

Worcester Cathedral Muniments F Class Victorian Restoration of the Cathedral		
Item	Year	Subject
F1	1832	Thomas Rickman, Birmingham to D&C To carry out orders of 7th Dec last - viz. to make Cathedral watertight and to render the parapets safe. To clear groins of rubbish- to clear leads of rubbish, prevent weeds. Cover Turrets where pinnacles have been taken down. Clear all trees and vegetation at present injuring the building, clear the nuisances now existing round the bottom of the building - To clear the Crypt so as to ascertain its condition.apprehend that this work will occupy from 5-6 weeks
F2	1832	Thos E. Rickman to Dean & Chapter. 25.11.1831 to 14.4.32.3 Visits to Worcester to inspect Cathedral & draw up Report. Finding state there much worse than expected.
F3	1832	Summary of Account for Repairs. Feb.-Apr. 1832 Supervising work, attending Chapter &c £71.15.3
F4		Harvey Eginton to [Dean] Repair to window S.side of Choir..repair of old one. mullions fell out as soon as the glass was removed. New window not more than £9. Mr Cox and Mr Digby wished me to write to you... the Church (although the window is boarded) is rendered cold.
F5		Harvey Eginton. Wall against Mr Benson's house needs immediate repair....If the water was much lower the stone would require to be conveyed by land carriage and if it rises much it will injure the work of the building and if the building is delayed till late in the season the mortar would probably be damaged by frost.
F6	1840	Harvey Eginton to Dean & Chapter Report on Repairs. Account less than Budget, but River Wall repairs - £84.6.8 Buttresses on S. side of Nave at £93 each. Glazing in the Chapter Room needs repairs, and mullions renewed at £48 each. N.E. staircase of Edgar Tower decidedly unsafe. N.E. side of Choir which from its being thrown open by the removal of St Michael's Church will probably require some expense in restoring the parapets.I suggest as being the least expense ultimately as well as materially improving the present appearance of the Cathedral that the Purbeck Marble piers of the Choir & Lady Chapel should be scraped free from the whitewash coating, which from the texture of the material could be effected at little expense.
F7	1842	Harvey Eginton, Architect, to Dean & Chapter. Building A/c to Rev. E. W. Ingram £607.0.2 Repair of College Hall £307.3.11,New Parapet and Roof, N. Aisle £133.5.5 Repairs . steps on W.side of River £24.19.2 Stone kirbing beneath the palisading £68.5.0 College Hall needed great care, great labour. New beam in roof not put in.not so urgent.. and general repair necessary. .. I do not find any extensive repairs of an urgent character necessary. Buttresses of Nave to be gradually restored as essential to preservation.. Casing of W. Buttress & lead on Quote £200
F8	1846	Account of Works done by Mr Andrews and others. Taking Down the Old Deanery and two Prebendal Houses in College Green
F9	1845	A.E.Perkins, Architect, in Acct with Lord Bishop of Rochester as Dean of Worcester for Sale of Materials of the Deanery, lately taken down
F10	n.d.	Account. Total Proceeds of Materials £1083.17.4
F11	1845	Contract for Building the new Stables and Coach-house in College Green. Edward Lucy of Sidbury, Contractor, Rev Edward Winnington Ingram
F12	n.d.	Estimate of Value of Old Stables - Estimate of new Stable, Coach House. A.E.Perkins
F13		Estimate of the Cost of taking down and re-building N.E. Turret of Edgar Tower. £152.13.0

F14	1847	Copies of receipts for Monies paid into the Bank, 17 Mar 1846 - Dec 14th 1847. [15 entries]
F15	n.d.	Account of Works done in the College Green for the Dean (1847-8) and Chapter. Messrs Crane's and Done's House. Mr Andrew's Brickwork etc. including work in consequence of removing Two Prebendal Houses
F16	1848	Account of Work done for the D&C at Worcester Cathedral Edgar's Tower, and in College Green.Gravel for making Road. Rebuilding N.E. Turret of Edgar Tower etc.
F17		Architect's Charges for taking down Deanery, Sale of Timber etc. £82.17.5
F18	1855	Rough Summary of Expense - Fisher - Locksmith £2.6.7« Mrs Tomkinson .. Close & Chamber £2.18.7« Mr Chambers for Mr Evans Pump & Well £14.0.11 Mr Hemming - various Carpenter's works £39.6.3 Mr Rose - Bricklayer, House on Lich Street £4.15.0 Mr Edmonds for work at Rev Mr Denning's £7.1.4 Lingham Brothers, new Kitchen at Mr Hooper's £21.14.0 Mr Bowey - Bricklayer, various works £24.11.0« Mr Close - Plumber, 46.0.0 Gas Company - Lighting Mr Hooper's £9.6.3 Mr Andrews A/c various works £18.9.1 Mr Shelswell, Propping & Fencing at new works £10.00 Mr Kerr for China Inkstands in College Hall .15.0 New Pound at Cropthorne £18.0.0 Mr Normans for new Buttress at N.E. of Nave & for Jobbing £334.16.0 Mr Norman, New Buttress at S.E. angle of Lady Chapel £368.16.0 Ditto N.E. Angle £404.6.0 Repair of upper part of wall of Nave & Sundries £24.18.9 1369.7.4 Deduct for stone bt of the Dean & C 36.0.0 £1333.7.4 New Pound at Cropthorne £18.0.0 [Total] £1333.7.4
F19		Worcester Cathedral Restoration. Printed Circulars and Reports
F20	1863	Report to the Dean & Chapter on the Rearrangement of the Choir of the Cathedral, by George Gilbert Scott.
F21	1864	Worcester Cathedral Restoration. Copy of Report and Correspondence from George Gilbert Scott 'On the Arrangement of the Choir. 1863'
F22	1864	Lord Lyttelton concerning Meeting at Guildhall, 7th April on State of Restoration.
F23	1864	Lord Lyttelton, Lord Lieutenant of Worcs. and Chairman, Meeting at Guildhall, 7th April, 1864. Committee to raise £30,000. Subscription List, Worcs.
F24	1864	Request for payment of Subscription, and report of Guildhall Meeting
F25	1864	Shire Hall, Warwick. Meeting 12th May, 1864. Bishop of Worcester, Chairman, Lord Lyttelton, Lord Leigh, Lords Lieut. Committee set up to collect Subs. in Warwicks. Sub List annotated. W.B.Sanderson - Hon. Sec.
F26	n.d.	1st List of Subscriptions. Worcs. and Warwks. In Alphabetical Order by County. (Including £1,000 from Dean Peel for Reredos, £500 from Canon Fortescue for West Window, Sir E.A.H. Lechmere, £150 for West Door.)
F27	1867	Notice of Guildhall Meeting on 25th April 1867. Subscription List, Worcs. Alphabetical order with additions and amendments.
F28	1867	(As above). Public Meeting, 25th April, 1867. Worcs and Warwicks List.
F29	1867	Warwicks. Sub. List, 1867 Alphabetical Order
F30	n.d.	Worcs. Cathedral Restoration Fund. Warwicks. Subs, including Birmingham, in sum order. [Endorsed 1st Appeal]
F31	n.d.	Restoration of Worcester Cathedral. Report on Structural Repairs. Offprint

F32	1867	Lord Lyttelton to Clergy. Asking for Collections in churches, to enable 'all classes' to contribute. Meetings and Circulars touch upper classes only
F33	1870	3rd Appeal. Lord Lyttelton and Sir J.S.Pakington to the Diocese of Worcester. Cathedral Restoration Completion of Restoration. Lord Dudley's offer on condition that the Dean & Chapter refuse the use of the Cathedral for periodical performances of sacred music now withdrawn. Mr Scott's revised estimate now £14,400. £8,000 needed. Invites Subscriptions etc
F34	1870	R.E. Barnett, Mayor of Worcester, asking for Subscriptions, with printed list of Subscribers.
F35	n.d.	Reply slip to Mayor of Worcester
F36	n.d.	Proposed Clock and Bells. Signed John Parker, Richard Cattley. (Blank)
F37		R e-Opening Week, Wed 8th April to Tues 14th April, 1874. (20 copies)
F38		Invitation to Luncheon after Morning Service
F39	1874	Circular to Clergy inviting them to Opening Services.
F40	1875	Subscription Lists - 1864-75 Receipts and Expenditure.Full accounts.
F42	1864	Worcester Cathedral Restoration 1864 Subscription List; 1864-7 1st Appeal; 1867-9 2nd Appeal
F42/1	1864	List 'Up to Oct 1 '64' - Birmingham
F43	1864	Unlabelled Subscription Book; 1864-7; 1867-70; Subscribers arranged alphabetically, by county
F44	1869	Worcester Cathedral Restoration 1870; Subscription List 1870-74 3rd Appeal
F45	1864	Worcester Cathedral Restoration Committee Minutes 7.4.64 - 25.4.67; Minutes of Finance Committee; Includes Circulars, Newspaper Reports
F46	1864	Worcester Cathedral Restoration Joint Committee Minutes 1864; 1864-5
F46/1	1865	List of Payments to Mr Hughes, Feb 1865-May 1868
F47	1866	Worcester Cathedral Restoration Joint Committee Minutes 1866 - 1870
F47/1	1867	Balance Sheet, Nov 19th,1867 - Dec 31st,1869
F47/2	[186	Minutes of Meeting Sat 30 July [1867]
F47/3	1870	Baxter to Lord Bishop of Worcester. Notice of Meeting, Sat. 30 July,1870 and Agenda
F48	1870	Worcester Cathedral Restoration 1870 Joint Committee Minutes 1870 - 1873
F48/1		A.E.Perkins, Report
F48/2	1872	A.E.Perkins, Report.
F49	1873	Minute Book June 1873 - 1875
F49/1		Dudley House. Mr Skidmore, Progress
F49/2		Note- Subs in. Draft of financial report.
F49/3	1840	Sent to Bishop Jan 1875. Expenditure on Cathedral 1840; 1874, £114,295.1.4 and Special gifts £31,477;
F50	1866	Rough Minute Book - including correspondence.15.1.66 - 29.1.68

F50/1		Hardman's. Date for sample figures in niches
F50/2		Bishop and D&C to receive answer from Hardman's concerning N. Porch Figures
F50/3		Scott to obtain estimates
F50/4		Notes re Subscriptions and wages.
F50/5	1866	Balance Sheet, 22.11.66 to 25.4.67
F50/6		Paid.
F50/7	1867	Agenda
F50/8	1867	Canon D.Melville, Witley Rectory to T.Baxter.Apologies if I am not at Meeting tomorrow. Weather excommunicating men who live eleven miles from their capital and not on the railway. Blotting Paper, Note re £1500 for Cloister
F50/9		Hardman's to T.Baxter. Mr Powell has an appointment in London on Monday next and will be unable to meet the Restoration Committee
F50/10		E.A.H.Lechmere to T.Baxter. I much fear I shall not be able to come in for the meeting . but I hope that Ld Dudley & Mr Wood may be able to arrange with Mr Powell.
F50/11	n.d.	Dudley to Hardman. Could Mr Powell attend at the Chapter House on Thursday next with Drawings for proposed statues large and small in the Cathedral Porch. If not would Wednesday be more convenient
F50/12		Notes on Position of Organ
F50/13		Start of Resolution - Lowering St Michael's Church- yard
F50/14		Copy. Baxter to ? Committee were disappointed in not having your plans and estimate today, .. let me know when they will be ready in order that a time may be fixed for next Committee.
F50/15		Draft.[] Baxter to [H.Hughes] Directed by D&C. to inform you that the meeting on was not called by Mr P but that it was stated by him at a meeting that had been summoned for general purposes that he believed it necessary that the four side angles of the Tower should be carried up at the same levels & the matter was discussed & the result the unanimous agreement to a resolution of which I forwarded to you a copy.
F51	1868	Rough Minute Book - including correspondence. 29.8.68 - 18.5.72
F51/1		Draft Resolutions. Vaulting of Choir & E. Transept. Plans for Lighting Cathedral. Stalls & Canopies
F51/2		Scrap. Sum
F51/3		Scrap. Subs paid.
F51/4	1870	[To R.Cattley] Letter to Dean read, & Resolution carried that they cannot entertain any request for a grant .. for any purpose beyond those for which the recent subscription was set on foot until they have clearly ascertained that the funds so subscribed will be more than sufficient for those purposes.
F51/5		Draft. Paragraph concerning Trustees

F51/6		Change of Address. Educational Trading Co
F51/7		Draft. Estimate. Decoration of Choir Roof, J.H.Powell
F51/8	1871	Draft Minutes, and Copy. To GGS. Letter querying Account.
F51/9	1871	Draft Minutes, Dudley House
F51/10		Draft Minutes, Dudley House
F51/11		Agenda
F51/12		Agenda and Minutes
F51/13	1871	Resolution to accept Mr Greenway's tender for Gas fittings
F51/14		Agenda
F51/15		Minutes [2 pages]
F51/16	[187	Draft Resolution concerning Mr Parker's application for funds for Clock and Bells. [Several versions - Dean Peel's writing]
F51/17	n.d.	Sums
F51/18	[186	Resolution. Committee to pay for Statues on Tower. Hughes to allow £200 set off
F51/19		Note. Riddle, doodle
F51/20	[186	Resolution. That Mr Perkins may seek advice from Clifton & Hooper in dealing with Contractors
F51/21	1870	Scrap.. Gas Estimate
F51/22	n.d.	Thursday. Dean Peel to ? If you are really well enough to leave the House will you join Lord Lyttelton and the Canons here to talk about
F52	1864	Red Bank Pass Book - Messrs Berwick & Co; 1864 - August 1870
F53	1870	Red Bank Pass Book - Messrs Berwick & Co. New Account. June 1870 - March 1875
F54	1864	White Bank Pass Book - Worcester City & County Bank August 1864 - March 1873
F55	1864	White Bank Pass Book - National Provincial Bank, Worcester. April 1864 - March 1873
F56	1861 - 1872	Red Notebook - donated by Mrs Francis Wood, Fonthill, Torquay, (Daughter-in-Law of Canon J.Ryle Wood) Extracts from 'Worcester Diocesan' 1861-1872 detailing the Restoration. Plan of Warming Apparatus - S.Egon Rosser, Description of Window in Baptistery
F57		Brown Folder: Worcester Cathedral Restoration General Cash Account
F58	1860 - 1867	Restoration of Cathedral 1860-1867; Accounts of Sums received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners expended on Restoration of the Cathedral 1860-1867; John Fortescue, Treasurer. (Audited by Dean Peel and J.R.Wood, Receiver General, May '67)
F59		Worcester Cathedral Restoration; Subscriptions; Some letters
F59/1	1864	Copy of printed Circular from Lord Lyttelton
F59/2		Small blue notebook of Expenses - Thomas Baxter
F60	1864	Vouchers 1 - 162a
F61	1870	Vouchers 1 – 53

F62	1872	Vouchers 1 – 22
F63	1873	Vouchers 1 - 47
F64	1864	General Account of Receipt and Payment and List of Subscriptions (as in the Printed Accounts)
F65	1848	A.E.Perkins to the Dean & Chapter.Leads. cracks and holes caused by fall of fragments of stone ... shrinking of oak boarding on which it is laid. Flashings of gutters displaced.. Slating - Some have fallen, others are loose.. displaced... deficient. Gables losing mortar. Weather getting in-to timberwork and stone groining... premature decay. Important that immediate attention be given to covering of the roofs.. before severe weather sets in.Timberwork of Roofs - Beams pushing walls outwards - iron straps needed to relieve the pressure. Choir Aisles, some rafters decayed, and over Robing Room. Stone work. N.Transept.. settlings..windows much decayed.. mullions almost in a falling state.. Tower roof decayed. Edgars Tower..danger of N.E.Turret falling... advisable to take it down immediately.. S.W.Turret settlings increase. Windows built up to give support.
F66	1848	Duplicate Copy of 1848 Report
F67		Envelope. The Revd Canon Ingram, College. Empty
F68	1848	A.E.Perkins to Rev E.W.Ingram. Copy of 1848 Report to replace lost one

F69	1851	<p>Report on the State of Worcester Cathedral A.E.Perkins, Architect, to Dean and Chapter. Tiling &amp; Slating: Roof of S.Aisle of Choir broken through .. probably by the fall of .. stone from the walls .. Gutter &amp; Lead Flats. ..Flashings displaced.. at N.W. angle of Cloisters - also Roof of N. Aisle of Nave where rain finds admission &amp; is injuring the groins below... Gutters on N. side of Nave Roof has no down pipe, rain .. driven against the walls.. does injury... Timber in Roofs. Injury - by wet - to boarding .. N.Aisle of Choir. S. Aisle of Choir- 3 bearing timbers ..decayed, too weak to bear weight of tiling. Rafters decayed.. Stonework: Nave Walls on N &amp; S. sides .. forced outwards .. Roof principals ..being deficient in proper horizontal ties, does further injury .. by tendency to spread apart &amp; push them out. Flying Buttresses which have lately been built .. are useless because the S.Aisle wall from which they spring being itself defective and weak is insufficient for their support. .. part of the arch stones are displaced .. worse since last report. ..It is very important that additional iron straps should be fixed to the feet of the principal rafters and tie beams in the roof .. in order ..to relieve these walls from all lateral pressure. N.W.Turret of Nave. .. given way from the Walls of the Nave.. build a strong buttress into the western face of the turret.. and a similar buttress built into the corresponding turret... S.E.&amp; N.E. Transepts. Walls of S.E. Transept have masoning very loose and disjointed.. S.Wall has spread very much apart near the heads of the windows. E. buttress on S.E. angle has given way from the wall. .. walls .. bulge .. near heads of flying buttresses.. .. bonds of timber &amp; iron .. inserted at the heads of the flying buttresses .. assisting to keep these walls together at the angles have the headplates which press against the stone work to small to be very effective, and the stone behind some of them having decayed and fallen away they are .. loose .... Masonry of N.E.Transept is in a similar state .. though in a less degree. The old rent near the top of the west wall appears to have become rather worse lately - whether from a still further yielding of the walls from the thrust of the groins or from the access afforded to the weather causing the stone and mortar to crumble away, is uncertain. .. tiers of continuous timber and iron bond running from the end walls of these transepts through the roofs and connected with the roof principals .. tying these walls together and to the roofs, but the plates of the bonds being small .. and bonds [too high up].. additional bonds [should] be inserted ... East End of Lady Chapel. The masonry of the angle turrets at the east end of the Lady Chapel together with that of the East Gable Wall is very loose &amp; disjointed. The Gable has been tied to the roofs by iron bands similar to those in the roofs of the transepts. .. have the same defects ... The masonry of the S.E. flying buttress is much decayed and that of the eastern buttress partially so - These buttresses being a great support to the turrets ... should be carefully preserved from decay with the rebuilding of proper buttresses into the faces of the turrets or until the rebuilding of the turrets themselves .. S.W. Transept. S.E wall of this Transept is very much decayed and should be thoroughly pointed and repaired. A portion of this Wall on the inside is loose and there is danger of the stone falling on the groins below and causing great mischief, this portion .. should be .. re-built in mortar. Clearstory Windows South of Choir. Three of these windows are very much decayed, in two of them the mullions .. being nearly broken through .. it will be necessary to restore the two, the third may be preserved for some little time. Pinnacles of Tower. The two small pinnacles at the S.E. angle of the Tower are quite disjointed and might be thrown down by the wind they should be removed immediately to prevent danger to the roofs below. Pinnacles of SW &amp; NW Transepts. Stonework of these pinnacles is quite disjointed near the top rocking very much in high winds. The iron rods .. are not more than a few feet long and are of little use. The loose parts of these pinnacles should be taken down immediately ... Tower. The bond timber in the Upper part of the Tower have been cut through in several places, and their effect as a bond to the masonry at the feet of the great pinnacle partly destroyed. The feet of some of the curved ribs which support the upper floor of the Tower rest upon Timber bearers placed across the openings of the Belfry windows... too weak to carry .. the weight .. North Porch. A considerable fracture has taken place in the front wall of the Porch just above the great arch. An iron rod inserted from side to side and transversely above this will secure the walls. Cloisters. The walls of the Cloisters particularly the West walls have decayed portions that should be restored .. several mullions of the windows have been broken by the iron bars at the springing of the tracery .. the mullions should be repaired to prevent damage to the tracery</p>
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F70	1854	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Dean &amp; Chapter., 1853-4. Nave Roof strengthened.. insertion of a considerable quantity of iron and timber work.. removed certain stonework which.. concealed ends of..beams..decayed. It was necessary immediately to make good these dilapidations which was done by cutting away the decayed parts and splicing the beams with new timber and iron bolts. ..some additional expense.. Permission was given to do what was necessary.. 3 dilapidated windows on S.side of Choir..replaced with entirely new stonework and glazing..work of considerable difficulty owing to very dilapidated state of wall .. Artificial foundations .. have been put in for two new buttresses at the W.end of the Nave. Pump .. near N.W. angle of Cathedral has been moved.. the well filled up. Open doorways and unglazed apertures in every part of the Cathedral.. have had new doors and apertures closed ..to exclude the cold. Principal flight of stairs from Nave to Choir .. made good. N. Porch steps, part of the flagging and steps from Nave to Cloisters .. thoroughly repaired. Turrets at E. end of Lady Chapel have been cleared of the rubbish which choked them up, and fractures in walls pointed. Glazing..repaired. Leadwork partly repaired. Dilapidated wall at W. end of Cathedral..Canon Cocks garden rebuilt. Ornamental Iron railing placed beside steps. College Precincts. Steps by Boathouse.. ferry steps and retaining walls on opposite bank repaired. New W.C. constructed at Edgar Tower.. great nuisance abated. Late Prebendal house of the Rev. Dr Cradock .. substantial and tenantable repairs for the residence of A.Hooper Esq. Required. Fractured turrets.. to be strengthened.. Great scarcity of masons together with very high wages during this season have retarded these works, but now that sufficient men..procured, work will be proceeded with.</p>
F71	1853 - 1854	November 1853-4 Expenditure. Total £604.3.3



F72	1855	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Dean &amp; Chapter.. S.Transept of Choir. Fractures again opened up.. Repair ..cannot long be delayed without great danger. East Gable of Lady Chapel. Work now in progress.. afford an opportunity for inspecting it .. closely. Dilapidated.. fractured.. considerably out of perpendicular, the apex projecting about 18 inches beyond the lower part of the wall beneath. Broken bond of the masonry caused by the fractures.. imperfectly repaired from time to time together with decay of the very perishable stone prevents the wall from taking a combined hold on the numerous iron ties which were inserted many years ago for its support. It may be possible to support it for some short time by more closely uniting the stone work with the iron ties, but it is to be feared nothing effectual could be done short of taking down and rebuilding. W.Gable of Nave. During the erection of the new buttress at the W. end of the Nave it was discovered that the heavy stone coping.. had slipped owing to its inclined position and the want of bonders and is now pressing laterally against the turrets,.. no immediate danger.. as soon as convenient.. refix it with proper bonders. There is a considerable part of this Gable in a very dilapidated condition. Several stone shafts and mullions of windows..stones have fallen leaving some of those above unsupported. Should be made good.. Cloisters. Many of the battlement stones..are loose and some are deficient. Lead flashings ..deficient.. Not of pressing necessity. Roofs of Cathedral and Cloisters. Gutters and flats .. in tolerable state. Lead flat on N.side of Cloister near N.W. angle almost the only part which has not undergone some repair within the last few years is very dilapidated. The lead..is easily damaged by great heat .. from the Southern Sun.. Most satisfactory course..to take it up and relay this lead.. The amount of dilapidations in this department falls much short of the average of former years which may be attributed to the closing of the roofs against visitors to the cathedral who did considerable damage. Slating generally a little defective.. though trifling, it should be made good ..to keep out the weather. Windows. Glazing in many parts of the Cathedral is becoming defective... Edgar's Tower. Roof very unsound..often admits the wet .. great damage might be done especially in the Will Room.. Strip and retile it.. greater part of the tiles might be used again.</p>
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F73	1867	<p>A.E. Perkins to the Dean &amp; Chapter.. Fittings in Nave for Services - completed last June. Carpenter, Ironmonger, Painter &amp; Upholsterer, Total Cost £356.19.6 Cloister restoration - Completed except for proposed wrought iron gate for the Quadrangle and glazing of the windows. The propriety of glazing the cloister windows being doubtful that work has been suspended though provided for in the Contract for general restorations &amp; the question reserved for the Dean &amp; Chapter. Omission would.. save .. £120.0.0 Cloister Quadrangle. Ground has been lowered to its proper level by the removal of an average depth of 1ft 6in of accumulated debris, the tombs and memorials carefully lowered, eleven broken ones with their inscriptions replaced with new ones and the surface of the ground turfed with a proper margin of concreted gravel. Several very old stones .. too badly broken to be relaid, .. inscriptions ..entirely effaced have been carefully put away. Cost £104.0.0 New Library. This has been structurally &amp; with internal fitting up of bookcases, shelves etc. A grant of £200 was made and an order given for constructing an entirely new approach to the Library by means of a staircase from the cloisters, but .. so many difficulties .. it was thought advisable to abandon it and to ... approach by means of the ancient turret staircase at the S.W angle of the Nave close to the entrance to the W.Cloister passage. This staircase together with the intervening part of the Aisle roof between it and the Library have now been thoroughly restored and now form a useful Museum for the ancient relics of which there is now a great accumulation. Western passage to the Cloisters has been restored. Lodge over N.Porch of Cathedral. Walls of ancient apartments over the N.Porch - repaired and made good. The communication between this part and the Cathedral roofs built up, the space partitioned off into two bed- rooms and a sitting room or kitchen, new floors have been put, a water closet, cupboard, kitchen range, supply of water and gas &amp; all necessary conveniences for a Lodge. Total Cost £201.7.10 Edgar's Tower. The parapets, battlements, and turrets .. were in a state of extreme dilapidation and fast becoming dangerous. The internal walls .. under the plaster .. fractured to a great extent. Roofs gutters and down pipes .. in bad condition. .. necessary .. that substantial repairs .. immediately commenced. Estimates were .. prepared for the general repairs also for the preparation of the interior for offices for ...the Chapter Clerks, but the amount proving too great it was abandoned and such substantial repairs were ordered .. as were necessary for the preservation and security of the building. These have been done with the exception of the Chimney stacks which are in progress. Total cost £317.0.0 Porter's Lodge at Edgar Tower. Colouring, repairs alterations and provision of a sanatory closet at the Lodge .. done per Estimate £15.0.0 Note from Mr Purchase the City Surveyor in ref to the unfinished state of footpath at the entrance to College Yard which has been so long in dispute. Enquires whether the D&amp;C would .. pay one half of the cost of paving the path .. he would endeavour to prevail with the City Commissioners to pay the other half, but does not guarantee success.. His estimate.. £35 My Estimate £28 Churchwardens of St Michael's Parish inform me that the parishioners express dissatisfaction at the unprotected state of the graveyard &amp; desire that it be enclosed by a railing to prevent desecration &amp; that they intend to lay the matter before the D&amp;C. House in College Green. Late Revd Baumgartner's - several applications .. all except one considered the house too large for their use.</p>
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F74	n.d.	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Dean Lock of gate in new Iron railing ..passage from Cloisters to Canon Mozley's garden broken, and as .. site of the old Guesten Hall would be open to trespass .. was immediately made good. As the key of the Cloister Gate opens [it] .. it is feared that holders of Cloister keys use it. ..I saw one Bedesman passing through the gate from the grounds, and I have little doubt that some persons possess cloister keys who are not authorised to.. Lady Chapel Floor.. some difficulty .. Mrs Davisson of College Green objecting to any other stone being replaced over the vault .. her Mason to prepare a sketch for D&amp;C. .. Mrs Davisson objects to the building of the additional room over Mr Day's house which joins hers fearing .. front wall will .. shade an attic window .. It will not .. damage the light .. in which case .. Mrs Davisson has no right to prevent the work. Mr Day has signified .. convenient .. to have the work commenced on Wed or Thurs .. point should be settled with Mrs Davisson.. Slating of Roof of S.side of Cathedral.. commenced as soon as the weather would safely permit.. considerable part is done. ... Unfortunately a number of slates were broken through an accident on the Cambrian Railway. A fresh supply is expected .. Railing round College Yard - exceedingly difficult to produce a satisfactory line. Situation of Entrance Gates from the High Street also require consideration ... at this meeting.</p>
F75	1869	<p>A.E.P to the Dean &amp; Chapter.. Since Audit of 1868 the following works have been completed. Iron Railing and Wall in the College Green from the Hall to Rev. Canon Mozley's House. The new Minor Canon's Water Closet. The new ashpit, and the doorway and door leading to it from the Cloisters. The Cloister paved floor has been repaired. The Cloister Floor made good for the Music Festival. The tri-ennial entire cleaning of the Cathedral after the Festival has been done. The Boathouse has been repaired. The Catch- Pits of the Precinct generally have been cleansed, the drains partially opened and stench-traps put in where deficient by order of the Inspector of the Board of Health. Some repairs to Roofs and windows of the Cathedral, where damaged by tempest. In .. raising the ceiling and roof of the Will-Room at Edgar's Tower 'For Mr Hooper' the ancient heads of two windows were exposed .. of good character but too dilapidated to be properly made use of .. Now hidden externally by trees and shrubs .. but could be seen from St Mary's Walk at E. End of Cathedral. Cost of restoration from £35-£38. Suggestion for .. some alteration in the damp confined yard on N. side of Edgar Tower by which light and a freer circulation of air .. may be obtained. .. Tower. Timber framing 'now nearly finished' for new peal of Bells and the Clock, together with a considerable quantity of wood flooring, doors and other Joiners' work. Days are .. closing in, evenings ..so dark that Workmen of the Tower will be unable to do a full day's work without the aid of artificial light. Probable that application will be made to the Dean &amp; Chapter for leave to use candles, lamps or lanterns, any of which would be very dangerous .. when so much light dry wood is necessarily lying about. Suggestion of permanently lighting the Tower before the Dean &amp; Chapter .. present may be the proper time .. use of Gas would be attended with the least danger. .. in the case of the adoption of any mode of lighting a confidential person should be appointed to the special duty of attending to the lights while in use, and to their being carefully extinguished. The Churchwardens of St Michael's Parish ..expressing their desire to have the Old Parish Burial Ground enclosed I have as directed prepared Drawings and Estimates for the consideration of the Dean &amp; Chapter.</p>
F76	1869	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Dean. The works of the Cathedral Tower carried out by Mr.Hughes for the Joint Restoration Committee are so far brought to a close that the services of a Clerk of the Works might be dispensed with on that account. There is however considerable work still going on in the construction, moving and fixing of very heavy timbers that I believe the constant attendance of a superintendant will be quite necessary for a short time longer to see to the proper execution of the work &amp; to prevent damage being done to the interior of the Tower.</p>

F77	1869	A.E.Perkins to the Dean W.C and urinals in the Boy's Playground are in a most offensive state owing to a want of water....
F78	1870	A.E.P. to the Dean. Report since Audit of 1869. New beams of the ancient Ringers floor of the Tower have been fixed in place of the old decayed beams, and a new boarding, by subsequent order of the Chapter, has been laid upon them. The additional glass Louvres required by Mr Cattley have been fixed in the Tower. The new stone floor in the Ladye Chapel and Transepts are near completion. New wall and doorway to Mr Canon Mozeley's garden has been completed. The Gas has been laid on in the Tower. Two Stone windows have been inserted on the N. side of the Will Room replacing the old dilapidated windows in the Edgar Tower. The Roof of the Will Room has been raised to a greater height by which considerable increase of wall space has been gained. The new rooms ordered by the Dean & Chapter have been added to Mr Day's house in the College Green. The new Iron Railing has been fixed and completed round St Michael's Churchyard and the Cathedral Grounds, and the Ground adjusted and a new side gate and footpath added to the principal entrance to College Yard.
F79	1871	A.E.Perkins to the Dean. Report. Cathedral Roofs. Cracks in lead vallies & gutters, slates..loose..Junction of slating with wall.. cement falling away from stonework and will not long be an effectual barrier to the wet. Recommend replacing cement with lead flashings - Cost £23. Slating and repointing where loose £11 Total £34. Report by Mrs Marshall that the water from her pump had become very offensive, I had the well opened .. wood stays which support the trees are decay[ed] & should be replaced. I believe, however that the chief cause of the foulness of the water is the great quantity in the well (25 ft) which is not drawn off fast enough to keep it sweet. The remedy for this would be to pour in a few loads of gravel and so reduce the quantity if water. Cost about £6
F80	1872	A.E.Perkins to the Dean.. Repairs to Cathedral Roof .. partially done so far as was necessary to preserve the decorated ceilings from injury from the entrance of wet. The remainder will be done with more favourable weather. The pump at Mrs Marshall's house has been repaired. .. the late storms have done .. slight damage to roofs and chimnies of Mrs Marshall's house. No injury however .. in any part of the Cathedral. Arch of the Watergate at the Boathouse is defective on the side toward the river part of the springing having fallen out.. no immediate danger .. should be repaired. When the stone embankment at the Boathouse steps on the opposite bank of the River was repaired last year the very bottom of it could not be reached in consequence of the height of the water generally without the expense of putting in a coffer dam. During the most favourable state of the water I made application to the Manager of the River works desiring to have the water drawn off so as to enable us to reach the bottom of the work but was told that the traffic at that time would not admit of it. As soon as the season is sufficiently advanced and the water is low this work should be done. The cost will not be heavy. ..Fracture in the house in College Green occupied by the Misses Loscomb ..an old settling reported some time ago .. not dangerous.. Its appearance, however is bad and Miss Loscomb is much alarmed about it. It will be necessary to repair it by means of iron rods inserted from side to side to brace the fractured walls together. Note. [In pencil] Chimney of N. Lodge.

F81	1872	A.E.Perkins to the Dean. All works progressing .. satisfactorily. Considerable progress has been made in laying the Choir Floor. Messrs Wood are taking measure for providing the stone for the Nave & Aisle floors and steps. A part of the metal grills for the Choir side screen is come & the rest is promised immediately. The woodwork of the stalls is now nearly all fixed but some alteration is found to be necessary in the arrangement for the Choristers' seats. Some alteration will I think be required in the Dean's Stall where the bookboard is much too short & the stall otherwise too confined. You are no doubt informed that the decoration of the Lady Chapel ceiling is for the present suspended. P.S. I shall have to ask for an order for the Iron railing & new stone curb for the green at the West end of the Cathedral. The new steps & stone pathway is now being laid down. I shall be prepared with the levels of Dr Barry's garden in connection with that of the Boys' playground.
F82	1872	A.E.Perkins to the Dean.. No important building works have been required at the Cathedral, those that have been done being chiefly confined to the repair of the roofs and the glazing generally .. the former being damaged by tempest and other causes to which such ancient roofs are liable and the latter chiefly, seemingly, by violence. Some expense has been incurred in the repair of paved floors and similar works being continually damaged by the great traffic incidental to the works of restoration. During the late continuation of excessive rain it has been found that the surface of the new hard stone used in the restoration of the Tower and other parts does not absorb water in nearly the same degree as that of the old masonry consequently the volume of water thrown off, particularly in heavy storms (of which we had many this season) is greater than the former heads of the rainwater pipes could carry away. It was therefore found necessary to enlarge those that required it. It has been found necessary to repair several of the stoves and I am sorry to add that others require repair to make them effective. The new steps and paved approach to the West End of the Cathedral has been carried into operation - the stone curbed dwarf wall for the new iron railing is worked and ready for fixing but as the very uneven surface of the ground required to be carefully dealt with (more particularly as it will be in connexion with the proposed alteration of the site of the late Dr Wyntour's Canonry house for which plans are prepared) it is not yet fixed. The repair of the Embankment at the ferry steps on the West bank of the river has not yet been done in consequence of the height of water in the river being so continually above the general summer level so that the bottom of the water could not be reached without putting in a coffer dam, a most expensive process. The porter's house at the River-gate has been painted inside and outside and put into its proper condition. The dilapidated large arch of the water-gate has been repaired and the adjoining walls along the river front made good and pointed. The dwarf wall and iron railings in front of the ground between College Hall and the Rev Dr Miller's Canonry House, which were greatly injured by the severe frost of last winter have been thoroughly made good.
F83	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue Mr John Norman Contractor Repairs to West End (New Buttress)finished, and dangerous Gable Repairs to Nave Roof and Lady Chapel buttresses. Timber frames of Tower Bells repaired. Gas fitted in Mr Hooper's house
F84	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue New Buttress at West End - concrete foundations Difficult to excavate foundations at E.end Waterlogged ground from Tower Culvert
F85	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue East End Buttresses, utmost care & circumspection being necessary.

F86	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue rotten and disjointed old stones under cement coating S.E. angles of buttresses. Difficulty of removing to repair. Canon Wood points out broken windows in Cathedral Verger found leaden bullets immediately under a broken window. Mrs Tomkinson, College Green - Pump Broken Mr Hooper, (Dr Cradock's late house) chimney
F87	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue Flying Buttress in S.E. Angle of Cathedral removed with perfect success. Misunderstanding with Mr Norman as to the sum for which he undertook to build the buttress.
F88	1855	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue Pound at St. John's - decayed timbers need repair Work on Edgar Tower, Mr Hooper's House, and your Prebendal House all in progress. Curtains for Choir - Mr Parry has sent for patterns. Mr Mason, Lay Clerk's father, to make them
F89	1856	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue Work on Buttress delayed by severe frosts and heavy rains. Cloister Roofs, finished. Vestry for Minor Canons new glass roof. Edgar Tower roof. Mr Norman's long and dangerous illness prevents him doing Accounts. Mr Close also confined to bed Mr Norman wants Certificate, & Stone Merchant wants Cert for £18
F90	1856	Perkins to Hon. & Rev. John Fortescue Receipts from Mr Norman and Mr Credgington. Arrival of blue cloth for curtain & cushions. Necessary to have it made for the purpose, as no proper cloth could be got without going to a very extravagant price.
F91	1856	Perkins to Hon & Rev. John Fortescue Messrs Bennett & Son were paid £150 and need another £150, by quarter day. Very considerable quantity of work done.
F92	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Work on Mr Denning's House delayed so that Mrs Stillingfleet can move from her house 'fearing contagion' (from open drain.) Lead piping from Cathedral Roof needs to be recast, and much lighter
F93	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Denning's Drain - stagnant, obstructed - will replace with glazed tiles. Closet removed. Dean visited. Buttress at NE Angle of Lady Chapel complete. Double Buttress at S. Transept 'in a forward state' - stone worked. Bath stone of excellent quality for pinnacles Buttress at West End in progress
F94	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Buttress at NE angle of Lady Chapel finished. SW Buttress of S. Transept finished up to pinnacle Two other Buttresses of S Transept in 'a very forward state' Buttresses at West End of Nave nearly done. Scaffold up for West End Gable. Cross needs repair on top, but bits of wall are falling out by W. buttress and damaged scaffold. Will test whole wall when scaffold is up. Bennetts' Cert. Very large staff of masons. Supply of stone is very great
F95	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Bennett's Receipt £300. State of weather interfered with progress of work 3 Double Buttresses completed. New pinnacle on SW Buttress of S. Transept. Dean's approval of carved finial is needed, other pinnacles nearly ready. New buttress at W. end of Nave nearly finished. New East Window - foundations completed - wall to be built up to the sill. Stone coping for railing at West End worked and foundations dug. Walls of S. Transept ruinous. Great West Window in worse condition than supposed, and has been repaired.

F96	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cheque for Bennetts, £300, will be handed over. Mrs Tomkinson complains about her drain - affects her health.
F97	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue 2nd Pinnacle on S Transept nearly finished. W.Window in bad state but not dangerous. West End Gable 'far Advanced' but relieving Arch dilapidated, and its abutments won't carry weight of gable when repairing windows. Foundations of Great East Window in. Sad accident this afternoon, death of a labourer. Breaking and fall of piece of timber from highest part of scaffold. Formed part of Winch. Mr Budd the Surgeon was on the ground within a few minutes .. but his head was dreadfully fractured. Leaves wife and six children. No blame to those in charge of work. Timber looked sound.
F98	1856	Perkins to Canon Fortescue My painful duty to inform you of another Fatal Accident - death of two men & very serious, tho' not fatal, injury to a third. Clear cause. Fault of the unhappy sufferers themselves. Scaffolders on Gable front of SE Transept. Had nearly reached heads of windows, & were raising scaffolding another story high. Temporary scaffold against wall to enable them to fix cross-timbers into the wall, for floor. Laid Principal beam with one end on Permanent scaffold & the other on crosspiece of the temporary one, it broke under the weight of eight planks & two men throwing the whole to the ground together with another man who was working on a beam near, a height of 50 ft. to the ground. Cross-piece far too small to carry the weight. Folly of using such small timber when there was abundant supply of every size and best quality. Timber selected by a fourth man, & sent up to scaffold foreman. Scaffold Foreman was sent from Birmingham by Messrs Bennett - was believed to be fully competent. 35 minutes between selection of timber, its erection & fall - General foreman who had just returned from breakfast, engaged elsewhere, had no time to go round the work. Accident occurred at 10 mins to 10am. First man died at 2 o'clock & the other about 10 o'clock next morning. The foreman is the one least injured. Verdict - Accidental Death.
F99	[1856]	Perkins to Canon John Fortescue More particulars. Verdict - Accidental Death. Jury thought fit to blame Superintendant of Works and Bennetts for not providing good scaffolding & more competent men to erect it. - Totally unauthorised by Coroner's Charge, & evidence.. which went to prove there was abundance of good material on the spot & workmen employed for the express purpose of using it. Startling facts - Nine Worcester Builders on the Jury seven, if not eight are decidedly hostile to me, and are known to be so to Mr Bennett. Mr Warrington of the Tything was Foreman - over- charging for work at St Oswald's Hospital so long the cause of contention. Mr Higham - Mr Norman's foreman, is particularly hostile to present contractors at Cathedral & to me. Mr Bradley, mason, was discharged by D&C many years since .. Mr Shelswell has an imaginary cause of dislike to Messrs Bennett over value of Masons Shops, and dispute between me & him over fencing for D&C. Coroner surprised at so many builders & believed they were moved by hostility to Messrs Bennett. His officers stated that he was requested to call them.
F100	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Shelswell's Bill very unsatisfactory. No dates, no quantities of materials used. Two or three applications - I have told him that a bill of particulars was necessary. He has .. withheld it. Writing to him again
F101	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Bennetts Cert for £250 Upper tier of Arches of S.Transept .. to be set next week. East Gable safely removed. New window built up 7 or 8 ft above the sill Mr Parker will take the stone work of the East Window.
F102	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Estimate of removal of whitewash and plaster from stone and marble work of Choir and Lady Chapel. Bennetts experimented on one bay to provide estimate- £240.0.0 Intersection - Arches £20 = £260 Cheaper to do all arches now. Large pieces of foliage broken away - £4 to £4.10.0 per bay Restoration of broken carving £52-£58.10.0

F103	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Acknowledge receipt of note of 1st Inst. Absent from home till late. Mr Bennett in Worcester today. Formal Tender expressing distinctly the amount of work & time required, - as well to know, as much may be done in Lady Chapel before 15th by men in the event of heavy rain or other hindrance to work outside. Estimate in comparison with part of Choir already done, is much more reasonable, as amount of work is far greater. Difference - scaffolding available on the spot, and men can be used when otherwise idling - particularly scaffolders. Recommend a positive contract with carver, as to time, not to hinder masons by keeping up scaffold Acknowledge cheque for £34.5.0 for Mr Credgenton.
F104	n.d.	John Bennett to Honble & Revd John Fortescue Tender to scrape & carefully remove plaster & whitewash from Choir and Lady Chapel, except groins. Also from piers & arches at Intersection of Choir, Lady Chapel and Transepts. To make good defective stonework, point joints, restore three pieces of marble columns - £260. To take 6 weeks or by July 25th. Includes wrapping up the Organ.
F105	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Anxiety about letter of 9th Inst containing Mr Credgenton's Rec.t for £34.5 and Bennetts' work. Bennetts will clean stonework & marble of Choir & Lady Chapel, and repair defective stonework, supply 3 pieces of deficient marble shaft & wrap up the Organ for £260. Repair of carved foliage £50-60 additional. Tender is very low & would be a great saving, owing to the number of hands which they can command, and scaffolding now at liberty, and soon to be released from S.Transept.
F106	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cert for Messrs Bennett for £450. S.Transept window completed, gable far advanced. E.Window very forward, first tier of Arches quite completed outside and in, upper tier commenced. Nearly the whole of the masonry, both stone & marble is ready. Scraping the interior has been commenced
F107	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Bennetts Rec.t for £450 together with Cert for £300 - now due. End of S. Transept finished, & window glazed. Capping of gable, - left for more pressing work, will be put on in a few days. Large E.Window completely fixed & portion of the wall above it. Glazing commences on Tuesday next. Will be completed by Music Meeting. Two side windows of Lady Chapel undergoing repair Scraping of inside carried out with great perseverance. Lady Chapel with carving is finished & N side of Choir. S side partly done. Scaffold kept up as five carvers have been unable to keep pace with cleaners & repairers. Great quantity of defective masonry. Much valuable information as to its state. Effect is exceedingly good. Dean a constant visitor, states his perfect satisfaction with the work. Mr Hemming wants Cert for £100. I will examine his Acct.
F108	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Apologise for not acknowledging cheque for £300 for Messrs Bennett. Rec.t enclosed. By Tuesday or Wednesday at latest scaffold will be down from cleaning N side of Choir and Great Tower Arch around Organ. Scaffold being erected at Intersection of Choir, Lady Chapel & Transepts. Will be cleared away by Sat 15th Inst. Quantity of carving done here & extreme slowness of the five London Carvers in comparison with our own men has occasioned delay, as has unavoidable absence of our own men from illness. Almost constant heavy rain hindered outer works. Will write on Monday or Tuesday next with report & Cert for Mr Hemming. I have not yet found time to go into his Acct.



