

LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS			
Date created	Description	Details	In what form
1759	Autograph of William Wallman of Wakering	On a 'receipted bill'	Paper in a small envelope
Before 1866	Undated letter and cartoon from John Crown Agnis to 'Ned'	J C Agnis (d 1866) advises 'Ned' to take care of his health, as he has heart problems. Ned could be his nephew-by-marriage Edward Arthur Wedd, though he outlived JCA by 40 years!	Letter and cartoon on one piece of paper
Early 19th century	Undated letter from Elizabeth Wallman Wedd nee Pattison 1758-1845 to her son Peter Wedd 1782-1817	Short letter written at the time EWW was sending Peter some possessions that he had left in her care. Some items belonging to 'poor Henry' (Peter's brother, died 1802) are mentioned	Single sided letter, folded and with traces of sealing wax
(probably) early 19th century	Undated note to William Wedd of Fowlmere from William Metcalfe	Birth and death dates of members of the Crakanthorp family, which WW, their descendant, had requested. WW may have been trying to trace his ancestry back to Henry VII via the Clifford, Stanley and Crakanthorp families.	Single sided letter, folded and with traces of sealing wax
1836	Last Will and Testament of Jael Wedd nee Ingle	Jael was born in 1801 and died (according to family tree) 'between 1871 and 1881'. She was the wife of Octavius Wedd.	Official document, 2-sided, signed by Jael and witnesses. Seal still in place
1847?	From George Mackarness to Mary Ann Young	Written before his trip to Madeira with Lord Henry Scott (later 1st Lord Montagu of Beaulieu). She has conditionally promised to marry him, and he says he would rather not go on the trip but feels it can't be avoided.	Original, no envelope.
1847-48	Group of letters to Mary Ann Young	Mostly from George Richard Mackarness, both before and after they were married. Some were written from Madeira.	Originals, some in envelopes with GRM's seal. Also extracted 'highlights' of the letters from Madeira - probably typed by Eleanor Booker - with biographical notes
1848	Letter from 'Button Up' to Mary Ann Young	Undated, but written around the time MAY married GRM on 1st August 1848. An accompanying note from Eleanor Booker explains that the writer, apparently a schoolboy, may	Original

		not have been her brother although this is how he signed off - since she cannot find a record of any brother. (Possibly Henry Smith Mackarness, although he would have been 20-21 at the time?)	
?1850	Letter from Jenny Young to her mother	Jenny, Mary Ann Young's sister, gives an uncharitable description of a 'vulgar' clergyman and seems to be outlining a plan to marry off two servants, who have not yet met .	Original, no envelope or date
15th March 1851	From 2 Irish tenants to the Misses Young, 1851	A letter of petition from John and James Reilly to Mary Anne Young and her sister Jenny, who appear to have been their landladies, requesting them to hold off the bailiffs. (There is a similar letter written to George Richard Mackarness in 1881.)	Original in envelope
5 June 1858	From John Taylor Coleridge to his son-in-law John Fielder Mackarness	Describes meeting ministers, privy councillors and the Queen	Original and typed copy
10 Sept 1858	From M? To George Richard Mackarness	From a spa in Bavaria. He offers to sell GM 'the rat-tailed coach horse' for £35 and enquires about 'Evy's' (probably GRM's son George Evelyn, then 7 years old) whooping cough.	Original, damaged.
31 Dec 1859	From ? To Mary Ann Mackarness	The letter is unsigned but sent from West Felton Rectory, which Google suggests was occupied by the Rev. Thomas Hunt at this time - so it may be from him or a member of his family.	Original - page probably missing. Very difficult handwriting.
23 Jan 1860	From Mr Watts Russell to Mary Ann Mackarness	Probably Jesse Watts-Russell, Squire of Ilam Hall (1786-1875), or his son of the same name.	Original, no envelope
5 June 1860	From Horatio Piggot, solicitor, to William Wedd	Concerning a family trust set up with part of the estate of Joseph Pattinson	Stamped addressed letter
23 April 1862	From Charles Mackarness (aged 12) to his father John Fielder Mackarness	Describes a visit to Woolwich arsenal, including diagrams of the apparatus for making bullets	Original
1865	To John Crown Agnis from Horatio Piggot, solicitor	Concerning a family trust set up with part of the estate of Joseph Pattinson (second of 2 letters dealing with the trust)	Stamped addressed original letter
1869	From Louisa Poynter to her niece Matilda	Intriguing letter accompanying a postal order for £15 10s., a donation	Original

