

**C DBSP**

**Records Relating to  
Priestman Brothers Ltd**

**1870-1981**

**Accession Number:** 11/25

**Extent:** 32 boxes, 170 large volumes

**Name of Creator:** Priestman Brothers Limited

**Administrative History:** Priestman Brothers, an engineering company, was founded in Hull in 1870 by William Dent Priestman with Robert Sizer. The partnership ended in 1872 and the company became William Dent Priestman and Company. Shortly afterwards, William's brother Samuel joined the firm, and the company became known as Priestman Brothers.

The firm started its trade manufacturing replacement parts for Hull's mills, as well as printing machinery, fire bars, dampers and paddle steamers. In 1875 the company was asked to construct equipment to recover lost gold from the West Coast of Spain. No gold was found but this marked its entry into the construction of grab dredging equipment. The first dredging crane was supplied to the Hull Docks Company in 1878. In the mid-1870's the firm specialised in grab dredgers, for use in water, later expanding into grab excavators for use on land.

As trade expanded, offices were soon opened in London. Foreign exports increased, leading to a factory being opened in Philadelphia in 1892. There is also early evidence of trade with Australia and William Dent Priestman visited Australia in 1879.

In 1888, a limited company was formed to take on the business of engineers, ironfounders, and engine builders in Hull and London. The original shareholders were W. D. Priestman, S. Priestman, J. Priestman, Thomas Priestman, Edmund Priestman, A Priestman and Edgar Priestman. Development continued but bad debts and a decline in sales led to insolvency in 1895. The company was reformed as a public company in 1900, but William and Samuel lost their seats on the board. Most of the records in this collection relate to the new company.

Priestman Brothers continued to develop new machinery for dredging, ditching and cargo handling. They were involved in rebuilding French villages after the First World War and also received investment from the Ministry of Agriculture in 1921 for field drainage machinery. In the 1920s a line of universal excavators were marketed and production of excavators named after animals began with the introduction of the 'Cub', followed later by the 'Caribou' and 'Panther'. From the 1960s onwards the firm also developed a range of hydraulic excavators.

After many years of developing the original premises at the 'Holderness Foundry' on Williamson Street in Hull, a new larger site was developed at Marfleet outside of Hull in 1950. Additional parts and sales depots were established in London, Birmingham and Glasgow.

As well as exporting its machinery all over the world, several subsidiary companies were formed in Australia (1961), United States of America (1960's), and most notably for this collection, a wholly owned subsidiary in Canada (1956), Sweden (1965), and a British subsidiary Taperex Bearings Ltd.

In December 1965 Priestman Brothers purchased AB Industridiesel, who had been its distributor in Sweden since 1945. Priestmans' hoped to boost exports to their already strong Swedish market, but AB Industridiesel remained a loss-making concern and was sold off in early 1969.

Taperex Bearings Ltd was created as a wholly owned subsidiary in 1962. It operated from Marfleet, Hull alongside Priestman Bros. It enabled them to extend the use of the successful Taperex bearing they had developed in 1956 and to make it commercially available. It also marketed a wide range of cross roll slewing rings used not only in Priestmans' products but by other makers of construction equipment.

Priestman Brothers was taken over by the Steel Group in September 1969. Only a small number of the record series in this collection continue after the takeover. However, Priestman Brothers retained its identity as a business and was able to expand its Marfleet plant. Steel Group had already taken over a similar business, Coles Cranes of Sunderland some time before. The Steel Group was later acquired by Acrow Group in 1971-2, but Priestman Brothers continued to operate under its own name. In 1984 Acrow Group was put into receivership and the Priestman division was sold off to Sandersons of Skegness. It has since been resold a number of times, but no longer manufactures cranes or excavators. As of February 2013, what is left of the company trades in Bradford under its new owner, Gardner Denver.

**Custodial History:** Deposited by Neil Sanderson, Skegness, former director of Sanderson Manufacturing Limited on 6 Apr 2011. After these records ceased to be in current use, they had been retained by the parent company until they were deposited at the Hull History Centre.

**Description:** The collection consists of material produced by Priestman Brothers Limited, the bulk of which dates from 1900-1970 (between becoming a public company in 1900 and being taken over by Steel Group in 1969). There are small amounts of material which predate 1900 or which postdate 1969 which were retained by the company and these have been preserved in their original series.

The company's corporate records [C DBSP/1/1] include complete series of Directors' Minute Books (1900-1978), Annual Reports (1901-1980). Also includes files regarding the issue of share capital (1951-1961), arranged here because they form part of the Directors' records, and minutes of the technical committee (1922-1925).

Records for the share holding of the company [C DBSP/1/2] include registers of shareholders (1901-1981). Of particular interest here is a file relating to the acquisition of shares by Steel Group (1970-1981). Also included are records of share transfers (1901-1970), registers of debenture holders (1901-1950), files relating to the issue of debenture stock (1957-1966), dividend books (1913-1961), probate registers (1938-1961) and annual returns (1925-1940).

Financial records [C DBSP/1/3] comprise accounting records, including some 19th century accounting records (1873-1900) in addition to an impersonal ledger (1913-1937), as well as summaries of profit (1916-1933), correspondence relating to loans (1956-1966), financial reports (1956-1961) and a costing notebook (1914-1935).

The legal records of the company [C DBSP/1/4] include a large number of letters patent (1899-1981) relating to machines and component parts, alongside summary lists of patents (1881-1953). There is correspondence regarding agreements for tin mining (1940-1954), litigation and potentially litigious cases (1955-1978), and the manufacture of American machines under license (1960-1961).

The operations of the company [C DBSP/1/5] are documented by an order book (1891-1931) and summaries of stock and contracts (1904-1943). There are lists of technical drawings for cranes (1892-1940s) but the drawings themselves have not survived. Also includes correspondence (1879-1961); of particular interest is William Dent Priestman's outgoing letterbook from a trip to Australia (1879-1880).

Within Marketing and Public Relations [C DBSP/1/6] a large number of brochures and catalogues have survived (1885-1960s), including brochures for specific models of grab. Also includes press cuttings (1955-1957).

Personnel records [C DBSP/1/7] contain a substantial though incomplete series of wage books (1893-1977) which in most cases contain very brief details of employment, pension registers and related correspondence (1946-1974) and minutes of the Priestman's Recreation Club (1925-1932).

Records relating to Property and Premises [C DBSP/1/8] include plans for the Holderness Foundry (1870-1937) in addition to correspondence (and some plans) regarding the new works site built at Marfleet (1945-1958). There is correspondence and plans for offices and works in London, Glasgow and Grantham (1943-1956); files for residential property let to staff in Hull, Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow, Sutton Coldfield, Bridgend and Solihull (1941-1971) and for tenancies held by Priestmans Brothers (1937-1949).

There are a large number of photograph albums [C DBSP/1/9] depicting Priestman Brothers machines (1928-1969); fairs and exhibitions where the company exhibited (1948-1970s); UK and overseas branches (c.1947-c.1972) and a small number of publications [C DBSP/1/10] on Priestmans' machinery (1881-1946).

There is a series of correspondence and financial material relating to AB Industriediesel [C DBSP/1/11], Priestmans' Swedish distributor (1950-1968). The files relating to the period that AB Industriediesel was a subsidiary company form an ongoing series so they too can be found here.

There are two small sub-collections for the subsidiaries; Taperex Bearings Ltd [C DBSP/2] which contains minutes, patents and articles of association (1962-1972), and Priestman Canada Limited [C DBSP/3] which contains a single visitors' book (1959-1963).

**Arrangement:** As no evidence of original filing structure is present, the collection has been arranged by function, with original series preserved where they can be detected. Sub-collections have been created to reflect the status of subsidiary companies as separate legal entities, except where this would mean breaking up a continuous series.

