

Guide
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PROVENANCE NOTE

In 1939 Alexander Hay of Coolangatta, NSW, presented to the Mitchell Library a collection of family and estate papers. In 1941 additional material was donated. The papers consisted largely of the correspondence of Alexander Berry, Sydney merchant and pioneer in the Shoalhaven district, and his partner Edward Wollstonecraft but contained other papers, Berry's journal of a voyage to China, 1802-3, his diary as surgeon of the Lord Hawkesbury, East Indiaman, 1804, and various narratives, 1807 - 1872. The material was arranged in broad categories and bound into volumes with the location number Uncat. Set 315. A list of titles of volumes and boxes, 36 in all, was filed at Ab 69/14.

In 1963 a small number of papers were obtained on the occasion of a field visit to the town of Berry and the extant Coolangatta buildings. These were arranged and described as the Hay Family miscellaneous papers, 1837 - 1947, ML MSS 802.

In 1983 a large collection of papers of the partners Berry and Wollstonecraft, of Alexander and David Berry and their successors, the Hay family, was bought at auction. The material was part of the estate of Kenneth Stewart, Sydney antiquarian bookseller, who had acquired them from the heirs to the Coolangatta Estate. It was purchased by the Library at the auction of James R. Lawson Pty. Ltd. on 18 July 1983. It provided a record in detail of the administration of the Shoalhaven establishment from its earliest days in 1822 to the end of the century and beyond. It contained business letters and papers from the merchant enterprise from its beginning in 1819, daily financial records, convict records, the papers of David Berry, of Sir John and Alexander Hay. Cartographic and pictorial material was removed to the Maps and Pictures Sections of the Library and the manuscripts were accessioned as ML MSS. 4224.

The collections outlined, Uncat. Set 315, ML MSS. 802 and ML MSS. 4224, had the same provenance, the Berry Estate, and this led to the decision in 1986 to re-assemble the material as one collection located at ML MSS. 315. In addition several small items processed separately were replaced, including those formerly located at B897 and B898.

The reader's attention is drawn to collections which are related but of different archival provenance. These are as follows: the Berry Estate papers located at A719-A721, being official copies of papers relating to the Berry Estate at Coolangatta, from 1829 to 1890, prepared to order of Parliament in 1890; the collections of papers of David Berry, 1875 - 1951 and 1808 1946, at A5374 and A5375, forming part of the client documents of Norton, Smith & Co. and including papers of the trustees of the Berry and Hay Estates and papers of Alexander and John Berry; and finally, the Berry and Hay Estates records located at ML MSS. 676 and covering the period 1884 - 1950. With regard to the Coolangatta Estate this last provides a sequel and supplement while containing a great deal of material besides.

CHRONOLOGY

1781 - 1803

Alexander Berry was born on 30 November 1781 in Fife, Scotland, the eldest son in a family of seven children living of James Berry (Berrie) and Isabel Tod. He was educated at Cupar Grammar School and the University of St Andrews, and went to Edinburgh University to study medicine.

In May 1801 he was awarded the diploma of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, a qualification which allowed him to practise as a naval surgeon. Later he obtained a position as surgeon's mate on an East India Company ship bound for China.

1804

In July he sailed for India as surgeon on the Lord Hawkesbury, a transport carrying troops of the 17th Regiment. Surgeons and officers of the Indiamen, wrote Berry years later, were all traders. Berry decided to abandon medicine for commerce.

1807

In Cape Town and in partnership with Francis Shortt, a fellow medical student from Edinburgh, Berry undertook the despatch of provisions to New South Wales where there were shortages. He sailed on the City of Edinburgh as part owner and supercargo with Simeon Pattison as captain.

1808 - 1809

After visiting Port Dalrymple and Hobart Berry arrived in Sydney in January and met with Governor Bligh whose conduct seemed to Berry 'arbitrary and ridiculous' (1).

With no cargo for a return journey to Cape Town he undertook the transfer of settlers from Norfolk Island to Hobart. He then set off on several voyages in search of timber, to Fiji for sandalwood to New Zealand for spars. In December 1809 he came on the remains of the ship Boyd in Whangaroa harbour. Maoris had massacred the crew and fired the ship, but Berry was able to rescue four survivors, Mrs Morley and child, Betsy Broughton, a girl of five years, and a boy, Thomas Davis (Davies, Davison).

1810 - 1811

In January the City of Edinburgh sailed from New Zealand bound for Cape Town via Cape Horn. In terrible weather the vessel lost its sails and rudder. It drifted towards Tierra del Fuego and after the crew had endured much distress and danger the ship reached Valparaiso and Lima where extensive repairs were made. Berry was allowed to take on cargo for Cadiz. The ship reached Rio de Janeiro in December 1811 but met with a series of storms which left it waterlogged and leaking. Berry and his party abandoned ship and succeeded in reaching the island of Graciosa in the Azores.

1812 - 1814

Mid 1812 Berry was on board the *Confianza* bound for Cadiz. Here he met Edward Wollstonecraft, the son of a London solicitor and nephew of Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin. In Cadiz the two took lodgings in the same house and became friends. Wollstonecraft became Berry's agent and returned to London with power of attorney to handle matters arising from the shipwreck and partnership with Shortt.

1815 - 1819

On arrival in London Berry took up residence with Edward and his sister, Elizabeth, at Greenwich. The two went into full partnership in 1819 and set out for Sydney to establish a merchant enterprise. Berry arrived as supercargo on the *Admiral Cockburn*, 31 July 1819. Wollstonecraft arrived as passenger on the *Canada*, 1 September. Each applied to Governor Macquarie for a land grant, the entitlement being 2000 acres (809 ha) of agricultural land.

1820

To enlarge their connection Berry returned to England in March on the *Admiral Cockburn*, a vessel for which they had procured cargo.

In September Wollstonecraft was appointed a bank director.

1821

In March the Surveyor General was instructed to measure 2000 acres (809 ha) for each of the partners.

Mid 1821 Wollstonecraft located 500 acres (202 ha) of his grant on the north side of Sydney Harbour and built a cottage which he called the Crows Nest.

At inaugural meetings in June and July Wollstonecraft became a member of the Philosophical Society of Australasia.

Berry arrived back in Sydney in November. He had chartered a new ship, the *Royal George*, and brought with him the new Governor, Sir Thomas Brisbane, accompanied by family and staff. In the company of James Atkinson Berry went immediately to see the house built for Wollstonecraft.

The firm of Berry and Wollstonecraft took on the duties of Treasurer for the Benevolent Society.

Berry was accepted as a member of the Philosophical Society and read papers in the new year.

1822

Commissioned by the government to explore the south coast to Montagu Island, Berry first visited the Shoalhaven region in January. On board the government vessel, *Snapper*, he was accompanied by Lieutenant Johnston, Hamilton Hume and William L. Edwardson. Berry recorded the expedition in detail in his journal writings, his reports to Brisbane and in the later biographical writings. The name Coolangatta (Coolungatta) first appeared in the journal entry for 9th January.

In February under the new regulations introduced by Brisbane the partners applied jointly for a grant of 10,000 acres (4,047 ha). For each 100 acres (40.5 ha) of grant one convict was to be maintained free of expense to the Crown. Their choice of land was the Shoalhaven River district, a region well beyond the settlement boundaries.

By May Wollstonecraft had become senior director of the Bank of New South Wales and chairman of the first Chamber of Commerce.

Their joint proposal was accepted subject to the approval of the Home Government. They purchased a small cutter called the *Blanch* from the government and, in June, Berry set out to select the land, the balance of 4000 acres (1619 ha) applied for in 1819 and 10,000 acres (4047 ha) accompanied by 100 convicts for ten years free of charge to the government. The party included the first consignment of convicts, an overseer and Hamilton Hume along with the necessary stores and provisions.

Berry's journal, 21 June - 23 July, and his letter to Wollstonecraft, 8 July, record the events, the attempt to enter the mouth of the Shoalhaven when two men were drowned, the cutting of a canal between the Crookhaven and Shoalhaven rivers, exploration and selection of land on both sides of the Shoalhaven, the choice of "Cullengatty Farm" as their headquarters.

In August Hume drove down the first draft of cattle. Crops were planted, maize, potatoes, tobacco and vegetables. Clearing continued along with fencing and building, huts, barns and stockyards.

In October the *Blanch* took a cargo of wood and hay to Sydney.

Already justices of the peace, Berry and Wollstonecraft were made joint secretaries to the Agricultural Society of New South Wales.

In November Berry's former partner, Francis Shortt, arrived in Sydney from the Cape. He claimed to have spent a long period in jail on account of their joint debt. He commenced a suit in equity against Berry which was to linger on and to remain unresolved at Shortt's death. Many years later, in 1893, Francis Lord re-introduced the case in letters to John Hay.

1823

The partners took turn about at their farm establishment at Shoalhaven and their Sydney merchant store. They wrote to each other frequently and at length. They were anxious to settle their arrangements with Surveyor General Oxley and avoid any interference before the grant was measured. They despatched men to the head of Broughton Creek where the best timber grew. Berry was especially eager to start commercial operations in timber.

They tried to manage their convicts by moral influence and 'gave all the well behaved men a larger ration' (2). Overseers were instructed to use the terms 'assigned servants' and 'government men' never 'convicts'. Judge Field advised Berry to act as ship's captain. The judge's visit was recounted in Berry's letter to Wollstonecraft dated 21 October. Field later wrote of the settlement 'in this case ... man has taken possession before nature has done her work' (3).

Having dug a canal to gain entrance to the Shoalhaven River Berry took possession of the land on both sides. The eastern side was now an island. It became known as Comerong and the subject of intense dispute. Berry's entitlement was withheld. Successive governors dismissed his claims and endorsed the canal as public property.

1824

The first vessel built at Shoalhaven was the sloop Water Mole, completed in January and used to transport farm produce to Sydney. Cattle and horse breeding got underway. Coolangatta House was completed.

Additions were made to the estate by way of purchase from the Crown and sales with individuals. Their holdings continued to grow over the years.

1825 - 1826

The barge Experiment was completed in May.

A mutinous outbreak took place in July with acts of arson and stealing. Four soldiers and two constables were sent to help in the capture of the escapees. Later a detachment of military took up residence on the establishment.

