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- TR GIL** GILMAN-FRASER LTD.
1860's - 1960's
The items at Reading are a miscellany, being mainly printed U.K. patent specifications, principally for lawn mowers and some duplicates of the publications now at Ladyloan.
- 37 Documents
- TR GIL AD** Administrative records
- TR GIL AD8/1** LETTER to A. Shanks & Son from The Reading Iron Works Ltd., remitting current catalogue [not extant] to provide corn mill prices and including details of corn mill weights.
1865 (1 Apr)
The letter is written on a circular letter of 1864 (1 July) notifying change of style from Barrett, Exall & Andrewes to The Reading Iron Works Ltd.
- TR GIL CO** Company records: legal records of companies
- TR GIL CO5** Patenting records
- TR GIL CO5/1** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 5138. For improvements in annealing furnaces.
1889 (26 Mar)
In the names of Alfred William Turner of Cobden Buildings, Corporation Street, Birmingham, Warwickshire - mechanical engineer and George Tomkinson of 67 Parsonage Street, Oldbury, Staffordshire - furnace builder. Amended 1891 (6 Apr).
Pp 3.

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1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/2**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 485,745. For improvements in or relating to cultivators and other agricultural machinery.

1938 (18 Jan)

In the names of Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd., and Alan Challacombe, both of the Orwell Works, Ipswich, Suffolk.

Complete specification only. Pp 2.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/3**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 529,749. For improvements relating to agricultural mowers.

1939 (7 Jun)

In the names of Alexander Shanks & Son Ltd., and Frederick Shanks, both of Dens Iron Works, Arbroath, Angus, Scotland.

Complete specification only. Pp 2.

Attached is:

1. 1940 (27 Nov). Letter of acceptance for the above. The Patent Office, United Kingdom.

2 sheets of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/4**

PATENT SPECIFICATION DRAWING Copy supplied by registration agents. United Kingdom No. 1365. For a grass cutting machine.

1842 (18 Jul)

In the name of Alexander Shanks Jnr., of Arbroath-engineer.

1 sheet - TC.

**TR GIL
CO5/5**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 16,700. For improvements in lawn mowers.

1893 (5 Sep)

In the names of James Edward Ransome - engineer and William Moulton - draughtsman, both of Orwell Works, Ipswich, Suffolk.

Pp 4.

2 sheets of drawings.

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- TR GIL
CO5/6** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 500,929. For improvements relating to lawn mowers.
1938 (1 Jun)
In the names of Alexander Shanks & Son Ltd., and Frederick Shanks, both of Dens Iron Works, Arbroath, Angus, Scotland.
Pp 2.
- 1 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/7** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 610,180. For a lawn mower.
1946 (29 Mar)
In the name of James Thomas King of 1810 North Fairview, Burbank, California, U.S.A. Complete specification only. Pp 2.
- 2 sheets of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/8** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 610,639. For a new or improved edge-cutting attachment for a lawn mower.
1946 (12 Apr)
In the names of H. C. Webb & Co. Ltd., of Tame Road, Witton, Birmingham 6 and Frank Walter Taylor of the same. Pp 3.
- 1 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/9** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 611,022. For improvements in or relating to lawn mowers.
1944 (22 Feb)
In the name of Arthur Harold Stevens, of Stevens, Largner, Parry & Rollinson, 5-9 Quality Court, Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2 - chartered patent agents. A communication from the Atweed Vacuum Machine Co., of Rockford, Illinois, U.S.A. - a co-partnership between Seth Burton Atwood and James Thomas Atwood. Complete specification only. Pp 3.
- 1 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/10** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 613,272. For improvements in or relating to lawn mowers and the like.
1946 (14 Jun)
In the name of John Alfred Mackay of 17 Grantham Road, Kingswood, Bristol. Pp 3.
- 1 sheet of drawings.

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CO5/11** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 615,077. For improvements in or relating to lawn mower structures. 1946 (23 Aug)
In the name of Arthur Harold Stevens, of Stevens, Langner, Parry & Rollinson. 5-9 Quality Court, Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2 - chartered patent agents. A communication from The Atwood Vacuum Machine Co. of Rockford, Illinois, U.S.A. - a co-partnership between Seth Burton Atwood and James Thomas Atwood. Complete specification only. Pp 6.
- 2 sheets of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/12** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 615,078. For improvements in or relating to lawn mower structures and cutter bars therefore. 1946 (23 Aug)
Patentee and communicators as in TR GIL/CO5/11. Complete specification only. Pp 7.
- 2 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/13** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 616,650. For steering and drive control device for power mowers. 1946 (17 Sep)
In the name of Luigi Castoldi, of Via Fiume 5, Abbiategrosso, Italy. Complete specification only. Pp 2.
- 1 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/14** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 617,033. For improvements in lawn mowers. 1946 (26 Sep)
In the names of Morton Mowers Ltd., George Piper and James Henry Ward, all of 36A Vecquaray Street, Coventry Warwickshire. Complete specification only. Pp 2.
- 1 sheet of drawings.
- TR GIL
CO5/15** PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 617,034. For improvements in lawn mowers. 1946 (26 Sep)
In the names of Morton Mowers Ltd., George Piper and James Henry Ward, all of 36A Vecquaray Street, Coventry Warwickshire. Complete specification only. Pp 2.

