

MS 3147/3/407
GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, C
1795—1798

1. Letter. L'Abbé de Calonne (112 Sloane St., London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 12 — 1797.
Docketed "Recommendatory of an emigrant."
2. Letter. Felix Calvert & Co. (Brewhouse, London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Aug. 1796.
3. Letter. Felix Calvert & Co. [London] to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Jan. 1797.
Not dated – date taken from the docket.
Docketed "Intention of doubling their engine and estimate of the cost of the alteration."
4. Letter. Campbell & Gibson (Bill Quay, Gateshead) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 10 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Application concerning Jeffreys' engine."
5. Letter. Campbell & Gibson (Bill Quay, Gateshead) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 25 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Order for an 8 horse engine."
6. Transcript of letter. Humphrey Jeffrey (—) to Campbell & Gibson [Bill Quay]. 1 Feb. 1798.
7. Letter. Campbell & Gibson (Bill Quay, Gateshead) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Mar. 1798.
Docketed "Returning agreement executed."
8. Letter. Campbell & Gibson (Bill Quay, Gateshead) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 19 May 1798.
Docketed "Wanting instruction to construct a smokeless fire place."
9. Letter. James Carlile (Bolton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 12 Jan. 1797.
Docketed "Craves indulgence."
10. Letter. William Carne (Penzance) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Proposal of adventurers in Wheal Jewel in Goldsithney to pay 2/3rds. Wants the price of a winding engine for Herland."
11. Letter. William Carne (Penzance) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 4 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Application for abatement in Herland Mine."
12. Letter. William Carne (Penzance) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 25 May 1798.
Docketed "Orders the small engine for Herland."
13. Letter. William Carne (Penzance) to Thomas Wilson (at Matthew Boulton's, Soho). 10 Jun. 1796.
Docketed "Herland and Ding Dong."
14. Letter. William Carne (Penzance) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Jul. 1798.
Docketed "Complains of the whim engine for Herland having been sent to Truro instead of Hayle."

15. Letter. Edmund Cartwright (Marnham, near Tuxford) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 25 Feb. 1795.
Docketed "Reverend E. Cartwright. Offer of a share in his improved fire engine."
16. Letter. Edmund Cartwright (Brothertoft, near Boston) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 20 Mar. 1795.
Docketed "About a call of patentees."
17. Letter. Edmund Cartwright (Marylebone Fields, London) to "James Watt Esq. & Co." (Birmingham). 17 Aug. 1797.
Docketed "Wishes the caveat against the patent to be withdrawn and promises to afford Boulton & Watt ground for action."
18. Letter. John Cartwright (Brothertoft Farm) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 15 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Enquires about ram."
19. Letter. Richard Cartwright (Salisbury Gaol) to Richard Dayus (15 Broad Wall, Christ Church). 22 Jul. 1797.
Not dated – date taken from the postmark and docket.
Docketed "Wishes us to interfere in his favour with the judge."
20. Letter. Michael Cassin (1 Paul St., Kingsdown, Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 May 1797.
Docketed "Enquires for an engine to turn sugar mills."
21. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "Remittance of £51.15. Stoppage of their engine."
22. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Want an engineer to repair their engine."
23. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 25 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Desiring an engine."
24. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 31 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Desire to have William Harrison remain to put their engine in order."
25. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 7 Mar. 1797.
Docketed "Enquires respecting Richard Cartwright's character."
26. Letter. Michael Castle & Co. per Peter Stone (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 7 Dec. 1797.
Docketed "Confirmation of cash advanced to Brown and detection of his deceit."
27. Letter. Thomas Cave (Charleston, South Carolina) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 1 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Enquires of the cost of an engine to turn 2 and 3 pairs of stones."
28. Letter. John & Robert Chapman (Newcastle upon Tyne) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 Feb. 1792.
On the same sheet:
Invoice of 72 calders of coal... for Nantes by order of Boulton & Watt.
Docketed "Invoice of coals shipped for Nantes."

