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**Records of Messrs. Marshall and Boyd
(Hope Iron Works)**

1867-1871

Historical Background:

The Boyd family were involved in machine engineering work throughout the nineteenth century. In 1814 G and W Boyd were wheelwrights who made threshing machines and mill-stones. By 1838 they had a brass foundry. They moved to premises in James Street, Hull, in the 1840s and in 1851 they employed 13 people and four apprentices. William Boyd was by then 71 years old. In 1852 the family split their operations and Robert and John Boyd set up in the Hope Iron Works in Holderness Road. Robert's son, Edward, continued this firm, manufacturing small items such as die plates, valves and levers for local industry and cabin light fittings for ships. The original Boyd premises in James Street were sold in 1870 to Priestman and Sizer and, although Richard Sizer left the firm in 1873, the cashbook for the Hope Iron Works firm seems to have passed down through the Sizer family, presumably having originally been left behind by the Boyds at James Street. It is a useful resource for examining the operations of a small iron foundry (Bellamy, 'Some aspects of the economy of Hull', Pt. I p.288; Pt. II Appendix III B p.2 n.1).

Custodial history:

Donated by Miss A.M. Sizer, Hessle, 20 Feb 1965

Description:

This small collection contains one handwritten cash book kept by Hope Iron Works.

Extent: 1 volume

Related material:

Cash book. William Sissons and James Archer in account with Sir Tatton Sykes 1874-1877 [U DDSY/98/10]

Cash books of Isaac Reckitt 1818-1839 [U DRA/618-623]

Cash book of Fred Needler 1866-1888 [U DNE2/1]

Illustrated catalogue of R.W. Bennie and Co., Iron and Wire Works, Wood Lane, Beverley Feb 1878 [U DDBA2/20/22]

Access conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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Cash Book. Messrs. Marshall and Boyd, Hope Iron Works
Handwritten cash book with very corrections or editing, possibly suggesting this is a written up copy. Provides details of client name, the work done, the date the work was done and the cost. At the back of the book are notes under the headings 'cash paid' and 'cash received'. 'Cash paid' appears to list all outgoings of the business including staff wages, the notes for 'cash received' appear to be incomplete but it may be possible to cross-reference the payments with the work done for particular clients.
1 volume

Nov 1867-
Aug 1871