'Free' sawyers signed an agreement, November 1825, to saw at Broughton Creek.

The partners were nominated honorary treasurers to the Australian Subscription Library in 1826 and held office until 1830.

1827

Berry's father, James Berry (Berrie), died.

On 23 September Berry married Elizabeth Wollstonecraft who had recently arrived in the colony.

1829

At Berry's request James Atkinson, the agricultural expert of the day, set out his observations on the 'truly extensive establishment' in his letter 4 June (4).

Berry was nominated a member of the Legislative Council. When the new constitution came into effect in 1856 he was appointed member of the Upper House. He did not retire from the political scene until 1861. Always conservative Berry spoke with disapproval and contempt for the democratic innovations in government.

1830

The registration of the 10,000 acres (4047 ha) was at last completed.

1832

Wollstonecraft died on 7 December at the age of 49. He was buried at the Sydney burial ground. His estate was left to his sister, Elizabeth, his only next of kin.

1833 - 1835

Berry proceeded to let his Sydney home and to take a country house at Captain Bunns. Mrs Berry, he wrote, was anxious to go to Shoalhaven.

He renewed his efforts to persuade his family to emigrate from Scotland. Berry wrote letters (November 1834 and June 1835) to his brother John in which he described the new store of cut stone at the wharf of the Crows Nest, the new vessel called the Edward in memory of his partner. He complained of his many unanswered letters, his difficulty as the sole manager of an immense enterprise, the impossibility of residing at Shoalhaven and managing money in Sydney. He would have to break up the estate with 3000 head of cattle, 1000 sheep and 150 horses and serviced by three vessels, or, he would have to adopt a young man in place of the family and thereby renounce them forever.

1836 and after

In May Elizabeth Berry had spent eighteen months at Shoalhaven and was awaiting the arrival of Berry's family. They came in June on the Midlothian from Leith, three brothers, John, David and William, and two sisters, Janet and Nancy. A third sister, Barbara, who was the wife of David Armit, remained in Scotland. Barbara and Alexander were the only members of the Berry family to marry. The new arrivals brought with them a countryman, Thomas Hall, who remained in their service for a long period.

Alexander returned to Sydney to leave the management of the estate to his brothers. John was now general manager and devoted his energies to cattle breeding. The brothers bought more land in their own names and built new vessels at Shoalhaven. Alexander made infrequent visits but wrote often and at length.

1840

A population count of the estate numbered 270 persons.

1841

On the north side of the harbour Alexander and Elizabeth moved into Brisbane House and then into The Priory owned by George Barney, soldier and engineer.

1842

The first land was released to tenant farmers on the Shoalhaven estate, mostly twenty acres (8 ha) rent free for twenty five years and renewable if cleared and fenced.

1845

Elizabeth died at The Priory on 11 April, aged 63. Berry provided for his wife's interment with a donation of land from the Crows Nest property to the Anglican parish of St Leonards for a burial ground. He built a family vault in the shape of a pyramid to house the remains of his wife and brother-in-law.

Berry wrote to his wife's cousin, Mary Shelley, widow of the poet Shelley and daughter of Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin. The exchange of letters continued until her death in 1851 after which Berry corresponded with her daughter-in-law, Lady Jane Shelley.

1840s

Berry clashed with Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General, and his staff over claims of encroachment upon his lands. After Berry's complaints to Sir George Gipps Mitchell demanded an apology or a hostile meeting. Otherwise he would horsewhip Berry. Armed with a stout stick Berry escaped Mitchell's wrath and went on to proclaim his only revenge, to return good for evil.

1847 - 1864

After nearly twenty years of troubled dealings with the Elyard family at Shoalhaven Berry filed suit in December 1847 for performance of contract regarding 500 acres (202 ha). The hearing, however, was not begun until 1863 at which time the bill was dismissed on the grounds of laches. On Berry's appeal the decision was confirmed and this time without costs.

1848 and after

John Berry died on 19 April after a fall from his horse. Alexander chose a site for his burial, a site which was to become the family cemetery at Coolangatta.

Management of the estate now passed to David. Alexander continued to visit on rare occasions and wrote frequently to instruct him in estate matters.

The supply of labour was always an issue. Some of the arrangements with Shoalhaven employees were recorded by W. G. Mathews. Berry's North Shore overseer and clerk. From 1852 Chinese and German labourers were signed up for fixed periods. Faced with the loss of half the employees to the gold fields, Alexander declared they must lease as much land as possible or perish. The population figures reveal the changes made. In 1850 the estate population numbered 367, in 1856 it was 1470 and in 1859, 1700. For the sixties the estate returns provide the population figures in detail.

1851 - 1866

In trouble throughout the forties the Bank of Australia shut down in July 1851. Berry's interests were trivial, but, as a solvent shareholder, he was forced to pay two assessments under threat of a writ for the Bank's full liability. Another payment released him from future calls but excluded him from the distribution of surplus in 1851. Berry was enraged by what he termed highway robbery. He filed a bill in June 1856 with William Macpherson and William Lithgow. The case was not heard until 1866 by which time several of the parties were dead and the court found for the directors.

1856 - 1873

Berry began his correspondence with Sir Charles Nicholson who travelled far and, from 1862, lived in England.

1858 - 1868

Berry opposed the Municipalities Act of 1858 which he saw as a threat to his independence and possessions. Hostile feelings already existed between Berry and Rev. John Dunmore Lang, the self styled supporter of the working man. When Berry prevented Lang from preaching at the Numbaa Presbyterian Church Lang responded with letters to the Illawarra Mercury published under the caption 'The Shoalhaven Incubus'. Berry was portrayed as the 'determined monopolist', the 'miserable earthworm' to be crushed by 'the mere vote of the Shoalhaven Municipality' (5). Berry began proceedings for criminal libel. The action resulted in Lang's acquittal and caused Berry a great deal of distress. He addressed a letter to the editor of the Sydney Morning Herald (22 Feb.1859) which set out a history of his settlement, his explorations and farming operations in the colony. It was an attempt to correct his 'gross misrepresentation'. He won civil actions against newspapers which printed Lang's letters.

Lang's victory gave encouragement to local government supporters in the Shoalhaven. The Municipality of Shoalhaven was proclaimed, 22 September 1859, and Berry's southern lands were included in its boundaries. Berry refused to acknowledge its authority and declined paying the rates. He appealed to Parliament, the Governor and the courts. He secured a Supreme Court verdict (1861) that the municipality was illegally constituted in consequence of a town and rural district being incorporated in one municipality. At the request of the Cowper government the councillors appealed to the Privy Council which delivered its findings in 1865 in favour of Berry with costs against the appellants, the men appointed as provincial councillors.

Following the Municipalities Act of 1867 Shoalhaven residents petitioned again. Broughton Creek and Bomaderry were incorporated in October 1868 and Numbaa was proclaimed a municipality in December.

On the North Shore petitions resulted in the incorporation of East St Leonards, August 1860, but no councillors were elected. Berry maintained the principal object was to assess 'ad libitum' his property and to fund roads of no interest to him. Action was delayed until 1868.

1867 - 1873

Between 1867 and 1868 Berry wrote of his life experiences to Rev, George Walker , 'an old schoolfellow and college chum' (6), living in Forfarshire, Scotland. The letters were the basis for further biographical writings, 'Passages in the life of a nonagenarian' completed in 1872 and printed after his death in the Sydney Morning Herald. 24-30 Dec. 1873. His biography was finally published in 1912 by Angus & Robertson as 'Reminiscences of Alexander Berry'.

Berry died on 17 September 1873, and was buried in the family vault in St. Thomas' cemetery, North Sydney. His estate went to his brother David who was charged with his legal and moral obligations.

1875 and after

William Berry died on 20 October leaving his property to David. At the age of 80 David was the sole survivor of the family, inheritor of its accumulated wealth and a millionaire.

At Shoalhaven Henry Gordon Morton continued as land steward and surveyor; on the North Shore estate William George Mathews carried on as overseer. Morton died in 1895 and Mathews in 1902.

1882

David commissioned John Hay, his cousin once removed, to arrange for a steamer to be built at Glasgow. The vessel was named the Meeinderry. A second steamer was ordered and given the name Coomonderry.

John Hay had been born at Coolangatta (8 Aug. 1840). His parents were David and Jane Hay (nee Berwick) who had come to the colony round 1838 to their cousins, the Berrys. David Hay's mother and Alexander Berry's mother were the sisters, Ann and Isabel Tod. When Jane Hay died a few months after the birth David Hay decided to travel to New Zealand. His son was left in care and, at the age of two, he was taken to Auckland. At nine years he was sent to relatives in Scotland and educated at St Andrews. In 1859, on the occasion of his father's illness, John Hay travelled to New Zealand with his uncle Robert Hay. Later, he visited Alexander Berry in Sydney and travelled to Coolangatta where he arrived shortly after the death of Janet Berry (23 October 1860). Returning to New Zealand he set up a business with his cousin, John Honeyman, in Auckland. In 1871 both retired from the business and Hay married Jessie Sinclair, daughter of John Sinclair of Glasgow and niece of Dr Andrew Sinclair, sometime Colonial Secretary of New Zealand. With his wife Hay visited Coolangatta in 1873 after the death of Nancy Berry.

1883 -1888

John Hay returned to Coolangatta with his wife to take up residence and assist in the management of the estate. During these years the town of Broughton Creek (later Berry) was laid out on a grid plan. Land was sold to banks, the post office and the police department; land was given to the four churches, Presbyterian, Methodist, Roman Catholic and Church of England; it was set aside for the showground and presented to the public school. The town was in the process of transformation from private to public.

In 1888 a brass band was formed amongst David Berry's employees.

1889

John Hay's father died at Parua Bay, New Zealand.

On 23 September David Berry died. He was acknowledged as one of New South Wales' wealthiest inhabitants and the 'venerable benefactor of Broughton Creek' (7). A large gathering of mourners, estimated at 2,500, assembled on the day of the funeral. The procession included school children and aboriginal retainees. The burial took place in the family cemetery at the foot of Mount Coolangatta.