C DBSP/1	Priestman Brothers Limited	1870-1981
C DBSP/1/1	Corporate Records	1900-1980
C DBSP/1/2	Share Records	1901-1981
C DBSP/1/3	Financial Records	1870-1972
C DBSP/1/4	Legal Records	1881-1981
C DBSP/1/5	Operations	1879-1965
C DBSP/1/6	Marketing and Public Relations	1887-1960s
C DBSP/1/7	Personnel	1893-1978
C DBSP/1/8	Property and Premises	1870-1971
C DBSP/1/9	Photographs	1928-1970s
C DBSP/1/10	Publications	1881-c.1946
C DBSP/1/11	AB Industriediesel	1950-1968
C DBSP/2	Taperex Bearings Limited	1962-1973
C DBSP/3	Priestman Canada Limited	1959-1963

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**Language:** English, with some sales material in various European languages

**Related material:** A separate collection containing substantial personnel and company records is held at C DBPM and further papers of Priestman Brothers are held at C DIEK and C DIDB (all at Hull City Archives, Hull History Centre).

Some publicity material (1878-1969) can be found at TR PRI in the Museum of English Rural Life, University of Reading.

The history of Priestman Brothers is described in the following publications (both available at the Hull History Centre):

- 'Acrow, the success story of achievement through team spirit' by Acrow Group, 1976 (Acrow Group) [L.621.8]
- 'Priestman Progress, 1870-1958' by Priestman Brothers Ltd, 1958 (Priestman Brothers) [L.621.8]

<b>C DBSP/1</b>	<b>PRIESTMAN BROTHERS LIMITED</b> 31 boxes, 170 large volumes	<b>1870-1981</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/1</b>	<b>Corporate records</b> 20 volumes, 14 files, 2 items	<b>1900-1980</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/1/1</b>	<b>Memorandum and Articles of Association</b> 2 items	<b>1961-1971</b>
C DBSP/1/1/1/1	Memorandum and Articles of Association of Priestman Brothers Limited New Articles of Association adopted by Special Resolution and passed 11 July 1961 1 item	11 Jul 1961- 28 Feb 1963
C DBSP/1/1/1/2	Memorandum and Articles of Association of Priestman Brothers Limited New Articles of Association adopted by Special Resolution and passed 31 Mar 1971 1 item	31 Mar 1971
<b>C DBSP/1/1/2</b>	<b>Minutes of Directors' Meetings</b> The Directors' Minutes form a continuous series which has been kept together.  The Minutes contain material relating to operational matters, premises and works, as well as general business concerns. They include reports from individual directors (on visits to subsidiaries and customers) and material on developments with subsidiaries (including Taperex Bearings Ltd and AB Industriediesel). Small amounts of correspondence relating to matters raised at meetings were filed with the minutes.  The Minutes each contain a contemporary index, with the exception of C DBSP/1/1/2/12. 12 volumes	<b>1900-1978</b>
C DBSP/1/1/2/1	Directors' Minute Book 1 Includes proposed scheme of arrangement for the New Company 1 volume	9 Nov 1900- 1 Aug 1917
C DBSP/1/1/2/2	Directors' Minute Book 2 1 volume	26 Oct 1917- 27 Sep 1920
C DBSP/1/1/2/3	Directors' Minute Book 3 1 volume	8 Oct 1920- 25 May 1925

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C DBSP/1/1/2/4	Directors' Minute Book 4 1 volume	29 Jun 1925- 17 Jul 1930
C DBSP/1/1/2/5	Directors' Minute Book 5 Includes report of Philip Priestman's visit to Malaya 1 volume	27 Sep 1930- 10 Dec 1935
C DBSP/1/1/2/6	Directors' Minute Book 6 1 volume	4 Feb 1936- 6 Mar 1941
C DBSP/1/1/2/7	Directors' Minute Book 7 1 volume	16 Apr 1941- 26 Sep 1946
C DBSP/1/1/2/8	Directors' Minute Book 8 1 volume	24 Oct 1946- 9 Sep 1957
C DBSP/1/1/2/9	Directors' Minute Book 9 1 volume	30 Sep 1957- 25 Jun 1963
C DBSP/1/1/2/10	Directors' Minute Book 10 1 volume	30 Sep 1963- 7 Feb 1969
C DBSP/1/1/2/11	Directors' Minute Book 11 Documents the lead-up to the merger bid by Steel Group including recommendations by the Managing Director to accept the bid 1 volume	27 Mar 1969- 24 Sep 1970
C DBSP/1/1/2/12	Directors' Minute Book 12 1 volume	13 Oct 1970- 22 Mar 1978
<b>C DBSP/1/1/3</b>	<b>Records relating to Directors' Meetings</b> Comprise the signatures of the directors present at each Board Meeting. Also includes extraordinary meetings and shareholders' meetings (including shareholders' signatures). C DBSP/1/1/3/1 also includes directors and others in attendance at Finance and Works Committee meetings. 3 volumes	<b>1919-1960</b>
C DBSP/1/1/3/1	Director's Attendance Book 1 volume	10 Oct 1919- 25 Jul 1927
C DBSP/1/1/3/2	Director's Attendance Book 1 volume	26 Sep 1927- 11 Jun 1953
C DBSP/1/1/3/3	Director's Attendance Book 1 volume	8 Oct 1953- 15 Dec 1960

<b>C DBSP/1/1/4</b>	<b>Annual Reports and Financial Statements</b> Signed annual reports and financial statements, which form a continuous series and so have been kept together. Mostly comprise two items per year: a) Financial Statements and Directors' and Auditors' Reports and b) Detailed financial statements and reports. From 1945 onwards they were produced as one item per year. 12 files	<b>1901-1980</b>
C DBSP/1/1/4/1	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1901-1909
C DBSP/1/1/4/2	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1910-1914
C DBSP/1/1/4/3	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1915-1919
C DBSP/1/1/4/4	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1920-1924
C DBSP/1/1/4/5	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1925-1929
C DBSP/1/1/4/6	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1930-1934
C DBSP/1/1/4/7	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1935-1939
C DBSP/1/1/4/8	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1940-1944
C DBSP/1/1/4/9	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1945-1955
C DBSP/1/1/4/10	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1956-1963
C DBSP/1/1/4/11	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1964-1976
C DBSP/1/1/4/12	Annual Reports and Financial Statements 1 file	1977-1980
<b>C DBSP/1/1/5</b>	<b>Registers of Directors</b> 5 volumes	<b>1901-1949</b>
C DBSP/1/1/5/1	Register of Directors 1 volume	14 Jan 1901- 23 Mar 1917

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C DBSP/1/1/5/2	Register of Directors 1 volume	5 Mar 1918- 26 Jun 1922
C DBSP/1/1/5/3	Register of Directors 1 volume	12 Jan 1923- 9 Mar 1929
C DBSP/1/1/5/4	Register of Directors 1 volume	14 Jan 1930- 1 Apr 1949
C DBSP/1/1/5/5	Register of Directors' Holdings and Interests Records details of shares held by each Director in Priestman Brothers and other companies 1 volume	14 Jan 1930- 1 Apr 1949
<b>C DBSP/1/1/6</b>	<b>Records relating to Share Capital</b> 2 files	<b>1951-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/1/6/1	Letter and draft advertisement for Stock Exchange Quotation This draft was produced in preparation for raising funds for premises development at Marfleet 1 file	19 Jan 1951
C DBSP/1/1/6/2	Finance Capital. Capitalisation. Issue 1961. (Documents and Drafts.) Regarding plans for an increase in share capital. Includes notices of extraordinary meetings, a certified copy of the agreement to increase the share capital and drafts of related documents. Also includes a financial report by Peat, Marwick and Mitchell to be included in the Advertisement for share capital. The share capital issued was £1,750,000 consisting of 750,000 7.5% Redeemable Cumulative Preference shares and 4 million Ordinary Shares. 1 file	5 Jun-11 Jul 1961
<b>C DBSP/1/1/7</b>	<b>Committees</b> 1 file	<b>1922-1925</b>
C DBSP/1/1/7/1	Technical Committee Minutes Mostly comprises discussion on development of, and potential customers for, certain machines. Also includes disucssion of Priestman Brothers' agents in India and visit to India by Mr E. R. Hillier. 1 file	23 Nov 1922- 2 May 1925