F109	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Exceedingly sorry that thro' my forgetfulness you should have been troubled to write about Bennetts cheque. You will ere now have received my note in explanation and Rec.t. Enclose Cert for Mr Hemming for £100 on Acct for various Carpenters & Joiners works, as follows Making centres for arches, shoring & propping during the progress of works. Boarding up S. Transept & Lady Chapel. Repairing Roof Timbers of gables when taken down. Fitting up the Nave for Service & several other works.
F110	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Sorry to trouble you at the moment, but having met Mr Hemming at the Cathedral I explained to him the alteration required in the seats of the Choir. He says he cannot guarantee to do it for a less sum than between £13 & £14. It appears necessary to state this at once that I may be favoured with your instruction respecting it. P.S. Mr Hemming tells me that he has lately been obliged to give for Riga Oak of which the seats must be made, as much as 10d per foot in its raw state this is a very high price.
F111	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt from Mr Bennett for £500. Sorry to have been out when you called at my office this morning. Mr Hemming to commence the alteration of seats in the choir forthwith.
F112	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Certificate to pay James and John Bennett £400 for building new East Window and Gable, pinnacles on North Transept, S.E. Transept window, new side windows of Lady Chapel, inside of Lady Chapel.
F113	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Progress of Side windows of Lady Chapel not so rapid, accounted for by the exceeding smallness of the stone of the ancient work which are chiefly used again, the number of Arches of the Triforium & other galleries at this point & the few hands who can find room to work at the setting on so small spaces. One window will be finished in a fortnight - 3 weeks. Worcester Diocesan Architectural Soc. visited - their lecturer spoke favourably of Restoration and works generally. Stone coping of S. Transept Gable long finished. S. Transept finished except for small carving which the Gloucester Carver hasn't finished. Too unimportant to send for carver from London for. Bennetts want Cert for £400 - considerably less than they are entitled to. London Carver who did the work in Choir & Lady Chapel wants Cert.
F114	1857	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt for £400 from Mr Bennett. Gloucester Carver has made his appearance this day
F115	1858	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Bill for 200 more chairs now due. Ordered at Midsummer Audit. Messrs Bennett want Cash on Acct For £120 for removing and fixing three monuments, repointing S.E. Transept. Mr Bennett ill. Bill needs some Correction. Cert for £100 on Acct
F116	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue St Mary's Steps by Edgar Tower replaced. A great part of repairs to Roof done. Replaced 5 Bellropes. Broken stone & Rubble removed from neighbourhood of Chapter House. Drains need clearing of sand. Committee appointed to procure a design for East Window accept design for E. Window from Hardman of Birmingham who decline entering into competition but very liberally offered a design and a portion of glass.
F117	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue SE Transept- East wall bulging. Could be serious. Increase would endanger groining which is very disjointed & insecure. Dean in Worcester today. Will prepare a full report for Dean, & report to you. Lord Dynevor wants restoration of Monument to Sir Griffith Rice- brasses and armorial bearings.

F118	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Garden gate of your Prebendal House needs repair. Door of vault under College Hall needs renewing. Offensive stone urinals replaced in Lay Clerks Robing Room. Bell clapper fell and has been replaced. Gutters on Edgar Tower repaired. Problems over pump at Mr Hooper's House. Sand in valve. New water supply not considered to possess a tolerable share of purity.
F119	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Lead piping at Mr Hooper's will be £2-3. Going to Birmingham on first train tomorrow
F120	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Dilapidated groin of SE Transept will need centring and scaffolding. Bennetts to supply three experienced men. Sorry not to have spoken to you about it on morning of Chapter Meeting
F121	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Have told Mr Bennett's Foreman how the scaffolding is to be done to support and enable side walls to be rebuilt in SE Transept and to get estimate from Mr Bennett - £420. Dean desires me to express his astonishment! I am looking at timber supplies to see if I can buy it cheaper in Gloucester or Bristol, which can be sold.
F122	1859	Perkins to Canon Fortescue SE Transept is being propped up. Men are on holiday till tomorrow. Messrs Hemming will do it for £95. Two monuments moved, Ld Dynevor's covered up. Thaw led to leak in roof of your Prebendal House - repaired.
F123	1860	from The Golden Cross Hotel, Charing Cross, W.C. Perkins to Canon Fortescue Conference with Mr Christian at his office, who agreed to drawings. Discussed Account Book for the work done under the grant of £15,000, with Dr. & Cr. Accts & Cr. side should have stamped rec.ts. Need your Authority for so doing. Messrs Ruddle and Thompson who are engaged at Hereford have spent two days at Worcester and are coming again next week. Messrs Bennett of Birmingham have come and will look at the drawings. Two or three other rather unlikely ones interested.
F124	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Credginton's Receipt for £57.10.5(Stone) Book of Accounts has been procured
F125	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Great amount of stone ready to set. One entire side of SE Transept taken down & great part of other. Rebuilding starts on Monday - about 70 workmen. Mr Bennett visits three times each week. Efficient staff of picked men. Removing white-wash on groins and walls of Lady Chapel, as necessary repairs to groin ribs and wall ribs, and making good aisle windows .. cheaper to do it while scaffold is up. True state of walls should be seen. Dean desires me to write .. Organ does not require cleaning for Festival. I consider injury is done by dust rising from soft paving of floor - rather than from works.
F126	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cert for Mr W. Credginton £65.14.6 Wall on E. side of SE Transept reached a considerable height. W. wall taken down & rebuilding will be commenced at once. Casing of S. side of Lady Chapel - stone ready. Groin rib on centre of Lady Chapel has sunk considerably and needs wedging. Will need scaffolding. Take opportunity to repair and clean the whole of the groining. Will show up when new stained glass is in.
F127	1860	Receipt Mr William Credginton £65.14.6
F128	1860	Mr J.H.Clifton to Canon Fortescue I wrote to the Chapter Clerk of Windsor stating that the Icomb Pension was paid as usual via Hoare's Bank. Send letter from him - he says this payment is short by 8s. Have not sent it as it would interfere with your account.. Best way .. to add to next payment, .. but then Ecclesiastical Commissioners will have to make payment.

F129	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Progress as rapid as can be expected in such unfavourable weather. S. wall of Clerestorey of Lady Chapel with new windows & buttress, corbel- table &c has been finished, & scaffold struck. East Side windows of SE Transept and walls rebuilt, insecure portions substantially rebuilt. W. side in forward state. Workmen took down scaffold without leave - dealt with. College School wants railings for boys to put books on, £4-5. Pumps not working in the Green and West end of Cathedral. Work on Mr Day's house on College Green. Stained glass for East window has arrived, considerable portion fixed.
F130	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cert. Mr William Credgenton for Stone, £62.15.11 Bennetts want £500. Am writing to Mr Christian - to give him a week's notice.
F131	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Bennetts' Certificate for £500.They are owed much more having done half the work but the Commissioners wish Certificates to be £500 at a time. Mr Christian might wish to visit. Music Festival - sorry for your intended absence. Hope Mrs Fortescue's health is better.
F132	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Sent Mr Christian the Receipt Book, and Cert. for £500, and asked for cheque for Mr Bennett. Mr B. here today & much disappointed at not receiving it. Mr Christian acknowledged letter but not in Town. Works progressing well.
F133	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt from Mr Bennett - £500. Mr Christian hasn't returned Book of Vouchers. I shall write & desire him to do so that I may forward another Cert. time enough to prevent any future disappointment to Messrs Bennett.
F134	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Recasing S.Wall of Choir. Unsightly modern window near the Tower inserted some years ago was intended .. to be partially altered to assimilate .. with the three light windows lately inserted cannot be successfully altered & would damage the appearance of that part. This might give rise to some regret hereafter that a new window to correspond with the others had not been inserted. I think it right therefore to represent the matter. £7 in Contract. New window would cost £10 more or perhaps £8-9.
F135	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cert. for Mr Hemming - scaffolding - £20 for SE Transept. £20 to be paid when scaffolding removed. Book of Vouchers has been returned, and I shall add the £500 paid to Bennetts & Hemmings' £20 and send Cert for £500 for Bennetts. Mr Day's Coach house to be converted to increased accommodation. Suggested old windows from Guesten Hall - rather old-fashioned but sound & will be amply sufficient for a house of that unpretending character. Mr Day wants new ones, £10-15. Expense already considerable.
F136	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cheque for Mr Hemming £20 received. Mr Credgenton wants £35.10.5 for stone. In consequence of his horses having been engaged with the harvest he has sent in but little stone and that at a distant time and I had no idea he would require payment till he was entitled to about the usual sum.
F137	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipts from Mr Hemming and Mr Credgenton. Vouchers forwarded to Mr Christian, and Cert. for £500 for Mr Bennett

F138	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Christian has paid us a short visit and approves of the work. Mr Christian has returned the book of vouchers & desires me to state that the following is the form in which future applications for cash must be made. My Certificates must be sent to you, who will obtain £500 at a time from the Commrs. & from those sums the periodical payments to the contractors for stone are to be made & at whatever time the £500 shall be nearly or wholly exhausted you will on application be again supplied & I am periodically to send forward the book of Vouchers to London. It will appear from this that my cert. sent last week to Mr Christian is useless & that I must now certify direct to you that Messrs Bennett & Son are entitled to the further sum of £500 in addition to the sum of £1,000 already paid to them on Acct of their contract for the work at Worcester Cathedral. Mr Christian says he was desirous of explaining this in person as he would do it more clearly than by writing. I hope therefore that I have made my meaning plain. It seems that the former certs have been informal but that Mr Christian has succeeded in getting them through
F139	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Complains about slowness of new method of payment. Mr Bennett will suffer some inconvenience if longer delays take place and asks for £600 in addition to £1000 already paid. Receipt will be inserted in the Voucher Book and forwarded to Mr Christian to present to the Commrs. A further £500 will be paid to your application.
F140	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Bennett has been paid £500. Receipt for £600 minus £100 for stone. Wants separate receipt for stone.
F141	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Certificate for Mr Credgenton for stone, £33.16.6 Next week will send Cert for Bennetts. Cert forwarded to Mr Christian as he requested - I imagine to replace a former one mislaid in the office. Cert for £500 sent to Mr Christian.
F142	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cheque for Mr Credgenton, Receipt enclosed. Has kept Ecclesiastical Commissioners instructions
F143	1860	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Further Certificates for Mr Credgenton, £42.15.3, and Mr Bennett, £400 Italian arches removed from SE Transept, walls behind are secure. Found remains of ancient screen, its foundations as bad as it was possible to be - cause of shattered state of walls above. Monuments removed from Lady Chapel and re-erected in Nave. N side of Clerestory of Lady Chapel in a forward state but held up by severity of weather stopping work outside at Lady Chapel & West End, and sudden thaw should enable work to resume. Christmas has made men rather disposed to idle a little. Papers sent to Mr Christian as far back as 5th Inst.
F144	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Acknowledge receipt of cheque. Stove and piping in your Prebendal House repaired and gutters cleared of snow. Sudden return of frost - very severe - quite prevents the setting of stonework where mortar is to be used. Frost has entered the stone so far as to prevent it being properly worked. Wants rubble removed at 1/- or 1/3d a load. Quantity great, expense considerable
F145	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Voucher Book. £200 remains in Account. Certificate for Mr Bennett. Will forward Cert. to Mr Christian for further amount.
F146	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Paid Mr Bennett. Tenders for new work, & anxiety with respect to the competition. Mr Bennett's tender is too high, but he can reduce it. Wolverhampton party, Mr Horseman has corrected his.
F147	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Certificate for Mr Bennett. Voucher Book to Mr Christian & Cert. for £1000

F148	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Christian's Visit this a.m. He spent but little more than half an hour looking at the several works. (£1,000 so large a sum). Showed him the Early English' window in the Lady Chapel which replaced the poor dilapidated Perpendicular one, and little pinnacle on SE angle of aisle of Lady Chapel. Appeared quite satisfied
F149	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Have obtained Refs re. Mr Horseman from Randell and Saunders - Stone Merchants. The original I send to the Dean & a copy for your consideration. Mr Christian who knows Wolverhampton doesn't know him.
F150	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cheque for Mr Bennett for £500 received. Mr J. Bennett was here yesterday & will probably come again on
F151	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Cheque for Mr Credgenton, £79.18.8. Receipt from Mr Bennett.
F152	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt from Mr Credgenton
F153	1861	Dean Peel, 10 Whitehall Place, London S.W. to Canon Fortescue. .. Mr Christian was at home. His inquiries respecting Mr Horsman received similar replies to our own. Mr Horsman is a beginner with no large means at command but still a respectable character. ..No decisive answer from Mr Christian on the points of real importance. He has promised to meet me in Worcester .. wishes to see Mr Horsman - can judge capabilities better in a personal interview... He will write to Perkins to desire him to make an appointment for Tuesday afternoon.
F154	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Christian can form no opinion on responsibility of Mr Horseman. Interview him on Tuesday. Bennetts' estimate includes doing the walling entirely new instead of restoring it. In any answer to Mr Christian I am obliged to say that I have heard nothing to satisfy me of Mr Horseman's responsibility or ability. As however Mr Christian is coming down on Tuesday .. it will perhaps be best for him to see Mr Horseman for a better understanding of the case. Mr Horseman has told Mr Lewis that he had also estimated to do the whole walling anew. Mr Christian should see letter from Randall and Saunders - Dean is not here, has original - please oblige me by returning the copy which I sent for yr consideration
F155	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Horseman met Mr Christian at my office & the Dean, & Mr Canon Wood at the Chapter Room. He declined to produce Bondsmen - not suitable - but Bondsmen good reason. Re-advertise in "Builder", "The Building News", "Midland Counties Herald". Paint outside of Mr Day's house. P.S. Mr Christian inspected N.Aisle of Choir and Clerestorey with a view to the proposed lowering of the walls. He will write his opinion to the Dean.
F156	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Mr Wright of Coventry is preparing a tender. Another Contractor here today .. person of high respectability.
F157	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue I have set on foot enquiries about Mr Wright of Coventry and Mr Williams of Cardiff.. of whom Mr Christian spoke. Contract work now almost completed - some carving and making good still to do. Propping trusses removed from S.Transept. In justice to Mr Bennett to state that the quantity of work in these restorations has been extremely great. S.Transept now thrown open to view - extremely satisfactory. Work to stand very securely. Prebendal House: Can't repaint plaster until sufficiently dry. Hot weather - now safe.
F158	1861	Perkins to Canon Fortescue Two tenders received. Messrs Bennett and Williams. Mr Wright of Coventry hasn't tendered - no reason given but suspect it's too extensive for his means. Mr Wood will communicate confidentially to you. I desired not to be told the amount until you, Mr Christian & others have been communicated with. Mr Wood tells me they are near my amount.

F159	1861	Perkins to Ewan Christian, Esq. COPY 3 Estimates, 2 Tenders. Mr Canon Wood has opened them in the Dean's absence. He will send details when he's told the Chapter. My own estimate is £5459 and £594 more (£6053) if new buttress is needed at the angles of the Digby Transept. It will be fortunate for us if Messrs Bennett succeed as they have everything on hand for an immediate start. A pity to lose the beautiful season.
F160	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Details of Estimates for ..lowering wall of N. Aisle of Choir and inserting E. English windows in place of present Perpendicular window. Bennett £6000, (excluding contingency for buttresses for Digby Transept) Mr. Williams of Cardiff £6155 for whole of work ... (not lowering the N Aisle nor exchanging the perp window but retaining these and the battlements etc at their present height - £6155 If E.E. windows are inserted in Clerestory of Choir & Aisle lowered Estimates will be reduced - £70, plus £445 for buttress for Digby Chapel if needed. Saving owing to value of old lead. So that for the same work, Bennetts £6000 Williams £6085 My own Estimate £5459 & £594 for Buttress = £6053 Beg to correct remark made to Mr Canon Wood... not much difference in estimate. Mr Wood supposed that my A/c £6053 was without buttresses- That I stated the matter clearly to Mr Christian which appears from accompanying copy of Note sent to him.
F161	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue Encloses Cert. for Mr Credgenton £42.0.7 stone. Quantity lately delivered not great.. hay harvest. Contract nearing completion. Bennett - great progress on new contract. Scaffolded N side of Choir Clerestory, N Aisle of Choir, W & part of N walls of Digby Transept & E.Wall of Great Tower Transept - taking down & later tomorrow we hope to begin to rebuild .. More detailed report soon.
F162	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt of Cheque for Mr Credgenton £42.0.7
F163	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue Receipt from Mr Credgenton for £42.0.7. Alteration...of house lately occupied by Mr Evans. Copy of Report to Canon Wood. Suggested alteration to situation of steps from S.Aisle of Choir to Lady Chapel. Dean approves. Very desirable to show fine bases of Pier which have just been brought to light. Cost not much as Mr Bennett has to replace the steps ....
F164	1861	AEP to Fortescue. As £300 in hand enclose Cert. for £250 for Mr Bennett as few small matters prevent closing of late account for more than that. 70-80 men there weekly. Steps from S.Aisle to Lady Chapel, on Dean's instruction removing remains of modern steps found very curious marble effigy of great age. Also the ancient dilapidated steps in the precise position or very nearly as I proposed to remove present steps to. Work on House late Mr Evans in hand. Alterations to your prebendal house... spring rain prevented painting till now... Tender from Mr Andrews for colouring & Mr Close for painting interior of Dining Room, former £4 latter £1.12.0

F165	1861	AEP to Fortescue. Work very satisfactory. Clerestory on N. side of Choir rebuilt. New E.E. windows are inserted .. Corbel table Cornices and parapet completed. Not yet safe to glaze but boarded off. Unsightly embattled wall of aisle below taken down. New foundation partly put in - considerable progress made with new windows. Nothing could be worse than state of the aisle wall mortar .. having no adhesion with stone which is much decayed. Stone of clerestory above in .. better condition .. comparatively a modern arcading .. so loosely built to the core of the old wall that it is cutting away the decayed stone - ashlar almost wholly rebuilt. Battlement on E. Side of Great Transept over Bishop Hough's Monument removed and .. foundation for the new bases put in. W. Wall of the Digby Transept .. taken down .. rebuilding progressing well, nearly 100 men engaged. N.W.external angle of Digby Transept - a stone coffin with stone covering found 2ft 6in below present surface of ground. Part of... skeleton remains... Fitting up for services ..done in Nave. Organ boarded over, linen would not be a sure defence from the dust..
F166	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Mr Day desired to have 50 new china Ink Pots for use of College School. These have usually been made at the works here. On receiving your authority I will order them.
F167	1861	COPY. A.E.Perkins to Mr Ewan Christian. Urgency great. Bennett's pressing for payment - inability to proceed above another week without a further advance - need late contract £300 & £500 on new contract, & £60 for stone & £100 Architect's Fees ... £960. I am desirous of your seeing the deplorably ruinous state of the old walls we have to deal with.
F168	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Certified to Commissioner for another £1000. The Voucher Book has been sent to Mr Christian. Bennett's Cert. for £500 on new work besides the balance. ..Doubtful whether Mr Christian can visit us for some time....
F169	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. I wrote to London for the Voucher Book & again for money and desire that Mr Christian would visit us .. to see late contract.. he is on the point of leaving for the continent in a few days. Bennett's need for £500 is urgent. I sent a statement to Mr Christian & Cert. for £1000 by Saturday's post... Notice from Mr Bennett of their inability to proceed with the work beyond next Friday without an advance. I sent that to Mr Christian.. received the enclosed answer. P.S. Sorry to add that a general strike of the Masons has taken place throughout Worcester... Demands generally considered unreasonable.
F170	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Mr Christian has been here & inspected the work & promises to send the certificates. The Dean & Lewis in the Cathedral today. Scaffolding is being erected to repair broken groin in Lady Chapel. Take advantage of scaffolding to repair & colour groin? Nothing satisfactory respecting the men on strike
F171	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Enclosed Receipts... Desired that Dr&Cr Account should be given in the Voucher Book to show at a glance the Amount of Cash received in comparison with payments made. I should know dates of receipts of several sums which have been paid by the Commissioners. I will then send the book forward with a Certificate for a further advance. Work satisfactory - N. Clerestory Wall of Choir with new windows & buttresses also N. Aisle of Choir with new windows & buttresses. The W. Wall of the Digby Chapel has been rebuilt from the bottom to the heads of the upper windows & in another fortnight this side will be finished. Repairing N. & S. sides. Work on your Prebendal House completed.
F172	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cert. for Messrs Bennett - £650 All receipts ... duly forwarded to Mr Christian's Office. Cert. for £1,000 sent. Next week Certs for Mr Credgenton and Mr Hemming.
F173	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Stamped Receipts from Messrs Bennett, Hemming, and Credgenton

F174	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cert.in favour of Bennetts for £400, they are entitled to more - but I certify for a sum which will exhaust, or nearly so, the last £1000, and enable me to certify for more. Report of Progress next week.
F175	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cert. for Mr Credgenton for Stone £53.10.8
F176	1861	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cert. for Stone for Mr John Merryman £38.17.4. Owing to great number of men employed more stone than usual has been wanted & as Mr Credgenton could not supply it fast enough we were obliged to seek out another quarry. Enclosed Cert. for Mr Andrews for £30.0.0. Sent the Voucher Book by today's post to Mr Christian together with Cert for another £1,000 E. side of Great Tower Transept & buttress nearly done. N.Aisle & Clerestory of Choir & great Flying Buttress finished but not finally passed. W. side & N.W.Turret of Digby Transept done. S. Aisle of Choir & its great Buttress also E. end of Robing Room & great Angle Buttress done but not finally passed. Shoring and propping for removal of great internal pier nearly done. Much repairing done inside. I purpose to send a sketch of two interesting discoveries.
F177	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Receipt of Mr Merrryman for stone. Mr Christian has spent some time at the Cathedral. Approval of all he saw. Some little modification of work in the front of the Robing Room - desirable on taking down decayed parts preparatory to rebuilding them - he approved. With respect to propping & shoring of the great internal pier, he expressed himself solicitous that no caution nor even additional expense if necessary should be spared to prevent accident. He is satisfied however that every caution has & will be taken in this. Mr Christian considers that we should have an advance of £1,500 for Bennetts and for Stone. ...
F178	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Bennett's receipt for £800 and a Cert. for Mr Credgenton for £79.15.0 for stone which has been brought in more freely lately. Work still progresses satisfactorily, notwithstanding late sharp frost which has put a temporary stop to the setting of stone. ... Work on College Hall Roof is nearly completed. Broken glass in Hall windows need replacing .. Alteration in situation of the watergates under the River Lodge has been made. I omitted to state above .. very ruinous condition in which we find the great internal pier at the angle of the Digby Chapel which proves to be far worse than was expected..
F179	1862	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Cert for Bennett's - £500. Works very satisfactory. N.end of Digby Chapel rising rapidly.. & great internal Pier. Other works progressing satisfactorily. Mr Christian was down here ... mere flying visit .. no time for positive consent to contemplated new work - implied consent, and remains for him to know whether Messrs Bennett's tender accords nearly with my own...in which case Mr Christian said it would be right for Bennett's tender to be accepted. N.W.angle of Nave Aisle & the Norman Pinnacle started. Process of taking down the Guesten Hall going on as rapidly as the exceedingly decayed state of the roof will allow. We have had in Worcester a deputation from the London Archaeological Soc. making arrangements for the approaching Congress. They looked very seriously at the state of the Hall.
F180	1862	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Receipt of Cheque for Bennetts which I hope to hand over today. Mr Christian's visit for an hour on his way elsewhere to certify and in conference on new works for this year - will come again for general inspection. Deputation from the London Archaeological Soc. to arrange Congress. I believe they have either originated or done their best to promote a certain degree of opposition to the removal of the Guesten Hall - letters appeared in the newspapers in which the writers express an extraordinary degree of veneration for the old building and the strongest desire for its preservation. Mr Bennett has just been here & received the cheque & I enclose receipt.



F181	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Digby Transept rebuilt on two sides and N. Front is rebuilt with the exception of the gable which will be finished in 3 weeks. N. Aisle and clerestory of choir and great buttress rebuilt. Also the E. Wall of the Great Transept. The Roving Room on S. side of the Choir also the S. Aisle of the Choir together with the great buttress rebuilt. The great internal pier in the Choir has been rebuilt nearly three weeks and pinned up and wedged to the capitals of the groins above and left as was necessary, for a short time that the masonry may become consolidated before the great weight is laid permanently on it. Nothing can be better built or more likely to prove satisfactory. Removal of whitewash from the walls and groins and making good of the inside of the Roving Room & the S. and N. Aisles is nearly completed - effect produced is very satisfactory. Restoration of the W. End of Nave Aisle & building of the Norman Pinnacle is going on rapidly. New Vestries in progress. Taking down of the Guesten Hall going on .. extreme care .. necessary to avoid damaging the roof & the remains of the old stone windows. Hope for a visit from Mr Christian [to] inspect work of 1st Contract. .. Send Cert. Messrs Bennett for £300.
F182	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Receipt from Mr Bennett £300. Cert for Mr Credgenton for stone £62.3.11. Mr Credgenton writes .. prevented by illness from coming to Worcester and has .. turned over all his accounts to his son-in-law Merryman for receipt & payment & wishes cheques to be made in Merryman's name. I would suggest it would be better to continue the cheques to Credgenton .. the regular course .. the party appears to me in rather a doubtful state....
F183	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Sends receipt for Mr Credgenton's last payment. Mr Credgenton died last week, the business however, will be carried on as before by his son-in-law.
F184	1862	A.E. Perkins. Cert. Messrs James & John Bennett, £500 for 2nd Contract. CANCELLED
F185	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Sent Mr Christian account of state of work & Cert that last advance of money nearly expended, and another £1,000 required for contractors and stone. Sent in time for Commissioners Meeting last Thursday.. Don't know if Mr Christian was in Town. Said that we shall be glad to see him.. Cert for Messrs Bennett for £600 in readiness for Commissioners answer. Making good Sculpture of 2 sides of Triforium of Lady Chapel - to be on Domus Account & as 12 .. completed, at £5 each. .. Cert for £60 as Mr Boulton the Carver [wants] payment.
F186	1862	Charles G. Vinall, 8A, Whitehall Place, London SW to Revd J. Fortescue. Mr Christian hopes to .. go to Worcester either Fri. or Sat. next week.
F187	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Calculate that above £100 remains in Bank for Restoration Fund. Send Cert for £100 on that A/c. also Cert for £100 on Account of new Pinnacles &c at W. End of Nave .. to the Domus A/c.
F188	1862	A.E. Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Sends 2 receipts from Messrs Bennett. Also 2 Certs for the Late Mr Credgenton's executors. £74.15.1 and £18.17.8. .. Mr Credgenton's Landlord guarantee .. I enclose copy .. that John Merryman is Credgenton's Executor. Mr Bennett's First Contract. Some little matters connected with plumbing which cannot be settled without Mr Close's presence who is so unwell just at present as to be unable to go on the roof & Mr Bennett.. presses me to send a Cert for 2nd Contract £750 P.S. Probable that I may be from home .. for a few days.. but as Mr Bennett is pressing I shall leave direction with Mr Meredith to pay him.
F189	1862	J.T. Meredith (for A.E. Perkins) to Canon Fortescue. Acknowledges receipt of 2 drafts for John Merryman and James & John Bennett. Sends receipts.

F190	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Everything connected with the visit .. of the Archaeological Institute has gone off satisfactorily. Prof. Willis with whom I have been much affording him facilities for investigating the several parts of the Fabric has expressed his approval of all he saw, in his lecture and elsewhere. On Monday I shall accompany Prof. Willis in a more detailed inspection of the various restorations... - nothing disagreeable has transpired respecting the Guesten Hall.
F191	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Enclose Cert. for Mr Meriman for £53.7.0. for stone. Will write at greater length in a day or two.
F192	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Receipt for stone from Mr Merriman. Archaeological Visitors have left .. without expressing any feelings respecting the Guesten Hall. .. expression of regret that it had been found necessary to take the building down. Professor Willis expressed his approval of its removal & all .. the Restoration generally. Rapid progress .. with Vestries & Chapter House, .. masonry in a very advanced state. On removing whitewash from the ceiling of the Chapter House where some cracks appeared on the groining, the masonry was found to be so broken and disjointed as to be very dangerous, this is an old fracture hidden by mortar and plaster. Necessary to take out loose stone and re-set it .. rebuilding of the external buttresses .. and restoration of the wall will prevent any further settling of the walls or derangement of the groins. On removing the bookcases the walls behind were found in a state of decay from the confinement of the damp. .. Beauty of the fine old Norman Arcade of alternate dark and light stone will I hope be preserved. No restoration here .. beyond cleaning and replacing some few deficient stones. Work generally progressing satisfactorily ..Mr Bennett's plumber confined by severe illness.. some gutters & other leadwork belonging to First contract .. not altered. Mr Boulton, the carver, .. dangerous illness owing to the unskilful extraction of a tooth & consequent fever. The Plumber is now about again, & Mr Boulton will be here on Weds.
F193	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Immediately after the last Chapter Meeting I sent the Voucher Book together with a Cert. to Mr Christian asking for £1,000 and saying we should be glad to see him here. Answers ..here .. some day this week. I will communicate the result of his visit .. I find the cash already received from the Commissioners amounts to £10,500. All works progressing favourably, & defective gutters rectified.
F194	1862	A.E Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Visit from Mr Christian of more than usual length. Approval of all he saw. Suggested a Cert. for £1,500 instead of £1,000. .. which sum may be applied for after Thursday. Cert. for Mr Merryman for stone, there being a balance. Cert for Mr Bennett in a few days
F195	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Report since last Meeting. 1st Cont probably requires 9 days or a fortnight for completion. 2nd Cont - scaffolding outside and propping within have been removed, cleaning down and making good .. completed in about a fortnight. 3rd Cont satisfactory. Outside Masonry of the Chapter House is nearly finished. Inside is going on rapidly. The masonry of the new Vestries is nearly finished. Scaffolding of the Great N.Transept is erected to a great height, and the fixing of masonry is in progress. Very good staff, and tolerable weather. Messrs Bennett are urgent for money.. so enclose a Cert. for £800 .. they should have no cause to complain.. A day or two ago a large piece of stone fell from the W.side of the Tower on the roof of the Nave breaking the roof slating in two places each about 2ft by 1/6. Fortunately its force was broken by the rafters or it might have damaged the groin .. Propriety of recommending a thorough examination of the outside of the Tower before the .. winter .. any other loose stones. Can be effected by suspending a tackle from the top of the Tower .. Cheque for Mr Merryman.. shall be paid tomorrow.

F196	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Acknowledging 3 cheques. Messrs Bennett & myself. Receipts to follow.
F197	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Sends 4 receipts.
F198	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Repairs to sink in scullery for Miss Luscomb in the Green... City Surveyor reports defective drain at boundary wall of boy's playground overflowing to footpath on bank of river - being repaired. Chapter House will very shortly be completed .. looks remarkably well. In repairing walls of North Transept we have discovered the ancient buttress and wall of Norman date buried under 11 «" of comparatively modern casing.
F199	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. 2 Certs for Bennetts for £450. Detailed report in a few days.
F200	1862	J.T. Meredith to Canon Fortescue. In A.E.P's absence, Receipt of drafts for Mr Bennett, and Receipts.
F201	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Great efforts are being made to get in the Great Window of N.Transept .. all available strength to it. Other windows & general work except pinnacles in Transept done. 2nd Contract nearly completed. Scaffolding taken down. .. E.Wall of Digby Transept adjoining the Great Pier which corresponds with the Pier lately rebuilt .. desirable to insert .. iron cramps.. sufficient iron taken from roofs [only] labour required. Masonry of Chapter House finished - plastering of groins and glazing next week. New Vestries finished. Small window at W. end of N. Aisle of Nave delayed by urgent necessity of getting done Great Window & Chapter House & Vestries before extreme cold weather sets in. ..all scaffolding at those parts .. Quantity in Chapter House is very great. Fitting up of Bookcases in Edgar's Tower is nearly completed. Necessary to get them through one of the windows rather than take them to pieces. Windows greatly dilapidated. Sculpture of East window complete. Cert for estimated cost £50..
F202	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Voucher Book to Mr Christian. Cert for further £1,000 needed. Enclose Cert for Bennetts for £250 on Domus A/c for Chapter Room and Lady Chapel. Mr Mereman is owed £54.10.10 for stone. P.S. Tall and secure fencing at East end of Cathedral & your garden - as effectual as a fence can be.
F203	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Bennetts' Receipt - Domus A/c £250. Reminder- pay Messrs Haden's Warm Air Apparatus £5 for survey.
F204	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cert for Mr Bennett £800 £100 to be deducted for stone - £700.
F205	1862	A.E.Perkins to Canon Fortescue. Cheque for £5 has been forwarded to Mr Haden. .. Fence as difficult as possible to climb has been erected for your garden. Large N.Transept window now finished - masons busy with gables and pinnacles - worked ready to fix. S.Transept - proceeding. Groins of Choir.. parts exceedingly insecure. Replace great patches of brick with Tufa, the kind of stone originally used. Mr Thos Memmington kindly allowed us to have any quantity of tufa from his "Sanstons Rock" at Stanford. Mr Christian here tomorrow Thurs - but as the day for sending the Cert and Voucher Book for further advances is Thurs another week or fortnight .. before the advance will arrive. Merryman, Stone Quarry Man is begging me to ask you if you will kindly oblige him with £54.10.10 ... his men are quite destitute, and that he has not the means to satisfy them & as the Thursday of next week is Christmas Day it seems doubtful whether it may not be even longer than I have stated before an advance can be drawn from the Commissioners. I enclose a Cert. to be ready in any case.
F206	1862	A.E.P to Canon Fortescue. Mr Christian here today - approval of all he saw .. Cert forwarded to Mr Christian for £1,000 - he suggests it may be for £1,500. Voucher and Certs to be sent on Tues and cash available immediately after.

F207	1862	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Enclose Haden's receipt for £5.0.0 and Mr Merreman's receipt for £54.10.10. Work still continues to progress as rapidly as the short days will allow. The men under cover & inside work by gas- light & make full days. Considerable progress being made with Choir groining and rolling scaffold for the Nave.
F208	1863	A.E.P to Canon Fortescue. Certs for Messrs Hemming & Son and Mr Andrews both on Domus Account. Bennetts desire Cert. when Commissioners' advance is made. Work of Restoration of Choir .. all possible expedition & all force that can be brought to bear engaged upon it. Character of groining good, but sadly damaged in former times by insertion of whole masses of brick, which .. is being replaced by tufa from the Stanford Quarry. Stone Ribs found sadly mutilated by boring for iron bolts by which they were supposed to be supported, but which were found quite loose and useless. Being made good, together with several large portions of groining quite loose and disjointed. Two of these fell in yesterday and today. All other work progressing, last week was an idle one but the men are now getting together again. Large pinnacles are being built but the high winds are making it dangerous for men to work there.
F209	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Receipts from Messrs Hemmings & Andrews. Hope to see Mr Bennett tomorrow with Cert.
F210	1863	A.E.P to Canon Fortescue. Three Certs for Mr Bennett, one on Domus Acct and two on Acct for Eccl.I Commissioners.
F211	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Acknowledges receipt of cheques. Two paid to Mr Bennett, one delayed for some little dissatisfaction. Hope to pay early next week.
F212	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Cert. enclosed for Mr John Merreman - £91.0.6. I expect to pay cheque for £120 to Mr Bennett on Friday.
F213	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. As time approaches for your coming into residence I have been most anxious for the removal of old material outside your Prebendal house & have used all means to find customers .. with limited success.. An offer has been made by Mr Wells who is doing work at the Cathedral for all material in front of your Drawing Room window and within part of the side of the Guesten Hall - oak beams, boardings, windows, stair- case, stone &c. He will pay £20. It could be worth £25 - £30 .. but it is not worth the labour and effort. Every opportunity has been taken to get rid of immense quantities of rubble and other debris from the grounds, we may need to pay one shilling per load .. there are many hundred. Contracts are about being let for forming the approaches to the grounds in which the Great Agricultural Exhibition is to be held this summer, in which case the rubble would be easily disposed of.. Four Great Bays of the Choir groining are in a very forward state - when divested of whitewash and plaster .. very much worse state .. highly dangerous. Remaining bays of the Choir will be taken in hand immediately. N. Transept - window completed for some time. Great Pinnacles - fixing going on as fast as the great height and short days will permit. Pinnacles are being worked for S. Transept. Bad vein of stone in Ombersley Stone quarry yielded almost useless stone - delay caused by want of large blocks of very best quality. A better vein is now opened.
F214	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Paid Bennett's £120. Enclose Receipt, and Receipt from Mr Merreman, £91.0.6.
F215	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Cheque for Mr Merreman acknowledged.
F216	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Three Certs for Mr Bennett for £250 - delayed as certain point could not be reached as quickly as expected.
F217	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Receipt for £68.1.3 from Mr Merreman.

F218	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Note from the Dean signifying your opinion respecting illumination of Bosses and authorising me to engage Messrs Hardman for that business. Enclose Certs for Mr Bennett for £500 and Mr Merreman - £93.11.10
F219	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. ..Report delayed .. greatest difficulty in getting workmen owing to preparations for the Music Meeting and Agriculture Exhibition - but now.. hope to get done all that is necessary before the Music Meeting. The several fractured & decayed parts of the piers .. near the Tower .. are in worse condition than expected - fracture & crushing at the S.W. angle of Tower Pier and Nave Wall, where we have found immense Chasms - formerly hidden rather than repaired by little more than loose stone and rubble covered with plaster, & in some cases mortar only. Corresponding angle on N. side will be seen in a day or two. Scraping Nave is close to a finish. One of the groin ribs may have to be partly removed .. [Should be finished] before the commencement of the Organ Builders work. .. Messrs Hardman's work in the decoration of the Bosses &c has been conducted in a most masterly manner. Obliging enough to send for men from Ireland who have been most industrious. Effects exceedingly fine. Ribs - arguably painted green .. restored this .. generally admired. Mr Canon Benson's window and the whole of the West End expected to be finished next week. Cert. for Mr Merreman for £30.16.0.
F220	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Cheque for Merreman for £30.16.0. Since my return from London I have been so closely and anxiously engaged about the work that I am in doubt whether or not I stated to you the substance of my conference with Mr Turle of Westminster Abbey, and Messrs Hill, Organ Builders with respect to the Organ. The Dean suggests that I should report to you. Mr Turle gave much valuable information as to the working at Westminster, & thought the effect will be better at Worcester than there because this organ would be placed on .. the level of the Choir while that at Westminster is placed so high that the sound is conveyed away into the space above. Hill favour removal - or even division if necessary on account of space. They too recommend the ground floor as most desirable and say that there would be no difficulty connecting the work in case of a division. They consider this Cathedral as particularly favourable to sound in consequence of the continuous level of the groins in all parts, that the instrument would be well heard in any part. Expense of removal about £500. Dividing Organ £1000. If either removal or division is entertained do nothing more at this time than to fit it for the Music Meeting.
F221	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Report. Work progressing well and of utmost importance to the stability of the edifice. Great Tower Piers & N. and S. walls of Nave adjoining Tower and great west arch of the Tower which was much crushed and broken are thoroughly repaired & on removal of centring and shoring of the piers & arches a fortnight ago, not the slightest settling was found. The greatest diligence and perseverance was necessary to bring the works into their present state. The whole of the great scaffolding in the Nave has been removed and the Orchestra for the Festival is nearly finished. Scaffold is down from the N. Transept & Every thing is ready for placing Chairs in the Nave. In Mr Canon Wood's absence abroad I have reported to the Dean that the Revd H.Baumgarten of London, new Incumbent of St Paul's, Worcester has applied for particulars of void house in College Green .. needs some repair, rent £60 or £55. I have made plans to improve house such as Mr Hooper approves, it would raise its value. Works generally approved. Persons are astonished at the fine appearance of the Nave.

F222	1863	A.E.P.to Canon Fortescue. ... we have just enclosed your garden by an effectual fence closely boarded on both sides & with hooks at the top so that at any moment it may be closed & it is not my intention to allow that way to be used after Monday next the 31st Inst. Masons entirely out of the Nave, the men erecting gallery and other fittings have full possession. Next week obstructions to the Drive on N. side of Cathedral will be removed.
F223	1863	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. I hope your recovery is complete. Disappointment that we had not the pleasure of seeing you at the Festival. Immediately on termination of the Festival, works recommenced, and are progressing well. Considerable progress on casing of Great South Transept in properly uniting the modern and imperfectly cased turrets to the side walls. Scaffolding now raised .. has enabled me more accurately to examine the bases of the old pinnacles & masonry of the Gable .. and I am sorry to find .. the stone worse than I imagined and the Gable so much overhangs the walls below as to make it impossible to give the pinnacles a proper projection from the face of the walls. I am therefore reluctantly obliged to suggest that the outer face of the gable should be removed and set back sufficiently to relieve the pinnacles which would other-wise be damaged in appearance. A great part of the stone proves to be very defective & its removal would in any case be desirable. Some parts of the Turret Staircase wall are fractured & it will be necessary to insert some bond stone to unite the divided parts. We cannot accurately ascertain the state of the coping till it is removed.
F224	1863	A.E.P to Canon Fortescue. You will I trust knowing as you do of the severe affliction which we have suffered, the loss of our Eldest Daughter, excuse me not sooner reporting. I had before the sad event taken steps for carrying out the instructions given me at the last Chapter Meeting. Messrs Bennett's tender for removal of Bishop Hough's Monument .. too high at £35 - I communicated with them .. they will remove it & refix it for £30. I have procured the attendance of Messrs Hardman's people to complete the decoration of the remaining bosses & rosets in the groin of the Aisles. I have requested them to send a person to take instruction for preparing an estimate for painting the groins of the Lady Chapel .. Hardman's present work will be finished in nine days. Bennett's will complete removal of Bishop Hough's Monument in fourteen days from commencing. Matters Mr Wells left undone in the Lady Chapel will be finished by Hardman's men and charged to him.
F225	[1864]	Thursday Evening. A.E.P To Canon Fortescue. Mr Bennett tells me you have accepted his tender at £1300. I have desired him to erect his scaffolding at once at the West End, that the exact dimensions of the Great Arch may be got for the correct working of the tracery which must be laid down at full size on the Nave floor and ought to be correct to inch and should be the first thing worked.
F226	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. ... when last I wrote to you by Desire of the Dean enclosing my Report to Mr Cattley I was pressed for time to save the post - & omitted part of the report which the Dean thought ought not to go to Public lest it might have been misunderstood and created an apprehension that the Tower was insecure. The passage was as follows .. " Some stones loosened by decay & some of the statues in the Belfry niches somewhat insecure owing to partial decay of the pedestals on which they stand." I think these ought to be attended to. I will examine and report on the whole. Messrs Bennett's Account to close - 8 Jan 1864. More favourably than I stated in last summary. Bennetts claimed about £2,900. Accounts reduced by omissions of work not wanted, and deduction in charges disallowed Account is £2455. This they have acknowledged in writing to be correct at the foot of the Acct. Other tradesmen's Accounts in progress - hope to send Certs tomorrow Tuesday - one for Messrs Bennett on the Commissioners Account for £400 & one Domus £700 or 800 and 2 or 3 other much smaller sums.

