
ANGAS, George Fife

PRG 174
Series List

The personal papers of George Fife Angas (1832 - 1879) comprise extensive correspondence, diaries, indentures and photographs which document the life and business ventures of one of South Australia's founding fathers. The papers were donated to the State Archives in the 1920's by the descendants of G.F Angas and because of their personal and business nature are now housed in the Mortlock Library's Archival Collection. While the bulk of the records were accessioned in the 1920's, the collection has been added to over the years, the family releasing papers as they see fit. A large number of records were purchased by the State Library in 2015 (Series 81-96).

George Fife Angas is remembered as a benevolent philanthropist and visionary whose dream of settling a colony with free thinking, honest, hard working people was realised through the activities of the South Australian Company, a company founded by him to encourage the free flow of emigration that marked the early years of the colony. In his enthusiasm for religious tolerance he financed the first wave of Prussian dissidents who, fleeing religious persecution in their homeland, arrived in the colony with their religious leader, Pastor Kavel, and settled on land provided for them in the Barossa Valley, Klemzig and Hahndorf.

The Angas papers in the Mortlock Library are used extensively by historians and students of South Australian history. The letters span the years 1832 - 1848 and report in detail on the conditions in the new colony and the business affairs, internal quarrellings and fluctuating fortunes of the South Australian Company and its officers. The papers were used by Edwin Hodder in his biography of GF Angas and by Douglas Pike in his history of South Australia *Paradise of Dissent*. They are in good condition although somewhat faded and have been microfilmed so that the originals can be archived to prevent any further deterioration. They provide an excellent account of South Australia's earliest years and according to Douglas Pike they "reflect a sober, conservative, middle class urban outlook, coloured with a keen interest in the natives and the humanitarian aspect of experimental colonialism."

In terms of heritage and social significance the Angas papers can be compared to those of other philanthropists and social reformers who made a positive contribution on a large scale, the results of which remain evident today.

Letters relating to South Australia 1832-1842. 4 bundles Includes typed transcripts of selected letters filed after the originals. See special list for details.	<u>1</u>
Index to writers of above 1 volume	<u>2</u>

Letters from London managers of South Australian Company. 1834-1842. 1 bundle See special list for details.	<u>3</u>
Private correspondence from managers of S.A. Company and S.A. Bank. 1838-1850. 1 bundle [Some pages stored in outsize folder with series 13.]	<u>4</u>
Letters from Australia 1837-1846. 1 bundle	<u>5</u>
Index to writers of above 1 volume	<u>6</u>
Letters from South Australia 1836-1844. 2 bundles [Certain numbered pages, too large for folders, have been removed to an outsize folder.]	<u>7</u>
Index to writers of above 1 volume	<u>8</u>
Typescript copies of series 7, pages 1-311 2 folders	<u>9</u>
Copies of letter written by G.F. Angas 1836-1841. 1 volume	<u>10</u>
S.A. Company papers 1834-1847. 1 portfolio [2 solander boxes each with 3 folders.]	<u>11</u>
Index to above 1 volume	<u>12</u>
S.A. Colonisation Commission papers 1831-1848. 1 portfolio	<u>13</u>
Index to above 1 volume	<u>14</u>
Agreement between G.F. Angas and Henry Currie re the discharge of a debt to the latter. 1850. 1 item [received with tsf. P416.]	<u>15</u>

Letter to G.F. Angas from his son John Howard Angas relating to his early experiences in the colony 1843-1848. 4 cm	<u>16</u>
Diaries of George Fife Angas 1849-1857. 4 cm MICROFILM COPY ONLY No.52 13 May 1849 – 13 July 1850 No.53 13 July 1850 – 31 December 1854 No.54 1 January 1855 – 21 March 1857 No.55 22 March 1857 – 31 December 1858 No.56 [not filmed – missing] No.57 1 June 1861 – 31 December 1864 No.58 1 January 1865 – 31 December 1866 No.59 1 January 1857 – (incomplete)	<u>17</u>
Letters to George Fife Angas from Lord Glenelg re Angas' involvement with New Zealand. 1838, 1845. 2 items + envelope	<u>17A</u>
Letter with photograph to Sir Richard MacDonnell from G.F. Angas 2 September 1857. 1 item	<u>18</u>
Letter to G.F. Angas from John Menge 1849. 1 item	<u>19</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and Captain Hindmarsh 1835-1839. 1.5 cm	<u>20</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and Colonel Gawler 1838-1846. 1.5 cm	<u>21</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and Captain George Grey 1840-1864. 1 cm	<u>22</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and Sir R.G. MacDonnell 1855-1861. 1 cm	<u>23</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and H.E.F. Young 1848-1852. 0.5 cm	<u>24</u>
Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and J.G.L. Lefevre 1835-1861. 0.5 cm	<u>25</u>