	Ann Mackarness nee Planche	or subscription. There is a reference to a little girl. Some parts are difficult to read.	
1871	From G Brown Goode (USA) to George Richard Mackarness	Request for genealogical information (GBG was writing from the Smithsonian Institute). Refers to branches of the family in Virginia and Barbados, and to Mackarness being used as a Christian name.	Original
1872	Frances Tidman to Elisabeth Tidman	Written from Indonesia, where she was travelling with her husband Paul	Original. Scan on The Mackarness Place site.
1880	Elizabeth Metcalfe to Elizabeth May	The writer was the recipient's aunt. Reminiscences of West House, Maldon, and various relatives	Typed transcription
3rd February 1881	From a group of Irish tenants to George Richard Mackarness.	Addressed to GRM as Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, 'Landlord of the Townlands of Lahard Drumcullion and Drumcambry'. Thanking him for granting a request 'in the famine stricken years' and assuring him that reports of anarchy and outrages in that area are inaccurate. Signed by Charles Hale and John Reilly on behalf of the group.	Original
25 August 1888	From Charles Mackarness to his two eldest children, Margot and Hugh	They were aged about 5 and 3, staying at Knoyle with their grandparents.	Original
1888?	From 'Ouida' to Frederic Mackarness	Ouida was the pen name of novelist Maria Louise Ramé 1839-1908. She had very strong political views and this letter refers among other things to 'Joe Chamberlain' and his intentions towards South Africa.	Letter in original stamped envelope, sent from Italy. Purple ink - difficult handwriting!
1890	From Mabel Godfrey to her sister-in-law Frederica 'Rica' Godfrey.	Asking her to be new baby Violet's godmother.. Several references to Eileen.	Original
1906	H Thurnall to 'my dear Wedd'	Reminiscences and family notes - Hester Wedd and her husband William Nash, of Fowlmere, are mentioned	Original
17 July 1907	From Louis Botha to Frederic Mackarness	LB was Prime Minister of South Africa. Response to FM's letter applauding his repatriation of Chinese labourers and replacing them with native ones.	In official envelope from the Prime Minister's Office, Pretoria

1908	From Horace Mann to Frederic Mackarness	Letter and poem, written in honour of his own 85th birthday. A Google search does not reveal who Horace Mann was.	On Reform Club paper. Frederic has written on the back to 'dearest Mater' ('Is not he cheery?')
1909	From Charles Mackarness to his Scarborough parishioners	Thanking them for subscribing to give him a holiday.	Printed original
21-Jun-09	From John Morley MP to Frederic Mackarness MP	Morley was a Liberal MP, and Secretary of State for India 1905-1910. The letter is from the India Office, Whitehall and turns down Frederic's request for a conference regarding his 'repressive' actions in India	On official paper. No envelope
09-Apr-14	From ? to Frederic Mackarness	(Name illegible) writes from the Department of Finance, Cape Town in response to FM raising objections to 'the Indian deportations'. Includes ref to 'blacks and semi barbarians'.	On official paper. No envelope
Jan-15	From Dr Frank Godfrey to Cuthbert Mackarness	Emotional letter sent to India after Cuthbert had sent for his fiancé (Eileen Lillias Godfrey, Dr Godfrey's eldest daughter) to join him (a long sea voyage past German submarines).	Original, in envelope. Scanned version on website.
Feb-15	From Dr Frank Godfrey to his sister Rica	Rica and Ethel were with Eileen en route to India. He talks about missing Eileen, the bombardment of Scarborough by Zeppelins, and amputating the legs of two sisters afterwards. Extracts uploaded to website.	Original, no envelope. Very difficult handwriting! Scanned version on website.
1,915	Telegram announcing Cuthbert and Eileen's marriage	From Calcutta. Text is simply 'Married today Mackarness'. Misdirected to 'Leo Goopey' - someone has written 'Try Dr Godfrey' on the envelope.	Telegram in original envelope
?1917	From the Archbishop of Canterbury to 'B' (copy)	Apparently turning down a request for Charles Mackarness to take up a canon's post after retirement, while acknowledging his merits	Copy apparently made by CCM
Feb-17	From Charles Mackarness to his son Hugh, fighting in Mesopotamia	7 Feb 1917 - mentions the extremely cold winter	Original
Mar-18	From Grace Mackarness to her son Cuthbert Mackarness	Series of letters written to Cuthbert in India after the death of his father, Archdeacon Charles Mackarness	Original

