - principles in general, 16 May 1865
3. same to same: Mr Wilham has asked him to write about getting a field fenced, including old houses, and Dr. Bell, 17 April 1866

MAXWELL WITHAM: NEW ABBEY, TRAQUAIR, 1854-79

1. R Maxwell Witham, Kirkconnell to John Strain, Dalbeattie: dispute about Mr Laing's work people crossing the chapel fields, 29 Oct 1854
2. same to same: story behind dispute between New Abbey Chapel trustees and Mr Laing regarding the footpath through chapel property to the spinning mill, 7 Nov 1854
3. James Carruthers, New Abbey to same: march dyke between Mr Laing + chapel property and the disputed footpath, 17 Nov 1854
4. Hugh Kingan, Dalbeattie: testifying that he removed stepping stones on Mr Laing's orders, 21 Nov 1854
5. R Laing, Kindar Mill, Dumfries to R Maxwell Witham: the march between the two properties, the water in the open drain, the footpath, 27 Nov 1854
6. James Carruthers to Mr R. Maxwell Witham: about Mr Laing's removal of water from the field, 13 Dec 1854
7. R Laing, Kindar Mills to same: trustees are willing to sell the footpath 14 Dec 1854
8. R Maxwell Witham to John Strain: trustees' offer to sell Laing the footpath: footpath is clearly a public right of way, 15 Dec 1854
9. R Maxwell Witham to same: candidate support, 14 March 1866
10. R Laing, Kindar Lodge to [?] thanking him for the loan of cars; dissolution of R and W Scott's partnership - mill owners, 12 May 1866.
11. R Maxwell Witham to Jp Strain: the Scotts of Dumfries's partnership dissolution, and the effect on the chapel field as becoming valuable land for building workmen's houses, May 1866
12. Same to same: Lord Traquair's trustees cannot sell land for chapel site, but can pay an acre, 4 Dec 1876
13. Same to same: Dumfries chapel, property deeds etc, 18 April 1877
14. Same to same: Miss Langlois, memorial tablet to the Earl of Traquair, the earl's trustees, and a memorial stone to Traquair priests, 22 Aug '78
15. Same to same: Miss Langlois' will, and a slander against Miss Langlois' trustees 24 May 1879
16. same to same: allegations that Strain slandered Miss Langlois' trustees, 31 May 1879, with draft reply by Strain

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DALBEATTIE 1810 - 64.

- 1 Andrew Newall, with consent of Alex Blair, tutor of law for Mr Copland of Collieston: lease of land to John Wilson, mason, 3 May 1810
- 2 Alex Blair: receipts for rental paid by John Wilson, Oct 1811-1819, and by D Armstrong and then W Copland up to Feb 1842, notebook.
- 3-4 John Wilson: last will and testament, leaving his house and garden to Bp Andrew Carmichael, 3 April 1845, original and copy. John Strain signed as witness.
- 5 Alex Gordon, Dalbeattie to John Strain, Blair: news of St Peter's + the narvies, Castle Douglas mission, Mr Gaskell's emigration to America, etc, 18 Nov 1858
- 6 Francis Maxwell, Ferryglass Banks to same: access to the new railway station at Dalbeattie and the Greenhead property bought by Mr Gordon, 29 Jan 1859
- 7 Alex Gordon, Dalbeattie to same: sale of property occupied by Mrs McCormack, his purchase of Greenhead house, so it wouldn't go to the UPs. and other property / railway matters, 4 Feb 1859
- 8 Francis Maxwell to same: property matters, 12 Feb 1859
- 9 Margaret Freel, Boston to same: tenants of her property in Dalbeattie, 3 May 1859
- 10 Sarah O'Brien: receipt for Trust disposition and settlement of the late John O'Brien of Castle Douglas, n.d.
- 11 Francis Maxwell to John Strain: Disposition by Mr Gaskell of Greenhead property, and James McLellan's Trustees, 9 June 1859
- 12 William Maxwell, Plunches to same: costing of Plunches gas works, 6 July 1864

note see also ED 3/165

note. John Strain was priest in Dalbeattie which may explain the early documents being in the ED archives.