Copies of correspondence between G.F. Angas and the Secretaries of State for the colonies 1835-1861. 1 cm	<u>26</u>
Letter from G.F. Angas to his son John Howard Angus of Angaston circa 1844-50 (badly faded, almost illegible) nd.	<u>27</u>
New Zealand and how it became a British Provenance. December 1868. 1.5 cm Document compiled from official and other records in the possession of G.F. Angas by H. Hussey.	<u>28</u>
Folder of newspaper cuttings from the South Australian Register and the Evening Journal, relating to the South Australian Company and the British settlement of New Zealand. 1869-1870. 1 cm	<u>29</u>
A plan for the establishment of schools in the new colony of South Australia 0.5 cm. Printed, with a letter from G.F. Angas to Dr Dirk, 13 January 1840 and brochure on South Australia produced by the Board of the S.A. Company for 'the guidance of persons interested in the colony' and sent to Dr Dirk by G.F.A.1841. Annotated by G.F.A.	<u>30</u>
Copy of an indenture between George Fife Angas and Charles Flaxman to release to George Fife Angas 20,861 acres, claimed by Flaxman at the source of the Rhine and Gawler River. 1842. 0.5 cm. See also series 60.	<u>31</u>
Letters of attorney between Messrs F.S.C.C. Mengles and Price to Messrs Forster and Brewer and Messrs Trower, Lawson and Lawson to Messrs Forster and Brewer. 1841. 5cm.	<u>32</u>
Documents of agreement between George Fife Angas and August Fiedler and August Kavel re emigrants from Hamburg. 1838-1854. 7 items + envelope.	<u>33</u>
Silhouette of George Fife Angas. [By Eduard; "the famous silhouettist"] and ink engraving, signed by George Fife Angas. 2 items.	<u>34</u>

Plan of the township of Truro, sect.240 of the Hundred of North Rhine. 1860. 58 x 58 cm	<u>35</u>
On the saving of New Zealand from the French. Manuscript. 1865. 0.5cm.	<u>36</u>
Annotated newspaper cuttings from the South Australian Register 1869 re South Australia and New Zealand. 1869-1870. 4 items.	<u>37</u>
Leaflet on 'The special surveys of the Barossa Range in South Australia and terms for letting lands on long leases with the right to purchase'. n.d. 1 item.	<u>38</u>
Last will and testament of George Fife Angas. 1879. 1cm.	<u>39</u>
'A short account of the benevolent society and saving fund at Messrs Angas' manufactory, Newcastle upon Tyne. Newcastle' by George Angus. 1816. 0.5 cm Printed.	<u>40</u>
Handwritten note recounting the activities of the ancestors of George Fife Angas. 1582-1884. 1 item.	<u>41</u>
Plan and valuation of property in Angas Court belonging to Messrs Bewecke & Craster. 1839. 32 x 46 cm	<u>42</u>
Memoranda of the Angas Family. 1830. 0.5 cm (1 volume) Manuscript. [With family name spelt Angus. By R. Pengilly, Newcastle.]	<u>43</u>
Bookplate of G.F. Angas ca.1880. 1 item. Printed [Shows family name spelt Angus. Formerly accession D6595 Misc.]	<u>44</u>
Letter to Rosetta French c.1808. 1 item. Holograph copy Comprises letter instructing Rosetta French on improvement of her mind. [Formerly accession V415.]	<u>45</u>
Draft address to London Missionary Society 1811. 22p. Manuscript [Formerly accession A461.]	<u>46</u>

