PIONEER SUGAR MILLS ARCHIVE

Correspondence and Transactions, 1883 to 1906

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CT/1/1. G.R. Drysdale to E.M. Young, 25 September 1883.

CT/1/2. G.R. Drysdale to E.M. Young, 14 May 1884.

CT/1/3. Extract from letter of G.R. Drysdale, 27 October 1884.


CT/1/4b. Description of Pioneer Estate (Possibly 1888). In the Description, reference is made to 'an irrigation scheme (that) was entered into some five years ago'. Since an irrigation scheme was implemented in 1883, this would suggest that the document was written in 1888. In addition, this description could have originally accompanied a map in the collection, dated 1888, and both the map and description may have made up the 'Managing Partner's Report Upon the Property' mentioned in the following letter, E.M. Young to David Russell, 12 September 1888. Roy Connolly has also put the date of the document at 1888, however he has suggested that the writer was probably John not George Russell Drysdale, the latter being the managing partner at the time. (R. Connolly, John Drysdale and the Burdekin, p. 74).

CT/1/5. E.M. Young to David Russell, 12 September 1888. (Enclosure: Statement of Operations for (about) five years from date of Purchase to 31st December 1887).


CT/1/12. G.R. Drysdale to William Drysdale, 5 October 1889.


CT/1/16a. Agreement between Messrs. Kelly Brothers and Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co, 1 January 1892. Same as CT/1/14.

CT/1/16b. Agreement among Mr Lewis Hoey, Messrs. Drysdale Brothers & Co and Messrs. Kelly Brothers, 1 January 1892. Same as CT/1/15.


CT/1/18. Agreement between Lewis Hoey and Messrs. Drysdale Brothers & Co., 1 September 1892. Typed copy of CT/1/14.

CT/1/19. Agreement between Mr Wm. Bayard and Messrs. Drysdale Brothers & Co., 1 September 1892.

CT/1/20. P.T. Taylor (Manufacturers' Agent) to James McKenzie (Manager Seaforth Estate) 23 July 1893.


CT/1/22. Memorandum of Agreement between Mr. Ching Do and Drysdale Bros. & Co., 15 December 1894.

CT/1/23. Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Jarvisfield Central Mill Coy. 1895.

CT/1/24. Pottie, J. & Sons (Vet. Surgeons), How to Know Disease in Horses at a Glance and How to Cure Disease Quickly, Sydney, McCarron Stewart & Co., 1896.

CT/1/25. Pro-Forma of the Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia Ltd., 11 June 1896, with letterpress copies of transactions attached.

CT/1/26. J. Mackenzie to J. Drysdale, 21 February 1899.

CT/1/27. Five (5) cards each with brief notes on various agreements made 1897-1899.


CT/1/29. Ah Cow to William Ching Do, Lien on Crop Reg. No. 21, 18 October 1897.

CT/1/30. Memorandum of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Dennis Casey, 1 November 1897.

CT/1/31. Memorandum of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and James Aitcheson, 27 November 1897.

CT/1/33. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Joseph Ross, 27 November 1897.

CT/1/34. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and John Thompson, 27 November 1897.

CT/1/35. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and John Price, 27 November 1897.


CT/1/37. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Thomas Kelly (Jnr), 27 November 1897.


CT/1/38a. Copy of CT/1/38.


CT/1/40. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Lauritz Neilson, 2 December 1897.

CT/1/41. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and John Mackenzie, 2 December 1897.

CT/1/42. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Emmanuel Francis Benjamin, 2 July 1898.

CT/1/43. Record of sale re: horse, T. Stain to Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Emmanuel Francis Benjamin, 2 July 1898.

CT/1/44. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and W. Wallace Walter, 1 December 1898.


CT/1/46. Record of sale re: horse, signed H. Becker and E. Evans, 16 December 1898 and 13 October 1898 respectively. 3 records?

CT/1/47. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Ah Kee, 20 December 1898.


CT/1/49. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Ah Sam, 20 December 1898.
CT/1/50. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. and James Hurney, 16 January 1899.


CT/1/52. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale & Co. and Casalegno (one name only), 1 March 1899.


CT/1/54. Memo of Agreement between Messrs. Drysdale & Co. and John Richard Bee, 2 June 1899.


