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Part 13: Boulton & Watt Correspondence and Papers (MS 3147/3/286-404)

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3/401 General Correspondence, T

(69 items)

- 1. Letter. James Tate (London) to James Watt [Soho]. 29 Aug. 1788.
- 2. Letter. James Tate (London) to James Watt [Soho]. 19 Jan. 1789.
- **3.** Letter. James Tate (London) to James Watt (Harper's Hill). 24 Apr. 1790. *Docketed "Breaking Albion Mill gudgeons."*
- **4.** Letter. James Tate (Albion Mill, London) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 7 Dec. 1790. Docketed "About 3 horse engine."
- **5.** Letter. James Tate (Albion Mill) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 16 Dec. 1790. Docketed "Jones & Blake."
- 6. Letter. James Tate (London) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 7 May 1791.
- 7. Letter. C. Taylor for John Rennie (London) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 17 Oct. 1792.
- 8. Letter. Clement Taylor (Maidstone) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 29 Jul. 1787.
- **9.** Letter. George Taylor (Bedworth) to James Pearson [?] [Soho]. 29 Aug. 1786. *Docketed "With remittance of £439.3.8."*
- **10.** Letter. George Taylor (Bedworth) to James Watt (Birmingham). 9 Sep. 1786. With a head and shoulders sketch of ? [a Turkish man?] on the back. Docketed "With dimension of valve."
- 11. Letter. George Taylor (Bedworth) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 30 May 1788.
- **12.** Letter. George Taylor (Bedworth) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 30 Aug. 1788.
- 13. Letter. Lewis Teissier (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 11 Sep. 1787.
- **14.** Transcript of letter. James Watt [Soho] to Lewis Teissier (Old Broad Street, London). 13 Sep. 1787.
- 15. Letter. Lewis Teissier (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 29 Jan. 1788.
- 16. Letter. Lewis Teissier (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 1 Feb. 1788.
- 17. Letter. John Tencate (Delft) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 1 Jul. 1791.
- **18.** Letter. Peter Thellusson Sons & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 9 Jun. 1787.

On the same sheet:

Transcript of extract of letter (in French). Enquiry to Thellusson about an engine.

19. Letter. Arthur Thomas (York St., Dublin) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 24 Jan. 1786.

- 20. Letter. Richard Thomas (St. Hillary) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 4 Mar. 1791.
- 21. Letter. Benjamin B. Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 May 1786.
- 22. Letter. Benjamin B. Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 16 Jul. 1787.
- **23.** Letter. Benjamin B. Thompson (Hull) to James Watt (Birmingham). 2 Sep. 1787. *Re-directed to Watt at the Albion Mill, London.*
- 24. Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 27 Jan. 1787.
- 25. Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 3 Mar. 1787.
- 26. Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 21 Mar. 1787.
- **27.** Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 20 Aug. 1787. *Docketed as 30 Jul.*
- **28.** Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 17 Dec. 1787. *On the same sheet:*

Letter. Henry Coates & Co. (Hull) to Boulton & Watt. 13 Feb. 1787.

- **29.** Memorandum. A Clause for Thompson's engine at Hull. Not dated. Suggested clause for Thompson & Baxter's engine agreement. The memorandum is in Watt's hand and written on the back of the following:

 Letter. Zaccheus Walker (Birmingham) to James Watt. 24 Oct. 1787.
- 30. Letter. Richard Thompson (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 12 Aug. 1788.
- 31. Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 2 Jan. 1789.
- **32.** Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 13 Jun. 1789. *Docketed "With remittance."*
- **33.** Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 4 Sep. 1789. *The letter was forwarded to and docketed by James Pearson.*
- **34.** Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 9 Sep. 1790. With notes by Matthew Boulton on the same sheet.
- 35. Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 14 Sep. 1790.
- **36.** Letter. Thompson & Baxter (Hull) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 28 Sep. 1791.
- 37. Letter. David Thomson (Leith Walk, Edinburgh) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 19 Aug. 1790.
- **38.** Letter. William Thomson (Glasgow) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 1 Aug. 1791. *Docketed "Nuisances."*
- **39.** Letter. Thomas Thorn & Co. (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 12 Feb. 1791. *Docketed "About small engine."*
- 40. Letter. Thomas Thorn & Co. (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 11 Apr. 1791.
- 41. Letter. Thomas Thorn & Co. (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 30 Apr. 1791.
- **42.** Letter. Thomas Thorn & Co. (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Oct. 1791. Docketed "Prices of salt, coals and wood."