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- Letter to Caleb Angas 47
1824. 1 item. Manuscript
Comprises letter to G.F. Angas' father Caleb
announcing G.F. Angas' arrival in London. With
minute by Caleb Angas. [Formerly accession A454.]
- Letter from Pastor Kavel 1839. 1 item 48
Comprises letter thanking Angas for his generosity to
German refugees. With references to Klemzig and
Hahndorf. [Formerly accession A800.]
- Letter to Thomas Dirk 49
1838-44. 6 items. Manuscript and photographic
copies
Comprises letters to Dr Dirk, scientific writer, Dundee,
on proposal for a mission to Aboriginal people of the
Murray-Darling, difficulty funding emigration and
establishment of a college in the Barossa. With
brochure on funding for schools and South Australian
Company report. [Items 2-6 formerly accession D
5992(L) and D 6860(Misc), P 1317].
- Letters to Dr J. Lee 50
1844-45. 2 items. Manuscript
Comprises letter referring to emigration of
unemployed miners together with unsigned letter
endorsed GFA referring to the need for emigration.
[Formerly accession D3624 L]
- Notice of dissolution of partnership 51
1842. 2 items. Printed
Comprises circular announcing dissolution of G.F.
Angas -George Miller partnership and continuation by
Angas alone. With London Gazette notice. [Formerly
accessions A43 and A1103]
- Papers relating to claim against Flaxman and Rowlands 52
1849. 5p. Photocopies
Relates to land purchase in Barossa Valley. [Formerly
accession D 6189(Misc)]
- Letter to J.H. Angas on departure 53
1850. 1 item. Manuscript
Comprises letter announcing departure from Plymouth
for the Ascendant. [Formerly accession A456.]

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- Letter from John Howard Angas relating to business affairs 1853. 1 item. Manuscript 54
Authorises G.F. Angas to take charge of business affairs of his son J.H. Angas. [Formerly accession A455.]
- Drafts of bills 55
1850-1863. 1 cm. Manuscript.
Includes notes and annotated Parliamentary Papers.
See special list for details. [Formerly accession V63]
- Addresses from electors 56
1865. 2 items. Manuscript
Comprises addresses requesting G.F. Angas to stand for re-election to the Legislative Council. [Formerly accession V62].
- Correspondence relating to Sunday Schools manuscript 57
1865-1866. 5p. Manuscript
Relates to copying of manuscript on English Sunday Schools. [Formerly accession D5904 Misc.]
- Manuscript 'On the saving of New Zealand from the French' 58
1865. 1 cm (55 pages). Manuscript
With pencil corrections throughout, and annotations in ink on page 1 'Copy G.F. Angas'. Remarks on page 55 indicate the copy was made at Prospect Hall, Adelaide on 28 April 1865, possibly by John Howard Angas ('J.A')? The pages have a separate front wrapper with George Fife Angas' name, address and 'New Zealand narrative. Saved from the French!' This manuscript was probably used by Henry Hussey to compile his 'New Zealand and how it became a British Province', 1868. (See series 28 and photocopy D 5576(T).)
- Oval miniature portrait of Mrs Rosetta Angas 59
ca.1840. 5 cm x 4 cm Artwork.
Photographic copy made, original in RBR. A photographic version also in the Pictorial Collection at B 25115. Rosetta Angas died at Angaston on 11 January 1867, aged 74.

