U DYK Papers of the Empson Family of Yokefleet 1570-2000

Accession number: 2004/17

Historical Background:

The Yokefleet Estate (also Yorkefleet) occupies about 2,500 acres alongside the River Humber in and around the village of Yokefleet (also Yorkefleet), near Goole. It was owned and developed by the Empson family which came originally from North Lincolnshire. Relatively few archives survive from the estate. Charles Empson, the uncle of the present owner, published three books about members of previous generations of the family, based on the correspondence in this collection. Two centre on the lives of five brothers, sons of Amaziah Empson of Yokefleet. *Empson's Folly* focuses on the Revd John Empson, 'The Flying Parson'; *Empson's Peace* tells the story of his brother, James and James' son William during the first half of the 19th century. *Empson's War* contains a collection of letters sent to their parents by three brothers, Jack, Arthur and Charles Empson, whilst abroad during war and peace.

Yokefleet Hall, built by John William Empson (b. 1817), son of Rev. John Empson, was designed by architect Cuthbert Brodrick and is a Grade II listed building. The Hall is situated on the eastern edge of the village. The famous literary critic and poet, Sir William Empson, was born at Yokefleet Hall in 1906. The Hall was later sold by the Empson family and has now been divided into individual residential apartments.

Custodial history: Deposited 6 Aug 2004

Description:

The collection consists mainly of Empson family correspondence from the late 18th to the 20th centuries, arranged and some transcribed by Charles Empson; together with papers relating to Rev John Empson, 'The Flying Parson', and James Empson, as gathered during research for the publication of two books (*Empson's Folly* and *Empson's Peace*). There is also correspondence from Arthur, Jack and Charles Empson during their time serving in the First World War. Other family papers include wills, photographs, and school reports. There are also research files relating to the life and work of Sir William Empson, the literary critic. Items relating to the Yokefleet estate include cash books, invoices and receipts, ledgers, deeds, lease and tenancy agreements, terriers and rental records, surveys and valuations, papers relating to improvement schemes, plans and maps, and a game book. The estate papers mainly date from the 19th and 20th centuries.

Arrangement:

U DYK/1 Financial Records
U DYK/2 Property Records

U DYK/3 Farming and Sporting Records

U DYK/4 Family Papers

Extent: 14 boxes; 2.33 metres

Related material:

Papers of Sir William Empson and Hetta, Lady Empson, 1915-2007 [U DEN]

Other archives:

The majority of William Empson's papers are held in the University of Harvard archives Appointments diaries and miscellaneous correspondence, c.1960-69, Sheffield University Library

Miscellaneous letters, National Library of Scotland, Manuscripts Division

Correspondence and literary papers, from 1929, in the Chatto & Windus archives, Reading University Library

Letters to John Hayward, 1931-1956, Cambridge University: Kings College Modern Archive Centre

Correspondence with members of BBC staff, 1936-1962, BBC Written Archives Centre

Access conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

U DYK/1	Commercial and Financial records Includes cash books, invoices and receipts, ledgers, a day book and other financial records. 13 items	1813-1969
U DYK/1/1	Cash Books Includes [two] cash books containing brief details of receipts and payments. 2 items	1961-1969
U DYK/1/1/1	Cash book Includes brief details relating to receipts and payments. 1 volume	1961-1969
U DYK/1/1/2	Cash book Includes brief details relating to receipts and payments. 1 volume	1961-1969
U DYK/1/2	Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts; brief rental accounts, and rental receipts. 5 items	1813-1934
U DYK/1/2/1	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts, brief rental accounts of estates belonging to Rev. John Empson. 1 bundle	1812-1861
U DYK/1/2/2	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts; brief rental accounts of estates at Yokefleet, Blacktoft etc. belonging to Rev. John Empson (1847-1849); a contract for George Watson, carpenter, and Taylor Freeman, bricklayer to build [Wadsworth] House for Rev. John Empson (1825), and a valuation of the out-buildings at Metham (1852). 1 bundle	1813-1852
U DYK/1/2/3	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts. 1 bundle	1822-1934
U DYK/1/2/4	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts. 1 bundle	1830-1881

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U DYK/1/2/5	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts; rental receipts; brief rental accounts of estates at Yokefleet, Blacktoft etc. belonging to Rev. John Empson (1845, 1848); various building insurance documents; brief draft half-yearly accounts, and Yokefleet cottagers rents (6 Apr 1843). 1 bundle	1833-c.1880s
U DYK/1/2/6	Bundle. Invoices and Receipts Includes handwritten invoices and receipts. 1 bundle	1843-1853
U DYK/1/3	Ledgers Includes ledgers with handwritten details of receipts and payments for various accounts. 2 items	1916-1968
U DYK/1/3 U DYK/1/3/1	Includes ledgers with handwritten details of receipts and payments for various accounts.	1916-1968 1916-1929

U DYK/1/3/2	Yokefleet Estate ledger	1940-1968
	Includes handwritten details, by property, of payments made for repairs and other items.	
	1 volume	

U DYK/1/4 Day Books
Includes a day book with handwritten details of payments and monies received, with brief details of related correspondence.

1 item

U DYK/1/4/1 Day Book 1845-1892 Includes handwritten details of payments and monies received; details of other types of financial transactions, and brief details of related correspondence.