- **43.** Letter. Thomas Thorn & Co. per John Heath (Liverpool) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 22 Mar. 1793.
- 44. Letter. J. Thornton (Willow Hall, near Halifax) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 27 Aug. 1790.
- **45.** Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Matthew Boulton [Birmingham]. 3 May 1783. Docketed "With plan of ground."
- **46.** Letter. Barclay & Perkins (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 20 Apr. 1786. Docketed as H. Thrale & Co., as Barclay & Perkins were Trading under the name of H. Thrale & Co.
- 47. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 27 Apr. 1786.
- 48. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 5 May 1786.
- 49. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 9 May 1786.
- 50. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 15 May 1786.
- 51. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 25 May 1786.
- 52. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 27 May 1786.
- 53. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 8 Jun. 1786.
- **54.** Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 17 Jun. 1786. *Docketed "Height of pumps."*
- 55. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 11 Sep. 1786.
- 56. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 18 Sep. 1786.
- 57. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 27 Sep. 1786.
- 58. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 1 Nov. 1786.
- 59. Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 24 Jul. 1787.
- **60.** Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 12 Jul. 1791. *Docketed "About John Tudor."*
- **61.** Letter. H. Thrale & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 15 Apr. 1796. *Docketed as 16 Apr.*

Docketed "Order to make their engine into a double one."

62a. Letter. Edward Topham (Beaufort Buildings, London) to James Watt [Soho]. 25 Jan. 1788.

Enclosing (b) below.

Docketed "About Perrins."

- **b.** Cutting from *Lloyd's Evening Post*.
- Letter of "Thomas Perrings" [Isaac Perrins?] to the editor re. challenging boxers in London. Letter dated 21 Jan. 1788.
- 63. Letter. George Townend (York) to Matthew Boulton [?] [Soho]. 26 Sep. 1787.
- 64. Letter. George Townend (York) to Matthew Boulton [?] [Soho]. 5 Aug. 1789.
- 65. Letter. Joseph Townsend (London) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 22 Jan. 1790.

- **66.** Letter. Joseph Townsend [Bath] to Matthew Boulton [Soho]. Feb. 1790. *Not dated date taken from the docket.*
- **67.** Letter. Joseph Townsend [Bath] to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Feb. 1790. *Place of writing taken from the postmark.*
- 68. Letter. Joseph Townsend (Bath) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 Mar. 1790.
- **69.** Letter. Truman Read & Co. per J. Davies (London) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 21 Apr. 1788.

Docketed "About not wanting the engine."

3/402 General Correspondence, U, V (14 items)

- **1.** Letter. Charles Udale (Workington) to James Watt (Birmingham). 23 Jul. 1789. *Docketed "With remittance."*
- **2.** Letter. Samuel Unwin & Co. (Sutton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 8 Jan. 1788. *Docketed as 26 Jan.*
- **3a.** Draft of letter. Boulton & Watt to Samuel Unwin & Co. [Sutton]. [14 May 1788]. In Matthew Boulton's hand. Kept with (b) and (c) below. Docketed "First draft of letter and calculations Messrs. Unwin's of Sutton."
- **b & c.** 2 sheets of calculations for Unwin's engine.
- 4. Letter. Samuel Unwin & Co. (Sutton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 28 May 1788.
- **5.** Copy of invoice. Goods for Mr. Vandermonde. 21 Jul. 1787. Docketed "Account of goods sent Mr. Vandermonde." Copying press and chemical furnaces, sent via William Matthews, 6 Green Lettice Lane. The copy was sent to Watt at Harper's Hill.
- **6a.** Letter (in French). Mr. Vandermonde (Paris) to James Watt (Royal Society, London). 22 May 1791.

Docketed "Messrs. Vandermonde and Berthollet." Kept with (b) below.

- **b.** Letter (in French). Claude Louis Berthollet (Rue du Faubourg, Paris) to James Watt (Birmingham). 24 May 1791. Both letters recommend a Mr. Hassenfratz to Watt.
- **7a.** Letter (in French). Mr. de Vassan (Paris) to Matthew Boulton (Birmingham). 10 Jun. 1788. *Enclosing (b) below.*
- b. Sketch of ?.
- **8.** Letter. Thomas Vickers (Bradley Ironworks) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 15 Feb. 1791. *Docketed "Recommending a smith."*
- **9.** Letter. Anthony Villion (Gustaira, St. Bartholomew) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 1 May 1788.

Docketed as being from St. Kitts, to where Boulton & Watt were to address letters.