DUMFRIES, MARIUS C MAXWELL 1860 - 78

1. John Thorburn, Dumfries to John Strain, Blair: deeds, dispositions and property  
12 March 1860
2. same to same: Dalbeattie rents due, 16 Aug 1860
3. Marius C Maxwell, Tenngles to Bp Strain: Poor School Committee, Mr Cunninghame  
and Cotte Douglas mission, 19 April 1865
4. same to same: Mrs Lym's legacy on behalf of Dumfries Mission, 28 Oct 1865
5. same to same: Chief Constable of Stewartry appointment, Poor School Committee,  
his brother Lord Herries, etc, 27 March 1866
6. same to same: row over matron's appointment at Crichton Institution, n.d.
7. same to same: Mrs Lym's legacy left in trust to himself and Dr Charleston for  
charitable purposes, including Catholic school at Dumfries, 9 May 1866
8. P Macmanus, Dumfries to same: Mrs Lym's legacy, and the school debt,  
6 July 1866
9. Marius C Maxwell to same: Mrs Lym's settlement: problems attached, 14 July 1866
10. same to same: Mrs Lym's legacy to the Dumfries schools; 19 July 1866
11. Mrs Lym's Instructions, and money left in 1870
12. British Linen Co. Bank, Dumfries: Account with the late Rev Archibald McDonald,  
Dumfries, 18 April 1877
13. Wm Turner, Dumfries to Bp [Strain]: Dumfries financial problems, 19 April 1877
14. same to same: receipt for title deeds of Annan church property, 16 Nov 1878
15. same to same: re-opening of chapel although panels over High altar are  
not yet painted, 31 Oct [n.d.]

ALLOA MISSION 1866 - 71

1. Peter Grant, Dunfermline to Bp Strain: possibility of buying old episcopal church at Alloa, 16 Nov 1866.
2. James Noir, Alloa to Mr Grant: Catholics may use the Assembly Hall, Alloa one Sunday in the month; he will accept offer for the episcopal chapel, 17 Nov 1866
3. Peter Grant, Dunfermline to Paul Macbachlan about buying the episc. chapel, n.d.
4. Paul Macbachlan, Stirling to Earl of Kellie making an offer for above chapel, 26 Nov 1866
5. Bp Strain, Dundee to [Paul Macbachlan]: the offer for the chapel was too low, 3 Dec '66
6. Paul Macbachlan, Stirling making another offer for Alloa chapel, 4 Dec 1866, draft.
7. Bp Strain to [Paul Macbachlan] advising acceptance of Earl of Kellie's offer, n.d.
8. Paul Macbachlan to Bp Strain about accepting Kellie's offer re: Alloa chapel, 10 Dec '66
9. same to [Kellie] accepting his terms regarding Alloa chapel, 12 Dec 1866, draft.
10. George Forbes, Alloa to Bp Strain: expense of furnishing his house, 19 Oct 1868
11. Earl of Kellie to Bp Strain: arrangements regarding entry to chapel, 2 Aug 1869.
12. same to Paul Macbachlan enclosing above for Bp Strain, 2 Aug 1869
13. same to Bp Strain about arranging a meeting, 6 Aug 1869
14. Copy of letter to Earl of Kellie about Alloa chapel fee, 1 Nov 1869
15. Earl of Kellie to Paul Macbachlan about preventing stables being placed next the Catholic chapel, 17 March 1871
16. Thomas Frome + Son, builders, Alloa to Rev J Forbes asking for payment due on new chapel house, 2 May 1871
17. Wrapper labelled "Purchase of Alloa Church"

note: see also ED 3/171 .. Paul Macbachlan



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BALFRON, MILNGAVIE, STRATHBLANE, 1865 - 68

1. Joseph Martin, Milngavie to Bp [Strain]: details of mission of Milngavie, Strathblane and Balfron, his house, collections etc, 17 June 1865
2. same to same: Mrs Cooper's desire for a chapel at Balfron, including plan of proposed building, 8 Aug 1865
3. T Stout, Glasgow to same: conveyance at instance of Mrs Cooper of a small leasehold subject at Balfron, 26 Aug 1865
4. Joseph Martin to same: his caution about starting to build, 14 Oct 1865
5. same to same: desirability of starting to build now: finances, 16 Oct 1865
6. same to same: Milngavie house + chapel now much improved, Balfron mission + communicants, difficulties of educating children who are imprisoned in mills, 12 Feb 1866
7. same to same enclosing a note from Mrs Cooper about building at Balfron, 20 Mar '66
8. same to same: progress of Balfron chapel; Strathblane mission, etc, 21 May 1866
9. Archibald Hog, Milngavie to same: suitable land for chapel in Strathblane  
13 June 1868

note For Milngavie see also ED 3/199.

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BALFRON: MRS COOPER. 1865 - 1867.

