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DETAILED LISTING

**REEL 218**

**3/274 James Lawson, 1799 (57 items)**

1. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (13 London St.). 1 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Order from Mr. Houstoun. Ditto expected from Mr. Pattison and Mr. Baird."*
2. Letter. James Lawson (Johnston) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 5 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Drawings of Mr. Houstoun's framing, cistern etc. wanted. Difficulty of getting the beam in one piece."*
3. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 7 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Little progress made by Brunton at Workington. Expects to get Mr. Pattison and Mr. Laird's order. Estimate of a 12 horse by Mr. Baird - £500. His stay with Mr. Houstoun and excellent condition of his mill."*
4. Letter. James Lawson (Workington) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 27 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Progress made in the repairs at Workington. Goods from Soho that were understood to be missing found in Mr. Curwen's house."*
5. Letter. James Lawson (Workington) to James Watt Jr. (13 London St.). 29 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Alterations making in the engines. Orders at Glasgow."*
6. Letter. James Lawson (Workington) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 30 Jan. 1799.  
*Docketed "Congratulations upon our victory. Sentiments of Curwen upon it. Conclusive arrangements with Brunton."*
7. Letter. James Lawson (Kendal) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 4 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Some particulars respecting Udale's order, say Curwen's. Situation of Underwood Co.'s boiler. Houstoun's pump 38 fathoms. Journey to Lancaster."*
8. Letter. James Lawson (Chorley) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 8 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Watson & Co.'s order doubtful. Have substituted a 30 inch cylinder in lieu of the 21 inch licensed by us. Cast iron boilers cause of great consumption of coals at Hodgson & Capstick's engine. Only one boiler for Gillies. Disappointed in not finding Mr. Greenal at Ecclestone near Chorley. Lives at another place of the same name."*
9. Letter. James Lawson (Liverpool) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 12 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Interview with Mr. Greenal of Ecclestone – probability of orders from him. Scarcity of injection water an obstacle. Conversation with Wolfe upon his piracy."*
10. Letter. James Lawson (Warrington) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 13 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Matthews Holt & Co.'s affairs. State of things at Kirkman's & reminded [?] them for payment. Packet addressed to him at Workington not received."*
11. Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 16 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Prospect of order from Holland & Co. State of affairs at various engines. Lee's remarks on Kirkman. Grimshaw's explosion."*
12. Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 17 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Order of a 16 horse engine for Holland & Co. Pump lamp for Mr. Lee."*

- 13.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Feb. 1799.  
*Re-directed to Boulton & Watt at 13 London St. Docketed "Dislike to new prices. Kirkman's."*
- 14.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (13 London St.). 27 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Orders from Mr. Watson, Mr. Clegg, Mr. Rupp. Mr. Yates' renewed application for a licence."*
- 15.** Letter. James Lawson (Stockport) to Boulton & Watt (13 London St.). 28 Feb. 1799.  
*Docketed "Hope's engine to be forwarded in his own name."*
- 16.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 6 Mar. 1799.  
*The outside of the letter is directed to Gregory Watt. Docketed "Uncertainty respecting Atherton's being implicated with Kirkman. Supposed mistake in Holloway's account."*
- 17.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (13 London St.). 7 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Mr. Jones' opinion of the correspondence with Atherton. Intends going to Liverpool. Bramah's puffs. Horridge's proceedings."*
- 18.** Letter. James Lawson (Prescot) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 13 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Conversation with Kirkman. Their affairs supposed to be assigned to Clark & Co. Probability of Atherton's being a partner."*
- 19.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Complaints of delays. Pattison's agent enquiring about engines. Friendly offices of McConnel & Kennedy. Remittance from Holland & Bridge. Holland & Scott's drawings wanted."*
- 20.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 22 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Mr. Hope not dissatisfied with delay. Rotative shafts for ditto. Alteration of his 12 horse engine. Order from Wood & Harrop for a 10 horse engine. Rupp's order is for a 28 horse. Remittances £419.2. Runcorn's alteration to be done for £160. Intended journey to Leeds."*
- 21.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 23 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Holland & Co.'s order for a 16 horse engine. Marshall's engine at work. Swindell's to be so in a few days – both erected by Perrins. Gatley's will be finished by Rudge in a few days. Intended journey to Leeds and return to Manchester."*
- 22.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 30 Mar. 1799.  
*Docketed "Murray's patent. Improbability of detaching Wood from them. Marshall & Benyons' proceedings. Remittance from them."*
- 23.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 3 Apr. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance from sundries £278.8.4. Fenton satisfied with alteration of his engine and intended remittance. Sand at Castleford ordered, and description of quarry. Appointment with Mr. Murray. Boring rod ready to send off."*
- 24.** Letter. James Lawson (Halifax) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 5 Apr. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance of £71.17 from Cookson & Co. Conversation with Murray and present price of his engines. Great fall of snow and inclement weather."*
- 25.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 9 Apr. 1799.  
*Docketed "Directions left with Mr. Smith for sand. Lee's working gear. New hand from Lowe. Rider uncertain."*
- 26.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 14 Apr. 1799.  
*Docketed "Order of a 12 horse from Rider. Ditto expected from C. Lees. Payments from Swindells and Marshall. Present to Thomas Livesey."*