10. Letter. Anthony Villion (Gustaira, St. Bartholomew) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 1 May 1788.

This letter is very similar to the above letter in content.

11. Letter. Anthony Villion (Gustaira, St. Bartholomew) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 1 May 1788.

The text is very similar to the above two letters. Docketed as 1789.

- 12. Letter (in French). P. de Virly (Paris) to James Watt (Birmingham). 13 Mar. 1787.
- **13.** Letter. Justin Vulliamy [London] to Matthew Boulton (Birmingham). 20 May 1786. *Docketed "Account of York Buildings engine."*
- **14.** Letter. Justin Vulliamy (75 Pall Mall, London) to Matthew Boulton [London]. "Monday Morning" [2 Aug. 1790]. *Marked "Clockmaker to the King."*

3/403 General Correspondence, W (129 items)

Nos. 1 – 17. Samuel Walker / Walkers & Ley, Chester.

- 1. Letter. Samuel Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 5 Jan. 1785.
- 2. Letter. Samuel Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 15 Jan. 1785.
- **3.** Letter. Samuel Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 29 Jan. 1785. Docketed "Agreeing to our terms for the engine."
- **4.** Letter. Samuel Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 14 Mar. 1785. *Docketed "By Andrew Williams."*
- **5.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 19 Jul. 1785.
- **6.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 27 Aug. 1785.
- 7. Letter. Walkers & Ley (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 20 Sep. 1785.
- **8.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 19 Oct. 1785.

The outside of the letter is addressed to Joshua Brettle, Button Maker, Moat Row, Birmingham.

- 9. Note. Goods sent off for Messrs. Walker & Ley. 16 Nov. 1785.
- **10.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 26 Nov. 1785.
- 11. Letter. George Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 27 Dec. 1785.
- **12.** Letter. George Walker, Samuel Walker and Hugh Ley (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 10 Jan. 1786.
- **13.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 4 Nov. 1786.
- Docketed "Praying a reduction of premium."
- **14.** Letter. George Walker "for self & partners" (Chester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Jun. 1787.

The outside of the letter is addressed to "Isaac Watt, Engineer, Birmingham."

15. Letter. George Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 5 Dec. 1788. The outside of the letter is addressed to "Isaac Watt, Engineer, Birmingham."

- **16.** Letter. George Walker (Chester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 27 Aug. 1789. *The outside of the letter is addressed to "Isaac Watt, Engineer, Birmingham."*
- **17.** Letter. George Walker & Hugh Lea (Chester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 24 Sep. 1790.

The outside of the letter is addressed to "Isaac Watt, Engineer, Birmingham."

Nos. 18-25. Samuel Walker & Co., Rotherham.

- **18.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for the Company & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 29 Jan. 1785.
- **19.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for the Company & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 13 Jul. 1785.
- **20.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for the Company & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 19 Jul. 1785.
- **21.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for the Company & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 24 Jul. 1785.
- **22.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for the Company & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 18 Apr. 1786.
- 23. Letter. Samuel Walker & Co. (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 28 Aug. 1788.
- **24.** Letter. Samuel Walker (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Dec. 1788. *On the same sheet:*

Letter. Benjamin Hall (Wentworth) to Samuel Walker. 19 Dec. 1788. Docketed "About a steel mill."

- **25.** Letter. Joshua Walker "for Co. & Self" (Rotherham) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 3 Oct. 1791.
- **26.** Letter. Thomas & Richard Walker (Manchester) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 27 Nov. 1792.
- 27. Letter. Walker & Harrison (Malton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Jan. 1787.
- 28. Letter. Walker & Harrison (Malton) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 9 Feb. 1787.
- **29.** Letter. John Walker "for self & Harrison" (Malton) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 10 Feb. 1789.
- **30.** Memorandum. For Messrs. Wallis & Co. Not dated. Calculations for the size of engine they need. In James Watt's hand.
- **31.** Letter. Henry Wansey (Salisbury) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 26 Dec. 1791. *Docketed as 1792.*
- **32.** Letter. David Watson (London) to James Watt [Soho]. 2 Dec. 1789. Docketed "Calvert Morrell & Cole."

Was asked to attend Calvert & Co.'s engine. Found that the engineman had used pasteboard instead of cement in the nozzles. Orders cement. Mr. Cooper has not got the drawings.

- **33.** Letter. J. & W. Watts & Co. (Bristol) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 8 Sep. 1787. Watt has made notes for his reply on 13 Sep. on the same sheet.
- **34.** Letter. Roger Wearn (Hayle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Sep. 1790. Docketed "About his new boiler."