CT/1/57. Record of sale re: horses, L. Gielis to Drysdale Bros, 16 November 1899.

CT/1/58. Record of sale re: horses, J.W. Dougherty to Drysdale Bros., 18 October 1899.

CT/1/59. Record of sale re: cattle, H. Becker to Drysdale Brothers, 20 December 1899.

CT/1/60. Agreement between Drysdale Bros. & Co, Sugar Planters and Manufacturers on one part, and the Ayr Tramway Joint Board on the other.

CT/1/61. Mun Chew to Messrs. Drysdale Brothers, Lien on Crop, 10 October 1899.

CT/1/62. Sam Hee to Messrs. Drysdale, Lien on Crop, 1 September 1899.

CT/1/63. Record of sale & stock mortgage between W.H. Isbel and J. Drysdale, 5 June 1900.

CT/1/64. Record of sale re: horses, G.H. Wright to Drysdale Brothers & Co., 12 April 1900.

CT/1/65. Memorandum from Drysdale Brothers & Co. to T. Douglas-Brown, 11 May 1900.

CT/1/66. Record of sale re: bull, Alexr. Keay to Drysdale Brothers, 5 July 1900.

CT/1/67. Record of sale re: horses, Frank Radcliffe to Drysdale Brothers, 24 August 1900.

CT/1/68. Record of sale re: horses, Ah Lu to Drysdale Brothers & Co., 20 September 1900.


CT/1/70. (i) G. R. Drysdale to D. Donald, 30 October 1900.

(ii) G. R. Drysdale to Gen. Manager (Union Bank of Australia), 29 October 1900.

(iii) Copy of (ii).

(iv) G. W. Harding (Mgr. Union Bank of Australia Ltd.) to John Drysdale, 29 November 1901.
(v) Harding to Drysdale Brothers, 28 October 1909.

(vi) Harding to Drysdale Brothers, 29 October 1909.


CT/1/72. Record of sale re: horses, J.C. van Stieglitz to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 19 April 1901.

CT/1/73. Record of sale re: horses, James B. Coleman to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 6 May 1901.

CT/1/74. Record of sale re: bull, J. Ross to Drysdale Brothers & Co., 8 June 1901.

CT/1/75. Record of sale re: horses, T. Trembath to Drysdale Brothers & Co., 8 July 1901.

CT/1/76. Record of sale re: horses, J. A. Holmes to Drysdale Brothers & Co., 7 December 1901.

CT/1/77. Record of sale re: horse, A. J. Rowe to Drysdale Bros., 13 August 1901.

CT/1/78. Record of sale and delivery of livestock received by F. Radcliffe (Drysdale Brothers & Co.) from E. J. Benjamin, 21 August 1901. List attached.


(v) Invoice (O. Granowski), 19 August 1904.

CT/1/80. Record of sale re: horse, Mytton & Co. to John Drysdale, 7 December 1901.

CT/1/81. List of horses for auction (with annotations indicating whether sold or unsold) prepared by G.G. Kann for Pioneer Estate, 21 December 1901, plus letter G.G. Kann to Mgr. Pioneer Estate, 21 December 1901.

CT/1/82. Aitken & Co. (Glasgow) to Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co., 19 and 27 February 1902.

CT/1/83. G. R. Drysdale to Robert (Tullis?), 28 February 1092.

CT/1/84. Record of sale re: horses, J.R. Bee to Messrs. Drysdale & Co., 19 April 1902.

CT/1/85 (i) A.G. Unmack (Solicitor) to John Burke, 30 April 1092.

(ii) A. G. Unmak to Messrs. Roberts Leu & Barnett (Solicitors), 3 April 1902.
(iii) Roberts Leu & Barnett to A. G. Unmack, 9 April 1902.
(iv) A.G. Unmack to Roberts Leu & Barnett, 15 April 1902.
(v) Roberts Leu & Barnett to A.G. Unmack, 22 April 1902.
(vi) Roberts Leu & Barnett to A.G. Unmack, 23 April 1902.
(vii) A.G. Unmack to Roberts Leu & Barnett, 30 April 1902.

CT/1/86. Circular from Drysdale Brothers & Co. to employees, 1 July 1902.

CT/1/87. Correspondence re: railway charges.