<b>C DBSP/1/1/8</b>	<b>Register of Seals</b> 1 volume	<b>1953-1965</b>
C DBSP/1/1/8/1	Register of Seals Chronological list documenting uses of the Company Seal 1 volume	27 Apr 1953- 31 May 1965
<b>C DBSP/1/1/9</b>	<b>Miscellaneous items relating to the Board</b> 1 volume, 1 file	<b>1929-1953</b>
C DBSP/1/1/9/1	Mr H. H. Broughton's Report to the Board on the Re-Organisation of the Works Commissioned report by Mr Broughton, a Consulting Engineer, 'on the feasibility of effecting economies without appreciable capital expenditure'. Includes routing diagrams and three sketches of grabs. 1 volume	18 Jul 1929
C DBSP/1/1/9/2	Correspondence. Col. V. H. Holt (Director). Correspondence with the Company Secretary regarding his Directorship. Includes payment of fees, arrangement of directors' meetings and a dispute over nominees to the Board. 1 file	10 Mar 1945- 30 May 1953
<b>C DBSP/1/2</b>	<b>Share records</b> 17 volumes, 6 files, 15 items	<b>1901-1981</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/2/1</b>	<b>Registers of shareholders</b> 6 volumes	<b>1901-1981</b>
C DBSP/1/2/1/1	Ordinary Share Ledger 1 with Register of members and Register of transfers Indexed 1 volume	18 Mar 1901- 30 May 1913
C DBSP/1/2/1/2	Preference Share Ledger 1 with Register of members and Register of transfers Indexed 1 volume	18 Mar 1901- 30 May 1913
C DBSP/1/2/1/3	Share Ledger 2 with Register of members and Register of transfers Indexed 1 volume	1 Mar 1918- 12 Oct 1953
C DBSP/1/2/1/4	Share Ledger 3 with Register of Members Listed by shareholders of ordinary shares 1 volume	8 Jul 1955- 11 Jul 1961

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C DBSP/1/2/1/5	List of Priestman Brothers Shareholders List compiled by Mr N. O. Moody 1 volume	Jan 1969
C DBSP/1/2/1/6	Register of holdings of Dissident shareholders, Steel Group Ltd Acquisition of Priestman Bros Includes list of dissident shareholders received from Steel Group on 22 April 1970, list of holders of Steel Group ordinary shares, list of holders of Steel Group 10.25% unsecured loan stock and list of dividends paid. Also includes copies of some letters sent to shareholders regarding the offer from Steel group (September 1969). Also includes the later acquisition of Steel Group shares by Acrow in 1973. 1 volume	22 Apr 1970- 30 Jun 1981
<b>C DBSP/1/2/2</b>	<b>Share allotment records</b> 1 file	<b>1955</b>
C DBSP/1/2/2/1	Allotment of 246,840 Ordinary Shares of £1 each Alphabetical list of shareholders' allotted shares 1 file	21 Apr 1955
<b>C DBSP/1/2/3</b>	<b>Share transfer registers</b> 2 volumes, 2 files	<b>1901-1970</b>
C DBSP/1/2/3/1	Share transfer forms 1-120 For ordinary shares, preferential shares and debenture stock 1 file	12 Jun 1901- 23 Jul 1924
C DBSP/1/2/3/2	Share transfer forms 266-385 For ordinary shares, preferential shares and debenture stock 1 file	18 Nov 1914- 19 Feb 1942
C DBSP/1/2/3/3	Register of share transfers For Ordinary and 7.5% Preferential shares 1 volume	9 Oct 1961- 24 May 1968
C DBSP/1/2/3/4	Register of share transfers For debenture, ordinary and 7.5% Preferential shares 1 volume	19 Jun 1968- 31 Mar 1970

<b>C DBSP/1/2/4</b>	<b>Registers of debenture holders and debenture interest</b> 4 volumes	<b>1901-1950</b>
C DBSP/1/2/4/1	Register of A Debenture Holders with register of Debenture transfers Indexed 1 volume	18 Mar 1901- 26 Jul 1912
C DBSP/1/2/4/2	Register of B Debenture Holders with Register of Debenture Transfers Indexed 1 volume	18 Mar 1901- 30 May 1913
C DBSP/1/2/4/3	Register of Debenture Stock Holders with Register of Debenture transfers Indexed 1 volume	8 Aug 1913- 19 Oct 1956
C DBSP/1/2/4/4	Register of Debenture Interest 1 volume	20 Dec 1927- 30 Sep 1950
<b>C DBSP/1/2/5</b>	<b>Debenture Deeds and agreements</b> Includes files relating to a debenture raised with Finance Corporation for Industry [FCI] to secure a loan to Priestman Brothers [see C DBSP/1/3/3/3] 3 files	<b>1957-1966</b>
C DBSP/1/2/5/1	Capital charges - Midland Bank and FCI Debenture Contains related correspondence and two signed agreements for the debenture with FCI and Charge to Midland Bank Ltd 1 file	25 Apr 1957- 9 Aug 1961
C DBSP/1/2/5/2	Capital - FCI Agreement Correspondence regarding Debenture with FCI including draft agreements and signed agreement letter. Permission to issue up to £125,000 nominal amount of ordinary share capital. 1 file	11 Dec 1957- 16 Jun 1961
C DBSP/1/2/5/3	Debenture Trust Deed. 'Priestman Bros and another [Taperex], And Alliance Assurance Company Limited' Securing £1,000,000 7.5% Debenture Stock 1986/91, with Taperex Bearings Ltd providing further security for the debenture stock. 1 file	7 Sep 1966

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<b>C DBSP/1/2/6</b>	<b>Dividend Books</b> 4 volumes	<b>1913-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/2/6/1	Dividend Book For debenture stock-holders 1 volume	30 Sep 1913- 30 Sep 1919
C DBSP/1/2/6/2	Dividend Book For ordinary and preference shares 1 volume	30 Sep 1920- 9 Dec 1936
C DBSP/1/2/6/3	Dividend Book For ordinary, preference and debenture shares 1 volume	31 Mar 1937- 31 Mar 1954
C DBSP/1/2/6/4	Dividend Book For ordinary, preference and debenture shares 1 volume	30 Sep 1954- 10 Jul 1961
<b>C DBSP/1/2/7</b>	<b>Probate Register</b> 1 volume	<b>1938-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/2/7/1	Register of Probates Includes lists of Power of Attorneys and Certified Transfers 1 volume	2 Feb 1938- 27 Jul 1961
<b>C DBSP/1/2/8</b>	<b>Annual Returns</b> Returns to Companies House including information on share capital and shareholders. Includes a copy of returns for Goodacre and Sons (1925). 15 items	<b>1925-1940</b>
C DBSP/1/2/8/1	Annual Return Goodacre and Son 1 item	Nov 1925
C DBSP/1/2/8/2	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Jan 1928
C DBSP/1/2/8/3	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Jan 1929
C DBSP/1/2/8/4	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Jan 1930

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C DBSP/1/2/8/5	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Jan 1931
C DBSP/1/2/8/6	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Jan 1932
C DBSP/1/2/8/7	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1932
C DBSP/1/2/8/8	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1933
C DBSP/1/2/8/9	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1934
C DBSP/1/2/8/10	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1935
C DBSP/1/2/8/11	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1936
C DBSP/1/2/8/12	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1937
C DBSP/1/2/8/13	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1938
C DBSP/1/2/8/14	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1939
C DBSP/1/2/8/15	Annual Return Priestman Brothers 1 item	Dec 1940

<b>C DBSP/1/3</b>	<b>Financial records</b> Comprises accounting records such as nominal and impersonal ledgers, summaries of profit, loan files, financial reports and costing records 11 volumes, 6 files, 3 items	<b>1870-1972</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/3/1</b>	<b>Accounting</b> Includes nominal ledger from the first incarnation of the company which has been kept with these records 1 file, 2 volumes, 1 item	<b>1870-1972</b>
C DBSP/1/3/1/1	Various accounting records 19th century accounting records which were brought together with an explanatory note dated 1951. Includes Accounts for 1875, 1876, 1878, 1880, 1883, which comprise balance sheets, profit and loss accounts, ledger stock and various other accounts. Also includes sundry records relating to stock (1873), and notes on book-keeping with extracts of various ledgers and accounts (1870). An accompanying note suggests that these were used by Samuel Priestman to show William Dent Priestman how to keep books) Also includes a letter of introduction from Joseph Bevan Braithwaite (1870, recipient unknown) regarding the raising of funds for a patent.  These records are all loose sheets, some of which have been pasted together. 1 file	1870- 12 Oct 1951
C DBSP/1/3/1/2	Nominal Ledger Ledger of various accounts. With index to the accounts. 1 volume	Jan 1895- Oct 1900
C DBSP/1/3/1/3	Impersonal Ledger Ledger of various accounts, organised alphabetically 1 volume	Oct 1913- Dec 1937
C DBSP/1/3/1/4	Copy. Table showing turnover, 1946-1967. Turnover by year and by category 1 item	1946-1967