- 27.** Letter. James Lawson (Dowlais) to Gregory Watt (Soho). 3 May 1799.  
*Docketed "State of things at Dowlais and Penyardren."*
- 28.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 28 May 1799.  
*Docketed "Mr. Ingleby's piracy. Bound defers payment."*
- 29.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 3 Jun. 1799.  
*Docketed "20 horse engine wanted by Simpson & Co., 12 horse by P. Drinkwater. Bound defers payment, Dean ditto, executors of Shaw ditto. Man wanted for Marsland's pump. Caution to Gregory. Journey to Preston. Report of Kirkman's giving up the Union Mill."*
- 30.** Letter. James Lawson (Liverpool) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 10 Jun. 1799. 2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Change in the firm of the Union Mill Co. and secession of Kirkman's. Little progress made at Watson Myers & Co. Mr. Thomas Leeming. Melur Mine. Bagillt Colliery. Halkin Lead Mine."*
- 31.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 Jun. 1799.  
*Docketed "Foundries at Hunslett. Order for 14 horse engine – P. Drinkwater. Remittance £231.15.6. Mistake in Marshall's account. Settlement with Swindells. Agreements."*
- 32.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 25 Jun. 1799.  
*Docketed "Cannot catch Parker. Murray doing nothing new. Fenton and Humble to remit soon. Foster and Gowland & Co. ditto. James Lees wants to order 20 horse. Bound to settle tomorrow. Lee about Dimitty."*
- 33.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 2 Jul. 1799.  
*Docketed "Cannot get payment from Dean and Haywood. Bound likely to pay. Marsden & Neil want engine. Agreements. Drawings with Perrins."*
- 34.** Letter. James Lawson (Kendal) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 9 Jul. 1799.  
*Docketed "Starting of Lee's engine. Journey to Bolton. Horridge's promise of payment. Rdigway and Singleton likely to want engines. Aston's engine a common one. Ravenhead Glass Works likely to want new engine. Kirkman's new establishment. Slowe progress at Watson Myers. Mistake at Caton. Mr. Wright orders 6 horse engine. Report circulated by Marshall and Sherratt."*
- 35.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 22 Jul. 1799.  
*Docketed "Visit to Workington. Engine nearly finished at Underwood. Pattison renews his application. Intends going to Dundee."*
- 36.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 11 Aug. 1799.  
*Docketed "Haig's have altered the situation of their engine. Knows nothing of brackets being ordered for Rider. Opinion of brackets. Orders expected from Mr. Nelson and Mr. Crawford and a distillery at Alloa."*
- 37.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 27 Aug. 1799.  
*Docketed "Means to go to Leeds by the mail coach. Expected settlement with Mr. Pattison. Good performance of the Underwood Mill. Progress at Houstoun's."*
- 38.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Gregory Watt (Soho). 17 Sep. 1799.  
*Docketed "Parker at Murray's. Affairs at Manchester. Remittance from Rider."*
- 39.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to Gregory Watt (Soho). 23 Sep. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance £535. Wants accounts against Lane and Hunt. McConnel & Kennedy's cylinder. Mode of proceeding against Parker."*
- 40.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 3 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Rupp's complaint about their shaft. Bound's delay of interest. Runcorn's at work. Accounts wanted."*

- 41.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 13 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance £589.17.6 from sundries. Gatley's and Reynolds & Co.'s boilers. Dean's delay of payment. Nothing to be got from Lane. Hunt's assignees promise payment. Union Mill Co. His indisposition."*
- 42.** Letter. James Lawson (Liverpool) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 14 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Mr. Houstoun's beam not at Liverpool. To call on William Clark & Co. Mr. Taylor to find us an agent."*
- 43.** Letter. James Lawson (Warrington) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Conversation with Mr. Clark about Kirkman's debt. Search after Houstoun's beam."*
- 44.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 18 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Has found and forwarded the beam to Mr. Houstoun. Bill £22.15 from Lane. Advises not to trust them without security."*
- 45.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 19 Oct. 1799.  
*Docketed "Promises and excuses of John Lees. Haywood's promises. Dean delays again. Order from Kennedy & Nuttall. New patent much spoken of. Rupp & Co. finished. Wants directions for his future proceedings. Considerations respecting Mr. Clark of Liverpool."*
- 46.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 Nov. 1799.  
*Docketed "Has seen and forwarded John Pearson. Remittance from Scarth & Co. and the assignees of Hunt. Others expected. Order from Dunkerley & Hage. Present to Thomas Livesey and conversation with him."*
- 47.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 20 Nov. 1799.  
*Docketed "Visit to Preston, state of Watson & Myers' engine and mistake by Varley. Details of Newsham & Horrocks' engine, which they wish to have permission to alter. Ditto of John & Samuel Horrocks'."*
- 48.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 21 Nov. 1799.  
*Docketed "Has received a further application from Mr. Samuel Horrocks of Preston and intends being there on the 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> inst. Letter from Mr. Houstoun about his beam and answer sent him. Can get no remittances. Potter to be employed at Stevenson & Green's."*
- 49.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 25 Nov. 1799.  
*Docketed "Estimates of framing from Mr. Lowe etc."*
- 50.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 28 Nov. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance Cookson & Fawcett. Others promised from Fenton and Humble. Sketch of G. & J. Wright's engine. Murray preparing air pumps – his misfortunes at Mr. Close's. Small engines likely to be in request. Intends going to Preston and thence to Carlisle."*
- 51.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 1 Dec. 1799. 2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Potter's mistake in Rider's engine. Doubts of his making a good hand. Meeting with Mr. Goodrich, an emissary of General Bentham. Advice of forwarding sundry deeds and drawings. Drawings wanted for Stevenson & Green. Receipt of £14.16.6 from Mr. Thelfall."*
- 52.** Letter. James Lawson (Preston) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 4 Dec. 1799.  
*Docketed "Errors in the invoice of Leeming's goods. Mr. Jee's charge upon ditto. Receipt of £20 from Watson & Co. who say they have written about their account. Leeming's agreement to be executed upon the return of his partner. Gardner does not appear to have the framing in much forwardness."*
- 53.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 15 Dec. 1799.  
*Docketed "Remittance from Hebburn. Ditto from Easterby & Hall. State of their engine."*