F227	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Certs. Bennett Commissioners £400 & Domus £800. Stone of very good quality delivered - exceedingly useful for West Window. .. without an order but keep it. Cert. £40.10.4 I subjoin a Cert for £100 on my own Account on the Commissioners Account
F228	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Acknowledge receipt of cheques - £400 for Mr Bennett & £100 for myself. I will send stamped receipts tomorrow - Friday. Stone to be placed on the General Account - maybe some stones will not work so well for W.Window as for other - as to size - quality is excellent.
F229	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. .. sorry to hear the note did not arrive. I posted it with my own hand on the evening of the day on which yours came to hand in the pillar box by College Gates within 10 minutes after 7 pm .. 20 minutes before the hour which that post is cleared. .. I stated that stone from Merreman should be on the Domus Account as some might not be quite suitable in size for the West Window. Mr Bennett - 2 cheques handed over, 2 receipts enclosed. I will send stamped receipt for my cheque for £100 on Monday. I have not a stamp at hand ...
F230	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. By direction of the Dean I send two sketches of windows for West End of Nave of the Cathedral. Either would be proper for the situation, but the one marked No 1 is I believe most approved and would look well in the situation. One marked No 2 is an exact copy from the East Window of Lincoln Cathedral considered one of the finest examples in England. It may perhaps be urged against it that it would be a copy and there are some parts about it that the Dean does not like. Mr Canon Wood likes No 1 best and I also prefer it. Sketches are slight but correct and are sent for your consideration. I await your answers to proceed with making and estimating drawings and to procure tenders.
F231	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Cheque for Messrs Bennett handed over. Receipt enclosed also Cert for Mr Merreman for stone - £56.11.2 Fresh directions for preparing designs against the meeting on the 21st which is said to be most important & as there will be much difficulty in getting a design ready owing to loss of time which has taken place, The Dean & Mr Canon Wood wish me to go to Town & see Lord Lyttelton & Mr Scott with whom appointments have been made for early tomorrow, Wednesday. I shall go accordingly & do all in my power to prepare for the meeting.
F232	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Satisfactory progress. You may .. have seen in the papers that there has been great discontent lately on the part of the building Artisan - more particularly the Masons, and that a strike was expected which might perhaps have affected the works at the Cathedral. In this fear Messrs Bennett deemed it wise to apply all the force they could to get the great mass of work in the window done before such an event leaving the fixing which could be done by inferior hand rather more behind than it would otherwise have been. The far greater part of the window is worked & the fixing is now going on & by the time you arrive at the end of next week a considerable amount of fixing will be done. The scaffolding has been taken down from the Lady Chapel and though there may be some difference of opinion as to the extent of decoration done by Messrs Hardman on the groin there can I think be no doubt but that all together it looks remarkably well. We are getting ready drawings for the Tower and other work for the Meeting of the 25th. I shall probably have a Cert to lay before you on the Domus Acct.

F233	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Works which are now confined to the West end of the Cathedral are progressing very satisfactorily. The large Window is entirely finished as regards working & the fixing alone remains to be done and that is going on rapidly as such work can be done. The new doorway has long been built up and the window above it has reached the height of about 10 feet. Great care has been necessary in the construction of the arch over the West Door upon which is to rest the great weight of the tracery of the window head. Advertisements for Tender for the further restoration duly inserted .. not yet responded to. This is .. general practice with Builders they leave it till the latter end of the appointed time and then come all together. Mr Joseph Wood of Worcester intends I am told to tender but has not yet applied for the drawings. Mr Bennett is at work at the Tower. Mr Bennett has expressed a wish for a settlement on the Domus Acct and the Commissioners Acct and I am requesting Mr Christian to come down and give his Certificate of Satisfactory Completion of the work. I hope in a couple of days to be able to send a more satisfactory Account of the Competition
F234	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Progress .. on the whole, very satisfactory, quite as much having been done as could have been expected. The Great W. Window is built up above the springing of the arch and the tracery, part of which is fixed ... likely to be finished in about a fortnight .. three weeks. Several Parties are now engaged in estimating for further restoration, Mr Bennett, Mr Joseph Wood, Mr McKenzie of Malvern, Mr Hughes of Bristol and Mr Williams of Cardiff are to be here on Monday 1st August. Applications of all were late considering the length of time the advertisement has been out. But in addition to this the common practice of Builders, there has been another cause of delay. The competition for St David's Cathedral in which at least two of the parties have been engaged. I have obtained a great amt of information from the best Authorities concerning the various methods of warming. The Gurney Stoves seem to be in great favour in all but appearance Mr Bennett is rather desirous of a settling of the Domus Acct. .. let me know if you intend to be at the Meeting on 5th August as in that case I would then give you the Account - if not I would send it to Poltimore..
F235	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. .. Successful issue of the Cathedral Competition on Friday last, 3 of the Tenders being below the amount of my estimate, and 2 of them £2,000 below and one some hundred below mine. Woods of Worcester is the lowest and was chosen. But I am sorry to say that he has come to me to state that on going over his estimate he finds that he has made an omission of fifteen hundred pounds & asks whether he may be allowed to add that sum to his tender or to withdraw it. As a matter of course the answer to this is for the consideration of the Joint Committee, with whom I am communicating by advice of Sir G. Lewis who happened to be here at the time.
F236	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Mr Christian is visiting tomorrow, Saturday to inspect Mr Bennett's work. Large W. Window one day from being fixed & nothing will remain but to clean down & glaze it. Portions of doorways and walls will require bringing together - another month. Steps for Boats on the opposite bank of the River are out of order - can be done easily the water being very low. The Offices in the Boys playground are stopped up & cannot be used. Also in the Choristers Vestry - throwing things down both. Several slates are off the roof. Report that Woods have resigned the contract contradicted by them in the paper.
F237	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. I forgot to mention the steps near the back entrance to Mr Canon Benson's House are badly worn and becoming dangerous. Mr Christian visited, to inspect work & found nothing to object to. It stands very well & he expressed readiness to pass the Account. Will you excuse the trouble I am giving & kindly oblige me by stating the amount which has, according to your account, been received from the Ecclesiastical Commission. As I am desirous that your account and my own should tally.



F238	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Satisfactory results of enquiries concerning Mr Hughes the Builder & consequent acceptance of his tender at the adjourned meeting on Monday. His Tender is extremely low & great watchfulness will be necessary during the works. Messrs Bennett have desired to be allowed to sell their plant on the spot to prevent the expense of removing it to which the Dean has kindly consented. Since this however I learn that Mr Hughes is in treaty with Mr Bennett for the purchase of scaffolding poles which will I hope succeed & prevent delay in the commencement of the works. W. Window - cleaning in progress, glazing - completion in about 3 weeks. Mr Bennett's Cert on Account for W.Window - should it go to you or to the Joint Restoration Committee? Mr Cattley asks me to include the expense of the scaffolding, which was at first erected on his Acct in the charge for scaffolding for the survey of the Tower for the Joint Restoration Committee inasmuch, he says, as they must have put it up for their use. Will you kindly oblige me with your decision on this head at your earliest convenience as I am desirous of arranging the the Acct accordingly.
F239	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. ... settling with Mr Bennett, & the Stone Merchant, .. anxious to check payments made on Acct of Fabrick Acct. Also Domus Acct from date of the Commissioners Grant to the present time. .. satisfactory to me if I can be checked by your Account. Mr Bennett here early in the week. Mr Hughes of Bristol is to meet Mr Bennett then for purchase of scaffolding etc to see if they can come to terms. Several squares of glass of your drawing room blank windows are broken. Valves of W.C. in Boys Playground broken & repaired. W.Window nears completion. Steps by Mr Canon Benson's back entrance repaired.
F240	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. I should have written .. but was told you wouldd probably be at the Meeting on 27th. I have now to report the entire completion of the Large W. Window, and near completion of the doorway and steps. Bennetts sold plant & but for trifling matters all done. Mr Hughes has been here a considerable time bringing scaffolding &c. Today Contract signed. Clerk to Works accepted by JRC here in a few days.
F241	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. .. The Joint Restoration Committee decided to have the Gurney Stoves fixed in the Cathedral, four to be in operation by the end of the month & the eight to be completed by middle of December. Several things to be attended to to keep warm air in - glazing windows in turret staircases, nailing list on the doors & putting two or three new doors from galleries to the roofs which deficient. Some turn buckles are deficient on the doors of the seats & stalls of the choir. P.S. Going through work done by Messrs Bennett (to check if complete) to wind up Acct. New contractor at work - seems to be no fault for scaffolding .. He proposes to carry on the Tower & N. side simultaneously, but the scaffolding to the Tower will take from 2-3 months & will require the greatest care.
F242	1864	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Work with Mr Hughes is progressing but slowly & not quite satisfactorily in all respects. Several innovations have been attempted & will require utmost & most unceasing vigilance on the part of the Clerk of the Works & myself to keep all things up to the mark. The quantity of work done is very short of what it would have been under the old system. Fixing of stoves is going tolerably well - 5 of them will be in operation Sunday next. .. Great change in temperature of Choir tho' not quite free from smell at times. .. may be occasioned by seasoning of the new iron & unfair to judge so soon. Mr Bennett's jobbing work not likely to be all completed within the next fortnight. I present a certificate in my own favour for £100 - less than the balance due to me ...

F243	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Bennetts completion & making good have taken time far beyond what was expected - it will be finished on Sat. Mr Hughes' progress has been far from satisfactory, .. much behind the point he should have reached after allowing for the short days & hard weather. A new Foreman is appointed & with the longer days & the improved weather I hope to see a better progress. Stoves this day reported complete by the fixers - quite satisfactory - degree of heat between 50ø & 53ø readily attained though with considerable cost in fuel. Tolerably fortunate in rendering them as little obtrusive as possible. Cert in favour of young Andrews for £19.15.6 for attendance on stoves & cleaning out different parts of the Cathedral & .. other works for the Dean & Chapter, & large Account for Masonry for stoves for the Joint Restoration Committee.
F244	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Bennett's works are finished & undergoing inspection & account is being arranged for laying before you. Mr Hughes work is progressing .. rather better speed tho' by no means quite satisfactory ... Tolerable number of hands engaged considering the season .. amount of work not at all commensurate therewith. Mr Hughes applied for a certificate for £1,500. I cannot find him entitled to more than £600. Stoves are in full operation - successful. Re completion of works on S. side of Nave - not so satisfactory, up to last week - no application of importance made - owing no doubt to the inclemency of the weather. Since then 3 - Messrs Wood of Worcester, Mr Hurm of Worcester, Mr Coleman of Gloucestershire .. latter only yesterday & [may need] extension of a few days, others may be delayed by the snow which now covers everything. Erection of Organ is going well, expected to be completed by 22nd. Screens & Stall Canopies have been removed.
F245	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Since you left nothing important has occurred. The various works you ordered have been duly taken in hand & are progressing. General work - not quite as fast as might - still great improvement on former rate. Some delay on plumbing work on roofs, some unsatisfactory lead .. Front wall of Porch is being taken down preparatory to its being rebuilt - necessary to close N.Porch entrance & to enter at W.end which Mr Canon Wood has ordered. I was not informed that they were so near ready .. till the morning of the day - or I should have written for instruction ... Voucher Book with Rec.ts to Mr Christian - visit from Mr H.Christian in room of Mr E.Christian who was unable to come himself. All well.
F246	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Work satisfactory but not quick, partly owing to the week of holiday - Mr Hughes men away till today, Mr Wood's men lost but Monday. Glazing of new Window on N side is backward .. Mr Wells has been closely engaged in the decoration of the new Shrub Hill Church. Mr Hughes to proceed with it at once. Front wall of N. Porch is now down & foundations being dug for rebuilding. Mr Christian here & satisfied with all he saw - ready to endorse my Cert for Messrs Wood's advance. Late storm blew down a plank from the Tower which struck NW turret of N Transept & broke a piece of angle shaft. Damage made good in 48 hours. Painting of your Prebendal House done. Disagreeable smell not traced .. rain water cistern under Butler's Pantry window might .. be cause. Stagnant water .. emits most disagreeable smell. The cistern is now useless .. Town water having been laid on in the yard .. dispense with it and turn the water into the drain from the roof. Sale of lead would pay for taking water straight into drain.

F247	1865	A.E.P. to the Dean. Satis state of work, not so far forward as might have been but the late holidays have been a sad hindrance. Mr Hughes men were away the whole of this week till today. Messrs Wood's men took but Monday. Late storm blew down a plank from the Tower which struck in its fall the N.W. Turret of the N Transept the damage was made good within 48 hrs. Front wall of N.Porch is now down & the foundation being dug for rebuilding it. Mr Christian paid us a visit - as usual objected to nothing - seemed quite satisfied with all he saw. Nothing important has occurred, in the event of anything taking place I shall not fail to communicate it.
F248	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Mr Hughes .. on N. side glassing and leadwork in a forward state. Porch nearly ready to springing of Great Arch. Tower - 4 pinnacles taken down & parapets & part of Tower itself. Messrs Woods on S.Side going on well. One half of Clerestory wall & window done. Affair between Mr Bennett & Mr Wells - precisely as I stated - of their own and not in any way referring to D&C or Eccl. Coms. Mr Bennett's solicitors told him this - pity you were troubled about it. Mr Bennett wrong - no set off in your favour against his small bill brought forward at the Audit or reference to Acct of last four years. No mention of payment for old stone used to repair the Severn Embankment - He is clearly liable for it as he will no doubt admit when he next comes to Worcester to a meeting of himself Mr Wells & their Solicitors.
F249	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Work for Nave, Aisles, Baptistery & Porch are far advanced towards completion. Clerestory .. finished. Aisles masonry finished, glazing not done. New buttresses of the Baptistry are nearly finished. Porch nearly finished - all done within a month from now except sculptured figures on N Porch. As these are a most important feature - great care is necessary. I .. insist on seeing a sample to submit to the Committee of positive carving by the hand of an Artist before giving sanction to his proceeding .. Then the Committee select the subject. Work on Tower - taking down - from Monday Masons liberated from work on Nave will be at work on Tower. Entire scaffolding enabled us to take accurate dimensions of the four sides. Differences extraordinary. Largest side 39ft 3" between turrets least is 36ft 6" - causing great care necessary in arranging details. Laid down plans for the four sides full size on floor of Nave & have been able to overcome difficulty. Details are in hand which will occupy several months in working. Woods proceeding very steadily .. finish clerestory in about a fortnight - will ask for a Cert. I am sending Cert to Mr Christian to be prepared. Woods expect to complete contract by November.
F250	1865	A.E.P. 5, Neville Crescent, Llandudno, to Canon Fortescue. Am away for a week to ten days. Everything in order. Cert to Mr Christian for £500 which will cover Wood's Cert for £700-750, with the £500 remaining. Woods prefer waiting for a large amount - they have done nearly half of their work - £1,700+
F251	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Enclose Cert for Mr John Merreman for £57.17.7 for stone. Would have been sent sooner together with one for Mr Wood for the S. side but waiting for deposit of £500 ... Mr Christian must be from home for more than the usual length of time - sent Cert a month ago & am writing again asking for £1,000 as greater part of Wood's Contract is done & the stone merchant is entitled to £40 more. From what the Dean said a few days ago I fear you have been unwell lately & hope you are deriving benefit from change of air. The long continuance of the unusually hot weather has been trying to many constitutions.
F252	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Receipt from Merreman. Sent to Mr Christian Cert for £1,000 instead of £500 .. originally sent on 22nd August. I am happy to hear your cough is giving way to a change of air & sincerely hope for an amendment of Mrs Fortescue's health. Unusual heat of the season is trying to many. There is said to be much fever in Worcester.

F253	1865	A.E.P. to Canon Fortescue. Answer from Mr Christian's Office - immediately on his return from Ireland the first Cert for £500 was signed & sent to the Commissioners Office on 19th but cheque had not been asked for - second Cert for £1000 is returned & if more money is now wanted .. send up another £500 & apply directly to the Comrs for another payment. As you will no doubt soon be in possession of the £500 ... how much remains in hand to add to the Cert for £500 for Messrs Woods & another as soon as further advance from Comms. Enclose Cert for Mr Merreman for £40.18.7 Will send full report in a day or two.
F254	1865	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Acknowledge cheque for £40.18.7 for Mr Merreman. Reason for not sending Cert last week was .. to leave as much of the balance as possible to add to the £500 from the Comms to make a tolerable Cert for Mr Wood. .. Happy to learn your cough is giving way .. I hope Mrs Fortescue is better.
F255	1865	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Merreman's receipt £40.18.7. He did not call in until today. Enclose Cert for Messrs Wood for £500 (400) the amount of the balance in hand & when that is paid & I can send the receipt to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners I will apply for £1000.
F256	1865	AEP to Canon Fortescue. On Monday last I sent the Voucher Book with Cert to Mr Christian for a further advance of £1,000. Having heard nothing of a visit from Mr Christian it is likely he may not come .. hope Cert sent into the Eccl Comm.r Office. Report .. work proceeding at usual pace. Nave Aisles Baptistry & Porch are close upon completion excepting sculptured figures in Porch about which the Joint Committee take a great interest. I require a sample of Mr Hughes sculptor's work which has not yet been sent. It will now perhaps be well to put them up till winter is past. Tower in hand - quantity of stone worked but not fixed. Mr Hughes evinces much dissatisfaction at the amount of the Cert which I gave him & seems to think they should be larger. I have, however, carefully considered the amount of work done & its value not at what it may really cost but in reference to the sum which he is to have for the whole. More than that I cannot do. The large W Door and the Iron work by Messrs Hardman is in its place & complete except the lock which is not yet come. Messrs Wood's Contract for the S. Side goes on steadily & well - but will not be done much within the close of the year. A quantity of stonework over the Iron gate at the top of the steps by Mr Canon Benson's back entrance fell down a day or two ago & more was in a falling stste. I therefore reported it to Sir Gilbert Lewis who ordered its repair. Some Confusion has been found in the arrangement of books in the Library & it is necessary to alter the letters on the book cases which seems to have been unattended to after they were altered to fit the present place.
F257	1865	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Immediately on rec[eip]t of your instruction I hastened forward a plan for the completion of the ground at the W.End of the Cathedral & showed it to the Dean on Monday who desired to have the whole elevation of the West End in the drawing which is being done as quickly as possible. Not having received any intimation of the Deposit from the Eccl Comm of the £1,000 last applied for, I fear it has not yet been made & am very anxious about it as a certain reduction of the number of Messrs Wood's men which I observe is owing to my not having granted the Cert which they have several times asked for. They have carried on their work very well. Mr Hughes is not getting on with his work so well as could be wished. I fear he begins to feel the consequence of his low estimating. I hope to have an opportunity in a few days to explain more particularly than I can in writing.

F258	1866	<p>AEP to Canon Fortescue. I have been for some time intending to report on the state of the works &amp;c but have deferred doing so thinking to have more to communicate. There has been much difficulty in dealing with Mr Hughes, the Bristol Contractor, who has given us more trouble during the time he has been on the ground than we had during the whole of the works which preceeded his. He has taken his contract at a low figure in the hope, no doubt of getting through it upon easy terms &amp; his dissatisfaction has been great finding himself kept up to the mark. Last week I had occasion to call his attention to the improper manner in which he was conducting his work in the Tower by building the several sides of different heights instead of carrying them all up together to avoid settlings from unequal sinking of the green mortar, when he openly refused to alter his course and in most discourteous language told me that he should pay no respect to my directions but should go to Lord Dudley &amp; see which was the best man he or I. Upon this I as a matter of course, put him under a notice that I should enforce the fulfilment of the Contract which binds him to the observance of orders. The matter was laid before the Joint Committee at the next meeting who directed their Secretary to acquaint Mr Hughes that they fully approved of the steps I had taken &amp; to express their opinion of his discourteous behaviour &amp; language to me. He has at length complied with my instructions but not till the day before the term of notice expired when it would have become my duty to put others to carry out my instructions. The works in the Tower are going on as well perhaps as could be expected considering the shortness of the days &amp; the confined space in which the men have to work. They will however shortly emerge from the underbuilding &amp; the lower parts, &amp; when once above the roofs will make a much greater show. The works on the South side are progressing satisfactorily as to quality but there is considerable backwardness there also, mainly owing to the scarcity of hands. Several men have left this job, thinking it would be shortly done, in the hope of finding a job likely to last longer, which the openness of the season gave them a chance of doing. The Drawing &amp; Specification for the Cloisters were duly advertised, but no one but Messrs Wood have yet come forward. I expect another very good party from Tewkesbury to-morrow. If there are not at least two tenders I should very much fear Messrs Wood's tender. Today is the one on which they were to be sent in, it will therefore be well to defer the delivery till the end of the week to enable the person from Tewkesbury to tender. I have no doubt that Messrs Hughes and Wood being on the ground has had the effect of keeping others back. I am far from being perfectly satisfied with the action of the stoves in the Cathedral. They are effective enough in warming, but the pipes are continually being clogged up with a hard consolidated substance which accumulates at the bends &amp; cannot be removed but with a hammer &amp; chisel, which necessitates the taking down of the pipes where practical or taking out the stonework round them. My attention has been directed to the great number of broken iron railings in the College Green through which the boys find entrance, which causes inconvenience to the residents in the Green. These have been broken some time &amp; knowing you would soon be in residence I should not have troubled you about it, but that Mr Canon Wood has directed my attention to it. The Dean has remarked some parts of the driving road being in holes &amp; a great nuisance in rainy weather &amp; wishes it made good. There are also several small patches of pitching near Edgar's Tower which are dangerous to springs of carriages which ought to be repaired.</p>
F259	1866	<p>AEP to Canon Fortescue. Upon the day following your departure from Worcester I sent the Cert to Mr Christian who visited the works on Saturday last &amp; promised to forward the Cert to the Eccl Comm Office. I imagine therefore that the £500 for which I applied will be by this time forthcoming. Messrs Collins &amp; Cullis of Tewkesbury - Contractor for the Cloisters have just desired to have a Cert in time to have the Cash on the 17th Inst. I shld be glad to accomodate them as they are proceeding so well with their work. I am measuring up their work &amp; shall send a Cert as quickly as possible. The meeting of St Michael's Vestry took place last Friday when all parties agreed it was most desirable to carry out the improvements to their full extent. I hope shortly to send a full report.</p>

F260	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Messrs Wood's Receipt for £571.0.5. Certs in favour of Messrs Collins & Cullis for £232.0.0 for Cloister Contract & for Mr Merreman - stone for the Cloister £63.4.1. Works of the Cloister progressing very satisfactorily & with credit to the Contractors. Tower works are likewise progressing quite as well, perhaps rather better than formerly, still there is room for some amendment if more men could be procured, but good masons are exceedingly scarce the great wage, travelling expenses and other advantages now being offered them by many parties make the men very difficult to be got hold of. The Library is ready for the reception of the bookcases & books. Mr Baxter desires me to remove the cases, will you therefore kindly favour me with authority for removing them by Messrs Woods men who are on the ground & are the proper people for the work. Mr Baxter also requires the aid of Mr Eaton the book- seller to assist in removing the books & desire me to ask your permission for his being employed. This week is the last of the vacation. P.S. I purpose to report on the work done on the N. Side of the Cathedral.
F261	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. I fear I did not remind you when I sent the last Cert in favour of Messrs Collins & Cullis that £700 had been paid by the Restn Comtee upon my Cert into the Old Bank on Acct of the £1,500 which they are to pay to the Cloisters. The first Cert in favour of Messrs Collins & Cullis amounting to £320 was paid from that £700 by Mr Canon Wood by your direction & the rect was given by Messrs Collins & Cullis in your name as are all other rect on the Fabric Acct for the Cloisters. There remains £700 in Old Bank - £380 available for Collins & Cullis on Fabric Acct for Cloisters. Nothing has been paid by the Restn Ctee to them but through you. I therefore enclose another Cert in their favour for £252. They are making good progress in the work.
F262	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Cert for Wood of Worcester for work at the New Library over the S.Aisle - £200 - all done except hanging doors which cannot be done till new staircase is done by Collins & Cullis, but the balance which remains in hand after the payment of £200 being £7 will more than pay for hanging the doors. Removing, altering & refixing the bookcases not yet completed. Busily engaged in getting complete ... improvements on N Side of Cathedral against the Festival - sadly put about by the men who have been absent 8 at a time & cannot be depended on. Improvements are very great and well spoken of by all. Tower is progressing .. but hindered by want of stone. Quarry not yielding the great quantity required fast enough. I have resorted to another quarry but the stone being inferior is of little use to us. I have visited the quarries & done all in my power to secure a supply. Messrs Collins & Cullis are going on remarkably well under the trying circumstances of limited stone & scarcity of men.
F263	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Cert for Collins & Cullis for £300 on Acct for work at the Cloister which are progressing v. satisfactorily. Have I your authority to certify to Joint Restoration Com.e for a further instalment of £1500 voted for the Cloisters to meet further Certificate - £700 already received. Kindly fix sum to be certified for. I am rather desirous to pay £300 to Collins & Cullis because there is £300 due to them on Acct of improvements in Approach on N Side of the Cathedral which I fear cannot be paid to them yet. I am glad .. work of Tower is going on v. well in quality & tolerably well as to speed - some hindrances for want of stone. The two quarries not being able to yield stone fast enough. Fitting up of Library in progress - all shelves & cases are not yet fixed. Cleaning of Cathedral done - stove pipes against winter. New iron shields wanted to four or five stoves ..old ones burnt out & endangering principal ironwork about them. I look forward to the Music Meeting in hope of your seeing the improvement in N. Side - universally approved - costly, above £1100.

F264	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Immediately on Rect of your note respecting cash for Cert I sent a Cert to the Joint Restoration Committee for £500 &.. is now in the Bank. I enclose Certs for Collins & Cullis for £300 for the Cloisters, & Merreman £57.11.4 for stone also for Cloisters. Progress pleasing generally. Tower begins to tell well, lower tier of niches & windows are passed by the band of ornamental work which surrounds Tower & part of the upper or Belfry stages are built. Cloisters are being very well carried on.
F265	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Collins & Cullis urgently desire a Cert for work on the Cloister - progressing very well & satisfactorily - entitled to £300. Will it be necessary to certify for the balance of the £150 which the Restoration Committee were to advance on Account of the Cloister. Sincerely hoping you are recovered from the indisposition which kept you from Worcester lately.
F266	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Sorry to be troublesome but Messrs Collins & Cullis, Contractors for the Cloister urgently applied for £300 which I have not yet furnished you with a Cert for because you desired me to apply to the Restoration Committee for a further advance of £150 on Acct of Grant. This application made in due form immediately on receipt of your note & am sorry to say that Mr Baxter the Sec has not yet sent a cheque out for signature, & in reply to my enquiry this morning sent me the enclosed note which I send together with the Cert in favour of Collins & Cullis for £300. In case you .. send cheque .. in readiness to meet the Joint Restoration Committee advance. I will not hand it over till Mr Baxter certifies that their cheque is paid into the Bank.
F267	1866	AEP to Canon Fortescue. I have received Mr J. Merreman's acct for stone for the Cloister, work proceeding satisfactorily - £102. I also expect in about a fortnight Messrs Collins & Cullis application for further Cert. I did not think it right to send a Cert for stone until I had acquainted you with the application & received your reply. The whole of the work will be suspended until next Thursday. All work is progressing at a very fair rate of progress & I hope that when you arrive in Worcester you will be gratified.
F268	1867	AEP to Canon Fortescue. Cert to Ecl Comr for further advance of £500 - visit from Mr Christian - expressed satisfaction with work & will endorse cert & send to Ecl Comr Office. I am sorry to report that work is necessarily suspended & will probably be so for some time owing to very severe frost again set in. ..so intense as to burst several large blocks of stone & a considerable quantity of worked stone. Happily however nothing fixed in the building has been injured & all being carefully thatched up will not I hope be impaired.
F269	n.d.	Canon John Ryle Wood to the Dean. We shall be only doing what we have habitually done, & what we shall always from time to time be obliged to do to supply the deficiency of the Dormer Fund and for a work like this w if it is ornamental is also one of reparation it seems to me that with the consent of the Chapter a sum may with perfect propriety be appropriated from our General Fund before any Dividend is made to ourselves or to the Vacant Stall. I am however quite willing to submit my judgement to yours & that of my Brethren. My great desire is that the Chapter shld not lose the present "golden opportunity" & with this view you may depend on me contributing to the very utmost of my means. I am sorry you missed seeing the Dean of Peterborough.

F270	n.d.	<p>CATHEDRAL REPORT - REARRANGEMENT OF CHOIR Not signed, but A.E.Perkins' handwriting. The first object to be obtained is the correct Cathedral arrangement of the Choir. Present modern seats in front of the stalls being valueless should be removed. The Stalls themselves being ancient and valuable [deleted] of good character - and their position correct, should be retained and seats of a similar character should be added in front of them for the quire &amp;c. The principal object to obtain is an increased amount of accomodation for congregational worship. This can only be effected by throwing open the Aisles to the Choir. To do this it will be necessary to remove the present canopies of the stalls which entirely shut out the Aisles. They are of renaissance character &amp; not in good taste. As a general rule it is desirable not to remove or to interfere with things which form part of the history of a building, in this case however the object sought being of such primary importance - the part to be removed comparatively valueless, - it may well be considered an exceptional case. The necessary line of separation between the Choir and the Aisles could be formed by the insertion between the piers of light metal grills behind the stalls, so light as not to intercept either light or sound. The Choir Eastward beyond the stall as far as the Altar space would be separated from the Aisles by similar metal screens. With this appropriation of the Aisles together with the space of the Choir Eastwards &amp; beyond the Stalls accomodation for not more than 750 worshippers can be obtained with chairs or benches without improperly crowding the choir. The present Reredos is not the original one but was brought .. to its present situation within the memory of a verger &amp; others of the Cathedral &amp; is in bad taste it .. should be removed &amp; replaced by an enriched Reredos of stone &amp; marble of appropriate character. On the N. side of the Altar space facing Prince Arthur's Chapel are the remains of an ancient monument, the history of which is entirely unknown, as it is probable however that further antiquarian research may throw some light upon its history &amp; show it to be of value it is perhaps desirable that it should be left undisturbed, &amp; either made to form part of some stone screen to that side of the Altar or that that side of the Altar should be screened off from the Transept by a rich hanging drapery of Ecclesiastical character. A most important subject for consideration is the choice of the best situation for the Organ. In its present situation &amp; with its massive form together with the cumbrous &amp; unsightly screen upon which it is placed it almost entirely obstructs the view of the Choir from the Nave &amp; hides great part of the fine piers of the Tower. It is very desirable that this should be removed. After the most careful consideration of the subject the best alternative which present themselves are 1st - to entirely remove the Organ to the first Arch on the N side of the Choir where there is sufficient space .. 2nd - To separate the parts of the Organ retaining the Choir Organ in its present situation &amp; stowing away the larger portions in the blank spaces within the Tower piers where they would be of service by hiding the only uninteresting part of the Choir. In this most important matter Messrs Hill of London the Organ Builders have been consulted. They have visited the Cathedral &amp; have given their opinion that either of the above plans would be eligible. It is almost superfluous to remark that the present Organ Screen is a worthless composition of Lath &amp; Plaster &amp; should in any case be removed &amp; replaced with a light open screen of wood and metal with which it can be constructed of sufficient strength to carry any necessary weight. The Organ .. will require a new case of proper character. A new Throne in accordance with the Stall will be required. The whole of the paving of the Choir &amp; Altar Space should be new. The steps of marble intermixed with encaustic tiles of the character of those lately discovered in the NW Transept. It will be necessary to provide four metal gates one for each end of the N &amp; S Aisles of the Choir. [Completed in pencil] As it may perhaps be necessary to consider the subject of warming &amp; lighting the Cathedral the probable cost of both is inserted in the subjoined estimates. The work to be done by the best Engineer &amp; Artificer.</p>
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F271	n.d.	<p>WORCESTER CATHEDRAL: RE-ARRANGEMENT OF CHOIR Principle on which designs for re-arrangement of Choir have been made is the opening out of Choir to Nave .. instead of Choir being as formerly, an enclosed Chapel enjoying a monopoly of the Sacred uses of the Cathedral and leaving the remainder of the vast temple a mere ornamental waste, the Choir and the Nave shall in future be essential portions of the same great Diocesan Church. In effecting this great reformation we have, in this case no archaeological associations militating against the demands of practical utility and ecclesiastical consistency. The Stone screen was of modern date &amp; bad design and I think no one has regretted its demolition. The very position of the Stalls dates only from Edward VI. The Choir it is said formerly extended to the West of Tower, while the returned Stalls seem not to be strictly speaking, the old ones in point of position but have been patched up in their present form when the Choir was shortened, we have therefore nearly a carte blanche to deal with so far as concerns this screen and the returned stalls though in all other parts we retain the ancient boundaries of the Choir. The Alterations which are proposed are to substitute an Open for a close screen, to do away with the returned stalls because the difference in the levels of Choir and Nave floors would render them too obstructive, and to substitute metal grille work for the Canopies of the side stalls. By means of these changes, both the Nave and the Aisles of the Choir will be rendered available for congregational uses, and the Cathedral made practically as well as in idea, the great &amp; central Church of the City and of the Diocese. As in all cases in which the attempt is made to open out the Choir, the question where to place the organ has presented the greatest amount of difficulty, every conceivable expedient had been advocated and its merits considered and the balance has, at length preponderated in favour of placing it on the floor level and in one of the Arches between the Choir and the North Aisle. It is fair to myself and others to say that I did not choose this position, for though I did name it as an alternative, my leanings were against it. I will not, however go into this question further than to mention, as a curious fact, that while, in this case, the local musical authorities have fought for the side position as the best from their own point of view, at the neighbouring Cathedral of Gloucester they declare it to be destructive to musical perfection; how, then can I presume to decide where Doctors disagree. To return to the stalls; .. ancient and beautiful, their canopies and desks and front seats are of a much more recent character &amp; are in an incongruous style. The Canopies, as I have already stated are generally to be replaced with light and open grille work, but it is proposed to reconstruct the desk-front and the front seats in a style consistent with that of the stalls. The Stalls, however, of the Dean and the residentiary Canons will have Canopies, because of position against the great pier of the Tower, &amp; the blank wall which adjoins those piers, the canopies would offer no obstruction. The Bishop's Throne will be entirely new. The Open screens which occupied the Arches eastwards of the stalls had been removed during the recent repairs, and are incapable of being replaced. I have, therefore, designed new &amp; very open screens of an union of oak &amp; ironwork to occupy their places. The Great Choir Screen already mentioned will be a union of marble, oak &amp; metalwork. It will be very open &amp; unobstructive &amp; of very rich design. The Screen which now bounds the altar-space towards the East is made up of one which formerly enclosed one of the eastern transepts. It is unsuited to its position, and though I hope some place will be found for it elsewhere in the Church it is intended to substitute for it a rich reredos of marble and alabaster - the gift of the Dean. The Floor of the Choir will receive a rich pavement, probably uniting varied marbles with encaustic tiles. The Steps etc will be made of marble &amp; will retain their ancient position as will the ancient sedilia &amp; the tomb of King John. The Choir will be provided with a Litany desk &amp; Lectern, The present pulpit will remain as a Choir pulpit, but another will probably be provided in the Nave. In carrying out these works it is intended to employ for each the best artists and workmen in the several departments so that the whole work may be as excellent as the facilities of our day render attainable. Cost is estimated as £ [in pencil] 13,000 [Note in pencil] The Dean thinks this will require explanation or be left on..</p>
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F272	1866	<p>GEORGE GILBERT SCOTT to the DEAN. POSITION OF THE ORGAN Various uses of the Choir and Nave of a Cathedral, so far as they bear upon the position to be chosen for the Organ. 1) Daily Morning and Evening services on weekdays in the Choir with a small congregation. 2) Sunday Services and Festivals - Congregation will overflow to Nave. Sermon preached from Choir Pulpit would not be heard - should have a Nave Pulpit - 'placed in a convenient position' Choir &amp; Clergy would move out to hear it (as often in continental Cathedrals) and at Ely. No practical reason for Nave only Services as at York and Westminster where solid screens ..practically forbidding all intercommunication between Choir and Nave.. you have already removed the close screen. Medieval monastic practice arose from the existence of the Close screen. No reason why choral body should not always occupy their proper position in the Choir. 3) Diocesan Great Events when clergy are assembled in presence of their bishop and fully occupy Choir and congregation in the Nave - absolutely necessary to retain full dimensions of the Choir. So Choral Body occupies the same position though the congregation varies. Organ must be sufficiently near to Choir &amp; Congregation both in Nave and Choir. Positions. 1) As previously recommended in part over a double and open screen &amp; partly against two blank bays at the side. 2) Substitute 1st bay on N. Side of Choir. 3) Suggested by Sir Gilbert Lewis, building a chamber to East of Audley Chapel. 4) Lord Dudley's suggestion - divided in two, Choir Organ in first bay on N. side of Choir and larger Organ in South Transept for Nave Services. 1st Position favoured by G.G.S. in 2 former Reports (supported by Sir Frederick Gore Ouseley.) 'Somewhat personally humiliating to myself' - only position I distinctly recommended is the only one definitely negated by the Committee. Best position confirmed by Sir F.G.Ouseley - would not impede use of Nave, equally convenient for Choir and Nave. Main difficulty - depth of organ from front to back has been alleviated by a recent reconsideration by Mr Hill. Music between Choir &amp; Nave Congregation might overpower voices as heard in Nave. Sir F.G.Ouseley says would be alleviated by a judicious organist. 2nd Position. 1st Bay of Choir on N. Hiding some parts of architecture particularly Triforium. Over-noisy . 3rd Position - adding a chamber to East End of Digby Chapel- would be structurally damaging to Fabric of Cathedral &amp; sound somewhat muffled. Sufficient for Choir... doubt whether it would have any grandeur of effect when heard from Nave. Unsuitable for Nave service. Next is 2 Organs One for Choir and one for Nave. I have shown there is no need for Nave Services, all can be conducted from Choir. Main objection - cost of 2 organists. So.. could Nave Organ go on North side instead of South Transept e.g. where Bishop Hough's Monument is- modern mechanical facilities might ... coupling the two organs together to be played by 1 or 2 people. Mr Hill... the best position. I recommend that the choice be limited to the 1st and last of above, and if Committee adhere to negative on 1st, then last. If Bishop Hough is removed there will be no difficulty in finding an equally good place. I hope that no colour is given to a report some time back current that you were going to turn the Choir &amp; its Aisles into 'a Parish Church' - at variance with all I had heard or thought of... startled at hearing expressions not wholly incapable of that interpretation. I do not remember the screens which formerly enclosed the eastern parts of the Choir - but if they were old I should, had I been acting for you at the time, have strongly opposed their removal. Canopies of Stalls were of a dubious date, in my Report I reserved the question as to whether or not they should be retained.. did not know of their removal till after it had been effected. Supposing it however to be practically desirable to leave the aisles to some degree open, I wish to express my opinion that it is a necessary feature in the restoration of the Choir that its landmarks should be rendered clear &amp; its enclosures distinct. It will therefore be necessary to substitute some light screens either of wood or metal, for those east of the stalls which have been removed and some unobstructive enclosure as for instance light metal grilles over the backs of the Stalls. The Great Choir Screen too must take a decided form so as to draw the line of division in a distinct and marked manner while it does not offer obstruction to the voice.</p>
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F273	1864	<p>QUESTIONS AND REPLIES TO THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSION ON THE RESTORATION OF THE CATHEDRAL 1 Restoration:- East End. Exterior. Eastern Transepts in great part rebuilt. Windows altered throughout, large buttresses erected for security. 2 large West</p> <p>F273 JANUARY 1864 QUESTIONS AND REPLIES TO THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSION ON THE RESTORATION OF THE CATHEDRAL 1 Restoration:- East End. Exterior. Eastern Transepts in great part rebuilt. Windows altered throughout, large buttresses erected for security. 2 large West Transepts repaired with crosses and pinnacles. Complete large new window in N.W. Transept. Interior Whitewash and plaster removed from Choir and Nave, Vaulting repaired throughout. 2 large piers rebuilt 2 unsightly walls across the East Transepts taken down. Marble shafts carrying caps and bosses renewed. Chapter Room restored. G.G.Scott referred to in 1859 and 1863. 2 Source of Funds:- a) Chapter, £4584 b) Ecclesiastical Commissioners, £15,300 &amp; £4584 for 6 vacant stalls. c) Chapter Corporate Fund £6200 d) Individual Members of the Chapter £210 TOTAL £30,878 The Dean and Canons would have been entitled to 5300 p.a. in perpetuity higher income (Dean £100, Canons £50 more) if Commissioners had not furnished the £15,300. Part of that sum might have been put out at interest to provide for such larger income. Half of the £15,300 is reckoned as provided on account of 6 vacant stalls. 3 Full Statement of what remains to be done - External, Internal, &amp; indispensable &amp; ornament. External. NW and S. sides of Nave. including North Porch, West Window and Cloisters (£8240). Internal. Floor of Nave £1000. Heating and Lighting £2000 Remodelling Choir, New Organ Screen, Reredos, Floor, as Detailed Estimate £10720. Total £21,960. [Page Torn -section missing] Indispensable. Restoration of North Porch and Cloisters and floor of Nave. Others, very desirable. No excess of decoration is proposed, or any beyond that which seems necessary for the proper restoration of the Cathedral Church of the Diocese. 4 Statement of the overall amount of the Fabric Fund, and its ordinary Appropriation and how far it has been anticipated beyond the present year. Fabric Fund £800 p.a. Appropriated to Sustentation of Cathedral, Chapter House, College School Master's House Precincts and Cloisters. Expended for the present year and not further anticipated. 5 Statement of Resources remaining for completion.. of work including what is hoped for from the Commissioners. Chapter- no resources left. £3900 - £3000 for liabilities incurred and the rest for contingencies. Ecclesiastical Commissioners under an obligation to provide equal sum to Dean and Canons permit to be deducted - their being in possession of the Income of 6 suppressed stalls i.e. half the Capitular Income. 6 Exact Position intended to be held by Mr Scott. Mr Scott associated with Mr Perkins - jointly carry out the Rearrangement. External work will be carried out under the direction of Mr Perkins.</p>
F274		Design for a High Altar George Gilbert Scott
F275	1865	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee, REPORT. Rate of progress has improved. Rather more than two thirds of work on Nave, Clerestory, Aisles, and Baptistry has been done. Gurney Stoves have warmed the Cathedral satisfactorily in all parts - balance of £400 to be paid. Contract for West End of Nave complete except for door which waits for completion of elaborate ironwork in preparation by Hardman's of Birmingham. Greatly improved appearance of the several parts of the buildings surrounding the Baptistry render the want of Angle Buttresses in that part very striking and this will be very apparant when the richly restored Porch shall have been completed. I .. beg to suggest the propriety of adding Buttresses to the angle of the Baptistery as shown in the accompanying sketch. Cost £180-200. Extra stone work to strengthen West Door to secure stability of Great West Window. Some carving needed - £19.0.0. Clerk of Works salaries @ 2 guineas per week £11.11.0</p>

F276	[1866]	A.E.Perkins to Joint Restoration Committee. REPORT. 1864 to present time. First Contract: Baptistry - finished, Clerestory, N.Aisle and N.Porch - finished but for some carvings and the sculptures for the niches of the N. Front of the Porch which are in progress ...necessarily..a work of some months continuance. The Tower, the most important structural work, - steadily progressing.. the external and internal restorations are in a very advanced state and its completion may be expected within one year from this date. The ancient West Doorway to the Nave has been reopened and restored together with other parts of the West End. The Warming of the .. Cathedral by means of the Gurney Stoves - successfully completed with the necessary building of flues and other works and is found to act satisfactorily. In the Restoration of the N.Porch and ... front of the Cathedral - necessary to remove the great accumulation of earth from the walls by which the bases .. were for the most part hidden and much injury done to the walls from damp. This .. has necessitated the lowering of the Approaches to the Cathedral which has been effected
F277	1871	A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee. REPORT. .. Farmer & Brindley .. have restored the ancient Misereres with the carvings thereof and having prepared the new materials in London for the new work .. [waiting for] Mr Scott's certified drawings. They ..cannot .. commence fixing work in the Cathedral before the end of the year. Mr Powell of .. Hardman & Co of Birmingham to whom has been entrusted the preparation of drawings for the decoration of the groins of the Choir has promised at the express direction of the Dean .. to attend this meeting with drawings and estimated and prepared to answer any question concerning them. The thin coat of plaster necessary for the ground of the Decoration of the Groins, has been laid on and is perfectly dry and ready for the Artists &c. .. this work should be undertaken as soon as convenient in order to avoid .. expense of scaffolding which is left up and is charged for according to the time it is in use. I have on application from Mr Scott's Office supplied a correct drawing of the Choir and Sanctuary to enable them to consider the tile and marble floor. .. the question of lowering the floor of the Choir should now be considered. It is important to gain as much height as possible and to shew the bases of the piers which are now partly hidden. A proper concrete foundation must be laid for the new floor some time before it will be wanted to give it time to become dry and hard. The lowering of the floor will be a work requiring much care and attention there being not more than 15 inches from the surface of the floor to the underside of the groining of the Crypt. Plans and estimates are prepared for lighting the Cathedral with gas.
F278	1871	A.E.P. to the Joint Restoration Committee. Report. The Stalls, Misereres and the Bishop's Throne, which are in the hands of Messrs Farmer & Brindley of London are in a very forward state more than half the work being done. The Contractors tell me that in .. about three weeks they shall be able to increase their staff of men .. all works .. entire completion by the end of November. .. character and execution of the works are excellent. I am sorry not to be able to report so favourably on the progress of the decoration. The scroll work and foliage are nearly finished but the medallions a most important part, are very backward and with the greatest speed which can now be made will not be done under several weeks. Messrs Hardman, who have this work in hand should be pressingly reminded of the necessity of expediting the completion of the Choir and at once beginning the decorations over the Sanctuary, otherwise there will be a danger of their being in the way of other work, besides which they are causing expense in keeping up the scaffolding. It is now necessary that the question of the Gas should be settled, that the mains pipe may be laid before the floors of the Stalls are laid. I have not been able to see Mr Scott, who is away from home, but a message has been sent desiring his opinion, as to the best means of applying the Gas, in time for the Meeting on Saturday.

