

RECORDS OF THE WANTAGE ENGINEERING CO LTD (Additions)

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Record Types

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AC ACCOUNTS

AC1 LEDGERS

AC1/1 EXTRACTS from Private Ledgers Nos 1-4 concerning 1932-1964
constructional, colliery, elevator, repair and sundry sales

AD ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMERCIAL RECORDS

AD1 MINUTES

AD1/1 ABSTRACT of minute book relating to goods, bank 1927-1971
balances, investments and capital, profit and loss, share
holdings, the plant and premises, rates, insurance, power
and fuel, labour and personnel, mechanical handling,
travelling and freight

AD3 LABOUR RECORDS

AD3/1 X LIST of men working for Charles Hart 1847

AD8 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- AD8/1 X CORRESPONDENCE between the Wantage Engineering 1873-1915
Co Ltd (and predecessors) and Nalder & Nalder Ltd,
Challow Works, Wantage
- AD8/2 X CORRESPONDENCE relating to the business carried out 1892-1898
between Thomas Sanders, Reigate, Surrey and Robinson
& Auden Ltd
- AD8/3 X LETTER from the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd to 1901(25 Jul)
William Lambert & Co concerning "Simplissima" thrashers

CO LEGAL RECORDS OF COMPANIES AND BUSINESSES

CO5 PATENTING RECORDS

- CO5/1 X PATENTS for machinery invented by Charles Hart, 1852-1906
Gibbons & Robinson and F T Painter
- CO5/2 X LETTERS PATENT (United Kingdom) to Arthur Samuel 1881
Francis Robinson for improvements in governors for steam
and other engines. Patent number 3635

DO1 DRAWINGS

- DO1/1 X DRAWINGS of Robinson & Auden shaft governor c1898
- DO1/2 X DRAWING of Robinson & Auden locomotive boiler with c1900
annotations in German
- DO1/3 X DRAWINGS of various 1940's products manufactured by c1940
the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd. Includes a lead mill, a
cocoa bean roaster and motor and gear systems
- DO1/4 X MAPS (Ordnance Survey) of Wantage including the Vale 1877, 1899,
of White Horse Works 1912, 1937

MP MANUFACTURING AND PRODUCTION RECORDS

MP1 REGISTERS AND LISTS OF PRODUCTION

- MP1/1 LIST of Wantage Built engines covering P & H P c1860-c1922
Gibbons, Gibbons & Robinson, Robinson & Auden and
the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd.
Compiled by Mr A F W Smith from a register on microfilm
(MF71) and other sources
- MP1/2 X LIST of traction engines manufactured by P & H P c1871-c1926
Gibbons, Gibbons & Robinson, Robinson & Auden and

the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd.
From the Road Locomotive Society

P PUBLICATIONS AND ADVERTISING

P2/A ADVERTISING AND SERVICING PUBLICATIONS (Wantage)

- P2/A1 X NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT from the *Berkshire Annual Advertiser* for the improved Berkshire Plough and other agricultural implements manufactured by Charles Hart, brass and iron founder, Wantage 1842
- P2/A2 X LEAFLET for steam engines, thrashing machines and cultivators manufactured by Charles Hart, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage. Includes testimonials 1854
- P2/A3 X CATALOGUES AND PRICE LISTS of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, thrashing machines, straw elevators, seed dressers, grinding mills, clover shellers, saw benches and other agricultural machinery manufactured by P & H P Gibbons, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage 1874-1876
- P2/A4 X CATALOGUE of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, thrashing machines, straw elevators, seed dressers, grinding mills, corn mills, saw benches band saws and other agricultural machinery manufactured by P & H P Gibbons, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage c1880
- P2/A5 X CATALOGUE of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, thrashing machines, straw elevators, seed dressers, grinding mills, corn mills, saw benches, band saws and mortar mills manufactured by Gibbons & Robinson, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage 1883
- P2/A6 X CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, thrashing machines, straw elevators, seed dressers, grinding mills, corn mills, saw benches band saws and other agricultural machinery manufactured by Gibbons & Robinson, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage
- P2/A7 X LEAFLET for Cotswold Chaff Cutters manufactured by Gibbons & Robinson, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage. Includes testimonials c1887
- P2/A8 X BOOKLET for Simplissima steam thrashing machines c1891

manufactured by Robinson, & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage. Includes testimonials

- P2/A9 X CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, straw trussers, seed dressers, water carts and centrifugal pumps manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage c1893
- P2/A10 X CATALOGUE of ploughs, skims, horse hoes, scufflers, harrows, field rollers water carts, horse gears, portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, thrashing machines and seed dressers manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage 1894
- P2/A11 X CATALOGUE of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, straw trussers, seed dressers and water carts manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage 1894
- P2/A12 X PRICE LIST of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, straw trussers, seed dressers chaff cutters, straw elevators, saw benches, water carts and centrifugal pumps manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage 1894
- P2/A13 X LEAFLET for Cotswold Chaff Cutters manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage. Includes testimonials c1897
- P2/A14 X CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, maize shellers, straw trussers, seed dressers, water carts, centrifugal pumps, shaft governors and sugar mill plants manufactured by Robinson & Auden, Vale of White Horse Iron Works, Wantage c1897
- P2/A15 X CIRCULAR LETTER concerning the change of name from Robinson & Auden Ltd to the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd 1900(Aug)
- P2/A16 X LEAFLET for traction engines, thrashing machines and vertical steam engines manufactured by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd. For the 1900 Smithfield Show 1900