Besides legacies to officials and servants his will contained three large bequests: 30,000 pounds to the Presbyterian Church; 100,000 pounds for the erection and maintenance of a hospital at Broughton Creek for the benefit of the district; 100,000 pounds as an endowment to the University of St Andrews, where Alexander had been a student. Coolangatta was left to John Hay who, with James Norton, M.L.C., was made trustee and executor of the will. Hay also received 21,000 acres (8498 ha) of the estate free from any trusts together with the remainder after provision for legacies. In November George Simpson entered a caveat against the will.

1890

In the case Hay v. Simpson, Simpson alleged that he too was related to the deceased and that the deceased was incapable of making a will at his great age. Witnesses testified to the remarkable intelligence of David Berry and described him as a man with his faculties unimpaired until his death. The will was upheld and probate granted.

The name Berry was approved by the Berry Municipal District Naming Act of 1890.

1891

To fund the bequests Hay began preparations for the sale of large portions of the estate. Meetings were called of tenants whose farms would be sold.

1892

Sales began in March and continued on over a period of twenty years. At this time Hay set about a programme of improvements, which included the reclamation of swamp and low lying areas. He appointed his half brother, Alexander, as his general manager.

Born at Parua, New Zealand, in 1865, Alexander had taken up residence at Coolangatta with several of his sisters.

1894

In April John Hay received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) from the University of St Andrews.

Alexander Hay visited several European countries, including Denmark, to study modern methods of production in the dairy industry.

1895

Alexander Hay assisted his brother in the setting up of the Berry Central Creamery described as the largest and most complete butter factory in the colony. He imported cattle to improve the milking quality of the estate herds.

1897

A monument to David Hay was erected by tenants and friends and was unveiled by Mrs Hay.

1899

John Osborne, former editor with The Australian Star, completed a manuscript biography of Alexander Berry on behalf of Dr. Hay.

1900-1903

Alexander Hay married Florence Burdekin. In 1901 he contested the federal seat for Illawarra and in 1903 the state seat for Glen Innes.

1904

Dr Hay, with James Norton, executed a deed of appropriation to enable the trusts of David Berry's will to be put into effect. At the same time Hay vested the Crows Nest property in his wife, Jessie Sinclair Hay, and arranged her clear title to the property. In his will he made Alexander Hay managing executor and trustee. He gave him occupancy of the Coolangatta homestead rent free, together with entitlements to it and 300 acres (121.4 ha), at minimal charge, as portion of his share in the estate.

1906

With insufficient funds to provide the hospital bequest the trustees negotiated an agreement with the state government. This resulted in the David Berry Hospital Act of December 1906. Land at Berry and North Sydney, to the value of 100,000 pounds, was vested in the Crown in exchange for the building and maintenance of the David Berry Hospital. Alexander Hay was successful in his efforts to broaden the terms of the Act and allow for the provision of agricultural education.

1908-1909

John Hay was knighted. Shortly afterwards, on 26 February, 1909, he died and was buried in the family cemetery at Coolangatta.

The David Berry Hospital was opened on 18 September, 1909, by the Premier, Hon. Chas. Gregory.

Alexander Hay and D.W. Roxburgh continued as trustees under the wills of David Berry and Sir John Hay and completed the sale of the estate at Shoalhaven and North Sydney.

1912

The memoirs of Alexander Berry, 'Reminiscences of Alexander Berry', were published by Angus & Robertson. Consideration was given to publishing the memorials compiled for Sir John Hay.

1915

Alexander Hay joined the AIF and embarked for Egypt.

1918-1922

Michael McHatton, for many years resident engineer to the Coolangatta and Berry estates, worked on a collection of letters which he termed the Berry estate letters and for which he prepared transcripts, synopses and indexes.

1919-1922

Alexander Hay entered Federal Parliament as member for New England.

1930s

A large collection of estate letters and papers were donated to the Mitchell Library by Alexander Hay.

1941

Alexander Hay died and was buried at Coolangatta.

1946 and after

The Coolangatta homestead was burnt down. The remaining buildings were eventually converted into the Historic Village Motel.

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Presented by Alexander Hay of Coolangatta, N.S.W., in 1939. Additional papers acquired from James R. Lawson Pty Ltd., sale of 28 July 1983

Alexander Berry (1781 - 1873) first visited Australia in 1807-8. He returned to Sydney in 1819 to set up a commercial enterprise with his partner, Edward Wollstonecraft (1783 -1832). In 1822 the two acquired large grants of land in the Shoalhaven River region, N.S.W., and Berry chose the foot of Mt Coolangatta as the headquarters for their farm establishment. Wollstonecraft also owned property on Sydney's North Shore where he built a cottage which he named the Crows Nest. In 1827 Berry married Elizabeth Wollstonecraft, his partner's only sister and next of kin. Edward's property passed to Elizabeth in 1832 and at her death in 1845 to Alexander.

In 1836 Alexander Berry was joined by younger members of his family from Scotland, three brothers, John, David and William, and two sisters, Janet and Agnes, all of whom resided at Coolangatta. Alexander returned to Sydney to leave the daily management of the property to his brothers, chiefly John who became general manager. On John's death in 1848 David became manager and received frequent instruction by letter from Alexander. In 1873 David, aged seventy-seven, inherited the whole of the estate from his brother, the huge property north and south of the Shoalhaven and the North Shore property in Sydney. When William died in 1875 David was the last surviving member of the Berry family and inheritor of its accumulated wealth. He died at Coolangatta in September 1889 and left an estate valued at one and a quarter million pounds.

His will contained three large bequests, to the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, to the Presbyterian Church and for the endowment of a hospital at Berry, and left the estate to his cousin once removed, John Hay (later Sir John). Hay was made executor of the will together with solicitor, James Norton.

To fund the bequests John Hay arranged for the gradual selling of large portions of the estate. He appointed his half brother, Alexander, as general manager. He vested the Crows Nest property in his wife, Jessie Sinclair Hay, and bequeathed the Coolangatta homestead to Alexander. He died in February 1909 a short time after receiving his knighthood. Alexander Hay and D.W. Roxburgh, of Sydney, became the trustees of the Berry and Hay estates.

Alexander Hay died in 1941. Members of the Hay family continued to reside at Coolangatta until 1946 when the main homestead building was destroyed by fire.

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- I. Printed material, 1815 - 1832

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II Alexander Berry. 1802 - 1873

A. Correspondence, 1809 - 1873

Correspondents include Edward Wollstonecraft, 1820 - 1832; David Berry, 1837? - 1873; William Berry, 1849 - 1873; John Berry, 1820 - 1848; Charles Barrington Robinson, 1840 - 1873; Sir Charles Nicholson, 1856 - 1873; and James Busby, 1835, 1867 - 1870

ML MSS. 315/53

B. Manuscripts re travel, early business affairs and life history, 1802 - 1872

ML MSS. 315/54

C. Manuscripts, including fragments, memoranda and notes, with related papers, 1822 - 1871

M Ser.4000/1 MSS. 315 Maps 1-8, 26

D. Maps, c.1806 - c.1820

ML MSS. 315/55-66

E. Financial records, 1833 - 1873

ML MSS. 315/67-74

F. Records re assigned and free servants and tenants, 1833 - 1870

ML MSS. 315/75-77

G. Estate records, c.1837 - 1871

Seven maps filed at M Ser.4000/1 MSS. 315 maps 9, 11-12, 14-16 and 18

ML MSS. 315/78

H. Business papers re Charles Barrington Robinson and the vessel Monarch, 17 Dec. 1850 -27 Sep. 1852

ML MSS. 315/79

I. Legal papers re appeal from the Supreme Court of New South Wales in the Privy Council between James Graham and Charles Bindon and Alexander Berry, 1860 - 1865

ML MSS. 315/80

J. Personal papers, 1821 - 1865, n.d.

Four maps filed at M Ser.4000/1 MSS. 315 maps 20, 22, 23 and 24

ML MSS. 315/81-82

K. Medical journal, and related paper, 1804

ML MSS. 315/83

L. Miscellaneous papers, c.1838 - 1862, n.d.

ML MSS. 315/84

M. Printed material, 1833 - 1866

ML MSS. 315/85-88

III Edward Wollstonecraft, 1805 - 1832

A. Correspondence, 1805 - 1832

ML MSS. 315/89

B. Miscellaneous business and legal papers, 1807 - 1826?

ML MSS. 315/90

IV Elizabeth Berry, nee Wollstonecraft. 1789 - 1845

A. Correspondence, 1789 - 1845 B. Papers, 1833?, n.d.

ML MSS. 315/91

V Berry Family, 1741 - 1835

Family papers, 30 Nov. 1741 - 1 May 1835

ML MSS. 315/92

VI James Berry, 1811 - 1827

A. Letters received (3) from Katherine Simpson, David Forsyth and William Simpson, 25 Oct. 1817, 30 Jan. 1824 and 21 Jan. 1825

B. Accounts and receipts, 1811 - 1827

VII John Berry. 1817 - 1848

A. Correspondence, 1817 - 1848

B. Papers, 10 June 1825 - 1 Jan. 1845

VIII Charles John Campbell, Agent for Alexander Berry, 1838 - 1844

- A. Business correspondence, 17 Mar. 1838 -11 Jan. 1844
- B. Financial records, 8 Sep. 1839 - Dec. 1844

ML MSS. 315/93-97

IX David Berry, 1832 - 1889

- A. Correspondence, 1832-1889

ML MSS. 315/97-99

- B. Legal and property papers, 1832 - 1889

Four maps filed at M Ser.4000/1 MSS. 315 map 10, 13, 21 and 25

ML MSS. 315/100

X William Berry, 1833 - 1875

- A. Correspondence, 1833 - 1875 B. Receipt for land purchase, 30 June 1857

ML MSS. 315/101-102

XI 'Berry estate letters', 1819 - 1874 : transcripts, synopses, indexes

ML MSS. 315/103

XII Coolangatta Brass Band, 1888 - 1889

Minute book, Sep. 1888 - May 1889

ML MSS. 315/104-106

XIII Sir John Hay, 1849 - 1908

- A. Correspondence, 1872 - 1908

Correspondents include John Hay Honeyman, 1872, 1878, 1889 - 1894; William George Mathews, 1875, 1884 - 1890; Henry Gordon Morton, 1875, 1880 - 1888, 1894; William L. Hoffman, 1885; Robert F. Duck and D. Baines, 1886 - 1888

ML MSS. 315/107

- B. Papers re estates of David Berry and James Hay, 1877 - 1897

ML MSS. 315/107-110

- C. Legal and property papers re Berry estate, 1886 - 1904
Map filed at M Ser.4000/1 MSS. 315 map 17

ML MSS. 315/110-111

- D. Personal papers, 1849 - 1899

ML MSS. 315/112-113

- E. Printed material, 1859 - 1906

ML MSS. 315/114

XIV James Tod Hay, 1860 - 1887

Letters received (5) from Sir John Hay, the firm Hay and Honeyman and John Hay Honeyman, 2 Apr. 1860 - 19 June 1887

XV Jessie Sinclair Hay, 1889. 1902

Letters received (2) from Rev. John Walker and John Hay Honeyman, 20 May 1889 and 25 May 1892

XVI Alexander Hay, 1889 - 1941

- A. Correspondence, 1889 - 1939

ML MSS. 315/115

- B. Papers re estate of Sir John Hay, 1909 - 1912 C. Personal papers, 1898 - 1939

- D. 'Coolangatta Estate, Shoalhaven', 1819 - c.1912, compiled by M. McHatton for Alexander Hay, n.d.

