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Papers of Sophia Letitia Barnard

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Biographical Background:

Sophia Letitia Barnard was the daughter of Andrew Godfrey Stuart of Lisdhu, County Tyrone, the younger son of the Earl of Castlestuart. She inherited Cave Castle from her husband, Charles Edward Gee Boldero-Barnard, on his death in 1894. He had restored the gothic property after inheriting it from his aunt, Elizabeth Mary Barnard.

Charles Edward Gee Boldero Barnard and Sophia Letitia Barnard had three children: Sophia Isabel who was born and died on 14 January 1867, a son who was born and died on 25 April 1868 and Ursula Mary Florence who was born on 4 July 1869. Charles Barnard died in 1894 and Sophia Letitia Barnard died in 1910. She left her estate in the hands of trustees for her sole surviving daughter, Ursula, who lived at Cave Castle with her mother until that time. Ursula Barnard went on living there with a relative, Miss Stuart, but moved to Bournemouth in 1925, trying to sell the South Cave estate at that time. It eventually sold in 1938 when she herself died, the last in the Barnard line. The trustees sold all the art works, furniture and objets d'arts, just leaving Cave Castle to transfer into new hands.

Custodial history:

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Inventory & valuation for probate etc. of the contents of Cave Castle, taken October 10th 1910 & following days by J.E. Elwell & Sons.' Also notes items removed to Bournemouth in July 1922

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