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1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/16**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 617,456. For an improved method of and means for supplying electric power to an electrically driven lawn mower or other portable electric machine.

1946 (2 Oct)

In the name of David Ruchworth of 40 Dovedale Road, West Bridgford, Nottinghamshire. Pp 4.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/17**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 619,005. For improvements in lawn mower driving mechanism.

1946 (19 Nov)

In the name of Edward Hedden Worthington, East Stroudsburg, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Complete specification. Pp 5.

2 sheets of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/18**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 619,810. For improvements in lawn mower fly knife.

1946 (28 Dec)

Patentee as CO5/17. Complete specification only. Pp 3.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/19**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 620,879. For power drive for lawn mowers.

1947 (28 Jan)

In the name of Alexander Charles Harris of Box 188, Duncan, British Columbia, Canada.

Complete specification only. Pp 2.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/20**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 621,425. For lawn mowers.

1947 (24 Feb)

In the names of Thomas Green & Son Ltd., of Smithfield Ironworks, Leeds 2 and Frank Bailey Knight and William Arthur Owen of the same. Complete specification only. Pp 3.

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1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/21**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 672,439. For an improved gang mowing machine.
1950 (4 May)
In the name of Alfred John Ford, of Sherwood Rise, Onerahi, North Auckland, New Zealand. Complete specification only. Pp 4.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/22**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 13,652. For improvements in machines for distributing and collecting leaves and other debris.
1893 (13 Jul)
From lawns, parks, public gardens and like grass lands, drives, roads and paths. In the names of John Davis, of the Midland Temperance Hotel, St. Marks, Cheltenham - agricultural engineer and Joseph James, of Promenade Place, Cheltenham, Glos., gent. Pp 4.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/23**

PATENT SPECIFICATION United Kingdom, No. 7186. For improvements in roller skates.
1895 (8 Apr)
In the name of Johan Albert Segerberg, of 2084 Jay Street, Denver, Colorado, U.S.A., gent. Complete specification only. Pp 4.

1 sheet of drawings.

**TR GIL
CO5/24**

FILE of lists of United Kingdom patents for roller skates.
1893-1895
Three lists, one each for 1893, 1894 and 1895. Details include patent number, patentee, address and title of patent. 28 patents are listed. Lists compiled 1895 (20 Dec) - 1896 (1 Jan) by J.M.A. Barber.

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TR GIL P Publications, promotions and advertising records

TR GIL P2/A Individual advertising and servicing publicaitons

**TR GIL
P2/A1** LEAFLET for lawn mowers.
1862
Pp 4.

**TR GIL
P2/A2** CATALOGUE of iron horticultural buildings, including heating
plant, garden furniture and netting and lawn mowers.
1871
Pp 32, Pl. 12.

Minus cover.

**TR GIL
P2/A3** CATALOGUE of semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam
engines and boilers for land service.
1893
Pp 32.

**TR GIL
P2/A4** LEAFLET for portable and stationary oil engines.
1910
Pp 4.

**TR GIL
P2/A5** BOOKLET of testimonials for crude oil engines.
1932
Pp 35.

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- TR GIL
P2/A6** LEAFLET for gang mowers.
1936
- Pp Foldout.
- TR GIL
P2/A7** CATALOGUE of hand, motor and electric lawn mowers and
gang mowers.
1950
Pp 20.
- TR GIL P2/B** Other firms individual advertising and servicing publicaitons
- TR GIL
P2/B1** PUBLICITY PHOTOGRAPH CARD of 42" motor lawn mower at
work in Victoria Park, London.
c. 1910
Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd., Orwell Works, Ipswich.
- TR GIL
P2/B2** LEAFLET for Ideal oil engines, Southall's patent.
1895 (Sep)
Manufacturer unknown. Pp 2.
- TR GIL P8** Printing proofs and artworks

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- TR GIL P8/1** 3 PROOFS OF ENGRAVINGS of a haymaker
1866
As made by J. & F. Howard, Bedford, a chaff cutter, as made by Richmond & Chandler, Salford, Manchester and a steam thrashing machinery [manufacturer unknown]. All woodcuts by Robert Langton, 17 Cross Street, Manchester.
Attached is:
i. 1866 (16 Jul) Letter to A. Shanks & Son from Langton remitting above as samples and soliciting business.
- TR GIL PH** Photographic records
- TR GIL PH3/1** PHOTOGRAPH of production of Wilmo wire plate and fertiliser distributors.
c.1960
Alexander Shanks & Son Ltd., Dens Iron Works, Arbroath.
- TR GIL SH** Records of shows and exhibitions
- TR GIL SH3/1** CATALOGUE extract concerning lawn mowers on display.
1862
Manufactured by Alexander Shanks & Son. "The Official Catalogue of the International Exhibition". Pp 96-97.

Mounted.