1. Mrs Cooper, Ballindalloch to [Bp Strain?] about having new deeds made out, 26 Aug 1865
2. same to same: conveyancing of property, and priests' names thereto, enclosing sketch of old house, 26 Aug 1865
3. T Stout, Glasgow to Mrs Cooper with copy of Mr Jeffrey's reply about feu, 2 Oct 1865
4. Mrs Cooper to [Bp Strain?]: search for site for chapel; Mr Jeffrey's feu, 4 Oct 1865
5. same to [?]: Mr Jeffrey's feu, 4 Oct 1865
6. same to [Bp Strain?]: Mr Cooper, plan + costings for chapel, 6 Oct 1865
7. same to same: subscriptions for chapel, 9 Oct 1865
8. same to same: getting plans drawn up by Mr Thomson, architect, 11 Oct 1865
9. same to same: chapel finances etc, 12 Oct 1865, part of letter only
10. same to [same]: chapel plans, 13 Oct 1865
11. same to same: chapel finances, masons' estimates, etc 31 Oct 1865
12. same to same: finances, estimates, 5 Nov 1865
14. same to same: holdups in building chapel, 23 Nov 1865
15. same to same: chapel is rooped + slated; problems with masons, 17 Jan 1866
12. Bp Strain to Mrs Cooper: money for Balfron, 2 Nov 1865
16. Mrs Cooper to [Bp Strain]: painters' estimate for chapel, 19 Jan 1866
17. David Thomson, Glasgow to Mrs Cooper: cost of mason work on chapel, 21 Sept 1866
18. Mrs Cooper to [Bp Strain]: Mr Cooper, cost of mason work on chapel, 26 Sept 1866
19. same to same: chapel subscriptions, villages like chapel, joiners etc, 14 Oct 1866
20. same to same: memorial windows in chapel, etc 22 May 1867
21. same to same: her personal affairs, Balfron chapel finances, n.d.

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J. MAGINI: CAMPSIE, LENNOXTOWN, 1866-74

1. J Magini, St Marys to Bp [Strain]: his first visit to Campsie and arrangements about furniture with Mr Gillon. 20 Oct [1866]
- 2 same, St Pauls, Lennoxtown to Same: Papal collection, Fenianism, 16 Dec [nd]
- 3 same to same: stations of the cross, and indulgences, wants a Mission to be preached to his people. 18 Feb 1867
- 4 same to same asking for leave to give Benediction of B.S., 10 March 1867
- 5 same to same: debt on Campsie school, 12 April [nd]
- 6-7 same to same: mission's finances, 23 April 1867, 29 April 1867
- 8 same to same: finances, forthcoming Mission + confirmations, 13 May 1867
- 9 same to same: receipt for loan of £100, 15 May 1867
- 10 same to same: presentation to Mr Gillon by Catholics of Campsie, Mr Gillon's refusal to be civil to him, etc, 25 Sept 1867
- 11 same to same: finances, prayers for Pope, 3 volunteers to go to Rome, 28 Nov 1867
- 12 same to same: repayment of part of loan, school cant be enlarged without grant, 24 Sept. 1871
- 13 same to same: further repayment of loan, 31 Oct 1874

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KILSYTH 1865 - 1882

- 2 John Galvin, Kilsyth to Bp Strain: confirmations, laying chapel's foundation stone, 7 June 1865
- ① same to same: Sir Archibald Edmestone will give the site chosen, 20 April 1865
- 3 same to same: Catholics in Cumbernauld and Condurat, 26 Jan 1866
- 4 same, Campsie to same: house is being rooped, money needed, he's collecting, 26 July 1866
- 5 same Kilsyth to same: receipt for £100, Edmestone's good will towards RCs, 29 July '66
- 6 same to same asking for money to help pay for chapel, 13 Nov 1866
- 7 same to same enclosing Promissary Bill, 15 Jan 1867
- 8 same to same: fire insurance, Mr Ferrier causes trouble, 19 Jan 1867
- 9 same to same: feu charter for Kilsyth chapel property; Edmestone's bad advisers, 26 Jan '67
- 10 same to same: Protestants buying tickets for opening of chapel, finances, 21 Feb 1867
- 11 same to same: application to Poor School Committee, financial problems, 26 March 1867
- 12 same to same: want permission to have Benediction; chapel debt, 30 March 1867
- 13 same to same: must have another loan, 9 May 1867
- 14 same to same: must have the money promised, 29 Oct 1867
- 15 same to same: chapel debt, 1 Nov 1867
- 16 same to same: Kilsyth feu duty + trouble with the factor, Mr Frew, 10 May 1873
- 17 Edmond Power to same: Galvin's will and the chapel debt, Galvin having died, 7 Aug '80
- 18 John Murphy, Kilsyth to same: progress with new school + premises, [nd].
- 19 same to same: problem coping with Catholics who live at 4 Arches Road, 9 June 1882
- 20 same to same: imperative need for school for Fair Arches Road, 6 Nov 1882.