1 volume

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U DYK/1/5	Other financial records Includes a copy of a general cash account . 3 items	1919-1935
U DYK/1/5/1	General Cash Accounts: Messrs. Walters & Co. in account with Captain Arthur Empson Includes brief details of payments and balances. 2 items	1919-1921
U DYK/1/5/2	Statement as to succession duties Statement relating to the estate of Arthur Reginald Empson, includes brief description of payments and amounts. 1 item	29 Apr 1921
U DYK/1/5/3	Yokefleet Parish Meeting Bank Account Book Includes brief description of payments and amounts. 1 item	1928-1935
U DYK/2	Property Records Includes title deeds, leases and tenancy agreements, terriers and rental records, surveys and valuations, papers relating to improvement schemes, plans and maps. 36 items	1570-1989
U DYK/2/1	Title Deeds Includes a feoffment relating to land in [Heeton] near Sessay (1570); an abstract of title relating to land in Swinefleet, Redness and Yokefleet (1867), and a schedule of title deeds relating to land in Blacktoft, Bellasize and Yokefleet (1774-1898). 3 items	1570-1989
U DYK/2/1/1	Feoffment from George Staveley and his wife, Katherine, to George Ffyssher Relating to a messuage, cottage, toft, two gardens, two orchards, arable land, meadow, pasture, heath and brush in [Heeton] near Sessay. Includes related correspondence (1989). 1 envelope	1570-1989
U DYK/2/1/2	Schedule of Yokefleet Deeds Handwritten schedule of deeds relating to the Yokefleet estate. 1 item	1640-1862

U DYK/2/1/3	Hull History Centre: Papers of the Empson Family of Yorkefleet Abstract of Title of Edward Morton Relating to a certain Fee Farm rent issuing out of lands in Swinefleet, Redness and Yokefleet in the County of York, contracted to be sold to J.W. Empson Esq. 1 item	1867
U DYK/2/1/4	Schedule of Title Deeds Schedule relating to hereditaments at Blacktoft, Bellasize and Yokefleet belonging to A. R. Empson and mortgaged from him to J.J. Jackson Barstow and Joseph Wilkinson for securing £8500 and interest. Lists deeds and papers dating 1774-1898. 1 item	1898
U DYK/2/2	Leases and tenancy agreements Includes lease, tenancy and cottage agreements relating to property owned by the Empson family in the area of Yokefleet, Blacktoft, Metham, Bishopsoil and Saltmarshe. 7 items	1848-1960
U DYK/2/2/1	Lease of Ripple House, Ripple, Worcestershire Lease from Mrs M.E. Parkhurst to J.W. Empson for 21 years. 1 item	22 Aug 1848

U DYK/2/2/2

1882-1917

Bundle. Tenancy and lease agreements Includes tenancy agreements between Arthur Empson and John Poynder with William Kirk relating to property in Metham (Apr 1917), and between John Empson and George Ayre relating to a property in Yokefleet (28 Jun 1882); lease agreements between A.R. Empson and George Hairsini relating to a property in Bishopsoil (12) Jul 1904), between A.R. Empson and Joseph Patrick relating to a property in Bishopsoil (23 Feb 1900), between A.R. Empson and George Benett relating to a property in Saltmarshe (22 Jul 1897), between A.R. Empson and William Scruton relating to a farm in Bishopsoil (20 Jul 1904), between A.R. Empson and George Barratt relating to a property in Metham (30 Oct 1893), and between A.R. Empson and Joseph and Richard Patrick relating to a farm in Bishopsoil (21 Oct 1901); and cottage agreements between A.R. Empson and [George Baines] relating to a property in Yokefleet (23 Nov 1898), between A.R. Empson and Thomas [Leighton] relating to a property in Yokefleet (4 Apr. 1896), between A.R. Empson and James Wilson relating to a property in Yokefleet (27 Jul 1901), between A.R. Empson and John William relating to a property in Yokefleet (5 Apr 1898), between A.R. Empson and William Morritt relating to a property in Yokefleet (5 Apr. 1898), between A.R. Empson and John Moore relating to a property in Yokefleet (22 Jan 1909), and between A.R. Empson and John [Scoffins] relating to a property in Yokefleet (18 Apr 1900). 1 bundle

U DYK/2/2/3

Bundle. Leases

Includes leases between J.W. Empson and John George Blanshard relating to a farm in Yokefleet (3 Jun 1885), J.W. Empson and George Barratt relating to a farm in Saltmarshe (1899), J.W. Empson and John Carlton relating to two farms in Bishopsoil, Cotness and [Scalby] (7 Aug 1885), and G.W. Empson and George Oliver relating to a farm in Blacktoft (30 Aug 1897). 1 bundle

U DYK/2/2/4

Bundle. Rent agreements

1907-1972

Includes agreements between C.C. Empson and Mrs Lord, to let 1 Ella Cottages, Yokefleet (27 Jan 1966), Major Arthur Empson and Mr Sweeting relating to land in Cotness (Mar 1932), A.R. Empson and Thomas B. Drewery relating to land in Yokefleet (1911), Major A. Empson and Geoffrey Scarr relating to property in Blacktoft (25 Oct 1956), Major A. Empson and J.F. Tooke relating to property in Yokefleet (23 Oct 1958), Major A. Empson and F. Tooke relating to property in Yokefleet (24 Jun 1960), C.C. Empson and J.F. Tooke relating to property in Yokefleet (1962), Major A. Empson and R. Farmery relating to property in Yokefleet (Apr 1965), C.C. Empson and B. Williamson relating to property in Yokefleet (19 Jan 1962), Major A. Empson and K. Walker relating to property in Blacktoft (Jul 1966), C.C. Empson and Trevor Leslie Beighton relating to 2 Ella Cottages Yokefleet (7 Jul 1972), C.C. Empson and R. Anson relating to property in Yokefleet (Jun 1967), Major A. Empson and C Gossop relating to property in Blacktoft (Aug 1966), C.C. Empson and Mr Sweeting relating to property in Yokefleet (27 Jan 1966), Major A. Empson and K.E. Holder relating to property in Blacktoft (Apr 1964), Major A. Empson and F. Thompson relating to property in Blacktoft (23 Apr 1959), C.C. Empson and R. Lord relating to property in Yokefleet (1 Jun 1970), C.C. Empson and A. Dunn relating to property in Yokefleet (18 Jul 1969, C.C. Empson and J.E. Scarr relating to property in Yokefleet (1 Sep 1970), C.C. Empson and Yokefleet Farms Ltd relating to property in Yokefleet (Jan 1962), A.R. Empson and Samuel Barraclough relating to property in Whitgift Ness (9 Mar 1908), and C.C. Empson and R. Anson relating to property in Yokefleet (n.d.); and a handwritten list of [cottage tenants] (1907-1944). 1 bundle