- 54.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 16 Dec. 1799.  
*Docketed "Receipt of £500 from Mr. Blacket. Payment of Kenton and Campbell & Gibson promised on his return. Barnes' intended visit."*
- 55.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Dec. 1799. 2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Bad state of Hebburn engine and reflections thereon. Campbell & Gibson doing well – will remit in January. Kenton ask further time – will want another engine. James Hind & Co. doing well. Michael Wheatley not willing to engage at the wages offered. Has engaged W. Gibson. State of Chapman's engine. Good account of William Wright. Mr. Ward of Carlisle likely to order a small engine. His order for a portable machine. Crank for Messrs. Horrocks."*
- 56.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 22 Dec. 1799.  
*Docketed "Good account of Mr. Grieve. Wishes us to undertake the beam work. Mr. Geddes likely to want a 16 horse engine. Bagnie not at home. Haig's still unsettled. Commissions at Manchester. Professor Robison's new name for the Belier. Crowder with Murray and method used by the latter for rounding his iron."*
- 57.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 25 Dec. 1799.  
*Docketed "Time lost at Newcastle. Charges for Brunton and Grieve. Mr. Houstoun's to be at work early in January. Mr. Pattison has sold his old materials and says we may furnish the whole. Orders expected. Half pence for Mr. Houstoun."*

**3/275 James Lawson, 1800**

**(36 items)**

- 1.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Philp & Co.'s agreement executed and state of the engine house. Payment of £35 from Mr. Stein of Kennet Pans. Probability of order from him. Visit to Crawford and Dykes Smith. Particulars of his situation etc."*
- 2.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 3 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Baird's infringement. Difficulties thrown by his father in the way of Mr. Smith. Order expected from Mr. David Dale. Sudden thaw and state of the streets."*
- 3.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Underwood Co. remit in full. Boiler wanted. State of Mr. Houstoun's. Brunton's agreement. Pattison's agreement executed."*
- 4a.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 13 Jan. 1800.  
*Kept with (b) below.*  
*Docketed "Negotiation with Mr. Edington. Houstoun's engine nearly completed. Arrangements for the other Scotch engines."*
- b.** Note (not by Lawson) re. grates for boilers.
- 5a.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 22 Jan. 1800.  
*Enclosing (b) below.*  
*Docketed "Houstoun's engine set to work and gives satisfaction. Correspondence and interview with Mr. Edington relative to the blowing engine wanted by the Clyde Iron Works. Encloses copy of his letter to Mr. Edington."*
- b.** Letter. Thomas Edington (Clyde) to James Lawson (at Smith Lawson & Co., Glasgow). 20 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Specifying particulars of the blast engine wanted for the Clyde Iron Works."*
- 6.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 26 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Order from Mr. Edington. Philp & Co. and Pattison's agreement. Brunton's agreement. Good performance of Houstoun's engine. Orders expected from Bartholomew and others. Character of John Grieve and of his two sons. Favourable report of John Pearson."*

7. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 31 Jan. 1800.  
*Docketed "Mr. Houstoun to remit soon. Charges for the men. Drawings of blowing cylinder for Edington. Mr. Sherriff to superintend the erection. Intends sending Brunton and Pearson to Dundee. George Grieve to go to Philp's and to Pollock's. Intends going to Newcastle. Expects many orders for coal engines."*
8. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 1 Feb. 1800.  
*Docketed "Bartholomew orders 10 horse. Philp & Co.'s engine arrived at Leith."*
9. Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 7 Feb. 1800.  
*Docketed "Will explain to Edington the error in the price of valves. Has been with Walter Fergus & Co. of Kinghorn."*
10. Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Gregory Watt (Soho). 16 Feb. 1800. 2 sheets.  
*Letter continued on 17 Feb.*  
*Docketed "Indisposition. Draft of agreement with Hope's trustees. Wants estimate for Halbeath Colliery. Drawings for Fergus & Co. Haig's engine to be forwarded. Newcastle accounts. John Pearson's wages not charged to Houstoun. Character of Mr. Grieve and of his sons. Brunton at Wilkie's. Dykes Smith and Geddes order engines."*
11. Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 2 Mar. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remittances £650. Difficulty of procuring them. Obersavtions on working gear. Michael Wheatley unwilling to engage. Man from Barnes."*
12. Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 5 Mar. 1800. 2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Campbell & Gibson promise payment in a week. Mis-statement of Michael Wheatley's account. Stay ommitted in James & Co.'s boiler. State of engine at Burn Moor. Mr. Barnes has undertaken to settle Smith & Legg's account. Orders likely to be wanted. New engine makers at Newcastle. Michael Wheatley declines engaging. Agreement with him for wages. Bad state of himself and beast."*
13. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 18 Mar. 1800.  
*Docketed "Haig's esteemed good. Conversion with Grieve about boilers, and wants sketch. Engine house begun. Geddes still undecided. Hawkes have purchased the Devon Iron furnaces. Receipt of £18.5 of Mr. Stein."*
14. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 26 Mar. 1800.  
*Docketed "George Grieve to erect Pollock's. Philp & Co. in no haste. Application from Mr. Cunningham. Baird's engine at work. Wishes me to take a journey to the North with Ewart."*
15. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 Apr. 1800.  
*Docketed "Arrival of Harley. Pollock/s nearly completed. State of Pattison's framing. Bartholomew wants his engine. Account of Burn's grate. Order for copying paper."*
16. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 24 Apr. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remittance from J. Philp & Co. Robertson's inventions. Baird's engine."*
17. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 29 Apr. 1800.  
*Marked "Private." Docketed "Expects Ewart. Wishes an arrangement woth Boulton & Watt and himself. Intends going to Dundee."*
18. Letter. James Lawson (Perth) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 8 May 1800.  
*Docketed "Supposes Mr. D. Smith has ordered his engine. Ewart at Glasgow."*
19. Letter. James Lawson (Dundee) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 13 May 1800.  
*Docketed "Wilkie's engine finished. Walter Fergus & Co.'s engine arrived. Brunton and Pearson to erect it. Magistrates want a corn mill. Engine erected by Baird for Mr. Dummond."*
20. Letter. James Lawson (Dundee) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 13 May 1800.  
*Docketed "Has received our instructions and intends coming to Soho."*