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PAUL MACLACHLAN; ALLOA, DOUNE, STIRLING, 1862-69

1. Catholics of Doune to John Strain: they have petitioned Paul MacLachlan for Mass at Doune at least once a month, 2 June 1862
  - 2-3 Catholics of Alloa to same petitioning for a priest for Alloa, 6 June, 12 June '62
  - 4 Paul MacLachlan, Stirling to same: priest needed for Alloa, Doune + Dunblane, 4 June 1862
  - 5 same to same: he wants to resign his charge till health improves, 19 Sept 1862
  - 6 same to same: signatures to petition to Rome, 9 Nov 1863
  - 7 same to same: opening of new schoolhouse, 16 Nov 1864
  - 8 same to same: St Andrews Society report, his claims on Falkirk school, 24 Oct '65
  - 9 same to same: Rev J. Duffy of Alloa is very ill, and cant work, 17 Nov 1865
  - 10 same to same: Miss Duffy is taking her brother's body to Ireland, 22 Nov 1865
  - 11 same to same: dubois mother of boy at Blair's, 13 Jan 1866
  - 12 same to same: he cannot cope with Alloa, can Mr Grant take it on? 21 Apr '66
  - 13 same to same: Alloa flourishes with Mr Grant; asks leniency for McCarty, 16 Nov '66
  - 14 same to same: offer for Alloa church (ie buying episc. chapel - see ED 3/166) 1 Dec 1866
  - 15 same to same: price to offer for Alloa church, 1 Dec 1866
  - 16 same to same: mixed marriages + their children, 6 June 1867
  - 17 same to same: education bill + Poor Law Commission; hope to get a site at Doune for chapel, 26 April 1869, with draft reply by Strain,
  - 18 same to same: Alloa vacant again, Mr MacLachlan's ill health, etc; chapel in Doune about to start, 27 June 1869
- note for Alloa chapel see also ED 3/166

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PAUL MACLACHLAN (procurator); DOUNE, STIRLING, 1873-79

1. Paul MacLachlan, Stirling to Jp Strain: procurator's accounts, Kilsyth's debt, 20 May 1873
- 2 same to same: procurator's business, 8 Oct 1873
- 3 same to same: wants to resign due to declining health; could he swap Stirling for Doune, where church + house are almost ready? 18 Jan 1875
- 4 same to same; again hoping to be moved to Doune, 20 July 1875
- 5 same to same: Doune chapel is completed, 14 Aug 1875
- 6 same to same: Doune chapel finished + house almost so, 20 Aug 1875
- 7 same to same: Stirling is too much for him, 24 Aug 1875
- 8 same to same: opening ceremony of Doune chapel, 7 Sept 1875
- 9 same to same: Doune chapel's opening date; could Mr Harris come + assist him at Stirling? 9 Sept 1875
- 10 same to same: requesting Mr Harris as his assistant, 19 Sept 1875
- 11 PTO

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- 11 Paul MacLachlan, Stirling to Bp Strain: opening of Doune chapel, 27 Sept 1875
- 12 same to same: Doune chapel is still closed; cant he move there? Procurator's accounts, 11-13 Nov 1875
- 13 same, Doune to same: Stirling chapel's debt to himself, and non-payment of interest, 16 May 1876, with draft reply by Bp Strain.
- 14 same to same: procurator's business, his claims on the Stirling mission, 19 May 1876
- 15 same to same: his claims on the Stirling mission, 23 May 1876
- 16 same to same: his claims on Stirling mission, and Mr Cair's opinion, 5 June 1876
- 17 same to same: Doune confirmations, 19 April 1877
- 18 same to same: money matters; will Strain grant him a bond? 18 Sept 1879
- 19 same to same: he has £500 on Stirling Church, £200 on Kirkcaldy and £150 on Dunfermline mission - his own money, 20 Sept 1879
- 20 same to same requesting legal document about above money, 8 Oct 1879
- 21 same to same with draft promissory note that would meet his wants, 3 Nov 1879
- 22 same to same declining to take part in business matter; demanding repayment with interest of his loan to the mission, 7 Nov 1879
- 23 same to same demanding interest not yet paid to him, 2 Dec 1879.

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DOUNE: MRS CAMPBELL, 1869-75.