U DYK/2/2/5

Bundle. Tenancy agreements 1918-1972

Includes agreements between Major A. Empson and Joseph Martinson relating to property in Yokefleet (6 Apr 1919), Major A. Empson and Jonathan Martinson relating to property in Blacktoft (8 Aug 1939), Major Empson and George Thompson relating to property in Yokefleet (Apr 1919), Major Empson and Thomas Crisp relating to property in Blacktoft (6 Apr 1918), Captain A. Empson and Ernest Dunn relating to property in Yokefleet (1924), Major A. Empson and Charles Richards relating to property in Yokefleet (28 Jan 1947), Major A. Empson and H. Scruton relating to property in Sandholm (1952-1955), Major A. Empson and J. Edgeware relating to property in Blacktoft (1965), C.C. Empson and E. Thompson relating to property in Yokefleet (5 Aug 1965), C.C. Empson and John Sweeting relating to property in Yokefleet (8 May 1972). trustees of A.R. Empson and William Scruton relating to property in Bishopsoil (25 Mar 1918), Major A. Empson and Messrs Thompson relating to property in Yokefleet (1 Nov 1939), Major A. Empson and Jacob Crisp relating to property in Blacktoft (Apr 1933), Major A. Empson and R. Harrison relating to property in Blacktoft (28 Jun 1918), trustees of A.R. Empson and George Hairsini relating to property in Bishopsoil (30 Mar 1918), trustees of A.R. Empson and B. Williamson relating to property in Metham (30 Mar 1918), Major A. Empson and James Taylor relating to property in Blacktoft and Bellasize (6) Dec 1939), trustees of A.R. Empson and George Hairsini relating to property in Bishopsoil (30 Mar 1918), C.C. Empson and B. Williamson relating to property in Cotness (14 Apr 1962), Major A. Empson and G.A. Falkingham relating to property in Yokefleet (15 Nov 1933), Major A. Empson and B. Williamson relating to property in Metham (14 Jun 1958), Major A. Empson and Robert Harrison relating to property in Blacktoft (28 Jun 1918), and Major A. Empson and W. H. Kirk relating to property in Metham (5 Aug 1920); and a shooting lease between Major A. Empson and Ernest Laycock (14 Aug 1919) 1 bundle

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U DYK/2/2/6	Bundle. Tenancy Notices Includes a notice by tenant to landlord of his intention to claim compensation for disturbance of tenancy, relating to a farm in Yokefleet (9 Feb 1926); rate receipts (1926); a notice by landlord to occupier that the dwelling house may be required to house a person employed in agriculture, relating to a cottage in Blacktoft (24 Apr 1972); a notice to claim compensation for disturbance on receiving notice to quit, relating to property in Yokefleet (Mar 1925), and a list of [rents received] by J.W. Stephenson (n.d.).	1925-1972
U DYK/2/2/7	Bundle. Tenancy agreements Includes agreements between Major A. Empson and B. Williamson (Jun 1960), Major A. Empson and F. Tooke (24 Jun 1960), Major A. Empson and Mrs Martin (Jun 1960), Major A. Empson and J. Tavender (1960), Major A. Empson and Mrs Tavender (Apr 1960) and Major A. Empson and A. Boston (Feb 1960) relating to properties in Yokefleet. 1 bundle	1960
U DYK/2/3	Terriers and rental records Includes a terrier of the estate of the Charterhouse in Yokefleet, Bellasize, Blacktoft and Staddlethorpe, and rent books and receipts relating to the Empson family estates. 8 items	1755-1963
U DYK/2/3/1	Terrier of the estate of the Charterhouse in Yokefleet, Bellasize, Blacktoft and Staddlethorpe Includes a plan, handwritten description of the lands, and calculations of [acreage]. 1 item	1755
U DYK/2/3/2	Rent Book Includes brief details of date, name of tenant and amount. 1 volume	1772-1784
U DYK/2/3/3	Rent Book Includes brief details of date, name of tenant and amount. 1 volume	1780-1786
U DYK/2/3/4	Rent Receipts Includes brief details of date, name of tenant, amount, and any other rent due. 1 bundle	1819-1826

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U DYK/2/3/5	Rent Book of the Estates of Captain A. Empson Includes name of tenant, the type of property rented, any deductions, amount of rent due and received, date of receipt and any related remarks. 1 volume	1916-1963
U DYK/2/3/6	Rental of the Estates of Captain A. Empson Includes name of tenant, the type of property rented, any deductions, amount of rent due and received, date of receipt and any related remarks. 1 item	1929
U DYK/2/3/7	Rental of the Estates of Captain A. Empson Includes name of tenant, the type of property rented, any deductions, amount of rent due and received, date of receipt and any related remarks. 1 item	1930
U DYK/2/3/8	Rental of the Estates of Captain A. Empson Includes name of tenant, the type of property rented, any deductions, amount of rent due and received, date of receipt and any related remarks. 1 item	1943
U DYK/2/4	Surveys and valuations Includes a valuation of an estate in the township of Yokefleet (1878) and land tax assessments for Cotness (1905). 2 items	1878-1905
U DYK/2/4/1	Valuation of an estate in the township of Yokefleet Relates to land occupied by [J.W.] Stephenson and includes a brief description of the land, the type of cultivation, acreage, value per acre and annual value. 1 item	16 Sep 1878
U DYK/2/4/2	Land tax assessments for Cotness Includes name of occupier, name of owner, description of property, rent or annual value, rate assessed, and sums to be collected. 1 item	1905