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- Legal documents 60
- 1828-1843. 1 cm RESTRICTED MICROFILM
- Item 1: Agreement between John French and Thomas Flint Field re lease of messuage tenement and pieces of land in the county of Essex. 20 June 1828.
2 sheets, 62 cm x 51 cm
- Item 2: Probate on the will and codicil of Caleb Angas, 24 May 1831. 6 sheets and small page, 80 cm x 61 cm.
- Item 3: Indenture between Charles and Mrs Flaxman and George F. Angas re release in fee of 2451 acres of land in seven special surveys on the sources of the Rhine and Gawler Rivers. 25 August 1843. 1 sheet, 70 cm x 53 cm.
- Item 4: Indenture between Charles Flaxman and George F. Angas re the release in 'fee of 460 acres of land in the tributaries, and western sources of the Torrens special survey', 25 August 1843. 1 sheet, 70 cm x 16 cm
- Angas family tree 61
- nd. 115 cm x 65 cm RESTRICTED MICROFILM
- Starts with Alexander Angas (1584-) and covers 10 generations on a couple of lines. 1 sheet.
- Addresses presented to G.F. Angas 62
- 1848 and nd. Negatives only
- Item 1: Document from the annual general meeting of the S.A. Company acknowledging the important role played by G.F. Angas as director of the S.A. Company in its development, 28 June 1848.
- Item 2: Document acknowledging (and listing) the original directors of the S.A. Company. n.d.
- Letter written by George Fife Angas 63
- 1866, 0.5 cm
- Letter written by George Fife Angas to Jonathan Angas of Newcastle-on-Tyne, thanking him for his management of GFA's late father's property in the north of England. Sent from Lindsay House near Angaston, 17 February 1866.
Original WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK

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- Letters written by George Fife Angas 64
1850-1870. 0.5 cm.
Letters written by George Fife Angas to Jonathan Angas and solicitor John Fenwick, both of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Edward Budden of Budden, Bevan & Tozer of London, relating to matters of the estate of his father Caleb Angas (died 1831) and the sale of land left to GFA. Letters were sent from Adelaide and Lindsay House near Angaston, over the period 1860-1870. Some are copies of earlier letters or include extracts of earlier correspondence. See special list. Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Legal documents with Fenwick and Falconar, solicitors in Newcastle on Tyne relating to Will of Caleb Angas 65
1864-1865. 0.5 cm
1. Schedule of Deeds and writings relating to estate of late Caleb Angas held by Fenwick & Falconar;
2. Memoranda connected with Will and property of late Caleb Angas, 1865;
3. Analysis of Directions contained in Will of late Caleb Angas, 1864;
4. Account from Fenwick & Falconar to the trustees under Will of late Caleb Angas, 1865;
5. Account from Fenwick & Falconar to the trustees under Will of late Caleb Angas, 1865;
6. Copy of letter to George Fife Angas from Fenwick & Falconar, May 1865;
7. Press copy of account from Fenwick & Falconar to the trustees under Will of late Caleb Angas, 1865;
8-12. Letters from Fenwick & Falconar to Jonathan Angus, trustee of estate of Caleb Angas, May 1865-September 1867.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Legacy receipts to Inland Revenue 66
1864-1865. 0.5 cm.
Inland Revenue Proforma for property chargeable under the Legacy Duty Acts relating to division of estate of Caleb Angas at decease in 1861 of his eldest son John Lindsay Angas. Separate receipts signed by grandchildren Emma Johnson, Caleb Angas Windeatt and T. Edcombe Parson, William Henry Angas, George French Angas, Sarah Lindsay Evans and spouse Henry Evans, Rosetta French Hannay and spouse John Hannay, and John Howard Angas. Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK

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- Bond of Indemnity 67
1864. 0.5 cm.
Bond of Indemnity by Messrs Caleb Angas Windeatt,
George Parson and Alfred Rooker of Plymouth, Devon
to Edward Budden, merchant of London, Jonathan
Angus and Thomas Emerson, both of Newcastle on
Tyne, for payment on Caleb Angas property in latter
place. Includes envelope.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Notice from one of trustees of Parson marriage settlement 68
1862. 0.5 cm
Notice to Edward Budden, Jonathan Angus and
Thomas Emerson, trustees under Will of Caleb Angas,
of indenture of 1838 between George Parson, step-
daughter Mary Ann Windeatt, and Thomas Edgcombe
Parson relating to marriage settlement of George
Parson and Mary Ann Windeatt senior (nee Angas).
Original WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Account of rent collected for G.F. Angas property 69
1863. 0.5 cm
Account by Joseph Cowell of rent collected for G.F.
Angas' property in St John's Lane, Newcastle and in
Durham from 1859-1863
Original WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Letters from Jonathan Angus, trustee, to various people 70
1864-1868. 0.5 cm.
Copies of letters written by Jonathan Angus, a trustee
of the estate of Caleb Angas, to various people as
under: 1-5 & 9. Edward Budden, 1864-1868; 6. Robert
Anderson, Bank of England, 1867; 7. Accountant
General, Bank of England; and 8. Miss Sarah Angas
of Plymouth, sister of G.F. Angas.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Letters from Edward Budden to Jonathan Angus 71
1864-1867, 1872. 1 cm
24 letters from Edward Budden, of Budden, Bevan
and Tozer, St Mary Axe, London to Jonathan Angus, a
trustee, about the payment to Angas grandchildren of
their legacy from property in estate of Caleb Angas.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK

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- Documents relating to bankruptcy of Budden & Bevan 1868. 0.5 cm. 72
1. Notice of Trust Deed to trustees of Caleb Angas' estate as creditor for 900 pounds; 2. 'Form of Content to Deed of Inspectorship' by creditors of estate of Budden & Bevan.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Letters from Miss Sarah Angas and others to Jonathan Angus. 73
1864-1870. 0.5 cm.
Letters written from 7 Bedford Terrace, Plymouth, Devon, mostly by Sarah Angas, sister of G.F. Angas, but also her niece Mary Ann Parson, brother-in-law George Parson, and Rev. John Hannay, husband of her niece Rosetta, to Jonathan Angus, Newcastle on Tyne. Includes one letter from Sarah Angas to Henry Angas, possibly a cousin of Jonathan Angus.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Three letters from G.E. Gray, Chief Accountant, Bank of England to Jonathan Angus 74
1867-1868. 0.5 cm
Letters and other papers relating to amount of Consolidated Stock, with an earlier receipt of 1866 relating to Joint Stock 3% annuities, in the names of Edward Budden, Jonathan Angus and Thomas Emerson.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Four letters from R.B. Beddome 75
1868-1869. 0.5 cm
Letters from Richard B. Beddome, 27 Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street, London, attorney for G.F. Angas, to Jonathan Angus regarding Caleb Angas trust matters. Includes a copy of Angus' reply to one of the letters (7 May 1868).
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Letters from E.H. Usher to Jonathan Angus 76
1864. 0.5 cm.
Two letters from Edward H. Usher, coach builder, 80 New Elvet, Durham, relating to his mortgage of 800 pounds on a coach factory with the Caleb Angas trust.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK

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- Letters from Joseph Angus to Jonathan Angus 77
1870-1871. 0.5 cm.
Three letters from Joseph Angus, 'Cole Reg. Pk.', one of which relates to papers in series 74 in the Angus Trust. Another mentions Sarah Angus and investments made by her trustees.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Note re payment of principal of interest 78
1864. 0.5 cm.
Note relating to the principal of interest due to the trustees of Caleb Angus at 5%, received by Jonathan Angus, 14 September 1864.
Original WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Receipt for principal of mortgage 79
1867. 0.5 cm.
Receipt for 900 pounds for mortgage of property in Newcastle by Sarah Angus to late Richard Grainger.
Original WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK
- Letters from Jonathan Angus 80
1864-1868. 0.5 cm.
Letters written by Jonathan Angus to Edward Budden, the Accountant General, Bank of England, G.F. Angus, Richard Beddome, Rev. J. Hannay and some now indecipherable press copies letters, sewn together. They appear to relate to Caleb Angus trust matters.
Originals WITHDRAWN; ASK AT DESK

The following items were purchased by the State Library in 2015

- G.F. Angas' Index to Family & Honduras Letters 81
ca.1832-1835. 1 volume. 2 cm.
Small notebook of approximately 134 pages containing an annotated list of correspondence from 1796 to 1835 with details of approximately 650 letters received or written by George Fife Angas, along with correspondence between other Angas family members, and an index of names. The index was possibly compiled by George Fife Angas in 1832, the year his brother William died, and a year after the death of his father Caleb, and the majority of the recorded letters were from Caleb and William. The letters are grouped under 20 main correspondents including: Caleb Angas, George's siblings John, Caleb Junior, Joseph, William, Mary Ann and Sarah, and his future wife Rosetta French and her parents. A small number of the original letters (with red ink cataloguing numbers matching the records in this index) survived and are in the present archive (see Series 94). The contents of the first 13 pages indicate that the original use of the notebook was to record 'Purchases for Honduras'.
Original WITHDRAWN

Letters relating to business activities in Honduras

82

1820-1842. 1 bundle. 4.5 cm.