- 35. Letter. Roger Wearn (Hayle) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 16 Oct. 1790.
- **36.** Letter. Roger Wearn (Copperhouse, Hayle) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 10 Feb. 1791. *Docketed "Effects of his new boiler."*
- 37. Letter. John Weston (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 5 Apr. 1786.
- 38. Letter. John Weston [London] to James Watt (Birmingham). 13 Apr. 1786.
- 39. Letter. John Weston (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 21 Apr. 1786.
- 40. Letter. John Weston (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 25 Apr. 1786.
- 41. Letter. John Weston (Gloucester) to James Watt (Birmingham). 15 May 1786.
- 42. Letter. John Weston (Penryndee) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 17 Jun. 1786.
- **43.** Letter. John Weston (Penryndee) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 2 Jul. 1786. *Docketed as 4 Jul.*
- 44. Letter. John Weston (Penryndee) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Jul. 1786.
- 45. Letter. John Weston (Penryndee) to James Watt (Birmingham). 25 Feb. 1787.
- **46a.** Wrapper. John Weston Note of agreement & papers relative thereto. 22 Jul. 1789. Containing (b)—(e) below. The following has been used as the wrapper: Letter. George Barker (Birmingham) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 5 Oct. 1789.
- **b.** Agreement. Boulton & Watt's agreement with Mr. John Weston. 22 Jul. 1789. Signed by John Weston and Matthew Boulton and witnessed by John Wilkinson.
- **c.** Printed engine agreement. John Weston for the Bog Mine engine. Not dated. *Docketed "Rough draft agreement for Mr. Weston."*
- d. Memorandum. Clause to be inserted into Weston's engine agreement. Not dated.
- e. Hand-written draft of various clauses for the engine agreement. Not dated.
- f. Letter. James Watt (Harper's Hill) to George Barker [Birmingham]. 4 Nov. 1789.
- 47. Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 Dec. 1789.
- 48. Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 24 Dec. 1790.
- 49. Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Feb. 1791.
- **50.** Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 12 Oct. 1791. Docketed "Promising to come to settle accounts."
- 51. Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Oct. 1791.
- 52. Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 20 Oct. 1791.
- **53.** Letter. John Weston (Minsterley) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 3 Feb. 1792. *Docketed as 9 Feb.*
- **54.** Letter. John Weston (—) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 14 Feb. 1792.
- 55. Letter. John Weston (Shrewsbury) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 18 Feb. 1792.

- **56.** Letter. John Weston (—) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 3 Mar. 1792.
- 57. Letter. John Weston (Bog Mine) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 27 Oct. 1792.
- **58.** Letter. John Weston (—) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 4 Nov. 1792. Not dated date taken from the docket.
- 59. Account. John Weston debtor [to Boulton & Watt]. 5 Nov. 1792.
- 60. Letter. S. Weston (Oxford) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Sep. 1786.
- **61.** Calculations. Messrs. Westwood Welch & Co. engine for a rolling mill. Not dated. *In Matthew Boulton's hand.*
- **62a.** Letter. Robert Whincop, Clerk of Sewers for the County of Norfolk (Lynn) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 5 Aug. 1790. *Kept with (b) below.*
- **b.** Letter. Robert Whincop (Lynn) to James Watt [?] [Soho]. 5 Aug. 1790. *The text of these two letters is identical.*
- 63. Letter. Robert Whincop (Lynn) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 17 Aug. 1790.
- **64.** Letter. Robert Whincop (Lynn) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 24 Aug. 1790. On the same sheet:

Memorandum. Questions proposed by Boulton & Watt in their letter of the 8th Aug.; Answers to the several Questions as far as present able. *Docketed "Answers to queries."*

- **65.** Calculations on Mr. Whincop's letter. Aug. 1790. *In James Watt's hand.*
- **66a.** Letter. Robert Whincop (Lynn) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 19 Oct. 1790. *Enclosing (b) below.*

Docketed "Enclosing Mr. Jessop's report on the drainage of the marsh lands."

- b. Copy of W. Jessop's Report on Norfolk marshland drainage. 12 Oct. 1790. 2 sheets.
- **67.** Letter. Samuel Whitbread per Jacob Yallowley [London] to James Watt [Soho]. 8 Feb. 1786.

Not dated – date taken from the docket.