- 21.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 16 May 1800.  
*Docketed "Regrets his not going to Aberdeen. Account of men's time to Mr. Wilkie. State of matters at Walter Fergus & Co. Haig's engine arrived. To be at Newcastle on Monday."*
- 22.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 24 May 1800.  
*Docketed "Settlement with Kenton. Expects settlement with Wade and Blackett. Order likely to be received from Surtees & Co. and Hawkes & Co. George Taylor arrived."*
- 23.** Letter. James Lawson (Dudbridge) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 7 Oct. 1800.  
*Docketed "Proceedings with Hawkes & Rickards. Cleanliness of the manufactories. Goes to London."*
- 24.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 28 Oct. 1800.  
*Docketed "Issue of his visit to Lawton. Newcastle Lead Co. Meeting with Mr. Coare. Rigby & Chadwick's engine doing well. Potter going to Newall's. Perrins' intoxication and refusal to deliver up drawings. Ditto's malpractices at Appleton & Ogden's. Remittance £943.14. Has desired Creighton to meet him. John Lees lies as usual. Ridgway finally resolves on a 24 horse."*
- 25.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 2 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Sundry remittances. Promises from J. & J. Lees. Orders from Arrowsmith and Mrs. George. Duck and Chorlton Twist want their engines enlarged. Progress made at Hibbert & Smethurst. Lee's indisposition. J. & S. Horrocks going to build a new mill."*
- 26.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 5 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remittance from sundries. Deduction expected by C. Lees. Ditto made by Scarth & Co. Creighton delays meeting him. Orders – Arrowsmith & Co. and Mrs. George. Police meeting respecting a corn mill. John Lees accepts bill."*
- 27.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 8 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remits £244.19. Dean delivered over to Mr. Jones. Time allowed for orders. Mistake about Newall's shaft. Answers to memorandums."*
- 28.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 14 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Creighton's neglect of orders. Complaint of time required for executing orders. New mode of spinning. Holland & Bridge have ordered new cylinder of Sherratt. Duck to have his done by us. Notice of sundry accounts viz. Sedgewick's, Bound's, Hunt's and Illingworth's."*
- 29.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 17 Nov. 1800.  
*On the same sheet:*  
Letter. George Lee [Manchester] to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 17 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Intends setting out Northwards. To call at Caton, Workington and Newcastle. Bound promises payment. A. & G. Murray likely to want new engine. W. Henry enquiring about fire brick. John Lees's acceptance of bill. Proposal about coming to Soho."*
- 30.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 25 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Proceedings at Caton. Mr. Curwen objects to the payment of Penrice's piracy. Remits £521 on account. Creighton's penitence and Lawson's commiserations."*
- 31.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 27 Nov. 1800.  
*Docketed "Order for 30 horse engine from Mr. Richardson. Character of ditto. Progress made at Fishwick & Co.'s new works. Payment by Campbell & Gibson. Ditto by James Hind & Co. State of Barnes' health."*
- 32.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 3 Dec. 1800.  
*Docketed "Arrival at Glasgow. Defects in the Clyde's working gear and difficulties in adjusting it. Finds that Creighton has no particular reason for remaining at Glasgow."*

33. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 4 Dec. 1800.  
*Docketed "Mr. Monach agrees to take Mr. Boulton's Mint engine at 2/3 of the original cost."*

34. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 9 Dec. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remittance in full of Bartholemew's account. Character of Mr. Bridge."*

35. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 12 Dec. 1800.  
*Docketed "Enclosing remittance of £500 from Pattison. Orders boiler and apparatus for Pattison. Cook & Co.'s engine set to work and badness of iron. Harley to erect Dykes Smith's. McMurdo ditto St. Mirren's. Lawson goes with Creighton to Inveresk."*

36. Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 20 Dec. 1800.  
*Docketed "Remittance £800 from Hope's Trustees. Observations on working gear. Haig's want us to take back the engine. Visit to Geddes & Cooper. Conference with Halbeath owners. Creighton sets out on his return."*

**3/276 James Lawson, 1802**

**(50 items)**

1. Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 4 Jan. 1802.  
*Docketed "Progress made by Vivian at Haig's. Engine nearly finished at the Calder Iron Works. Boiler badly made and new one likely to be wanted. Burning of Mr. Cunninghame's engine."*

2. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 7 Jan. 1802.  
*Docketed "Remits £300 from Cunninghame. Is going over to Saltcoats. Calder Co.'s account to be paid soon. Progress made there."*

3. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 16 Jan. 1802.  
*Docketed "Mr. Cunninghame's engine not so much damaged as he expected. Cause of the fire doubtful. Mr. Dunlop fixes on a 24 horse. Orders beam and cross-beam. Will send a sketch of premises. Has written to Haig about boiler."*

4. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 20 Jan. 1802.  
*Docketed "Messrs. Crum's works out of Glasgow, there in a few days. Mr. Young cannot blame him about Halbeath beam. Remits £1200 from the Calder Iron Co. The balance will be settled with Lawson. The engine is nearly finished. Omoa ready for the engine. Monteith orders beam and cross-beam."*

5. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to M. R. Boulton (Soho). 12 Feb. 1802.  
*Docketed "Engaged in making a drawing of Mr. Houstoun's colliery. Will send his account in a few days."*

6. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 15 Feb. 1802.  
*Docketed "Enclosing account of his expenses. Receipt of balance of Barker's account of Leadhills. Ditto Monack. Remittance promised by Mr. Cunninghame. Mr. Dalrymple without tidings of his engine. Messrs. Pollock & Co. want new boiler and apparatus."*

7. Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 23 Feb. 1802.  
*Docketed "Has delivered letter with schedule to James Dunlop & Co. Fulton & Sons order a 4 horse engine. Wants sketch of the mode of applying it to a cupola. Sandeman's engine arrived. Tennant Knox & Co. and Haig impatient for their materials."*

8. Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 3 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Haig & Co. have got their shaft. Their boiler not yet arrived. Progress made at Halbeath. Varley sent to Sandeman's. Danger in crossing Queensferry. Boulton & Jee have taken Mr. Dalrymple's beam to pieces. Charge for procuring insurance. Receipt of £4.6.10 from Murray."*



- 9.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 4 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Particulars for the calculations of Messrs. Fulton's cupola blast. Expects an order from Aberdeen and Lord Somerville's colliery. Advertisements of engines in the Glasgow papers. Expects to settle with Mr. Cunninghame."*
- 10.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 15 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Remittance from Cunninghame with interest. Thinks Messrs. Sword & Co.'s boasts not likely to injure us. Mr. Coats of Liverpool recommended by Mr. Edington as a proper person to transact our business. Order for Messrs. Pollock & Co."*
- 11a.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 16 Mar. 1802.  
*Enclosing (b) below. Docketed "Encloses John Thomson's indentures and agreement with his father. Neglect in not getting the latter executed. Will see Grieve and get his answer in a few days. Sword & Co.'s threats to have some of our men at any rate – observations upon their and other rivals' insidious attacks. Mr. Wilson likely to give an order. Will want an estimate of pump and boiler."*
- b.** Letter. John Thomson Senior (Dumfries) to James Lawson (at Smith Lawson & Co., Glasgow). 23 Dec. 1801.  
*Docketed "Returning his son's indentures."*
- 12.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to John Southern (Soho). 19 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Print of Mr. Boulton received somewhat damaged. Pattison's extinguishing apparatus. Catch pin for Omoa. Omoa engine arrived. Sketch for Fulton's blowing apparatus approved of. James Harley set out upon his return. A young hand wanted. Intention of visiting Soho."*
- 13.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 27 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Claims interest upon his account. Wilsons have not determined upon size of engine. Wants estimate of pumps. Intention of going to Aberdeen. Action commenced against Sword & Co. by the City of Glasgow. Grieve agrees to our terms for new agreement. Could get some young lads as apprentices."*
- 14.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 29 Mar. 1802.  
*Docketed "Sword & Co. have laid a bet that they will get one of our men. Sandeman's engine at work. Wants his account and that of Halbeath. Engine erector wanted for Tennant & Co."*
- 15.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 20 Apr. 1802.  
*Docketed "Calder engine expected to be started at the end of the week. The beam in a better condition than expected. Sandeman's engine giving satisfaction. Thinks the charge for his journey thither should be deducted from his account."*
- 16.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 27 Apr. 1802.  
*Docketed "Remittance from Sandeman. Expects ditto from Halbeath. Want of man at Tennant & Co.'s. Fulton's in want of drawings. Estimate given to Moorkirk. Ditto wanted for Campbell Speirs & Co. Sword & Co. have abandoned their undertaking."*
- 17a.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 1 May 1802.  
*Enclosing (b) below. Docketed "Has received estimate of Pattison's extinguishing apparatus. Letter from Halbeath Co. Will be at Edinburgh in 10 days. Drawings of Fulton's blowing machinery wanted. Calder and Omoa engines to start in a few days."*
- b.** Letter. John Campbell (St. James' Square, Glasgow) to James Lawson (at Smith Lawson & Co., Glasgow). 27 Apr. 1802.  
*On the same sheet:*  
Transcript of letter. Andrew Young (Halbeath) to John Campbell. 15 Apr. 1802.