<b>C DBSP/1/3/2</b>	<b>Summaries of Profit</b> Shows details of contracts and repair works completed 3 volumes	<b>1916-1933</b>
C DBSP/1/3/2/1	Summary of Profit 1 volume	1 Oct 1916- 29 Feb 1924
C DBSP/1/3/2/2	Summary of Profit 1 volume	1 Oct 1923- 30 Jun 1929
C DBSP/1/3/2/3	Summary of Profit 1 volume	1 Oct 1928- 31 Mar 1933
<b>C DBSP/1/3/3</b>	<b>Loans</b> Regarding loans to and from Priestman Brothers 10 files	<b>1956-1972</b>
C DBSP/1/3/3/1	Finance Corporation for Industry Limited Correspondence regarding the negotiation of terms for a loan of up to £1,250,000 from Finance Corporation for Industry (FCI). 1 file	6 Mar 1956- 31 Dec 1956
C DBSP/1/3/3/2	Finance Corporation for Industry Limited Correspondence regarding the negotiation of terms for a loan of up to £1,250,000 from FCI. 1 file	27 Feb 1956- 26 Sep 1958
C DBSP/1/3/3/3	Finance Corporation for Industry Limited Correspondence regarding a Debenture raised to secure a loan from FCI [see C DBSP/1/2/5/1-2] and relating to the death of A. Wilkins of Priestman Brothers 1 file	13 Oct 1958- 3 Dec 1968
C DBSP/1/3/3/4	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence and agreements relating to a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	8 Jun 1961- 31 Oct 1963
C DBSP/1/3/3/5	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence and balance sheets relating to a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	28 Mar 1964- 1 Jul 1966

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C DBSP/1/3/3/6	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence relating to the ongoing administration of a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	19 Dec 1963- 21 Apr 1969
C DBSP/1/3/3/7	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence relating to the ongoing administration of a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	19 Dec 1963- 3 Sep 1964
C DBSP/1/3/3/8	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence relating to the ongoing administration of a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	7 Sep 1964- 20 Feb 1968
C DBSP/1/3/3/9	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence relating to the ongoing administration of a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett 1 file	5 Oct 1961- 4 Aug 1966
C DBSP/1/3/3/10	Wood Pritchett and Partners and Mechquip Ltd Correspondence relating to the ongoing administration of a loan from Priestman Brothers to Mechquip and Wood Pritchett, including the liquidation of Wood Pritchett Holdings 1 file	20 Mar 1968- 20 Mar 1972
<b>C DBSP/1/3/4</b>	<b>Reports</b> 2 items	<b>1956-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/3/4/1	Report by Peat, Marwick and Mitchell into Priestman Brothers' financial affairs Covers trading results, net assets, current results and financial requirements. Also includes schedule of ordinary shareholders, analysis of turnover by products, analysis of export turnover by country, home turnover by industries, estimated orders outstanding and cash requirements for fixed asset development programme including present cash shortage. 1 item	11 May 1956



C DBSP/1/3/4/2	Report by Peat, Marwick and Mitchell into Priestman Brothers' financial affairs Covers trading results, net assets, current trading and future prospects and marketing of share capital. Also includes schedule of ordinary shareholders, analysis of turnover by products, analysis of export turnover by country and finance forecast for 1960-1965. Includes references to Priestmans Canada Limited. 1 item	5 May 1961
<b>C DBSP/1/3/5</b>	<b>Costing records</b> 1 volume	<b>c.1914-1935</b>
C DBSP/1/3/5/1	Looseleaf costing notebook Containing price lists for various materials and rates of pay for trades. Also includes statistics for output capacities and turnovers. 1 volume	c.1914-1935
<b>C DBSP/1/4</b>	<b>Legal records</b> Comprises records regarding patents for Priestmans' inventions, correspondence regarding agreements, litigation and licences 13 files, 22 bundles, 2 items	<b>1881-1981</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/4/1</b>	<b>Patents</b> UK patents have been arranged into bundles by decade and foreign patents have been arranged by country 5 files, 22 bundles, 2 items	<b>1881-1981</b>
C DBSP/1/4/1/1	List of patents as of 1926 with notes of payment fees for patentees With an 1881 patent Deed of Assignment 1 file	1881-1926
C DBSP/1/4/1/2	Patents Summary List of English patents accepted between Jan 1942 and Jan 1953 with lists of overseas applications. With List of patents not accepted or completed. 1 file	6 Mar 1953
C DBSP/1/4/1/3	Patents Summary List of patents granted since Nov 1938 and due to lapse before Apr 1953. With list of patent applications completed but not yet granted. 1 file	1938-1953

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C DBSP/1/4/1/4	Records of lapsed or expired patents Typed records of patents which had expired as of 1 Jan 1953. Includes foreign patents. 1 file	11 Apr 1932- 27 Mar 1950
C DBSP/1/4/1/5	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1899-1909
C DBSP/1/4/1/6	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1914-1916
C DBSP/1/4/1/7	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1921-1929
C DBSP/1/4/1/8	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1930-1939
C DBSP/1/4/1/9	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1940-1949
C DBSP/1/4/1/10	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1950-1959
C DBSP/1/4/1/11	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1960-1969
C DBSP/1/4/1/12	Expired patents - UK 1 bundle	1973-1978
C DBSP/1/4/1/13	Expired patents - Argentina 1 bundle	1929-1950
C DBSP/1/4/1/14	Expired patents - Australia 1 bundle	1932-1968
C DBSP/1/4/1/15	Expired patents - Belgium 1 bundle	1946-1951
C DBSP/1/4/1/16	Expired patents - Canada 1 bundle	1953-1960
C DBSP/1/4/1/17	Expired patents - France 1 bundle	1934-1966
C DBSP/1/4/1/18	Expired patents - Germany 1 bundle	1930-1966
C DBSP/1/4/1/19	Expired patents - Holland 1 item	1952

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C DBSP/1/4/1/20	Expired patents - Japan 1 bundle	1908-1970
C DBSP/1/4/1/21	Expired patents - Malaya 1 bundle	1950-1956
C DBSP/1/4/1/22	Expired patents - New Zealand 1 bundle	1957-1963
C DBSP/1/4/1/23	Expired patents - Singapore 1 bundle	1951-1956
C DBSP/1/4/1/24	Expired patents - South Africa 1 bundle	1957-1979
C DBSP/1/4/1/25	Expired patents - Spain 1 item	1966
C DBSP/1/4/1/26	Expired patents - Sweden 1 bundle	1965-1968
C DBSP/1/4/1/27	Expired patents - USA 1 bundle	1930-1981
C DBSP/1/4/1/28	Expired patents - D. J. Barnard Letters Patent all applied for by D. J. Barnard. Includes UK and foreign patents. 1 bundle	1925-1937
C DBSP/1/4/1/29	Trademark registrations Brief details of trademark registrations for the Panther, Cub and Tiger models 1 file	1969-1974
<b>C DBSP/1/4/2</b>	<b>Legal Agreements</b> 2 files	<b>1940-1954</b>
C DBSP/1/4/2/1	Correspondence. James Whyte and Company Ltd (Tin Dredger Agreements). Regarding agreement concerning tin dredgers to be sold for use in Malaya, along with signed copies of the Agreement 1 file	6 Jan-28 Mar 1940
C DBSP/1/4/2/2	Correspondence. A. J. Kelman - Commission (Charles Leach). Regarding a commission for Kelman due to his work for tin mining grabs 1 file	8 May 1940- 6 Sep 1954