29. Letter. William Chapman (Newcastle upon Tyne) to James Watt Jr. (38 Fenchurch St., London). 25 Nov. 1796.
Docketed "About setting out for London."
30. Letter. William Chapman (Newcastle upon Tyne) to James Watt (Heathfield). 25 Dec. 1796.
Re-directed to "Watt Junr. or Senr." at 13 London St.
Docketed "Offers his assistance as a witness."
31. Letter. — de Charmilly (11 Princes St., Cavendish Square, London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Jul. 1795.
De Charmilly signs himself "Colonel & Deputy from the planters of St. Domingo"
Docketed "About the St. Domingo engines."
32. Letter. Cheap & Loughnan (London) to Matthew Boulton (Birmingham). 24 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Apply on behalf of the Portuguese Government for estimate of a corn mill – to grind 20,000 to 30,000 lbs. of flour per day."
33. Letter. Richard Chippindall (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 16 Nov. 1796.
Docketed "Sundry enquiries about engines."
34. Letter. Richard Chippindall (Salisbury Square, London) to Boulton & Watt (13 London St.). 7 Feb. 1797.
Docketed "Enclosing Colonel Tatham's letter."
35. Letter. Richard Chippindall [London] to Boulton & Watt (13 London St.). "Saturday Eve." [11 Feb. 1797?].
Docketed as 10 Feb., which was a Friday.
Docketed "Colonel Tatham."
36. Letter. Richard Chippindall (London) to James Watt [?] [Soho]. 2 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "His embarrassments. Wishes to know whether we will execute his orders upon his paying the receipts weekly into the hands of Mrs. Matthews."
37. Letter. The Chorlton Twist Co. per Thomas Atkinson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 15 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Remittance £1527.10.8."
38. Letter. S., J. & B. Churchill (Shepshed) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 16 Nov. 1795.
Docketed "Ansd. 23 Nov. 1795. Offer to purchase the annuity of their engine."
39. Letter. S., J. & B. Churchill (Shepshed) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Dec. 1795.
Docketed "Accept our offer of £200 for full premium and enclose promissory note."
40. Letter. S., J. & B. Churchill (Shepshed) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 1 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "About taking up their promissory note."
41. Letter. Clark Langmead & Co. (Plymouth) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 5 Apr. 1797.
Docketed "Want an engine for their brewery."
42. Letter. Nathaniel Clayton (Newcastle) to James Watt Jr. (Birmingham). 6 Aug. 1796.
Docketed "About an engine for the East Indies."

43. Letter. William Clegg & Co. (Oldham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 29 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "Remittance £50. Want Perrins' account."
44. Letter. William Clegg & Co. (Oldham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 16 Feb. 1797.
Docketed "Remittance of £50. Want invoice of taps."
- 45a. Letter. John Clennell (Newcastle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 27 Jan. 1797.
Kept with (b) below.
- b. Draft of letter. Boulton & Watt [Soho] to John Clennell [Newcastle]. Not dated.
In James Watt's hand.
46. Memorandum. The Coalbrookdale Co. – State of Boulton & Watt's Orders. 18 Jan. 1796.
47. Letter. The Coalbrookdale Co. per Mark Gilpin (Coalbrookdale) to Boulton & Watt (Soho).
31 Mar. 1798.
Docketed "State of order for cylinder of Homfray & Co."
48. Letter. The Coalbrookdale Co. per Mark Gilpin (Coalbrookdale) to Boulton & Watt (Soho).
14 May 1798.
Docketed "Progress made in Tate & Co.'s goods."
49. Letter. The Coalbrookdale Co. per Mark Gilpin (Coalbrookdale) to Boulton & Watt (Soho).
17 Aug. 1798.
*Docketed "Cannot get the 63 inch cylinder ready in less than 10 weeks. Enquiries about it.
State of the 60 inch cylinder."*
50. Letter. Henry Coates & Co. (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 25 Jun. 1798.
Docketed "Enclosing bill for £30 – part of premium of engine."
51. Letter. Cobb Paine & Judd [Banbury] to James Watt & Co. (Soho). 1 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "Answered. About Brockliss' engine."
52. Letter. Thomas Cobb (Banbury) to James Watt & Co. (Soho). 15 Mar. 1796.
*Docketed "Copying paper. Cobb Wheatly & Cobb. Liquid for copying paper. Defects in
his copying machine."*
53. Letter. Thomas Cobb (Banbury) to James Watt (13 London St.). 6 Dec. 1796.
Docketed "Concerning patent for colouring paper."
54. Letter. The Cockshead Co. per John Martin (Cockshead Colliery) to Boulton & Watt
(Soho). 29 Mar. 1793.
Docketed "Setting the engine to work."
55. Letter. John Cogdon (Ragley) to James Watt [Soho]. — Mar. 1796.
*Not dated – date taken from the docket.
Docketed "Wheel carriage engine."*
56. Letter. John Cogdon (Ragley) to James Watt (Soho). 1 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "Wheel carriage engine."
57. Letter. Coke & Billingsley (Pinxton China Works, near Alfreton) to Boulton & Watt
(Soho). 16 Mar. 1797.
*Not dated – date taken from the docket.
Docketed "Want Boulton & Watt to send a man to calculate the power of their engine."*