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U DYK/2/5	Improvement schemes and other works Includes Parliamentary Acts and Bills, correspondence, agreements and other documents relating to drainage, warping, inclosure and navigation in the Yokefleet and Market Weighton area, and specifications for work to be carried out at Gowthorpe Farm (n.d.). 12 items	c.1767-1944
U DYK/2/5/1	Act relating to Bishopsoil Includes a copy of the Act for Dividing, Inclosing, and Draining a Parcel of Waste Ground or Common Called Bishop Soil, in the Several Parishes of Howden and Eastrington, and in the Parish or Parochial Chapelry of Blacktoft, in the East Riding of the County of York. 1 item	c.1767
U DYK/2/5/2	Act relating to Market Weighton Includes a copy of the Act for Draining and Preserving certain Commons, Low Grounds, and Cars in the Parish of Market Weighton, and other adjacent Parishes in the East Riding of the County of York, and for making a Navigable Cut or Canal from Market Weighton to the River Humber. 1 item	1772
U DYK/2/5/3	File. Drainage and Warping Typescript Includes typed transcripts of correspondence and legal documents relating to drainage and warping in the Blacktoft area. 1 file	1772-1966
U DYK/2/5/4	File. Correspondence relating to drainage and warping Includes correspondence, notes and newspaper cuttings relating to matters of drainage and warping in Bishopsoil, Greenoak, Blacktoft and Market Weighton. 1 file	1797-1912
U DYK/2/5/5	Act relating to Blacktoft, Gilberdike, Faxfleet, Eastrington and South Cave Includes a copy of the Act for Inclosing Lands in the Townships of Blacktoft, Gilberdike and Faxfleet, in the Parish or Parochial Chapelry of Blacktoft, and in the Parishes of Eastrington and South Cave, in the East Riding of the County of York.	1830

U DYK/2/5/6

Bundle. Papers relating to drainage, agricultural and land tax assessments

1883-1931

Includes Inland Revenue forms for Frances Charlotte Jeffrey Empson (1920); a copy of the Bishop Soil Drainage Summary of Accounts (1906); a copy of An Act for amending the Law relating to Agricultural Holdings in England Ch. 61 (1883); a copy of the Land Tax Assessments for Saltmarsh and Metham (1904-1905), and a letter to Major Empson relating to various mortgages held by him (23 Nov 1931).

1 bundle

U DYK/2/5/7

Act relating to the Rivers Aire and Calder Includes a copy of the Act to authorise the Undertakers of the Navigation of the Rivers Aire and Calder in the west riding of the county of York to deepen and improve the lower Navigation of the River Ouse and for other purposes.

1 item

U DYK/2/5/8

Preliminary opinion relating to the Ouse Improvement

Includes a copy of the Preliminary Opinion by Stuart A. Moore regarding the Empson Claim relating to the Ouse Improvement Act.

1 item

1 bundle

U DYK/2/5/9

Bundle. Papers relating to the Humber Conservancy, navigation, drainage and warping Includes a copy of A Bill to extend and amend the Humber Conservancy Acts 1852 to 1899 and to confer further Powers upon the Humber Conservancy Commissioners and for other purposes (1905); a draft notice for insertion in the newspapers relating to the Market Weighton Drainage and Navigation Award (1900); a copy of the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill (1899); a copy of the Plan and Particulars of Freehold Farms and Newly Warped Lands Situate in or near the Parish of Metham (1919); a copy of an Opinion relating to the Empson Family claim regarding issues with the Ouse Improvement (22 Jul 1890), and a copy of A Bill for incorporating and making better provisions for the meetings and proceedings of the Trustees of the Market Weighton Drainage and Canal in the East Riding of the County of York (n.d.).

1884

30 Oct 1889

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U DYK/2/5/10	Heads of Arrangement relating to the Ouse Foreshores Includes a copy of the Heads of Arrangement between A.R. Empson and the A[ire] and C[alder] N[avigation] Sub-Committee. 1 item	1896
U DYK/2/5/11	Heads of Agreement relating to the Ouse Foreshores Includes a copy of the Heads of Agreement between the Trustees of the Aire and Calder Navigation, Samuel Barraclough, Philip Saltmarshe, Edward Whitmore Simpson and Arthur Reginald Empson. 1 item	1899
U DYK/2/5/12	Agreement for placing electric lines over property in the Parishes of Cotness, Metham & Yokefleet Agreement of Arthur Empson with the Agent, The Aire and Calder Navigation. 1 item	1944
U DYK/2/5/13	Specifications for work to be carried out at Gowthorpe Farm Includes details of brickwork, tiling, stonework and other repairs to be made after damage caused by lightning. 1 item	n.d.
U DYK/2/6	Maps and plans Includes a plan of the navigation from the River Humber to Market Weighton, a plan of Carr House Estate in Saltmarshe, a plan of the landing at Cotness, schedules of fields in the Yokefleet area, and a plan of the estate at Gowthorpe. 5 items	1772-c.1910
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U DYK/2/6/4	Hull History Centre: Papers of the Empson Family of Yorkef Schedule of fields at Blacktoft, Yokefleet, Bellasize, Scalby and Broomfleet Includes field plans relating to the property of L.M. Thornham at Blacktoft, R. Sweeting at Yokefleet, Major A. Empson at Blacktoft, T.R. Hawcroft at Bellasize, G.A. Falkingham at Yokefleet, J. Fisher at Scalby, and R.J. Underwood at Broomfleet.	c.1910
U DYK/2/6/5	Plan of the estate at Gowthorpe Printed plan of fields 1 item	n.d.
U DYK/3	Farming and sporting records Includes a notebook containing brief details of agricultural buildings and land, a certificate of achievement for farming, and a game book. 3 items	c. late 18th cent2000
U DYK/3/1	Agricultural Records Includes a notebook containing brief details of agricultural buildings and land within the Yokefleet area, and a certificate achievement awarded to Yokefleet Farms Ltd. 2 items	c. late 18th cent2000
U DYK/3/1/1	Notebook. Details of agricultural buildings and land Includes brief details and acreage of various agricultural buildings and land within the Yokefleet area. 1 item	[late 18th cent early 19th cent.]
U DYK/3/1/2	Certificate of Achievement Awarded to Charles C. Empson and Yokefleet Farms Ltd. for fifty years of continued growth and customer satisfaction. 1 item	1 Jan 2000

U DYK/3/2 Sporting records 1880-1942 Includes a game book.
1 item

U DYK/3/2/1 Game Book 1880-1942 Includes brief details of date, hunting ground, numbers and type of game killed and names of participants.