- 68. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [Soho]. 19 May 1786.
- **69.** Memorandum. Particulars of Engines stated to Mr. Whitbread. 9 Apr. —. *In James Watt's hand.*
- **70.** Letter. Samuel Whitbread per Jacob Yallowley (London) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 1 Apr. 1788.
- 71. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (London) to Boulton & Watt [Soho]. 13 May 1789.
- 72. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt [Soho]. 30 Mar. 1790.
- 73. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt [Soho]. 19 Apr. 1790.
- 74. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt [Soho]. 20 Apr. 1790.
- 75. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt [Soho]. 17 May 1790.

- 76. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt [Soho]. 22 May 1790.
- **77.** Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to James Watt (6 Green Lettice Lane, London). 26 May 1790.
- **78a.** Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 2 Jul. 1790. *Enclosing (b) below.*
- **b.** Mr. Dawkins (Portman Square) to Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square). "Friday". *Re-directed to Whitbread at Bedwell Park, Herts.*
- 79. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Cardington) to James Watt [?] [Soho]. 18 Jan. 1792.
- **80.** Letter. Samuel Whitbread (Portman Square) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 17 Feb. 1792.
- 81. Letter. Samuel Whitbread (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 29 Feb. 1792.
- **82.** Letter. Jos^{h.} Whitchurch (Backwell, near Bristol) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 3 Jun. 1786. *Re-directed to James Watt at Harper's Hill.*
- **83.** Letter. James White (Combe St. Nicholas, near Chard) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 23 Oct. 1786. Docketed "New invented steam engine."
- **84a.** Letter. Robert Wild (Nicholas Lane, Lombard St., London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 10 May 1788.

Kept with (b) below. Docketed "Ely fens."

- **b.** Sheet of calculations re. engine proposed for Wild.
- **85.** Letter. Robert Wild (Princess St., London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 9 Nov. 1788. *On the same sheet:*

Transcript of extract of a letter from Dumfries, 21 Oct. 1788, transcribed from the *General Advertizer*, 28 Oct. 1788.

- **86.** Letter. Robert Wild (11 Princess St., London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 28 Jun. 1789.
- 87. Letter. Robert Wild (Princess St., London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 3 Sep. 1789.
- **88.** Letter. Robert Wild (Princess St., London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 16 Nov. 1789.

Docketed "About engine for Middle Fen."

- **89.** Letter. Robert Wild (Princess St., London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 Nov. 1789. *Docketed "Fens."*
- **90.** Letter. Jos. Wilkes "for Bros. John, Thomas & Self" (Measham) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 28 Jun. 1786. *Docketed "Ordering mill engine."*
- **91.** Letter. John, Jos. & Thomas Wilkes (Measham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 5 Jul. 1786.

Docketed "Confirming order for engine."

- **92.** Letter. John, Jos. & Thomas Wilkes (Measham) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 27 Jul. 1786.
- **93.** Letter. John, Jos. & Thomas Wilkes (Measham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 31 Jul. 1786.
- **94.** Letter. Jos. Wilkes "for Bros. & Self" (Overseal) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 17 Oct. 1786.

Docketed "Approving of the draft of agreement."

- **95.** Letter. John, Jos. & Thomas Wilkes (Measham) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 11 Jan. 1787.
- 96. Letter. Joseph Wilkes (Oxford) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 10 Feb. 1793.
- **97.** Letter. Mr. Williams (Birmingham) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). Not dated. *About an engine for a hammer mill in Lancashire.*
- 98. Letter. Thomas Williams (London) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 17 Mar. 1788.
- **99.** Memorandum. Order for a 3 or 4 horse engine for Thomas Williams of Anglesey. 18 Jan. 1790.
- **100.** Letter. William Wilson (Tower St.) to Boulton & Watt [London]. 18 Jun. 1790. On the same sheet:

Letter. Robert Gardner [Tower St.] to Boulton & Watt. 18 Jun. 1790.

- **101.** Letter. William Wilson (London) to Matthew Boulton [?] [London]. 29 Jun. 1790. *Docketed "About boiler."*
- 102. Letter. William Wilson (London) to Matthew Boulton [London]. 5 Aug. 1790.
- **103.** Letter. John & William Wilson (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 9 Jul. 1791. *Docketed "Engine man."*
- **104a.** Letter. John & William Wilson (Edinburgh) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 5 Aug. 1791.

With (b) below attached. On the same sheet:

Letter. Alexander Gunn (Wilsontown) to Boulton & Watt. 30 Jul. 1791.

Docketed "Account of James Murdock's time."