58. Letter. Robert Coleman & Co. (Wimbledon) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "About taking Jones' engine."
59. Letter. Robert Coleman & Co. (Wimbledon) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 Jul. 1796.
Docketed "Starting of their engine."
60. Letter. Robert Coleman & Co. (Wimbledon) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Aug. 1796.
Docketed "Complaints against Knuckey."
61. Letter. Robert Coleman & Co. (Wimbledon) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Aug. 1796.
Docketed "Intercession for Knuckey."
62. Letter. John Collier (Stockport) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 11 Jul. 1795.
63. Letter. Jos^h Collier (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Claim a continuance of indulgence for the discharge of Shaw's bond."
64. Memorandum. Andrew Collins – Price of lead at Hamburg. 24 Nov. 1796.
65. Letter. Andrew Collins (Birmingham) to M. R. Boulton [Soho]. 25 Nov. 1796.
Docketed "Account of Hamburg ship fund."
66. Letter. Andrew Collins (Birmingham) to M. R. Boulton or James Watt Jr. (Soho). 2 May 1798.
Docketed "Respecting drawings etc. for Van Liender."
67. Letter. Andrew Collins (Birmingham) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 24 May 1798.
Docketed "Enclose a letter from Messrs. Hülsenbeck & Runge relating to steam engines."
68. Letter. P. Colquhoun (London) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 29 Mar. 1797.
The address and docket are on a separate wrapper.
Docketed "Recommendation of his nephew."
69. Letter. Philip Constable (Blisworth) to John Houghton (Navigation Office, Birmingham). 7 Aug. 1796.
70. Letter. Thomas Cooke (Newport, Isle of Wight) to James Watt (Birmingham). 21 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "Wants an engine to grind bark – about one horse's power."
71. Letter. James Cooper (Poplar) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 May 1797.
Docketed "Charrington's engine. Notices proposals for selling our copper boiler."
72. Letter. James Cooper (Poplar) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 3 Jul. 1797.
Docketed "Wishes explanation of the small difference between the price of Messrs. Charrington's and Messrs. Clowe's engines."
73. Letter. James Cooper (Poplar) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 28 Jul. 1797.
Docketed "Satisfied with the explanation of the sum specified in Messrs. Charrington & Co.'s agreement. Desires the engine to be forwarded for speediest conveyance."
74. Letter. Joseph Cooper & Son (Leithwalk Foundry) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Aug. 1796.
Docketed "Enquiries about the price of an engine."

75. Letter. Thomas Cooper (149 Old St., London) to James Watt (13 London St.). 25 Oct. 1796.
Re-directed to Watt at Soho.
Docketed "About the application of an air pump."
76. Letter. Patrick Copland (Marischal College, Aberdeen) to James Watt (Heathfield). 26 Nov. 1796.
Re-directed to Watt at 13 London St.
Docketed "Pneumatic apparatus. Manganese. Models. Birmingham gold colour."
77. Letter. Burrow Copley (Hunslet) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 21 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "Enquiry about a 6 horse engine."
78. Letter. Samuel Cox (Brigg) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 31 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Desiring estimates of engines."
79. Letter. Jos^h Croft (Bilston) to M. R. Boulton [Soho]. 10 Jul. 1796.
Docketed as 11 Jul.
Docketed "Offering himself and sons."
80. Letter. William Cross (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Mar. 1798.
Docketed "Offers his services as clerk."
81. Letter. John Crossley (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 14 Dec. 1795.
Docketed "Enquiry of price of engines."
82. Letter. James Cruith (Lancaster) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 4 Sep. 1795.
Docketed "Joiner. Answered Sep. 17."
83. Letter. G. Cumberland (Bishopsgate, near Egham) to James Watt & Co. (Birmingham). 23 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "About copy press for copper plates."
84. Letter. G. Cumberland (Bishopsgate) to James Watt & Co. (Soho). 18 Feb. 1796.
Docketed "About copy press for copper plates."
85. Letter. Alexander Cumming (Pentonville) to James Watt Jr. (13 London St.). 30 Nov. 1796.
Docketed "Promises to attend as a witness at the trial."
86. Letter. John Christian Curwen (Belle Isle) to James Watt Jr. [Soho]. 4 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "His ignorance of his engine being an infringement and his determination not to contest the matter but to leave it to Boulton & Watt. His wish to have his engine restored to order and willingness to yield all assistance wanted."
87. Letter. Thomas Curwen (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Wants employment. Engine at Crossgates [?] upon our patent."
88. Letter. Thomas Curwen (2 Frederick St., Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 29 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Particulars of the time which Crossgates engine has worked from 1788 to 1795. Wishes us to procure him a situation."