1 volume

U DYK/4

Family Papers

1700s-2000

Includes files of family correspondence relating to family and personal news, social events, education, business, personal travels, the Yokefleet estate, and military experiences during the First World War; family papers such as wills, photographs, school reports and estate documents, and copies of the books 'Empson's Peace' and 'Empson's Folly' by C.C. Empson.

79 items

U DYK/4/1

Bundle. [Empson Family Papers] Includes a handwritten Report of Mr W.H. Todd on properties at Metham and Bellasize in the East Riding of Yorkshire the property of A.R. Empson to the trustees of Mrs Hammond's settlement (5 Feb 1900); a cash account of the Trustees under the Settled Land Act of the Estates devised in strict settlement by the Will of the late T.H. A. Poynder with the Tenant for Life and Remainderman (1891); a list of charges owed by Rev. John Empson to Whitmore Roymieu and Walters (1839-1845); an agreement for letting fishing ground between John William Empson and John Hopley (17 Apr 1886); an account of expenditure on 'Warwicks and Staddlethorpe Houses' (1886-1888); Conditions of Sale and Agreement between Mr Thurstan Newley Caton and John William Empson relating to property in Saltmarshe and Cotness (29 Oct 1864); a brief list of deeds relating to Yokefleet (1700s); correspondence relating to the Bishopsoil Drainage Fund (1923), and the Will of John William Empson (18 Feb 1886).

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File. Empson's Caves Pt 1

1 bundle

Includes typed transcripts of Charterhouse Assembly Orders relating to the Hospital of King James, Middlesex (1702-1757); typed extracts from the Charterhouse Muniments Room Packets 395-444 and 445-476, with related handwritten research notes and correspondence. 1 file

U DYK/4/3

File. [Empson family papers]

Includes a copy of a legal document relating to action taken by Philip Barker against [?] Crookes for stealing items from his house (1741); various handwritten documents relating to Amaziah Empson and household and business matters, and correspondence relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters.

1 file

1700s-1923

1702-1981

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U DYK/4/4	File. Health and Travel Typescript Includes typed transcripts of correspondence between various correspondents and members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, health, travel, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1747-1836
U DYK/4/5	File. Estate Typescript Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with some handwritten originals, between various correspondents and members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, matters relating to the Yokefleet Hall estate, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1762-1903
U DYK/4/6	File. Pre-Victorian Archives - Social, Family Includes handwritten correspondence with typed transcripts, relating to social events and news of Empson family and friends. 1 file	1779-1836
U DYK/4/7	File. Letters mainly to Rev. John Empson Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly to Rev. John Empson, from various correspondents relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters. 1 file	1783-1889
U DYK/4/8	File. Letters between Rev. John Empson, his brother William Empson, and James Empson Includes handwritten correspondence between Rev. John Empson, William Empson and James Empson relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters. 1 file	1798-1844
U DYK/4/9	File. [Father and Son Typescript] Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with some handwritten originals, between various correspondents and members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1798-1845

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U DYK/4/10	File. Education and Manners Typescript Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with some handwritten originals, between various correspondents and members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, childhood education, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1798-1908
U DYK/4/11	Volume. [Empson family papers] Leather-bound volume containing handwritten correspondence between various Empson family members and other correspondents relating to family news, social events, business matters and other personal news; a brief family tree; and various notes relating to the Empson family. 1 file	1800s
U DYK/4/12	File. [Letters to the Empson Family] Includes handwritten correspondence to various members of the Empson family relating to social events and news of Empson family and friends; a sketched plan of a garden wall; receipts and invoices, and other notes. 1 file	1800s
U DYK/4/13	Printed student lists Printed student lists from unidentified schools for [scholarships to University]. 1 file	1805-1923
U DYK/4/14	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly to Rev. John Empson, from various correspondents relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events, education, and business matters. 1 file	1807-1875
U DYK/4/15	File. Hunting Days Includes typed transcripts of correspondence between various correspondents and members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, hunting, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1810-1849
U DYK/4/16	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly to Rev. John Empson, from various correspondents relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters.	1810-1979

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U DYK/4/17	File. [Empson family letters] Includes typed transcripts of letters to and between various Empson family members relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters. 1 file	1814-1820
U DYK/4/18	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence to various members of the Empson family relating to social events, news of family and friends, and business matters. 1 file	1814-1820
U DYK/4/19	File. Empsons' Choice Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with some handwritten originals, between various members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, social events, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1814-1821
U DYK/4/20	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly to Rev. John Empson and Sarah Empson his mother, relating to family news, social events, and other personal matters. 1 file	1814-1866
U DYK/4/21	File. Letters from Professor William Empson Includes handwritten correspondence from Professor William Empson to various members of the Empson family relating to family news, social events and other personal matters. 1 file	1816-1844
U DYK/4/22	File. Letters from John William Empson at Eton to his father Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to his father Rev. John Empson relating to his education, news of family and friends, and other personal news. 1 file	1824-1832
U DYK/4/23	File. Letters from Maria Empson to John William Empson Includes handwritten correspondence from Maria Empson to John William Empson relating to news of Empson family and friends, and other personal news. 1 file	1825-1845