- E. Milk returns, 1939 - 1941

ML MSS. 315/116

- F. Printed material, c.1891 - 1923

ML MSS. 315/117

XVII William G. Mathews, before 1902

'Reminiscences of an old colonist', 1814 - 189-, written by W.J.
Mathews before 1902

ML MSS. 315/118

XVIII Printed material, 1863 - 1938

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ML MSS. 315/1

Guide and index to correspondents compiled in the Mitchell Library, with family trees compiled in the Mitchell Library

ML MSS. 315/2-4

[Request: CY 3411 - CY 3412 for MLMSS 315/2-3]

I Berry and Wollstonecraft, Partners, 1804 - 1846

A. Business and property correspondence, with related papers, 1811 - 1839

i Business and property correspondence, with related papers, 27 Mar. 1811 -26 May 1837¹

Created in the course of the partners' operations as merchants and landowners, it includes letters to and from government officials, correspondence with assigned servants and employees, and between employees, i.a. James Doran, clerk, Robert Sutherland and James Smith, overseers, and David Souter, superintendent

Topics include trade with English merchants, land grants, vessels, timber getting and sawyers, wool and timber shipments, cattle, convict labour and tickets of leave

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

BOX ML MSS. 315/5

[Request: CY 3221]

ii Business correspondence, with related papers, 25 Jan. 1818 - 5 Oct. 1839

Chiefly with English business houses and their agents in Sydney. Australian correspondents include Robert Campbell, Thomas Raine and William Howe

Major matters of concern are loan of money, recovery of debts and sale of timber

1 Includes items formerly located at Ab 69/3, Ab 192/2 and Ab 192/8

Correspondents arranged chronologically by date of their earliest letter or documents. Contents list

Selective indexing

ML MSS. 315/6 [Request: CY 1497]

- iii Letters, with related papers, from Shoalhaven, 20 June 1822 - c.1830

Addressed to the partners, or their clerk, James Doran, and written by employees at Shoalhaven. Principal correspondent is superintendent David Souter. Others include James Smith, overseer of sawyers at Broughton Creek, J.R. Cleeve and J.D. Toosey, successors to David Souter

Major topics are provisions and equipment, vessels and cargo, cattle, crops and timber getting, employees, their work and accounts

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

ML MSS. 315/7

- iv Correspondence re Henry Hawes and his land grant, with related papers, 16 Feb. 1822 - 6 Oct. 1834

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

ML MSS. 315/8 [Request: CY 3220]

- v Correspondence, with related papers, re land grants, 10 June 1823 - 7 Apr. 1834

Chiefly with government officials including Surveyor General, Colonial Secretary and Collector of Internal Revenue. Includes a petition to the Colonial Secretary 29 Apr. 1826, re the 'unprotected and perilous state' of the Shoalhaven property with annotations by Alexander Macleay and Sir Ralph Darling

Papers include a description of Shoalhaven grants by the Assistant Surveyor, James McBrien, 1824, promissory notes to the Surveyor General and a copy of land grant of 10,000 acres, 30 June 1825¹

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

Map filed at M Ser. 4000/1

MSS. 315 map 19

ML MSS. 315/9-11

B. Financial records, 1819 - 1843

Compiled mainly at Sydney

i Ledgers (6), 1819 - 1837

- a. Aug. 1819 - Nov. 1821
- Nov. 1821 - Dec. 1828
- Jan. 1829 - July 1832

ML MSS. 315/12-13

- b. Dec. 1821 - May 1828
- Feb. 1825 - July 1843

Chiefly entries for workers and staff in several locations, including North Shore, Shoalhaven, Cowan Pits, Narara

ML MSS. 315/14

- c. Oct. 1825 - July 1837

Compiled at Shoalhaven. Chiefly entries for workers, together with some residents of the area

ML MSS. 315/15

- ii Accounts and receipts, 7 Aug. 1819 -31 Jan. 1829

1 Formerly located at Ab 192/12

	<u>ML MSS. 315/16</u>	<u>Item No.</u>
iii	Bank books (3), 1819 - 1820, 1828 - 1833	
	a. Bank of New South Wales, 14 Aug. 1819 - 30 Dec. 1820	1
	b. Bank of Australia, 1828 - 1833	
	1 Mar. 1828 - 8 Nov. 1830	2
	23 Nov. 1830 - 29 Nov. 1833	3

ML MSS. 315/17-22

iv Journals (6), Nov. 1821 - June 1833

ML MSS. 315/23-24

v Cash books (2), Nov. 1821 - Oct. 1829

ML MSS. 315/25-29

vi Waste books (5), Jan. 1823 - Dec. 1834

Include folded account sheet, 30 May -3 June
1825 and 5-10 June 1826

	<u>ML MSS. 315/30</u>	<u>Item No.</u>
vii	Account book recording expenses on clothing, bedding, hardware, repairs, etc., 19 Oct. 1830 - 3 Mar. 1832	1
	At back 'Fire wood ration account', 6 Nov. 1830 - 12 Nov. 1831	
viii	Bills receivable and payable, Aug. 1832 - Mar. 1843	2

ML MSS. 315/31-32

C. Business records re timber and timber getters, 1823 - 1839

i Invoices and memoranda for timber shipped locally and
overseas, Feb. - Dec. 1826, Jan. 1828 -Nov. 1839

ML MSS. 314/33

ii Miscellaneous records of timber cut, Jan. 1823 - July
1827

ML MSS. 314/34

iii Accounts with sawyers, 1823 - 1829

Comprise quantities of timber sawn and general accounts current for individual sawyers at Shoalhaven and Narara

ML MSS. 315/35

iv Accounts for rations and stores issued June 1823 - Aug. 1826

Include receipt and expenditure returns from Narara

ML MSS. 315/36

v Lists of rations for Cowan, North Shore and vessels, chiefly the sloop Watermole, Mar. 1823 -Jan. 1827

ML MSS. 315/37 [Request: CY 2172]

D. Records re assigned servants, 1823 - 1846

i Lists of persons, chiefly assigned servants, in the employ of Berry and Wollstonecraft, 13 Sep. 1823 -7 May 1829 .

Include also names of free persons, those freed or with tickets of leave. Information includes name, ship, year of arrival, sentence and remarks and in some instances employment

Different locations are covered, including Broken Bay, Broughton Creek, Numba and Shoalhaven. For 1824 and 1825 land in cultivation and live stock are given

ML MSS. 315/38 [Request: CY 2172]

Item No.

ii Registers of assigned servants at Shoalhaven, 1825 - 1843

a. 1825 - 1840

1

Alphabetical register giving name, ship, sentence, trade, age, religion, date of arrival, date of assignment and comments. Title page is dated 1833 and signed by J.A. Mathews

Comprises 'Register of assigned servants belonging to Alexander Berry, Esquire', Apr. 1829 - Apr. 1841, and 'Register of assigned servants belonging to the executors of Edward Wollstonecraft', Aug. 1829 - Oct. 1843

'Account of the increase and decrease of stock' at Coolangatta and Murroo, Apr. 1834 - 9 May 1840, is included with sheep return for 1839 - 1840

ML MSS. 315/39-40 [Request: CY 2172]

iii Assigned servants' slop books (2), 1830 - 1845

Comprise account of clothing and bedding issued to convicts by name. Include remarks re tickets of leave etc. Begun by John H. Smith and continued by John A. Mathews c.1832. With index

At back of first volume are 'Names of assigned servants in the employ of Messrs Berry & Wollstonecraft, Shoalhaven', 1822 - 1833, and 'Blanket list, Shoal Haven Establishment', 1834 - 1836

ML MSS.315/41 [Request: CY 2172]

iv Assigned servants' punishment book, 7 Jan. 1830 - 25 Apr. 1846

Gives name, ship, date of arrival, sentence, age, trade, details of misdemeanours and punishment, issue of ticket of leave. With index

v Miscellaneous papers, wm. 1821 - 1828

Include printed application forms for convict servants and for a ticket of leave, wm. 1827, 'A list of one hundred convicts belonging to the York hulk in Portsmouth Harbour, embarked on board the Royal George for New South Wales, 16 Aug. 1828', with pencil note on back, and 'Leviathan's list of sixty prisoners selected for New South Wales, Aug. 1828'

ML MSS. 315/43

E. Stores received Shoalhaven, Mar. 1832 -Oct. 1836

Accounts of blacksmiths' sundries, spirits, iron, shoemakers' sundries, paints, oils, nails, sundries, slop clothing, stationery received at Shoalhaven

BOX ML MSS. 315/44

Item No.

