

C DIAO Records deposited by Ann Booth 1903-mid 20th cent.

Accession number: 10/05

Historical and Biographical Background: King George V, and his wife, Queen Mary, when as the Prince and Princess of Wales, visited Hull in 1903. As well as visiting Hull Royal Infirmary and attending a civic reception, they also unveiled the statue to Queen Victoria outside City Hall.

Dan Billany, (1913-disappeared in 1943) was a Hull born author, teacher and soldier. After leaving school and becoming an errand boy and an electrician, he gained a scholarship to Hull University College. There he gained a degree in English and became a teacher at Chiltern Street School. Billany immortalised his class at the school in the book 'The Magic Door'. On the outbreak of World War Two, Billany joined the army and was eventually captured in Italy where he disappeared after escaping capture. Three books written by Billany during this period were subsequently published.

Lee's Rest Homes, created to provide accommodation to retired people in Hull, were founded by Charles A. Lee and opened in 1915.

Custodial history: Deposited by Ann Booth in February 2010

Description: Plans, menus, letters and items related items to the royal visit; testimonial and postcard of Dan Billany and a photograph of the Lees Rest Homes, Hull.

Arrangement :

C DIAO/1	Records relating to the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales	1903
C DIAO/2	Records relating to Dan Billany of Hull	mid 20 th cent.
C DIAO/3	Records relating to Lees Rest Homes, Hull	mid 20 th cent.

Extent: 12 items

Related material: The minutes of the Hull City Council committee convened to organise the visit by George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales to Hull, are on open access in the searchroom at the History Centre.

The Hull History Centre has copies of the various books written by Dan Billany, which are available to borrow, at reference L.823. Please see the Hull Library's catalogue for more details. At reference L.920 are copies of books on the life of Billany, including: 'Biography of Dan Billany - Hull's Lost Hero' by Valerie A. Reeves and Valerie Showan. A search using the online and card index catalogues will bring details up of other items relating to Lee's Rest Homes.

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C DIAO/1 Records relating to the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales 6-12 May 1903
9 items

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C DIAO/1/1	Printed letter relating to the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales to Hull Outlining when those attending the ceremony should be in their seats. From E. Lavarack, Town Clerk of Hull. 1 item	6 May 1903
C DIAO/1/2	Printed letter returning tickets for re-allocation for the visit by HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales to Hull Tickets for the for Lowgate Stand. From W. Alfred Gelder. 1 item	8 May 1903
C DIAO/1/3	Police regulations for the luncheon to be held in Hull for the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales At the Assembly Rooms, annotated copy 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/4	Carriage arrangements for the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales to Hull 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/5	Plan showing the route of the procession for the visit of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales to Hull 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/6	List of guests and tables for the luncheon in honour of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/7	Plan of table for the luncheon held in honour of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/8	Menu for the luncheon in honour of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/1/9	Copy of the address given at the visit to Hull of HRH George and Mary, Prince and Princess of Wales 1 item	12 May 1903
C DIAO/2	Records relating to Dan Billany of Hull 2 items	c.1940s- mid 20th cent.

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C DIAO/2/1	Testimonial to Dan Billany from Chiltern Street School Outlining a brief biography and discussing his books 'The Gap' and 'The Magic Door' 1 item	mid 20th cent.
C DIAO/2/2	Post card of Dan Billany in military uniform 1 item	c.1940s
C DIAO/3	Records relating to Lees Rest Homes, Hull 1 item	mid 20th cent.
C DIAO/3/1	Photograph of Lees Rest Homes, Pickering Road c.mid 20th cent. 1 item	mid 20th cent.