U DYK/4/24

Bundle. [Empson Family Papers] 1827-1936

Includes a schedule of lands in the estate of Arthur R. Empson deceased (1893-1907); a memorandum as to the disposal of sale money from the estate of A.R. Empson (22 May 1919); a valuation of estates in the townships of Metham and Cotness (Oct 1877); a memoranda as to arrangements between the late Arthur R. Empson and the Aire and Calder Navigation (Sep. 1917); Heads of Arrangement between the Aire and Calder Navigation and Samuel Barraclough, Philip Saltmarshe, Edward Whitmore Simpson and Arthur Reginald Empson (1899); a notice to owners, lessees and occupiers relating to the Ouse (Lower) Improvement (1884); correspondence relating to the Aire and Calder Navigation; application for a grant of administration in relation to the estate of Ann Sarah Empson (1906); an agreement between Rev. William Henry Empson and the surveyors of Bellasize Drain (1881); Inland Revenue forms completed in relation to the estates of Ann Sarah Empson (1906) and Frances Charlotte Jeffrey Empson (1920); an account compiled by the guardians and trustees of James Empson (1827-1842); an extract from a conveyance from A.R. Empson to the Trustees of the Aire and Calder Navigation (22 Mar 1901); Certificates of Contracts for the Redemption of Land Tax agreed with John William Empson (1888) and Arthur R. Empson (1889); an agreement between the Aire and Calder Navigation, Sir John Baron and Arthur Empson relating to improvements of the River Ouse (3 Oct 1917); a Statement of periodical payments to be made by the London Joint Stock Bank Limited relating to the Yokefleet Estate (1917); a valuation of probate relating to the estate of A.R. Empson (1916); tenancy agreements relating to farms in Blacktoft (1920-1922); a list of farm tenants relating to the estate of A.R. Empson (30 Mar 1916), and a list of costs owed by Major Arthur Empson to Walters & Co Solicitors (1936). 1 bundle

U DYK/4/25	Hull History Centre: Papers of the Empson Family of Yorkefleet File. Education - Printed Matter - Accounts Contains material relating to Arthur Empson's education at prep school and Harrow; John William Empson's education at Brasenose College, Oxford, and Charles Empson's education at Harrow and Rugby School, including printed lists of students at Harrow (1915); invoices for school fees; school reports for Arthur Empson (1901-1902); an invitation to Queen Ethelburga's School Speech Day (n.d.); related correspondence; school report for John Empson (1829); a list of students in 'Preshute House' (1867); a copy of 'The Malvernian' magazine (Nov 1871), and a list of scholars at [?] School written in Latin. 1 file	1829-1915
U DYK/4/26	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence between various members of the Empson family relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events and business matters. 1 file	1831-1848
U DYK/4/27	File. Empson's Caves Pt 2 Includes original handwritten Empson family letters, with typed transcripts, relating to news of family and friends, social events, business matters and other personal news; and a sepia photograph of Yokefleet Hall (n.d.). 1 file	1831-1988
U DYK/4/28	File. Letters from John William Empson to his father Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to his father Rev. John Empson relating to his travels, news of family and friends, and other personal news. 1 file	1832-1842
U DYK/4/29	File. [Empson family letters] Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with	1832-1843

File. [Empson family letters]
Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with handwritten originals, between various members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, social events and other personal matters; and handwritten notes relating to the opera and Prima Donnas.

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U DYK/4/30	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly to Rev. John Empson and Sarah Empson his mother, relating to family news, social events, and other personal matters; a sketch of Vicarage House at [Scalby Guild] by A. Empson, and two small watercolours of Cotsford Place, Lincoln. 1 file	1832-1845
U DYK/4/31	File. Letters from John William Empson to his father Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to his father Rev. John Empson relating to his father's letters, news of family and friends, his travels, his health and other personal news. 1 file	1834-1838
U DYK/4/32	File. Letters from Rev. John Empson to his son John William Empson Includes handwritten correspondence from Rev. John Empson to his son John William Empson at Brasenose College, Oxford, relating to news of Empson family and friends, social events, and his education. 1 file	1836-1840
U DYK/4/33	File. JWE Continental Tour Includes typed transcripts of correspondence from [John William Empson] to various family members predominantly relating to his tour of Europe. 1 file	1836-1842
U DYK/4/34	File. Empson's Caves Pt 3 Includes typed transcripts of Empson family letters relating to news of family and friends, social events, business matters and other personal news; newspaper cuttings relating to the death in a plane crash of Lieutenant Empson, son of Arthur Empson, and a typed transcript of a 'To Let' notice concerning Yokefleet Hall. 1 file	1836-1993
U DYK/4/35	File. Empson's Folly Includes typed transcripts of correspondence, with some handwritten originals, between various members of the Empson family relating to news of family and friends, social events, travel, business matters and other personal news. 1 file	1837-1861

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U DYK/4/36	File. Professor William and the Edinburgh Review Includes a contract of marriage between William Empson and Charlotte Wilkes Jeffrey (27 Jun 1838) and copy; a press cutting from the Illustrated London News containing obituary of William Empson (1852), and an undated letter to William Empson. 1 file	1838-1852
U DYK/4/37	File. Victorian Archives - Social, Family Includes handwritten Empson family correspondence, with typed transcripts, relating to social events and news of Empson family and friends. 1 file	1838-1890
U DYK/4/38	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence written to various Empson family members relating to news of family and friends, social events and other personal matters. 1 file	1841-c.1910s
U DYK/4/39	File. Letters from John William Empson to his father Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to his father Rev. John Empson relating to his father's letters, news of family and friends, his travels, and other personal news. 1 file	1843
U DYK/4/40	File. Letters from John William Empson to his father Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to his father Rev. John Empson relating to news of family and friends, and other personal news. 1 file	1843-1845
U DYK/4/41	File. Letters from John William Empson ('G.P.') Includes handwritten correspondence, mainly written to his father Rev. John Empson, poetry, brief financial accounts and other notes by John William Empson relating to news of family and friends, family affairs and events, and business matters. 1 file	1843-1862
U DYK/4/42	File. Letters Includes handwritten correspondence to various members of the Empson family relating to news of family friends, social events, business matters, and other personal news. 1 file	1843-1920

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1844-1847

Includes typed transcripts of Empson family correspondence relating to news of Empson family and friends, and sundry business matters.