89. Letter. Jonathan Cuthbertson (Rotterdam) to James Watt & Co. (Birmingham). 20 Oct. 1795.
90. Letter. John Cuthbertson (53 Poland St., Soho, London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 28 May 1796.
Docketed "Offers to take charge of letters to Jonathan."
91. Letter. Jonathan Cuthbertson (Rotterdam) to James Watt & Co. (Birmingham). 19 Jul. 1796.
Docketed "Wants a steam engine."

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1795—1798

1. Letter. Daintry Ryle & Co. (Macclesfield) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 24 May 1797.
Docketed "Want to apply the rotative wheels to their engine."
2. Letter. Sir John Dalrymple (48 Charing Cross, London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 30 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Wants explanation of the term 'Savings' and to avoid liability to debts in the case of his patent."
3. Letter. Richard Daniel (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Informing us of an invention for ploughing and offer of a share."
4. Letter. Richard Daniel (23 Wyck St., London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Impatient for our answer to his offer."
5. Letter. Richard Daniel (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 24 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Proposes to send drawings of his invention."
6. Letter. William Davey (Wheal Unity) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "Requesting that the nozzle ordered by J. Launder may be expedited."
7. Letter (printed circular). D. Davies, Clerk to the Shropshire Canal Co. (Madeley) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Desiring attendance per proxy or in person concerning freight upon Shropshire Canal."
8. Letter. Rhys Davies (Swansea) to Boulton & Co. (Birmingham). 16 Apr. 1797.
On the same sheet:
Memorandum. Answers to Enquiries as to Coal advertized to be let in *Aris' Birmingham Gazette*.
Memorandum. Coal for coaking and exportation – Swansea.
Docketed "Offer of a colliery in the neighbourhood of Swansea."
9. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill, near Nottingham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Jan. 1797.
Docketed "Want to apply air pump and condenser to their engine."
10. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 Feb. 1797.
Docketed "Introductory of Mr. William Bond."

11. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Mar. 1797.
Docketed "Wish to have their engine altered to Boulton & Watt's construction and retain as much of the old materials as possible. Beg for moderate terms and promise secrecy and also to recommend Boulton & Watt engines to their neighbours."
12. Memorandum. Davidson & Hawkesley – Observations on alterations to their engine by Boulton & Watt. Undated [circa Mar. 1797].
13. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 25 Mar. 1797.
Docketed "Their proposals for the alteration of their engine."
14. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 Apr. 1797.
Docketed "Repeat their desire of receiving separately our charge of premium."
15. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 4 May 1797.
Docketed "Our proposal for licensing their engine not accepted. They offer others with remarks."
16. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 May 1797.
Docketed "Cogitations on Boulton & Watt's offer – and enquiries."
17. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 27 May 1797.
Docketed "Agree to Boulton & Watt's terms of payment."
18. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 30 May 1797.
Docketed "Consider matters as settled between Boulton & Watt and themselves."
19. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 Jun. 1797.
Docketed "Offer to pay by installments."
20. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Jun. 1797.
Docketed "Acknowledging bond."
21. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Jun. 1797.
Docketed "Enclosing their bond executed."
22. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Jul. 1797.
Docketed "Queries respecting law of patent."
23. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 12 Aug. 1797.
Docketed "Impatience to have their materials."
24. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 3 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Satisfied with the performance of their engine. Exertions of Mr. Bond."
25. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Remittance for first instalment of premium and interest. Accidents with their engine. Scheme for crank. Question about governor."
26. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 May 1798.
Docketed "Remittance for balance of account. Air leaks in their engine."
27. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 1 Jun. 1798.
Docketed "Resolve to lay aside their rotative wheels and offer us the link etc. at a valuation."

