

U DX258

**Records of the Charities of
Joseph Taylor and the Taylor Family**

1750 - 1927

Historical Background:

The Taylor family were Quakers from Scarborough.

The Free Dwellings Charity, in Scarborough, was one of the charities established owing to the benevolence of Joseph Taylor. The charity was bequeathed £1000 by Joseph Taylor in his will. The money was used to construct one large house on Cook's Row in 1817, containing fourteen separate apartments. These apartments would be available for the elderly and 'respectable' poor, rent-free. The charity was managed by a group of trustees, two or more of which were members of the Society of Friends, as stipulated in Joseph Taylor's will. Those people who were given an apartment were chosen by the trustees at their general meetings and the preferred candidates were those who lived in Scarborough and were married but without families. The Free Dwellings Charity continued until circa 1927.

Joseph Taylor also left the sum of £100, the interest of which was to be used to pay for the education of poor boys in Scarborough. The money was given to a school, operating on the Lancasterian system of education, to cover the costs of educating thirteen to fourteen boys. The boys would be recommended by the trustees of Mr Taylor's charity and the children who received the funding would change every two years.

A coal charity was also established by Joseph Taylor with the rents raised on a field in Rhea Lane being used to buy coals for the poor in the winter months. Coals were provided for approximately eighty families every year, including some in the Scarborough hospitals. The Coal Charity existed until circa 1879.

Custodial history:

Donated by Christopher Wordingham, Biggin Hill, 1 March 2000

Description:

This small collection contains various records, mainly accounts and minutes, relating to the charities of Joseph Taylor and the Taylor Family. The records provide an insight into the running of the charities, including some detail on the trustees and beneficiaries.

Extent: 81 items & 18 volumes

Related material:

Printed Rules and Orders of charity for relief of widows and orphans of the clergy in the East Riding and Hull [Ref U DDDU/23/50]

Accounts of distribution of charity of William St. Quintin: Lowthorpe, Harpham, Thornholme, Ruston Parva, Little Kelk, Foston [Ref U DDSQ3/17/6]

Alderman William Cogan's Charity, records [Ref C WC]

Access conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

Hull History Centre: Records of the Charities of Joseph Taylor and the Taylor Family

U DX258/1	Account and minute book of Joseph Taylor's Coal Charity: accounts 1817 - 1879 Including names and addresses of recipients of the charity 1817 - 1834; minutes of meetings of the trustees 1816 – 1872; amount of coals bought; attendants at the meetings and the names of trustees. 1 volume	1816 - 1879
U DX258/2	Account and minute book of Joseph Taylor's Free Dwellings Charity Includes accounts 1817 - 1879; lists of inmates of the free dwellings 1818 - 1876; minutes of the meetings of the trustees 1816 – 1927; attendants of meetings and notes when residents died or left the free dwellings. 1 volume	1816 - 1927
U DX258/3	Account book of Taylor's Free Dwellings Charity entitled 'Taylors Trustees Dwelling a/c' 1 volume	1879 - 1914
U DX258/4	Account book entitled 'Taylors Trustees Education a/c' 1 volume	1880 - 1910
U DX258/5	Ms. copies of clauses from the will of Joseph Taylor, labelled 'Dispensary', 'Rea Lane' and 'Free Dwellings' 3 items	19th cent.
U DX/258/6	Ms. entitled 'To the Trustees nominated for the intended Free Dwellings'. Regarding the proposed erection of dwelling houses. Signed by Joseph Taylor. 1 item	Apr 1811
U DX258/7	Rough sketch of a building in pencil with floor plan overleaf 1 item	[1811]
U DX258/8	Envelope labelled 'Coal Tickets 1883' containing coal tickets individually named for 'Taylor's Coal Charity' 4 items	1883
U DX258/9	Envelope labelled 'Mr Joshua Rowntree: Taylor's Trust, Prize Labels'. Containing blank certificates printed with: 'Taylor's Trust Prize. Awarded by the Trustees to [] for diligence and good conduct with regular and punctual attendance at the Lancasterian Board School Scarborough' 15 items	19th cent.
U DX258/10	Typewritten extract from the Scarborough Guild of Help Handbook describing 'Joseph Taylor's Charity (1818) and Mennell's Charity (1839)' 1 item	post 1839