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File. [Empson family letters]

U DYK/4/43

U DYK/4/44 File. Letters from John William Empson to Maria 1844-1858 Empson

Includes handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to Maria Empson relating to news of Empson family and friends, and other personal news.

1 file

U DYK/4/45 File. [Empson family papers] 1844-1904

Includes two letters from Laycock, Dyson & Laycock Notaries relating to Mr Samuel Shaw's Mortgage sale to the Hepworth Co-Operative Society (1904) and to Mr and Mrs Rawson's Trust (1904); a schedule of stock certificates and securities belonging to the trustees under the marriage settlement of Mr and Mrs William Henry Rawson; a copy of the baptismal register entry for Charles William Empson (1848); a letter from Laycock, Dyson & Laycock relating to Mr Rawson's Trust and Mr Shaw's security (1904), and a copy of an announcement to the clergy of Winchester of the appointment of William Henry Empson as incumbent of the Parish Church of Wellow, Southampton (1844).

1 file

U DYK/4/46 File. Letters from John William Empson to Maria 1845-1860

Empson Includes two bundles of handwritten correspondence from John William Empson to Maria Empson relating to his personal news, and news of family and friends.

1 file

U DYK/4/47 File. Professor William and the Edinburgh Review 1852-1987

Includes a small black and white photograph of an unidentified man; an obituary of Professor William Empson (1852); two letters to Arthur Empson (1952-1953) relating to William Empson and the Edinburgh Review; copies of various articles relating to the Edinburgh Review; various photocopied articles from the Edinburgh Review, and three letters from Bernard

Quaritch Ltd to C.C. Empson (1987).

U DYK/4/48

Letters from Florence Nightingale Includes two handwritten letters from Florence Nightingale, one to Mrs Shore Smith asking for material for stuffing pillows (30 Oct 1855) and another to an unidentified member of the Empson family sending birthday wishes (17 Sep 1869).

1855-1869

U DYK/4/49

1 file

Bundle. [Empson Family Papers]
Includes correspondence relating to the estate of the late Mr [Arthur] Empson of Yokefleet Hall.

1 bundle

1885-1924

U DYK/4/50

File. Material relating to Major Arthur Empson Includes handwritten postcards, telegrams and letters written to Major Arthur Empson or relating to Arthur Empson; war photographs; a B.E.F II Corps Christmas Card (1918); a Home Guard Certificate of Service for Arthur Empson (1944); certificate of appointment of Arthur Empson as Deputy Lieutenant for the East Riding of Yorkshire (1947); car insurance certificate taken out by Arthur Empson (1934); various black and white photographs probably of a young Arthur Empson; black and white photograph of Sweetwaters Camp, 28th Bridgade RFA (1920); a black and white group portrait photograph of an unidentified First World War army unit, probably Major Arthur Empson's unit; an account of expenses paid by A. Empson whilst at Royal Military Academy (1911); birth certificate for Arthur Reginald Empson (1892); black and white portrait photograph of Arthur Empson as a young man: a shares certificate: a war map of Western Europe (No.4), and other related papers.

1892-1947

U DYK/4/51

Will of Ann Sarah Empson Handwritten will of Ann Sarah Empson. 1 file 1897-1905

U DYK/4/52

File. Letters from Arthur Empson (later Major) from School

1898-1902

Includes handwritten correspondence from Arthur Empson to his parents relating to his education, experiences at school, news of family and friends, and other personal news.

1 file

U DYK/4/53 File.

File. Jack Empson

1 volume

1898-1914

1899-1946

Includes handwritten correspondence from Jack Empson to his parents relating to his education, family news and other personal matters (1898-1903); school reports for Jack Empson at Eton with related correspondence and printed subject divisions (1906), and press cuttings and photographs relating to Jack Empson and his death in a plane crash.

U DYK/4/54

Volume. Diary Includes brief handwritten diary entries by an unidentified author relating to experiences at [Ladysmith Barracks], social events, journeys and other personal news, with some brief handwritten bank statement.

U DYK/4/55

File. [Empson Family Photographs] Includes two black and white photographs of Arthur Empson (1960); a black and white postcard of Arthur Empson aged 3 months; a black and white postcard of Arthur Empson aged 3 months and Jack Empson aged 1 year and 8 months; a typed Statement as to Succession Duties relating to Arthur Reginald Empson (29 Apr 1921); telegrams to Arthur Reginald Empson relating to the proposal to make him an Alderman of Hull; brief circulars regarding Home Guard operations (1942); a copy of the East Riding Farmers' Journal (Vol. 18, No. 8, 1966); a black and white portrait photograph of [Arthur Empson] in military uniform, and a group portrait photograph of a Home Guard unit (No. 1 Camp. [Scarborough]). 1 file

U DYK/4/56

File. Major Arthur Empson letters
Includes handwritten correspondence from Arthur
Empson to his parents sent from Ireland, Woolwick
(Royal Military Academy and R.A. Mess), Turkey and
England, relating to his time in the army.

1 file

U DYK/4/57

File. Arthur and Jack memorabilia - Empsons' War Includes black and white photographs showing a First World War artillery gun; the military funeral of J. Empson at Blacktoft; a dance around a May Pole, and a group portrait photograph in front of Yokefleet Hall.