C DBSP/1/4/3	<b>Litigation</b>	<b>1955-1978</b>
	Files relating to disputes that involved or had the potential to involve litigation. Some of the files contain material that dates from after the firm became part of Steel Group but the disputes were dealt with by Priestman Brothers themselves. 6 files	
C DBSP/1/4/3/1	Correspondence. Priestman Tiger accident. Regarding an accident involving a Priestman Tiger excavator at Jonkoping, Sweden. This file was received by Priestman Bros from the Iron Trades Employers Insurance Association in Mar 1958.	4 Mar-31 Oct 1955
	<b>This item contains personal sensitive information and is not available for public inspection until January 2031.</b> 1 file	
C DBSP/1/4/3/2	Correspondence. Priestman Tiger accident. Mainly correspondence with the Iron Trades Employers Insurance Association regarding an accident involving a Priestman Tiger excavator at Jonkoping, Sweden	9 Aug 1957- 11 Jun 1958
	<b>This item contains personal sensitive information and is not available for public inspection until January 2034.</b> 1 file	
C DBSP/1/4/3/3	Correspondence. Decauville – Walvarens. Dispute regarding a Priestmans Mustang 90 which was sold from Decauville to Walravens 1 file	22 Oct 1970- 27 Aug 1976
C DBSP/1/4/3/4	Correspondence. Decauville – Walvarens. Dispute regarding a Priestmans Mustang 90 which was sold from Decauville to Walravens 1 file	31 Aug 1976- 5 Jul 1977
C DBSP/1/4/3/5	Correspondence. Belgium Lawsuits. Regarding the early part of a dispute with Decauville and Walvarens. This file was sent to Mr N Moody on 19 Jul 1976. 1 file	11 Mar 1970- 15 Mar 1973

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C DBSP/1/4/3/6	Correspondence. Herbert Morris Ltd. - Hong Kong Grabs. Regarding the settlement of a dispute over grabs purchased by Herbert Morris for Hong Kong in 1972 1 file	8 Jun 1976- 2 Nov 1978
<b>C DBSP/1/4/4</b>	<b>Licenses</b> 1 file	<b>1960-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/4/4/1	Correspondence. America. Regarding American Hoist and Derrick Co., Thew Shovel Co., regarding agreements to make American machines under license in England. Also draft agreements with Dodge Manufacturing Corporation. 1 file	19 Feb 1960- 21 Apr 1961
<b>C DBSP/1/5</b>	<b>Operations</b> 6 volumes, 3 files, 1 item	<b>1879-1965</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/5/1</b>	<b>Orders</b> 1 volume, 1 file, 1 item	<b>1891-1965</b>
C DBSP/1/5/1/1	Order Book Includes model number, details of size and description of machine ordered, works number, order number, and date. From March 1912 onwards the name of the customer is also supplied. 1 volume	5 Mar 1891- 28 Oct 1931
C DBSP/1/5/1/2	Chart showing orders of Parts, Dredgers, Grabs, Excavators 1 file	1933-1963
C DBSP/1/5/1/3	Chart showing orders v. production With annotations showing where production exceeds orders. No indication of which models the figures apply to. 1 item	1962-1965
<b>C DBSP/1/5/2</b>	<b>Stock and contracts</b> 3 volumes	<b>1904-1943</b>
C DBSP/1/5/2/1	Monthly summary of stock and contracts Includes dredger contracts, engine contracts and repairs, in addition to monthly stock summaries 1 volume	13 Oct 1904- 11 Oct 1911

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C DBSP/1/5/2/2	Monthly summary of stock and contracts Includes dredger contracts, engine contracts and repairs, in addition to monthly stock summaries 1 volume	12 Oct 1911- 30 Sep 1916
C DBSP/1/5/2/3	Inventory of fixed and loose plant and machinery, loose tools and equipment, works fixtures, fittings and trade utensils, office furniture, canteen equipment, A.R.P. equipment, blackout, installation, motor vehicles, horse and rollies at Holderness Foundry, Thomas Street, Hull. By Henry Butcher and Co, Surveyors and valuers. Listed by department. Also supplies the value of each item. 1 volume	23 Mar 1943
<b>C DBSP/1/5/3</b>	<b>Production</b> 1 volume	<b>1892-1940s</b>
C DBSP/1/5/3/1	Drawing Lists for Cranes A 452 to A 536 Lists of drawings for various models of crane, which include references to technical drawings [which are not here]. The lists mainly date from the 1890s, with later annotations. 1 volume	1892-1940s
<b>C DBSP/1/5/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b> Includes a letterbook belonging to William Dent Priestman which predates that company's re-formation in 1900, but which was kept with these records. 1 volume, 1 file, 1 item	<b>1879-1961</b>
C DBSP/1/5/4/1	Letter book. William Dent Priestman. Letters sent from Australia in 1879 and while on board the SS Zealandia in early 1880. With index by subject and recipient. Contents mainly relate to operational matters such as orders, but also include patents etc. 1 volume	13 Sep 1879- 1880
C DBSP/1/5/4/2	Letter from William Jacks and Co (Malaya) Ltd Regarding a potential order for excavators and grab dredgers for tin mining in Malaya 1 item	30 Mar 1931
C DBSP/1/5/4/3	Correspondence regarding order from Polimex, Poland Includes reports and figures relating to a potential order for 'Cub' grabs 1 file	6 Dec 1956- 9 Feb 1961

<b>C DBSP/1/6</b>	<b>Marketing and Public Relations</b> 5 bundles, 3 volumes	<b>1887-1960s</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/6/1</b>	<b>Product Sales Literature</b> Includes material marked as historical as well as the office copies of product sales catalogues. Both for specific models of machines and more general brochures. Includes some foreign brochures for export market. 5 bundles, 2 volumes	<b>1887-1960s</b>
C DBSP/1/6/1/1	Binder of product brochures Sub-divided into Excavators, Grab Dredgers and Grabs 1 volume	1950s-1960s
C DBSP/1/6/1/2	Brochures for overseas agents Various languages 1 volume	May 1952- Dec 1956
C DBSP/1/6/1/3	Office copies of catalogues 77-135 (incomplete) 1 bundle	1887-1915
C DBSP/1/6/1/4	Office copies of catalogues 154-251 1 bundle	20th cent.
C DBSP/1/6/1/5	Office copies of catalogues 252-332 1 bundle	20th cent.
C DBSP/1/6/1/6	Office copies of catalogues 336-491 1 bundle	20th cent.
C DBSP/1/6/1/7	Office copies of catalogues 614-663 1 bundle	20th cent.
<b>C DBSP/1/6/2</b>	<b>Press Cuttings</b> 1 volume	<b>1955-1957</b>
C DBSP/1/6/2/1	Press Cuttings Cuttings from trade periodicals and newspapers relating to Priestman Brothers products, tours by Priestmans engineers and to projects using Priestman machinery. Mostly with date and source. 1 volume	Jan 1955- Jan 1957

<b>C DBSP/1/7</b>	<b>Personnel</b> 11 volumes, 3 files	<b>1893-1978</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/7/1</b>	<b>Wages</b> Includes a wage book from the first incarnation of the business, which has been retained with these records. Also includes two wage books which continue after Priestman's merged with Steel Group. 7 volumes	<b>1893-1977</b>
C DBSP/1/7/1/1	Wage Book 1 volume	28 Dec 1893- 28 Mar 1895
C DBSP/1/7/1/2	Wage Book 1 volume	1 Jan 1922- 19 Jun 1933
C DBSP/1/7/1/3	Wage Book <b>This item contains personal sensitive information and is not available for public inspection until January 2044.</b> 1 volume	1 Oct 1950- Jan 1968
C DBSP/1/7/1/4	Wage Book 1 volume	20 Oct 1962- 30 Mar 1968
C DBSP/1/7/1/5	Wage Book <b>This item contains personal sensitive information and is not available for public inspection until January 2053.</b> 1 volume	27 Apr 1968- 16 Apr 1977
C DBSP/1/7/1/6	Pay Roll records of staff salaries Supplies salaries of individual staff members, but not listed alphabetically. 1 volume	20 Apr 1974- 28 Mar 1975
C DBSP/1/7/1/7	Binder of memoranda. Time Office. Regarding rates of pay for specific trades, allowances and extracts from letters from trades associations. There are occasional references to individual workers. 1 volume	1920-1945