- 18.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 4 May 1802.  
*Docketed "Messrs. Campbell Speirs & Co. determine on an engine to be either 16 or 20 horse. Orders lost on account of time. Moorkirk order given to Baird. Competitors in Scotland. Has engaged two new hands."*
- 19.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 20 May 1802.  
*Docketed "Calder engine working tolerably. Remittance from Mr. Dalrymple and on account of Halbeath. Mr. Young claims allowance for the cistern bolts. Varley and Vivian gone to Tennant & Co. Haig's got to work. Forbes' drawings forwarded. Sale of Dykes Smith's engine. Will set out for Soho in 3 weeks."*
- 20.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 25 May 1802.  
*Docketed "Calder Iron Co. resolve upon adding a blowing cylinder to their vaults. Campbell Speirs & Co. order a 20 horse engine. Sword & Co. partners with them. Wants accounts with sundries. Proposes setting out for this on the 10<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> June."*
- 21.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 3 Jun. 1802.  
*Docketed "Mr. Monteith wishes us to proceed with a 32 horse engine. Accident at the Clyde by the failure of the blowing piston rod. Tennant Knox & Co.'s engine ready to start. Destination of Vivian and Varley. Calder blowing apparatus failed. Engine works better in consequence of the leaks in the blowing tub."*
- 22.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 14 Jun. 1802.  
*Docketed "Vivian cannot be spared to erect Mr. Wright's engine. Destination of the other hands in Scotland. Remittance for the balance of Catrine account. Causes of the delay in starting Omoa engine. Leaves Glasgow on the following Thursday. Will call at Carron. Tennant's engine started to the satisfaction of the proprietors. Mr. Monteith agrees to take the 30 horse engine."*
- 23.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 21 Jun. 1802.  
*Docketed "Remittance and statement of account with Haig & Co. and Messrs. Tennant Knox & Co. Monteith's drawings will be followed without alteration. Dunlop & Co.'s ditto. Messrs. Wilson of Hurllet Colliery order the engine as proposed to them. Mr. Dyce wishes his engine to be exchanged to a 16 horse. Sets out in the mail for Newcastle the same day."*
- 24.** Letter. James Lawson (Newcastle) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 24 Jun. 1802.  
*Docketed "Account of the Tyne Iron Co.'s new erections. Surmises their intentions to commence as engineers in conjunction with Dudgeon. Engines under hand in the shops of the latter."*
- 25.** Letter. James Lawson (Swansea) to James Watt Jr. (Soho). 6 Aug. 1802.  
*Docketed "State of things at Aberdare. Neath engine doing well. Misfortune at Dowlais. About to sail for Cork."*
- 26.** Letter. James Lawson (Cork) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 16 Aug. 1802.  
*Docketed "Account of his journey and state of Mr. Morgan's engine. Mr. Morgan from home – will return on the ensuing day when he expects to take his departure for Clonmell. Misery of the Irish peasantry."*
- 27.** Memorandum. The performance of Isaac Morgan's engine at Cork. 18 Aug. 1802.

- 28.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 2 Oct. 1802.  
2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Progress made by Spode in the buildings and preparations for his engines. Deviations from drawing in length of rotative shaft. Situation for his intended 30 horse not determined. Favourable report of the performance of Wedgwood's engine. Particulars of its work. Statement of account left with Mr. Byerley. Mr. Spode and Mr. Hamilton much pleased with the working of Wedgwood's. Probability of Lowe being employed by the former to do his millwork. Extract of a letter shown by Mr. Spode mentioning the wonderful effects of Trevithick's new engine. Mr. Slate's engine doing well. Defects of Messrs. Daintry Royle & Co.'s. Alteration in the intended position of the new engine. Progress made in the erection of Mr. Cheetham's. Bad work of the platform. Extraordinary defects of well for supply of cold water. Thinks there is a necessity for Murdock's assistance in starting the engine. Great discord of Lee's eccentric circle."*
- 29.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 9 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Dixon & Co.'s engine started without accident. Appears to go smoothly. Order of Mr. Pillings for a 14 horse engine. J. Lees' want of particulars of the charge for his engine."*
- 30.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. [Soho]. 10 Oct. 1802.  
2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Defects in the construction of Dixon & Co.'s materials. Proposes alteration in the working gear. Observations upon old working gears and upon the pins at top of connecting rods. Livesey proposes to engage in a foundry at Werneth. Present of 10 guineas to him. Rise of workmen's wages. William Wright dissatisfied with his present of a guinea to him. Gavin seems comfortably settled."*
- 31.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 12 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Conference with John Pearson – ideas about wages and the policy of engaging him."*
- 32.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 13 Oct. 1802.  
2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Remits £820 from J. Lees. Ditto £150.5 from C. Rider. Payment of £42.8 by Gately's widow. Ditto of £3.9 by Dunkerley & Co. Barrow Lees & Co. not seen. Bad account of Hesketh & Schofield. Can get nothing done in the affair of Shaw's bond. Has not seen Bound. Progress made at Cheetham's and scarcity of water. J. Bury promises to settle his account at the end of this month. Creighton to send sketch of situation for his 6 horse. Vickers & Co.'s cylinder returned. James Lees to have iron beam etc. Situation of different engines for John Lees and J. & J. Lees. Wishes John Pearson to be re-engaged."*
- 33.** Letter. James Lawson (Buxton) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 15 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Account presented to Dixon & Co. who will remit in 10 days. Estimates delivered to Greg & Ewart. Pearson gone to Ridgway's and directions left with Creighton and Lee respecting him. Orders in agitation."*
- 34.** Letter. James Lawson (Rotherham) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 17 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Messrs. Walker from home. Mr. Yates conducts the engine concerns, think a new engine will be ordered. Has left instructions with Mr. Lee respecting Pearson's engagement. Met with Mr. Dawson at Buxton – will call on him at Low Moor if necessary. Expects to be at Snaith on Tuesday and to return through Leeds to Halifax. Has increased our charges from men's time 5/- per week per man."*
- 35.** Letter. James Lawson (Rotherham) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 18 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Messrs. Walkers disposed to have a new blast engine. Good condition of the engine last erected. Small produce of the furnace. Amount of accounts received. Thinks Pearson inclined to accept our terms – gone with Wright to Low Moor. Will apprise Mr. Dawson of the case. Proposes Creighton to take the Glasgow station and himself to remain at Manchester to settle with the workmen and other matters. Creighton's diffidence an impediment to his transacting business."*