28. Letter. Davison & Hawkesley (Arnold Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 Oct. 1798.
Docketed "How to cure roughings [sic] in their engine?"
29. Letter. Joseph Dawson (Low Moor, near Bradford) to James Watt (Soho). 4 Nov. 1797.
Marked "Answered Nov. 11th." Docketed "Measures taken for opposing tax upon iron."
30. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 27 Jul. 1796.
Docketed "Barclay & Perkins. Borough Water Works. Coleman & Co."
31. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to John Southern (Soho). 25 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Engine at Newbury. Cement for Thrale & Co. Bishops at Maidstone."
32. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Nov. 1796.
On the same sheet:
Sketches. Form of old and proposed new boiler for Barclay & Perkins.
Docketed "Proposed plan for a new boiler at Messrs. Thrale's brewery."
33. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Apr. 1797.
Docketed "Sir John Eamer's engine materials. Small engines making by one Jones [actually Dixon]. Wishes us to prepare some on speculation."
34. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 May 1797.
Docketed "Sir John Eamer's engine. Thomas Hudson, workman. Copying machine."
35. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 May 1797.
Docketed "Sundry boxes of cement wanted. Nozzles for Stephenson. Moorman's drawings."
36. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Jul. 1797.
On the same sheet:
Sketches. Steam and exhausting racks, steam and exhausting valves.
Docketed "With order for rack sectors and valves for Calvert's engine."
37. Letter. Richard Dayus (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Engine wanted by Mr. Hodgson. Symington's in agitation."
38. Letter. Edward Dean (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 27 Sep. 1797.
Docketed "Wants estimates of an 8 and 10 horse engine."
39. Letter. Edward Dean (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Noticing mistake in inserting his name in the agreement in lieu of Mr. Hayward. Desires to have a person to erect his engine."
- 40a. Letter. John Petty Dearman [Birmingham] to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 3 Sep. 1795.
Enclosing (b) below.
Docketed "Solomon Newsom."
- b. Letter. Solomon Newsom (—) to "his sister church". 17 Jul. 1795.
41. Letter. John Petty Dearman (Birmingham) to James Watt Jr. (Soho Foundry). 31 Dec. 1796.
Docketed "On giving the men money to drink."

42. Letter. John Petty Dearman (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 5 Feb. 1798.
Docketed as 2 Feb.
Docketed "Tax upon iron. Probability of its being abandoned. Proposed representation on the part of the merchants."
43. Letter. John Petty Dearman [Birmingham] to Boulton & Watt Jrs. (Soho). "7 day Saturday Noon".
Docketed as 12 Mar. 1798, which was a Sunday.
Docketed "Remonstrance against the iron tax wanted."
44. Letter. Richard Dearman (Coalbrookdale) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 12 Jun. 1795.
45. Letter. Richard Dearman & Co. per Thomas Chilcot (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Acknowledgement of draft in payment of bar iron."
46. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "About a corn mill engine."
47. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Acknowledging receipt of £500."
48. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 13 Jan. 1797.
Docketed as 14 Jan. 1796.
Docketed "Character of William Probert, smith."
49. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 15 Jul. 1797.
Docketed "Queries concerning dimensions of the safe."
50. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Eagle Foundry) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 12 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Acknowledgement of our remittance for £83.17."
51. Letter. Dearmans & Co. [Birmingham] to Boulton & Watt Jrs. [Soho]. 23 Jul. 1798.
Docketed "Acknowledge receipt of bill. Offer to send Boulton & Watt 10 tons of Madeley Wood."
52. Letter. Dearmans & Francis (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Nov. 1798.
Docketed "Acknowledging remittance. Soliciting continuation of custom."
53. Letter. James Delamain (Hull) to Mr. — Wetherell, "Steam Engine Manufacturer" (Birmingham). 12 Aug. 1795.
Docketed "Wetherell's engine."
54. Letter. Robert Delap (Banbridge, Ireland) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 16 Dec. 1797.
Docketed "Enquires of the cost of steam engines."
55. Letter. Robert Delap (Banville, Ireland) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Particulars of the power wanted by him for his bleaching mill."
56. Letter. Samuel Delves, Secretary, Flour & Bread Co. (Union Mill, Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 Oct. 1797.
Docketed ""Remittance of £21.8 which they call balance of our account."
57. Letter. Thomas Dixon (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 16 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "Receipt of £100 and wants more."