F279	1872	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee. Report. The whole of the Stalls, side screens and metal grills with the decorations are completed with the exception of some fixings required for the grills. The floor of the Choir is almost wholly laid and waiting the inspection of the Committee. The flight of marble steps to the Choir is in a forward state &amp; would have been finished by now had it not been waiting for some fixings of the Great Screen which were not provided till lately. The Great Choir Screen is now being placed in position for the inspection of the Committee. The pier of the Choir against which the Pulpit is being fixed has been restored to its original state by the removal of the modern perpendicular work by which it has been hidden. The Pulpit is being fixed. The stone and slate pavement of the Choir Aisles, St.John's Chapel, the Transepts and space under the Tower, also the Nave and Aisles and Baptistry is in hand and being proceeded with as rapidly as possible. The Contractors could not commence these works till after the Music Festival on account of the very great irregularity of the floors rendering it necessary to have the whole surface of the floor thrown open to admit of dimensions being taken of every part. It is here necessary to urge the importance of the organ and the works connected with it being proceeded with as rapidly as possible as the paving which will perhaps have to follow the completion of the organ will require some considerable time. The Gas Fitting Works are in hand and the Contractor signifies his intention of completing all in about three months. This Contractor - Mr Greenway of Worcester desires me to lay before the Committee his respectful desire that they will be pleased to consider the great rise in the price of metal and the advance in wages during the interval since the time when he entered into his Contract, and the time at which he received the order to proceed with the second part of his Contract viz. the Nave, Aisles etc. which he could not begin until after the Festival.</p>
F280	1872	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee. Report. The finishing of the N. Aisle of the Choir is now taking precedence of other works; the concrete foundation for the paved floor is being laid &amp; other works done. This work is more immediately necessary that the Aisle may be ready for the reception of the organ. Part of the organ case has arrived and preparation is being made for fixing it. Designs are submitted herewith for the Doors and iron gates to the North Porch and South Doors to the Cloisters. The marble floor of the Choir, the Pulpit, the steps from the Choir-Aisles to the Lady Chapel and the paving of the Nave and Aisle floors also the Gas works works are in hand and are making fair progress.</p>
F281	1873	<p>A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee. Report. The steps from the North Aisle of the Choir have been fixed and the laying of the floor in that Aisle is in progress. Part of the Organ Case and framework thereof has arrived and is being fixed but slight progress has yet been made. The two oak Screens at the East End of the Choir are being taken down and altered and refixed in such a manner as to place the doors from the South Aisle to the Choir at a greater distance from the Bishop's Throne. The Pulpit Pier is being restored and made good. The capital is being recarved where broken away to admit the sound board of the pulpit as it formerly stood, and the pulpit itself and the steps are being restored and rebuilt. All the works ordered at the last meeting which comprise the South Porch Doors and Gates, the North Porch Doors and Gates, the steps leading from the North Aisle to the Lady Chapel which are now contracted for, are in hand and will be proceeded with as rapidly as possible. The floors of the Nave, Transepts, and Aisles are also progressing as quickly as possible, a vast quantity of stone and slate has been delivered on the ground and it is expected that this portion of the work will come off rapidly though it will necessarily be a work of considerable time. The preparations for lighting with Gas are nearly completed. An estimate has been received for the marble paving between the Choir floor and Choir Steps. No positive account appears to have been received respecting the state of progress of the Bishop's Throne, Organ and Organ Case and Great Choir Screen.</p>

F282	1873	A.E.Perkins to the Joint Restoration Committee. Report. The plastering for the reception of the Decoration of the groined ceilings of the two Eastern Transepts and the North Aisle of the Choir has been commenced and carried on so rapidly that the ceiling of the South Transept and that of the space immediately over the Organ in the North Aisle will be ready for the Decorators by the end of next week, and the remainder will be finished within a fortnight or three weeks after. It is most important that the Decorations over the Organ should be determined at once if possible as the Organ- builder has arrived with part of the Organ and is already asking to have the scaffold poles removed from that part that he may begin fixing and it would be very difficult and objectionable to do work about the machinery of the organ afterwards. The scaffolding is erected to the ceiling of the Lady Chapel and in readiness for the Decorators. The fixing of the Organ Case is progressing under Messrs Farmer & Brindley, but nothing is being done in Worcester nor have I any information respecting the canopies for the Stalls in the Choir nor the Bishop's Throne. No further metal work for the Great Choir Screen has lately been received from Mr Skidmore. The completion of the Marble floor of the Great Screen in the Choir is in progress by Messrs Field, Poole & Son who have also completed the decoration of the Royal Monument. The Credence-Table is fixed. Messrs Wood & Son are laying the Marble Floors in the Transepts, Nave and Aisles etc and have completed the paved floor of the North Aisle of the Choir. Messrs Collins & Cullis have completed the new steps from the North Aisle down to the Lady Chapel and have fixed the new Metal Gates at that part. A gas pipe and jets are being fixed by Messrs Greenway on the South Side of the Nave and will be completed in a fortnight.
F283	1873	A.E.Forrest to Canon Wood. I enclose report respecting Restoration Works. I have telegraphed Farmer & Brindley for an estimate and enclose reply. Amount includes panelling on either side of keyboard from floor to soffit, panelled soffit front to pedals below keyboard, and protection of all pipes etc which are now exposed at the Organist's entrance and staircase. Settle Gas Standard's position shortly, but I presume a meeting in the Cathedral will be necessary for the purpose.
F284	1873	A.E.Forrest to Joint Restoration Committee. Canopies, Stalls and Sub-Dean's on S. side of Choir- forward. Organ Case finished - expect completed within month. Stone base and steps of pulpit completed. Iron gates at S. entrance to Lady Chapel. Hardman's artists finished principal figures on groining. Pavement laid in Choir Aisles. Marble steps fixed. North Side in hand. Nave and Transepts - marble floor forward. Collins & Cullis - N. Doors and Iron Gates ready for fixing. S. Door ready for ironworks which Skidmore have in hand. Cloisters - paving completed except Western entrance passage. Wood & Sons to complete next month.
F285	1873	A.E.Forrest to Joint Restoration Committee. Canopies over Stalls completed. Farmer & Brindley- casing of Organ, Awning of Organ rapidly approaching Completion. Hill & Son to cover and protect it. Decoration of groining in Forward state, N.Aisle of Choir and St John's Chapel- a week - Lady Chapel - a Fortnight. Wood & Son Pavement of Chapel as soon as scaffolding is removed. Pavement of Nave and Aisles slow owing to great difficulty in procuring the black marble free from white spots or shells. Position of gas Standards for N.& S. Doors to be determined as soon as possible. Doors and gates for S. Entrance to Nave fixed ready to be decorated, N.Porch in hand. Floor of Cloister completed except for West Passage. South Cloister entrance - old gate useless owing to alteration in floor level.

F286	1873	<p>A.E.Forrest to Joint Restoration Committee. The Organ is now completed, and covered under Messrs Hill's Superintendence as a protection during the remainder of the works. Interior casing and fittings complete, exterior casing towards N. Choir Aisle probably finished in three weeks. A specimen of the suggested alterations to the grilles at the back of the stalls has been made by Mr Skidmore and temporarily fixed in the Westernmost Bay on the S.side. A portion of the metalwork for the Great Screen has also been placed in position for the Inspection of the Committee. The wrought iron gates at E. and W. Ends of the Choir Aisles and for S.Entrance door are fixed, and those for the North Porch have been hung but are now removed to protect them from injury. carved oak doors for N. Porch Entrance are making good progress .. Messrs Collins and Cullis of Tewkesbury .. not less than a month. Design for the Inner Lobby to N. Entrance has been received from Sir Gilbert Scott, and tenders invited from Wood &amp; Son of Worcester and Collins &amp; Cullis Decoration of the groining of the Lady Chapel, Lady Chapel Aisles, Choir Aisles, &amp; S.John's Chapel are entirely finished, N. &amp; S. Eastern Transepts will be completed in a few days. The floor of the Nave is now finished with the exception of a small space at the W.End and a part of the N.Aisle. ..necessary to determine the position of the Gas Standards at the N. Entrance in order that connections may be made at the exact point. Messrs Wood have used every effort to obtain black marble in greater quantities, but without success .. only 25-30% of marble .. available for Cathedral: the remainder being full of white shell and spots. The floor under the Tower is in hand &amp; nearly the whole of the material for .. the N. Porch is prepared. .. Entire floor .. in all probability .. completed by the close of the present year.</p>
F287	1873	<p>A.E.Forrest to Joint Restoration Committee Repair of Choir Roof completed. Wood &amp; Sons plastered S. Cloister Passage. Cloister floor finished. Under build E. Wall of Vault beneath College Hall - no foundations below ground level, but mass of concrete now much perished. I submit a design for entrance gates for Cloisters - £25 Portion of old Reredos re-erected as Screen for St John's Chapel in position recommended by Sir G.Scott. Cracks and settlings in Tower pointed and no further movement (3 months), settling having taken place apparently before the Restoration of the Tower. Stoves taken to pieces and cleaned. Decoration of Lady Chapel and East Transepts finished - final dusting of upper portion of walls/mouldings necessary to use scaffold. Doors needed for turret staircases at W. End of Nave and S.E. Transept. Estimate - £19.10.11. Doors to external entrance to Crypt very insecure - Oak Doors £7. New Door needed for S.W. entrance from Cloisters - present door oak, strong and serviceable but out of character. Annexed list [not there] of desks and chairs removed from various parts of Cathedral could be disposed of. Note. Arrange Sale.</p>
F288	1873	<p>A.E.Forrest to Joint Restoration Committee Marble flooring of Nave and Transept nearing completion and will finish within the present month unless the severity of the weather should delay preparation of the Marble. G.G.Scott's design for S.W. Door of Nave - tenders from Collins &amp; Cullis and Wood &amp; Son. No reason for delaying final cleaning of Cathedral - then time for decorating Screen and Organ Case.</p>

F289	1874	A.E.Forrest To the Very Rev. The Dean. Report. Roadway in College Green improved. S.Cloister gate executed and fixed by Collins & Cullis - £20, the tender of Mr R.George of Worcester for the same work being £25.16.0. Collins & Cullis have also carried out the Contract for new wrought iron railings and gates at West End of Cathedral. Turf relaid. New oak doors for stair- case Turrets and external entrance to Crypt which is now perfectly secure. 3 stone effigies in Lady Chapel pavement cleaned and replaced upon solid slabs of Forest of Dean stone and restored to their original positions viz. two beneath the Great Window and immediately above the coffins .. which they formerly covered and the third, the correct position of which is doubtful, against the arcade of the N. Aisle. Memorial stones removed from the pavement of the Cloister have been replaced by small tablets of York stone inserted in the walls. Bishops Throne, Nave pulpit and marble steps to Choir are now protected by barriers formed of a cord stretched between iron standards. These are not fixed to the floor and can be removed at any time if necessary. Moveable wooden barriers are provided for closing the N. and S. passages of the Cloisters when required. Gas in Nave extended to E. Cloister, suitable fittings for Chapter Room, Vestries, lavatories and staircase. Chairs in Nave (860) cleaned and stained dark, .. 600 rush seated chairs obtained by Messrs Wood & Sons for Opening Service by desire of Lord Dudley. These will be required until the remainder of oak benches for the Nave are completed which will probably be several Months. Advantageous to purchase chairs (£75) and re-sell, rather than pay for hiring. Sale of old materials, Nov. 1873 - £17.17.0, and March, 1874 (of materials used in fitting the Lady Chapel) £34.18.6. Stoves cleaned and repaired, 5-6 used this year, (4 last year). Stove in Chapter Room....needs replacing .. Roofs. Outlay extremely small during the year - but will shortly require considerable repair. Alteration to water trunks carried out in Spring 1873 has proved remarkably successful in preventing flooding during heavy rain
F290	1877	Henry Rowe, Surveyor, to Dean & Chapter. Report. Structure....generally satisfactory. Chapter House Roof, Leadwork very unsatisfactory...has undergone repair in nearly 500 places. College Hall. External faces of walls in very unsatisfactory and perished state.... Water supply in case of fire. Since report last year water mains laid down and hydrants fixed. With regards to Tower given much consideration I am of the opinion in which Sir Gilbert Scott concurs that after a careful joint inspection with him of the Tower construction it would be inadvisable to add increased weight to the same I must withdraw the suggestion (Nov. Report last year) referring to placing of tanks in the upper part of the Tower - now recommend that the present pipe which supplies a small cistern be added from which water could be pumped to supply moderate sized cistern upon the floors of the Ringing and Chimes Chambers and Belfry sufficient to supply water extincteurs, two of which I would suggest should be placed upon each floor. Stop-tap in each Gas Main to lessen risk in case of fire. Estimate - £170. Metal doors to check fire from Roofs to Tower in course of construction.
F291	1882	Henry Rowe to Hon & Very Rev Dean Lord Alwin Compton & Chapter. Report. Nothing has needed urgent attention but refer D&C to former reports. Roofs above Chapter House etc...leadwork worn and defective..gutters and down pipes... Angle pointing to roofs against Tower walls perished allowing water to percolate... College Hall...Masonry to SW angle gradually becoming more serious... Edgar Tower increasingly dangerous state of masonry below angle of parapet... gradually perishing and falling away...
F292	1882	Henry Rowe to J. Hooper. Covering note to Report.
F293	1882	Henry Rowe to Hooper & Hooper. Estimate of Repairs to Roofs as enumerated in Report. Roof of Chapter House..about £288 ..... etc. College Hall, Edgar Tower, etc. need Mason's Estimate as scaffolding a large part of cost.



F294	1883	Henry Rowe to Hon & Very Rev. Dean Lord Alwyne Compton & Chapter. Annual Report. Cathedral - nothing of importance. Chapter House Roof needs attention - sinking of timbers or bearers has increased.. Slating .. East sides of Transepts, flashing need attention. Moss on stonework on N side of Cathedral should be carefully removed. .. Masonry to buttress at SW side of Nave Aisle is rapidly becoming defective owing to the heat of the Stove Flue which is constructed in the same. .. Perished stonework at West side of Tower Transept, & W. Cloisters .. much the same as when previously inspected. College Hall & Edgar Tower. No repairs beyond such as were really necessary to prevent the rain from passing through the roofs. .. SW Angle of parapet to Edgar Tower .. in dangerous state.. should have early attention.
F295	1884	Henry Rowe to Dean Compton & Chapter. Report. Repairs which were absolutely necessary for keeping the roofs and Interior of the Buildings dry have been attended to, and nothing has arisen since .. former report .. but Roofs above St John's Chapel, Lay Clerks Vestry & lavatories, N or principal Entrance, N Aisle of Nave, S & part of other roofs of Cloister and Edgar Tower masonry remain in much the same state. Chapter House Roof .. restoration satisfactorily completed. Roof above N N Entrance .. should have the next consideration .. lead .. considerably worn & defective.
F296	1885	Henry Rowe to Dean Compton & Chapter. Report. Little change to state of Masonry .. settlings and joints to some of the Window-Heads which had somewhat opened remain .. much the same. Only moderate repairs effected during the past year, and early & careful attention to Parapet Gutters - S side of Lady Chapel & E side of s Transept. Lead valleys .. slating .. require but moderate repair. Pointing to roofs against sides of the Tower through which the water freely percolates during driving rains, should receive attention. Lead covering to roofs .. still unsatisfactory ..of these .. above N Entrance .. should certainly have earliest attention. Masonry to W Wall of Cloister .. in a perished state. Edgar Tower - no repairs.. SW Angle reported as insecure .. the angle of parapet.. may fall at any time.
F297	1886	Henry Rowe to Very Rev. Dean John Gott D.D. & Chapter. Report. Annual Inspection. Repairs to roofs, gutters & flashings .. received proper attention, but remaining to be done are parapet gutters S of Lady Chapel & E. of Transept.. & lead flashing to one gable only. Walls piers and arches, no change of importance. External face of W Walls of W Cloister & S Wall of W. Entrance .. unsatisfactory state & should have attention. Joints to stonework where they have perished or open to action of the weather viz. copings of parapets & gables, plinths and other projections .. wet penetrates the walls underneath .. early decay. Lead covering to roofs .. repaired to keep the same watertight, but I certainly advise those above the N. Entrance & St John's Chapel .. should be releaded. Edgar Tower - SW Angle. Estimate from Mr Collins, Contractor, to remove the perished stone on S side from foundations to the underside of parapet 7ft 10in width & on W side 9ft 6in width and make good with Ombersley Ashlar well bonded for the sum of £130.0.0

F298	1887	Henry Rowe to Dean Gott Complying with your request I made a recent inspection of the Cathedral Tower with the view of ascertaining the state of the same, and to what extent the ringing of the peal of bells may have had upon the structure, and I beg to report firstly, that about two years since, owing to a report of its insecurity .. to a small extent current, I was requested by the late Dean to make an inspection with a similar object, this was done both before and during the ringing of the bells, the result being that I could not detect any cause for alarm. I have now repeated my inspection by examining very carefully the Tower structure from its base, but have failed to detect any alteration by fracture or otherwise which may have had a tendency to occasion uneasiness or alarm, and in support of this assurance .. on making my previous inspection I caused to have stopped a few of the joints to masonry of walls below the Ringing Chamber which were then open, and they still remain closed. The framed timber carriage or supports below the floor of Belfry are also sound .. but the joints in connection with the oak framing to which the bells are hung require some attention by securely wedging up the same - the openings .. have ..arisen through the shrinking of the timbers. ..
F299	1887	H.Rowe to Dean, John Gott DD & Chapter. Report. Nothing has arisen since my last Report. Masonry is generally satisfactory. Some repairs embodied in previous Report have not been carried into effect .. W.wall of W. Cloister, S. wall to W entrance to Cloister, joints to copings etc, lead to roof.. Leadwork to Roof of N. Aisle and Nave defective.. Certain parts to stonework and coping to W wall of Lay Clerks Vestries rapidly perishing .. Tiling and roof slates require attention .. which have doubtless been displaced by the recent gale. ... the walls and piers connected with the Tower, together with timber framing the support to the Bells, have undergone my careful inspection and .. not the least indication of any settling or weakness has taken place from the Bell Ringing either in the masonry or woodwork, since my previous examination in March last. Edgar Tower. The external face of the walls .. is to a large extent .. badly perished. Some parts really becoming dangerous and I may strongly urge the necessity of early attention to the same.
F300	18-7	John Hooper, Chapter Clerk, to Henry Rowe. Copy. D & C will be obliged if you will .. obtain estimates for such works as may be necessary - separately set out, so the works may be separately done. 1st item - repairs to W Wall of W Cloister appears to involve going into Canon Melville's garden - this work will of course be done only at such time (probably the Spring) as may be convenient to him & the Chapter wish that due notice may be given to him .. Canon Creighton's garden was entered for repair of Edgar Tower and the building of the Choir Sanatorium without .. any notice to him. Please let me know when you are able to certify the completion of the choir sanatorium
F301	1888	Henry Rowe to Dean Gott & Chapter. Report. Nothing has arisen .. since my Report of November last year, to occasion any expensive restoration .. Repairs now necessary including those embraced in my former reports:- Repair of external walls of W Cloister, filling in and pointing the perished and open joints to parapets, copings etc .. slating of roofs, .. E side of N Transept of Choir, many of the slates which are of large dimensions being displaced .. by ..recent gales. Lead gutters .. Lead to roofs above St John's Chapel .. old and very thin in places and has undergone a considerable repetition of repairs, .. renewal .. would be desirable. The lead lights to windows SE and W of Lady Chapel Transept - also to the N light E End of Lady Chapel and to S windows of Tower Transept, evidently require repair and additional security .. Edgar Tower The external masonry to each elevation of Edgar Tower is ... much perished - and the stones ... insecure and liable .. to be displaced, and may .. occasion accident .. the walls [should be] reashlared with new stone. The cost of such work I approximately estimate as follows .. [Plan] .. £1252.13.1 ..

F302	1889	Henry Rowe to Dean Gott & Chapter. Report. I am pleased to say I have found the walls and roofs (generally) in much the same state as when previously inspected, .... Certain repairs and pointings are necessary ...as referred to in my former reports. Some repairs of an ordinary character are necessary to the slating to roofs .. The leadwork to gutters and flashings with the exception of gutter at the back of parapet S of Lady Chapel, and E of adjoining Transept which now requires to be renewed, is satisfactory. The lead roofs are also in satisfactory repair, those however above St John's Chapel, Vestries and Lavatories are exceedingly old and have undergone considerable repairs; these will require early renewal. The lead lights to windows of S Transept to Lady Chapel have become more defective owing (in my opinion) to the weakness of the metal saddlebars to which the lights are secured, the lights are more or less buckled and may not (in all probability) prove sufficient to resist the force of any strong gale; other repair of a minor description may on close examination be found desirable. .. restoration to the northern and part of the western side of Edgar Tower are progressing satisfactorily and the further restoration needing early attention should comprise the S and part of the Eastern sides..
F303	1888	John H.Hooper - Chapter Clerk to H.Rowe. Copy The subject of general repairs .. will be considered at the next Meeting of the Chapter. With regard to the Edgar Tower the section which requires most immediate attention is that from E to F in your plans, and the Dean and Chapter will be obliged if you will obtain Estimates for the repair of that part .. Obtain Estimates for the rearrangement of the Ground at West End of the Cathedral also.
F304	1889	Henry Rowe, (Architect & Surveyor, 17, Foregate Street) to Rev. Canon Creighton. Estimate. Inspection of Drive & Approaches on N. & S. sides of Cathedral - with gutters and drains .. to be reformed and metalled with broken stone to North approach and gravel & stone chips on remaining drives. Fine gravel on Lower Road to Ferry. Pave the Approach to S.Entrance to Cloisters which during rain is inconvenient. £345.00
F305	1890	Henry Rowe, Surveyor to D&C. Estimate. Detailed and itemised Estimates for N. and S. Approaches North Side, £96.9.9 South Side £262.18.9
F306	1890	Henry Rowe, Architect, to Canon Melville. Estimate for repairs to N. and S. sides of Cathedral as letter to Canon Creighton last Nov. North side needs early attention, Estimate - £345.0.0. Corporation Surveyor £359.8.6
F307	1890	M.Creighton, Langdale Lodge, The Avenue, Cambridge to John H Hooper. North Side to be done before the Festival - the road .. is it D&C or Town or School Governors?
F308	1890	Guildhall, Finance Clerk's Office. Bill. £422.0.2 Repairs to Approaches. Note on Back. A/c to be paid by Treasurer through Mr Rowe. Mr J.H.Hooper is Clerk to the Chapter not the Agent to the D&C.

F309	1890	<p>Henry Rowe to Dean Gott and Chapter. . . with regard to the stability of the Structure generally, I could not perceive that anything injurious had arisen (since my previous inspection in November last year) to call for any adverse remark. The ordinary repairs now, or which will require attention during the coming year are as follows:- Roofs Some moderate repairs .. to the slating to N side of Nave roof, E and W sides of N Tower Transept and to W side of S Transept. About 20 feet linear of lead gutter at the back of the parapet S side of Lady Chapel roof and 18 feet at back of parapet E side of S Transept will require renewing. Repairs to Masonry The stonework and coping to parapet and part of wall W side of Vestries are to some extent still in a perished condition and the joints generally, where perished or open should be run in and pointed in good Portland cement, this would apply more particularly to the copings the base of the walls and the buttresses SE of the Cathedral. Some little repairs amnd pointing are also necessary to two flying buttresses at S side of Nave and to the wall near W entrance to Cloister, and to a small portion of parapet and the upper part of one buttress at the E side of Chapter House. . . external face of wall S and W sides of the Cloisters still remains in an unsatisfactory state. Edgar Tower The faces of external walls or Ashlar (excepting the parts already restored) are in the same perished and unsatisfactory state as mentioned in my former reports, but ..the S side .. is the most serious. The buttresses are indeed nearly destroyed by the wear and tear of time and the top weathering to one of them, which is of somewhat recent date is now overhanging 10 or 12 inches with but little apparent security. Some also to the bases or plinths to the jambs to arches within the Entrance Drive require some early repair and pointing.</p>
F310	1890	<p>Henry Rowe to John H.Hooper, Chapter Clerk. I enclose my annual Report. . . I also enclose Accounts for the surface repairs done by the Corporation to the approaches N and S of the Cathedral including additional works ordered in July comprising the Approach to Canon Little's residence and to the School House, together with curbing and water tables, drain pit and alteration of footway and curbs at N and W sides to corner house forming and curbing pathway East side of Green altering and laying brick pathway in connection with Mr Done's House and putting Asphalt in place of gravel to footway at S. side of Canon Melville's premises. I approximately estimate the cost to carrying into effect the works embraced in the accompanying report as follows - Restoration to S and part of E sides of Edgar Tower 360.0.0 General repairs to the roofs and gutters of Cathedral including the pointing of masonry 35.0.0 Restoring badly perished stone 60.0.0 Total 455.0.0</p>

F311	1891	<p>H.Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. Report. .. little change .. since last report and the ordinary Repairs now requiring attention are such that were embraced in my former Report - as follows:- Roofs The repairs to slating not having had attention during the past year, the defects have somewhat increased doubtless occasioned .. by the recent gales, .. viz to N side of Nave roof, E and W sides of transept N of Tower, N and S sides of Lady Chapel Roof, E and W sides of Transept N of Lady Chapel, about 40 feet linear of lead gutter at back of parapets S side of Lady Chapel &amp; E side of S Transept roofs require plumbing. Masonry The part most requiring attention is the coping and part of wall to W side of Vestries which is in a perished and unsatisfactory condition. Other repairs of a less important nature require attention more particularly two of the flying buttresses S of Nave roof and to wall and coping to W Entrance to Cloisters, the cross or vertical joints in many places are perished and open, and should be properly filled in or pointed with good Portland Cement, the External face of walls to part of S and W cloisters and which has been referred to in former Reports remains in the same state. I may .. advise that the Ash or Dust Pit between the Cloister wall and the Chapter House be enclosed - I found it very unsatisfactory and the wet soaking into the foundations of surrounding walls. Edgar Tower The masonry to the external walls to the E and W and S elevations is in a much perished state more particularly that to the S elevation the whole should (in my opinion) have attention but I would strongly advise that with regard to the S side early action should be entertained ... a subsidence has taken place in the foundations of the SE angle arising, I think, from soakage occasioned by defective drainage only recently detected. [Note in pencil] Lightning Conductor, and other works.</p>
F312	1891	<p>H.Rowe to J.H.Hooper. Account and cheque to hand but as I shall be away the whole of tomorrow, will return them duly receipted on Saturday morning - will also see you on the subject of gas lighting at St Oswald's Hospital.</p>

F313	1892	<p>H.Rowe to Dean R.W.Forrest DD and Chapter. Report. Nothing .. calling for any special .. attention with the exception of the unsatisfactory state of one of the finials connected with the pinnacle at the NW angle of the Tower the particulars of which I have reported to the Treasurer the Rev Canon Claughton. There are indications of decay in many places in the face of the masonry where the material is of a less durable nature, but the defects at present are not such as to call for immediate attention. Portions of the Crockets and caps to shafts connected with some of the pinnacles at sides of gables have perished, also parts of gable crosses a E and N ends of Lady Chapel, the latter ... require early attention; many of the joints to masonry ... are defective and should be pointed with the best Portland cement, which to make it effective requires careful treatment. Repairs are necessary to parts of the roof slating, and some of the leadwork to gutters and flats where defective should also have attention in the spring of next year. .. with regard to the Tower I made a very careful inspection of the walls and also of the bellcarriages and timber framing and found all the joints and connections satisfactory in support of which, having regard to the walls I some four years since had the open joints of all internal bonding stones closely pointed and they still remain without alteration. Lightning Conductors to Tower I made an inspection of these conductors with a view to ascertaining whether any portion of the masonry had been affected through the action of the same, but I failed to detect any. The conductors commencing from the apex of each of the four pinnacles of Tower, continuing down the side of the Tower and finally discharging into the earth on the NE side of the Tower Transept, the conductors pass through glass insulators, secured to the masonry. I am aware that these means for some years have been abandoned and other of a more approved kind adopted and also that the tape conductor to a considerable extent taking the place of the other, mostly in the construction of new erections: but not possessing the practical knowledge of an electrician I regret I cannot give that reliable advice in the matter I should wish to do, and am therefore of the opinion the better course would be to obtain the opinion of an expert in such matters. Edgar Tower The work of restoration to the S side of Edgar Tower (I am informed by the Contractor) will be completed in a few days, all remaining to be done is the fixing of down pipes from roof gutters, the removal of Scaffolding and putting in order the garden etc. The further substantial repairs requiring consideration are the restoration of the E and W sides: but I may further suggest the desirability of renovating the interior of the Clerk's Office which adjoins the landing of steps and which is in a very unsatisfactory state.</p>
F314	1893	<p>H.Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. ..Nothing has arisen since .. last year .. excepting the urgent repairs to Turret and Parapets of Tower and the restoration of gable cross to Transepts which have received attention, the work having been satisfactorily carried into effect. There are indications of decay in several places on the face of masonry ... not .. anything of a serious nature .. reashlaring to a small extent. Some repairs and pointing are necessary to the flying buttress .. above the library and the tiling to end or W Buttress .. some repairs are also necessary to the Turret at NW angle and several crockets .. together with caps have become dislodged by frost and in some instances where metal stays are inserted the stone is more or less affected. The head .. to chimney shaft connected with the Chapter House requires renewing and .. E wall of Cloister adjoining the Chapter House should have attention. Several of the cills to window openings of Cloisters have become defective through frost occasioned by the water passing down the metal bars and being absorbed into the stone; Some ..repairs are also desirable to parapet terminals .. Roofs Some slates .. require replacing, and 20 feet of defective lead gutter renewed. Tower Owing to some apprehension which appears to have arisen that the vibration during the bell ringing was thought to be injuriously affecting its stability I made a very careful examination .. I was unable to detect anything to occasion such apprehension or alarm .. Edgar Tower Restoration to S side completed. E and W elevations .. should have consideration.</p>

F315	1894	H. Rowe to J Hooper. I enclose the Annual Report. I have forwarded my private Acct for professional services to the Treasurer, Canon Claughton.
F316	1894	H. Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. Report. Nothing of importance .. has arisen since .. previous report. .. Repairs requiring attention are ; - To fill in and point .. all joints which have become open and perished .. moss on N side should be .. removed, the head to chimney shaft from Chapter House requires renewing, parts of cills to Cloister window openings, .. parapet W side of S Transept to Tower ..and coping .. require attention, also the top weathering to flat buttress repointing and the bulging stucco examined and made good, the slating to roofs .. S side of Lady Chapel and to E and W sides of N Transepts requires part reslating .. the underside of the slating also requires ..retouching. Parts of lead gutter .. require renewing. ..Portions of the carved caps or finials and some of the small vertical shafts to pinnacles have become .. somewhat fractured .. but not to such an extent as to require immediate attention, which would be costly. Edgar Tower .. the N and S elevations have already had attention and that which I think should now receive consideration is the E side the ashlar having become to some extent badly perished and has, I am afraid, in places penetrated almost the entire thickness of the same.
F317	1895	H.Rowe to J.H.Hooper. Encloses Report for Chapter Meeting.
F318	1895	H.Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. I am pleased to report that nothing has arisen ... during the past year with the exception of the restoration of the gable cross [&] to the end of Transept S of Tower which was displaced by the force of the gale. The repairs now requiring .. attention are .. repairs to some of the carved caps and also vertical shafts connected with the side turrets to gables, .. occasioned owing to dowels of an unsuitable nature having been used in the construction .. the precise nature of the repairs can only be arrived at from a proper scaffolding which would entail a somewhat large cost. Other general necessary repairs are to masonry W side of Transept S of Tower .. butress, .. chimney of Chapter House, .. Cloister windows .. parapets .. parts of roofs, and gutter. Tower .. I find but slight indication have arisen from vibration, the result of ringing, since .. former report. I should not .. consider it wise or judicious to permit the ringing to be of an unlimited character, but should be confined to, say,not exceeding at one time from one to two hours and this occasionally. .. the joints connected with the timber framing of bell carriages should have periodical attention by seeing that the bolts were securely based; at present they are satisfactory. Edgar Tower .. Masonry to E and W Elevation .. much the same .. The stone ashlar is considerably perished and should .. receive early attention. The boundary fence connected with the old burying ground on the N side of the Cathedral .. general repairs and pointing were necessary to the diway[?] wall; the metal fence above is .. broken in several places and the vertical bars require .. leading into the stone cills; the whole of the metal work, including the Entrance Gates which have not been painted for several years, requires stopping and repainting. 1896 missing

F319	1897	<p>H. Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. Report. As regards the Cathedral Fabric I must first express my regret that your Chapter have not considered it expedient to carry out portions of the work embracing certain general repairs and pointing referred to in my report of last year. .. increasing defects may be arrested and repairs of a more costly nature avoided. In addition to the matters referred to in that report, I find the decay of the Masonry to many parts of the Fabric continues, .. particularly .. the carved crockets and embellishments of the several pinnacles and caps of some, and to the Corbel Table of Parapet Walls .. more pronounced on the N side, as regards the Pinnacles generally I would recommend a careful examination by an experienced mason and such that has evidence of increased decay be removed, to avoid the possibility of accident by falling. Since my previous inspection three or four have fallen ... Cross above Gable to S Transept of Nave one of the arms ..is unsafe and should be removed. The carved cap to upper terminal of N Buttress next W End Window appears to be perished at the Base and unless properly secured with metal dowels may fall during a high wind. The masonry generally to the terminals of the Buttresses .. are perishing and should have attention. Certain of the ashlaring .. above Nave W Window should have the loose surface removed. The necking moulds to shafts of this window are to a great extent perished. Tower I.. do not perceive any additional defects, except only very slight cracks in the main bearing walls in the N &amp; S Chancel Aisles .. In the event of a fire breaking out in the Tower .. difficulties may arise in bringing into action the service water pipe above the Belfry inas much the valve to same is above the doorway leading to such Belfry and may be impossible of access. I would recommend an independent service that could be regulated from below. Roofs and Gutters .. require overhauling .. many loose slates. Weakness [sic] of Timber on S side of Nave Roof .. should be strengthened by placing struts from the Tie beams of Trusses. Roof runs and planks .. require adjusting .. Gutter boards to S side of Lady Chapel roof appear to have perished and will .. need renewing. Cliosters The Groined ceiling has in many places slightly dropped but this is of long standing with the exception of that part on the W side (adjacent to the Gate leading to Burial green) .. increased weakness and should .. have temporary support or be permanently repaired .. and the groins wedged .. and pointed.. Edgar Tower [Separate Report, stapled with above] Externally Masonry to .. E and W still remains unsatisfactory, and the defects are gradually increasing, .. repairs also necessary to the Roof.. Internal Repairs Clerks Office Ceilings and walls require repair .. broken glass in windows .. Office looking South Walls and ceiling should be pointed and recoloured. Large Room Looking East point .. fissures in walls and Arch, renew broken glass .. Approach to Lavatory Repair glass and window lights.. ceiling .. door to Roof.. Large Muniment Room Looking North Remove loose .. masonry .. and restore.. Repair and level the Stone floor to landing at head of stairs, and repair wall plaster ..</p>
F320	1897	<p>H.Rowe to J.H.Hooper. Reply to yours of 20th inst. I will give attention to and write you in a few days on the more pressing matters requiring attention at the Cathedral particularly the upper part of groined ceiling to one of the Bay of W Cloister which I will have practically examined at once, the general external repairs .. should remain till the early part of next year. [Noted on back] Report sent to Treasurer.</p>
F321	1897	<p>H.Rowe to Dean and Chapter. Most urgent repairs Gable Cross to end of S Transept .. appears insecure .. should be examined .. also .. caps, crockets and corbels .. Pinnacles with a view of removing only any parts which may be .. unsafe.. moderate cost, say £5 - £10 As regards the groined ceiling to the W Cloisters ..I have with .. a Mason examined .. although the centrePart is 8 inches below its original position I do not think 'having had the defective joints filled in and pointed' that the subsidence will continue .. E and W elevation of Edgar Tower .. require urgent attention the Ashlar work in many places .. has almost perished through its full thickness .. Should you desire I will prepare .. Specifications and .. tender for early part of .. year.</p>



F322	1898	Henry Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter. Report. I am glad to say .. many ..items .. in my report of last year have received attention, notably the pointing .. and flashings. The Terminal stones of the Pinnacles and Turrets .. somewhat perished, together with the shafts connected with turrets on the N Transept of Nave remain much in the same state, .. owing to the mild weather .. I fear .. it will be necessary to give attention to some of the defects .. particularly the terminal on N Turret W end of Nave. Head to Chimney Stack from Chapter House .. in a similar state as reported.. turrets from parapets of Cloisters require pointing .. Roofs are generally satisfactory. ..accumulation of vegetable matter .. should be .. removed. I do not perceive any defects in the interior of the fabric .. slight settlings .. have not .. increased. Tower .. no defects. Steps from College Green to the Ferry siding are defective and .. require renewing, three of those leading to the Ferry Boat require attention.. Edgar Tower Nothing .. have received attention, .. a practical examination has recently been made by Masons, under my supervision,of the E and W fronts and I regret having found the Masonry in a much worse state than could have been anticipated, the ashlar work is in a very badly perished state .. in places .. perished through to the concrete or rubble filling, ..attention should no longer be delayed.
F323	1899	H. Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter.. Items .. in last report have not received attention - Stonework in unsafe condition .. Buttress Terminal at W end of Cathedral has recently fallen owing to the force of the late gale, instructions have been given for its renewal, the N side appears to be in a dangerous condition and may fall at any time. Shafts - turrets N Transept of Nave .. have but little support owing to fractured state of masonry .. Two or three of the upper parts of the Terminals to Parapets of Tower have fallen recently .. gales, and others are cracked above the tops of metal dowels, and may be blown off at any time. .. Also certain of the pinnacles to Parapets of Cloisters, renewal of about six being .. necessary, and judicious clamping of two or three may avert their entire renewal. Evidence of decay in much of the Masonry, particularly .. Floriated Decorations & Crockets... .. Raking out and pointing .. Turrets at W end of Nave, copings .. would .. preserve the Masonry .. Head of Chimney Stack [to] Chapter House .. requires renewing. I do not perceive any serious defect in the Fabric structurally ... Roofs .. fair .. few slates requiring re-instatement. timbers to roof of Nave may shortly require attention. Edgar Tower .. much the same as last Report. Restorations as previously advised should not 'in my opinion' be delayed. Boundary Walls Gates and Fencing General pointing is necessary to Walls .. Gates and Fencing require attention and should be painted .. Castle Place .. a portion of the Wall next Castle Place has been rebuilt and provision made for rebuilding that next "Dearlove's" Garden .. in abeyance pending your .. consideration.
F324	1899	COPY. Surveyor's Report. As above.

F325	1900	<p>H. Rowe to Dean Forrest and Chapter.. Roof internally above N Aisle of Nave Trimmer beam beneath third buttress from W End requires reframing.. Lead lined Roofs Above Vegetable matter requires removing .. joints should be pointed. NW Angle Turret requires attention. Roof externally to N Transept of Nave Stone shafts [of] two angle Turrets on N side .. unsatisfactory .. metal dowels at several joints having corroded and caused the bursting of stone .. two or three have already fallen .. an accident may occur. Pointing necessary [to] Parapet walls. Interior of Roof above Nave Framed trusses .. require .. strengthening .. Roof footruns - difficult and dangerous to approach the outlets to the Roof gutters .. Nave Roof Externally Some slates require replacing .. pointing of Parapet Walls, .. flashing of gutters .. Interior of Roofs to Choir, Lady Chapel Aisles and Transepts. Roof runs require attention. The central groined arches between the Tower and the Lady Chapel have dropped some 15 inches this however has been the case for many years and I do not observe any evidence of a further subsidence. Roofs Externally Some half dozen slates require replacing SE gutters have dropped and .. hold a quantity of water due .. to perishing of the boarding beneath which requires renewing.. Roof Internally of S Transept of Nave A joint in one of the pipes of Hydrant mains is leaking .. The Tower internally inclusive of timber framing which supports the Chiming Room Belfry and Bells appears to be in a good and sound condition... Tower Externally and Roof Several of the Terminals [of] turrets at each angle of the Tower have ..fallen .. others are .. unsatisfactory .. I would suggest that .. such repairs as are necessary be carried into effect. A portion of the lead flat requires taking up, the boarding making good to a proper surface and the lead relaid, .. particularly adjacent to the approach from Staircase. .. Library and Lobby thereto Ceiling much stained by percolation of water through the lead covered roof above and requires .. whitening. Roof above Library Leadwork forming Roof is in an unsatisfactory state .. and owing to the great length and inclination is constantly slipping between the rolls. I am of the opinion that it would be judicious to renew the whole,.. and introduce a central drip. .. gutters and flashing ..pointing .. The cement casing to the W Wall of S Transept requires repair .. Roof above W Entrance to Cloister .. defective slates .. Lead Flats between S Transept and above St John's Chapel .. similar to above Library and requires same treatment. Roof of Chapter House has recently been under repair and the upper part of the chimney stack has been rebuilt. Roof above Cloisters Defective and perished Terminals and crockets .. have been repaired since my previous report. North Front of Cathedral Vegetable matter requires removing ..,a little pointing is also necessary. The dwarf wall enclosing the Green should be pointed where open joints occur, and .. gates and fencing .. painted. West End of Nave The terminals of Buttresses on either side of the W entrance have been renewed since previous report.. Paving and steps require a little repair.. Burial Ground Cloisters .. grooves intended for glazing should be filled in .. Metal down pipes, also Entrance Gates should be repaired and painted .. South Front of Cathedral and Chapter House Certain of the perished stonework requires brushing down ... A little pointing .. to Parapet wall of Chapter House. Dwarf wall enclosing little green requires repair .. gates and fencing painting .. I would suggest the removal of a portion of the ivy overhanging the ruins of the Old Guesten Hall as the great weight of same assisted by a high wind may seriously disturb the masonry. Interior of Cathedral Nothing requires special attention. Cloisters .. plaster to groined arches should be examined and perished parts .. removed. Lay Clerks Robing Room etc Boarding forming lavatory slab is much perished and should be removed, and a slate shelf substituted with approved skirting. The urinal basin is unsatisfactory and inefficiently supplied with water. The W.C. apparatus is also insanitary and out of date. I would suggest the desirability of providing a modern pedestal Closet with lifting lid which may serve also as an urinal and so dispose of that now existing. College Green Dwarf Wall .. repointing. metal gates .. painting. Retaining Wall - approach to College hall needs some repair. Promenade Terrace &amp; Boundary Fences Gates and fencing should be painted. Directions have been given for the renewal of the steps leading to the River footway: they are badly worn and dangerous to pedestrians. The Soffit of archway of Cottage requires immediate repair: some of the jointing to stonework being entirely open .. Wedging and pointing is necessary. About three of the stone steps leading to the Ferry require replacing .. and the stone walling in connection with steps at either side of the River should be repaired .. when the state of the</p>
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F326	1864	Worcester Cathl Restn. Vouchers to Acc. 28 March 1864 to 27 Jan 1870
F327		Vouchers Required 37 58 62 66 80 93 106 111 112 113 144 crossed out- 158 159 160 161
F328	1864	1 Receipt J.Mereman 1234cuft Ombersley Stone £56.11.10 [Endorsed £56.11.2]
F329	1864	2 Receipt J.Mereman 1091cuft Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F330	1864	3 Receipt J.Bennett, for West End £400.0.0
F331	1864	4 Receipt J.Mereman, stone £47.5.10
F332	1864	5 Receipt W.Leicester,Bookseller,6,High St.a/c 12.0
F333	1864	6 Receipt J.Bennett,West End £300.0.0
F334	1864	7 Receipt J.Mereman, stone deliveries £40.0.0
F335	1864	Receipt J.Bennett New Window +W.End of Nave £400.0.0
F336	1864	8 Receipt J.Bennett,New Window +W.End of Nave £400.0.0
F337	1864	9 Receipt J.Mereman, 1091cuft Ombersley Stone £50.0.1
F338	1864	10 Receipt J.Mereman,853cuft Ombersley Stone £39.2.6
F339	1864	11 Receipt W.Assiter Clerk of Works,Wages Nov £11.11.0
F340	1865	12 Receipt W.Assiter Clerk of Works, Wages Dec £11.11. 0
F341	1865	13 Receipt John Mereman Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F342	1865	14 Receipt Midland Counties Herald, Sub. List £6.16.0
F343	1865	15 Receipt AEP. Ads for Timber in Building News, Builder, printing G.G.Scott's Letter £3.11.0
F344	1865	16 Receipt Augustus Woodcock, London Warming & Ventilating Co. £100.0.0
F345	1865	17 Receipt John Hemming & Son. Stoves, Taking down Organ Canopies. Framing for Organ in N.Aisle £46.0.0
F346	1865	18 Receipt Birmingham Daily Gazette £12.7.0
F347	1865	19 Receipt H.Hughes N.Aisle repairs £600.0.0
F348	1865	20 Receipt W.Assiter Clerk of Works,wages, Jan £11.11.0
F349	1865	21 Receipt W.Assiter Clerk of Works,wages, Feb £11.11.0
F350	1865	22 Receipt H.Hughes. Fixing stoves. £125.0.0
F351	1865	23 Receipt J.Andrews assisting fixing stoves, and pulling down Organ Screen £58.0.0
F352	1865	24 Bill/Receipt H.C.Price & Co. Engineers. Warming the Cathedral. Railway and expenses £7.0.0 [Bill for £15.15.0 is settled for £7] Mr Lea to
F353	1865	25 Receipt John Mereman 764 cuft Ombersley Stone£35.0.4
F354	1865	. 26 Receipt John Bennett, final Payment Great West Window, Door, Steps etc £23.1.7«
F355	1865	27 Receipt Wm Assiter, Clerk of Works £11.11.0
F356	1865	28 Joseph Scragg, Punch Bowl Inn to Bill £3.16.3
F357	1865	29 Bill T.Fisher iron bars,screws,cramps £3.15.2