(i) G. Blake (Dalgety & Co. Ltd.) to John Drysdale Bros., 14 October 1902.
(ii) Secretary (Queensland Railways) to Messrs. Drysdale Bros., 14 July 1902.
(iii) A copy of clauses 2 & 3 of agreement between "Train Board" and Drysdale Brothers & Co.

CT/1/88. Duplicate copy of lease between John Burke (Lessor) and George Russell Drysdale (Lessee), 10 November 1902.

CT/1/89. Documents re: power of attorney to execute bonds under *The Pacific Island Labours Act 1880 - 1886*.

(i) Immigration Agent (signature indecipherable) to David Donald, 12 January 1903.

(ii) Declaration of James McLaughlin (Solicitor), 27 March 1897 (iii) Document granting G.R. & J. Drysdale power of attorney(s) of the firm of Drysdale Bros. & Co., 16 December 1896.

CT/1/90. Record of sale re: horses, Henry H. Kastner to Drysdale Bros. 28 January 1903.

CT/1/91. Dividend receipts (4) from Drysdale Bros. & Co., 12 February, 12 March and 21 April 1903.

CT/1/92. Copy of receipt re: horses sold to Love & Cronin, 24 January 1903.

CT/1/93. Income Tax receipts, 4 June 1903.

CT/1/94. Record of sale, James Mulhollow to Messrs. Drysdale Bros. & Co. 8 February 1903.

CT/1/95. (i) H.R. B. Lilley (A.M.L. & F.) to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 7 August 1903.


(iii) Account (Richard Hornsby & Sons Ltd.), 20 July 1903, Receipts attached.

(iv) Australian Customs Import Duty Form, 13 October 1903.
(ii). C.N. Kingston (A.M.L. & F.) to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 10 May 1904

(iii) Bill of Lading (Qld. Royal Mail Service), 3 May 1904.

(iv) Invoice (Hunslet Engine Works, Leeds), 25 April 1904.

(v) Carbon copy of (iv)


(vii) Carbon copy of (vi)

CT/1/111. Record of sale re: horse, C.F. Schultz to D. Brown, 4 June 1904.

CT/1/112. Duplicates of deposit slips for months of July, November and December 1904.


CT/1/114. Robert J. Boyne (A.M.L. & F.) to David Donald, 4 August 1904.


CT/1/116. James Bowers (Assistant Land Commissioner) to Edward Evans, 26 August 1904.

CT/1/117. Roberts Leu & Barnett to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 7 September 1904.

CT/1/118. James Bowers to Edward Evans, 14 September 1904.


CT/1/120. C.N. Kingston (A.M.L. & F.) to D. Donald, 16 September 1904.

CT/1/121. James Bowers to E. Evans, 26 September 1904.

CT/1/122. Estimate of amounts to be drawn, 30 September - 31 December 1904.

CT/1/123. David Russell to Drysdale Brothers, 17 October 1904.

CT/1/124. A. Drysdale to D. Donald, 20 November 1904.


CT/1/126. A.W. Russell to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 15 November 1904.

CT/1/127. Whiting & Aitken to D. Donald, 21 November 1904.

CT/1/128. Beveridge & Aitken (Trustees of the late William Drysdale) to D. Donald, 19 December 1904 and 8 March 1905. Receipts attached.
CT/1/129. (i) Account (Australian Metal Co. Ltd.), 22 December 1904

(ii) Copy of (i)

(iii) List entitled "Wanted", undated.

(iv) Specification of goods (Australian Metal Co.), 20 October 1904.

CT/1/130. Dividend receipts (2), 22 and 23 December 1904.

CT/1/131. (i) C.N. Kingston (A.M.L. & F.) to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 6 January 1905

(ii) Letterpress copy of (iii).


CT/1/132. (i) Withdrawal form (Union Bank of Australia), 23 January 1905.

(ii) Deposit form (Bank of North Queensland), 23 January 1905.

CT/1/133. Australian Metal Coy. Ltd. to D. Donald, 24 January 1905. Receipt attached.

CT/1/134. Whiting & Aitken to D. Donald, 31 January 1905. Receipts attached.

CT/1/135. Dividend receipts (23) for 1905.

CT/1/136. Record of sale re: horse, Donald Cameron to Drysdale Bros., 25 February 1905.

CT/1/137. David Russell to David Donald, 6 March 1905. Receipt attached.