F. Letters received by Berry and Wollstonecraft as joint secretaries to the Agricultural Society of New South Wales, 11 July 1822 - 31 Aug. 1826

1

Include letters written and received by Barron Field as President of the Society, a draft letter by Berry, 16 Oct. 1825, and testimonial, Nov. 1825, to Sir Thomas Brisbane patron of the Society, together with his reply, 15 Nov. 1825

Indexed

G. Accounts and receipts held by Berry and Wollstonecraft as treasurers to the Benevolent Society, 15 Feb. 1821 - 31 May 1824

2

H. Papers collected, 1804 - 1832

i Learned and scientific, 1804 - 1822 3

Include copy of Sir Humphrey Davy's letter re wattle bark, 8 Mar. 1804, to an unnamed correspondent; copy of William Henry's paper, 'Analysis of salt and observations on its manufacture, read 25 Jan. 1810'; copy of 'A Journal kept by Mr. Hamilton Hume in a tour through the interior from Lake Bathurst to the sea coast' 1821; copy of Barren Field's 'On the aborigines of New Holland and Van Diemen's Land', read 2 Jan. 1822; copy of Captain Phillip Parker King's 'On the maritime geography of Australasia' read 2 Oct. 1822; and copy of directions for brewing with concentrated essence of American spruce, n.d.

Arranged chronologically

ii Miscellaneous, 1812 - 1832 4

Documents and letters of various persons and from government. Include copy of Bathurst's letter to Macquarie, 23 Nov. 1812, statement of inhabitants of New South Wales, 1819, wool agreement between Richard Dry and John Raine, 1821, business papers of Thomas Milroy, 1822, George Meredith's letter to Captain Dixon of the ship, Venerable, 1823, notices, papers re Australian Subscription Library, 1826, letter re bark from Francis Brewin, 1828, letter re cotton cultivation from Philip Winfree and Mr. Dunbar, 4 Feb. 1829, addresses to and replies from Darling, 1829 - 1831, 'measure and value of work done ... F.H. Greenway, civil architect', 182-, an address to Bourke, Jan. 1832, and a letter to members of the Legislative Council, wm. 1827 from George Panton?

Arranged chronologically

BOX ML MSS. 315/45

I. Printed material, 1815 - 1832

Includes 'Population of the British Empire', 1815?;
Sydney Gazette ', 28 Apr. 1821, 27 Sep. 1822,
'Report from the Select Committee on Emigration
from the United Kingdom', 1826, 'Acts and
ordinances of the Governor and Council of New South
Wales', 1828 - 1830, 1832

ML MSS. 315/46-49 [Request: CY 2025-2028]

II Alexander Berry. 1802 - 1873

A. Correspondence, 1809-1873

i General, 29 Jan. 1819 - 22 Aug. 1873¹

Arranged chronologically Indexed

ML MSS. 315/50 [Request: CY 2034]

ii Individual, 1820 - 1873

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

a. Letters received from Edward Wollstonecraft, 31
July 1820 -15 Apr. 1832

BOX ML MSS. 315/51 [Request: CY 2585]

Item No.

b. Letters received from David Berry,
15 June 1837? - 14 Mar. 1873 1

c. Letters received from William Berry,
20 May 1849 - 25 Jan. 1873 2

d. Correspondence, 27 June 1820 -
26 Mar. 1848, with John Berry 3

e. Correspondence, 18 July 1840 -
16 Dec. 1873, with Charles
Barrington Robinson 4

Includes eleven letters from Robinson to
William Lithgow, 6 Apr. 1858 - 27 Oct.
1859, together with a letter, 7 Feb. 1859,
from Berry to Lithgow

1 Includes items formerly located at Ab 192/1, Ab 192/3,
Ab 192/5-7, Ab 192/9

f. Correspondence, 3 Mar. 1856 -
4 Sep. 1873, with Sir Charles

Include copies of letters by Berry, 17 and 19 May, 1862, in his clerk's hand. Typed copies of these, together with typed copies formerly located at Ab 69/4, 5 and 6, filed separately as annex at back

- g. Correspondence, 29 Dec. 1835, Mar. 1867 - Aug. 1870, with James Busby

6

Busby's letter, 29 Dec. 1835, introduces the bearer Charles Darwin, passenger on H.M.S. Beagle. Includes printed enclosure 'Mr. Busby's case' reprinted from Colonist, 16 Nov. 1837

BOX ML MSS. 315/5

[Request: CY 2603]

- iii Family, 17 July 1809 - 18 Aug. 1873

Correspondents include i.a. Berry's sister Barbara Armit, 1846 - 1868, and father, James Berry (Berrie), 1809, John Hay, later Sir John, 1861 - 1873, members of the Methuen family, 1833 - 1865, his wife's cousin, Louisa Ferryman, 1845, Bessie Florence Shelley, later Mrs Leopold Scarlett, 1866 - 1868, Lady Jane Shelley, 1851 - 1873, Mary Shelley, 1845 - 1850, Ann Tod, 1846, and Everina Wollstonecraft, 1838

Arranged alphabetically under name of correspondent

Indexed

BOX ML MSS. 315/53

[Request: CY 2626]

Item No.

- B. Manuscripts re travel, early business affairs and life history, 1802 - 1872

- i Voyage to China, 1802 - 1803

1

Incomplete narrative of voyage, Feb. - Nov. 1802, with register of thermometer readings and weather, Mar. 1802 - Apr. 1803, and brief concluding narrative

ii	Voyage in City of Edinburgh, 1807 - 1812	
	a. Narrative, 1807 - 1809. Fair copy. 'A-I.3', [90]p. wm. 1813	2
	b. Portions of narrative, 1808 - 1810. Another copy	3
	c. Portions of narrative of voyage from New Zealand, 1810 - 1812. Incomplete parts (4)	4-7
iii	Mercantile transactions, 1807 - 1813, and case against Francis Shortt and Simeon Lord, written c.1817 - 1820	
	a. Narrative of events, 1807 - 1813, and statement of Berry's claim against Messrs Greffhules in which i.a. Richard Battley, Joaquin Maria de Ferrer, Francis Shortt and Edward Wollstonecraft were concerned, written c.1817 - c.1820	8
	b. Second copy 26p.	9
	c. Summary of events, 1807 - 1813, and statement of Berry's case with opinion of R. Espinasse, 1817, and comment thereon, written c.1817 - c.1820	10
iv	Voyage from England to Van Diemen's Land, Jan. to July 1819	11
v	Voyage in Snapper, Jan. Feb. 1822	
	a. Diary, 9 Jan. - 8 Feb. 1822	12
	Notebook written in pencil	
	b. 'Jarvis Bay', 30-31 Jan. 1822	13
	Folded sheet written in pencil	
	c. 'Journal of the voyage of the Government Cutter Snapper from Sydney to Montagu Island', 8-13 Jan. 1822 ¹	14
	d. Report in draft of expedition in Snapper c.10 Feb. 1822 ¹	15

1 For another draft see papers of Sir Thomas Mitchell,
A291, v.2, p.33-41

vi	Drafts (3) of paper re geology of the coast land between Newcastle and Bateman's Bay read before Philosophical Society of Australasia, 6 Mar. 1822	16-18
vii	Diary of expedition to Shoalhaven River, 21 June - 23 July 1822 ¹ At opposite end is 'Shoalhaven book', 20 June 1822, being pages of memoranda re clothes and tools	19
viii	Voyage to Shoalhaven, 20-30 Apr. 1834 Folded sheets written in pencil, together with a copy	20-21
ix	Accounts of the destruction of the ship Boyd and massacre of the crew on the New Zealand coast, 1810, and subsequent voyages and experiences up to the settlement of Coolangatta, 1822	
	a. Copy of narrative, c.1810 Contains extracts from the Sydney Gazette 10 Mar. and 21 Apr. 1810, in which the letter left by the City of Edinburgh, signed by Captain Simeon Pattison and Berry, as supercargo, was printed	22
	b. Account of Wangaroa and some New Zealand chiefs, c.1827 Incomplete copy which contains part of the text published as 'Particulars of the destruction of a British vessel on the coast of New Zealand; with anecdotes of some New Zealand chiefs', Edinburgh, Constable, 1827, p.330-338	23
	c. 'Destruction of the ship "Boyd" and massacre of the Captain and Crew by the natives of Wangaroa, New Zealand': 'Supplement to the printed account of the destruction of the "Boyd" showing how I avenged the massacre.' Written after 1858. 2 copies	24-25
x	Fragments of narratives and reminiscences, 1807 - 1816. Written after 1858	26

1 Formerly located at B897

xi 'Passages in the life of a nonagenarian'
6 Apr. 1872. With woodblock print
of Alexander Berry and map 27

Subsequently published in Sydney Morning Herald
1873 and as 'Reminiscences of Alexander Berry',
Sydney, Angus & Robertson, 1912

xii Manuscript collected

'Journal of Ship Royal George from the Port of
London to Port Jackson in New South Wales'¹, 3
May - 7 Nov. 1821. Anon. Original MS. 21p. 28

BOX ML MSS. 315/54

Item No.

[Request: CY 2526 for MLMSS 315/54 Items 1-5]

C. Manuscripts, including fragments, memoranda and notes, with related
papers, 1822 - 1871

i Re the Shoalhaven property, district,
people and events, 1822-1871 1

ii Re New South Wales, its history,
politics, economic conditions and
local government, c.182- - 186- 2

iii Re Bank of Australia, 1848 - 1866 3

Contains correspondence included in the Index
to correspondents

iv Re John Dunmore Lang and the libel
suit of 1859 4

v Miscellaneous 5

M Ser. 4000/1 MSS. 315 maps 1-8, 26

D. Maps, c.1806 - c.1820

i 'Funchal Roads, Madeira', c.1806

ii 'Port Dalrymple', c.1808

iii 'Part of Van Diemen's Land', c.1808

iv Approaches to Hobart Town, c.1808 v Tasmania, south
east coast, c.1808

vi 'Extract from Flinders' : chart of the coast of New
South Wales, Broken Bay to Port Jackson, c.1820

vii Torres Strait, c.1820

1 Formerly located at B898

viii Prince of Wales Island and Endeavour Strait, c.1820

ix 'Chart of Bateman Bay', Feb. 1822, by William T. Edwardson

BOX ML MSS. 315/55

Item No.

E. Financial records, 1833 - 1873

i Bank books (8), 1833 - 1856

a. Bank of Australia with Messrs Berry and Co.

