

Reference code(s): GB 0214 DDAL

Title: Thomas Dalton, solicitor, of Cardiff, papers

Creation date(s): 1820-1942

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 0.03 cubic metres (1 box)

Name of creator(s): Thomas Dalton, of Cardiff, solicitor

CONTEXT

Administrative/Biographical history: Thomas Dalton (1798-1878), was a solicitor, of Cardiff, Glamorgan, and a member of the firm known, at different times, as Wood & Wood, Wood & Dalton, and Wood, Dalton & Spencer. He was Deputy Clerk of the Peace for Glamorgan, 1829-1846 and Clerk of the Peace, 1846-1878. He accumulated papers relating to his client's interests, including the hay and corn merchant Noah Rees (d. 1894) and his estate, and the schooner *Mary Stewart*.

CONTENT

Scope and content/abstract: Letters received by Thomas Dalton, solicitor, 1820-1880 including: Will of John Hopkin of Llantrisant, 1841; Lord Bute on Constabulary, 1841; rescue of schooner *Mary Stewart*, 1841; letters received from Holme & Co., London agents, 1850, 1855; letters received from R. H. Rickards, 1852-1854, 1856-1858; letters from London agents, Vizard and Crowder, 1870-1880; Trustees of W. H. Timms, Cathays Nursery, 1840-1845; estate of Noah Rees of Cardiff, hay and corn dealer (d 1897), and of his daughter Elizabeth Ann Watts Thomas (d 1939), will estate duty accounts and correspondence, 1897-1942; and letters and related papers addressed to Mr and Mrs John Rowe, East Terrace, Trinity Street and Tredegar Villa, Roath Road, Cardiff, 1835-1866.

ACCESS AND USE

Language/scripts of material: English

System of arrangement: Because of the uneven rate of preservation, the letters have been arranged in date order and the list shows the number present for each month.

Conditions governing access: No restrictions

Conditions governing reproduction: Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

Physical characteristics: Good to fair condition

Finding aids: A handlist is available at the Glamorgan Record Office.

ARCHIVAL INFORMATION

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information: All records have been retained.

Accruals: Accruals are not expected.

Archival history: The collection, DDAL, is a small part of Thomas Dalton's incoming correspondence and shows some signs of having been selected. The collection deals with a mixture of his private and official business, and most of it appears to be of a fairly ephemeral nature. Those letters not addressed to Dalton are presumed to have come into his hands in the course of his business although the exact circumstances are not clear from what survives. Some later related material has been incorporated into the collection after Dalton's death.

Immediate source of acquisition: Deposited by a private individual in 1978.

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: Related units of description at the Glamorgan Record Office: Glamorgan Quarter Sessions records (Clerk of the Peace's letterbooks); CL/MS series and DART/W 381 (letters received 1824-1889). Twelve large monthly bundles of letters received in 1843, are in CL/WDS (Wood, Dalton and Spencer papers, uncatalogued).

DESCRIPTION NOTES

Note: Title supplied from contents of fonds.

Archivist's note: Compiled by Hayden Burns for the ANW project. The following sources were used in the compilation of this description: Glamorgan Record Office, Catalogue for the Thomas Dalton Papers.

Rules or conventions: This description follows ANW guidelines based on ISAD(G) second edition, AACR2, and LCSH.

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