F358	1865	30 Receipt Clifton&Hooper,Contract- H.Hughes £28.13.4
F359	1865	31 Receipt H.Hughes, N.Side of Nave £1000.0.0
F360	1865	32 Receipt Joseph Andrews, Assisting to fix stoves, pulling down Organ & erecting canvas screen. £38.18.0
F361	1865	33 Receipt John Mereman,1091cuft Ombersley Stone£50.0.0
F362	1865	34 Receipt Augustus Woodcock, The London Warming & Ventilating Co. £400.0.0
F363	1865	35 Receipt/Bill G.Crump, Fixing stoves, Ironmongery, Drills, etc. screws £8.3.5
F364	1865	36 Receipt J.Mereman 1091cuft Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F365	1865	38 Postage stamps, Stationery £10.17.6
F366	1865	Scrap- Part payment of George's Bill £11.19.6
F367	1865	39 Receipt H.Hughes, N.Clerestory of Nave, Porch, Baptistry, Tower, extra work. £375.0.0
F368	1865	40 Receipt H.Hughes N. Clerestory, Nave Aisles, Porch, Baptistry & Tower £220.0.0
F369	1865	41 Receipt/Bill Eaton&Sons Bookseller,College St 10.6
F370	1865	42 Receipt J.Mereman 761 cu.ft stone £34.17.7
F371	1865	43 Receipt A.Deighton, Bookseller, High St. £7.12.0 to a/c rendered Midsummer.
F372	1865	44 Receipt/Bill George Hall (Nov'64-Feb.'65) £15.7.11 Ironmonger Lamps, paraffin, wicks, Colya Oil .. (2 pages,detailed)
F373	1865	45 Receipt Richard Boulton, Sculptor £15.10.0 Estimate for Sculpture and Carving-West Door, Expulsion from Paradise 2 figures of Angels, 2
F374	1865	46 Ackn.Henry Hughes to T.Baxter 'I hear my £348.0.0 Foreman has been compelled to remove some of the Hands for want of details'
F375	1865	47 Receipt/Bill W.Hill & Sons Organ Mfr £100.0.0 Removing organ and re-erecting a portion in N.Transept.
F376	1865	48 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 840 cu.ft stone £38.10.0
F377	1865	49 Receipt/Cert H.Hughes North Side of £198.0.0 Nave Aisle, North Porch
F378	1865	50 Receipt Joseph Hatton, Berrows Worcester £10.8.0 Journal (1864)
F379	1865	51 Receipt/Cert Henry Hughes £213.0.0
F380	1865	52 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1341 cu.ft stone £61.9.3
F381	1866	53 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1302 cu.ft stone £59.13.6
F382	1866	54 Receipt/Cert J. Mereman 1639 cu.ft stone £75.2.5
F383	1866	55 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1446 cu.ft stone £66.5.6
F384	1866	56 Receipt Henry Hughes, per Frederick Lewis £500.0.0
F385	1866	57 Receipt Mr John Mereman Ombersley Stone £69.10.7
F386	1866	58 Envelope, Stuckey's Banking, Bristol Acknowledges payment for Mr H.Hughes £160.0.0
F387	1866	59 John Mereman,Receipt/Cert 1432 cuft Ombersley Stone, including haulage @ 11d. per cuft £65.12.8
F388	1866	60 Receipt/Bill Thomas Doe, Printseller £3.0.0
F389	1866	61 Receipt/Bill, Birmingham Daily Post(1864) £10.2.6

F390	1866	63 Receipt Robert Hughes, Surveyor. £252.0.0
F391		64 Receipt/Cert. Joseph Andrews. Work and Materials for road and Churchyard of St Michael's in the College Yard. £70.0.0
F392	1866	65 Receipt J.Mereman 1312 cu.ft Ombersley Stone £60.2.8
F393	1866	67 Receipt Robert Hughes. Cathedral Grounds, Road Improvements £300.0.0
F394	1866	68 Receipt/Bill Hemming & Son. Putting up Screen at Choir, covering with Scarlet cloth, hanging doors to keep out draughts, taking down framing, building Organ platform, stands for sconces, etc. £21.7.0
F395	1866	69 F. Wadeley. Copying 3 sets of specifications and paper for same. £2.0.10
F396	1866	70 Receipt/Bill J.Close, frosted glass, £17.13.9« lead glass and laying gutters
F397	1866	71 Receipt/Bill J.Andrews, Taking down temporary Organ Screen Scaffold, Helping take dimentions of Tower, Black Culler used for drawing on the Nave Floor. £6.8.3 (Powell - Labourer, Evans - Scaffold Builder)
F398	1866	72 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1513 cu.ft stone £69.6.11
F399	1866	73 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1172cu.ft stone £53.14.4
F400	1866	74 Receipt/Cert Joseph Andrews re Roads and £50.0.0 Churchyard St Michael's
F401	1866	75 Receipt Henry Hughes-Contract Work £400.0.0 via Stuckey's Bank Co. per F. Lewis
F402	1866	Acknowledgement, Somersetshire Bank ,Bristol
F403	1866	76 Receipt W.Robins 1343cu.ft stone £61.11.1
F404	1866	77 Receipt Collins & Cullis Roads and footways £200.0.0
F405	1866	78 Receipt/Bill Mr A.C.Hooper's Charges, £15.1.6 St Michael's Churchyard. (Solicitors)
F406	1866	79 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1006 cu.ft stone £65.9.11
F407	1866	81 Receipt A.E.Perkins Architect's Fees £150.0.0
F408	1866	82 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman £46.2.2
F409	1866	83 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 230cu.ft Walling £63.5.0 stone for College Yard
F410	1866	84 Receipt/Cert William Robins 609cu.ft stone £27.18.3
F411	1866	85 Receipt/Bill Holl & Darke Worcester Herald £11.17.0
F412	1866	86 Receipt/Bill Knight &Co Worcester Chronicle Resolutions, Subscriptions 1000 Copies Less £5.5.0 Subscription = £6.14.6 £11.19.6
F413	1866	87 Receipt/Cert W.Robins 460cu.ft stone £21.1.8
F414	1866	88 Receipt Henry Hughes £232.0.0
F415	1867	89 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1690cu.ft stone £77.9.2
F416	1867	90 Receipt/Cert Mr Robert Hughes, Earthwork £136.1.1 and Drainage - N. side of Cathedral
F417	1867	91 Receipt/Cert J.Mereman 1374 cu.ft stone £62.19.6
F418	1867	92 Receipt/Cert Mr W. Robins 835cu.ft. stone £38.5.5

F419	1867	94 Receipt/Cert John Mereman 2258cu.ft. stone £103.9.9
F420	1867	95 Receipt/Cert Mr W.Robins 1235cu.ft. stone £56.12. 1
F421	1867	96 Receipt/Cert Collins & Cullis, Lowering Approaches £194.16.8«
F422	1867	97 Receipt Henry Hughes £355.0.0
F423	1867	98 Receipt/Bill Robert Edgar, 2 large £41.8.0 Perspective drawings of Cathedral Interior
F424	1867	99 Receipt/Bill Hatton &Co, Berrows Worcester Journal,Meeting, Resolution and Subs. £12.4.6
F425	1867	100 Receipt/Bill Knight & Co Chronicle, 65,Broad St. List of Subscribers, Midland Counties Herald and Leamington Courier £23.17.3
F426	1867	101 Receipt/Bill Holl & Darke Worcester Herald List of Subscribers, Restoration Meeting £12.5.0
F427	1867	102 A.Deighton & Son 53,High St,Worcester. £7.13.6 Stationery printing+postage for Public Meeting and engraving Lord Lyttelton's signature
F428	1867	103 Receipt/Cert. John Mereman £96.2.3 Ombersley Stone 2097Cu ft
F429	1867	104 Bill, John Burbidge,Drummond Chambers, Adelphi, Colouring large Drawing of Cathedral, E.View with new Reredos, & W.view with new
F430	1867	105 Certificate W.Robins 899cu.ft Ombersley Stone "Selled William Robins" £41.4.1
F431	1867	Receipt/Bill Geo. Crump, Ironmonger. Straps, rowlers etc. for lifting coffins, Repairing Old Palisades in the Carnal House. £27.6.0
F432	1867	108 Receipt, Bill Wm Hill & Son 261,Euston Rd £140.0.0 for removing and re-erecting.....at W.End Received £80.0.0
F433	1867	109 Perkins to Baxter,Pay Joseph Andrews £25.0.0 Mary Andrews X
F434	1867	110 Receipt H.Hughes per Fr. Lewis £1000.0.0
F435	1867	112 Receipt Collins and Cullis, Repair of Choir £130.0.0
F436	1867	113 Receipt A.E. Perkins, Architect's Fees £200.0.0
F437	1867	114 Receipt Henry Hughes £500.0. 0
F438	1867	115 Receipt R.George, Railing £17.1. 1
F439	1867	116 Receipt/Cert Messrs Twinberrow & Co,materials £4.7.8
F440	1867	117 Receipt/Cert Collins & Cullis £181.0.0
F441	1868	118 Receipt/Bill Elizabeth Lane,Pump St. Crimson Cloth, etc. Making cushions for Nave £6.0.3
F442	1868	119 Receipt/Bill Thomas Doe,High St Drawings for Restoration & framing, Display at Guildhall, sending to Stratford-on-Avon,and return.
F443	1868	120 Receipt Woodward & Co, Drapers - Baize, thread binding, carpet, stuffing & covering Kneelings £74.19.10
F444	1868	121 Receipt A. Pemberton Brush-Mfrs Broad St £30.12.10
F445	1868	122 Receipt/Bill Collins & Cullis, Seats and fitting in the Nave. Materials. £23.11.10« Workmen, Denley, Noden, Green, Cheshire Bourne, Homes.
F446	1868	123 Receipt/Bill J.Fisher-X- Rimlock+screws 6.3 Fixing petition door out of Nave to Choir
F447	1868	124 Receipt Henry Hughes £500.0.0
F448	1868	125 Receipt Collins & Cullis £200.0.0
F449	1868	126 Receipt A.E.Perkins, Architect's Fees £100.0.0

F450	1868	127 Receipt/Bill R.George, Ornamental Brackets £23.6.0 fixing columns with lead, removing and fixing stove
F451	1868	128 Receipt Farmer&Brindley, Foundations,Reredos £65.0.0
F452	1868	129 Bill Pickfords, Early&Powell-2cases-Dublin 9.7
F453	1868	130 Receipt Joseph Andrews Lowering College Yard £20.0.0
F454	1868	131 Receipt Richard Boulton Sculptor, 6 statues £120.0.0 to Tower, also repair of six old ones
F455	1868	132 Receipt A.E.Perkins, Architect's Fees £100.0.0
F456	1868	133 Receipt/Bill Birmingham Daily Gazette Subs £16.11.0
F457	1868	134 Receipt/Bill Birmingham Journal Sub List £6.10.0
F458	1868	135 Receipt/Bill Birmingham Daily Post Sub List £2.14.0
F459	1868	136 Receipt J.Hardman & Co West Door Fittings £125.0.0
F460	1868	137 Receipt/Cert J.Close, W.End Nave,Fitting for services. Lowering College Yard £21.7.4
F461	1868	138 Receipt/Cert James Close, lead & painting £ 1.7.9 ornamental ironwork on W.Door of Cathedral
F462	1868	139 Receipt Farmer&Brindley,Foundations,Reredos £30.19.4
F463	1868	140 Receipt W.Hill & Son, removing Organ £30.0.0 (2nd Instalment)
F464	1868	141 Receipt/Cert Mr George ornamental bolt for W.Door 7.6
F465	1868	142 Receipt/Cert Hemming & Sons Making W.End Doors £51.16.0
F466	1868	Cert Mr Boulton carving £50.0.0
F467		143 Receipt Mr Boulton carving £50.0.0
F468	1868	145 Receipt Collins & Cullis, Tower, N.Porch £250.0.0
F469	1868	146 Receipt/Cert Collins & Cullis, Tower £200.0.0
F470	1868	147 Receipt/ R.L.Boulton,Sculptor-Tower carvings £70.0.0
F471	1868	148 Receipt/Bill Knight & Co, Notice/Sub list £12.6.6 in Chronicle, Herald, Standard &c
F472	1869	149 Receipt/Cert Collins & Cullis, Tower, N.Porch £350.0.0
F473	1869	150 Receipt/Bill Messrs Tyley & Son, Bristol £4.2.6 Purbeck Marble
F474	1869	151 Receipt Wm. Thomas Bennett, B'ham, stone £2.14.2
F475	1869	152 Receipt/Bill John Hiron,Stonemason, The Butts 10.0 for use of boring tackle.
F476	1869	153 Receipt/Cert Hemming & Son,BUILDER,Lowesmoor Fitting up Nave for Divine Service. £176.5.9
F477	1869	154 Receipt A.E.Perkins Fees £100. 0.0
F478	1869	155 Cert/Receipt Chance & Co, Glass Mfrs B'ham £73.17.2 Louvres for Tower Windows
F479	1869	156 Cert Collins & Cullis , Tower £200.0.0
F480	1869	157 Receipt W.Hill & Son £30.0.0
F481	1870	158 Receipt/Bill J.Hardman & Co 1867/8, 23 Figures - Our Lord + 12 Apostles and prophets for North Porch £205.10.0

F482	1870	158 Receipt/Bill J.Hardman & Co £373.16.0 Stained Glass for E.Window
F483	1870	159 Receipt Collins & Cullis £492.19.0
F484	1870	160 Receipt, Collins & Cullis, Completing £278.15.0 Hughes'Contract, Tower, N. Aisle, N. side of Nave, N.Porch & Baptistery £287.15.11
F485	1870	161 Receipt/Cert Woodward & Co 18.9
F486	1870	162 Receipt/Bill Worcs Herald, Holl&Darke(1866-7) £2.8.0
F487		
F488	1870	Cardboard Divider Worcester Cathedral Restn - Vouchers 27.1.70 - 1st Oct. 1872
F489	1870	2 Receipt R.J.Boulton, Sculptor, Tower,Porch £132.14.6
F490	1870	6 Receipt Francis Spooner, Clifton House Henwick Auditing Accounts £5.5.0
F491	1870	7 Bill/Note/Cert John Smith Weights & Measures £1.7.6 Office,Guildhall, weighing and measuring upward of 10 tons of lead sent wrong by Hughes - Contractor. For Cathedral roof.
F492	1870	9 Receipt/Bill J.W.Isaac, Guildhall, to H.A.Cariss, Writing Clerk, Circulars & 1184 stamps £8.8.8
F493	1870	10 Receipt/Bill Pidcock & Son Solicitor £16.0.4 Legal proceedings concerning enforcement of Hughes Contract 1867-70 and settlement.
F494	1870	11 Receipt/Bill Deighton & Sons Envelopes £7.10.9
F495	1870	12 Receipt Glynrhonwy Slate Co. Carnarvon £29.0.3
F496	1870	13 Receipt A.E.Perkins £100.0.0
F497	1870	14 Receipt Farmer & Brindley - woodwork- Choir £200.0.0
F498	1871	16 Receipt/Bill (Jul-Sept1870) C.H.Birbeck £14.11.0 Berrows Journal - Advertising & Printing (£24.11.0 less Subscription of £10.0.0)
F499	1871	17 Receipt/Bill (7.9.70)Worcs Chronicle, Knight & Co £13.12.0
F500	1871	18 Receipt/Bill Deighton & Son, 53 High St £1.3.0 Envelopes
F501	1871	Bill (Feb 1866-Dec 1869) Eaton & Son, College St. Stationery. £1.14.3 steel pens @1/6 a gross, Account Book etc
F502	1871	19 Receipt Eaton & Son £1.14.3
F503	1871	20 Receipt A.E.Perkins £100.0.0
F504	1871	21 Receipt Farmer & Brindley £200.0.0
F505	1871	22 Receipt/Cert Collins & Cullis for Tower + Roof (Receipted 15.3.71) £130.0.0
F506	1871	24 Receipt A.E.Perkins £274.17.6
F507	1871	25 Receipt G.G.Scott, Rook's Nest, Godstone. Works in the Choir £500 G.G.S to T.Baxter. I have given my explanation of the items alluded to, but I will see if I can make some reduction in their amount. As I have failed to receive any directions from Sir J.Pakington to whom I have written recommending that as but little saving proves possible it will be better to fall back with the old arrangement,- have suggested to Mr Powell & write to you to say that unless he receives contrary directions he will go on. I have not heard whether he has done so. He knows my views as to details, subject to the work being resumed as before intended.
F508	1871	Receipt G.Wood for G.G.Scott (D&C) £500.0.0



F509	1871	26	Receipt/Bill Holl & Dark, Worcs Herald £19.4.0	Circulars
F510	1871	27	Receipt/Bill G.Williams, Worcs Advertiser £12.16.0	Advertising Subscriptions
F511	1871	28	Receipt Collins & Cullis £200.0.0	
F512	1871	29	Receipt Farmer & Brindley - wood fittings £600.0.0	
F513	1871	30	Receipt Farmer & Brindley - wood fittings £400.0.0	
F514,	1871	32	Receipt (2 copies) Collins & Cullis Plastering groins & scaffolding, concreting floor £75.0.0	
F515	1871	33	Receipt Farmer & Brindley, wood fittings £400.0.0	
F516	1872	34	Receipt Hardman & Co Painting Choir Roof &c £430.0.0	from Chancel Arch to Intersecting Bay
F517	1872	35	Receipt Farmer & Brindley Choir fittings £200.0.0	& Screens
F518	1872	36	Receipt Collins & Cullis £160.0.0	
F519	1872	38	Receipt A.E.Perkins, Architect's Fees £20.0.0	
F520	1872		Copy Cert Greenway & Sons, Gas - £40	
F521	1872	39	Receipt Greenway & Sons, Meters and service mains for Nave & Choir £40.0.0	
F522	1872	40	Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Choir Fitting £400.0.0	
F523	1872	41	Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Choir Screen £200.0.0	
F524	1872	42	Receipt A.E.Forrest,3 weeks salary @£1.10.0	£4.10.0
F525	1872	43	Receipt Farmer&Brindley, Screen for Choir £300.0.0	
F526	1872	44	Receipt Field Poole & Sons, marble steps £400.0.0	
F527	1872	45	Receipt. J. Hardman, Decoration on Sacarium Roof. £300.0.0	
F528	1872	46	Receipt/Bill Hemming & Son Ornamental Pattern, Screen £3.10.0	
F529	1872	47	Receipt. Skidmore, via Union Banking Co. £300.0.0	
F530	1872		Cert. Farmer & Brindley, Choir Screen £300	
F531	1872	48	Receipt and Ackn. Farmer & Brindley, Choir Screen £300.0.0	
F532	1872	50	Receipt & Ackn. Farmer & Brindley £200.0.0	Organ Case
F533	1872	51	Receipt. Skidmore. Screen over Stalls £320.0.0	
F535	1872	49+52	Receipt. A.E.Forrest. Jul-Aug, Aug-Sept. £6.0.0	
F536	1872	53	Receipt, Field,Poole. Marble Steps and Pavement. £200.0.0	
F537	1872		List of Vouchers not yet found 1,3,4,5,8,23,(29)31,37	
F538	1872	1	Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Organ Case £150.0.0	
F539	1872	2	Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Choir + Screen £200.0.0	
F540	1872	3	Receipt/Bill Joseph Andrews,'removing Rubil' and shifting stones £29.0.0	
F541	1872	4	Receipt and Ackn. Collins & Cullis £250.0.0	

F542	1872	5 Receipt Skidmore.Stall,Screens and Grilles £103.0.0
F543	1872	6 Receipt G.G.Scott, Fees £200.0.0
F544	1872	7 Receipt A.E.Perkins, Fees £200.0.0
F545	1872	8 A.E.Forrest,11 weeks salary,Clerk of Works £16.10.0
F546	1873	9 Receipt/Bill A.E.Pemberton, Brush Manufacturer, 15,Broad St, Feb 1866-June 1867. Bill sent Nov 1872. Charcoal, Cocoa Matting, Nails
F547	1873	Cert. A.E.Forrest, (AEP)
F548	1873	10 Receipt A.E.Forrest, 9 weeks salary Nov 1872- Jan 1873 £13.10.0
F549	1872	Bill/Cert. Farmer & Brindley. To finding Material and executing Altar Table.
F550	1873	11 Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Altar Table £74.10.0
F551	1873	Cert. F.A.Skidmore,(GGS) Reredos,Grilles, Altar Rails, Screen
F552	1873	12 Receipt F.A.Skidmore, Choir Screen £185.0.0
F553	1873	13 Receipt Wm Hill, Organ £300.0.0
F554	1873	14 W.B.Sanderson, Warwick. Thanks for cheque. £11.0.0 Has checked Rev.J.Ray's Sub,and Mr S.Lloyd's. [See also Letters from Subscribers]
F555	1873	18 Jas.Freeman, Birmingham, to Chas. Spooner. Encloses Subs £35 (6 Donors) and kept 2 - £6.1.0 to pay for printing and postage. Receipted - 1.4.73 £6.10.0 [See also Letters from Subscribers]
F556	1873	19 Receipt Farmer & Brindley. Choir Screen £150.0.0
F557	1873	21 Receipt A.E.Forrest,Clerk of Works. Salary 13 weeks@30/-includes two weeks-March 1872 £19.10.0
F558	1873	22 Receipt Greenway & Son. £100.0.0
F559	1873	1 Receipt A.E. Forrest 7 weeks Salary £14.0.0
F560	1873	2 Receipt Wood & Sons - The Butts £400.0.0
F561	1873	3 Receipt W. Greenway & Sons £100.0.0
F562	1873	4 Receipt Collins & Cullis £268.7.9
F563	1873	5 Receipt Maria Perkins (Adminisratrix AEP) £200.0.0
F564	1873	6 Receipt F.A.Skidmore - Choir Screen £200.0.0
F565	1873	Cert. Farmer & Brindley - organ
F566	1873	7 Receipt Farmer & Brindley £250.0.0
F567	1873	8 Cert. Farmer & Brindley JOS
F568	1873	8 Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Choir fittings £500.0.0
F569	1873	9 Receipt A.E. Forrest, Salary £20.0.0
F570	1873	10 Receipt Hill & Sons, Organ £200.0.0
F571	1873	11 Receipt Sir Gilbert Scott, Fees £300.0.0

F572	1873	12 Receipt W.Hill & Sons, Organ £300.0.0
F573	1873	13 Receipt W.Godwin, Lugwardine Works, Tiles £300.0.0
F574	1873	Cert. Collins & Cullis AEF £400.0.0
F575	1873	15 Receipt/Ackn. Collins & Cullis £400.0.0
F576	1873	16 Cert Farmer & Brindley, Organ Case £400.0.0
F577	1873	16 Receipt Farmer & Brindley, Organ Case £400.0.0
F578	1873	17 Bill/Receipt J.Close, Paint, White Lead, Varnish £18.9.2
F579	1873	18 Receipt/Bill Joseph Andrews,Builder, removing 'rubil' - Reredos. Taking gravestones into Crypt. [Names workmen - Weston, Harris, Manton, Fowler, Hale, and wages.] £9.17.3
F580	1873	19 Receipt/Bill. J.Hardman & Co £760.0.0 Decorating Roof of Choir, N.& S.Transept
F581	1873	19 Acknowledgement. J. Hardman
F582	1873	20 Receipt Farmer&Brindley Fitting Organ Case £300.0.0
F583	1873	21 Receipt Maria Perkins £50.0.0
F584	1874	23 Receipt A.E.Forrest, Clerk of Works, 16 weeks salary @ £2 £32.0.0
F585	1873	Bill & Statement of Account, W.Hill.
F586	1874	24 Receipt W.Hill & Sons £84.0.0
F587	1874	25 Receipt/Ackn. Field Poole & Sons Pavement £400.0.0
F588	1874	26 Receipt Farmer & Brindley fittings £300.0.0
F589	1874	27 Receipt John Hardman & Co. Decorations £300.0.0
F590	1874	28 Bill Salary-AE Forrest,Clerk of Works 9 weeks @ £2 £18.0.0
F591	1874	28 Receipt AE Forrest £18.0.0
F592	1874	Cert. Collins & Cullis, £200
F593	1874	29 Receipt/Ackn Collins & Cullis £200.0.0 Will you inform us how we shall make out the a/c for works charge[d] to Earl Dudley..
F594	1873	Bill. W.Goodwin, Lugwardine Tile Works £360.0.0
F595	1874	Letter. W.Goodwin sends copy of Account
F596	1874	Copy. Lugwardine Tile Works. Bill of 18.4.73
F597	1874	Ackn W.Goodwin, Lugwardine Tile Works
F598	1874	32 Receipt W.Goodwin, Lugwardine Tile Works for Balance, Choir £60.0.0
F599	1874	33 Receipt/Bill Abraham Pemberton, Brush Mfr £22.9.0
F600	1874	34 Ackn. Collins & Cullis £126.0.0
F601	1874	34 Receipt Collins & Cullis £126.0.0
F602	1874	35 Receipt Wood & Sons Balance of Account £255.0.0

F603	1874	36 Receipt Maria Perkins £50.0.0
F604	1874	37 Receipts/Bill F.Spooner - 6 Docs £12.14.10 For Bills/Receipts:- F.Spooner-Postage,stationery,telegram £5.15.6
F605		A.E.Forrest, Travel & Sundries, £6.7.6
F606	1873	Eaton & Son Bookseller (1873 a/c) 7.0
F607		Eaton & Son Stationery 9.4
F608	1871	Birbeck & Co Bill (26.9.71) 2.6
F609	1874	Birbeck & Co. - Berrows Worc Journal 2.6 Account Receipted. Note. Paid by Canon Wood. FS to reimburse.
F610	1874	38 Receipt A.E.Forrest 12 weeks salary, Clerk of Works £24.0.0
F611	1874	39 Acknowledgement Hardman's £500.0.0
F612	1874	Receipt. Hardman's £500.0.0
F613	1874	40 Receipt & Ackn. Farmer & Brindley £100.0.0
F614	1874	41 Receipt A.E.Forrest 3 months salary £25.0.0 to Sept 30th 1874 the termination of my engagement.
F615	1874	42 Acknowledgment, Farmer & Brindley, and note that Lord Dudley hasn't paid £78 for Mayor's Chair.
F616	1874	42 Receipt Farmer & Brindley £81.0.0
F617	1874	43 Receipted Bill W.Greenway & Sons, Worcester. Itemised- for Gas Fittings 1871-4 £127.7.6
F618	1874	A.E.F. to J.Spooner. Greenway's Contract delayed for a year. Prices risen by 15% = £50. Pay extra.
F619	1874	A.E.F to Canon Wood. Balance of A/c is £77.17.6. Claim of £71.2.0 is due to the delay and rising prices. £50 was allowed for in last Account. Please pay in full.
F620	1874	44 Bill, Hardman & Co. Sent Feb and April, Receipt attached. £1154.0.0
F621	1874	44 Ackn. Hardman's. Decorations & other works. £1154.0.0
F622	1874	45 Receipt Field, Poole & Son. Detailed Bill to Sir G.G.Scott sent Sept 73. Laying and altering marble pavement in Choir and Sanctuary. Total Bill £1091.1.6 Receipt-Balance £98.10.0
F623	1874	46 Receipt & Ackn. Skidmore, Meriden. Gates will be seen to at once. £150.0.0
F624	1874	A.E.F. to F.Spooner Repairs to Skidmore's Gates and keys 25.0
F625	1874	47 Receipted Bill F.A.Skidmore,Meriden,Cert GGS Detailed. £65.12.0
F626		
F627	1864	Worcester Cathedral Restoration [Printed] Account of Receipts and Expenditure 1864-1875
F628		Card. Architect's Certificates
F629	1864	Cert. John Mereman, 1234 cuft Ombersley Stone £56.11. 2
F630	1864	Cert. John Mereman, 1091 cuft Ombersley Stone £50. 0.1
F631	1864	Cert. John & James Bennett, W. End of Nave, S. Aisle £400

F632	1864	Cert. John Mereman, 884 ft 4 inches Stone £47.5.10
F633	1864	Cert. J.& J.Bennett, West End, S. Aisle, West Door £300
F634	1864	Cert. Mr Merreman, Stone £40.0.0
F635	1864	Cert. J.& J.Bennett, West End, S.Aisle, West Door £400
F636	1864	Cert. John Mereman, 1091 cuft Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F637	1864	Cert. John Mereman, 853 cuft Ombersley Stone £39.2.6
F638	1865	Cert. John Mereman, 1091 cu ft Ombersley Stone £50.0.1
F639	1865	Cert. John Mereman, 764 cu ft Ombersley Stone £35.0.5
F640	1865	Cert. Mr Woodcock, Gurney Stoves £400
F641	1865	Cert. Messrs Hemming & Son, Assisting fitting Stoves £25, also taking down Organ and Stall Screens £15, putting up timber framing for Organ in N. Aisle £6 £46.0.0
F642	1865	Cert. Joseph Andrews, Assisting fitting stoves, £40. Assisting taking down Organ, £18 £58.0.0
F643	1865	Cert. Joseph Andrews, Assisting to fix stoves, take down Organ, put up canvas screens etc. £38.18.0
F644	1865	Cert. Alfred Weaver 4 weeks salary - due 17.4.65 £10.12.0
F645	1865	Endorsed Cert. Weaver 17.4.65 Note. Laying of Lady Chapel floor depends on warming flue. Cutting and inserting new stone work of Tower/ dangers of safety of Tower. Have Clerk of Works on Tower during all working hours.
F646	1865	Cert. John Mereman, 1091 cu ft Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F647	1865	Cert. John Mereman, 1091 cu ft Ombersley Stone £50.0.0
F648	1866	STAPLED TOGETHER [13.6.66 Cert. Collins & Cullis, Restoration of Cloister £700 From Restoration Fund to Cathedral Fabric Fund, Pay to Worcester Old Bank [26.6.66 Cert. Mr Hughes, Surveyor of Roads and Approaches £252 [29.4.65 Cert. Stoves answer the purpose for which they were intended. Mr Woodcock may be paid the Balance. [4.10.66 Cert. Collins & Cullis, Cloisters £500 [3.10.66 Cert. Collins & Cullis, College Yard -roads etc £200 [ .8.65 Cert. John Mereman 761cuft Ombersley Stone £34.17.7 [3.10.66 Cert William Robins 1343 cuft Ombersley Stone £61.11.1
F649	1866	Cert. Mr Hughes, Road and Approaches £300
F650	1866	Cert. Messrs Collins & Cullis- Cloisters £150
F651/1	1865	Sealed Slip containing 28 Receipts for Wages, A.Weaver, Clerk of Works - 1865-7 @ £2.8.0 per week (2 weeks - 5 weeks)
F652	1867	Receipt Alfred Weaver Clerk of Works, 2 wks pay £4.16.0
F653	1867	Receipt Alfred Weaver Clerk of Works, 2 wks pay £4.16.0
F654	1867	Receipt Alfred Weaver Clerk of Works, 2 wks pay £4.16.0
F655	1867	Cert/R. J.Mereman 1547 cuft Ombersley Stone £70.18.1
F656	1867	Receipt J.Mereman from Mr Baxter, Part of a Bill £20
F657	1867	Receipt Alfred Weaver Clerk of Works, 2 wks pay £4.16.0

F658	1867	Cert. Mr George, making & Fixing iron railing £25.0.0
F659	1867	Receipt. R.George £25.0.0
F660	1867	Cert. Mr George, making and fixing a railing round College Yard. £17.1.1
F661	1868	Cert. Mr. Abraham Pemberton- fitting up Nave for Divine Service during Restoration of Choir £30.12.10«
F662	1868	Cert. Collins & Cullis, Choir etc £200
F663	1868	Note, AEP to Baxter- pay Collins & Cullis, pressed for cash. Lead for Tower will be here in a few days.
F664	1868	Cert. Brindley & Farmer, Foundation of new Reredos £65
F665	1868	Cert. Mr Boulton, Sculptor, Carving on Tower £120
F666	1868	Cert. Brindley & Farmer, Foundation of New Reredos £30.19.4
F667	1868	Cert. Mr Hiron, loan - boring tools used at the stoves 10/-
F668	1868	Cert. Hardman's. Ornamental iron work for West Door £125
F669	1868	Perkins to Baxter, wants cheque for further £100
F670	1868	Cert/Bill. Chance Bros. Glass Louvres, for Clock & Bells Committee £73.17.2
F671	1868	Cert. William & John Bennett, Stone Merchant, Stone for refixing Tower Pinnacles £2.14.2
F672	1868	Cert. Collins & Cullis, Tower, N. Porch £250
F673	1868	Cert. Messrs Tyley & Sons, Marble Merchants, Bristol Purbeck Marble shaft, N.Porch £4.2.6
F674	1868	Note AEP to Baxter. Sending 4 Certs
F675	1868	Cert. Collins & Cullis Tower, N.Porch, etc £200
F676	1870	Alfred Weaver, Clerk of Works. £2.8.0
F677	1870	Cert/Receipt. Joseph Andrews, various works £4.14.1
F678	1870	Cert. Mr Boulton, Sculptor: Carving, Tower, N.Porch. Balance of A/c £132.14.6
F679	1870	Cert. Messrs Hardman, Stained Glasss, 4 Lights of Great East Window, colours heightened £373.16.0
F680	1870	Cert. Henry Hughes, Builder, Tower, N.side of Nave Aisles, N. Porch, Baptistery - Final Payment £1003.15.4
F681	1870	Cert. Hardman, Sculptures in N. Porch (final) £205.10.0
F682	1870	Cert. Collins & Cullis on Mr Hughes Contract: Tower, N.Aisle, Clerestorey of Nave, Baptistery, N.Porch, (final) £278.15.11
F683	1870	Cert. Collins & Cullis, Final payment to 1.11.69 £492.19.0
F684	1870	Receipt A.E. Perkins, on A/c. Architect's charges £100
F685	1870	Glynrhonwy Slate Co. Ltd. Caernarvon. Bill/Cert AEP (on Hughes A/c) 10« ton Slate @ 55/- £29.3.0
F686	1870	Cert. Farmer & Brindley. GGS £200
F687	1871	Hardman's. Bill. Trial Drawings for Bay of Choir Roof (Mr John H.Powell) £10.0.0
F688	1871	Cert. Farmer & Brindley - for stalls £400
F689	1871	Receipt G.G.Scott, Designing Reredos. £10.10.0

F690	1871	Cert. Collins & Cullis, AEP £200
F691	1871	Receipt. Alfred Weaver, a week's wages £2.8.0
F692	1871	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS Choir Seats £400
F693	1871	Cert. Collins & Cullis, AEP Plastering Groins, Scaffold, Floors. £75
F694	1871	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS £400
F695		Card. Sundry Vouchers & Accts
F696	1872	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS £400
F697	1872	Cert. Collins & Cullis, AEP £160
F698	1872	Cert. Hardman & Co, AEP Choir Ceiling £10
F699	1872	Cert. Greenway & Son, AEP Choir, Gas £40
F700	1872	Bill. A.E.Perkins, for architectural fees £20
F701	1872	A.E.Perkins to T.Baxter. Mr Greenway will call for his cheque. Let him sign receipt.
F702	1872	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, not signed £400
F703	1872	Farmer & Brindley to T. Baxter. Letter, sending Cert. for £400 for Choir Fittings.
F704	1872	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS Cathedral Screen £200
F705	1872	Cert. Messrs Poole, GGS Pavement £400
F706	1872	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS Preparation of Choir Screen £300
F707	1872	Cert. Skidmore GGS/AEP Metal Panels in Wood Screens £300
F708	1872	A.E.Perkins to T.Baxter. Skidmore's Cert - please pay by Friday
F709	1872	Cert. Field, Poole & Sons, GGS Pavement £200
F710	1872	Cert. Skidmore Grilles in Sidescreens, Wrought Iron Stall Screens. £73
F711	1872	F.A.Skidmore, Please pay enclosed Certs for £73 to Union Banking Co. Coventry.
F712	1872	Cert. Receipted. Skidmore GGS £30 Please pay cheque to Union Banking Co.
F713	1873	Bill, Skidmore. Wrought Iron Gates for N.Porch £180
F714	1873	Bill, Skidmore. Wrought Iron Grille to S.Porch £60
F715	1873	PINNED TOGETHER 19.8.73 Cert. W.Godwin, Lugwardine Tile Works. Tiling in Choir. JOS for GGS. £360 18.4.73 Bill. William Godwin, Lugwardine. Tiling £360
F716	1873	W.Godwin to Dean Peel. Enclose Account and Cert
F717	1873	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, JOS for GGS £300
F718	1874	Cert. Field, Poole & Son, JOS Pavement, Steps. £400
F719	1874	Field, Poole & Son to Canon Wood. Cert for £400. Sir G.Scott's absence abroad has held it up for many months. Please pay at your earliest convenience.

F720	1874	Cert. Farmer & Brindley, GGS Choir Fittings. £300
F721	1874	Farmer & Brindley to Canon J.R.Wood. Enclose Cert. Please pay cheque Saturday a.m
F722	1873	Bill/Cert. Hardman's. JOS for GGS. Decorating Roofs of Lady Chapel and N.and S.Transepts. £760
F723	1874	Bill/Cert. Hardman's. JOS Decorating Aisles of Lady Chapel, Aisles of Choir, Chapel of St John £451 Endorsed - 18.4.74 By Cash £300
F724	[187	Account/Cert. Hardman's, 1873, to Committee, for Decoration of Worcester Cathedral. GGS Wrought Iron Screens at Ends of Choir Aisles.
F725	1874	Bill. Field Poole & Sons. Cert. A.E.Forrest. 2 plinths 2'0"x7 1/4x57/8 in Ippepen Marble as estimated - return Case. Pavement for space by Throne etc. £7.10.1
F726	1874	Bill. 1873/4, Joseph Wood. Choir Aisle Paving, Scaffolding, Steps in St. John's Chapel, Fixing Screens, and making good floors in Choir Aisle, etc. £255.17.9
F727	1865	Summary of Accounts Owing £16.17.2«
F728	1866	Summary of Accounts Owing £2455.7.2«
F729	1866	Summary of Accounts presented £55.13.3«
F730	[186	Cost of Repairs [A.E.P. 1866/7?]
F731	1872	Summary of Works 1871
F732	1871	Draft of Accounts, bills etc. 3 pages of sums, etc
F733	1872	Balance Sheet, 16.5-31.8.72. Spent £1809.10.0, Balance £1001.6.6
F734	1872	Summary of Contracts
F735	1872	Statement of Assets and Liabilities
F736	1872	2nd Copy. Statement of Assets and Liabilities 1.10.72 4 sides, pencil annotations. Endorsed Nov 72
F737	1872	Summary of Accounts
F738	1872	Financial Statement (1.10.72 - 6.12.72)
F739	1873	Statement of Account (6.12.72 - 25.1.73)
F740	1873	Statement of Account for Meeting [on part of sheet] [Copy of above]
F741	1873	Agreements Made Complete [with date of completion]
F742	1873	Statement of Assets and Liabilities [corrected in red]
F743	1873	Statement of Assets and Liabilities Note. No provision for Extras.. Messrs Wood excluded .. assume Earl Dudley has taken liability ..
F744	1873	Summary of Amounts Due to Contractors
F745	1873	Monies received on A/c. Various Contracts
F746	1873	Statement of Assets and Liabilities (4pp) Probable surplus £238. Extras not included will absorb it.
F747	1873	2nd Copy. (2pp) Probable surplus £338
F748	1873	Assets and Liabilities
F749	1873	Statement of Account - 6.8.-11.10.73



F750	1873	Summary 'Local Accounts'. Copy. Collins & Cullis, Wood & Son etc.
F751	1873	Memo for Finance Committee. Deductions for Liabilities
F752	1873	Assets and Liabilities. Cathedral Bills. At Bank £355
F753	n.d.	Report of Finance Committee
F754	1873	Worcester Old Bank. Due to Bank £287.19.2 Subs 1.8.73 unpaid. Subs due 1.8.74
F755	1874	Assets and Liabilities. (Assuming a Deficiency of £3601.7.6)
F756	1874	Statement of Assets and Liabilities
F757	1874	Financial Statement
F758	1874	Financial Statement
F759	1874	Financial Statement deficiency £1520.9.2
F760	1874	Memo for Finance Committee Meeting
F761	1871	Architect's A/c submitted.
F762	1871	Architect's Statement, and A/c. G.G.Scott and A.E.Perkins £335.8.3
F763	n.d.	A third of remaining half-commission on Stalls, Throne &c. £287.8.9
F764	1871	A third of remaining « Commission etc. Scott and Perkins, as above.
F765	1871	Account of G.G.Scott and A.E.Perkins: Architect's Commission, Reredos, Screen opposite Prince Arthur's Chantry, Pavement, Choir Stalls, Throne. £499.3.9
F766	1872	G.G.Scott to Dean & Chapter. Detailed A/c and Statement to 12.10.72
F767	1872	Architects Charges. Balance Due to GGS and A.E.Perkins.
F768	1873	G.G.Scott to J. Spooner. Too short Notice of Meeting to send positive A/c, but sends approx. figures.
F769	1873	Copies of letters, Oct 1872- Oct 1873 re Architects charges, Sent to Sir G.G.S. Survey and Design of Choir Screen, Pavement. (Corrected)
F770	1873	Report of Finance Committee. Copy. Estimates accepted - 2.4.70-1873. Architects Fees. Perkins A/c. from Minute Book.
F771	1873	Accts paid to Mr Perkins, to 30.8.73. Paymts to Sir G. Scott.
F772	1873	Architects A/c. Sir G.Scott and A.E.Perkins.
F773	1874	Contracts since Mr Perkins Decease (9.4.73)
F774	1874	G.G.Scott. Approx. Statement - N.Porch, Litany Desk, Brass Bookrest, Altar Rail. [Letter dated 25.3.74]
F775	1874	G.Wood to F.Spooner. Enclosed statement of account to 25th Inst. May include items chargeable to Donors. £100 for Lady Chapel steps
F776	1874	Geo. Gilbert Scott, Ham, S.W. to Rev. Canon Wood. Repudiates responsibility for the A/c sent to Mr Spooner. My son made a great mistake in promising it to Sir E.Lechmere .. A/cs haven't been completed and audited .. no more than a guess. Mr Wood did not know the amounts nor which were to be charged according to the joint agreement with Mr Perkins. I would therefore beg to have the A/c back as being only misleading.
F777	1874	Skidmore - Altar-Rails etc. Memo

F778	1874	F.Spooner to G.Wood. 3 items to which the Committee take exception..
F779	1874	Geo. Wood to F.Spooner. Sir G.G.Scott's absence in the North. Will send A/c and report when he returns.
F780	1874	Architect's Account. Sir George Gilbert Scott (and A.E.Perkins, deceased) to the Joint Restoration Committee. Works by Skidmore- Screen opposite Prince Arthur's tomb £525 (Mr Allcroft) Panels to Oak Screens in Chancel £390 Screens over Stalls £380 Metalwork in Chancel Screen £795 Iron Gates - North Entrance to Nave £180 Hinges to S. Cloister Door £100 Grille to S. Cloister 60 Choir Pulpit Railing 50 Additional Panel to Oak Screen 55 Railings round Piers in Transept 15 - £2560 @7«% 192.0.0 Hardman's Work Decoration of Choir Roof to Intersecting Bay £430 " " Intersecting Bay 300 " " Lady Chapel Roof 400 " " Roof of N & S Transepts 360 " " Lady Chapel Aisles 132 " " of Choir Aisles 234 " " Chapel of St John 65 Plastering Lady Chapel Aisles 10 Painting & Decorating Organ 300 Renewing the painting on Elbows of Choir Arch 10 Gilding Oak Screens N & S of Choir 60 Gilding Iron Cresting 15 To Wrought Iron Screens N&S Choir Aisles 250 2 Brass Gas Standards 360 6 " " " for Choir 120 Oak Blocks for do- 3 2 Wrought Iron Gas Standards for Tower 150 2 do- for North Porch 66 2 do- for Cloister Entrance 66 4 Bays of Cresting to Side Screens of Choir 65 Newell Standard near Bishop's Throne 7 36 Numberplates for Stalls 6.15 - 3049.15 @7«% = £471.18.3 Farmer & Brindley To Amount of a/c for Stalls 3056. 0.0 " additional Stalls 25. 0.0 2 do- Canopies 320. 0.0 Four Screens North & South 335. 0.0 Choir Screen 1250. 0.0 The Altar 74.10.0 The Organ Case & additions 1042. 0.0 The Corporation Seats 140. 0.0 The Litany Desk 87. 0.0 The Sedilia 70. 0.0 The Brass Hinges to Screens 12.10.0 The Carving to Pulpit 16.10.6 - £6407.10.6 @7«% = £482.16.3 Messrs Collins & Cullis Work To First A/c Rendered 848.14.0 Choir Pulpit and Extra Work 117. 1.4 Lady Chapel Steps 62. 0.0 Scaffolding for Decorating 199. 0.0 North & South Porch Doors 190. 0.0 South West Door to Nave 28.10.0 - 1445. 5 4 @7«% = £108.7.10 Messrs Pooles Acc less 44.11 for changing Marble. 1091. 1.6 Messrs Wood Pavement for Choir Aisle 500. 0.0 additional work 28.12.9 Scaffolding for Decoration Organ&Reredos 89. 0.0 - 617.12.9 @7«% = £46.6.3 Donors Reredos £1635 Dean & Chapter Plastering Cloister Entrance £25 ) Repairs to pedestals of figures ) in Lady Chapel £18.10.0) - £43.10.0 Earl Dudley's Work Mr Skidmore for Metalwork to Stall Screens £250 Messrs Collins & Cullis N & S Inner Lobbies 502.13.6 " " Scaffolding for Decorations 88. 0.0 Messrs Wood & Son Nave Floor 5495. 0.0 " " Scaffolding for Decorations 29.18.0 " " additional work to Baptistry Floor 34.18.0 Messrs Hardman Temporary Altar Rail 40. 0.0 " " Decorations enriching Aisles Ribs of Choir Roof & intersecting Bays 405. 0.0 - cf. 6845. 9.6 @7«% = 513.8 Design for detail for Nave Seats 52.10.0 " for Permanent Altar Rail 52.10.0 - 105. 0.0 Errors and Omissions Rev Canon Barry's Work Design & Detail for Lectern £21. 0.0 @7«% 929.13.7 Architects Expenses 1863 - 1874 Designs Surveys Perspectives etc. Consultations Meetings &c @ 5 gns 1536.16.10 Less Cr by Cash at Various Times 1010.10. 0 - £ 536.16. 8 -
F781	1874	Geo. Wood to Rev Canon Wood. Forward A/c. Considered points objected to. Please send cheque for £250.
F782	1874	F.Spooner to Geo Wood, 31, Spring Gardens, London. Copy Canon Wood has handed me Sir G.G.Scott's A/c but I think you have one or two from Contractors. Please send them. Commission on whole at 7«%. Sir G.G.Scott to have half. What about Mr Perkins share - about £3,200 expended after his death and Cathedral have paid a Clerk of Works- Forest. Unfair to pay 7«% in addition to Forrest's Wage. Reply by return as I must at once call a meeting.
F783	1874	Geo. Wood to F. Spooner. Sir G.G.Scott will charge 5% only on one half the sum spent since Mr Perkins death i.e. 2«% on £1,600 = £40. Mr Forest's payment doesn't affect charges as he considers there ought to have been a Clerk of Works during the whole time. Poole's A/c re green marble. It was thought that Greek Green marble was included in the estimate whereas it was Irish Green.