- b. Memorandum of James Murdock's time. 1 Aug. 1791.
- **105.** Letter. Mr. Wisset (East India House) to "The High Sheriff" (Stafford). 24 Mar. 1794. Docketed "About engines."
- **106.** Letter. William Withering (—) to James Watt [Birmingham]. "Wednesday 3 o'clock" [30 Nov. 1785]. Docketed "With £200."
- **107.** Letter. William Withering (Square) to James Watt (Harper's Hill). 1 May 1786.
- **108.** Letter. William Withering (Square) to James Watt [Harper's Hill]. "Sat. Noon" [1 Jul. 1786?].

Docketed as 30 Jun., which was a Friday. Docketed "With £200."

109. Letter. Richard Withington (Broughton, near Chester) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 22 Nov. 1792.

110. Letter. George & Ernest Wolf & Co. (London) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 10 Jul. 1787.

Docketed "About a cheat."

- **111.** Letter. George Wolf (Bank Coffee House, London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 15 Apr. 1789.
- **112.** Letter. George Wolf (Well Close Square, London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 8 Apr. 1789.

Docketed "Engine for Copenhagen."

- **113.** Letter. George Wolf (London) to James Watt (Birmingham). 28 Apr. 1789. *Docketed "Blakey."*
- **114.** Letter. Robert Wood, millwright (Hunslet) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 13 Apr. 1790.
- 115. Letter. William Wood (Pateley Bridge) to James Watt (Birmingham). 8 Jan. 1785.
- **116.** Letter. William Wood (Pateley Bridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 6 Feb. 1785. Docketed "His designation and that of the mine."
- 117. Letter. William Wood (Pateley Bridge) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 15 Oct. 1786.
- 118. Letter. William Wood (Pateley Bridge) to James Watt (Birmingham). 26 May 1787.
- **119.** Letter. William Wood (Pateley Bridge) to James Watt (Soho). 16 Dec. 1788. *Docketed "Answered by Mr. Pearson."*
- 120. Letter. W. Clarke Woodbine (Rainham) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 27 Dec. 1789.
- 121. Letter. C. Woodhead (Gainsborough) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 6 Sep. 1788.
- 122. Letter. James Woodmason (London) to Matthew Boulton (Soho). 11 May 1785.
- 123. Letter. John Wright (Dunfermline) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 15 Dec. 1785.
- **124.** Letter. William Wright (London) to Matthew Boulton [Soho]. 13 Jan. 1793. *Docketed "Upon his plan of inland navigation."*
- **125.** Letter. Richard Jesson "for Self & Mr. Wright" (West Bromwich) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 2 Aug. 1791.

Docketed as Wright & Jesson.

126. Letter. Richard Jesson "for Partners & Self" (West Bromwich) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 13 Aug. 1791.

Docketed as Wright & Jesson.

127. Letter. Richard Jesson "for Mr. Wright & Self" (West Bromwich) to Boulton & Watt (Soho). 23 Jul. 1792.

Docketed as Wright & Jesson.

128a. Letter. Charles Wyatt (Tatenhill, nr. Burton-upon-Trent) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 28 May 1785. *Kept with (b) below.*

b. Draft of letter. Boulton & Watt (Birmingham) to Charles Wyatt (at Tatenhill Mill, nr. Burton-upon-Trent). 30 May 1785.

Marked "For letter sent see copy book." In Matthew Boulton's hand.

129. Letter. Charles Wyatt (Burton-upon-Trent) to Boulton & Watt (Birmingham). 4 Jun. 1785.

3/404 General Correspondence, Y (10 items)

- **1.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [London]. 9 Feb. 1785.
- **2.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 14 May 1785.
- **3.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to Boulton & Watt [Birmingham]. 28 May 1785.
- **4.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 4 Jun. 1785. *Docketed "About the fly wheel."*
- **5.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 27 Sep. 1785. Docketed "The effect of Mr. Whitbread's engine."
- 6. Letter. Jacob Yallowley (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 30 Sep. 1785.
- Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread [London] to James Watt [Birmingham].
 Nov. 1785.

Not dated – date taken from the docket.

- **8.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 25 Nov. 1785.
- **9.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley [London] to James Watt [Birmingham]. 24 Dec. 1785. Not dated date taken from the docket. Docketed "Concerning the young man for an engineer."
- **10.** Letter. Jacob Yallowley for Samuel Whitbread (London) to James Watt [Birmingham]. 15 Jan. 1790. Docketed "About wheels."