<b>C DBSP/1/7/2</b>	<b>Pensions</b> 4 volumes, 2 files	<b>1946-1970</b>
C DBSP/1/7/2/1	Legal and General Assurance Scheme pension register Policy numbers 1272 and 4612. Lists of members retiring, new members and summary of members' units in force 1 volume	30 Jan 1946- 3 Nov 1963
C DBSP/1/7/2/2	Legal and General Assurance Scheme pension register Policy number 3604. Lists members alphabetically. 1 volume	24 Dec 1951- 24 Dec 1956
C DBSP/1/7/2/3	Legal and General Assurance Scheme pension register Register of commencement and leaving the scheme, listed by date 1 volume	1 Jan 1962- 4 Jun 1970
C DBSP/1/7/2/4	Legal and General Assurance Scheme pension register Lists members by class 1 volume	13 Dec 1963- 23 Dec 1974
C DBSP/1/7/2/5	Alphabetical membership list of the pension scheme 1 file	24 Dec 1969
C DBSP/1/7/2/6	Current and miscellaneous correspondence Letters to the membership regarding adjustments to the pension scheme 1 file	Mar 1963- Mar 1970
<b>C DBSP/1/7/3</b>	<b>Recreation Club</b> 1 volume	<b>1925-1932</b>
C DBSP/1/7/3/1	Minutes of Priestmans' Recreation Club (management committee) 1 volume	31 Aug 1925- 5 Dec 1932

<b>C DBSP/1/8</b>	<b>Property and Premises</b> 23 files	<b>1870-1971</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/8/1</b>	<b>Hull Works and Offices</b> 6 files	<b>1870-1958</b>
C DBSP/1/8/1/1	Old Works Plans Historic plans for Holderness Foundry. Comprises plans dating 1870, 1883, 1893, 1917, 1824, 1930, 1937. 1 file	1870-1937
C DBSP/1/8/1/2	Correspondence regarding new offices, Thomas Street Regarding plans for new offices in Thomas Street, Hull 1 file	28 Dec 1936- 24 Apr 1940
C DBSP/1/8/1/3	Correspondence regarding purchase of land at Marfleet With some financial calculations and a plan of the land 1 file	21 Apr 1945- 10 Feb 1954
C DBSP/1/8/1/4	Correspondence regarding Marfleet New Works, Stages I and II Includes some plans of the land 1 file	1 Jan-29 Dec 1952
C DBSP/1/8/1/5	Correspondence regarding Marfleet New Works, Stages I and II 1 file	2 Jan 1953- 16 May 1956
C DBSP/1/8/1/6	Minutes of meetings regarding Marfleet New Works, Stage III 1 file	30 Dec 1953- 3 Jun 1958
<b>C DBSP/1/8/2</b>	<b>Offices and works outside of Hull</b> 7 files	<b>1943-1956</b>
C DBSP/1/8/2/1	Correspondence regarding proposed new site at Grantham 1 file	8 Apr-22 Jul 1943
C DBSP/1/8/2/2	Photographs and drawings relating to proposed store on London Road, Glasgow Includes photographs of the construction of new premises, plans, draft for building license and tender documents 1 file	27 Sep 1951- 16 Dec 1952

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C DBSP/1/8/2/3	Correspondence regarding possible sites for London depot Regarding various sites for proposed Spares depot. Includes map showing possible sites, plans and photographs. 1 file	25 Mar 1953- 22 Jan 1954
C DBSP/1/8/2/4	Correspondence regarding sale of land on London Road, Glasgow With plans of the land at 1660 London Road 1 file	7 May 1952- 5 Aug 1953
C DBSP/1/8/2/5	Correspondence regarding sale of land on London Road, Glasgow With plans of the land at 1660 London Road 1 file	6 Aug 1953- 30 Sep 1953
C DBSP/1/8/2/6	Correspondence regarding sale of land on London Road, Glasgow With plans of the land at 1660 London Road 1 file	1 Oct 1953- 7 Dec 1954
C DBSP/1/8/2/7	Correspondence regarding sale of land on London Road, Glasgow With plans of the land at 1660 London Road 1 file	15 Jan 1955- 30 Nov 1956
<b>C DBSP/1/8/3</b>	<b>Residential property</b> Regarding Priestmans-owned properties let to staff 8 files	<b>1940-1971</b>
C DBSP/1/8/3/1	Correspondence regarding 6, 8 and 9 James Street, Hull Regarding letting of property to staff 1 file	9 Aug 1940- 27 Apr 1948
C DBSP/1/8/3/2	Correspondence regarding 97 Grange Road, Birmingham Regarding the purchase, letting and sale of the property. Also contains correspondence relating to the Midlands branch. 1 file	19 Sep 1945- 30 Dec 1957
C DBSP/1/8/3/3	Correspondence regarding 10 Glenthorne Grove, Manchester Regarding the purchase, letting and sale of the property 1 file	2 Aug 1950- 11 Sep 1968

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C DBSP/1/8/3/4	Correspondence regarding flat above Scottish Branch Office Regarding the conversion, letting and maintenance of a staff flat above London Road offices, Glasgow. Includes a lease and plans. 1 file	13 Jan 1953- 6 Sep 1957
C DBSP/1/8/3/5	Correspondence regarding 129 Kingswood Drive, Glasgow Regarding letting and sale of property 1 file	8 Jan 1954- 30 Jul 1958
C DBSP/1/8/3/6	Correspondence regarding 70 Worcester Lane, Sutton Coldfield Regarding lease, sale and death of owner 1 file	22 Dec 1954- 26 Mar 1959
C DBSP/1/8/3/7	Correspondence regarding 1 Greenwood Close, Litchard Hall Estate, Bridgend Regarding purchase, letting and sale of the property 1 file	11 Mar 1960- 10 Feb 1967
C DBSP/1/8/3/8	Correspondence regarding 14 Chapel Fields Road, Olton, Solihull Regarding purchase, letting and sale of property 1 file	28 May 1965- 6 Jan 1971
<b>C DBSP/1/8/4</b>	<b>Priestmans' Tenancies</b> 2 files	<b>1937-1949</b>
C DBSP/1/8/4/1	Tenancy of Land, Wyke Street Regarding 4200 square yards of land on the west side of Wyke Street, Hull, rented from the London and North Eastern Railway Company 1 file	25 Feb-24 Mar 1937
C DBSP/1/8/4/2	Miscellaneous correspondence relating to rented property Regarding 2a Church Street, Sutton; 43-47 Thomas Street, Hull and 10 Williamson Street, Hull 1 file	25 Feb 1941- 28 Mar 1949

<b>C DBSP/1/9</b>	<b>Photographs</b> The photographs in C DBSP/1/9/1-3 and C DBSP/1/9/7/1-3 each have an original reference number, but there is no original list. 70 volumes	<b>1928-c.1970s</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/9/1</b>	<b>Albums containing numbered photographs of machines at work</b> Depicting various models of Priestmans machinery. Most of the photographs in these albums have a detailed description on the reverse. 10 volumes	<b>1950-1969</b>
C DBSP/1/9/1/1	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album N Photograph numbers: 7694-7995 1 volume	Feb 1950- Jan 1951
C DBSP/1/9/1/2	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album O Photograph numbers: 8008-8268 1 volume	Jan 1951- Apr 1952
C DBSP/1/9/1/3	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album P Photograph numbers: 8269-8679 1 volume	Apr 1952- Jul 1953
C DBSP/1/9/1/4	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album Q Photograph numbers: 8680-9045 1 volume	Jul 1953- Dec 1954
C DBSP/1/9/1/5	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album R Photograph numbers: 9065-9596 1 volume	Jan 1955- Mar 1967
C DBSP/1/9/1/6	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album S Photograph numbers: 9603-9850 1 volume	Mar 1957- May 1958
C DBSP/1/9/1/7	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album T Photograph numbers: 9860-11066 1 volume	Jun 1958- Jul 1963