F784	1874	Draft of A/c, Scott and Perkins. Letter to Mr Wood.
F785	1874	W.J.Watts to Spooner. Mr Wood is away. Accounts have been sent on.
F786	1874	Statement of Reduction in Architects & Contractors A/c For Finance Committee
F787	1874	Architects A/c Final for Perkins and Scott. Copy sent to Mr Wood on 3.8.74
F788	1874	F.Spooner to Geo. Wood. Copy. Lord Dudley's A/c contains error. £105 to be added, not £7.15.6.
F789	1874	Geo. Wood to F.Spooner. Thanks for putting me right in the A/c for Lord Dudley.....add £97.4.6 [Copy of Reply on inside.] Reredos, the Dean has paid £10.10.0 for Design and as the Bishop paid 5% not 7«% on Throne thinks he should pay same. Please reply soon ... I want to wind up the affair.
F790	1874	W.J.Watts to F.Spooner. Mr Wood is away from home but as soon as he returns your letter shall have due attention.
F791	1874	Geo. Wood to Spooner. Dean's Design, 10 guineas, not now executed. Bishop paid 35 guineas lump sum. Sir Gilbert .. returns early next month. If I sent a/cs to Sir Gilbert they might be mislaid.
F792	1874	G.Wood to F.Spooner. Skidmore's a/c not signed till today. Sir G.Scott would rather not apply to Donors for commission .. wants everything to be done through the Committee. With ref. to Statement, he cannot see why it is necessary in addition to his Account Rendered. Lord Dudley's a/c has not been corrected .. it should have £97.4.6 added to it.
F793	1875	F.Spooner to Sir G.Scott. Lord Dudley still to pay. Has Mr Allcroft paid Commission on Screen?
F794	1875	G.Wood to F.Spooner. No payment has been received from Mr Allcroft.
F795	1875	F.Spooner to Sir G.G.Scott. Copy. Enclose cheque. £475.6.5.to settle A/c. Please receipt the separate a/cs so that I may send them to the Donors. Copy of A/cs on reverse.
F796	1875	G.Wood to F.Spooner. Receipt of £475.6.5 and will write on my return. Cannot follow your Statement.
F797	1875	Geo Wood to F. Spooner, re Scott's A/c. Thanks for explanatory letter. Sir G.S will not sign until he quite understands it.
F798	1875	Geo. Wood to F.Spooner. I have not been able to see Sir Gilbert .. I have signed and returned them.
F799	1875	Statement of Fees - Sir G.G.Scott. Signed by Geo. Wood.
F800	1873	Maria Perkins, Lomond Villa, Albion Road, Stoke Newington, to J.Spooner. Where we are living in London is quite too far for us to derive any advantage... it has cost me upwards of £26 to send my children to and from the West End as they "go daily" and the time that is lost is quite serious. I shall esteem it a favour if you can kindly get a cheque from the Rn.Committee.... great assistance to Mr Pidcock and myself. Mr Pidcock wished me to write by this post to ask M Isaac & Co if they would kindly favour us with a cheque. If they do not I do not know what I am to do. I cannot get any at present from St Oswald's. Did the Dean & Chapter pay any money into the Bank at Audit? I trust you will excuse my trespassing on your time.
F801	1874	Maria Perkins to J. Spooner...if you can oblige me with some money from the Restoration Committee's A/c for at present time I do not know what I am to do. We leave here shortly & I have rent & expenses of removing to pay but when we are nearer London we shall do much better. I have given £10 of the last money you sent for my eldest girl to be finishd in ? it is in Mr Mirkman's opinion that the younger had better pursue Drawing, how I can manage it I cannot tell unless we live near Newington. I thought it will be better for me to send you the enclosed letter... which explains everything..

F801/2		Not any of the money received. Mr Pidcock wants me to write to them for it.
F802	1874	Geo.Wood to J.Spooner. Thanks for letter of 16th Ult. Sir Gilbert Scott has instructed me to go to Worcester to meet you on the subject of the proper division of the Charges ..to what extent the late Mr Perkins was paid on the Joint a/c & if any payments have been made since his death. Sir G.Scott having agreed to pay half the Commission on what has been paid since Mr Perkins death to his widow.
F803	1874	Geo Wood to F.Spooner. I leave Paddington 10.15 on Thurs. and call on you about 2pm
F804	1874	Maria Perkins to J.Spooner. Thank you for your kindness & the interest you take in my unfortunate affairs. I am perplexed not knowing what to do for the best.
F805	1874	Geo. Wood to F.Spooner. Cannot send A/cs as Sir G. has not been in town .. to approve them. You may safely pay Mrs Perkins £50.
F806	1874	Pidcock & Son, Solicitors, to F.Spooner. Re A.E.Perkins ..Provide us with the amounts paid to him and balance you consider owing to him.
F807	1874	Mrs Maria Perkins, Stoke Newington, to J.Spooner. I feel that I am giving you a great deal of trouble and annoyance in writing to ask you if it is probable that I shall receive more money from the Restoration Committee as I imagine since you have seen Mr Wood you may know in some measure how the acct stands: it is quite impossible to write to Sir G.G.Scott respecting it. (If there are any hopes that I shall receive more money) do you think the .. Committee wld kindly grant a Cheque for me. I cannot see how I can manage with less than £50, they charge so highly for removing, rent etc and I am without the means to do anything. I feel reluctant to dispose of other furniture as I purpose to take Unfurnished Apartments as that is the most economical place I can adopt. When Mr Pidcock has ex.ed the Dean & Chapter Accts & the St Oswald's & others there will be sufficient to pay all the claims upon the Estate. Please kindly excuse my writing. I am quite ill with suspense. Please favour me with giving your advice.
F808	1874	Mrs Maria Perkins to J.Spooner. When I read your most kind & feeling letter and saw the contents I was quite overpowered (you must kindly think all I wld say) having so repeatedly to thank you for your extreme kindness to me under similar circumstances. Whatever shld we have done without you and Sir Gilbert Scott I cannot tell. The whole of the £50 I must not keep as am sure Mr Pidcock will be displeased, he purposed writing to you to say that Mr Burle[?] has brought him £50 on Acct of the Chancery Court and that the chief clerk has disallowed £70 on the Bill it is strange they can be so unkind. Please accept my best thanks .. when I am settled I will inform you ..
F809	1874	Mrs Perkins to J.Spooner. Change of Address. 13,Earl's Court Gardens, South Kensington.
F810	1874	Pidcock to F.Spooner. .. kindly inform us if there is any possibility of the balance from the Restoration Committee to the late Mr Perkins being settled. Mrs Perkins is being pressed by Creditors & we wish for the sake of all parties to wind up his estate with as little delay as possible.
F811	1875	Acct AE Perkins Executors. Spooner to Mrs Perkins. £287.4.2 owing to Mr Perkins. Scott has shared commission. Pidcock will settle with creditors. Please sign receipt. Received, Maria Perkins

F812	1875	Maria Perkins 189 Albany St,Regent's Park to J.Spooner. I beg to thank you for yr most kind and explanatory letter. You must be fully aware how much endebedted I feel for the endeavours you have used in my behalf throughout the settlement of the Accts. I fully appreciate Sir Gilbert Scott's generosity: he has been the most sincere and liberal friend we have had since the death of Mr Perkins. Mr Pidcock informed me a few weeks since that the Cathl Accts wld soon be finally settled & proposed that the money shd be used to pay the Creditors. In wh I willing consented. I have signed the cheque & the papers & shall feel obliged by yr paying off what is owing at the Bank. I am happy to say my Daughters & Son are quite well, & unite in thanking you for your great kindness.
F813	1864	Rev W.J. Villiers, King's Heath, to Earl Dudley. Sub £2.2.0 (£1.1.0 at commencement, £1.1.0 at completion.)
F814	1864	John Hopton, Canon Crome Ct. .... In your wealthy County no doubt you will have many large and liberal contributions- but probably the greater amount will arise from the accumulation of small ones - Promise £20 paid when I am called up.
F815	1864	Lady Emily Foley, Shropshire, to Lord Lyttelton. Thanks for the Circular. Hopes to attend Meeting on 7th April. Hopes to make contribution. Suggests Lord Hertford at Ragley via his cousin Admiral Maynell who manages some of his affairs.
F816	1864	Baroness Windsor, Mentone, to Lord Lyttelton. George left London on Thurs am. arrived here Sat am. The distance is easily covered. It is quite right that the County should come forward. I am writing to my Agent to pay part at once -I think £300. I am just planning a private Church Building. Severe winter here, snow and ice. Lemon trees suffered....Now charming climate. Quiet and commodious for invalids. Victoria is very nearly as strong and well as usual...return slowly to London by June
F817	1864	M.M.Mythe, Solihull, to Lord Leigh. Cannot attend the Meeting on 7th April. Annual Coventry Meeting, Distribution of Prizes in connection with Archdiaconal Prize Scheme. Will pay £5 for 3 years. Hope your good example will stir up the people in this part of the Diocese, but I fear the connection with Worcester is too recent for them to regard it as their Cathedral.
F818	1864	J.Beech, Coventry. My Lord, Can't attend meeting on 7th April, but interested.
F819	1863	Sir C.Mordaunt, Walton, Warwick. In London on day of Meeting in April, but will be glad to subscribe.
F820	1864	C.N.Newdegate, Harefield Place, Uxbridge to Lord Lyttelton. Apologies for the Meeting. Would prefer to strengthen the Diocesan Organisation of our Church rather than renovating and decorating the Fabric of the Cathedral ... widespread spiritual destitution staring us in the face. The movement which you have inaugurated may however subserve the greater object.Cheque enclosed.
F821	1864	William Benison, Balsall Heath Parsonage. My Lord, Can't attend the Meeting -business. Can be in no doubt that it stands in need of Restoration.... It being contemplated to enlarge my own Church at considerable cost, cannot offer more than £3.3.0.
F822	1864	A.C.Sherriff, Mayor. to Lord Lytellton. Can't attend the Meeting because of business commitments. Strong support. Hopes all will contribute, 'the shilling of the working man should stand side by side with the hundreds of pounds subscribed by those who God has blessed with plenty'. £200 in 3 yearly instalments.
F823	1864	Frederick Lygon,M.P. 19,Grosvenor Place,London to Lord Lyttelton. Sends apologies for Meeting and contribution for Tower, £52.10.0
F824	1864	Rev F.M.Payler, Willey Rectory, Lutterworth. Can't come to Meeting. Sub of £10.10.0 to be paid in three years.

F825	1864	G.Dominick Wheeler, Holford Vicarage, Shipston-on-Stour to Lord Leigh. Apologies for Meeting. Unexpected outlay on two of my own churches. Can only promise £10, in instalments.If yr Lordship thinks it worth while to enter my name as a contributor.
F826	1864	J.O.Bacchus, Leamington, to Lord Leigh, Sub £10. Cannot attend meeting.
F827	1864	Rev Arthur A.Fanshawe, Bubbinhall Rectory, to Lord Leigh. Circular doesn't give details for sending Subs, so please put this in the plate. Can't go to meeting. Doesn't think a distant prospect of Diocese being divided is any reason for .. repudiating claims ... Cathedral has on County.
F828	1864	Wm. Gover, Worcester Diocesan Training College, to Lord Lyttelton. Sub. conditionally £25. Sends cheque for £10, promises £15 more- 3x£5.
F829	1864	M.M.Hamilton, AvonCliffe, to Lord Leigh. Will attend Meeting if possible.Put me down for £25 per annum for 3 years. Will send cheque.
F830	1864	Arthur Malins, Bromsgrove, Lickey. to ... Cheque for £5 and promises £5 for 2 or 4 years if work lasts so long.
F831	1864	Rev J. Eagles, St Bartholemew's, Birmingham to Lord Lyttelton - Indisposition prevented attendance at Meeting. Regrets few Warwickshire Clergy present. Large family & small means.Sub £10 in 3 installments.
F832	1864	Rev W. Benison, Balsall Heath Parsonage, to Lord Leigh. ..high compliment to have my humble offering noticed by yr. Lordship. Suggests a pastoral letter from the Bishop..calling for Collection from every church.. 'I am quite ready for 3 years to appropriate the "offertory" of one Sunday
F833	1864	Rev F.A.Marriott,Chaddesley Vicarage, to Lord Lyttelton. Debt on own Church Restoration. Will try to raise money for Cathedral at end of year, or beginning of 1865.
F834	1864	Cornelius Cartwright, Dudley, to Lord Lyttelton. Sub £20 paid to Dudley and West Warwick Bank.
F835	1864	E.Horton, Lower Wick,to Baxter. Sub £3.3.0
F836	1864	Rev Isaac Averill, Broadway to Lord Lyttelton. (Copy) Regret not able to attend Meeting. Diocese much indebted to Yr. Lordship for taking a lead. Principal Landowners are Lord Beauchamp, Sir T.E.Winnington, Bart and Sir Thomas Phillips, Bart. Former have contributed, no influence over latter. Might if appealed to by Yr. Lordship.
F837	1864	Stourbridge and Kidderminster Banking Co. to Mr Baxter, Cathedral School. Sub. £25 from Mr Hancocks of Cookley.
F838	1864	J.H.Biggs, Upton Warren Rectory, Bromsgrove to Messrs Lechmere & Co. Sub. Will subscribe £10.
F839	1864	Lord Lyttelton to Baxter. Send List of Subscribers to Rev I. Lucy, Hampton Lucy,Warwicks.
F840	1864	R.J.Bartleet to Lord Lyttelton. Sub £30 in 3 Instalments including £5 to Warming Fund.
F841	1864	Lord Coventry, Croome Court, to Lord Lyttelton. Will consider Cathedral,but so many Churches in my neighbourhood have been recently restored, that I cannot give so large a Subscription as I could have wished.
F842	1864	Jas.Darlington, Meriden Hall, Coventry, to Lord Leigh, Sub £10 enclosed. List attached.
F843	1864	W.B.Sanderson to Baxter. More Subscribers for the Warwickshire List. Lord Leigh is very anxious that Birmingham should be considered as Warwicks. Printed List with additions enclosed. Total £1961.7.0

F844	1864	Joseph Ray, 28 Colmore Row, B'ham to T.Baxter. List of Subscribers. As soon as the Festival is over I shall summon the Birmingham Committee to report progress although from previous experience I do not anticipate a large attendance. A small portion of the amount promised is lying at the Bank, for the rest it will be necessary to appoint a Collector which will be done I presume at the next meeting of the Birmingham Committee. Some of the Subscriptions are payable in Annual Instalments. I find it difficult to interest our fellowtownsmen in the Restoration but I hope we may succeed in a personal canvass. - Sub List includes Mayor of B'ham, Lord Calthorpe + 43 others £528.10.0
F845	1864	Rev R.Cattley, Receipt £7 (1st Installment of £21)
F846	1864	R.P.Amphlett,Wychbold Hall, £7 in 3 equal installments
F847	n.d.	Earl Somers. In Paris at time of Meeting. Sends £250
F848	1865	Bewdley Bank. No Subs.
F849	1865	Birmingham Banking Co. Dudley Old Bank. Sub.No receipts.
F850	1865	Dudley and West Bromwich Bank - Dudley, to Baxter. Subs-Lists, 4 names, total £60.
F851	1865	Bank Upton on Severn. Sub. Mrs Attwood, The Boynes. £1 remitted in July.
F852	1865	Gloucestershire Banking Co. Evesham. Subs. Isaac Averill of Broadway £5, Jno. Clark £10.10.0, Mrs Clark,£5.5.0 = £20.15.0. Revd
F853	1865	Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank, Bromsgrove. No Subs.
F854	1865	Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank, Kidderminster. 7 Subs, 1-£25, 1- £15.15.0, 2-£15, 1-£10, 1-£5.5.0, 1-£1.0.0
F855	1865	Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank,Stourbridge. No Subs.
F856	1865	Worcester City and County Bank, Bromsgrove. No Subs.
F857	1865	Worcester City and County Bank, Evesham, to Baxter. Sub. £5 received - J. Morton.
F858	1865	Worcester City and County Bank, Malvern. No Subs.
F859	1865	R.J.Bartleet,The Shrubbery,Redditch, to Baxter. Sub. £10
F860	1866	Worcester Old Bank to Baxter. P.Amphlett, 2nd Instalment £7. This letter is authority for payment of 3rd Instalment when due.
F861	1867	R.J.Bartleet, The Shrubbery,Redditch, to Baxter. Enclose £10 of my £30 Sub. Receipt,please.
F862	1867	W.B.Sanderson, Warwick, to Baxter. Lists returned, corrected, assimilated to printed lists. Birmingham mixed indiscriminately with Warwick. Will answer no useful purpose to distinguish them. Could separate if you wish. Meeting of Warwick Committee Sat 13th Inst. Circulars for outstanding Subs. Hope to send remittance before General Meeting on 25th.
F863	1867	W.B.Sanderson to Baxter. You credited E.P.Shirley Esq. with £25 in 1865 and £20 in 1866. Former should be £20 as he has promised 5X£20=£100
F864	1867	Lord Leigh to Baxter. List of Warwickshire clergy
F865	1867	W.B.Sanderson. Warwks Committee sends £400.Please send 150 handbills and 300 Circulars signed by Lord Lyttelton
F866	1867	Lord Leigh, Stoneleigh. W.B.Sanderson will circulate Handbill re Meeting on 27th. Committee sends £400.
F867	1867	Leamington Chronicle, E.Vincent, Ed. is read by many Warwks Subscribers. Would like to advertise Sub List.

F868	1867	Lyttelton to [Baxter] Enclosed is from Miss Skeys of Walsall. Says she was never asked for payment. I am anxious about the Worcs Circular which should be out now. Mr Woodgate yesterday had not had one. Tell me who you are sending to. Further tidings of the plans?
F869	1867	Baxter to Vincent. Copy. Unable to send Sub list. Committee decide which paper. Unwilling to act on own authority.
F870	1867	H.Grisewood,4,Audley Square,London,W to Lord Lyttelton. Sum you appeal for is half as much as originally asked for. I shall subscribe half as much more than I then did. Apologies for Meeting.
F871	1867	Jas Freeman to Lord Lyttelton. Offering to raise Sub in Birmingham. Trading wealth of Birmingham utterly unrepresented .. Long and costly advertisements already appearing in papers which few persons read .. while shorter advertisements in the widely circulated daily journals would be far more efficacious.
F872	1867	Geo.A.Everitt, Balsall Heath,-Gateshead. to Lord Lyttelton. Away on account of health. Apologies for meeting. Put me down for £25.
F873	1867	W.B.Sanderson, Warwicks. to Lord Lyttelton. Sends list of promised Subs 3-£30 for Worcester Meeting.
F874	1867	Rev. W.Gover, Southsea, to Lord Lyttelton. Address(not Worc/Lichfield/Hereford Training College) gives reason for absence. Sub £15. By instalments. Encloses list of Staffs exam marks. Lads in schools..under ??masters. [Not there.]
F875	1867	R.N.Johnson, Bricklehampton Hall, Pershore, to Lord Lyttelton. .. weather prevents rheumatism getting better. Hoped to be with you tomorrow. I hope you have a good and enthusiastic assembly. Put my name down for 50 guineas.
F876	1867	Revd J.D. Wingfield Digby, Temple Balsall, via Charles Couchman to Lord Lyttelton. Intended to be at Meeting. Prevented by indisposition. He and his brother, Mr Digby of Sherborne each wish to give £100 towards Restoration.
F877	1867	Guildhall Meeting, Worcester. Proof of Advert. Minutes & Sub List. Other copies at F27 ff
F878	[1867?]	W.E.Dowdeswell, Pull Court, to Lord Lyttelton. Not at Meeting as am in London. Late in subscribing as promised large Donation to Tewkesbury and can't do both, but Tewkesbury is in distance, so send £100 in 2x£50. - £50 to Bank today.
F879	1867	Printed Circular. Lord Lyttelton to Clergy suggesting middle and lower classes will contribute through Parochial Collections.
F880	1867	Wm. Godfrey, Martin Rectory, to Baxter. 2nd Sub for 10 guineas- over three years. Enclose £3.10.0. Glad to hear Mrs Baxter's health ...
F881	1867	Earl Somers, 33 Princes Gate, Kensington to Baxter. 2nd Sub. £100
F882	1867	Canon G.F.Lewis, 146,Piccadilly. Sub. £100
F883	1867	John Brinton, Moor Hall, Stourport, to Lord Lyttelton. Sub.£30. 1st Instalment paid to Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank. It occured to my mind and I submit the suggestion that it would be well to try and interest the towns of this County more in this great work if no other way more feasibly offered itself, the gift of one stained glass window by each large town in Worcs. might be a spur for the completion of the work. If such an idea met with approval, it would give me pleasure to promote it in every way in my native town of Kidderminster.
F884	1867	Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank. Draft for £10 from John Brinton, Esq
F885	1867	Mr J.C.Brown, Dudley Vicarage, to Lord Lyttelton. My son and I subscribed but our names do not appear on the List. He was Collector and sent by Bank Draft £70 of which I paid £10 and he paid £5. The loss of my son (Capt 15 Reg 2 Bat) at Gibraltar I regret to say precludes me from any additional contribution.



F886	1867	Lord Lyttelton, Carlton Terrace, London, to Baxter. Pray write to Mr Browne with an explanation. I have answered Mr Brinton, so you need not.
F887	1867	Old Bank, Stourbridge. Subs. 6 names - £21.1.0
F888	1867	Lloyds Bank, Birmingham to Baxter. Enclose Statement. Names are not on list. Mr Lawrence called our attention to it.
F889	1867	Lloyds Bank to Baxter. Statement. Subs £35 - 6 names
F890	1867	W.B. Sanderson, Warwick, to Baxter. Away when your letter arrived, and missed post in time for meeting. Thinks Stratford made about £50. Is
F891	1869	J. Slaney Pakington, Kings-End, Worcester, to Baxter. Sub £16.13.4, wants receipt.
F892	1869	Berwick & Co. Worcester Old Bank to Baxter, Sub, £50 (2nd Instalment)
F893	1869	Erlen Clarke, Foregate St. to Baxter. Will arrange for Old Bank to pay it when applied for in Restoration Account.
F894	1869	Lea and Perrins to Baxter, Sub. We have paid the whole sum in three instalments. 3 x £50
F895	1869	Lyttelton to Baxter. I understand that the Choir Subscription .. [illegible] till there was some probability of the work being begun which is hardly yet. So I shall not pay at present.
F896	1869	Francis Parker to Baxter. Enclose cheque for £33.8.6 Last Instalment.
F897	1869	G.W. Bentley, Foregate St. Encloses £3.3.0
F898	1869	Geo.A. Everitt, Knowle Hall, Warwicks, moved from Oakfield, Balsall Heath. Not sure if paid any of £25 promised. Will pay in one sum.
F899	1870	Old Bank, Stourbridge. £21.1.0 Berwick and Son, Worcester 4x£5 1x£1.1.0
F900	1870	R.W. Johnson, Bricklehampton Hall. Thank you for Reminder. Enclose cheque.
F901	1870	-- Kidderminster. Cheque for £5.50. Last Instalment.
F902	1870	G.E. Martin to Baxter. Mrs Martin, Severn Grange, Claines, died Jan 1868. All her family have left Claines. Wish of her family that Sub. should be paid. Enclose cheque.
F903	1870	Lord Northwick, Northwick Park, Campden, to Baxter. Sub. paid. £20 owed for 1871.
F904	1870	Francis Ebor to Baxter, Sub. Did not intend to pay until Choir was begun. Let us hope that Ld Dudley's Donation will put an end to all your
F905	1870	W.B. Sanderson to T. Baxter. I sent £150 yesterday thro' Messrs Berwick & Co. Sub to credit of Warwickshire 2nd Sub List.
F906	1870	Printed Circular. 3rd Appeal for completion of Restoration.
F907	1870	Lloyds Bank - Old Bank, Rugby, C. Shipman, Manager to T. Baxter. Will receive Subs and forward to Worcester Old Bank.
F908	1870	N.A. Lyndon, King's Heath, to Lord Lyttelton, Sub. sends cheque for 5 guineas.
F909	1870	W.B. Sanderson to Baxter. Add four names to advertised list. £155.
F910	1870	Arthur West Haddon, Barton Rectory, Moreton-in-Marsh to Lord Lyttelton. Sub. £5.5.0 at a guinea a year for 5 years. Will pay when in Worcester.
F911	1870	Henry Wiggin, Metchley Grange, Harbourne, to Lyttelton. Sub. £10.10.0 Numerous calls on my purse in B'ham & S. Staffs prevent a larger donation.
F912	1870	Lord Lyttelton to Baxter. Sub. Thought he had paid it all.

F913	1870	Lord Lyttelton to Baxter. Sends Cheque, will pay £5&5.
F914	1870	T.H.Pain, Stone Vicarage, to Lord Lyttelton, promising £6.10.0 from Stone parish
F915	1870	T.H.Pain, Stone Vicarage, Kidderminster to Bewick's Bank Cheque for £7. Please amend advertised total of £6.10.0 as extra 10/- received.
F916	1870	Lord Coventry, Croome Court, to Baxter. Sub. £60 being a fifth of Donation.
F917	1870	M.Hill, Shelsley Rectory to Baxter, Sub half of promised £10.0.0
F918	1870	W.Tait,9 Bridge St. House Agent, to Baxter, Sub. Paid 1st Instalment, £1.1.0 to National Provincial Bank, Worcester.
F919	1870	J.Slaney Pakington, Halesowen, to Baxter. Sub. £10 1st Instalment of £50.
F920	1870	Thomas Mason, 97,Wood St. London, to Baxter. Sub. Cheque. Remember I knew you 30 years back.
F921	1870	Geo. Clarke,to Baxter. Sub. Cheque for £4, one fifth of Donation.
F922	1870	John Corbett, Stoke Grange, to Baxter. Sub. Cheque for £20
F923	1870	P.W. Pepys, 44,Lowndes St, London, to Baxter. Sub. Cheque for £10 = 1st of five.
F924	1870	Hilary Hill, Bread St. to Baxter, Sub. £1
F925	1870	Henry Colvile, Kempsey House. Thanks for the explanation. No receipt from Bank...
F926	1870	Slade Baker, Sandbourne to Baxter. Sub. Cheque for £25.
F927	1870	A.J.Godson, Burin, to Baxter. Paid Dr Williams £5 on 30th June'70
F928	1870	Francis Towers Streeter, 3,Dr Johnson's Building, Temple to Baxter. On Vacation Ramble in N.Wales. Send enclosed Donation.
F929	1870	Joseph Ransom, Royal Porcelain House, 7,Broad St. to Baxter. Sub. Cheque £3.
F930	1870	Berwick & Co. Worcester Old Bank, to T.Baxter. We observe that sometime since you mentioned that £100 of our 2nd Donation of £150 to the Cathedral Restoration had not been paid, on reference we find that we paid £50 in May '66 & £50 in Sept 1869. Did not those payments belong to the 2nd Sub. We wish to put the matter right as soon as we hear from you.
F931	1870	J.G.Purchas, Guildhall to Baxter. Cheque £5. 1st Instalment.
F932	1870	Charles Couchman to W.B.Sanderson [rain stained] Rev. J.D.W.Digby's Sub. His recollection is that it was £50 not £100.
F933	1870	Lady Emily Foley, Whirstead Park, Ipswich to Baxter. Sub Cheque for £100 - half of promised Donation. Requires receipt.
F934	1870	Lord Leigh to W.B.Sanderson. Can't remember anything about Rev J.Digby or Mr G.D.W.Digby's Subs. Some person must have been authorised to announce these subs. Other- wise they would never have appeared on the list. Names on 2nd Sub List. Shall attend Committee Meeting at Warwick.
F935	1870	Charles Couchman, Temple Basall, to W.B.Sanderson. Returns Lord Leigh's note. Mistake in Rev J. Digby's donation to Restoration Fund. Sends two cheques £100 for Mr Digby about which there is no doubt, and £50 for Rev J.Digby which he thinks he promised. When he is back from Scotland he will satisfy himself whether his Sub was £50 or £100. Someone told Lord Leigh it was £100
F936	1870	W.B.Sanderson, Warwick, to Baxter. £465.16.9 to be sent to Messrs Berwick & Co - list of Outstanding Subs shall be sent to you next week.
F937	1870	J.Wyntour, St. John's College, to Baxter. Cannot be at Restoration Meeting tomorrow. Send 1st of 5 instalments.
F938	1870	Mr Lyttelton's Sub.

F939	1871	M.Hamilton, AvonCliffe, Stratford on Avon. Sub. £10
F940	1871	Slade Baker, Sandbourne, Bewdley. Sub. £25
F941	1871	Henry Crisp, Sub. £3.6.8
F942	1871	N.V.Vernon, Hanbury Hall. Sub £150 + £250
F943	1871	G.R.Gray, Inkberrow Vicarage. Sub. £3 Last Instalment
F944	1871	Mr Charles Lyttelton, Hagley. sent 2nd Sub.
F945	1872	Mr Allcroft 55, Porchester Terrace, London W. Encloses cheque for £50.
F946	1872	W.N.Marcy, Bewdley. Sub. £3.3.0
F947	1872	E.B.Evans. Sub. Hopes Baxter has recovered his health.
F948	1872	I.B.Purchas, Guildhall. Sub. £5
F949	1872	Richard B.Hone, Halesowen Rectory, to T. Baxter. To save futher trouble I enclose my cheque for £4 completing my donation.
F950	1872	Martin Curtler to Baxter. Sub. Encloses Lord Sandys cheque for £40, and his for £10.
F951	1872	John Henry Benton, 1,Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn. Late Dr Wynter's Sub. £10 is as much as can be expected -state of his pecuniary affairs and short period during which he had been a Canon.
F952	1872	Canon J.R.Wood, Gatehouse Hotel, Tenby, to F.Spooner, Has any contribution been rceived from the late Lady Windsor on the 1869 list?
F953	1872	Subscription List. Promised and Paid.
F954	1872	W.B.Sanderson to F.Spooner. There was a 3rd Subscription Full details sent to Mr Baxter. My whole time is devoted to the closing of the Savings Bank & your letter has arrived at an unfortunate time ..
F955	1872	C.Spooner to Jos.Hall requesting payment of Sub. Answer on Back. J.Hall pays £2.2.0
F956	1872	B.Gibbons, Mitton Vicarage, to F.Spooner. Has paid 3rd Instalment at Stourport Branch of Stourbridge & Kidderminster Banking Co. by cheque on 15 July 1872. Is in advance.
F957	1872	G.Gray, Inkberrow Vicarage. has paid whole of his Sub. Copy of receipt from Baxter,11.10.71
F958	1872	Francis Parker, Worcester, to F.Spooner. Please ascertain the amount I have paid.
F959	1872	Dudley and West Bromwich Bank, Dudley No Subs
F960	1872	Gloucestershire Bank, Pershore No subscriptions
F961	1872	Lloyd's Bank, Dudley No Subs
F962	1872	Old Bank, Stourbridge No monies
F963	1872	Stourbridge & Kidderminster Bank, Bromsgrove No Subs
F964	1872	Stourbridge & Kidderminster Bank, Kidderminster No Subs
F965	1872	Stourbridge & Kidderminster Bank, Redditch No Subs
F966	1872	Stourbridge & Kidderminster Bank, Stourbridge No Subs

F967	1872	Stourbridge & Kidderminster Bank, Stourport No Subs
F968	1872	Worcester City & County Bank Evesham No Subs
F969	1872	Bewdley Bank (Birmingham & Midland) No Subs
F970	1872	City & County Bank, Pershore No monies
F971	1872	Gloucestershire Banking Co. Evesham, We have £20.15.0 for Restoration Committee paid to Berwick & Co.
F972	1872	Gloucestershire Banking Co. Evesham. Sum made up of Mr Clark £10.10.0, Mrs Clark £5.5.0, Mr Averill £5.
F973	1872	John Morton, Western Lodge, Leamington, to F. Spooner. Returning enclosed letter from my late parish of Cleeve Prior forwarded without an envelope. Was it addressed to my cousin William Morton? I gave Sub of £5 but have no recollection of promising more - will pay if it is proved that it was promised.
F974	1873	John Morton, Willoughby, Rugby to F. Spooner. I know no clergyman named Henry Morton... My cousin Revd William Morton knows nothing about it.
F975	1873	F.Spooner to W.B.Sanderson.Copy. Accounts very trouble- some. Sorry I haven't answered your letter of 11.10.72. Worcester Accounts are in order. Warwicks doesn't balance by £131.10.5 Enclosed papers may throw some light on it. Can you help?
F976	1873	F.Spooner to W.B.Sanderson. Copy. Request most reasonable. £10 for your trouble. Hope you soon gain new appointment.
F977	1873	Dr Strange to F. Spooner. Late payment of Sub. Hopes to pay when new pupil comes.
F978	1873	Geo. Williams, Worcs Advertiser & Agricultural Gazette. Has no recollection of promising to pay, but will do so if particulars given. (Ref. Mr Baxter.)
F979	1873	Jas. Freeman 86, New St. Birmingham to C. Spooner. Account properly adjusted by Mr Baxter & myself. You will no doubt find he paid me the difference to which you allude. ... I was instrumental in raising many contributions in this neighbourhood & in hunting them up in County though many did not come through my own hands. I was only sorry Birmingham made so poor a figure in providing for the restoration of the Cathedral of its own diocese though there is certainly the excuse that the numerous churches & chapels of the town constitute a heavy charge on the people.
F980	1873	S.S.Lloyd. Please remind me of date and payment to Restoration Committee.
F981		Copy Reply. F.S. to S.S.Lloyd. Enclosed letters from Warwicks Secretary. Please return. You paid £20 through the Old Bank.
F982	1873	Geraldine Willoughby de Broke. Compton Verney. It was not me who promised £20. It could be Georgiana Willoughby de Broke of Kineton House, or the Dowager Lady Willoughby de Broke of Plas Newydd,Llanffair, Anglesea.
F983	1873	Spooner to G.Williams, Worcestershire Advertiser. Re promised Donation of £10. Note in your handwriting, or not? You advertised your own name in your own paper for £10. Please check, or Committee will take your name off list. Note.Old Bank clerk entered name. Mr Williams repudiates it.
F984	1873	Rev J.Spooner, Edgbaston Vicarage. Which Bank can I pay my £15 Sub at?
F985	1873	G. Williams, Worcs Advertiser, to F.Spooner. Repudiates writing on card & never reads Ads.

F986	1873	W.Woods, 27, High St. to F.Spooner. Owing to badness of business and heavy payments I cannot at present send you any Sub. but hope to do so soon.
F987	1873	John Corbett, Stoke Prior Salt Works, Bromsgrove. (via R.Westhall) Mr Corbett's absence from England, please give me some dates as he told me he had already paid his sum in full.
F988	1873	S.S.Lloyd, Moor Hall, Sutton Coldfield to F.Spooner. Returns letters sent. Hasn't traced donation promised. Going away. Will search on return. Regular reminders would be helpful.
F989	1873	Francis Woodward, Lark Hill, to F.Spooner. No liability for Fra.s Woodward & Co or their successors for Worcester Cathedral Restoration.
F990	1873	Revd James Eagles, Bennetts Hill House, Birmingham. Laid up with lumbago. Wrote to Local Secretary withdrawing name from Sub List giving reasons. Objects to one of the Canons - won't restate reasons.
F991	1873	Copy. F.Spooner to F.Woodward, Lark Hill. You promised £50 in 1864 on behalf of Fra.s Woodward & Co. Only £35 paid. £15 owing. In the City the impression has been that you were the only principal member... evasion. ..
F992	1873	Outstanding Liabilities. Outstanding Subscriptions. Working copy, amended.
F993	1873	Outstanding Liabilities. Outstanding Subscriptions. Fair copy.
F994	1873	F.Spooner to Canon Wood. Sending all Accounts if Committee want to see them. Subscription list in Book 3. Non-recoverable debts. Woodward & Co £15 - Correspondence Parker .. £100 Clerical error at Bank. Geo. Williams, Advertiser. Flagrant case of repudiation. He allowed his name to be entered with a view to business. He put in Advertisement for £12.16.0 on 19 May 1871. Will endeavour to ascertain Balance due to the late Mr Perkins. Mrs Perkins - a cheque for £200 would be acceptable just now.
F995	1873	Copy to A.C.Sheriff Esq.M.P. 10,Dean's Yard, Westminster Promised £210 Due 1st August 1872 £126, 1873 £42, 1874 £42. Please pay...Several letters - no answer - absence of courtesy.
F996	1873	J.V.Mackay, A.C.Sheriff's Sec.10,Dean's Yard Westminster He is at present not in the Country...
F997	1873	James Knight, Worcs Chronicle. Sub £4 - total now £6.
F998	1873	S.S.Lloyd, Birmingham. Will pay the £40 you think I owe but please send a receipt .. I prefer not being allowed to run into arrears.
F999	1873	W.Sanderson to Spooner. Mr Sampson Lloyd's original Sub was £60 - only paid £20. Paid via Greenway, Bankers. No second payment. Noted £40 owing - as a Banker and Business man he ought to know and trace any payment-(if made).
F1000	1873	S.S.Lloyd to F.Spooner. It appears to me a little "cool" to harp upon my sagacity as a "business man". Doesn't your Committee, whoever they may be keep accounts?
F1001	1873	W.Woods, 27, High Street. Hasn't paid Sub to Restoration Committee. Circumstances alter cases and with high prices of every household commodity and my large family I do not consider I am justified in doing so.
F1002	1873	Copy. To Thomas Walford, Henwick. You promised £2.2.0. I have written several times without a reply... marked lack of courtesy. If you are not paying, please let us know.

F1003	1873	Copy. To M. Holliday, Birmingham. During the time of your Mayoralty you promised £10.10.0 which has not been paid. Several letters..no reply.. marked absence of courtesy.
F1004	1873	Lord Northwick, Northwick Park, Broadway. Will pay £20.
F1004/		Copy of Answer. Will amend list. Thought it was £100
F1005	1873	J. Mackay to J.Spooner, re Mr Sherriff, 10,Dean's Yard, Westminster - he's in Ireland. Will tell him on his return.
F1006	1874	J.Mackay to J.Spooner re Mr Sherriff. He's in Cornwall.
F1007	1874	R.E.Barnett. Hasn't paid Sub. Unforseen family reverses and expenses since Mayoralty. Overdrawn.
F1008	1874	James Knight, Worcestershire Chronicle to F.Spooner. Enclose Cheque for £2.1.4 including 1.4 interest. On 1st Aug. the remaining £2 shall be sent. .. out of humour at not being well used by the Mayor & his Donations Committee. .. told the Canvassers that they ought to call on those who had not contributed toward the Restoration who were very thickly spread about. I had given on all three occasions. ... not only was the advertisement for decorative subscriptions withheld from this paper but that of the Mayor's thanks to his 'dear fellow citizens' for decorating at his request.
F1009	1874	Unpaid Subscriptions
F1010	1874	Wm Laslett to Jas Spooner. I paid £50 in Oct 1870 and £25 in April '72 +73 Reply Copy [Incomplete] Funds short by £25 and we have a deficit of £2,000.
F1011	1874	W.Laslett to Spooner. I paid £50 before April '72 - copy of letter from Thomas Baxter, Feb '72 asking for payment with a note £50 paid in 1870.
F1012	1874	Spooner to Wm Laslett. Copy. Full details of account and it's definitely £25 short.
F1013	1874	Laslett to Spooner. Lists his Blind College Donations, to help them go to Oxford. He thinks he told Mr Hickman about paying two instalments in one.
F1014	1874	Jas Spooner to Wm Laslett. Hickman doesn't recollect the circumstances but thought you were confounding it with the Blind College
F1015	1875	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Proof from Deighton. Needs some correction. Sir E. Lechmere saw it on Sat. and seemed to approve. Wishes it to be tastefully got up - Chapter Arms in corner.
F1016	1875	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Lyttelton has no alternative suggestions. Bishop agrees. Print and distribute Sub List. How many copies are needed?
F1017	1875	R.J.Bartleet, The Shambles Redditch. (Doesn't know name of Secretary since Mr Baxter's death.) Points out he paid £30, not £50 as in list and name is spelt wrongly. Reply. Refer to Sub List. Misspelt name is a printer's error.
F1018	1864	1864 -1875 Printed Subscription List, Receipts and Expenditure.
F1019	1864	Rev.R.H.Ingram,23 St James St, Bath. Sub £30. Encloses 1st Instalment £10.
F1020	??	Caroline Baker, OverRoss,Ross. Donation of £5 for Mrs Bernard and the Misses Baker was paid last year by our lawyer Mr Slade Baker of Bewdley.