58. Letter. W. Dixon (Fullport, by Kendal) to James Watt (Soho). — Nov. 1797.
Not dated – date taken from the docket. “Mr. Smeaton’s daughter.”
Docketed “Wishing her son to be placed in the mechanical trade [?].”
59. Letter. William & George Docker (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 May 1796.
Docketed “Proposals for slating the Foundry.”
60. Letter. R. Dodd (25 Mount St., Lambeth) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Dec. 1798.
Docketed “Wants prices of engines.”
61. Letter. Alexander Donald (London) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 8 Sep. 1795.
62. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to James Watt (Soho). 12 Nov. 1797.
Docketed “Purchase of Bog Mine engine. Wants assistance of R. Baty to raise lower lifts of pumps.”
63. Letter. Alexander Donald (Coventry) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Nov. 1797.
Docketed “Probability of raising the pumps at the Bog. Wishes drawing of the engine house and person to erect his engine.”
64. Letter. Alexander Donald (Coventry) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 8 Dec. 1797.
Docketed “Wants drawing of engine house.”
65. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Dec. 1797.
Docketed “Dissatisfaction at not being informed of R. Baty’s opinion of the state of the pumps at Bog Mine.”
66. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to James Watt (Soho). 13 Dec. 1797.
Docketed “Apology for his former letter. Extract from his agreement with the Bog Adventurers for the purchase of the engine.”
67. Letter. Alexander Donald (Coventry) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Dec. 1797.
Docketed “Wishes somebody to go to Shewsbury to attend the delivery of the engine from the Bog Mine.”
68. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Dec. 1797.
Docketed “Elucidations of the misunderstanding in his agreement with the Bog Mine.”
69. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Mar. 1798.
Docketed as 22 Mar. Docketed “Wants a man to erect his engine.”
70. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 30 Mar. 1798.
Docketed “Desires to have a man to erect his engine and wishes us to enquire about the boiler.”
71. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Apr. 1798.
Docketed “Progress in the erection of his engine. Cement wanted. Application of Thomas Cooper for work, allegedly with our recommendation.”
72. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 Nov. 1798.
Docketed “Requesting extension of credit.”

73. Letter. Alexander Donald (Nuneaton) to James Watt (Soho). 23 Nov. 1798.
Docketed "Petitioning for an extension of credit. Felicitating himself in the favourable aspect of his colliery."
74. Letter. James Douglas (4 Church St., Balckfriars Rd., London) to James Watt Jr. [London]. 3 Dec. 1798.
Docketed "Application for advice how to introduce his shearing machines."
75. Letter. William Douglas "for Self & Co^y" (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 14 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Breakage of cylinder."
76. Letter. Peter Drinkwater per Robert Thompson (Piccadilly Factory, Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Oct. 1797.
Docketed as 13 Oct. Docketed "Orders a new set of nozzles for his engine."
77. Letter. Duck & Potts (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 Feb. 1795.
Re-directed to London. Marked "J. S. has sent no answer."
78. Letter. Robert Duck "late Duck & Potts" (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Feb. 1796.
Docketed "Requesting our opinion of the value of his engine. And abatement of premium."
79. Letter. Robert Duck (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Mar. 1797.
Docketed "Urges the depression of trade as an excuse for not making a remittance. Promises to remit soon."
80. Letter. J. Duddell [London] to James Watt [London]. 2 Dec. 1798.
*Not dated – date taken from the docket.
Docketed "Offer of services as a clerk."*
81. Letter. Thomas Dudgeon (Newcastle upon Tyne) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 16 Jun. 1797.
Docketed "Blakiston's wish to defer the erection of his engine."
82. Letter. Thomas Dudgeon (Newcastle upon Tyne) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Aug. 1798.
83. Letter. James Duff (Cadiz) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Apr. 1795.
Docketed "Malcolm Logan and Mr. Torres."
84. Letter. James Duff per William Jordan (Cadiz) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 12 Jun. 1795.
*On the same sheet:
Transcript of letter. James Duff (Cadiz) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Apr. 1795.*
85. Letter. James Duff (Cadiz) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 28 Jul. 1795.
Docketed "Advice of draft for £26 on account Malcolm Logan and Murdock."
86. Letter. John Dumbell (Warrington) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Mar. 1796.
Docketed "Impertinence."
87. Letter. John Dumbell (Stockport) to James Lawson (Thomas Jones', Manchester). 2 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "Pitiful letter to Lawson."

88. Letter. R. Robinson “for Parkers & Self” (Stockport) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 12 Apr. 1796.
Docketed “Dumbell – say Top of the Hill Mill – R. Robinson April 13 1796.”
89. Letter. John Dumbell (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Jun. 1797.
Docketed “Disclaims having given any orders for the sun and planet wheel sent from hence. Proposes to send proposals respecting the disputed premium.”
90. Letter. John Dunlop (Morham, near Haddington) to James Watt (Soho). 17 Apr. 1797.
Docketed “With enquiries about small engine for threshing corn.”
91. Letter. John Dunlop (Morham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Jun. 1797.
Docketed “Wants to know what number of strokes a small engine should make.”
92. Letter. John Dunlop (Morham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Jan. 1798.
Docketed “Wants the price of a four horse engine.”
93. Letter. J. Duval, Sons & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 Oct. 1797.
Docketed “Enclosing Mr. Argand’s letters upon his belier hydraulique. Wishes our opinion of it.”
94. Letter. John Dyson (Newcastle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Apr. 1798.
Docketed “Wishes to know our terms for using condenser.”