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C DBSP/1/9/1/8	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album U Photograph numbers: 11074-11393 1 volume	Aug 1963- Aug 1965
C DBSP/1/9/1/9	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album V Photograph numbers: 11403-11700 1 volume	Oct 1965- Nov 1967
C DBSP/1/9/1/10	Numbered photographs of machines at work, Album W Photograph numbers: 11709-11883 1 volume	Dec 1967- Jul 1969
<b>C DBSP/1/9/2</b>	<b>Albums containing numbered photographs of machines in yard</b> Depicting various models of Priestmans machinery. Most of the photographs in these albums have a detailed description on the reverse. 9 volumes	<b>1950-1969</b>
C DBSP/1/9/2/1	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album K Photograph numbers: 7825-8079 1 volume	Oct 1950- Sep 1951
C DBSP/1/9/2/2	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album L Photograph numbers: 8087-8374 1 volume	Oct 1951- Jun 1952
C DBSP/1/9/2/3	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album O Photograph numbers: 8430-8573 1 volume	Oct 1952- Mar 1953
C DBSP/1/9/2/4	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album Q Photograph numbers: 8629-8919 1 volume	May 1953- Jun 1954
C DBSP/1/9/2/5	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album S Photograph numbers: 9226-9447 1 volume	Jul 1955- Jul 1956
C DBSP/1/9/2/6	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album T Photograph numbers: 9448-9713 1 volume	Jul 1956- Jul 1957

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C DBSP/1/9/2/7	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album U Photograph numbers: 9714-10296 1 volume	Jul 1957- Jul 1960
C DBSP/1/9/2/8	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album V Photograph numbers: 10300-11124 1 volume	Jul 1960- Nov 1963
C DBSP/1/9/2/9	Numbered photographs of machines in yard, Album W Photograph numbers: 11125-11880 1 volume	Jan 1964- Jun 1969
<b>C DBSP/1/9/3</b>	<b>Albums containing photographs of dredgers</b> Depicting various models of Priestmans machinery. Most of the photographs in these albums have a detailed description on the reverse. 7 volumes	<b>1928-1969</b>
C DBSP/1/9/3/1	Photographs of grab hopper dredgers, Album B Photograph numbers: 3813-6286 1 volume	Jun 1928- Jan 1938
C DBSP/1/9/3/2	Photographs of grab hopper dredgers, Album C Photograph numbers: 6260-9016 1 volume	Feb 1938- Sep 1957
C DBSP/1/9/3/3	Photographs of dredger grab hoppers Photograph numbers: 10078-11932 1 volume	May 1959- Mar 1970
C DBSP/1/9/3/4	Photographs of dredgers other than grab hoppers, Album A Photograph numbers: 2114-5154 1 volume	Oct 1929- Apr 1933
C DBSP/1/9/3/5	Photographs of dredgers other than grab hoppers, Album B Photograph numbers: 5159-8772 1 volume	Apr 1933- Nov 1953
C DBSP/1/9/3/6	Photographs of dredgers other than grab hoppers, Album C Photograph numbers: 9278-111012 1 volume	Sep 1955- Apr 1963

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C DBSP/1/9/3/7	Photographs of dredgers other than grab hoppers, Album D Photograph numbers: 11130-11821 1 volume	Oct 1963- Mar 1969
<b>C DBSP/1/9/4</b>	<b>Albums containing photographs of grabs</b> 6 volumes	<b>1932-c.1960s</b>
C DBSP/1/9/4/1	Photographs of grabs aboard barges & ships Descriptions on the reverse of photographs 1 volume	c.1950-1960s
C DBSP/1/9/4/2	Photographs of Priestman grabs working overseas Descriptions on the reverse of photographs 1 volume	c.1950s
C DBSP/1/9/4/3	Photographs of Automatic Travelling Grab Model Descriptions on the reverse of some photographs 1 volume	1932-c.1960s
C DBSP/1/9/4/4	Photographs of Project 6a & Beaver Travelling Grabs 1 volume	c.1950-1960s
C DBSP/1/9/4/5	Photographs of Dominion Shovel Mini Crane Roll Leveller 1 volume	c.1950-1960s
C DBSP/1/9/4/6	Photographs of Priestman grabs and workings Photographs have brief descriptions 1 volume	c.1960s
<b>C DBSP/1/9/5</b>	<b>Albums containing photographs of fairs and exhibitions</b> Most of the photographs in these albums have a description on the reverse 5 volumes	<b>c.1948-c.1970s</b>
C DBSP/1/9/5/1	Photographs of Hanover & Munich Fairs, Album 1 1 volume	c.1960-1970s
C DBSP/1/9/5/2	Photographs of Hanover & Munich Fairs, Album 2 1 volume	c.1960-1970s
C DBSP/1/9/5/3	Photographs of fairs & exhibitions 1 volume	1953-1954
C DBSP/1/9/5/4	Photographs of original prints, exhibitions and working grab hoppers 1 volume	1948-1950



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C DBSP/1/9/5/5	Photographs of original prints, exhibitions and working grab hoppers 1 volume	c.1950s
<b>C DBSP/1/9/6</b>	<b>Albums containing photographs of Priestman branches and overseas</b> Most of these photographs have brief descriptions 24 volumes	<b>c.1947-c.1972</b>
C DBSP/1/9/6/1	Photographs of Priestman North East Area 1 volume	c.1952-1966
C DBSP/1/9/6/2	Photographs of Priestman North West Area 1 volume	c.1951-1963
C DBSP/1/9/6/3	Photographs of Priestman South West Area 1 volume	c.1954-1965
C DBSP/1/9/6/4	Photographs of Priestman Eastern Counties 1 volume	c.1951-1957
C DBSP/1/9/6/5	Photographs of Priestman Eastern Counties 1 volume	c.1958-1959
C DBSP/1/9/6/6	Photographs of Priestman Midlands Branch 1 volume	c.1947-1959
C DBSP/1/9/6/7	Photographs of Priestman Midlands Branch 1 volume	c.1959-1969
C DBSP/1/9/6/8	Photographs of Priestman London Office 1 volume	c.1951-1965
C DBSP/1/9/6/9	Photographs of Priestman Hull 1 volume	c.1957-1972
C DBSP/1/9/6/10	Photographs of Priestman Scottish Branch 1 volume	c.1952-1954
C DBSP/1/9/6/11	Photographs of Priestman Scottish Branch 1 volume	c.1954-1958
C DBSP/1/9/6/12	Photographs of Priestman Scottish Branch 1 volume	c.1958-1966
C DBSP/1/9/6/13	Photographs of Priestman South Wales Area 1 volume	c.1951-1964
C DBSP/1/9/6/14	Photographs of Priestman Overseas, Album F1 1 volume	c.1954-1955

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C DBSP/1/9/6/15	Photographs of Priestman Overseas, Album F2 1 volume	c.1955-1956
C DBSP/1/9/6/16	Photographs of Priestman Overseas, Album F3 1 volume	c.1956-1958
C DBSP/1/9/6/17	Photographs of Priestman Overseas, Album F4 1 volume	c.1958-1970
C DBSP/1/9/6/18	Photographs of Priestman Canada 1 volume	c.1954-1962
C DBSP/1/9/6/19	Photographs of Priestman Canada 1 volume	c.1950-1960s
C DBSP/1/9/6/20	Photographs of Priestman J. Whyte & Co. Ltd. Album 1 1 volume	c.1947
C DBSP/1/9/6/21	Photographs of Priestman J. Whyte & Co. Ltd. Album 2 1 volume	c.1948-1950
C DBSP/1/9/6/22	Photographs of Priestman J. Whyte & Co. Ltd. Album 3 1 volume	c.1950-1951
C DBSP/1/9/6/23	Photographs of Priestman J. Whyte & Co. Ltd. Album 4 1 volume	c.1952-1954
C DBSP/1/9/6/24	Photographs of Priestman J. Whyte & Co. Ltd. Album 5 1 volume	c.1954-1960
<b>C DBSP/1/9/7</b>	<b>Miscellaneous photograph albums</b> Most of these photographs have brief descriptions 9 volumes	<b>1940s-1970</b>
C DBSP/1/9/7/1	Miscellaneous photographs, Album H Photograph numbers: 9410-9809 Contains photographs of grabs, show rooms, factory and working parts 1 volume	Apr 1956- Dec 1957
C DBSP/1/9/7/2	Miscellaneous photographs Photograph numbers: 10314-10978 Contains photographs of grabs, factory production, offices and working parts 1 volume	Aug 1960- Feb 1963