P2/A17 X	CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, straw trussers, seed dressers and maize shellers manufactured by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	c1900
P2/A18 X	CIRCULAR LETTER Concerning the appointment of W Hyde Barnett as the London representative of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1902
P2/A19 X	LEAFLET for straw elevators manufactured by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1900's
P2/A20 X	CIRCULAR LETTER concerning the commencement of the manufacture of steam motor lorries by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1900's
P2/A21 X	LIST of manufacturing specialities of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1900's
P2/A22 X	LIST of goods manufactured for the 1905 season by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1905
P2/A23 X	NOTICE of fire at the works of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd and the effect this will have on business	1905
P2/A24 X	CATALOGUE EXTRACTS for steam motor lorries and tractors manufactured by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1906
P2/A25 X	CATALOGUE of portable, semi-portable, stationary and vertical steam engines, traction engines, boilers, thrashing machines, straw trussers, steam motor lorries and railway tipping wagons manufactured by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd	1906
P4/B HOUSE JOURNALS (reprints)		
P4/B1 X	REPORT on the exhibitions and trial of implements at Gloucester, Cardiff and Doncaster in the <i>Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society of England</i> . Includes Charles Hart's threshing machine	1853
P4/B2 X	LETTERS in the <i>Mechanics Magazine</i> relating to the threshing and dressing machines of Charles Hart, Wantage	1856
P4/B3 X	ARTICLES from <i>The Engineer</i> about machinery manufactured by P & H P Gibbons and Robinson & Auden, mainly governors	1872-1898
P4/B4 X	ARTICLES from the <i>Implement and Machinery Review</i>	1875-1896

on various pieces of agricultural machinery manufactured by Gibbons & Robinson and Robinson & Auden

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| P4/B5 X | ARTICLE AND ADVERTISEMENT from <i>The Ironmonger</i> about the Robinson & Auden stand at an exhibition and the Cotswold chaff cutter made by the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd | 1894, c1904 |
| P4/B6 X | ARTICLE from the <i>Industrial Motor Review</i> about the Wantage Steam Wagon | 1905 |
| P4/B7 X | ARTICLE from <i>The Machinery Market</i> about the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd (published as a “Notable Establishment” supplement) | 1905 |
| P4/B8 X | EXTRACTS from <i>The Development of the English Steam Engine</i> and <i>Traction Engines Not So Well Known</i> relating to the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd Both written by Ronald H Clark | c1949 |
| P4/B9 X | EXTRACT from <i>Traction Engines</i> by William Fletcher relating to the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd | nd |

PH PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORDS

PH2 COMPILATIONS OF PRINTS

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| PH2/1 | COPY PRINTS of pages from the catalogues of Robinson & Auden Ltd and P & H P Gibbons showing steam engines and locomotives | c1874-c1894 | |
| PH2/2 | COPY PRINTS of pages from the catalogues of Robinson & Auden Ltd, P & H P Gibbons and Gibbons & Robinson Ltd showing thrashing machines and chaff cutters | c1858-c1894 | |
| PH2/3 | COPY PRINTS of Wantage steam engines, thrashing machines and other machinery | c1909-c1973 | |
| PH2/4 | COPY PRINTS of various pieces of machinery made by Wantage Engineering Co Ltd | c1900's-
c1970's | the |

PH3 PRINTS

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| PH3/1 | COPY PRINT of Philip Gibbons taken from the <i>Implement and Machinery Review</i> Vol XVII | 1891 |
| PH3/2 | COPY PRINT of Gibbons and Robinson traction engine number 959 when owned by the Warrington & District Threshing Co Ltd a partnership of Messrs Fitter & | c1900 |

Carrington

- PH3/3 X COPY PRINT of Gibbons and Robinson traction engine (possibly No 822) at work on the farm of Mr F A Smith, East Hendred nd
- PH3/4 X COPY PRINT of traction engine number 1389 at work with a saw bench nd
- PH3/5 COPY PRINT of a general view of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd machine shop 1939

SH RECORDS OF SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS

SH3 GENERAL RECORDS

- SH3/1 X EXTRACTS from the Bath and West of England show catalogues containing entries relating to the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd and its predecessors 1852-1904

SP SOCIAL AND PERSONAL RECORDS

SP1 GENERAL REFERENCE RECORDS INCLUDING FIRMS HISTORIES

- SP1/1 NOTES on the plant, products, premises and personnel of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd for the period c1916-c1930. Information supplied by Frank Heybourne 1977
- SP1/2 X NOTES on the plant, premises and range of production of the Wantage Engineering Co Ltd by A F W Smith. Mainly covers the period 1920-1950 1977

SP2 RECORDS OF EVENTS, SOCIETIES AND ORGANISATIONS

- SP2/1 X PROGRAMME for the opening of the Wantage Engineering Co's work mess room 1901

SP4 PERSONAL RECORDS

- SP4/1 X ACCOUNT between Charles Hart and the children of the late John Austin 1833