1. Cécile Campbell, Inverardoch, Doune to Bp Strain: her teaching of Doune Catholic children; need for permanent priest at Doune, 14 Jan 1869
- 2 same to same: her pleasure at the completion of Doune chapel; hopes for speedy opening of it, 28 Aug 1875
- 3 same to same: opening date for Doune chapel; Mr MacLachlan is too old to cope with Stirling now; could he be appointed to Doune? 5 Sept 1875

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BLAIRGOWRIE: JOHN CARMONT, 1861-82

1. John Carmont, Blairgowrie to John Strain: querying financial viability of Blairgowrie as a mission in its own, 15 Nov 1861 [64?]
- ② → 3 same to same: money matters; a mission station cant. be expected to meet liabilities that are not its own; his economies, 28 Nov 1864.
- 4 Blairgowrie: abstract of liabilities, 1 Jan 1865
- 5 John Carmont, Blairgowrie to Bp Strain: hoping for financial assistance, 2 Jan 1865
- 6 same to same enclosing a letter from John MacPherson calling in a loan, 20 Apr. '65
- 7 same to same: money matters, inspection of school, 21 May 1865
- 8 same to same: his financial problems in detail, 12 June 1865
- 9 same to same: money matters, 27 June 1865
- 10-12 same to same: money matters, 4 Aug 1865, 16 Dec 1865, 9 Jan 1866
- 13 same to same: statement of his liabilities, 19 Dec 1866
- 14 same to same: loan to him called in, 27 May 1867.
- 15 same to same: 'faculties to bless heads,' building a kitchen, 28 Oct 1867
- 16 same to same: money matters, 1 Nov 1867
- 17 same to same with copy of letter from Bp Rigg refusing financial aid, 19 Nov 1879
- 18 same to same: money voted to him out of Mitchell fund is inadequate, 22 June 1882
- ② Same to same: Poor School Committee grant; Fr. Kirk buys land next to RC School, Crief mission: land bought and Mr Innes's despatch to Kilsyth, May 1862

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CRIEFF 1867-1872

1. Robert Innes yielding site for chapel at Crieff, 7 May 1867
- 2 John Fraser, Crieff to Bp [Strain]: need for a larger chapel; may be permitted to collect + to build? He has a school in the present chapel, 30 Oct 1868
- 3 same to same: debt on his house and furniture, installation of gas, high unemployment in Crieff. School needs its own building, 23 Jan 1869
- 4 Mary Eleves to Mr Fraser: sorry he may be leaving Crieff; wondering if a certificated teacher could not be got for the school at her own expense, 27 April [nd]
- 5 John Fraser, Crieff to Bp [Strain]: Bp MacDonald is recalling him to the North; future arrangements for Crieff; Mrs Eleves' letter about schools, 29 April 1869.
- 6 Mrs Eleves' Trust in which payment is to be made of an annual sum for the Catholic Mission in Perth: excerpt from a letter from Miss Eleves, London to Bp Strain, 8 May 1872

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PERTH 1857

- 1 Report by Mr Macdonald as to the Rev Mr McCorry's Accounts for Perth Church and School, 1857

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ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT, PERTH 1865-82

- 1 Sr. Mary Angela, St Joseph's Convent to [By Strain]: complaints of prisoners regarding confessions; fire insurance; convent garden, n.d.
- 2 same to same: the nuns' ministrations to the prisoners, criticism of John Macpherson, 5 Jan 1865
- 3 same to same: convent's school and prison work, 22 Sept 1865
- 4 same to same: information from mother superiors in France on Society, 20 Nov 1865
- 5 same to same: writing to tell Rev. Mother of Strain's dissatisfaction with orders to the nuns, n.d.
- 6 same to same: Rev. Mother's response to criticism, n.d.
- 7 same to same: the sisters have at last received a favourable answer, 29 Nov.
- 8 Sr. Mary Agnes, St Joseph's convent to same: they are shortly to leave for Liverpool & Strain has any commissions there, 5 Dec 1865
- 9 Sr. Mary Angela to same: training a nun to teach in the infant school, the prisoners, 13 Dec 1865
- 10 same to same: midnight mass, the prison, sisters' return from Liverpool, 25 Dec 1865
- 11 same to same: school children's entertainment etc, 1 Jan 1866
- 12 same to same: vandalism in their chapel, acquisition of watch dog, 24 Sept 1866
- 13 same to same: finances, 9 April 1867
- 14 same to same: finances, Perth Missions etc, 9 Oct 1867
- 15 same to same: finances, St Angela's feast, 1 June 1869
- 16 Sr. Mary Ursula to same: congratulating him on his forthcoming Jubilee, [1882?]
- 17 Address to the Pope by the Convent, n.d.

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DUNDEE : STEPHEN KEENAN, 1859-62

1. Stephen Keenan, Dundee to John Strain: Kyle's praise of Dundee schools, 7 Oct 1859
2. same to same: finances, convents & schools, 12 May 1860
3. same to same: business matters, Dundee properties as yet unbanded, 24 May 1860
4. same to same: applying for grant from Poor School Committee for boys' school  
13 Nov 1861
5. William Corbett, Dundee to same: Dr Keenan's will, and its settlement,  
11 March 1862.