A collection of 40 documents relating to George Fife Angas' activities in Honduras, where he was active in the shipping and the mahogany trade in Central America, sourcing the hardwood timber for the family's coach-building firm in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Comprising: printed indulgence from 1820; proposals for various business ventures including a mint in Guatemala, a coining machine, the extraction of gold from mineral waters, and a glass bottle manufacturing plant; legal documents relating to powers of attorney and wills; and will and commissions in the Military Forces of Honduras for William Williamson. Includes letters and documents in Spanish, some with translations into English. Highlights from the series include:

PRG 174/82/5: retained copy of a letter from George Fife Angas on 10 September 1821 regarding the 'Mission to the Mosquito Coast'.

PRG 174/82/12: a lengthy account over 16 pages sent to George Fife Angas on 8 May 1824 from Belize concerning the capture by pirates of one of his ships, a schooner scuttled after the murder of all but two of the crew and the theft of the cargo.

PRG 174/82/17: retained clerical copy of a detailed letter from 6 August 1826 regarding the establishment of an emigration colony in the newly-formed 'Central Republic of America', a short-lived nation, founded in 1823, racked with infighting, which broke up in 1840.

PRG 174/82/31: an account from 1837 of the Scottish fraudster Gregor McGregor and the fictitious Central American country he invented, Payais [Poyais] on the Gulf of Honduras.

PRG 174/82/36-39: a series of four letters (14 pages) from August 1841 to April 1842 providing much detail about George Fife Angas' various business ventures and problems, and his instructions for the disposal of all his business interests in Honduras. On two occasions he mentions his financial problems in South Australia, on 29 December 1841 and 15 April 1842.

Originals WITHDRAWN

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- Draft of the 1st Report of the South Australian Company 83
1836. 1 volume. 1 cm.
One small notebook with title in ink on the front cover
'Draft of the 1st Report of the So. Australian Co. From
Jany 22, 1836 the day of its foundation to April 22,
1836, when the Jn. Pirie cleared out at the Euston
House. By G.F. Angas, Chairman'. George Fife
Angas' manuscript draft of pages 5-31 inclusive of the
published report, *First Report of the Directors of the
South Australian Company* (London, 1836, presented
by G.F. Angas on 20 May 1836). The manuscript
contains numerous amendments, annotations and
deletions. Loosely inserted is a printed copy of the
1859 *Supplementary Report of the Directors of The
South Australian Company*.
Original WITHDRAWN
- Copy of the South Australian Company Deed of 84
Settlement, 1836
1836. 1 volume. 2 cm.
One small notebook with title on cover 'Copy of the
South Australian [Company] Deed of Settlement.
Dated June 27th 1836. Com[mended] Jan 22 1836.
G.F. Angas'. George Fife Angas' personal copy (in a
secretarial hand) of the Deed of Settlement of the
South Australian Company, with an index and an
abbreviated version of the indenture. With some
pencilled underlining and marginalia.
Original WITHDRAWN

Union Bank of Australia

85

1837-1854. 5 cm.

Portfolio compiled by George Fife Angas from his own contemporary documents relating to the foundation of the Union Bank of Australia in 1837. Pages are individually numbered 1-312 (119-126 missing, plus some pages not numbered), with the majority of the items from the early years of the Bank, 1837-1839. Includes an index, meeting minutes, correspondence, prospectus, promissory notes, shares and list of shareholders, accounts, report of Directors, newspaper cuttings, and copies of legal agreements. Many of the letters are written by Mashfield Mason, the Secretary of the Union Bank. In his notes and memorandum, George Fife Angas claims full responsibility for establishing the Union Bank of Australia, but also notes that he received no acknowledgement of compensation for his role.

Highlights of the series include:

Pages 7-8: 'Notes on founding the Union Bank of Australia by G.F.A.', along with his detailed memorandum (pages 3-5 and 312), comprising an annotated timeline for the rapid formation of the bank from May to July 1837, to his resignation from the Board of Directors in December 1841.