1 Dec. 1833 - 5 Dec. 1835
12 Feb. 1838 - 17 Aug. 1838
15 Sep. 1841 - 3 Apr. 1843

1-3

b. Bank of Australia with Alexander Berry

4 Feb. 1837 - 1 May 1838

4

c. Commercial Bank of Sydney with Alexander Berry

13 Mar. 1844 - Dec. 1846
Jan. 1847 - 4 July 1848
1 July 1848 - 5 Dec. 1849
23 July 1851 - 1 July 1856

5-8

ML MSS. 315/56-61

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Request: CY 4234 for MLMSS 315/57
Request: CY 4235 for MLMSS 315/58
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Request: CY 4238 for MLMSS 315/61]

ii Ledgers (6), 1836-1870

nos. 3-6, 30 Apr. 1836 - 8 Mar. 1847
12 Dec. 1853 - 6 June 1870

Records of provisions, equipment and wages to persons employed at Shoalhaven, with entries for several residents and workers in the area. Compiled at Shoalhaven

With indexes

ML MSS. 315/62-65

[Request: CY 3950 for MLMSS 315/62
Request: CY 3953 for MLMSS 315/63
Request: CY 3954 for MLMSS 315/64-65]

iii Day books (4), 1838 - 1873

10 Mar. 1838 - 6 Oct. 1845
28 Oct. 1848 - 28 May 1852
29 May 1852 - 9 Mar. 1858
12 Mar. 1870 - 9 Jan. 1873

Record of provisions and payments, chiefly wages, at Shoalhaven. Compiled at Shoalhaven

- iv Invoice book, 22 Mar. 1839 - 12 June 1849 1
Lists of goods at Shoalhaven shipped for and received from Sydney
- v Bills receivable and bills payable, 1 Apr. 1843 - 4 Feb. 1853 2
Compiled at Sydney
- vi Miscellaneous financial and business papers, 1826, 1837 - 1869¹ 3
Include Bank of Australia share, 1826; water supplied from dock yard, 1833 - 1837; bank books (2) in trust for J. Dickson, Aug. 1837² and Aug. 1837 - Dec. 1839; deposit book, Oct. 1845 - Nov. 1848; cheque butts, 1856 - 1857; together with bills of lading, marine assurance for vessel, Coolangatta, receipts, promissory notes, accounts, bill of exchange
Arranged chronologically

ML MSS. 315/67

[Request: CY 2528]

- F. Records re assigned and free servants and tenants, 1833 - 1870
- i 'List of ticket of leave men in the employ of Alexander Berry, Esq. Shoalhaven', mustered Apr. 1833 - Oct. 1835
Compiled at Shoalhaven

ML MSS. 315/68

[Request: CY 2528]

- ii Provision books, 1834 - 1860
Weekly account of food, tobacco, soap etc. issued at Shoalhaven to persons by name. Include remarks. Compiled at Shoalhaven
- a. 'Provisions issued to free persons', Jan. 1834 - Jan. 1838
Arranged by name. With index. Signed by John A. Mathews

¹ Include items formerly located at Ab 69/8, 9, 10, 12, 13 and 15

² Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/a

- b. Provisions store books, 1, 2 and 4
21 Jan. 1837 - 13 Jan. 1838,
21 July - 22 Dec. 1838

1-3

Issue to assigned servants and free persons
in date order with classification by area,
Numba, Coolangatta, Broughton Creek and
sundries. Also accounts of flour milled
and beasts slaughtered.

- c. Provision books (2), Sep. 1844 -Oct. 1848, Aug.
1850 - June 1860

Issue to employees, vessel crew and
settlers. With indexes

- iii Employee record, 17 July 1848 -31 Aug. 1870

Agreements with employees, mainly hired for
Shoalhaven, re their work, period of
engagement, wages and provision entitlements,
cash advances. Compiled at Sydney

At back record of provision issue for North
Shore, 13 Aug. 1845 - 16 Oct. 1847

- iv Assigned servants records, 1833 - 1841

Compiled at Shoalhaven

- a. 'Daily list of servants employed
at Numba Establishment', 22 July -
4 Nov. 1833

1

Includes name, employment and remarks

- b. 'Daily statement of labour performed by hired
servants at Collangatta [sic]', 3 July 1837 - 17
Apr. 1841

2

Includes free hired servants. Gives name
and comment

v Miscellaneous, 1834 - 1864

Include certificate of freedom, 1834, petition for conditional pardon, c.1838, apprentice's indenture, 1839, employment agreement with free immigrant, 1844, 'list of the people on Shoalhaven', 18 Nov. 1844, with rations and wages, passes for persons holding tickets of leave, 1846, 1848, 'return of exiles at Shoalhaven', 1850, 'list of German immigrants indentured to Alexander Berry', c.1856, 'persons employed on A. & D. Berry Establishment', 1864

Arranged chronologically

G. Estate records, c.1837 - 1871

i Re population, c.1839 - 1871

Include aborigine count, c.1839, population of Shoalhaven police district, 1856, list of estate residents, 1859, list of tenants and servants on the estate, 1866, and estate census, 1871

iii Returns, after 1856, 1861, 1863 - 1869¹

iii Miscellaneous papers, 1837 - 1870

Include i.a. electoral list for the police district of Shoalhaven, 1851, with related extracts from letters; petition and printed correspondence re court at Coolangatta, 1851; list of documents left with Norton & Co., 1855²; copy of petition re Crookhaven Creek, c.1868; letter from Numba Council to Minister for Lands re second bridge across Crookhaven Creek, 1869 or 1870; and legal statement re agreement with cultivator, 1870

Arranged chronologically

¹ Includes item formerly located at ML MSS. 802/c

² Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/b

M Ser. 4000/1 MSS. 315 maps 9, 11-12. 14-16 and 18

iv Maps, 184- - 1860

Include plan of Terrara, 1859, of road from Broughton Creek to Crooked River, n.d., of counties Beresford and Murray, 1860, three copies of plan showing the petitioned and proclaimed boundaries of the Municipality of Shoalhaven, 1859, and a map showing portions at Crookhaven, including William Elyard's 1500 acre grant, 184-

ML MSS. 315/78

H. Business papers re Charles Barrington Robinson and the vessel Monarch, 17 Dec. 1850 - 27 Sep. 1852

Include letters from Robinson and Sir Charles Nicholson

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

ML MSS. 315/79

I. Legal papers re appeal from the Supreme Court of New South Wales in the Privy Council between James Graham and Charles Bindon and Alexander Berry, 1860 - 1865

Include copies of correspondence between solicitors

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

ML MSS. 315/80

J. Personal papers, 1821 - 1865, n.d.

Include i.a. masonic dinner invitation, 1821, Berry's wills, c.1832 - 1862, estimate of population of Lane Cove, 1836, list of scantling required for his cottage at the North Shore, 1839, plan drawing for the tomb of his wife, Elizabeth, and her brother Edward Wollstonecraft, 1846, writ to attend Legislative Council, 1856, Berry's note re an ear ring from Nancy Morley, survivor of the Boyd massacre, 1863, and his birth certificate issued 1865

Arranged chronologically

Four maps filed at M Ser. 4000/1 MSS. 315 map 20, 22, 23 and 24

ML MSS. 315/81-82

- K. Medical journal, and related paper, 1804
- i 'Copy of the Medical journal kept by Alexr. Berry surgeon of the Lord Hawkesbury, East Indiaman, in a voyage to India', 25 June -10 Sep. 1804

List of persons on board, entries by date for patients treated and monthly observations

Photostat copy at CY ML MSS. 315/81
 - ii 'List of military embarked on board the Honble Co's ship, Lord Hawkesbury 17 Regt Foot', 4 July 1804

ML MSS. 315/83

- L. Miscellaneous papers, c.1838 - 1862, n.d.
- Include i.a. Rev. John Dunmore Lang's charges against Rev. John McGarvie, c.1838, an obituary for Alexander and Elizabeth Macleay, 1848, Commodore Frederick Seymour's message to the chiefs of Fiji read by Captain Robert Jenkins, 1862, poems and cartoon
- Arranged chronologically

BOX ML MSS. 315/84

Item No.

- M. Printed material, 1833 - 1866
- i Acts and ordinances of New South Wales, 1833 - 1836, 1838 - 1840, 1844, 1846, 1857 1-10
 - ii Newscuttings, 1841, 1866 11

ML MSS. 315/85 [Request: CY 2527]

III Edward Wollstonecraft, 1805 - 1832

- A. Correspondence, 1805 - 1832
- i General correspondence, 9 Mar. 1812 -3 Mar. 1831¹

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

¹ Includes item formerly located at Ab 192/4

ML MSS. 315/86-87 [Request: CY 2479]

- ii Letters received from Alexander Berry,
8 July 1822 - 21 Aug. 1827; 10 Jan. 1829 - 7 Feb. 1832

ML MSS. 315/88 [Request: CY 2527]

- iii Family correspondence, 25 Mar. 1805 - 26 Apr. 1824
Arranged chronologically
Indexed

ML MSS. 315/89

- B. Miscellaneous business and legal papers, 1807 - 1826?
Include his will, 1811
Arranged chronologically

ML. MSS. 315/90 [Request: CY 3180]

Item No.

IV Elizabeth Berry, nee Wollstonecraft, 1789 - 1845

- A. Correspondence, 1789 - 1845
 - i Correspondence, 20 Sept. 1789 - 11 Mar. 1845 1
Arranged chronologically Indexed
 - ii Letters received from Edward Wollstonecraft, 3 Feb.
1812 - 15 Aug. 1823 2
- B. Papers, 1833?, n.d. 3
Include will draft, 1833?