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DUNDEE - WELLBURN : TRUSTEES 1862-63

1. John Gillin, Lennoxtown to [John Strain] consenting to sale of Wellburn,  
22 Sept 1862.
2. Paul Macchacklan, Stirling to same: consenting to above sale, 22 Sept 1862.
3. J. S. McCorry, Bathgate to same: authorising him to act for him re:  
Wellburn, 23 Sept 1862
4. Alexander Gordon, Dalbeattie to same consenting to sale of Wellburn, 23 Sept 1862
5. Alex O'Donnell, Greenhill to same consenting to above sale with provisos, 26 Sept 1862
6. John Gillin, Lennoxtown to same: financial position of Keenan's estate, 9 Oct 1862
7. same to same: date of his signature to deed of sale of Wellburn, 14 Nov 1863

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DUNDEE - WELLBURN'S SALE. and Keenan's Executrix, 1862-64

1. Wm Kerr, Dundee to John Strain: interest of the money secured over  
Letham, 4 March 1862
2. John MacPherson, New Abbey to [Kerr?]: Keenan's estate, 24 May 1862, copy.
3. Wm Kerr to John Strain: Keenan's deed of settlement; Dundee mission's  
debt to him; selling of Wellburn, 21 July 1862.
4. same to same: debt claimed by Keenan's executors against Dundee mission,  
31 July 1862
5. George Davidson, Lochee to same: need for final settlement re: Wellburn,  
4 Aug 1862.
6. Wm Kerr to same enquiring about whereabouts of Bp Gillis, 11 Aug 1862
7. same to same: valuation of Wellburn, 30 Aug 1862
8. George Davidson, Lochee to same. Wellburn valuations, 3 Sept 1862.
9. Wm Kerr to same: conveyance of Wellburn, 2 Sept 1863
10. Rev W Lelievre, Edinburgh to same: query about "Dundee business" 12 Sept '63
- 11-12 same to same: delay in conveyance of Wellburn, 14 Sept 1863, 16 Sept 1863
- 13 PTO

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- 13 John Strain, Blairs to [?]: Mr Davidson + Mr Lelievre + settlement of Wellburn, 16 Sept 1862.
- 14 Wm Kerr to John Strain apologising for the muddle strain is in about Wellburn, 19 Nov 1863
- 15 George Davidson to same: The money of Wellburn got upon a bond, 19 Nov 1863
- 16 E. Lelievre to same: whereabouts of money for Wellburn, 20 Nov 1863
- 17 Wm Kerr to same: settlement of Wellburn delayed by need to get bond signed in France, 3 Dec 1863
- 18 Minutes of meeting of Wellburn trustees, 26 April 1864.

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DUNDEE: P. CUMMING, 1862-63. (St Andrews, Dundee)

1. P Cumming, Dundee to John Strain: finances, 3p Gillis and petition by priests to Rome, 27 March 1862
- 2 same to same: money matters, news of convent, Dundee news, 27 May 1862
- 3 same to same: Mr McKay, and Sir Wm Stewart, 1 June 1862
4. same to same: request by Mr Douglas Dick for mass at Rantrose, 11 July 1862
- 5 same to same: collection for Pope, two brothers for Blairs, 21 July 1862
- 6 same to same: complaints of the nuns, their various grievances, 26 Aug 1862
- 7 same to same: he'd be relieved to see the nuns go, but they have won the affection of too many for that; Mr Grady for Dundee to help, 4 Sept 1862
- 8 same to same: letter from Mr Thebault, Dundee schools, 8 Sept 1862
- 9 same to same: property matters, money matters, Mr McKay, 22 Oct 1862
- 10 same to same: money matters, 19 Nov 1862
- 11 same to same: Johnstone's property, Mr McDonald will start building soon, the convent, 9 Jan 1863
- 12 same to same: The nuns and Johnstone's property; Gillis's doings, 7 Feb 1863
- 13 same to same: inviting him to a St Patrick's day service, 5 March 1863
- 14 same to same: celebration of St Patrick's day, 10 March 1863
- 15 same to same: money matters, 22 May 1863
- 16 same to same: Wellburn title deeds, plans for new schools in Dundee, (RC), Harist brothers' recruit, 30 July 1863
- 17 same to same: boys for Blairs, 4 Aug 1863
- 18 same to same: Wellburn money + titles, new schools + orphanage plans, 14 Oct 1863
- 19 same to same: Mr Prendergast's sister's death, 4 Dec 1863
- 20 same to same: Wellburn monies due to Dundee, 22 Dec 1863



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DUNDEE: P Cumming 1864, D McCartney 1865