Pages 9-12: a critical document in support of George Fife Angas' claims, the original letter from Edmund Wheeler, Manager of the South Australian Company, dated 29 May 1837, sent to George Fife Angas at Dawlish in Devonshire, comprising clerical copies of two letters (13 and 25 January 1837) from Lewis Gilles, Manager of the Tamar Bank in Launceston, and agent for the South Australian Company in Van Diemen's Land.

Originals WITHDRAWN

George Fife Angas' 'Great journey on horseback' diary

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1846-1847. 1 volume. 0.5 cm.

One small notebook (missing cover) with the title 'Great journey on horseback for the recovery of my health, November 16, 1846 to May 25, 1847'. Pages 1-26 give an account of the journey of 2000 miles over the six-month period, listing his crippling financial worries, business disasters and major health issues. Pages 26-37 outline the business outcomes and personal reflections, written between 26-29 May 1847 on his return to London, giving details of the costly resolutions of many of his difficulties.

Original WITHDRAWN

Correspondence relating to early South Australia 87

1834-1865. 1 bundle. 2 cm.

Collection of 67 letters dated 28 October 1834 to 3 December 1865 relating to early South Australia, comprising: draft letters and retained clerical copies from George Fife Angas along with their replies, including correspondence with the Colonial Office concerning his scheme to establish a British colony in New Zealand in 1838, and his lobbying in connection with the Australian Waste Lands Bill in 1846; correspondence signed by Sir George Grey, Earl Grey, and Rowland Hill; the calligraphic testimonial presented to George Fife Angas by the South Australian Company on his departure for the colony in 1850; and letters from Captain Robert Morgan, Barzillai Quaife and George Eaton Stanger. Highlights of the series include:

PRG 174/87/2: 16 December 1834, clerical copy docketed by George Fife Angas 'Jocelyn Thomas, Launceston. An alleged claim to Kangaroo Island – offers the S.A.L.C. the Western half of it'. Letter written to George Fife Angas as chairman of the South Australian Land Company. Thomas claims to be one of a group of settlers who purchased Kangaroo Island.

PRG 174/87/10: 16 November 1838, letter to George Fife Angas signed by George Eaton Stanger, who had just returned from a voyage to Hobart Town, South Australia, Kangaroo Island, and New Zealand, sending information collected about the locations, giving details and criticisms on the depravity and crime he witnessed.

PRG 174/87/21: 5 July 1841, letter to George Fife Angas signed by Barzillai Quaife in Kororareka, Bay of Islands, New Zealand, with details of his activities setting up a circulating library and 'Bible and tract depot' in Adelaide, arriving in September 1839.

Originals WITHDRAWN

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- Business papers of George Fife Angas in South Australia 88
1846-1857. 31 bundles & loose documents. 17.5 cm.
Approximately 700 documents relating to the business activities of George Fife Angas in South Australia from 1846 to 1857. The majority of items are from 1850 to 1851, with over 300 documents from the year 1851, and comprise mainly correspondence and business papers to or from John Howard Angas at Tarrawatta. Documents include: bills of sale of cattle, sheep and horses; matters relating to leases, rents, agreements, and loan repayments; accounts; and legal documents. Also includes material relating to the Wheal Barton Mining Association and the Barossa Range Mining Company. Correspondents include: Charles Flaxman, Arthur Freeling, August Kavel (3 April 1851), and other German settlers (writing in German). Documents are grouped by year. See special list for details.
Originals WITHDRAWN
- Interest Roll for 1862 89
1862. 1 item. 0.5 cm.
Large-format pair of spreadsheets 'Interest Roll for the year 1862' giving full details of the £50,526 George Fife Angas had out on loan. Debtors included: Benjamin Boothby, his son John Howard Angas, his son-in-law Henry Evans, Martin Basedow, David Randell, George Hawker, and numerous chapels and Bible Societies.
Original WITHDRAWN
- Tarrawatta Inventory 1864 90
1864. 4 volumes. 1 cm.
One booklet 'Tarrawatta Inventory, 30 May 1864' comprising the complete list of the contents of Tarrawatta Station and House (plus the woolshed, 16 June 1864), with some values penciled in. Three booklets 'July 7 1864. Mr James Treloar's valuation of Tarrawatta Concern', listing the value of items by room.
Originals WITHDRAWN