ML MSS. 315/91

V Berry Family, 1741 - 1835

Family papers, 30 Nov. 1741 - 1 May 1835

Legal papers re disposition and assignment of real and personal property in Scotland, 1741 - 1792, and re dispute between John Lee Allen and James Berry and heirs resulting from Berry's lease of Daleally farm the property of Allen, 1803 - 1835

VI	<u>James Berry. 1811 - 1827</u>	
	A. Letters received (3) from Katherine Simpson, David Forsyth and William Simpson, 25 Oct. 1817, 30 Jan. 1824 and 21 Jan. 1825	1
	B. Accounts and receipts, 1811 - 1827	2
	Include receipts ¹ (6) for local taxes, 1811 - 1827, and an assessment ² for local taxes of W. Beveridge, 23 Aug. 1813	
VII	<u>John Berry, 1817 - 1848</u>	
	A. Correspondence, 1817 - 1848	
	i Letters received from Alexander Berry, 21 May 1817 - 17 Apr. 1848	3
	ii Correspondence, 6 Aug. 1827 - 6 Mar. 1848	4
	Arranged chronologically	
	Indexed	
	B. Papers, 10 June 1825 - 1 Jan. 1845	5
	Include financial, business and legal records	
	Arranged chronologically	
VIII	<u>Charles John Campbell, Agent for Alexander Berry 1838 - 1844</u>	
	A. Business correspondence, 17 Mar. 1838 - 11 Jan. 1844	6
	Includes letters received (6) from John Berry, John MacLean and his brother N. Campbell, together with his letter to William Lockhead	
	Arranged chronologically	
	B. Financial records, 8 Sep. 1839 - Dec. 1844	
	i Ledger, Feb. 1841 - Dec. 1844	7
	Signed by Campbell. With index	
	ii Accounts and receipts, 8 Sep. 1839 - 29 Jan. 1844	8
	¹ Formerly located at Ab 192/10	
	² Formerly located at Ab 192/11	

IX David Berry. 1832 - 1889

A. Correspondence, 1832 - 1889

- i Letters received from Alexander Berry,
1832, 1843 - 1873

Include copies of letters written and received
by Alexander Berry and letters written by his
clerk, W.G. Mathews

ML MSS. 315/97 [Request: CY 2255 for MLMSS 315/97 Item 1
Request: CY 2409 for MLMSS 315/97 Item 2] Item No.

- ii Letters received from John Hay,
25 May 1872 - 17 Jan. 1889 1

- iii Correspondence, 19 Mar. 1834 -
20 June 1848, June 1861 - Sep. 1889 2

Arranged chronologically

Indexed

B. Legal and property papers, 1832 - 1889

- i Legal papers, 1832 - 1874 3

Include his wills, 1832, 1848 and 1852,
together with copy wills of Edward
Wollstonecraft, Alexander Berry and William
Berry; copy of summons of adjudication, Wemyss
v. Berry, 1835; and indentures re lease of land
and premises at Belong with Rev. William Grant,
1855, 1874

- ii Property papers, 1841 - 1889

- a. Descriptions of land, 1832 - 1886, n.d. 4

- b. 'Farming on equal shares book',
1 May 1862 - 27 July 1865 5

Account current between David Berry and
John Campbell, Belong, and D.T. McPherson,
Jaspers Brush

- c. Estate of the late Alexander Berry,
17 Sep. 1873 6

Includes list of tenants

ML MSS. 315/98

- d. Returns, 1875, 1881 - 1887, 1889

ML MSS. 315/99

e. Miscellaneous, 1841 - 1886

Include despatch notes and receipts, 1841 - 1843; appointment as councillor for Illawarra, 1855; government publication 'Municipalities : correspondence etc., respecting the incorporation of Numba and of South Shoalhaven', 1868-9; 'Coolangatta', a poem of C. Catton, 1886; and petition from tenants re leases, n. d.

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

Four maps filed at M Ser. 4000/1 MSS. 315 map 10, 13, 21 and 25

ML MSS. 315/100 [Request: CY 3692]

Item No.

X	<u>William Berry, 1833 - 1875</u>	
	A. Correspondence, 1833 - 1875	
	i Correspondence, 20 Oct. 1833 - 8 Oct. 1875	1
	Arranged chronologically Indexed	
	ii Letters received from Alexander Berry, 29 July 1848? - 11 Aug. 1873	2
	B. Receipt for land purchase, 30 June 1857	3

BOXES ML MSS. 315/101-102

XI 'Berry estate letters', 1819 - 1874 : transcripts , synopses, indexes

Additional title : Berry estate records
Compiled by M. McHatton, Apr. 1918 - May 1922. Compiler's notation, eg. A100 written in red on letters 1

A. Transcripts and synopses, vols. 1-11, 1819 - 1874
Compiled Apr. 1918 - Oct. 1921

Arranged chronologically

BOX ML MSS. 315/102

B. Indexes, 1819 - 1846

- i vols. 1-3, alphabetical index by correspondent and subject to letters in vol. 1 of transcripts and synopses, 1819 - 1832

Compiled Nov. 1918 - Sep. 1919 Entitled 'Notes towards an index'

- ii vol. 4, chronological index to letters in vol. 2 of transcripts and synopses, 1833 - 1846

Compiled Apr. 1922 - May 1922
Incomplete

ML MSS. 315/103

XII Coolangatta Brass Band, 1888 - 1889

Minute book, Sep. 1888 - May 1889

Includes note written post 1946 re Brett Mortgage

BOX ML MSS. 315/104 [Request: CY 2170]

XIII Sir John Hay, 1849 - 1908

A. Correspondence, 1872-1908

- i General correspondence, 1873 - 1908

Chiefly letters received from employees and tenants. Correspondents include i.a. David Berry, Berry Agricultural Association, Berry School of Arts, Broughton Creek Literary and Debating Society, Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Berry Branch, C.E. Cooke, C.N. Davidson, Thomas Gillies, William Grant, Hardie & German, Alexander Hay, Jessie E. Hay, William Isley, Kiama Agricultural Association, Thomas M. Laycock, . Thomas Ralph Lewers, Lodge Broughton, H.L. Lovegrove, W.F. Martin, Philip H. Morton, James Norton, Norton, Smith and Co., Sir Henry Parkes, Rev. Luke Parr, James Quilkey, V.B. Riley, Government Surveyor, James Robertson, John Stewart, Stewart and Norton, auctioneers, and the University of St. Andrews

Topics include management of the Shoalhaven estate, Kiama to Nowra railway, south coast commerce, church donations and repairs, community groups, renaming of Broughton Creek to Berry, masonic meetings, land drainage, David Berry's will and bequest to University of St. Andrews, Henry Parkes' visit to Shoalhaven, 1888, job applications, repairs to schools, the David Berry Hospital, Sydney Harbour Trust and Berry's Bay Contains Hay's draft letter to Alfred McFarland, 28 October 1873, re Hay's family history; correspondence, 1863 - 1864, between Alexander Berry and Thomas Hall enclosed in J.T. Hall's letter, 21 Oct. 1889; letters addressed to James Robertson, accountant, Coolangatta, Philip H. Morton, Alexander Eraser, David Berry, M. Allison and Mrs Hay. Rough drafts of reply outlined on a number of incoming letters

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

BOX ML MSS. 315/105

Item No.

[Request: CY 3742, CY 3739, CY 3740, CY 3650, CY 3741]

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| ii | Correspondence with Honeyman family,
3 Feb. 1872, 19 June 1878 - 14 Aug. 1878,
31 July 1889 - 28 Nov. 1894 | 1 |
| | Chiefly letters from his cousin, John Hay Honeyman, with letters from Honeyman's wife, Essie, and his cousin, T. Honeyman, at Valparaiso, 8 Oct. 1890. Includes copies of Hay's telegrams, 1890 - 1891, to John Honeyman | |
| | Majority of letters written at Brighton, England; chief concerns business interests in New Zealand and family matters | |
| iii | Letters received, 1875 - 1894 | |
| | a. Letters received from William George Mathews, overseer, North Shore estate, 30 July - 20 Oct. 1875, 19 Feb. 1884 - 22 Dec. 1890 | 2 |
| | Include letters to James Robertson written during Hay's absence, Jan. 1889, and letters from Robert Armit to Hay, July - Aug. 1889 | |

- b. Letters received from Henry Gordon
Morton, land steward, Shoalhaven
estate, 16 Aug. - 20 Dec. 1875,
26 Jan. 1880 - 10 Dec. 1888,
Nov. 1894 1
- Include letters from Norton & Co., 5 May
1886, and from P.H. Morton, 30 Jan. 1887
and 4 June 1887
- c. Letters received from William L.
Hoffman, master of S.S. Meeinderry,
re Sydney Shoalhaven run, 24 July -
4 Nov. 1885 2
- d. Letters received from Robert F. Duck,
master of S.S. Coomonderry, and
D. Baines, re Sydney Shoalhaven run,
29 Oct. 1886 - 5 Jan. 1888 3
- Include copies of Duck's references, 16
Nov. 1881 - 16 Dec. 1884
- iv Letter book, 30 Oct. 1890 - 29 Apr. 1904 4
- Copies of letters written by Hay, or on his
behalf, as trustee for David Berry's estate,
executor of the will and principal legatee.
Correspondents include state and local
authorities, land dealers, solicitors and the
University of St. Andrews. Major concerns are
schools and roads, North Shore railway, land
valuations and purchases
- Includes letters to William Woodcock,
solicitor, St. Andrews, written by Hay as
trustee and executor for his uncles, Robert and
James Hay
- Copies at back of letter book
- Not indexed

- B. Papers re estates of David Berry and James Hay, 1877 - 1897
- i Re David Berry's bequest to the
University of St. Andrews,
1883 - 1897, 1904¹ 1

¹ Includes item formerly located at ML MSS. 802/g

Chiefly correspondence, with minutes of meetings of the Business and Finance Committee, University Court of St. Andrews and other printed material. Correspondents at the University include John Birrell, John Cunningham, James Donaldson, Stuart Grace and J. Bell Pettigrew. Included are copies of letters written by John Hay and by John Hay and James Norton as joint trustees, to the Marquis of Bute and Sir Robert Duff

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

- ii Re Berry will suit, Hay v. Simpson, 1890 2

Contain court exhibits, including letters (14), 25 Jan. 1876 - 2 June 1884, to John Hay from David Berry, diary of events written by Hay and newscuttings May, 1890

Not indexed

- iii Re legacy of James Hay to the poor of St. Andrews and Leuchars, Scotland, 1877, 1889 - 1892 3

Include codicil, 1877, to the will of James Hay; correspondence with William Woodcock, solicitor, St. Andrews, and letters from Woodcock to John Hay Honeyman, joint trustee with John Hay; release papers; and signed lists of the poor in St. Andrews and Leuchars receiving benefits from Hay's legacy

Arranged chronologically

Not indexed

C. Legal and property papers re Berry estate, 1886 - 1904

- i Wills of David Berry, 1886 - 1889 4

- ii Lists of deeds re Berry Estate, 1825 - 1886 and 1845 - 1879, left with Norton and Co., 1889, 1892¹ 5

- iii Notes and speech drafts for tenant meetings, c.1890 - 1893 6

¹ Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/d

ML MSS. 315/108

iv Returns, 1891, 1893

BOX ML MSS. 315/109

v 'Report on titles to the Berry estate,' ; 5 Apr. 1895, verified copies of grants and certificates of title, 1895, 1897, and Berry estate valuations, 1889, copied 1895

BOX ML MSS. 315/110

Item No.