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1. Letter. Sir John Eamer (London) to Boulton & Watt (—). 23 Feb. 1797.
Docketed “Wishes to be informed when he may expect his engine or any of its parts. States that if not completed by the 5th of June the engine will be of no use this year.”
2. Letter. John Edwards (Hayle Copperhouse) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Apr. 1796.
Docketed “Requesting our terms for the erection of an engine at Guithian Mine.”
3. Letter. John Edwards (Hayle Copperhouse) to James Watt (Birmingham). 1 Jun. 1796.
Boulton has used the sheet for a draft of his reply.
4. Letter. John Edwards (27 Arundel St., Strand, London) to James Watt (Soho). 25 Aug. 1796.
Docketed “Particulars of the power wanted to assist his rolling mill and estimate of the suitable engine.”
5. Letter. John Edwards (27 Arundel St., Strand, London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 30 Aug. 1796.
Docketed “With size of sheet to be rolled by his new mill.”
6. Letter. John Edwards (27 Arundel St., Strand, London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 Sep. 1796.
Docketed “Delays his visit to Soho.”
7. Letter. Thomas Elvins (Birmingham) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 13 Apr. 1796.
Docketed “Wages of workmen advanced.”

8. Letter. Thomas Elvins (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 May 1796.
Docketed "Offer of timber."
9. Letter. Lord — Estcourt (Estcourt) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Feb. 1796.
Docketed "Enquiring prices."
10. Letter. Francis Evans (Nottingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Jun. 1798.
Docketed "Sale of Green's engine in which he is concerned. Wishes us to state the consideration of the premium separate from the account of the materials. Requests our acquiescence to the removal of the engine and opinion of the value."
11. Letter. Francis Evans (Nottingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "Wishes Boulton & Watt to purchase his engine."
12. Letter. Askham Eyre (Thurlstone Oil Mill) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 3 Dec. 1796.
Docketed "Estimate of engine."
13. Letter. Hope Wynne Eyton (Leeswood, near Mold) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 15 May 1798.
Docketed "Application for use of smoke patent."

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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, F
1795—1798

1. Letter. John Christopher Falck (London) to Matthew Boulton (Birmingham). 2 May 1797.
Docketed "With enquiries about a steam wheel and circular saws."
2. Letter. Robert Fanshaw (Fenton Park) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 15 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "Remits and requests directions for constructing a smokeless fireplace."
3. Letter. Robert Fanshaw (Fenton Park) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 19 Nov. 1796.
On the same sheet:
Plan and elevation of boiler fireplace and chimney for Fenton Park Co.'s proposed winding engine.
Docketed "Plan of their boiler. Want directions to burn the smoke."
4. Letter. William Fawcett (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 26 Sep. 1795.
Docketed "About the terms of purchase of goods from Bersham trustees."
5. Letter. William Fawcett (Castlehead) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 25 Oct. 1795.
Docketed "Promises to hasten the execution of orders."
6. Letter. William Fawcett (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 31 Oct. 1795.
Docketed "State of orders."
7. Letter. William Fawcett (Liverpool) to James Watt Jr. (Birmingham). 5 Nov. 1795.
Docketed "Advertisement for sale of Bersham."
8. Letter. William Fawcett (Bersham) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 15 Nov. 1795.
Docketed "State of orders. Conversation with John Wilkinson. Balance of account with ditto."