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- Business papers of George Fife Angas in South Australia 1865. 3 bundles and loose papers. 3 cm. 91
Approximately 150 documents relating to the business activities of George Fife Angas in South Australia between July and December 1865, comprising correspondence concerning loans, rents, repayments, land purchases, and Legislative Assembly matters, including some with legal content from Samuel Way. Highlights of the series include: Patrick Auld writing about wine; a German settler commenting on George Fife Angas' goodness to Germans in distress; the Adams Bay mission in the Northern Territory; and letters from George Fife Angas mainly to his land steward William Clark in the Barossa. Also includes scraps of miscellaneous papers. Five letters written by George Fife Angas are held in digital format only, comprising four letters to William Clark from July 1865, and 1 letter to J.A. Johnson 23 December 1865. Originals WITHDRAWN
- Miscellaneous business papers 1874-1879. 1 bundle. 0.5 cm. 92
Thirty two miscellaneous documents including receipts and accounts, predominantly from 1878 to 1879. Includes George Fife Angas' Interest Role for 1 January 1878, with debtors including his son John, Joseph Gilbert, George Hawker, Robert Barr Smith, C.B. Fisher and Walter Duffield. Also includes one small booklet '1875 Mr Trager's Bricks delivery at Lindsay House' which has one page filled out, one page torn out, and the rest is blank, and newspaper cuttings from the *South Australian Register*, August-September 1869, re the role of George Fife Angas in the foundation of the colony of South Australia. Originals WITHDRAWN
- Angas family genealogy papers 1789-1904. 1 bundle. 2 cm. 93
Approximately 60 documents comprising: copies or extracts of birth certificates, marriage certificates, instructions for funerals, family trees, and similar items, for members of the Angas family including: Caleb Angas, John Lindsay Angas, George Fife Angas, Rosetta Angas (nee French), Rosetta French Angas, Sarah Lindsay Angas, Emma Angas, George French Angas, John Howard Angas, Susanne Angas (nee Collins), Charles Howard Angas, Lilian Gertrude Angas, Mary Ann Angas and William Henry Angas. See special list for details. Originals WITHDRAWN

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- Early Angas Family Letters 94
1776-1840. 1 bundle. 2 cm.
Collection of 30 letters written between 1776 and 1840, to or from members of the Angas and French families (George Fife Angas married Rosetta French), including George Fife Angas, his father Caleb Angas and uncle John, siblings John, Joseph and Mary Ann, and Rosetta French and her parents. The majority of the letters are recorded in the 'G.F. Angas' Index to Family & Honduras Letters' book (see Series 81). Including: original copies of the letter from George Fife Angas to Rosetta French's mother, seeking to call on her daughter; the first three letters Rosetta wrote to him and his replies; letter from Rosetta on the death of their daughter Mary Ann; letter from George Fife Angas to his father-in-law; and letters from and regarding his brothers. See special list for details. Originals WITHDRAWN
- W.H. Angas' copy of the Late Caleb Angas' Will 95
1831. 1 volume. 2 cm.
One small notebook containing a handwritten copy of the will of Caleb Angas, father of George Fife Angas, who died on 14 May 1831, aged 88. Includes analysis of the will and annotations in pencil, presumably by William Henry Angas (1781-1832), one of Caleb's sons and older brother of George Fife Angas, who died of cholera in September 1832. Original WITHDRAWN
- Wooden trunks 96
ca.1810. 2 items.
Two wooden trunks, early 19th century construction, each approximately 28 x 30 x 52 cm. One trunk has the date '1837' painted on the front, likely relating to later contents. The second trunk has the date '1839' painted on the front, along with three paper labels attached to the lid. The largest label may have been written by George Fife Angas, and the other two include the names of George Fife Angas' employees – Charles Flaxman, Anthony Forster and Henry Hussey. Originals WITHDRAWN

Printed books transferred to Rare Books and Special Collections:

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