Hull History Centre: Records of the Charities of Joseph Taylor and the Taylor Family

U DX258/11	Typewritten note suggesting the merger of Taylor's Coal Fund and Dwellings Fund, entitled 'Taylor Trustees Fund' for financial reasons 1 item	19th cent.
U DX258/12	Lease: for peppercorn rent: Anthony Beswick, John Woodall the elder, John Rowntree, John Tindall and Robert Tindall, all of Scarborough, co.York, gentlemen, to George Mennell draper, James Tindall shipowner, Samuel Beswick timber merchant, Joseph Tindall shipowner, John Woodall the younger banker, Isaac Stickney draper, William Rowntree draper, George Fenwick Brown shipowner, Henry Fowler collector of his Majesties Customs, all of Scarborough, co.York Field lying near Rea Lane, par. Scarborough containing 3 acres and also the several dwelling houses called Taylors Free Dwellings and any other land mentioned in the will of the late Joseph Taylor 1 item	Nov 1833
U DX258/13	'Taylor's Trust Interest Books' 2 volumes	1824 - 1868
U DX258/14	Bundle labelled 'Stockton & Darlington Bene. Insurance Policy' including: a) Sun Fire Office Insurance Policy for Taylor's Free Dwellings, July 1843 b) Suffolk & General Country Amicable Fire Office receipts (2), July 1822 & July 1823 3 items	Jul 1822 - Jul 1843
U DX258/15	Bundle of typed 'Taylor's Free Dwellings Rules', signed by inmates (32) and unsigned (5) 37 items	1853 - 1876
U DX258/16	Account and minute book of H Mennell's Charity Accounts 1839 - 1879; minutes of meetings held August 1855 and February 1872 1 volume	1839 - 1879
U DX258/17	Account book entitled 'Joseph Taylor's Account with the Trustees, No.1' 1 volume	1823 - 1825
U DX258/18	Account book entitled 'The late Thomas Taylor's Trustees' Account of Receipts and Expenses, No.2' 1 volume	1823 - 1824
U DX258/19	Account book entitled 'General Account of the Trustees of the late Thomas Taylor, No.3' 1 volume	1823 - 1826

Hull History Centre: Records of the Charities of Joseph Taylor and the Taylor Family

U DX258/20	Account book of household expenses. Includes lists at back of book of 'Sundry Articles taken by Joseph Taylor into Leicestershire' October 1823, and 'Sundry Articles taken by Elizabeth Taylor into Leicestershire' March 1824 1 volume	1823 - 1824
U DX258/21	Account books of the children of the late Thomas Taylor 4 volumes	1823 - 1844
U DX258/22	Account book entitled 'The effects of the late Thomas Taylor for money borrowed on Interest all of which is paid off Or The effects of the late Thomas Taylor for money lent' 1 volume	1815 - 1824
U DX258/23	Account book entitled 'Thomas Taylor's Account' Includes note at front of dates of birth of Thomas Taylor's children and note at the back of his death. Joseph Taylor's death is given as 1 Nov 1811. 1 volume	1817 - 1825
U DX258/24	Account book of Thomas Taylor's Trustees account with Woodall, Tindall, Cooke and Co. 1 volume	1824 - 1830
U DX258/25	Copy of the probate of the will of Isaac Taylor late of Lingmoor House, in the parish of Lastingham, North Riding of Yorkshire. Date of probate: 15 Feb 1802. Memorial of written probate registered at Northallerton: 20 Nov 1824 1 item	Feb 1801
U DX258/26	Unbound accounts entitled 'Messrs Taylor Rowntree & Priestman Devises in Trust under the Will of Thomas Taylor late of Lingmoor deceased' 1 item	1823 - 1824
U DX258/27	Attested copy of the pre-nuptial settlement 'on the intended marriage of Mr John Allerstone with Miss Elizabeth Taylor' 1 item	Aug 1824
U DX258/28	Various papers; including receipts, memoranda, accounts and letters 11 items	1825 - 1927
U DX258/29	Copy of probate of will of John Huntriss the elder late of Scarborough, co.York, gentleman Date of copy: 24 January 1765 1 item	May 1750
U DX258/30	Keys in a Barclays Bank Limited £5 Silver money bag 3 items	19th cent.