- 36.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 24 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "The alteration of Messrs. Walkers' blowing engine can be effected without stopping the furnace. No further tidings of Wright and Pearson. Smalley leaving the Low Moor concern."*
- 37.** Letter. James Lawson (Leeds) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 24 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Wishes John Pearson's articles to be forwarded to him. Thinks his stay at Manchester may not now be required."*
- 38.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 27 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed as 28 Oct: "Visit to the Low Moor where neither Pearson nor Wright had called. Smalley likely to remain there. Clegg has commenced putting the engine together for Mr. Lodge. Cause of the delay in delivering Mr. Hope's drawings. Thinks it better for himself to remain at Manchester and Creighton to go to Scotland."*
- 39.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 31 Oct. 1802.  
*Docketed "Indisposed with a cold. Creighton gone to Glasgow and likewise Newman and Thomson. Accompanied the latter to Murray's and McConnel's engine."*
- 40.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 4 Nov. 1802.  
*Docketed "Breakage of Mr. Bury's connecting rod. Box for Cheetham missing. Has got no water, is likely to want another pump. Mr. Pownall orders a 6 horse engine. Wants estimate of Shallcross's present cylinder etc."*
- 41.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 14 Nov. 1802.  
*Docketed "Disaster at Dixon & Co.'s engine by the failure of the connecting rod. Has procured McCandlish & Co.'s to replace it. Mr. Penson of Wigan undetermined as to the size of his engine."*
- 42.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 16 Nov. 1802.  
2 sheets.  
*Docketed "No further particulars as to the cause of Dixon's disaster transpired. Proposes driving the governor by gear. Recommends a wooden middle piece for connecting rods. Cannot obtain payment of Schofield. Proposes to get his father's security. Confusion at Marriot & Robinson's in consequence of the death of the former. Distribution of the men. Pearson objects to the terms of the agreement. At work at Houldsworth's engine for a guinea per week. Intends to return with Miss Lee to Soho on Monday. Remittance from Scarth & Co."*
- 43.** Letter. James Lawson (Nottingham) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 1 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Inspection of Wilkes & Jewsbury's proceedings. Recommends a flat grate for them. Wish to have the pillar etc. with expedition. Report of Mr. Peel's engine and Mr. Strutt's ditto. A new 10 horse cylinder and nozzles wanted by the latter. Remittance for his account. Brown & Son's proceeding in the erection of their framing – have an intelligent millwright. Dennison's mill destroyed by fire."*
- 44.** Letter. James Lawson (Chesterfield) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 5 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Fire at Oats Stephenson & Co.'s. State of engines. Progress at the Radford Co.'s. Mr. Robinson of Papplewick. State of things at Pleasley. Orders."*
- 45.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 11 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Remittances from sundries. Daintry Royle & Co. deduct amount of Potter's board. Hesketh & Schofield request us to suspend proceedings against them for a few days – in treaty with Messrs. Ollivant to become partners. Hopes to get the account settled on Tuesday next. Engine erectors going on regularly though slow."*

**46.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 12 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Employment of the engine erectors and difficulty of providing a hand for Nelson engine. Disappointment in consequence of Creighton's silence. Wish to proceed to Scotland as soon as affairs at Manchester are got into train. Gavin McMurdo's recollection of the conversation with Murray and interview between him and Mr. Murdock. Believes Murdock at Mr. Gott's is acquainted with the matter."*

**47.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 13 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Gavin's examination of Crowder. Crowder's confession. Crowder about to leave Bateman & Sherratt. Hewes' order confirmed. Shallcross not ready to build. Remittances and accounts."*

**48.** Letter. James Lawson (Manchester) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 17 Dec. 1802.  
2 sheets.  
*Docketed "Sets off immediately for Glasgow. Hesketh & Schofield's concern to be dissolved and Ollivant to grant his bill for the amount. Ewart to take charge of that matter in his absence. Small payments by sundries. Shallcross promises to remit soon. Is thought doubtful. Mrs. Gatley will pay at Xmas. T. Bound in a week or two after. Dinner given to the men and the effects of it upon John Pearson. Thinks Gavin will agree again. John White entering into partnership with Whitehead as a founder and engineer. His intended journey to Soho. Has not seen Crowder. R. Kershaw likely to order a 20 horse engine. Proposes T. Livesey's nephew to be engaged as a workman. Order for 20 horse engine for F., G. and J. Southam. Lee to visit Soho next week. Expects to be absent about a fortnight."*

**49.** Letter. James Lawson (Edinburgh) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 22 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Knight & Sedgewick likely to want a 24 horse engine. Advises caution. Lane out of the concern. Causes of slow progress at McConnel & Kennedy's. Mistake in Ewart's holding down bolts. John Stein's mill burnt. Likely to order a 20 horse engine. Goes to Glasgow."*

**50.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to Boulton Watt & Co. (Soho). 30 Dec. 1802.  
*Docketed "Receipt of £14.8.2 from John Stein & Co. Halbeath engine doing well. Did not present the account as nothing complete. Progress made at McGeorge's. Monteith's shafts not arrived. Houstoun likely to order a 20 or 24 horse. Prospect of orders from the West India merchants."*