1 file

early 20th cent.-

1960

1910-1920

c.1910s

U DYK/4/58	Hull History Centre: Papers of the Empson Family of Yorkefleet File. 20th Century (Uncle A. and 1st World War) Typescript Includes handwritten letters, with typed transcripts, from Charles Empson to his mother sent from Peshawar, Basrah and Karachi (1917-1918); handwritten letters, with typed transcripts, from Arthur Empson (later 'Major')	1912-1918
	to his mother and father (1913-1915); two letters from John Empson (Jack) to his parents from Whittington Barracks (1912) and from Eton College, with other family correspondence and press cuttings. 1 file	
U DYK/4/59	Bundle. [Empson Family Papers] Includes correspondence from Walters & Co Solicitors relating to the estates of the late [Arthur] Empson and Mrs Empson; a statement of charges on the estate of Arthur R. Empson (Apr 1906) 1 bundle	1912-1945
U DYK/4/60	File. [Empson family letters] Includes handwritten correspondence from William [Empson] and Charles Empson to their parents relating to news of family and friends, their education and other personal news. 1 file	1914-1917
U DYK/4/61	Harrow School Mathematical Divisions Printed student list of Harrow School Mathematical Divisions. 1 file	1915
U DYK/4/62	File. Letters from Arthur Empson (Major) Includes handwritten correspondence from Major Arthur Empson, mainly to his mother, from the Western Front during the First World War, relating to his wartime experiences and other personal news. 1 file	1915-1918
U DYK/4/63	File. 20th Century (Uncle A. and 1st World War) Typescript Includes handwritten letters and telegrams from Arthur Empson to his parents relating to experiences of life in the army during the First World War. 1 file	1915-1919
U DYK/4/64	File. Letters from Arthur Empson (Major) to his mother Includes handwritten correspondence from Major Arthur Empson, mainly to his mother, from the Western Front during the First World War, relating to his wartime experiences and other personal news. 1 file	1915-1919

U DYK/4/65

File. Arthur and Jack memorabilia - Empsons' War Includes a newspaper cutting relating to a fete held at Yokefleet Hall to entertain the tenants of the estate; short telegrams from Fermoy; blank postcards featuring First World War military landscapes; handwritten correspondence from Arthur Empson to his parents relating to his war experiences (1916-1918); a Christmas card from Sweetwaters Camp (1920); typed correspondence relating to a mistaken report that Lieutenant Empson had been killed (1917), and a handwritten letter from a young boy asking if his Dad can be sent home from the war (1919).

U DYK/4/66

File. Empson's War - Material Includes typed transcripts of letters from Arthur Empson in Ireland and Turkey to his parents, and typed transcripts of letters from Charles Empson from cadet school, Peshawar, karachi, Basrah and Baghdad to his parents.

1 file

U DYK/4/67

File. Uncle A[rthur] in (Ireland) and Turkey Includes handwritten correspondence from Arthur Empson, with some typed transcripts, from Ireland and Turkey relating to his work, his experiences and other personal news; handwritten correspondence, with some typed transcripts, from Charles [Empson] from St John's Wood, Baghdad and Cairo relating to his work, his experiences and other personal news; and Arthur Empson's certificate of promotion from Captain to Major in the Royal Field Artillery (16 Dec 1921).

U DYK/4/68

Bundle. [Empson Family Papers]
Includes handwritten correspondence relating to the estate of the late Mr [Arthur] Empson of Yokefleet Hall and arrangements with the Aire and Calder Navigation.

1 bundle

1916-1919

1917-1921

1917-1921

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U DYK/4/69	File. Material relating to Major Arthur Empson Includes letters to Arthur Herbert Empson from King, Lane & Trafford Attorneys relating to his position as ancillary executor of the estate of Frances Empson (1921-1922); legal documents relating to the Central Union Trust Company of New York as trustees of the estate of Harriet King Wilkes; an Account of the Funds Passing to the Trustees of Mrs I.M. Micklethwaite's Marriage Settlement (1937-1938); an Opinion of Counsel relating to James Empson Lister Empson, and a release and indemnity relating to Jarvis Empson (1934).	1921-1938
U DYK/4/70	Death Certificate of Arthur Herbert Empson Includes a copy of the death certificate of Arthur Herbert Empson, retired wool manufacturer. 1 item	01 Oct 1934
U DYK/4/71	File. Laura Empson Includes typed correspondence relating to the property and estate of Mrs Laura Empson; a black and white portrait photograph of [Laura Empson], and a printed list of Rules for Persons Employing Nurses published by the East Riding benefit Nursing Association. 1 file	1944-1945
U DYK/4/72	Executor's Account and Distribution Account Printed accounts prepared by G. Brown and Elmhirst relating to the estate of Mrs Laura Empson. 1 file	1945
U DYK/4/73	Inventory and Valuation Printed inventory and valuation of the property of Miss M.A. Empson (deceased). 1 file	Mar 1948
U DYK/4/74	File. Papers relating to [Lieutenant] Empson Includes handwritten letters relating to a Dan Rodwell whose father gave an account of the events concerning	1952-1995

the plane crash in which Lieutenant Empson was killed and a copy of a magazine article entitled 'Air Memories of a Contemptible' by Perardua (1952) which includes

the incident.

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U DYK/4/75	File. William Empson Includes correspondence between John Haffenden, William Empson's biographer, and Charles Empson relating to his research on William Empson; copies of newspaper and magazine articles relating to William Empson, and copies of correspondence to William Empson held at Harvard University. 1 file	1953-1994
U DYK/4/76	File. William Empson Includes correspondence from William Empson to Major Arthur Empson relating to his work, news of family and friends, his health and other personal matters, with some correspondence between John Haffenden, William Empson's biographer, and Charles Empson relating to his research. 1 file	1956-1984
U DYK/4/77	Volume. Empson's Peace Empson's Peace by C.C. Empson 1 volume	1996

U DYK/4/79 File. Correspondence relating to Yokefleet records
Includes typed correspondence concerning the deposit
of Yokefleet related material at the East Riding of
Yorkshire Archives in Beverley.

2000

1 file

1 volume

Volume. Empson's Folly

Empson's Folly by C.C. Empson

U DYK/4/78