[Request: CY 2478 for MLMSS 315/110 Items 1 and 3]

vi	Account of surveys and work on the Estate, July 1896 - Mar. 1897	1
vii	Memoranda, c.1896	2
viii	List of landholders, parish of Coolangatta, 12 June 1903 ¹	3
ix	Balance sheets, North Sydney and Shoalhaven estates, 1904 ²	4

M Ser. 4000/1 MSS. 315 map 17

x	'Part of the Berry estates, parishes of Broughton and Coolangatta, county of Camden', after 1889	
D.	Personal papers, 1849 - 1899	
i	Re Hay and Berry families, 1849 - 1898	5
ii	Re business interests in New Zealand, 1866 - 1882	6
iii	Illuminated address, 1890	7
iv	Re Alexander Berry and Shoalhaven settlement	
	a. Summaries and copies of papers by Alexander Berry, 1804-1835, 1852 - 1870	8

¹ Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/e

² Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/f

Include a declaration by Alexander Berry
before James Norton, 10 Jan. 1870, re
Edward Wollstonecraft, copied by John Hay,
n.d.

- b. Letters received from John Osborne
re a biography of Alexander Berry,
14 Dec. 1898 -27 June 1899

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ML MSS. 315/111 [Request: CY 2921]

- c. 'An Australian pioneer : being
memorials of the Hon. Alexander Berry,
M.L.C., of Coolangatta, New South Wales,
together with a chapter on David, William
and John Berry by John Hay, LL.D.'
With appendices, 'On the geology of
part of the coast of New South Wales
by Alexander Berry, Esq.' and
'The Blacks of Shoalhaven by Alexr.
Berry.' MS, carbon typescript,
port.

Compiled c.1899 with subsequent additions
and corrections

ML MSS. 315/112

E. Printed material, 1859 - 1906

- i 'Passages in the life of a nonagenarian : being ...
autobiographical notices written by the late Mr.
Alexander Berry' extracted from Sydney Morning Herald ,
24-30 Dec. 1873, together with obituary notices,
extracts from The Fife Herald , 26 Feb. - 12 Mar. 1874,
containing portions of letters from Berry, 1867-8, to a
friend in Forfarshire, a letter by Berry to the editor,
Sydney Morning Herald , 22 Feb. 1859 and bound with a
proof copy of p.1 and 2 of a book edition with running
title 'Passages in the life'. MS annotations.
Autographed on front endpaper : John Hay, Hazelbrook

ML MSS. 315/113

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| ii | Newspapers re Berry will case, 1890 | 1 |
| iii | Newscuttings re John Hay and the
Berry estate, 1889 - 1899 | 2 |
| iv | Leaflet and newscuttings re North Shore
Railway, Sydney Harbour and North
Sydney, 1889 - 1906 | 3 |

[Request: CY 2410 for MLMSS 315/114 Item 4
Request: CY 2478 for MLMSS 315/114 Item 5]

- XIV James Tod Hay, 1860 - 1887
- Letters received (5) from John Hay, the firm Hay and Honeyman and John Hay Honeyman, 2 Apr. 1860 - 19 June 1887 1
- XV Jessie Sinclair Hay, 1889. 1892
- Letters received (2) from Rev. John Walker and John Hay Honeyman, 20 May 1889 and 25 May 1892 2
- XVI Alexander Hay, 1889 - 1941
- A. Correspondence, 1889-1939
- i Letters received, 1889 - 1939
- a. Letters received from William George Mathews, overseer, North Shore estate, 5 Dec. 1889 - 24 Dec. 1890 3
- b. Letters received, 24 Feb. 1890 - 1 Apr. 1939 4
- Correspondents include i.a. Berry Agricultural Association, C.E. Cooke, John Hay, W. Isley, Frederick L. Jones, of Mercer University, Georgia, M. McHatton, John Osborne, John Swift, H.A. Thompson, Edward Wallington and F. Winchcombe
- Arranged chronologically
- Not indexed
- ii Correspondence, 1903-1936
- a. Correspondence, with related papers, re David Berry Hospital, 1903-1909 5
- Arranged chronologically
- Not indexed
- b. Correspondence, chiefly with artist Will Longstaff re the sale of his painting 'Vimy Ridge', 11 Sep. 1930 - 8 May 1936 6
- Arranged chronologically
- Not indexed

- B. Papers re estate of Sir John Hay, 1909 - 1912 1
- Include financial statements and balance sheets, 1909 - 1910, Alexander Hay's draft report for the trustees and beneficiaries in the Berry and Coolangatta estates, c.Feb. 1910, letters received, 18 Mar. 1910 and 9 Feb. 1912, synopses of the will of Sir John Hay and scheme of appropriation, 1910, and accounts, 1901 - 1908, compiled 1911
- Arranged chronologically
- Not indexed
- C. Personal papers, 1898-1939 2
- Include speech drafts to electors of Moruya, c.1898, papers re estate of his brother, Harvey David Hay, 1899 - 1900, papers including letters re Illawarra election 1901, printed diary¹ with ms. entries, 1915, notes from M. McHatton re Berry estate letters, 1917, 192-, letter of introduction from Prime Minister Bruce, 1927, notes, c.1939, and an autobiographical memorandum, n.d.
- Arranged chronologically
- D. 'Coolangatta Estate, Shoalhaven', 1819 - c.1912, compiled by M. McHatton for Alexander Hay, n.d. 23ff. 3
- E. Milk returns, 1939 - 1941² 4

ML MSS. 315/116

- F. Printed material, c.1891 - 1923
- Include newscuttings, 1891 - 1903, n.d., re Alexander Hay, his political campaigns, including Illawarra, 1901, and Glen Innes, 1903, and the Berry estate; memos and invitations, 1894 - 1923; and an illustration by Ayrshire cattle from Coolangatta, pre 1909

¹ Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/h

² Formerly located at ML MSS. 802/i

XVII William G. Mathews, before 1902

'Reminiscences of an old colonist', 1814 - 189-, written by W.G.. Mathews, before 1902. MS, with annotations in pencil. '8ff.

Verso of last page : Published "Sun" 15/10/38

XVIII Printed material, 1863 - 1938

Include journal article, 'Illawarra', c.1872, signed A. McF., i.e. Alfred McFarland, and 'The Blacks of Shoalhaven' containing Alexander Berry's reminiscences; proofs (2) • of 'Alex. & David Berry, the donors of 100,000 pounds to St. Andrews University', c.1890; newscuttings of 'Coolangatta Estate, Shoalhaven', compiled by M. McHatton for Alexander Hay, of 'Alexander Berry and his "Government Men"', 1938, by James Valentine, i.e. John Fitzgerald Fairfax, and extracts from The Sun , Oct. 1938, re Berry papers by Walter E. Bethel

Newspapers shelved with the manuscripts

The Argus (Melbourne)

1854 May 22

The Berry Register (Incomplete issues)

1894 Nov . 24

Dec . 1

1898 Nov. 26

1900 Sep. 8

1909 Sep. 25

Broughton Creek Mail (Incomplete)

1895 Sep. 12

The Broughton Creek Register

1889 Sep. 28

Oct. 5

The Colonist

1836 May 12, 19, 26

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

July 7, 14, 21

Aug. 11, 25

Sep. 1, 8, 15, 22

Oct. 6, 13

Nov. 3, 17, 24

Dec. 15, 22

1837 Jan. 5, 26

Feb. 9, 23

Mar. 2, 23, 30

Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27

May 4, 11, 18

June 1, 8, 15, 29

July 6, 13, 20, 27

Aug. 3, 17

Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26

Nov. 30

Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28

The Daily Telegraph (Sydney)

1889 Aug. 7

Oct. 5

1890 May 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

The Examiner (Kiama)

1860 Mar. 14, 21
Aug. 22
Sep. 26
Oct. 6, 13, 20, 24, 27
1861 Dec. 17

The Freeman's Journal

1860 Sep. 15

The Illawarra Express

1859 Dec. 21, 24
1860 Jan. 4, 18 (incomplete), 21
Feb. 4, 11, 15, 18, 29
Mar. 14, 21
Apr. 11
May 19
June 2, 6
Aug. 11, 15, 18, 22, 25
Sep. 1, 8, 19, 22, 26
Oct. 10, 17
Nov. 17
1861 Jan. 19
Feb. 16
Oct. 23
1862 Feb. 1
May 10
June 21
1863 July 29
1865 Apr. 12

The Illawarra Mercury

1856 Mar. 31
1865 Mar. 31
1868 Feb. 11
1889 Sep. 26
Oct. 1

The Kiama Independent

1866 Sep. 20
1879 July 1
1889 Oct. 1, 4
Dec. 27
1890 Apr. 15
May 16

Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper (London)

1856 Mar. 23

The Nowra Colonist

1888 Nov. 28
1889 Aug. 7
Oct. 2
1890 May 14

The Presbyterian

1889 Oct. 12

The Shoalhaven News (Incomplete issues)

1889 Sep. 28
1891 Mar. 7
1898 Nov. 26

The Sydney Mail (Incomplete issues)

1863 Jan. 24
May 23
July 25
Aug. 1

The Sydney Monitor

1835 May 20

The Sydney Morning Herald

1889 Sep. 24, 28, 30 (Incomplete)

Western Mail (Cardiff)

1894 June 20, 21