**3/277 James Lawson, two miscellaneous letters, 1806 (2 items)**

**1a.** Letter. James Lawson (Bath) to Boulton Watt & Co. [Soho]. 26 Feb. 1806. 5 sheets.  
*The docket is on a separate wrapper. Docketed as 27 Feb. Enclosing (b)-(d) below. Docketed "Sketch and observations of the premises at Blaenavon. Sketch of Trevithick's engine at Pennydarren. Account of some new ones erecting and of some experiments of consumption etc. on raising water."*

**b.** Sketch. Plan of Blaenavon Furnaces No. 1 & 2. 10 Feb. 1806.

**c.** Sketches. Plan and section of blowing cylinders for Blaenavon.

**d.** Sketches. Trevithick's engine and boiler. Plan, side and end views.

**2a.** Letter. James Lawson (Glasgow) to James Watt Jr. [Soho?]. 1 Nov. 1806.  
*Enclosing (b)–(e) below, which were together in a packet. Docketed "Encloses letters from Mr. Anderson, with farther particulars of the painted window at Lichfield."*

**b.** Letter. John Anderson (Fermoy) to James Lawson (care of James & Robert Watson, Glasgow). 7 Oct. 1806.

**c.** Transcripts. Transcripts of 3 letters on the same sheet, as follows:

William Mott (Lichfield Close) to John Anderson (5 Dawson St., Dublin). 26 Sep. 1806.

John Anderson (Fermoy) to William Mott (Lichfield). 7 Oct. 1806.

John Anderson (Fermoy) to William Raphael Eginton (Birmingham). 7 Oct. 1806.

**d.** Transcripts. Transcripts of 4 letters on the same sheet, as follows:

William Raphael Eginton (Handsworth) to John Anderson (Fermoy). 29 Sep. 1806.

William Raphael Eginton (Handsworth) to William Mott (Lichfield). 25 Sep. 1806.

William Mott (Lichfield) to William Raphael Eginton [Handsworth]. Not dated.

William Raphael Eginton [Handsworth] to ?. Not dated.

**e.** Copy of sketch. Window in Lichfield Cathedral.

*Showing broken squares of glass to be replaced. Referred to in Eginton's letter of 29 Sep. 1806 above.*

**3/278 James Lawson, letters to him, 1793 (39 items)**

**1.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Samuel Oldknow, Stockport).  
6 Apr. 1793.

**2.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
15 Apr. 1793.

**3.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
20 Apr. 1793.

**4.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
30 Apr. 1793.

**5.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson [Leeds]. 8 May 1793.

**6.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds).  
13 May. 1793.

**7.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
16 May 1793.

**8.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
4 Jun. 1793.

**9.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Co., Leeds).  
"Thursday Morn." [6 Jun. 1793].

**10.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (at Mr. Chippindall's, Salisbury Court).  
13 Jun. 1793.

**11.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (at Mr. Chippindall's, Salisbury Court).  
14 Jun. 1793.

**12.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 19 Jul. 1793.

**13.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 26 Jul. 1793.

**14.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 29 Jul. 1793.

- 15.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (at Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 1 Aug. 1793.
- 16.** Letter. John Southern & William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 10 Aug. 1793.
- 17.** Letter (press copy). James Lawson (Leeds) to John Southern [Soho]. 13 Aug. 1793. 3 sheets.  
*In reply to Southern's letter of 10 Aug.*
- 18.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 13 Aug. 1793.
- 19.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (at Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 15 Aug. 1793.
- 20.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 6 Sep. 1793.
- 21.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 11 Sep. 1793.
- 22.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 16 Sep. 1793.
- 23.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 21 Sep. 1793.
- 24.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 23 Sep. 1793.
- 25.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 25 Sep. 1793.
- 26.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 30 Sep. 1793.
- 27.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 15 Oct. 1793.
- 28.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 19 Oct. 1793.
- 29.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 22 Oct. 1793.
- 30.** Letter. James Watt (Birmingham) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 25 Oct. 1793.  
*Summarised by Henry Hazleton "Speaks of James Murdock's bad behaviour in Spain, he is to be dismissed from our service. Lawson to prepare himself to set out to take his place."*
- 31.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (at Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 15 Nov. 1793.  
*On the same sheet:*  
Transcript of letter. Letter & list of articles. Boulton & Watt (Soho) to Messrs. Walkers (—). 12 Oct. 1793.
- 32.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (at Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds). 19 Nov. 1793.

- 33.** Letter. Matthew Boulton (London) to James Lawson (care of T. Cookson, Leeds).  
23 Nov. 1793.  
*Summarised by Henry Hazleton "Concerning coinage and putting presses in order."*
- 34.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 26 Nov. 1793.  
*With a note by William Forman on the same sheet.*
- 35.** Letter. William Forman (Soho) to James Lawson (at Wormald Fountain & Gott, Leeds).  
29 Nov. 1793.
- 36.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 5 Dec. 1793.  
*Re-directed to Lawson at the Revolution Mill, Retford.*
- 37.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 11 Dec. 1793.
- 38.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 26 Dec. 1793.
- 39.** Letter. John Southern (Soho) to James Lawson (care of Wormald Fountain & Gott,  
Leeds). 27 Dec. 1793.  
*On the same sheet:*  
Transcript of extract of letter. Beverley Cross & Co. (—) to Boulton & Watt [Soho].