Apr-18	“ “	Letter giving the news of Guy Mackarness' engagement to Nancy Barraclough	Original
26-28 August 1919	Several letters to Eileen and Cuthbert Mackarness on Peter's birth	Peter was born in Scarborough on 25 August. The letters are from Cuthbert's sister Margot, brothers Hugh and Roger, aunts Mai Milford and Ada Mackarness. Margot's letter refers to Guy's wife Nancy expecting a baby (John Mackarness). Hugh's includes a mention of an earlier Peter Mackarness who made his will in Great Brington, Northamptonshire, about 1660. Ada's letter remarks 'I hear Richard is a very fascinating child'.	Originals, no envelopes
17-Nov-20	From Frank Godfrey to his son-in-law Cuthbert Mackarness	Describes how 'that small Peter of yours' is playing on the floor as he writes (later leaving a puddle), and 'Itchey' (Richard) is growing tall.	Original, no envelope. Scanned version on website.
19-Jun-22	From Margot Booker to Cuthbert Mackarness	On the death of her husband Bob Booker (leaving her with six children). Enclosed: newspaper cutting re. 'Booker of Eton'.	Original with envelope
1925 or 1928	From Maud Larrop (apparently a medium) to Charlotte Wedd	The writer is reporting a 'message' from Kathleen Wedd about a relative who has died - this would either have been Oscar Tidman (d.1928) or Edward Wedd (d.1925)	Handwritten, no envelope or date. Has been transcribed by PRM
1928-29	From George McFerran, headmaster of Packwood School, to Cuthbert and Eileen Mackarness	Five 'report' letters about Richard and Peter - including one immediately after Peter arrived in September 1928.	Originals, no envelopes
15/01/1929 and 7 Jan 1930	From Aunt Mai Milford to her niece-in-law Eileen	On both occasions Mai was writing to say what 'excellent guests' Richard and Peter (aged 11 and 9) were.	Original, no envelopes
Apr-32	From Lillias Godfrey to Eileen Mackarness (her niece?)	Written from Melbourne, Australia. Includes anecdote of how Francis Woodhouse, an ancestor, missed inheriting the family home, Elsdon Manor in Herefordshire. She encloses a one-page Woodhouse family tree, going back to the 15th century	Original
1936	From Arthur Mackarness to Hugh Mackarness	Responding to a request for information about Charles Mackarness' (his brother, Hugh's father) footballing achievements	Original typed letter sent from Petersfield

1936/37	from Peter Mackarness to his father Cuthbert	Peter, aged 17 or 18, was in Willingdon with his mother Eileen. Cuthbert was still in India.	Original, handwritten
09-Feb-38	From Peter Mackarness to his mother Eileen	This was during Peter's visit to Assam - first letter to his mother since arriving. From Forest Inspection Bungalow, Ranakhata	Lined paper, no envelope
1938	From Phillip Mills to Eileen Mackarness	Philip was a Senior Assam Civil Servant and a friend of Cuthbert and Eileen's. This letter tells her how 'quite the most critical man in Assam' (unidentified) has met Peter and praised him highly	On notepaper headed 'Government House, Shillong, Assam' - no envelope
1938	Telegram with news of a cattle-killing tiger shot	From Cuthbert and Peter Mackarness to Eileen	Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department original (there is a photo of Cuthbert, Peter and the tiger on The Mackarness Place site)
1,940	3 telegrams to Cuthbert and Eileen Mackarness	Silver wedding congratulations sent to India - from Peter, the Hughes and Grace/Margot	
06-Mar-40	From Philip Mills to Eileen	Congratulations on Cuthbert and Eileen's silver wedding	On notepaper headed 'Government House, Shillong, Assam' - no envelope
9 November 1941	From John Race Godfrey to his niece Eileen	Letter originally sent with Godfrey and Chambers shields on enamelled and galvanised iron - the letter is mainly about these, and says the Godfrey line can be traced back to William the Conqueror and the Chambers line to Scotland.	Original with 2 family crests on paper, no envelope
27-Feb-43	From Philip Mills in Assam to Cuthbert Mackarness	Thanking him for his help and support over the years. A stamp on the letter says 'Secretary to the Governor of Assam'	Original
26 April 1943	From two correspondents to, or about Eileen Mackarness	Expressions of thanks and admiration for her work in Assam, at the time she and Cuthbert were finally leaving India. The signatures are hard to read, but could be L G Fielder and Grace Bardie or Bardee.	One in an envelope, one without
August 1943	Correspondence between Hugh Mackarness and Kathleen Kempthorne	Exchanging family information, including the nicknames of her brothers George Fleming Mackarness, 'Poodle', and Charles Edward Bonham Mackarness, 'Boxer'.	Originals, no envelopes

15-Sep-43	Telegram from Eleanor Booker to Eileen Mackarness	Congratulations on her Kaiser i Hind silver medal (see 'official documents' sheet)	
December 1944	From Torla Mackarness to her mother Muriel Tidman	Christmas letter from Belgium, at about the time Simon was conceived!	Original, no envelope
1990s onwards	Series of e-mails between Pat Harris and various relatives	Sent to Pat Harris by various relatives who had asked for or supplied additional information for her research	Hard copies only
1990s onwards	Series of letters between Peter Mackarness and various relatives, dealing with genealogy etc.	Kept mainly for the addresses.	
1990s onwards	Series of letters between Eleanor Booker, various relatives, clergy, historians etc	These mainly relate to Eleanor's research into the life, travels and career of George Richard Mackarness, Bishop of Argyll and the Isles	