C DSCL

Records relating to the Leonard Chamberlain Trust

1716-1976

Accession Number: 15/64

Historical Background: Leonard Chamberlain (1642-1716) was a woollen draper, and had a business in the Market Place in Hull but lived in Selby. For many years he was a dissenting Presbyterian but later became a Unitarian.

By a Will of 1716 Chamberlain devised various properties in Hull, Selby, Hessle and Sutton and Stoneferry to provide weekly pensions to poor people of Hull and Sutton and Stoneferry. Eventually the Trust would use this provision to endow almshouses in Sutton and Selby. In addition, there were some educational and religious provisions included in Chamberlain's will. These covered the same geographical areas as well as parts of the East Riding. It would provide, for example, schoolmasters and funds for the Bowlalley Lane Chapel. These provisions were later modernised to include, for instance, support for young people in education. The Trust continues today, and covers the same aspects as Leonard Chamberlain identified in his original will.

Custodial History: Deposited by Mr. Bryan Burgess in December 2015

Description: Includes a volume of receipts and payments regarding the Sutton, Stoneferry and Southcoates estates, correspondence, and a copy of the Trust deed

Extent: 4 items, 2 volumes, and 2 bundles

Related Materials:

- A collection of records of the Leonard Chamberlain Trust are held at C DSLC
- A history of the charity entitled 'The History of the Leonard Chamberlain Trust' by Bryan Burgess can be located at L.362.5
- Records for Hull's Unitarian Church can be found at C DCU

Access Conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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C DSCL/1	Copy of Trust deed and supplementary orders of the Leonard Chamberlain Trust Includes an index at the back of the volume and a charity commission for the Leonard Chamberlain Trust 1 volume	14 May 1925- 12 Nov 1926
C DSCL/2	Receipts and payments book on account of the Sutton, Stoneferry and Southcoates Estates Contains accounts of Trustee Ralph Peacock of Hull for Sutton and Stoneferry lands lately belonging to Leonard Chamberlain of Hull, deceased 1 volume	7 Nov 1716- 14 Aug 1826
C DSCL/3	Copy of an Act to exchange lands and hereditaments between the Trustees of a charity estate in Hesslewood in the Parish of Hessle in the County of the Town of Kingston upon Hull and Joseph Pease esq. 1 item	1788
C DSCL/4	Abstract of a report of the commissioners appointed to enquire into the various charities in Hull Regarding the Leonard Chamberlain Trust and includes a written copy of the will of Leonard Chamberlain on pages 43-47 1 item	c.1823
C DSCL/5	Letter from Rev. Robert Wallace, Chesterfield, to Rev. Edward Higginson, Hull Also includes a typescript trancript of the letter 2 items	18 Sep 1838
C DSCL/6	Bundle of charity commission orders relating to the Leonard Chamberlain Trust Also includes photocopies of the charity commission orders 1 bundle/16 items	10 Nov 1882- 27 Dec 1934
C DSCL/7	Correspondence relating to land at Selby owned by the Leonard Chamberlain Trust Regarding land at D'Arcy Road Selby, a new fence to the stackyard at Decoy Farm, Meaux, and a new Dutch barn at Abbey Farm 1 bundle/7 items	16 Jun 1976- 28 Oct 1976