

C DIHP Postcards of the Hamilton and Pashley families c.1914-1945
of Hull and related items

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Historical Background/Biographical Background: These postcards were formerly in the possession of Harry Robinson. Harry Robinson was born in Hull in 1929. He lived on Alexandra Avenue, off St. Mark's Street. Born Harry Hamilton, he later changed his name by deed poll to that of his partner Audrey Robinson. Harry and Audrey never married though were together for over fifty years up to his death in 2022. Harry recorded his early life in his autobiography, 'the book of Harry'.

Custodial history: Deposited by Anthony Boulton, nephew of Harry Robinson.

Description: Family postcards acquired by Harry Robinson. Most were sent during World War One, mainly between Harry Robinson's father, Tom Hamilton, his wife Bertha and other members of the family. Harry's father, Tom was in the Merchant Navy during the First World War. These postcards have been published by Tony Boulton in 'Family postcards, c.1914-1945: The Hamilton family, The Pashley family, residents of Hull'. See C DIHP/2 for further details. Lending copies also available in the library area at L.920 ROB (outside).

Arrangement: The postcards are arranged in the following order, which is also the order they were published in C DIHP/2. The arrangement is as follows:

C DIHP/1/1 - Tom to Bertha

C DIHP/1/2 - Bertha to Tom

C DIHP/1/3 - Tom to/from mother, mother-in-law, and dad

C DIHP/1/4 - Tom to/from Floss (Florrie) - sister

C DIHP/1/5 - Between various family members

C DIHP/1/6 - Between unidentified people

C DIHP/1/7 - Blank postcards

C DIHP/2 - Publication of family postcards of the Hamilton and Pashley families of Hull, 1914-1945

C DIHP/3 - Memory stick containing digitised images of the postcards

Extent: 0.10 linear metres/ 7 bundles, 2 items

Related material: 'the book of Harry' is available in the Local Studies Library at L.920 ROB (outside). It is Harry's autobiography from 1929 including life and descriptions of Hull, such as Harry riding the streets of Hull. It also includes photographs of Hull and that of family members together with poetry composed by Harry.

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C DIHP/1	Family postcards of the Hamilton and Pashley families of Hull	1914-1945
	Some of the writing has faded and therefore difficult to read for some of the postcards, whilst C DIHP/1/7 are blank postcards but have been retained. 7 bundles	

Hull History Centre: Postcards of the Hamilton and Pashley families of Hull and related items

C DIHP/1/1	Tom Hamilton to his wife Bertha Hamilton Sent from Tom to Bertha his wife during his travels. 1 bundle	1914-1918
C DIHP/1/2	Bertha Hamilton to her husband Tom Hamilton Postcards kept by Tom Hamilton from his wife, Bertha which were sent during his travels. 1 bundle	1914-1918
C DIHP/1/3	Tom Hamilton to/from mother, mother-in-law, and dad. Postcards kept by Tom Hamilton which were either to or from his mother, mother-in-law and father. 1 bundle	1914-1918
C DIHP/1/4	Tom Hamilton to/from Floss (Florrie) – sister. Postcards kept by Tom Hamilton which were either to or from his sister, Floss 1 bundle	1914-1918
C DIHP/1/5	Between various family members Postcards 1 bundle	c.1914-1945
C DIHP/1/6	Between unidentified people Postcards 1 bundle	c.1914-1945
C DIHP/1/7	Blank postcards Postcards 1 bundle	c.1914-1945
C DIHP/2	Publication of family postcards of the Hamilton and Pashley families of Hull, 1914-1945. Published by Tony Boulton, nephew of Harry Robinson who was in possession of the postcards prior to his death in 2022. 1 item	c.1914-1945
C DIHP/3	USB device containing digitised images of the postcards. These images were used for the publication of the postcards in C DIHP/2. 1 item	c.1914-1945