1. P Cumming, Dundee (St Andrews) to Bp Strain: Wellburn Trustees & disposal of money received from its sale, 30 Jan 1864
2. same to same: money matters, confirmations & communicants, 24 May 1864
3. same to same: money matters; expense of Blackness schools, settlement with St Marys, 21 Nov 1864.
4. same to same: further on same subjects, 8 Dec 1864.
5. same to same: asking for Mr McGinnis to help them over Christmas, 19 Dec 1864.
- 6-7: D McCartney, St Andrews, Dundee to same: St Andrews debt, 30 Jan, 6 May 1865

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DUNDEE: ROBERT CLAPPERTON, 1862-64

1. Robert Clapperton, Dundee to John Strain: Bp Gillis and confirmations, etc, 19 March 1862.
2. same, St Marys, Dundee to same: Their episcopal visitation, appeal to Rome against Bp Gillis, 12 April 1862
3. same to same: Cardinal Barnabo's reply to John MacPherson about Gillis, etc 18 April 1862
4. same to same: trip to Blairgowrie; complaint to Rome about Gillis, 22 April 1862
5. same to same: Kyle's Jubilee, 4 May 1862
- 6 → 7-8 same to same: respective liabilities of St Andrews & St Marys, Dundee, 17 3 Oct 1862
- 9 same to same: St Andrews & St Marys liabilities and the omission previously of the Meadowside property's correct place in the balance sheet, 7 Oct 1862
- 10 same to same: account between Keenan Trust executors and Dundee, Nov 1862.
- ⑥ same to same enclosing a letter from Wm Kerr about The Keenan Trust, 11 Sept 1862
- 11 same to same: appointment of Archibald MacDonald as administrator of the ED until a Bishop is appointed, 4 May 1864

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DUNDEE, ROBERT CLAPPERTON, FR. BURNS, 1871-79; J Holder 1874-82

1. R Clapperton, St Andrews, Dundee to Bp Strain: Dr Mc Carry's letters; Mr Carmichael has smallpox, tenders are out for new schools, 2 Dec 1871
2. same to same: money matters, 14 May 1872
3. same to same: Tay Street property, money matters, 20 Sept 1872
4. same to same: St Andrews debt, new school accounts, 13 May 1873
5. same to same: money matters; acct of Mrs Brennan / Sr. Anne DeLore, New York, 11 Nov 1873
- 6 Bp Strain to R Clapperton: sanction of St Andrews Dundee's borrowings, 28 Nov 1874, draft
- 7 Fr Burns, St Marys, Leuchie to Bp Strain: money matters, building expenses, 22 Nov 1876
- 8 R. Clapperton, St Andrews, Dundee to Archbp Strain: money from Hibernian society, 9 Oct 1878
- 9 Same to same: Treasurer's accounts: trust associations, 7 Aug 1879
- 10 Same to same: money matters, 10 Oct 1879

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Dundee ctd. J Holder, 1874-82

- 11 Joseph Holder, St Marys, Dundee to Archbp Strain : interest on Cupar property, removal of house + chapel furniture, 16 Nov 1874
- 12 same, St Josephs, Dundee to same : Cupar mission property's interest, 26 Nov 1878
- 13 same to same : payment of interest due, 15 May 1881
- 14 same to same : enclosing cheque for interest from St Joseph's mission, 15 May 1882.

note - Dundee finances see also ED 3/216

DUNDEE J. S. MacCorry, 1870-76

1. J. S. McCorry, Glasgow to "Dear Vicar", money lent by him to St Marys, Dundee which he wants repaid, 10 May 1870.
2. same to same: further details about what St Marys owes him, 17 May 1870
3. same to John MacPherson: regretting he left the Eastern District, 5 Sept 1870
4. same, London to same asking for interest due to him from St Marys, 31 Jan 1871
5. same to same asking for money due him from St Marys, 14 Feb 1871
6. P Macmanus to Bp Strain: Mr McCorry's finances with Dundee, his own money problems  
27 May 1871
7. J S McCorry, London to Bp Strain: he has taken legal advice about getting repayment  
of the money that Dundee owes him, 20 Nov 1871
8. same to same: same topic, 30 Nov 1871
9. same to same: Archbp Eyre's arbitration on the Dundee money question, 24 Jan 1872
10. same to same: Eyre's decision, 21 May 1872
11. same to same: leaving money matters to Bp Strain - apologising for bother, 4 June 1872
12. same to same: outline of loans he made to Dundee, 27 May 1872
13. same to same: interest due him on Dundee moneys, settlement of his claims,  
27 Nov 1872
14. same to same: statement regarding his being stationed at Leith and the  
subsequent charge taken of Leith by the Oblates from whom he renews his  
claim to money compensation, 19 May 1873.
15. same to same: receipt for £104, 19 May 1873.
16. same to same: St Marys, Dundee debt to him and who should be paying him,  
21 Oct [n.d.]
17. same to same: his expenditure on Leith, 23 June 1874.
18. same to same asking for a line about the money he has placed at the  
disposal of the Scottish Bishops, April 1875
19. same, Wishaw to same: his means when he was transferred to Leith, 6 Sept [1876]
20. British Linen Co. Bank, Perth to J. S. MacCorry: amount of credit in McCorry's account  
when it was transferred, in 1856, from Perth to Leith, 5 Sept 1876.