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C DBSP/1/9/7/3	Miscellaneous photographs, Album L Photograph numbers: 11433-15597 Contains photographs of grabs, cranes, production and working parts 1 volume	Mar 1966- Jul 1970
C DBSP/1/9/7/4	Miscellaneous photographs Contains photographs of working grabs, travelling grabs, cranes and parts 1 volume	c.1950-1960s
C DBSP/1/9/7/5	Miscellaneous photographs Includes components, machines at work and machines being tested 1 volume	1940s-c.1960
C DBSP/1/9/7/6	Photographs of Priestman Lion crane 1 volume	c.1960-1970
C DBSP/1/9/7/7	Photographs of faults and competitors 1 volume	c.1951-1969
C DBSP/1/9/7/8	Photographs of visitors 1 volume	c.1952-1962
C DBSP/1/9/7/9	Photographs of Project 111 and Hydrolion 1 volume	c.1950s-1960s
<b>C DBSP/1/10</b>	<b>Publications</b> 3 volumes	<b>1881-1946</b>
C DBSP/1/10/1	Society of Engineers - Priestman's Dredgers Comprises 'Dredging Operations and Appliances' by John James Webster and 'Description of a Bucket Dredger in use at Hull Docks, with the results of its working' by Robert Aspland Marillier. Also includes related correspondence and discussion, published in the Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers. 1 volume	1881-1887
C DBSP/1/10/2	'William Dent Priestman and the Development of the Oil Engine' by Harry Shoosmith and Philip D. Priestman Paper read before a General Meeting of the Diesel Engine Users Association. Published by the Association. 1 volume	10 Feb 1944

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C DBSP/1/10/3	'Grabs' by S. H. Priestman Published by Priestman Brothers Ltd 1 volume	Dec 1946
<b>C DBSP/1/11</b>	<b>AB Industridiesel</b> Files relating to dealings with Priestmans' distributors in Sweden, AB Industridiesel, which became a subsidiary company in 1965-1969. 17 files	<b>1950-1968</b>
<b>C DBSP/1/11/1</b>	<b>Correspondence</b> 13 files	<b>1950-1968</b>
C DBSP/1/11/1/1	General Correspondence Regarding orders, visits by Priestman Brothers staff to Sweden and ongoing finances. 1 file	6 Nov 1950- 12 Feb 1954
C DBSP/1/11/1/2	General Correspondence Regarding orders, visits by Priestman Brothers staff to Sweden and ongoing finances. 1 file	5 Apr 1954- 20 Nov 1956
C DBSP/1/11/1/3	Correspondence regarding investment in Industridiesel Regarding a loan of £17,000 from Priestman Brothers to AB Industridiesel. Includes a financial report on AB Industridiesel which is in Swedish. 1 file	11 Aug 1954- 12 Jun 1956
C DBSP/1/11/1/4	Correspondence regarding investment in Industridiesel Regarding the transfer of AB Ivor's loan with Priestman Brothers to AB Industridiesel 1 file	1 Feb 1957- 30 Dec 1957
C DBSP/1/11/1/5	Correspondence regarding AB Industridiesel - New Agencies Relating to a proposal from Ford Tractors to AB Industridiesel. Includes the proposal document. 1 file	8 May 1957- 30 Apr 1968
C DBSP/1/11/1/6	General correspondence Regarding ongoing financial prospects. Also AB Industridiesel's dealings with Svenska Tractor and a loan from Priestman Brothers to AB Industridiesel of £13,000. 1 file	15 Sep 1957- 24 Jul 1962

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C DBSP/1/11/1/7	General correspondence Regarding ongoing financial prospects. Also AB Industriediesel's dealings with Svenska Tractor and a loan from Priestman Brothers to AB Industriediesel of £13,000. 1 file	29 Jun 1962- 1 Jul 1965
C DBSP/1/11/1/8	General Correspondence Regarding ongoing financial and operational prospects 1 file	30 Dec 1957- 25 Oct 1965
C DBSP/1/11/1/9	General Correspondence Regarding the distribution agreement with Priestman Brothers and ongoing financial prospects. 1 file	27 Apr-30 Dec 1963
C DBSP/1/11/1/10	General Correspondence Regarding the distribution agreement with Priestman Brothers and ongoing financial prospects. 1 file	16 Jan-21 May 1964
C DBSP/1/11/1/11	General Correspondence Regarding the distribution agreement with Priestman Brothers and ongoing financial prospects. 1 file	1 Apr 1964- 2 Jul 1965
C DBSP/1/11/1/12	General Correspondence Regarding a debt owed by AB Industriediesel to Chaseside Engineering prior to the purchase of AB Industriediesel by Priestman Brothers. 1 file	25 Feb 1966- 8 Feb 1967
C DBSP/1/11/1/13	General Correspondence Regarding the reorganisation of AB Industriediesel following its purchase by Priestman Brothers. Includes details of losses made. 1 file	4 Apr 1966- 23 Nov 1966
C DBSP/1/11/1/14	General Correspondence Regarding re-organisation of AB Industriediesel including the appointment of a new Managing Director. Also includes sales figures and details of losses made. 1 file	22 Nov 1966- 7 Jul 1967

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C DBSP/1/11/1/15	General Correspondence Regarding AB Industriediesel's ongoing losses and the viability of the company as a Priestman Brothers subsidiary. 1 file	10 Jul 1967- 10 Aug 1967
C DBSP/1/11/1/16	General Correspondence Regarding ongoing finances and operational matters. This is an artificial file of loose correspondence which has been brought together. 1 file	22 Aug 1967- 29 Dec 1967
C DBSP/1/11/1/17	General Correspondence Mostly regarding stock and orders 1 file	12 Jan 1968- 30 Sep 1968
<b>C DBSP/1/11/2</b>	<b>AB Industriediesel Reports and Statements</b> 5 files	<b>1966-1968</b>
C DBSP/1/11/2/1	Sales Reports 1 file	18 Jan 1966- 1 Jul 1966
C DBSP/1/11/2/2	Sales Reports 1 file	1 Jun 1966- 20 Feb 1968
C DBSP/1/11/2/3	Operating Statements 1 file	Feb 1966- Feb 1967
C DBSP/1/11/2/4	Operating Statements 1 file	Mar 1967- Jun 1968
C DBSP/1/11/2/5	Swedish Market Appraisal Survey of Swedish excavator market 1 file	Sep 1967
<b>C DBSP/2</b>	<b>TAPEREX BEARINGS LIMITED</b> 1 volume, 1 bundle, 2 items	<b>1962-1973</b>
C DBSP/2/1	Directors' Minute Book Includes first director's meeting. Also contains profit and loss accounts and financial statements. 1 volume	13 Mar 1962- 18 Oct 1972
C DBSP/2/2	Letters Patent For Taperex rotary bearings for the USA, France and Great Britain 1 bundle	1963-1973

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C DBSP/2/3	Memorandum and Articles of Association of Taperex Bearings Limited Incorporated 21 Feb 1962 1 item	21 Feb 1962
C DBSP/2/4	Memorandum and Articles of Association of Taperex Limited As amended by special resolution passed on the 21 Jun 1966 1 item	21 Jun 1966
<b>C DBSP/3</b>	<b>PRIESTMAN CANADA LIMITED</b> 1 volume	<b>1959-1963</b>
C DBSP/3/1	Visitors' Book Presented to Mr. E. C. Slater by Mr Philip D. Priestman (president of Priestman Canada) on the opening of the Canadian Depot on 17 Aug 1959. The signatures date from 2 Apr 1960 onwards. 1 volume	17 Aug 1959- 27 Feb 1963