CT/1/138. Joseph Hughes (Commissioner of Income Tax) to Drysdale Bros, 28 March 1905.


CT/1/140. (i) Memorandum from Income Tax Office to John Drysdale, 12 May 1905.

(ii) Memo from Income Tax Office to Geo. R. Drysdale, 12 May 1905.

CT/1/141. (i) Duplicate specification list (Spittlegate Iron Works & Hornsby & Sons Ltd.), 20 June 1905.


CT/1/142. (i) Duplicate Invoice (Marshall, Sons & Co.), 21 June 1905.

(ii) Duplicate Invoice (Marsha ll, Sons & Co.), 21 June 1905.

(iii) Duplicate Invoice (Marshall Sons & Co), 21 June 1905.

(iv) Account (Spittlegate Iron Works & Richard Hornsby & Sons), 20 June 1905.
CT/1/143. (i) List entitled "Portable Engines".


(iii) Account (Richard Hornsby & Sons), 22 June 1905. Receipt attached.

(iv) Account (Richard Hornsby & Sons), 20 June 1905.


(vi) Original of 142 (i).

(vii) Original of 142 (ii).

(viii) Original of 142 (iii).

(ix) As for 141 (ii).

(x) Duplicate Bill of Lading (A. M. L. & F.), 29 June 1905.


(xii) Certificate no. 42873, 5 June 1905.

(xiii) Certificate no. 42838, 24 May 1905.

CT/1/144. Record of sale re: horses, Drysdale Bros. to D. Pitt, 21 August 1905.


CT/1/146. A. Russell to Drysdale Brothers, 8 January 1906. Receipt attached.

CT/1/147. Dividend receipts for year 1906.


CT/1/150. Records of sale, Bill, and lists of horses sent to H.V. Geary per Drysdale Brothers, 21 March 1906.

CT/1/151. (i) Debit note (Leeds Fireclay Co. Ltd.), 2 March 1906. Receipt of payment attached.

CT/1/152. H. R.B. Lilley (A.M. L. & F.) to Drysdale Bros., 23 March 1906.

CT/1/153. (i) Bill of lading (Qld. Royal Mail Service), 27 March 1906.
(ii) Duplicate invoice (Hunslet Engine Co. Ltd.) 26 March 1906.
(iii) Duplicate invoice (Hunslet Engine Co. Ltd.), 26 March 1906.
(iv) Letterpress duplicate of debit note (A.M.L. & F.), 4 April 1906.

CT/1/154. (i) Original of 153 (iv).
(ii) Invoice (Hunslet Engine Co. Ltd.), 26 March 1906.
(iii) Invoice (Hunslet Engine Co. Ltd.), 26 March 1906.


CT/1/156. Receipts signed by Robert McLaughlin and Robert Gibson, dated 21 April and 1 November 1906 respectively. (Note: on same piece of paper).


CT/1/158. Memo of Agreement among Drysdale Bros. & Co., C. J. Shann and Jackson (one name given), 14 May 1906.


CT/1/161. Memo of Agreement between Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Charles Duncan Clarke, 14 May 1906.

CT/1/162. Memo of Agreement among Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Wilmington Brothers, 14 May 1906.


CT/1/164. Memo of Agreement between Drysdale Bros. & Co. and James Pringle, 14 May 1906.

CT/1/165. As for 164.

CT/1/166. Memo of Agreement between Drysdale Bros. & Co. and Alfred Knobel, 14 May 1906.

CT/1/167. Memo of Agreement between Drysdale Bros. & Co. and John Doctor Hean, 14 May 1906.

CT/1/168. Record of sale re: horses, J. Barr (Drover) to Mr. Brown per Drysdale Bros., 23 May 1904.


CT/1/171. (i) Invoice (Aitken & Co.), 5 September 1906.  
(ii) Shipment list (Aitken & Co.), 5 September 1906.

CT/1/172. (i) Aitken & Co. to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 4 October 1906.  
(ii) Aitken & Co. to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 18 October 1906.  
(iii) H. W. Aitken to Drysdale Bros. & Co., 6 August 1903.

CT/1/173. Receipt from Drysdale Bros. & Co. to J.H. Brodey, 28 November 1906.


CT/1/175. Letterpress copy of shipment list (Aitken & Co.), 19 December 1906.