F1021	1864	<p>Sir E.A.H.Lechmere, 8,Queen St, Mayfair, to Lyttelton. Can't attend Meeting to consider what steps County should take to aid the Cathedral Authorities in the completion of the Cathedral. I am at present uninformed as to the special portion of the work of restoration wh.it is proposed that the County shd. be called upon to undertake, but I hope that the importance of rendering the Cathedral more available for a large congregation by warming and lighting it with gas and by the removal of the present organ loft and screen may be duly considered by the meeting.</p>
F1022	1864	<p>Dudley to Lyttelton. [2 sheets, sides 5,6 &amp; 7 crossed.] It is not very often that I take the initiative in invoking a correspondence having more than enough forced on me by others &amp; if that is true of myself it must be more so in your case. So do not take the trouble to answer this till we meet next Saturday, but in the mean- time you can lay the facts to heart &amp; perhaps may be influenced in what you propose doing in the Cathedral by your knowledge of them. Lygon except under good management by yourself is not a friend to the scheme. Some years ago I wanted to raise £30,000 to do this work - much of which has been done since I am glad to say - and I proposed to give one thousand that Ld Beauchamp should do the same - and the County find a similar amount - the expenditure to be spread over a number of years - say 10 - but Lygon on hearing of it said he would take care his father should not join in carrying out my ideas - &amp; so it fell to the ground. Yesterday as you saw his opposition was shown in the form of criticising the plan produced and proposing one of his own which had no Reason to recommend it. So much for him and the interests he represents. Coventry is not greatly given to expense on matters connected with the Church and he therefore will want a little special attention. I gathered from what you said yesterday that you wished Subscriptions given for the carrying out of the works generally and not for any specific parts of it. I should agree entirely with this if the Dean &amp; Chapter had not shown an animus against warming &amp; lighting because of cutting away from under their feet that objection among others they feel - &amp; to having special services which would succeed if men of power were invited to come &amp; preach where all might go &amp; sit without fear or favor of Charges - but this has not been a pleasant truth to men of so much power than the present Dean &amp; Chapter and as you know, they would not take one step towards raising £500 to match the £1,000 I gave them for that purpose &amp; after some months they returned the money - so you had better let that sum be given with the condition of its being put at once with the additional sum necessary to warm and light the whole Cathedral. Any further contributions should be to the general fund - upon the understanding that there is a lay Committee to watch the use made of the funds subscribed - &amp; hold as to what I will do - as it may be useful to you to know that beforehand - as an inducement perhaps to others to head the list of subscribers with large donations. I will give you £1,000 for each £10,000 raised from all donors &amp; in the same time in which the 20,000 is either paid or promised - &amp; this brings me to my Manchester Subscription which is not paid but I hold myself in readiness to pay when ?part of it if you think the Lancashire case requires it. I am now looking at the large sum in hand I have reserved my subscription like we said how hardly this winter pressed upon the Cotton Districts. This has been a long day, but I thought it ought to be said.</p>

F1023	1864	Rev Richard Cattley to Lord Lyttelton. (Clock & Bells) Will you forgive my troubling you with a few brief words touching the important business of Thursday next, in which you take such a deep interest, & for which I can truly say we all owe a deep debt of gratitude to your Lordship. It is with regard to the external state of the Tower. Mr Perkins has for a considerable time been anxious to examine the same, other matters have seemed to the Chapter to press more heavily, so that this has from time to time been allowed to stand over. At the November Audit, however, I had formal permission to employ Mr Perkins if I chose to do so at my own Charge to survey both inside and out. I have therefore had the necessary scaffold and 'cage' erected & tho' my impression as to the stability of the Fabric is happily fully confirmed, Mr Perkins thinks that much necessary repair is required & that the statues are seriously decayed in fact the corbels on which they stand are positively insecure and liable to give way under pressure of a heavy storm - if they came down Mr Perkins adds 'the weight is so great that they would certainly find their way to the floor of the Church'. I venture to suggest to the Dean & to Mr Fortescue, & Mr Wood (Sir Gilbert is not here) that the £8000 required is added to the previous estimates - the reply is that the matter is now in your Lordship's hands. .... it is only recently that Mr Perkins has been able to make the partial outside survey that he has done, and wholly irrespective of Clock and Bells there is a very strong feeling that this the grand external feature shd be taken in hand with the rest ... this item of £8000 would be a very serious one to raise afterwards & even if these faulty corbels cd be restored & the figures made secure this extensive work cd not by any possibility be delayed very long.
F1024	1864	T.Baxter, 1, Castle Place, to Lord Lyttelton. COPY. Notice for Committee. £12556.6.5 promised including Lord Dudley's £5,000 for the Tower, and £2,000 for warming and lighting. Reports to Bishop and Dean. Suggests Circular Letter, asks which papers to advertise in, with suggestions. Subs from Mr Lygon and Rev T.L.Wheeler.
F1025	1864	H.B.Pymbs, Worcester to ... I see by the Report in the Newspaper that my name is included in the list of the Committee connected with the Cathedral Restoration. As the defect of any sense of hearing has obliged me to decline all new engagements upon Committees I shall feel obliged if you will mention my reason for not attending the committee should my non-attendance occasion any remark.
F1026	1864	Lord Lyttelton, 10 St, George St.London S.W. to Baxter. I am inclined to think this week that the Resolutions may be advertised: afterwards as you suggest.
F1027	1864	Lord Leigh to Baxter. Please send copy of Resolutions for Restoration passed at Worcester Meeting when Lord Lyttelton took Chair. Similar Meeting in Warwick on 12th May. Lord Leigh thinks same Resolutions might well be proposed there. What Subs have been paid up by Warwickshire Subscribers?
F1028	1864	W.B.Sanderson, Warwick, to Baxter. Note of Resolutions at our Meeting. Local paper with full account tomorrow.
F1029	1864	Dean Peel, Waresley House Kidderminster, to Baxter. Thanks for sending letters re Mr Hughes. Satisfactory as far as they go but do not state whether Mr Hughes has been employed on works of the Character and Magnitude of those required at the Cathedral. I am always glad to hear from you and rely on you for information on every Subject connected with the Restoration which it is interesting or necessary for me to Know. P.S. Shall be in Worcester during the next fortnight and can make a visit whenever you think necessary.
F1030	1864	John Fortescue, Poltimore Rectory, to Baxter. I am obliged to you for sending me the account of the Proceedings in the Chapter on Friday. It is very unfortunate that in consequence of Mr Woods miscalculation and throwing up his contract so much of this fair dry season should be lost for at soonest the work cannot now be commenced till Michaelmas. I should fear too that there is little probability of any warming apparatus being fixed before winter sets in.



F1031	1864	Dean Peel, Waresley House, Kidderminster, to Baxter. Send enclosed letters.i) James A. Bence sends £1 (on list). ii) Rev Wm Rayson containing remarks on Scott's plans, lay before Committee at their next meeting. At last Meeting on Monday 12th, Dean's name joined with Lord Lyttelton as parties to Contract with Mr Hughes - occurs to Dean that Resolutions of Committee preclude this. Will look at the Resolutions with you at his next visit. He wishes to be guided strictly by them- no delay in drawing up the contract, space left for Dean's or any other name.
F1032	1864	Sir G.Frankland Lewis to The Dean. Unable to attend Cathedral Meeting on 29th. There is a matter that I should have brought forward could I have been there. The outside of the Baptistery is very bald for want of buttresses at its angle. The Architect, I believe contemplate to add them but they have not been provided in the Specifications. There is still time however to place them without impeding the Contractors proceedings and I think that the £150 would be well spent that they would cost. Perhaps you will mention the subject at the Meeting. Pray excuse my troubling you with it.
F1032/ 2	1864	Draft of Dean's Answer to Sir Gilbert F.Lewis 29.11.64 Your letter .... before Joint Committee at meeting Mr Perkins being referred to and having stated that the buttresses at the angles of the Baptistery though ornamental would not add to the stability of the Fabric and would be useless. Consideration of your Recommendation deferred until it was ascertained what sums will be requested for the completion of works absolutely necessary.
F1033	1866	Earl Beauchamp (Oxford) to Baxter. I have been obliged to delay my arrival here until today, I hasten to thank you for the itinerary which is come to hand. I shall be very glad to see the [ ?] of which you speak & will take some opportunity in the course of the month of April.
F1034	1867	Bishop to Dean. Can't come to meeting on Saturday.Have to go to Malvern to meet Ordination Candidates.
F1035	1867	To Baxter - unsigned, Lyttelton? Note. I shall want complete financial statement since the April 1864, also .. find me any minutes, order, records .. which I have not yet copies of .. perhaps I can have copies. No hurry. Tell Mr Scott that the Comm are most anxious that the drawings to be coloured & accomp by ground plan & explanation to be exhibited previously to meeting not later than end of this month. No notice of 1500 at end of financial statement.
F1036	1867	Baxter to G.G.Scott, Copy. To request him to attend Public Meeting at the Guildhall on Thurs. 25th April to raise funds - to have drawings on exhibition. Also possibly at Birmingham, Stratford and Warwick.
F1037	1867	Lyttelton to [Baxter] I return the enclosed with a few corrections. I forgot that Lord Leigh's list had not been copied, and destroyed it. I will write to you again & you will have it on Saturday morning. Send me 12 copies of the Circular.
F1038	1867	Lyttelton, Hagley, [to Baxter] I return Sherriff's Letter. I enclose a draft Report. Pray copy it and show it to the Dean & Chapter and Joint Committee, & ask them to consider before we meet if any change or addition is wanted. Let me know if you have got the Warwicks Accounts [names?] from Lord Leigh: if there are any tidings from Mr Scott: or about the plans & if Mr Scott has promised to attend the meeting: if Mr Perkins is getting his report ready & if you shall have the financial statement?
F1039	[1867]	Dudley to Dean Peel. I had hoped to have been with you this morning but being far from well .. excuse my non- appearance. Nothing of importance, absence of little consequence.

F1040	1867	Lyttelton to Baxter. Joint Committee at 11.30 and Finance Committee at 4.00pm on 4th May. In the meantime I will take responsibility of ordering a few things to be done. Next Sub List should be sent to the same newspapers, together with account of Meeting, as the Bp suggests the County Standard ought to be added. I enclose a letter from Mr Freeman of the Daily Post, Birmingham. I know him intimately and mean to propose him as collector for Birmingham.. name added to list. Write to him. ..any small expenses he may incur will be repaid.
F1041	1868	Dean Peel to Baxter. Cathedral Drawings belong to members of the Joint Restoration Committee by whom they were ordered and adopted. As they have already been exhibited and request made by Sir Edmund Lechmere a Member of the JRC, I will give permission on the condition stated in the postscript to your letter. P.S.Preserve this letter and make a note of the date of the removal of the drawings.
F1042	1868	Lord Dudley to Baxter. Summon Canon Wood and Sir E. Lechmere for Thursday next at 12 instead of Saturday, this being convenient for both of them as well as to myself.
F1043	1869	Lord Lyttelton to Baxter. Lord Dudley is expected on the 27th, and we must have a meeting. Wants accurate view of liabilities.
F1044	1870	Mrs. Annie Sanderson, Warwick, to T. Baxter. I feel that many apologies are due to you for having not replied to your previous communication .. Mr Sanderson has been very dangerously ill since the beginning of this month, & for many days his life was despaired of. He is .. in a fair way towards recovery but it is totally out of the question that he should transact any business - as indeed it is also impossible being still so weak that he can hardly raise his hand - he has not yet left his bed. I am very sorry you should be put to so much inconvenience in consequence of this & I am sure Mr Sanderson will regret it deeply, however .. it cannot be avoided. P.S. If Mr S should be sufficiently recovered to send the information you require at the last minute, I am sure he will do so - but I dare not hope for it.
F1045	1870	T. Baxter to R.E.Barnett. Meeting on 29th Jan. Reply. R.E. Barnett, Guildhall, to T.Baxter. Unable to be at Meeting having to be at Gaol on Sat at 12.
F1046	1870	Lord Leigh, Stoneleigh, to T.Baxter. Cannot attend meeting on 29th. Have not held meeting of local Ctee in Warwick - the secretary Mr Sanderson has been seriously ill - now out of danger. In a few weeks I hope to send further contribution.
F1047	1870	Dean Peel to Baxter. Send copy of Resolution at last Meeting to Mayor of Worcester and other absent members.
F1048	1870	Lord Dudley to Baxter. Please send today's Minutes.
F1049	1870	H.L.Mansel,D.D. Dean of St Paul's to Dean of Worcester. In making an appeal for the completion etc of St Paul's the Committee consider that it would be useful to shew how far behind hand London has been by the example of your City and Diocese... inform our Committee of the amount raised for the Restoration of your Cathedral and the time occupied in doing so.
F1050	1870	Lord Leigh to Baxter. Cannot attend the JRC on Sat am. Am engaged to attend Volunteers Review in Birmingham.
F1051	1870	Lord Leigh to Baxter. Apologies for Committee Meeting on Saturday.
F1052	1870	Telegram. Mr.King, Spring Gardens, to T.Baxter. Can attend Meeting Sat but cannot answer for the sketch of groining being ready - will write tonight.
F1053	1870	Copy to Mr King to attend Committee on Sat. 26th, to examine designs for Groining
F1054	1871	A.E.Perkins. Note. Whether scaffolding be removed from ceiling & when Lady Chapel is to be proceeded with?
F1055	1871	Baxter to Canon Wood, sending notebook and cheques for signature.

F1056	1871	Canon Wood to Baxter. NOTE. Enclose cheque for Mr Scott £500 and sketch of letter to accompany it. I hope you are feeling better. I will call on you if possible in the course of the day.
F1057	1871	Rev Charles Boutell, Kempsey to the Dean. [8 sides Foolscap] While your Cathedral continues in its present condition I am very anxious to urge upon you the extreme importance of .. fitting up the Choir as may be most advantageous .. for Public Worship .. rare that Choir is a wide open space (except for King John). Wants low and light grilles such as at Lichfield and Hereford my friend Skidmore able to produce with such masterly ability. Decoration of vaulting of the Choir altogether out of place, feeble yet tawdry colouring in vaulting of Lady Chapel. Don't restore King John (could move him to the Lady Chapel).
F1058	1871	Dean Peel to T.Baxter, from Kidderminster enclosing Minutes of meeting at Dudley House. Sends letter from Rev. Charles Boutell - not mentioned in Minutes, his remarks on Decoration of groining come too late to be of any use.
F1059	1871	Lord Leigh. Apologies. Cannot attend Meeting.
F1060	1871	Thomas Baxter to Canon Wood. Sends Book and letters. Going to Penarth, Cardiff, gives address. Balance of Fund - £3,200.
F1061	[1872]	5 pm Dean, The Deanery to Baxter. "Scott's Designs" Thank you for your satisfactory note, and I have .... As you ask my opinion I have no scruple in saying that I think you will do well to write to Mr Gilbert Scott and tell him that the Meeting has been postponed from the 7th-14th January solely in compliance with Mr Powell's suggestion as in letter to Mr Perkins and for the purpose of giving him time to complete and be present with his designs.
F1062	1872	Lord Leigh to T. Baxter. Apologies. Has to attend Petty Sessions, Board of Guardians, and Contagious Diseases (Animals) Committee, all on Saturdays.
F1063	1872	Canon Wood to T.Baxter. Mr Forrest. He was certainly appointed, or rather Perkins was allowed to employ him as a Clerk of Works vice Weaver. Was there no Minute to that effect...?
F1064	1872	Baxter to Canon Wood, asking for Agenda on May 18th. Canon Wyntour was paying £50. [Agenda on letter]
F1065	1872	Canon J.R.Wood to Baxter. Agenda, May 18th re Scott's Design for Pavement in Nave and Choir Aisles, Altar Rails & Table & other fittings. Roof of Sacrarium, Decoration.
F1066	1872	Lord Leigh, 37 Portman Sq. Apologies. Cannot attend Meeting. Engaged in Town.
F1067	1872	Lord Somers 49, Princes Gate, London, to Mr Wood. Apologies. Resigned to a trip to Guernsey for his wife's health - thinks bright red and yellow tiles with black marble given in several architectural works as peculiar to Malvern, Worcester and other neighbouring Churches.
F1068	1872	Canon Wood, St Fagan's. Has no books on Cathedral Restoration beyond those sent. There was a book with Subscriptions in. Has Cert for Farmer & Brindley for £200, but won't pay until knows position of Committee.
F1069	1872	Canon J.R.Wood, St Fagan's, Cardiff, to F.Spooner. From Accounts I have received of the Cathedral Works I think it may be desirable that there should be a meeting of the Restoration Committee at the time of the Sessions when several of the Members will be in Worcester. In that case I have requested Sir G. Lewis to call on you and I shall be obliged if you will issue the requisite notices as Sir G. may direct and sign them as the Appeal Secretary.
F1070	1872	Copy. Notice of Meeting on Sat Oct 8th to view the Marble Pavement

F1071	1872	Canon Wood, Badminton. Has received Statement of Accounts. Sending cheque for £200. Please get Sir G. Lewis and E.Lechmere to sign
F1072	1872	Canon Wood, Torquay, to Spooner. Please call Committee meeting for Sat. Nov.2nd, at 11am. Encloses Agenda and asks for G.Scott, A.E.Perkins and Contractors.
F1073	1872	J.Hardman to F.Spooner. John Hardman Powell will attend Committee.
F1074	1872	Field Poole to F.Spooner. One of our Partners will attend the Meeting on Nov.2
F1075	1872	Lord Leigh's Apologies for Meeting
F1076	1872	Copy. My Lord, Attendance requested at Committee on 2nd Nov. Agenda.
F1077	1872	Copy. Committee on 23rd Nov. at 12 o'clock to inspect Choir Pavement.
F1078	1872	Copy. Committee Meeting Sat. 7th Dec at 1pm.
F1079	1873	Canon J.R.Wood, Kinlet, Bewdley, to F.Spooner. Cheque for Pemberton sent to Dean to sign. (F546) Cheque for Farmer & Brindley will retain till I return home on Monday, as Sir G. Scott's Certificate considerably exceeds my recollection of the Estimate.
F1080	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Send notices for Committee on Jan. 25th, at 11 a.m. in the Chapter House. (Not Leigh or Somers). Agenda enclosed. Report from Scott, Choir Pavement.
F1081	1873	Copy. Circular re Meeting, as above.
F1082	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Special Meeting of the Restoration Committee on Tues. Jan. 31st at 12.00.
F1083	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Send a notice to Lord Leigh of Meeting of Restoration Committee on Fri. 14th Feb at 11 at Dudley House. I will communicate with the other members.
F1084	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Meeting at Dudley House on Friday 21st at 11am.
F1085	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner calling for Notice of Meeting on 15th.
F1086	1873	Copy. Committee on Sat.15th at 3pm in the Chapter House. Mr Powell's Estimate for Lady Chapel, Transepts and Choir Aisles etc.
F1087	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner, Call a Committee Meeting for Easter Monday 14th to approve designs ordered at last meeting and to inspect progress.[Endorsed 14.4.73]
F1088	1873	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Day and Hour most convenient to the majority of the Restoration Committee is Whit Monday, June 2nd at 2 pm. Lord Somers is back in England at 49, Princes Gate, London. Agenda, Financial Statement, Inspect Choir and Cloisters, Decorations, Mr. Powell's Designs, Grilles on Stalls.
F1089	1873	Canon J.R.Wood, Hawarden Castle, to F.Spooner. Home on Friday p.m. Please send financial Statement for Restoration Committee Meeting. Mr Baxter's First Minute Book, if you have it please send it to me. It contains Sir G. Scott's First Report and a letter from him causes me to refer to it. Sir G. Scott writes from Geneva ... not well enough to attend the Meeting, will be represented by his son.

F1090	1873	Sat Nov 8th 8 am [1873] Dean Peel, Waresley House, Kidderminster, to Canon Wood. Though you will hardly expect me in such weather as this yet to prevent any delay from uncertainty as to my intentions I send my servant with this note by rail to say that I shall not be able to attend the meeting today. My medical man Mr Brown will not hear of my running the risk of exposure to damp & cold after so long a confinement in this one room. I hope the Bishop if present will take the Chair. The list of Agenda is before me. One item requires particular attention. It is this "Design & Estimates for Altar" I do hope these will not be inferior to the other parts of the Restoration. I shall be glad to know at your leisure what is decided upon. P.S. It was raining hard at 8 am when I began my letter. It looks a little brighter now but I mean to follow Mr Brown's advice, the slightest cheque would lay me off for the winter.I have not been down stairs since our last meeting a month ago today.
F1091	1874	Lord Dudley, Witley Court, to Canon Wood. I propose on Saturday to ask the opinion of the Committee on the place for the Organ & Choir in the Transept the removal of the oak work in the Choir and the continuation of the ornamental brass work up to Prince Arthur's tomb the present elegant grilles filling the sober looking tasteless arches. In any case you will have to build a temporary Organ for the Nave Services and if the time suffices it would be better to put up that which is to remain.
F1092	1874	Alfred Barry, Athanaeum/King's College to Mr Dean. Hears from Mr Wood that Chapter Meeting is to be held, ..only free day is Sat, but can't arrive until 11am.
F1093	1874	Agenda. To inspect the Works. Mr Powell to attend. Hills Organ. Design for Bishop's Chair.
F1094	1874	F.A.Skidmore to Canon Wood. Understanding there would be a Committee Meeting last Saturday I came to Worcester from London but was too unwell to stay longer than to ascertain the progress of the work. I have since been confined to my room and shall be unable to attend the meeting tomorrow. I think my son will be able to give you any information you require. Kindly give him the cheque ...
F1095	1874	Agenda. Attendance List. Agenda for 18.4.74.
F1096	1874	Minutes Meeting of Joint Restoration Committee with notes of meeting on 25.4.74
F1097	1874	Canon J.R.Wood, Piccadilly, to F.Spooner. I have arranged that Sir E.Lechmere & I shall meet Ld Hampton on Monday to examine the Cathedral Restoration Accounts. I have brought to Town the Bills and letters wh I received from you last week & shall be obliged if you will forward me any further Bills wh you may have obtained from any of the Contractors bringing their charges down to the present time. I will endeavour to see Sir G. Scott.
F1098	1874	Report of Finance Committee-Signed; Hampton, (9, Eaton Sq.)
F1099	1874	Finance Committee: Resolution. Sir G.G.Scott to charge Individual Donors Commission.
F1100	1874	Cathedral Restoration Finance Committee. MINUTES Lord Hampton. Sir E.A.H.Lechmere, Canon Wood, Examined Architects Accounts, and Contractors Accounts. Note of Cheques paid. Mr Forrest - to Sept, which concluded his engagement.
F1101	1874	Note: Canon J.R. Wood to F. Spooner re Date of Resolution.
F1102	1875	Minute. Draft of reply to letter from Miss Walter to the Dean of Worcester containing a request that her Subscription of £25 for Restoration might be returned. "Committee must in all the circumstances decline to refund the money."

F1103	1875	Copy. F.Spooner to Miss Walter. I am desired to inform you that your letter of November 28th to the Dean applying for repayment of your Subscription to the Cathedral Restoration Fund was communicated by him on 16th Inst and I am further instructed to forward you a copy of the Resolution then passed. It was resolved that having taken into consideration Miss Walter's letter in connection with the following extract from the communication of the Dean & Chapter to the Steward of the Musical Festival "as they find that some misunderstanding has existed on the subject in the minds of some Noblemen and Gentlemen who contributed to the Fund, and, as they believe, that the Restoration Committee would deem it undesirable to retain any sum contributed to their fund under a false impression, they trust the Committee will consider whether an offer should not be made to return any such contribution to the donors; and should this be done the Dean & Chapter will undertake to increase their own contributions with a view to meet any additional deficiency thus caused in the Restoration Fund." The Committee are of the opinion that there is no just ground for the claim advanced by her.
F1104	1864	Wrapper. HEATING APPARATUS
F1105	n.d.	Warming Apparatus - Tenders Compared. Haden £1436, Rosser £1057, Price £1710.
F1106	1864	COPY A. Woodcock, London Warming & Ventilating Co Ltd. 26, Great George St. Westminster, SW. After looking very carefully over your Cathedral I find that there will be no difficulty whatsoever in warming it. The whole building so far as proper heating and Ventilation is concerned is so nearly a counterpart of Lincoln .. The cost of doing Lincoln was £470 - but much was done for us by their own workmen on the spot. We will undertake to complete yours for 500£ and hope to be able to do so for the same price as Lincoln, if so, we will of course deduct the 30£, we understand that we fix for the sum all the eight stoves required, find those stoves & pay every expense whatever except that of cutting the holes through the walls (six or eight in number for our brick flue pipes to be taken through) this is to be done by your own stone mason. Further we undertake to guarantee the result & if the result is not to your own personal satisfaction remove the stoves at our own cost, make good everything as it now stands in the Cathedral & clear all away, you on your part paying us 100£ for expenses which will be more than incurred by us. The heat we propose to give you is from 50 -55øF, this is about the heat at which the Houses of Parliament are kept .. as high as you will ever require. It will take us 6 weeks to 2 months to complete the work .. & we should much prefer .. to take advantage of the long days & early as possible as there are other Cathedrals coming into our hands during the summer. The 100£ named above to be paid on completion of the work, the remainder .. on or before 31st December next, by which time the power of the stoves will have been thoroughly tested. The consumption of fuel will be less than by any other known means of heating. In St Paul's it costs 1d per hour for each stove. You may calculate 5 months for 4 stoves, as about the extent to which you will use them, something must depend .. on the severity of the season; but 75£ per annum for fuel would I think be a fair calculation. .. Mr Penrose .. to send you his views as to the success in St Paul's .. I enclose .. a rough plan .. to show the position of the Stoves, each one will require a 6" cast iron pipe for a flue this pipe will run up close to the walls, at the back of each Stove, be color'd to match the wall & pass through it (ie before it reaches the roof inside) under the roof & .. when outside the building run up the corners, behind the buttresses. There will be no possibility of fire .. PLAN of Stove sites on back
F1107	1864	F.C.Penrose, St. Paul's Chapter House, Surveyor's Office, to The Dean. Stoves. Gurney Stoves used for the last 6 years .. very great efficiency .. moderate cost considering the results obtained and the agreeable quality of the heat evolved .. has seen same at Lincoln.
F1108	1864	F.C.Penrose to Baxter. .. already written to Dean. We have 13 stoves, but seldom more than 8 are in use. 96 chauldrons of coke per annum. Interior temperature Jan. 1863 was 54.8ø - very uniform throughout the Cathedral. Quality of air excellent - never any sensation of burnt air.

F1109	1864	Charles Thiselton, Scarborough, to Baxter. Mr Woodcock's System has proved in every respect quite successful in warming York Minster. [Endorsed 20.6.64]
F1110	1864	S.Egan Rosser, Dessicating & Warming, Percy Chambers, Northumberland St. Warming & Ventilating Works, 118, Dorset St, Fleet St. EC to Baxter. Your letter of 25th in ref to Crypt - has directed my attention to an omission in the letter which accompanied my plan, in which I sought expressly to have observed that my design entirely avoids all interference with the Crypt. .. I have not found it necessary to introduce any considerable amount of heating apparatus in the Choir which is situated over the Crypt, believing that that portion of the Cathedral would be more effectively warmed, and draughts of air avoided, by placing the heating apparatus in the transepts and Lady Chapel. Experience has taught me that draughts are always created towards any portion of a church which is warmer than other parts. The result of placing any large proportion of the apparatus in the Choir would be, that when the congregation were assembled, the air from all other parts of the Cathedral would blow into the Choir, and the inconvenience would be very great, by the contrary arrangement of placing the bulk of the apparatus outside the choir, this effect will be entirely obviated. The only heating surface in the Choir is a small coil on the North side to counteract the cooling effect of the windows which is always greatest in the North East quarter. The pipes which communicate with this coil are laid in the thickness of the floor and do not enter the Crypt. ..have the goodness to lay this explanation before the Committee. [Endorsed 28 Jany 1864]
F1111	1864	J.R.Wall, Shanklin IoW. 8 Stoves in Lincoln, two years since - £450. Temperature in winter generally kept up to 48-50ø Much higher temperatures might be obtained. Cost £140 including wages of man who attends to them.
F1112	1864	N.J.Lea, 13, Parliament St, Westminster, to A.E.Perkins .. I might not have so clearly explained to the Committee the great difference between my system of warming & that of the coil system. As regards my scheme you are aware that the Heating surface will not be exposed within the Cathedral and consequently a far greater amount is required, which of course increases the cost. And as to the Coil System, will it not be a 'sine qua non' with the Committee supposing they adopt the plan of having coils of pipes fixed in the Cathedral that they should be in Coil Cases, and if so it would be a very expensive affair, as doubtless the cases would have to be made from designs in character with the building. ..
F1113	1864	Freight Note. G.W.R. to Clifton & Hooper. 1 Stove in 19 parts £1.3.7
F1114	1865	A.C.Hooper to T.Baxter. In May 1864 we were applied to for payment of £1.3.7 the charge for the freight of a stove for the Cathedral which we paid as the packages were directed to us by the direction as we understood of the Dean & Chapter. In November last in settling accounts with the Treasurer of the Chapter, he declined to pay as the stove was not ordered by the Dean & Chapter but by the Joint Committee or on their account. We know nothing of the circumstances ourselves - except that we were asked for and paid the £1.3.7 and we shall be obliged if you will procure an order for the repayment. We enclose the Freight Note for your inspection.
F1115	1864	H. MacKenzie, Kemble House, Great Malvern. Tender. For Tower. £11872
F1116	1864	H. MacKenzie, Kemble House, Great Malvern. Tender. For Nave and Aisle. £3773
F1117	1864	Victoria Marble & Stone Works Birmingham. J.Bennett & Son to Dean & Chapter. Tender. N. Transept, N. Porch, Nave, Baptistery £3977.0.0
F1118	1864	Williams, Tender. Tower, Clerestory, N. Aisle & Porch £11,749 including carving and sculptures.

F1119	1864	J.Wood & Son, Builder, to A.E.Perkins, Architect. I exceedingly regret the necessity for our present communication, but we find that an omission was made to our Estimate for the Tower Restoration & it arose in the following manner. We priced out our bills of quantities for the same price as those for the N.Aisle and Porch & omitted to add thereto the sum of 1/- per cubic foot on the quantity of stone work in the Tower which we considered the value of the extra labour, hoisting & scaffolding to work at that great height, the omission amounts to the considerable sum of fifteen hundred pounds and altho: we have again carefully gone through our calculations to see if other items could in any measure cover this omission we find that our prices generally are as low as the work could possibly be done for, & that we should clearly be at a considerable loss by the work, we have therefore decided to request that you will kindly lay the circumstances of the case before the Cathedral Restoration Committee and ask them either to allow us to amend our tender by the amount of the omission or otherwise withdraw it. We shall be happy to submit our detailed estimate to your inspection.
F1120	1864	T.Baxter to Dean Peel, PRIVATE. Reports Mr J.O.Sanders reference on H.Hughes, '-perfectly safe for £20,000. .. A respectable and responsible man'. I was not aware till after I had seen you on Saturday that Mr Wood had thrown up the Contract.
F1121	1864	Wood & Son to Dean. Error in Contract. Tower. We are exceedingly sorry that after the Committee had accepted our tender for the restoration of the Tower etc we found it necessary to write to the architect A.E.Perkins Esq. explaining an omission in our calculations of a large sum. Had it been 3 or 400 Pounds we should have passed the matter in silence but its being fifteen hundred Pounds we did not feel that we should be justified in executing this work at so great a sacrifice, we are very anxious to carry out the work, and we hope you please do us the favour of laying our letter to Mr Perkins before the Committee on Friday next, and should the Committee decide in our favour we pledge ourselves to perform the work in the most substantial & workmanlike manner. Mr Perkins has examined our detail calculations so that he can confirm the genuineness of our application.
F1122	1864	A.E.Perkins to Dean Peel. Letter from Mr Fortescue allowing repairs to steps at W. End of the Cathedral. A call from Mr Hughes' clerk with a message asking whether he may be in Worcester on Friday in case the Committee should desire to fall back on his tender by which he is perfectly willing to abide. As he understands from the public prints that Mr Woods has withdrawn his tender & he Mr Hughes thinks that in fairness he should be the next in case Mr Wood is really out of the field. I sent for answer that I knew nothing whatever of the Committee's intention nor could I sanction his coming. In answer to a note of mine to Mr Christian I am informed that Mr Hughes is a considered and respected man. I have requested a friend of mine Mr Robert Allie who has connections in Bristol to ask in confidence of some Bristol persons whether anything is known of Mr Hughes & what.
F1123	n.d.	List of References for H.Hughes 4-7 Cannon St. St James, Bristol.
F1124	1864	Randell I.Saunders, Bath Stone Office, Corsham to AEP. £11,000 Contract much beyond means of your gent.... Industrious, honest man .. means 7 or 800£ - hardly margin enough.
F1125	1864	Charles Prothero, Clerk to the Peace, Newport, to T.Baxter. Reference for H.Hughes - satisfactorily carried out public works to a cost of £3,000.
F1126	1864	M.G. Habershon & Pite, Bloomsbury Square to T.Baxter. H.Hughes.. large rebuilding at Chepstow - 15,000£ - perfectly capable.
F1127	1864	R.R.Anitz FSA 4, Cannon Row, Westminster to T. Baxter. H.Hughes.. has taken down and rebuilt considerable portion of spire of St. Mary's Church at Monmouth - to my entire satisfaction.



F1128	1864	T.H.Wyatt, 77, Gt. Russell St. Reference for H.Hughes. Intelligent, energetic and dependable.
F1129	1864	Somersetshire Bank to T.Baxter. Ref for H.Hughes. A most respectable and honourable man.... believe he could carry out any works he might undertake to perfect satisfaction.
F1130	1864	Henry Hughes to Joint Restoration Committee I furnished Mr Perkins at the time the Estimates were sent in with a list of the names for References, principally Architects, but did not give him the names of Bondsmen. I herewith beg to propose the names of the two following Gentlemen - Thomas Barnes, Esq. Stoke Bishop, George Mountfort Barnes, Esq. Dundham Down, Clifton. You did not mention whether the Committee wished to see me on Monday 12th Inst. If so .. inform me by return of post so that I may arrange my appointments accordingly. Per F.Lewis.
F1131	1864	Baxter to Perkins. Hughes' Bondsmen. [names]
F1132	1864	(Tissue) A.C.Hooper to Messrs Meredith & Lucas. Copy. Needs draft contract at once. Sent copy of draft of College at Malvern.
F1132/		List of enclosures.
F1133	1864	Meredith & Lucas 8,New Sq. Lincoln's Inn to A.C.Hooper Return by book post papers and draught contract.
F1134	1864	Meredith & Lucas 8,New Sq. Lincoln's Inn. Co her at Jones. Cath. Restn we have laid the papers before John Whitcombe.
F1135	1864	Meredith & Lucas to A.C.Hooper. We send our charges
F46/11	n.d.	Draft. Parties to Joint Restoration Committee.'Fund raised on 7th Apr..Trustees are..'
F1136	1864	Thomas Baxter to A.C.Hooper,Esq. 7th April Meeting. Trustees are the Bishop of Worcester, Lord Lyttelton, the Earl of Dudley, Lord Leigh, Sir
F1137	1864	Draft of Contract. [On blue paper] H.Hughes. 'A Copy of a somewhat similar contract sent only for convenience,' 24 pages long. Much altered.
F1138	1864	Draft Contract - Fair Copy [on pale paper] - amended and initialled in pencil by Henry Hughes.
F1139	1864	Contract for Work at Cathedral. [On Parchment, Stamped.] Henry Hughes, Builder. John Peel, Dean, and Lord Lyttelton for the Joint
F1140	1864	Bond for Performance of Contract, Draft
F1141	1864	Bond for Performance of Contract, Signed and Sealed.
F1142		Specification: (2) North Side of Nave & Aisles & Porch A.E.Perkins, Architect, and H. Hughes, Builder.
F1143		Specification: (3) Restoration and Repair of Tower. A.E.Perkins, Architect, and H. Hughes, Builder.
F1144	1864	Frederick Lewis, 4-7 Cannon St. Bristol, to A.C.Hooper. Letter. Sending Draft of Bond
F1145	1865	1 Mr Henry Hughes North Side of Nave 600.00.0
F1146	1865	Mr Henry Hughes Stoves 125.00.0
F1147	1865	Mr Henry Hughes North Side of Nave 800.00.0 * this Certificate notes that it was made £1,000
F1148	1865	2 Mr Henry Hughes North Side of Nave 1000.00.0
F1149	1865	Mr Henry Hughes Nave, Porch, Extra works on Baptistery and Tower 220.00.0
F1150	1865	5 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, Tower, Extra Work on Baptistery 348.00.0
F1151	1865	7 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 213.00.0
F1152	1866	8 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 500.00.0

F1153	1866	9 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 160.00.0
F1154	1866	11 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 389.00.0
F1155	1866	12 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 400.00.0
F1156	1866	13 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Tower, Porch, Baptistery 367.00.0
F1157	1866	14 Mr Henry Hughes Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Tower 232.00.0
F1158	1867	15 Mr Henry Hughes N.Nave, N.Aisle, Porch, Baptistery 250.00.0
F1159	n.d.	(17) Mr Henry Hughes N.Aisle, Tower, Porch ( .4.67) Baptistery 355.00.0
F1160	1866	Copy. Henry Hughes to A.E.Perkins. I regret you should still find fault with the way in which the Restoration of the Tower of Worcester Cathedral is being carried out by my men, and can only say if you will kindly examine it yourself, you will not I think condemn it as contrary to all rules of good masonry or reconstruction of the best description, and if any damage is to be apprehended, it is from cutting away too much of the stone work of the old buttresses. It can make but little difference whether the four sides are carried up at a level or one side 23 feet below the other. We have made a good start and the men are all at their post and well organised for a rapid and substantial restoration, indeed like so much machinery, to alter which would be to delay the completion of the works many months, we have now given you a first class body of men second to none in the country to discharge which or any portion would in my opinion be a very strong step. I am quite content to take the responsibility of the safe keeping of the Tower on myself. Hoping you will favourably reconsider the letter you have written me.
F1161	1866	Henry Hughes to Thomas Baxter. In answer to yours of this morning I beg to assure you that I should be extremely sorry to do anything contrary to the wishes of the Restoration Committee or the Revd. Chairman, but I must say I am somewhat surprised that they should call a meeting and hear the evidence on one side only, and decide upon the same without giving the Contractor a chance of stating what his motives were for objecting to stop the progress of the works referred to at the arbitrary command of their Architect. I am sure that if the opinion of disinterested practical gentlemen or their Consulting Architect was taken they would decide that the proper way would be to proceed as at present. I have every wish to urge on the works with all possible despatch with a view to fully satisfying the Lords & Gentlemen of the Committee, but at the same time, I wish it understood that until I have the express commands of the Committee I shall not withdraw the men engaged on the other Three sides of the Tower feeling assured that Mr Perkins only object is to throw me back into the winter./X I did not expect that Mr P. would have called a Committee without first informing me X and thus giving me a chance of meeting them and preparing a report also. It is my wish to state through you that my most anxious desire is to carry on and complete the whole of my Contract with the greatest satisfaction to them and credit to myself. As to the language complained of I should not blush to repeat it in the presence of your respected Committee. I enclose for inspection of yourself and the Rev. Chairman a copy of the letter written immediately on my return from Wiltshire on Saturday last. Will you have the goodness to to ask the Chairman to inform me of the next Committee Meeting & oblige. X __X Underlined in pencil and Endorsed 'The Meeting was not called by Mr Perkins.'

F1162	1866	Copy. T. Baxter to Henry Hughes. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and a Copy of one sent to Mr Perkins. They shall both be laid before the Committee at their next meeting which will be on the 10th Feb. at 11.30. I have shown them this morning to the Dean and Sir G.F.Lewis and am directed to say that the meeting not called by Mr Perkins but was summoned for general purposes by Circular dated Jany 19th having been previously fixed by the Committee at their meeting on the 15th Inst. It was, however, stated by Mr Perkins at that Meeting that he believed it necessary to the proper conducting of the works that the four sides and angles of the Tower should be carried up at the same levels. The matter was discussed and the result was the unanimous agreement to a resolution of which I forwarded you a copy.
F1163	1866	Stone Account. Mr Hughes to pay for the stone left by Messrs Bennett & delivered since. £1113.16.4
F1164	n.d.	Mr Hughes declines to give his estimate for the amount of stone in writing but says that it amounts to 25.000 He says however that he does not include in this amount nearly 3000 ft of internal masonry which he calls backing but which is masonry.
F1165	1866	John Hardman & Co to T. Baxter. We are very sorry there should have been so long a delay in the arrival of the 2 statues for the N. Porch of your Cathedral this has arisen from Mr John Powell having been so desirous to produce a work entirely in accordance with, & sufficiently good for the important position they are to occupy that he has resisted our efforts to push the work forward, until he had consulted ancient authorities of the same date &c. He assures me that the 2 figures shall be ready for inspection of the Committee early next month, and that there will be no necessity for any further delay in the execution of the rest of the figures should they be entrusted to us as the first difficulty is over. He also desires us to tell you that however disappointed you may feel at present that he believes you will be pleased with the result. Answer I am requested to say .. that as the matter of the figures for the N. Porch has been delayed so long, the Dean & the Residential Canon to whom the power of selection & approbation had been delegated by the Committee feel that the affair is taken out of their hands. Committee meet again on 24th Inst. Mr Powell can if he thinks proper attend & give an explanation of the delay. TB
F1166		Resolution relating to the lowering of St.Michael's Church-yard, That it is most desirable in consequence of the road leading to the N. Porch of the Cathedral having been lowered as proposed, to alter the level of the adjacent part of St Michael's Churchyard and that the Sub-Committee before appointed * [Deleted] Bishop and Dean & Chapter be requested to take the necessary steps for effecting that object with regard to the wishes of the parishioners, and all proper care for any remains which may be found in that part of the yard.
F1167	1866	The Bishop of Worcester [to T.Baxter] NOTE. Lord Lyttelton will be glad to have the enclosed letter copied and sent to the Churchwardens of St.Michael's.
F1168	n.d.	Draft- No signature. [Lord Lyttelton's writing.] Gentlemen, I have the honour to forward to you on behalf of the Joint Committee for the Restoration of Worcester Cathedral the copy of the Resolution passed by them on the 24th Instant. I have to request that you will do them the favour to call, at your convenience, a Vestry Meeting of the Parish of St Michael, & obtain from them should they see fit, an expression of their general approval of this object. The Committee believe that such a Meeting could not properly be called till the appointment of an Incumbent to the living being now vacant: but they believe it may take place as soon as practical after that event. The Committee for the present do not ask for any further action than this as their [?] of the Parish. They will themselves undertake to take such subsequent measures as may be necessary, & will hereafter again communicate with you, should it be found requisite. They desire to specify in particular three points to which they pledge themselves that due attention shall be paid: 1 That all proper legal formalities shall be observed. 2 That the Parish shall be put to no expense. 3 That care shall be taken that no desecration or disturbance shall take place in respect on any remains that may be found within the part of the Churchyard with which it is proposed to deal.

F1169	1866	Copy. Robert Hughes, Surveyor, to Dean & Chapter. Specification & Estimates for proposed New Road, lowering St Michael's burial Ground & widening the present Road to the Cathedral. Copy - on same sheet. Robert Hughes to J.Hooper Esq. Lowering top end of College Street. 3 inch coating of Clee Hill Stone for £50.
F1170	1866	A.C.Hooper to T. Baxter. I beg to send herewith the Faculty procured for the alterations to College Church- yard. My charges will I suppose be paid by the Joint Restoration Committee.
F1171	1866	St Michael in Bedwardine, Faculty for Lowering the Churchyard. The Tower Contract
F1172	1868	Henry Hughes to T.Baxter. In answer to your favour of yesterday I have not yet heard from Mr Forsyth, but have written to him by this post asking him to see you at 10o'clock in the morning and to give you the information you require with regard to the Restoring Figures on the Tower. I do not know what sum he has down for them. I sent to the Carver who originally undertook the Carving, and beg to enclose his leter in reply: my people seem to doubt whether the Porch Figures are in the Contract as there was no mention of them in the original specification nor were they shewn on the Drawings. I do not know whether any of the other Contractors took them into their Estimates or not. Will you kindly bring the matter of the Certificate to Mr Perkins notice as it is perfectly useless my writing to him, he takes no notice whatsoever. We have not had any Certificate according to the arangement made with Lord Littleton, they have been most irregular through- out; Should your Committee want any information as to time of completion it is impossible for me to say, as a letter received from my Foreman some week ago informs me he don't think Mr Perkins intends the work should be finished for the next twelve months at the rate he is giving instructions, we have had the greatest difficulty and delay in getting even the Turret Scaffold removed. I fear while it's most unpleasant for me it will be most expensive for the Committee.
F1173	1868	Henry Hughes to T.Baxter. I should be glad to know the result of the last meeting, and if you deemed it prudent to introduce my letter or not. I have not received any cheque yet. Will you please say if there is any difficulty in the way of Certificate. I cannot get on at any rate with Mr Perkins and am afraid I shall be obliged to give the whole matter up, as my Foreman has given me notice to leave, in consequence of Mr Perkins conduct and if he does leave I shall certainly be compelled to throw it on the hands of the Committee as I cannot appoint another foreman to these works, which ought to have been completed considerably more than 12 months since. I don't know how frequently the melancholy occurance of last week might happen again as the ropes have been so long exposed to the weather. The Carvers and everyone connected with the Cathedral say they don't believe it is Mr Perkins intention to have the work completed for another year and I am determined I will not stop on the ground all that time. Not only does this inconvenience me but it will be no end of cost to the Committee and thus cause a large amount of litigation between us which will naturally place me on bad terms with them after all my trouble and anxiety, instead of being quite the reverse. Asking the favor of an answer as to Certificate.
F1174	1870	Geo.I.Taylor, 12, Montagu St, Russell Sq. W.C. to T.Baxter Re Hughes Contract: I am sorry to say I am unable to accept on behalf of my Clients your offer of £1003.15.4 on the above a/c not yet having been furnished with the requisite details from Mr Perkins to check the way in which he arrived at his award altho they have been repeatedly promised by him both orally and in writing & until I receive them it will be impossible for me to do anything on the matter.