9. Letter. William Fawcett (Bersham) to James Watt Jr. (Birmingham). 25 Nov. 1795.
Docketed "About settling with John Wilkinson."
10. Letter. William Fawcett (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 31 Dec. 1795.
Docketed "Answered. Mr. John Wilkinson agrees to take the Bersham account to his debit. Colclough etc."
11. Letter. William Fawcett (Brymbo) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 7 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "About Walker & Co. and William Watts & Co.'s accounts."
12. Letter. William Fawcett (Brymbo) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 4 May 1796.
Docketed "Notice of award and requesting a remittance."
13. Letter. William Fawcett (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 12 May 1796.
Docketed "Receipt of bill for £908.14.8. Sentiments about the award."
14. Letter. Thomas Fenton (Rothwell Haigh) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 12 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "Wants a man to inspect the state of his engine."
15. Letter. Thomas Fenton (Rothwell Haigh) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Oct. 1798.
Docketed "Wishes our man to be immediately sent to repair his engine."
16. Letter. Thomas Fenton (Rothwell Haigh) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Oct. 1798.
Docketed "Wishes to be informed when the materials for the alteration of his engine will be completed."
17. Letter. Thomas Fenton (Rothwell Haigh) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 4 Dec. 1798.
Docketed "Wishes to know expense of an engine for a colliery. Enquires into the state of the goods for his present engine at Rothwell Haigh."
18. Letter. Benjamin Firth (Armley) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 30 Aug. 1797.
Docketed "With account of his time."
19. Letter. Fisher Nixon & Fisher (Leeds) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Dec. 1797.
Docketed "Remittance for muskets sent them. Offer of £400 for licensing their engine."
20. Letter. Fisher Nixon & Fisher (Leeds) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 27 Mar. 1798.
Docketed "Offering to show Mr. Lawson their engine that it may be ascertained if it infringes."
21. Letter. Richard Fishwick (Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 28 May 1798.
Docketed "Wishing a list of the parts of the steam engine with the price affixed to each."
22. Transcript of letter. John Fleming (Glasgow) to Matthew Boulton [Soho]. 11 Sep. 1798.
Docketed "Raising water to supply the town."
23. Letter. Joshua Foster (Horbury, near Wakefield) to John Southern (Soho). 30 Oct. 1796.
Docketed "About his cold water pump, fly wheel etc."
24. Letter. John Foulds (London Bridge Water Works) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 14 Oct. 1797.
Docketed "Wants an engine man for Shadwell engines."
25. Letter. John Foulds [London] to Boulton & Watt [London]. 20 Jan. 1798.
Docketed "Proposed renovation of Shadwell engine."

26. Letter. John Foulds [London] to ? 15 Dec. 1798.
Docketed "Wishes his son to be employed about our engines."
27. Letter. Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 Jan. 1795.
Docketed "Ans^d London 22 Feb. 1795. Polgooth."
28. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Mar. 1795.
Docketed "Polgooth."
29. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 May 1795.
Docketed "Bad state of Polgooth and Hewas. Want reduction of premium."
30. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 13 Apr. 1796.
Docketed "Hewas."
31. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 30 May 1796.
Docketed "Hewas."
32. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Jul. 1796.
Docketed "Polgooth nozzles. Polgooth and Hewas."
33. Letter. Edward & Robert W. Fox (Wadebridge) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Jul. 1796.
34. Letter. Fox Phillips & Son (Perran Wharf, near Truro) to Boulton & Watt (William Matthews', Cannon St.). 12 Jun. 1795.
Docketed "State of Herland Mine."
35. Letter. G. C., G., R. & T. Fox (Perran Wharf, near Truro) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 29 Nov. 1797.
Docketed "Representation on the part of Trevithick of the unfounded report of his connection with Bull."
36. Letter. George C. Fox & Sons (Falmouth) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 26 Sep. 1797.
Docketed "Refer our letter upon Prince William Henry Mine to Mr. Stackhouse."
37. Letter. G. C., G., R. & T. Fox (Perran Wharf, near Truro) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 May 1798.
Docketed "Interference in favour of Mr. Franco. Solicit on his behalf a modification of the terms demanded by us."
38. Letter. Captain Py. Fraser (Gort, Co. Galway) to James Watt (Soho). 19 Jul. 1795.
Docketed "Captain Fraser. Pneumatic apparatus for Lord Clanbrock."
39. Letter. William Frazer (Shadwell Water House) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 26 May 1798.
Docketed "Our proposals submitted to the Committee. Wishes explanations upon them."
40. Letter. William Frazer (Shadwell Water Works) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 19 Jul. 1798.
Docketed "Acknowledges receipt of engine. Enquiries concerning the air vessels not being sent. Wishes to know the weight of goods sent."

41. Letter. William Frazer (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Dec. 1798.
42. Letter. Frosst & Jennings (Birmingham) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 19 Apr. 1798.
Docketed "Enquire price of engines for a corn mill."
43. Letter. Frosst & Jennings (Great Charles St., Birmingham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 7 May 1798.
Docketed "Enclosing a letter from Mr. Staveley."
44. Letter. William Fullard for Lord Dudley & Ward (Dudley) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 May 1797.
Docketed "Objects to the terms proposed for erecting our engines."
45. Letter. Col. W. Fullarton (Tunbridge Wells) to James Watt (Soho). 11 Sep. 1796.
Docketed "Requesting leave to use the engine at Wilsonstown."