DUNDEE : MARIST BROTHERS - SCHOOLS 1855-73

1. Charles Thiebault, Dundee to Bp Gillis: asking for an additional clause to be put into their agreement regarding a religious order for Dundee, 3 April 1855
2. Memorandum of Agreement between Bp Gillis and Charles Thiebault about introducing Marist Brothers to Dundee to set up schools for poor, 1855, copy made in 1863
3. Notes taken at a meeting wherein Mr Thiebault agreed to build a house for the use of Religious teachers, 4 Dec 1859.
4. Committee for Education, Dundee to Bp Gillis: the desperate need for Catholic boys' schools in Dundee; their support for the Marist brothers, 1859
5. Draft memorandum of agreement between Bp Gillis and Charles Thiebault, n.d.
6. Note in reference to memorandum of agreement between Bp Gillis and C Thiebault, and reply to that note, n.d., copy, seven pages.
7. Charles Thiebault, Dundee to Bp Gillis: he has built a house for the Brothers; the clergy + committee agreed to build a school + supply the teachers. 15 time this latter part of the bargain was fulfilled; 1 Oct 1860
8. Same to P. Cumming, Dundee: prospective buyer for Marist Brothers' house, the Committee's assumption of financial responsibilities regarding the schools, 1 April 1861.
9. Same:- Appeal for money as the present schools used by the Marist brothers are in such an unhealthy state, 30 Dec 1861, printed circular, with note to John Strain asking for his interest, as Vicar General,
10. same to [John Strain]: the lack of support for his schools; he may have to go to court to get the Church to fulfil its part of the bargain and provide schools, 15 Jan 1862
11. same to same: asking for Strain's advice about the schools. 8 Feb 1862.
12. same to P Cumming: money and property matters concerning the schools, 1 April '62
13. same to Bp Gillis: asking for instructions in how to settle matters, 28 April 1862
14. same to [John Strain]: money matters and building a boys' school, 4 Sept 1862
15. Letter to Charles Thiebault and others: their liabilities along with St Mary's Chapel, Dundee, for a debt to the bank, Jan 1863, draft
16. Articles of agreement for the liquidation of the debt on the Marist Brothers' house, Forebank, Dundee, n.d., copy
17. Marist Brothers, Dundee to Bp Strain refusing to accede to the proposition regarding liquidation of the debt on their house, 12 Dec 1873.

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DUNDEE : CONVENT OF MERCY, 1862-68

1. Sisters of Mercy, Wellburn drawing attention to the promises made them before they agreed to come to Dundee, 22 Aug 1862
2. Sr Mary Locke to John Strain: about a retreat for sisters before their profession, 21 Sept 1862
3. Sr Mary Catherine to same: The wish by the clergy of Dundee that the Sisters' schools be connected with the Government, 22 Aug [n.d.].
4. Sr Mary Catherine Locke to same: Wellburn Trustees: cost of turning old factory into schools + orphanage - can Strain help out of Wellburn money. 18 July 1863
5. same to same about a lost document, n.d.
- ⑧ same to same asking permission for an English young lady to be admitted into the community, 27 Sept 1865
6. same to same: Dispensation, 28 Feb 1865
7. same to same: Thanks for Strain's permission for the Sisters to travel, 22 Aug 1865
9. same to same: Mother Assistant is to be Sr Mary Vincent Doherty, 26 Aug 1866
10. same to same asking permission for a postulant to assume the habit, n.d.
11. list of inmates of Convent of Mercy, March 1868
12. Convent of Mercy: charges of Sisters; list of schools attended by them, n.d.
13. Sr. Marianne to Bp Strain: as the youngest postulant she asks that the sisters may have a recreation week to celebrate Strain's visit, n.d.

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FIFE - DICK FAMILY, 1864-67

1. J H Douglas Dick "les catholiques du Fife" : printed appeal with ms endorsement by Bp Strain, 22 Oct 1864
2. D. Dick to "My Lord" about the printed circular petition, 26 Nov 1864
3. Jane Dick to [Bp Strain?] about a society in Paris which helps missions all over the world and which might help Kirkcaldy, 19 Jan 1865
4. D. Dick, Montrave, Fife to same: St Catherine's Convent school, 13 Oct 1867
5. same to same: Fr Cardella's story, which has caused pain, 31 Oct 1867