F1175	1870	Osborn, Ward, & Vassall & Co. Solicitors, for W.G.Coles & J.C.Aiken, to the Dean and Lord Lyttelton. Undertake to produce on request 2 Indentures 9.2.66 and 21.12.68 ... by which the benefits of the Contract for the said Restoration by Mr Henry Hughes became vested in ... Messrs Coles & Aiken...
F1176	1870	Indemnity: Messrs Coles & Aiken, Stukeys Bank, Bristol. Final Balance due to Henry Hughes Contract.
F1177	1870	Receipt, Coles & Aiken, Re Hughes Contract £1063.15.4
F1178	1870	Pidcock & Sons, Solicitors, to T.Baxter. 3 Encls: Sending Receipt of Coles & Aiken as Assignees of H.Hughes, also Indemnity and Undertaking to produce Deeds. [as above]
F1179	1864	Revd. William Rayson, Lansdown Crescent, Worcester, to the Dean. I am told that the plans for the Restoration of the Cathedral have been placed in the Guildhall in order that subscribers and others may inspect and if need be express their opinion upon them. I venture therefore to offer an objection to the position assigned to the Organ. Regarding the Organ simply as an Instrument independently of its use to the Choir, probably the Centre of the screen may be the best place to allow of its being heard but I believe the division of the Organ as proposed has been already tried at Westminster and pronounced unsatisfactory. But if the Organ is to accompany the Choir, and the plan of opening out the nave fully and bona fide (upon which Mr Scott stakes his connexion with the work) for the use of the congregation be carried out, the choir aisles being used only on "great occasions", then it seems to me that the North Aisle of the Choir is the only available position for with the Organ placed directly between the Choir & Congregation it will be perfectly impossible for the latter to hear the words sung especially in the Choruses of the Anthems and the Full parts of the Psalms and Services. From "Walcott's "Interior of a Gothic Minster" it would appear that the Organ was originally in the North Aisle in Worcester Cathedral and was removed to its present position at the Restoration. The argument in favour of this central position is that it admits of both sides being accompanied equally but this is after all a mere approximation to Antiphonal accompaniment which can only be secured by the use of two Organs: and whether two organs one in the North the other in the South Choir aisle could be brought under the management of one Organist is a question which can easily be solved by Organ builders who have overcome greater obstacles in mechanism than this. I need not enter into the ecclesiological question of the use of the rood loft for an Organ gallery: I merely wish to draw your attention and that of the Committee to the fact that with the Organ over the Screen, the Congregation in the Nave will not be able to hear the service; and that the placing it in the North Aisle, while it has manifest Choral advantages, will be also in reality a Restoration.

F1180	1865	J.L.Walker, Stephenson Terrace, to the Dean. Knowing that you are glad of any hints respecting the position of organs in the Cathedral .. enclose 2 letters including Mr Blews long epistle. I believe Sir G. Ouseley not so favourable as Dr Havergal of the effect of the organ at Hereford. Hereford on the Triforium beneath a narrow & deep arch whereas at Worcester the arch is wide & shallow and the organ would be almost entirely free of all obstruction.. 1st Bay North of the Choir .. best position, Mr Hopkins who understands the subject musically as well as architecturally agrees. Mr Done ... opinion that N. side much more convenient than screen where he would be so high & so far from the singers .. to keep the instrument and the choir together .. chief use of organ being to accompany voices. If .. the object is to display the full powers of the instrument to the greatest advantage in grand voluntaries &c without reference to the requirements of public worship the best position is on the screen. I would earnestly suggest that before any decision is come to respecting the arrangements of the choir fittings the western canopies be removed, the singers placed in the westernmost bay of the Choir, the Pulpit & lectern at the top of the Choir steps & the transept & nave seated for the gene[ral congr]regation as shown in Plan IV I sent you. This would at once with very little trouble prove the feasibility of the arrangement - the only one by which anything like adequate accommodation can be provided for worshippers - Mr Baxter will show you the place in Dugdale's "Monasticon" representing the Organ in Lincoln Cathedral as placed on the N. side of the Choir and the stalls in the third bay from the West.
F1181	1865	Nø4 John Goss, Pimlico, to T.Hill. In reply to yrs of 1st April .. I am strongly in favour of placing a Cathedral Organ in a central position on the screen at the West End of the Choir. It seems to be the fashion just now to put the Organ at the Side. For Choir purposes give me the screen site. I have not time to go into reasons.
F1182	1865	Nø1 W.E.Dixon, Ely, to T. Hill. Having the pleasure of singing in the Service twice every day of my life to an Organ placed on the N. Side of our Choir I can give you the assurance that no inconvenience of any kind whatever arises from its lateral position. A vocal choir must be sadly weak or deficient if the antiphonal contrast of the two sides is obscured or marred by the Organ accompt. At Ely I am quite unable to detect any disturbance of the even balance of Decani & Cantoris: & I am of the opinion that a listener outside the screen, closing his eyes & previously unaware of the position of the instrument would be unable to say with certainty on which side of the Quire it is placed. I say all this with the greater confidence because having heard the objection made to Organs laterally placed viz. that they are unfavourable to antiphonal effect I have more than once posted myself in different parts of the Cathedral with a view to judging for myself on this. The tone of the Organ travels well to the Western extremity of the Nave, a distance of 450 ft. from the instrument. When we sing the Service in the Octagon (viz. the central space at the intersection of the longer & shorter arms of the Cross) we hear the organ perfectly well.
F1183	1865	Nø3 E.G.Monk, Minster Yard, York, to T.Hill. Upon no account separate the Worcester Organ if you can help it: it is a bad plan, as I can testify from my Cathedral Experience here. Our Nave Service goes well & then the Organ is on one side & even the Anthems have never failed wide as the Nave is. As to the antiphonalism that can only be perfect by having 2 sept. organs & 2 organists one on each side. I hope some day to see our Great Organ taken from the Screen & placed at the West End of the Nave: & we shall then ask you to place our Nave Organ in the North Choir Aisle (All on one Side) for the Choir Service. So for my conclusion that my views are very divided on this point.

F1184	1865	<p>Nø2 R.P.Stewart, Dublin to T. Hill. .. With respect to your request: I wished to have had at St Patrick's a similar arrangement of the Organ to what you carried out at All Saints' Margaret St. Bevington was afraid to undertake it, why I do not know. Now that the Organ is sounding its *tones are very equally diffused, although it is on one side* (North of the Altar) nor is there any onesided effect, if the Choir were arranged directly in front of the Organ it might be [ ? ] to have the double arrangement but as our instrument is a good many paces Eastwards of the Choir Desks it answers very well. My own view is that there are faults inseparable from the tri-partite plan (at the Abbey for example) such as weight of touch (or if the present action is used, tardiness of speech) and difficulty to the accompanyist, to say nothing of chances of derangement, increase of cost etc. which are such great defects that I should be slow to encounter them, especially when the oneseide plan does its work so well.</p>
F1185	1865	<p>Thomas Hill, 261, Euston Rd. London, to the Dean. It ocured to me that it might assist the deliberations of the Committee in determining the Organ site, if I were to obtain from those who have daily experience of the effect of Organs placed laterally, their opinion upon the merits or demerits of the arrangement. I beg there- fore to forward such answers as I have received. No 1 is from the Precentor of Ely, the position of which Organ would be very similar to the side arrangement proposed at Worcester. No 2 is from Prof. Stewart of Dublin, whose organ is placed on an arch on the North side of the [?] St Patrick's, No 3 is from Dr. Monk of York the Nave Organ of which is placed in the North Aisle. I expect a reply from the Organist of Durham and also one from Mr Hopkins of the Temple. Mr Goss of St. Paul's I am bound to say has expressed himself favourable to a screen arrangement in No 4. In the latter case however I must observe that in the divided organ contemplated at Worcester the ideas of Mr Goss would not be carried out in their integrity, since an important part of the instrument, the swell organ, would be wholly placed against the South Wall. I think I may say from the enclosed letters and from enquiries I have made the balance of opinion tends to negative my real objection to a side organ presuming it to be properly treated and not stowed into a low aisle as at Hereford, or into a remote Chamber as at Lichfield neither of which have any feature in common with Mr Scott's last arrangement proposed for Worcester. The latter permits of the construction of the instrument in a regular and orderly manner, &amp; I hope you will not deem me going out of my promise in expressing a preference for it over one which does not possess these advantages.</p>
F1186	1865	<p>Thomas Hill to A.E.Perkins. I enclose tracing with dimensions attached. We should not require to hang over into the N.Aisle if the Organ be kept high in front of the Triforium as Mr Scott proposes. We should not be able to champfer or cut off the corners of two side wall portions of the screen organ, the space being too small to contain the Swell otherwise. The height of the central part you will I think find on our sketch. I have no copy of it at hand but am sure it cannot be less than 14-15 ft. There will be no available space for 32ft pipes if screen plan be carried out, but if the lateral plan be adopted we shall have the two Wall spaces available for them.</p>

F1187	1865	<p>Rev. William Rayson, Worcester, to the Dean. As I understand that the decision as to the position of the Organ is still open, and that you are desirous of ascertaining the views of the subscribers to the Restoration Fund on the subject, I venture to offer a very decided opinion against the plan advised by my friend Sir Fred. Ouseley and that upon the very grounds on which he recommends it. I am aware that it may appear somewhat presumptuous to call in question the opinion of a Musician of Sir Frederick's position but the question is by no means a purely musical one. On the argument of the Antiphonal character of the service, I have in a previous letter [F1179] observed that a central position is at best a neutral one and antiphonal music can only be secured by the use of two organs as well as two choirs. Sir Frederick's suggestion that the N. Side is objectionable because it will place the Organ too near the singers on that side is somewhat curiously followed by a proposal to bring the Choir westwards in order to be near the organ. Sir Frederick has clearly misunderstood Mr Hill's design for the N. Aisle which expressly provides for a full view from W. to E. instead of blocking up the aisles. There is one more point on which with due deference I cannot agree with Sir Frederick. If the Lichfield position is a failure because the organ drowns the voices when placed at the side opening into the Transept and only indirectly between the choir and congregation, the power of the organ must be infinitely greater when directly between them. The fact of its being at a higher elevation would tend upon acoustic principles to increase the power of the Organ over the voices rather than to diminish it. The voices would not seek the openings in the screen but rise to the roof to be met and drowned by the Organ before they reached the Nave. This difficulty may of course be met by making the Choir a separate Church for ordinary use; and this Nave also for special occasions. But I would submit that inasmuch as both in her ritual and in the points and arrangement of her edifices the Church has ever taught by symbol and that in new churches and in restorations of old ones, great care has been taken to exhibit this teaching fully, by a proper arrangement of the chancel &amp; nave, and a restoration of the former to its proper use; it would hardly be right in restoring the Cathedral of the Diocese to lose sight of this teaching by a disuse of the Choir altogether on great occasions. It would seem far better to place the Organ where it originally stood, upon a plan which has been proved practically at Ely, to be good, and for which Mr Hill has supplied a good design, than to give it a prominence which the Organ was never intended to have but which in early days was given to the emblem of our Salvation alone. I am aware that this sentiment will not be shared by all who have contributed to the restoration fund but I in common with many others feel very strongly, that the principles which have guided with such happy results the restoration of smaller churches should not be overlooked or supposed inapplicable in the case of the Cathedral. The same principles are common to both the difference lies only in the grandeur and magnitude of the church of the diocese and in the dignity &amp; splendour of her services.</p>
F1188	1865	<p>Philip Armes, Durham to T.Hill. I have very much pleasure in giving you my opinion of the relative merits of the Central and side positions for a Cathedral Organ, believing that my experience in Norwich, Rochester, Chichester and Durham Cathl.s (two organs each position) have enabled me to judge fairly of the matter. It is simply this: I think an organ placed on one side of a Choir is the usual way - i.e. under an Arch, and as far back as the Architect can push it - places that side of singer under a most decided disadvantage, but I also think that if the Organ were brought as far forward as possible, and were thoroughly enclosed at the back and sides, the disadvantages wld be reduced to almost their vanishing point - And I am sure that, rather than have my Organ (be it on the Rood-Screen or where it may) divided, as parts of it sent about the building, I would sooner have it put into a box the lid of which should be hermetically sealed down - I am sure that a division of the Organ always implies an loss of precision in the Choir and Choral effects. Pray make any use you think proper of this letter.</p>



F1189	1865	W.Done, College Yard, to the Dean. I fear you will think me presumptuous in writing to you respecting the future position of the Organ in our Cathedral but my long connection with the establishment and the anxiety I naturally feel that the musical portion of the services should be efficiently rendered must be my excuse. As I find the Committee have decided to place the Organ either on the Screen or on the North Side of the Choir I shall confine my remarks to those sites. I have well considered this important subject and have arrived at the conclusion that Mr Hill's plan, in which he proposes to place the instrument on the N. Side of the Choir is far preferable to the other and would I have no doubt be most conducive to the well going of the Choral Service as the Organist would be brought into close communication with his choir and would hear the tones of the organ simultaneously with them and consequently would be able to accompany them with greater ease and accuracy than when removed too far from the singers. I am quite willing to admit that were the Organ used chiefly as a solo instrument the more central portion would be preferable, but as it is intended for the more useful purpose of accompanying the Choral Services, I have no hesitation in recommending the Committee to adopt Mr. Hill's plan which will secure to us an Organ of sufficient power and variety to answer every purpose and at the same time will remove one great difficulty in the way of a perfect performance of our beautiful Cathedral Service. As I am only a small contributor to the Restoration Fund perhaps I ought not to make any further remarks yet I cannot help confessing the hope that the Committee may reject any plan that would interrupt the magnificent view opened to us by the removal of the Organ.
F1190	1865	Thomas Hill, 261, Euston Rd. to A.E.Perkins. Answer to enquiry respecting the Organ being placed in the South Transept with the Choir on either side under the Tower. I have no doubt the effect would be good and that the Organ would serve for Nave purposes as well as the Choir providing the singers were kept under the Tower and not placed in their old seats in the Choir.
F1191	n.d.	Copy. Dean to G.G.Scott. To remove all doubt will you state whether you know that, if the position of the Organ on the Screen is adopted, Mr Hill says there will not be enough room for the 32 ft Pipes .. An immediate reply.
F1192	1865	Telegram. G.G.Scott to the Dean. Mr Hill says that there will be no room for the 32 feet pipes if the organ is placed on the screen.
F1193	1865	Thomas Hill to A.E.Perkins. The arrangement of the pipes (32 ft) would be thus, six on each side wall, N. & S. The layers would be about 18 inches in diameter and would be close to the wall, so that the projection including the necessary supports would not exceed 2feet 6in which would of course be far within the line of the Tower Pier. They would stand thus [diagram] and look exceedingly imposing in my opinion. The necessary connection of wind and mechanism with the pipes on the south wall need not run on the screen but in a trench beneath the floor. The latter would take little space. Mr Scott is aware that no room could be found for the 32ft pipe if the Screen plan is carried out, at least I believe so and told one of his clerks yesterday that such would be the case.
F1194	1865	Richard Coad, for G.G.Scott to A.E.Perkins. Mr Scott only arrived here today for a few minutes & was obliged to go out of Town without even getting through his letters. He will not be able to reply until Monday next - a Telegram was yesterday sent to the Dean to the effect that Mr Hill could not place 32ft pipes if the organ were placed on the top of the screen.

F1195	1865	<p>Rev. Richard Cattley to the Dean. As you are pleased to express a desire that opinions should be offered relative to new positions of organ in Cathedral, now under discussion, I trust you will not consider that I take a liberty in offering mine, which is strongly in favour of North West Bay of Choir in preference to screen. The subject is, I believe, narrowed to these 2 places now. Permit me, then, to say a few words on 3 heads, 1)Mechanical 2)Musical 3)Architectural, premising that the public generally, &amp; we who form the choral body of the Cathedral in particular, owe a debt of gratitude to the Chapter &amp; Committee for the anxious and prolonged care they are bestowing upon this most important subject - Mechanical, - On this head I have a strong feeling that there are grave objections to screen plan. Mr Hill, Senior, is an acquaintance of my early boyhood, and organ mechanism and construction have always been a source of pleasure to me. I have had much conversation with both him &amp; his son and they have spoken freely on certain complications to be avoided if possible, and I must fully agree with them in all they advance: of this I am convinced that no man in this or any other country can overcome them better than Mr Hill Sen: still I am anxious that there shd. be a saving of trouble and annoyance in after years, which is more or less certain to arrive. Further: we could have no 32ft pedal pipes &amp; should therefore have only a second rate organ in point of power; Hereford has (or what is the same thing, every provision is made for them and they are shortly to be added) The late Mr Arnott fully contemplated them under proposed new arrangements at Gloucester, and York Minster 'has 2 32ft stops!' The only possible place for us to have them, with screen organ would be on the Tower Piers, facing West, where they wld doubtless be thought a disfigurement and objectionable. - A North side Organ would have the advantage of most perfect and uncomplicated mechanism - the instrument wd be under entire control, and (a most important consideration) the organist would be close to his choir - in screen organ he wd actually be at a greater distance even than with old organ. 2)Musical. Here I believe we should have everything to gain by North side plan. - I attribute much of our unsatisfactory music with old screen organ to position, which in choral services in Choir, was never to my mind satisfactory, tho' I am aware the contrary opinion was generally held. - And the reason I contend was as follows: scarcely a single pipe of the great organ and not one of the swell ever Spoke within the Choir proper! the necessary consequence was that the sound went away at once into the Nave &amp; Transept,- the voices got flat and no power could ever pull them back again. - I have a remarkable confirmation of this in the Winchester Cathl Organ, Willis's celebrated one in the 1851 Exhibition: It is placed in the opening of one of the Great Transepts with a large amount of space behind; the consequence is that before psalms are half over the voices are so flat that it is painful to listen to them, I was the guest of musical friends when I heard this; and they told me that it was felt &amp; acknowledged by all that a mistake was made in selection of position,- I am free to admit that if screen plan is carried out we should gain, so to speak, over our old organ position: by this I mean that the swell would be inside the area of the choir, and the organist would be so placed that the "Choir" in accompanying organ could be used with advantage - under the old system this latter was so completely between him and the voices, that he naturally avoided using it as much as possible; still, for all this, I hold strongly to the North side because the sound of the whole instrument wd be concentrated in the one spot where it is first wanted, namely with the voices; there would be a crispness and a truthfulness in the accompanying which must ever be unknown in a central screen position - for proof of this look at Ely, Hereford, St Paul's &amp; the hundreds of Parish Churches (restored) in every one of which the object aimed at has been to bring voices, organ and above all organist together. Moreover this I should have said this under "Mechanical" remarks we could have the noble 32ft stop which Mr Hill would place with fine effect on the two flank walls and they would form no obstruction whatever to the view. - 3)Architectural.- I confess I form my opinion in favour of North side chiefly if not entirely under 2 former heads - Tho' I believe 999 out of every 1000 will be disappointed with screen position on account of architectural effect, I myself have no strong sympathy with this feeling. - The open screen &amp; lessened bulk of organ to my mind will allow ample view from end to end: in fact I think Mr Scott's plan for solid screen is so very beautiful that if Northside plan is happily decided on I should like to see a modified solid canopied screen in preference to the light one as represented in Drawing No 2</p>
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F1196	n.d.	Thomas Hill. Estimate for Organ. Proposed additions and alterations. Great Organ, New 8 feet open orgamba (Second Quint) New Gemshorn of 4 feet " Clarion 4 ft Remove Thirds from Sesquialtera. Choir Organ, New open diapason to Tenor C " Dulciana Principal Gedacht 16 ft Tone Oboe Flute made into 2 ft stop Swell Organ, New Twelfth 3 ft Fifteenth 2 ft Double Trumpet 16ft Clarion 4 ft Vox Humana 8 ft Pedal Organ, A 32 ft Pedal Sub Bass would be very desirable if space could be found for the pipes 30 in diameter. Cost. £1,100 if on Screen. £150 less on Side, without 32ft Stop on Pedal £150 less
F1197	1865	John D. Corfe, Bristol to W.Done, About the Cathedral Organ. I do not hesitate to tell you from my own experience that a small organ to accompany a Cathedral Choir is fatal to the whole Choral Service; far better it is to have no Organ accompaniment at all - a small organ to accompany our modern services & anthems is almost a burlesque; if the authorities decide on having an Organ in the N Aisle of Worcester Cathedral - as at Winchester, Canterbury, Durham, etc. it ought to be as firm and as large an Organ as the funds will permit. If you are to have special services in the Nave of your Cathedral, you will require two large Organs - but if the D & C decide on having the one large Organ placed where it formerly was, it would serve for both the Choir Services & the Nave provided the manuals etc. were placed either on the North or the South sides as at Exeter Cathl. Are you coming to our Madrigals ...?
F1198	1865	James Turle, The Cloisters, Westminster, to W.Done. I cannot imagine your Choral Service can be rendered effectively in the event of a Small Organ being placed in the N. Transept of your Cathedral - with such aid - the Musical part of the Service would be in my humble judgement a positive farce - a real Cathedral Organ as at St. Paul's and another Grand Organ over the West Door. I hope you will obtain from your D&C assisted by the munificence of Lord Dudley - I don't know your Church; but I believe the west Nave is enormous in its proportions; a fine Organ there, would of course be most telling - as I suggested to your architect (I forgot his name) the idea of making your Organ the Screen itself he was much struck with my plan: & I know Mr Hill approved the same - the Organ near the floor would come out with greater power than when so much elevated as my organ now is - I am scribbling this in a great hurry so pray excuse the confused style of this note. .. I hope everything will turn out according to your wishes.
F1199	1865	Thomas Hill, Organ Builders, to G.G.Scott. After due consideration of the plans we discussed yesterday, I beg to say that the plan No 1 for reducing the depth of the Screen Organ from 16 feet to 12 ft is perfectly feasible provided the Pedal Organ could be placed behind the blank walls on the N & S Aisles and a hole cut through them for the necessary connecting action to pass through. No 2 for placing the Organ in a chamber to be built at the E. End of Digby *(South) Chapel, is practicable if the area be sufficient to receive it, viz 250 to 300 square feet. This would not necessarily involve the removal of the mullions or tracery of the window looking into the South Aisle but the situation appears by no means a satisfactory one as far as the tone of the organ is concerned. No 3 For placing a Choir Organ in the North Arch of the Choir, and a larger one (in connection with it) in the Transept we think the best suggestion which has yet been offered. There would be no insurmountable difficulty in communicating the two organs, which may be played in their entirety in the Choir, while the larger portion in the Transept might have its separate manuals and be played as an ordinary one. The Choir Organ should not be too diminutive, but serve to accompany the Choir even without the aid of the latter. The plan of a separate Choir organ in the North Arch you may remember was that suggested by us at Lichfield but through the interference of one individual it was not adopted. It seems to me altogether a desirable arrangement. * In brackets, above.

F1200	1866	W.Hill to A.E.Perkins. Mr Scott is unfortunately out of Town so I could not get his opinion on the subject you name. I think, however, from what I gleaned in my last interview with him, I may consider it next to certain that he will prefer this plan to that of placing the Organ in a Chamber to be made next the Digby Chapel and that will not be unfavourable to the present scheme.
F1201	1866	G.G.Scott, Ham, S.W. to Lord Lyttelton. I was away from home when yr letter came or I wld have answered it sooner. The plan I mentioned was to have a comparatively small organ though something more than is included in the technical name "Choir Organ" in the first arch of the Choir on the N. Side and a larger supplementary organ as near to it as may be in the North Transept and that these should be so coupled together by means of trackers under the pavement as to be capable of being played by the Organist sitting near the Choir as a single instrument but in addition to this if thought desirable the transept organ should also have its own keyboard & be capable of being played separately when desired. You will see from this that the special object of the plan is, while avoiding - to meet the objections (which Sir G. Lewis urges) the introduction of a vast organ at the same time
F1202	1866	Mr W.Done to Dean. In compliance with your wish I beg to enclose the letter I have received from Messrs Hill respecting the position of the Cathedral Organ. I also submit their plans and specification by which you will see that the whole of the old Organ can be erected in the second Arch of the N.Aisle of the Choir without interfering materially with the perspective. I believe this plan would answer very well, but I wish it to be understood that I do not prefer it to the alternative plan of Mr Scott which as far as the Organ is concerned I consider better.
F1203	1866	Thomas Wheeler, Precentor, and William Done, Organist, to the Dean. Since we last communicated with you on the subject of the best position for our Cathedral Organ. we have given the matter our greatest consideration. Setting aside the old position on the Screen & the later proposal for the Triforium, both of which we understand have been given up, we are of the opinion, that it had better be placed in the North Aisle immediately behind the Choir, where Mr Hill informs us there is ample room for a rearrangement of the Old Organ. We prefer this to the South Aisle as it would place the Organist in immediate communication with the Precentor.
F1204	1866	Hill & Son to Baxter. Enclosed Specification of the proposed re-building and adapting of the Organ. (For next Meeting.)
F1205	1866	Specification and Estimate for Rebuilding the Organ in Worcester Cathedral. W.Hill & Son, 261, Euston Road, London. Organ to be reconstructed to suit site. Second Arch of North Aisle. New Action - Keyboards at end instead of front. New Swell board and Swell box. New Keyboards and draw stops. New bellows and vertical feeders. New pedals and couplers. Two composition Pedals and Couplers - Two Composition Pedals to Swell Organ. Two Composition Pedals to Pedal Organs. New stops In Great Organ A Gemshorn 4 ft in place of Quint. A Clarion 4 ft in place of Doublette. In Choir Organ A Dulciana Principal of 4 ft. An Open Diapason to be added to be made of old Principal In Swell Organ A new Fifteenth 2 ft. A new Mixture 2 ranks A new Clarion 4 ft. All pipework to be cleaned, repaired, and tuned. The Instrument to be prepared to suit the design made by Mr Scott with the necessary alterations and additions of the front Shew Pipes. The whole to be completed for the sum of eight hundred and fifty pounds. (Say £850)

F1206	1867	J.Nicholson. Specification and Estimate for Organ for 3 Years or Longer, if required, Erected, kept in good tune and repair, and removed, including every expense, for £50 per annum. Great Organ CC to F 54 Notes 1 Open Diapason large Scale Metal 8ft 54 pipes 2 Small Open Diapason M 8ft 54 3 Dulciana tenor C M 8ft 42 4 Stop Diapason Wood 8ft 54 5 Principal M 4ft 54 6 Flute W 4ft 54 7 15th M 2ft 54 8 Sesquialtra 3 Ranks M 162 Swell Organ CC to F 42 Notes 9 Bourdon 16ft Tone W 42 10 Open Diapason M 8ft 42 11 Stop Diapason W 8ft 42 12 Principal M 4ft 42 13 15th M 2ft 42 14 Cornopean M 8ft 42 Pedal Organ CCC to F 30 Notes 15 Open Diapason 16ft 30 16 Bourdon 16ft Tone 30 Couplers 17 Swell to Great 18 Great to Pedal A platform to be made for the organ to stand upon, the organ to be erected, kept in good tune and repair, and the same to be removed from the Cathedral at the expiration of the above term, including every expense.
F1207	1867	W.Hill to Baxter, Suggests to D&C that.... temporary organ should be constructed so as to form part of the permanent one. ..obvious economy.. N.Aisle of Nave is of sufficient capacity to permit .. construction of the instrument being of the character as that suited to the Choir Aisle. We therefore submit that the Great and Swell organs of our Specification .. may be carried out now, with the two Pedal stops you mention. The Swell might be kept at the Tenor C compass for the present as shewn in your specification, but in any case we think it desirable to complete such portions as are required for present use in a permanent manner rather than incur expense in a purely temporary arrangement.
F1208	1867	W.Hill to Baxter. Estimate for temporary Organ. We are not quite certain if we rightly interpret the nature of your application. In your first letter you enquire the cost of erecting the organ, together with the cost of keeping it in order for 3 years. In the 2nd it would read that you desired to know the annual charge of supplying the organ .. Now as the organ would be constructed out of the materials of the old one there could of course be no annual charge for hire. We conclude, therefore that the Dean & Chapter wish to know the cost of re-construction inclusive of all charges of tuning &c.
F1209	1867	W.Hill to Baxter. Estimate for Removal of Organ to N. Aisle of Nave, and erecting it, (with other portions now lying in the Chapter House) so as to form a temporary Organ. Specification. [As in F1206] £150
F1210	1867	Copy. To W.Hill. [In pencil] I am instructed by the Dean & Chapter to say that considering you will have the use of the old organ, belonging to them, on the spot, they think your estimate .. is rather too high, & will be glad if you will reconsider it, before they make any other application. In order to prevent any misunderstanding I am to repeat that the work to be done is: removal of present Organ from the Choir to the N.Aisle of Nave & re-erection there with the proposed additions, then keeping it in order & the ultimate removal when Choir is ready to receive a new instrument This will .. include return of platform .. Please to note the cost per annum for 3 years or longer if required. Send immediate answer. Reply also how soon you could .. complete the work. [Many alterations]
F1211	1867	W.Hill & Son, to Baxter. Regret Dean & Chapter find Estimate too high. The Organ will require considerable alteration to get it into temporary position, and we have to provide for an expenditure annually for 3 years to keep the Organ in tune & order. We shall not object however to deduct £20 from our Estimate making it £130. If we understand you right that it is wished to divide the payment of the above sum over 3 years that ammount will have to be divided by 3 and the product, plus the annual interest @5% will be the annual charge; or say £43.6.8 paid on Completion, £48.13.4 a year after & £45.10 a year after that. This is a somewhat unusual mode of payment but one we shall be prepared to accept if thought proper by the Chapter. P.S We could complete the work in about 6 weeks time.

F1212	1867	Baxter to "Gentlemen" - Copy of Order to W.Hill from Dean & Chapter to move Choir into Nave for 3 years and to remove it when Choir is ready to receive the new Instrument .. Total Cost £130 - £70 when re-erected and £30 a year for each of the 2 remaining years. The whole to be complete by last day of June. Mr Done wishes to be added to the Great Organ, the Reed Stop now in the Chapter House. If finished by end of June the D&C will allow another £10.
F1213	1867	W.Hill to Baxter. Commence the removal of the Organ on Monday next & on terms you propose. Choir Organ and 8ft Reed were no part of your former proposal or our Estimate, but the additional £10 offered will cover the cost of these. Completed by end of June
F1214	1869	W.Hill & Son, Bill. Moving Organ £30
F1215	1869	W.Hill & Son. Sent an A/c some months ago for £30. Fear it was not received.....
F1216	1866	Geo. Gilbert Scott to the Dean. Sir Gilbert Lewis has just called here, & I find from him (which I ought to have guessed from Mr Baxter's letter but did not) that something considerable is expected from me in the form of Estimates. May I regret to say that I am not ready with these. I hope the meeting has other business before it ...
F1217	1867	Arthur B. Thompson to Baxter. I am directed by Mr Scott to say that he has today made enquiries about the perspectives and is very sorry to find that they are not so far forward as he has urged and desired upon the artists who undertook the work - namely Mr Edgar of 6, King Street, Parliament Street and Mr Burbidge of 10, John Street, Adelphi. Mr Scott has not ceased to urge upon these gentlemen the extreme importance of this work being completed in good time & is excessively annoyed to find that it is not ready. He is assured that one picture will be ready to send on Saturday next. P.S. Mr Edgar tells me (and Mr Burbidge confirms it) that Mr Perkins said their drawings would do if delivered by Easter Monday - I have always said in accordance with your wishes that they were to be done at least a fortnight earlier.
F1218	1867	Arthur B. Thompson to the Dean. I am directed by Mr Scott to say that the Reredos is set out full size in the Sculptor's shop and is therefore being advanced, but at present no actual stonework has been done. The settling of the preliminary details is a most important element in the success of a work of this kind.
F1219	1867	Baxter to G.G.Scott. DRAFT. I have not yet Recd the drawings which were to have come by Sat. I think have been delayed by any unforeseen circumstance. Lord Lyttelton, the Dean & other Members of the Committee are very anxious about having them soon. Please therefore urge the artists to send them as soon as possible. I enclose a Circular which is being extensively circulated in Worcs & Warwks in envelopes similar to this.
F1220	1867	Arthur B. Thompson to Lyttelton. Mr Scott very much regrets that the Artists who undertook the Worcester Perspectives have not completed them at the time they engaged to do so. One of the drawings will be sent off tomorrow (Wed.) and I believe the second will follow on Monday at the latest. The detail drawings are being cleaned up and coloured so I think there will be a very good show. Mr Scott will be present at the Meeting.
F1221	1867	Arthur B. Thompson to Baxter. I hope you will have seen Mr Edgar who was to take down the first perspective today. Tonight I shall send all the detail drawings back - and on Mon. the original Perspectives shall be sent.
F1222	1868	Perkins to Baxter. Herewith Accounts you wish to have. Probable Total Costs of all Expenses. Estimate of probable costs of certain works to complete Restoration of the Choir.

F1223	1869	A.E.P to T.Baxter, asking for £100 Architect's Charges.
F1224	1868	Estimate, Fitting of Choir. Farmer & Brindley, Skidmore, Extras.
F1225	n.d.	W.Greenway. Proposed Arrangements for Gas Pipes etc. for Lighting the North side of the Nave. Pipe from NW Staircase along top of string course - jets at 7" intervals. (Endorsed, Gas in Choir)
F1226	n.d.	Draft Specification for Gas Pipes - for lighting Nave. Plans prepared by AEP. Best and most workmanlike manner and materials. Gas Pipes from Main 4" and 3" to meter in Choir and Nave. Crypt meter for 150 lights. Pipe from meter to N.and Aisle and Choir 2". Pipes to 6 Lights in Bench Ends 2 Standards at Altar Steps and 2 at Altar Table to be 1". Nave to have two Gas meters 200 lights on N. side and 150 on S.Side. Meters to be fixed in Turret Staircases on NW and SW angles of Aisles. Service Pipes .. [many alterations and amendments] in Triforium Gallery.
F1226/		Corrected version enclosed in Draft.
F1227	1870	Greenway & Son. Estimate for Gas Lighting of Nave. £130-150
F1128	1870	Hardman's to Baxter. Acknowledges receipt of cheque £579.6.0 for stained glass East Window and figures for North Porch. Receipts enclosed. Thank you for your courtesy.
F1229	1870	R.George Engineer 17, New St. to Baxter. Concerning 3 Bills. Mr Perkins the Architect have a seperate receipt for the 7/6 but I cannot find it devided from the general acct. but have some recalection of Mr Perkins clark coming to me in respecting that item. My Clark is at Great Malvern & will not be home this eavening & shall go through the accts as he understands the transfers that Mr Perkins have had made & I am shure I do not.
F1230	n.d.	Estimates. (Tendered and Promised)
F1231	1870	Worcester Cathedral Estimates Endorsed, Mr P. 7.5.70 Choir works & Fittings. Pavement, Doors, Cloisters, Chapter House.
F1232	1870	Memo to A.E.Perkins - Whether Mr Scott is satisfied with amount of Tenders of Messrs Farmer & Messrs Skidmore & whether he will consent to specifications being sent to other firms, e.g. Messrs Thompson, Messrs Hardman & others. In future specifications the following items to be included & the prices offered to be separately stated. - Organ, Communion Table, Credence Table, Altar Rails, Litany Desk, Lectern, Gas Fittings, Sedilia, & Altar Chairs, Bishop's Chair, Pavement of Sacrarium Steps & Choir. Provision for Judges and Mayor & Corporation.
F1233	1870	Cathedral Estimates. A/c for Choir and Nave 1868 Mr P. £11,780
F1234	1870	A.E.Perkins. Details. (1)Choir Fittings. Costs.
F1235	1870	A.E.Perkins. Details. (2)Choir Furnishings. Costs

F1236	1870	George Gilbert Scott to Dean Peel. Mr Perkins has, by your direction, asked me whether I thought any savings could be effected in the designs which, two or three years back, I made for the re-fitting of your Choir; and also whether I thought that any advantage could be obtained by receiving tenders for the work in competition. As regarding the first enquiry, I would beg to say that I am convinced that no part of the work then designed is in any degree extravagant: on the contrary, I think it fully as simple as the dignity of the Cathedral will consistently permit. You have gone liberally through the greater part of the repairs of the fabric; and, now that you have reached the very heart of the work, the Choir itself, where the sacred Services will be celebrated, it will never do to begin with economizing upon what was at first approved and has been waiting so long while the more ordinary works have been progressing. As regards the second question, I would also reply in the negative. The works already done have been (with the exception of the two already executed in the Choir) in the main Building works - what we have now before us are in great measure artistic works, and while in the former it was right to receive offers from various parties, the essential as regards the latter is that they shall be placed in the hands of men who unite real art with mere workmanship. It is further in a high degree important that they should be carried out under my own eye; and where I am at hand to solve any difficulty which arises as the work proceeds. It is equally essential that the carving works shall be executed by my own artist-workmen. The carver may be said to be the hand of the architect. It is through him that the architect is able to give that artistic character to his more ornamental works which removes them from the grade of mere workmanship to that of art. I obtained the estimates from my own Carvers in London; men in whom I have implicit confidence, and I have every reason to believe that their calculation was gone into in the strictest manner and is in no degree in excess of the real value of the work.
F1237	1870	Mr Gilbert Scott's Revised Estimates for Refitting Choir, £9940 Aisles, £1240 Nave including N & S Doors, Paving, Gas, Pulpit, (£300) and 1000 chairs, (£250) £3264 Total £14444.0.0 Accepted by the Committee, signed Dudley.
F1238	1870	G.G.Scott to Sir E.A.H.Lechmere. When I was called in by the Dean now several years back, I agreed with him that I would practically do the whole of the designing for the Choir & its dependencies though in name associated and indeed in fact associated with Mr Perkins no doubt very useful in carrying out on the spot though I did not wish a joint action in the designing. This he has loyally adhered to & I do not think he has any wish to take a part in the design. We agreed to a division of a somewhat increased commission though there are matters for which I ought to make a separate claim; such as the many journeys I have had. I have no doubt that the groining of the choir was plastered from rib to rib & that with a view to coloured decoration for that I cannot object to the old ideas being carried out if done in a manner which I thoroughly approve. I am not very well satisfied with that to the Lady Chapel.
F1239	1870	Greenway & Son. Estimate for Gas Light in Choir and Lady Chapel. Our Estimate for providing and Fixing Two 150 Light each Dry Gas Meters of the Best Manufacture - Laying on the whole of the New Cast Iron Main of proper sizes from Road including connections to both Meters .. for Lighting the Choir and Lady Chapel of Worcester Cathedral. Also Providing Fitting up & Fixing Two 2inch Wrought Iron Pipes, running the whole length of the Choir and Lady Chapel (one on each side) fitted up with Sockets and Jets, screwed into horizontal pipes about 7 inches apart, and projecting over Cornice - Inclusive of all Necessary StopCocks, Lever Keys, Bonds, Tees, Socket Joints and any other fitting that may be required for properly carrying out and completing the Gas Fitting Work as arranged .. £185
F1240	1870	Greenway & Son. Estimate for Gas, meters, mains etc. in Fitting Nave. (With pencil notes e.g. T junction.) £175
F1241	1870	A.E.Perkins to G.G.Scott. COPY. Have Farmer & Brindley reconsidered Estimate as Mr Brindley said? Plastering in Choir is done & Sanctuary nearly finished.



F1242	1870	A.E.Perkins to G.G.Scott. COPY. Date of Next meeting 22nd Oct. Is Farmer & Brindley's Estimate and Contract ready for Committee? The Committee ..expect.. our professional charges. Plastering of the groin of the Choir and Sanctuary will be finished by Wednesday & quite ready for decoration. Will Committee see design at Meeting?
F1243	1870	G.G.Scott to Baxter. Leaving town tonight. Cannot have anything ready for 22nd. Apologies to Committee.
F1244	1870	J.Scott, Deanery, Chester, to -Perkins Esq. Father asks me to let you know he has been taken very unwell since last Thursday and prevented from attending business. Mr Brindley will have communicated with you.
F1245	1870	Chas R.B.King to Baxter. Acknowledge receipt of letter. Mr Scott is ill and unable to attend to business for some days. Farmer & Brindley putting Estimates into shape for Committee.
F1246	n.d.	Hardman's to [T.Baxter?] Will you kindly tell the Dean .. that we are unfortunately unable to send the design for Choir Groin. Mr Gilbert Scott wrote to us some time since, saying that we might expect instructions from him in a few Posts but we suppose he has delayed this for further thought upon the subject. ..
F1247	1870	J.Scott to Baxter. My father is still kept from all business by illness, he is .. making satisfactory though slow progress. Farmer & Brindley are to commence .. repairing the old woodwork. Mr Brindley to call on Mr Perkins to inform him he was about to begin work. I believe he did and obtained his approval. Contract sum in no way affected. A Form of Contract will be forwarded to you tomorrow for those portions of work which the Committee have given orders for. Three provisional sums were approved to Messrs Farmer and Brindley's tender, which the Committee had before them amounting altogether to £460. Estimates have now been given by them for other items which amount to the same sum. It was found that the sums provided were not in all cases quite sufficient but the fact of some antient misereries having since been found, which will be used which will compensate for their deficiency. My father's long illness following on his holiday is the cause of his having never supplied Messrs Hardman with the necessary instructions to enable them to modify their drawings for decoration of groining of the Choir. He .. may have felt well enough to write to Birmingham on the subject - I do not know whether this is the case. As some points of detail require explanation I propose that Mr King attend at Worcester on Tuesday, if this will be of service. Let me know by return (by telegram) whether Tuesday or some later day would be best.
F1248	1870	Chas.R.B.King to Baxter. Enclose contract etc with Farmer & Brindley for completion of the Choir Stalls. If any explanation is needed I can attend the meeting next week. If the Committee can sign, Farmer & Brindley can sign in London and it can be stamped. P.S. If you wish me to attend the meeting on Monday, telegraph. 3.30pm. Your Telegram has just arrived. Meeting Saturday next week. Mr J.Scott has written to his father asking him to write to Mr Hardman about the decoration of the groining. The Conditions are sent in another envelope.
F1249	1870	J.Scott, Deanery, Chester. to - Perkins Esq. My father is still detained here by illness but hopes this week to return to town. He cannot give directions as to the decoration of the groining in your Cathedral until he can have access to his books and sketches. He begs therefore that the matter be deferred until he is able properly to go into it.
F1250	1871	George Wood to Baxter. Acknowledge letter of 14th. Plans to Farmer & Brindley today. Remainder supplied without delay. Mr Scott is very much better and able to do everything but travelling.
F1251	1871	Copy. Hardman's. Estimate for Gas Fittings. Iron Standards, painted & gilt for Tower, Cloister Door, West Door, North Door. Standards for Sanctuary - Brass @ £200 6 Stall Standards for Choir. Annotated, Labelled 'Contract.'

F1252	1871	George Wood to the Dean. I have forwarded by G.Western Railway (6.20pm train) this evening the designs for the Pavement of the Choir. Mr
F1253	1871	George Wood to A.E.Perkins. Enclose copy of joint A/c as arranged yesterday. Have seen Farmer & Brindley.. will commence fixing cills and floors on Monday after Whitweek.
F1254	1871	George Wood to The Dean. Mr Scott's A/c enclosed as near as can be made up - at Mr Baxter's request, and Mr Scott would be much obliged for a cheque for £500 on A/c.
F1255	1871	Farmer & Brindley to T. Baxter. Receipt was sent on Mon 17th.
F1256	1871	Copy of Letter to Mr Scott. In reply to letter of 14th April. Cheques in A/c returned to you to Wm.Macks were considered by this Committee to be unduly large or at all events to need explanation from you, wh they hope you will have the goodness to supply. No early prospect of Meeting of the Committee. Enclosed Cheque on A/c for £500 according to yr request. When may the Committee expect the enlarged designs for the floor of the Choir? The Committee are anxious that there shd be as little delay as possible in the progress of the work. Has Mr Powell your sanction for the decoration of the groining of the Choir on which he has lately been engaged?
F1257	1871	Field, Poole & Sons. Copy. Estimate for Pavement of Choir & Sanctuary. Ground already prepared. £743.12.6
F1258	1871	Farmer & Brindley to AEP. In reply to yrs. Making very good progress with your various works - Quite half done, and in about 3 weeks we hope to have a staff of men at work in your Cathedral making preparations for fixing in position which we hope will all be done by the end of November .. in a fortnight we finish Gloucester so that we shall have a double number on your work. We should be pleased if any of the Dean & Chapter would drop in when in London & see the work in progress.
F1259	1871	Geo.Wood to Canon J.R.Wood. I write at the request of Mr Perkins who informs me that you have an important Chapter tomorrow to ask you if an order has been given for the woodwork and grilles behind the stalls in the Choir? and if not, whether you will kindly get the Chapter to come to a decision tomorrow. Mr Scott who is at present from home thinks there should be book boards to the Eastern blocks of the Choirstalls (not originally contemplated) which will cost about £80 perhaps. You will kindly procure the authority of the Chapter for this? Apologies for troubling you. P.S. I am asked by Messrs Farmer & Brindley that you will be good enough to get from the Chapter an order of payment of £600 to them on account of this contract. The Certificate has been drawn for this amount and sent to Mr Scott for signature but may not reach you in time for tomorrow's Chapter and the Contractors are much in want of the money. G.W.
F1260	1871	Greenway & Son. Estimate for Gas Lightina Choir & Nave. Inclusive of 5 Standards in Nave and 2 under Tower. Accepted 30.3.72 £293.10.0
F1261	1871	Hardman's to A.E.Perkins. Estimate .. Interior Service Pipes 1.200 light and 2.150 light Meters - £295 Exterior supply pipes or the mains which we think about 110 yards of 3 inch will be required at 4/- per yard, of 4 inch about 50 yard at 4/9 per yard extra to above £295. We have provided for an extra Main Cock near the Meter in the Nave & also a Stop Cock for each of the rods with lights of which there are 18 above the string courses. We will expect every facility so far as the assistance of Masons and Carpenters concerned as named in the Specifications.

F1262	1871	J.Brindley, Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. In reply to yours making complaint as to the progress at Worcester we beg to assure you that eventually you will have no cause for complaint. The reason we are a week or so behind in sending a staff of men is simply because we have a little extra work at Gloucester to do for the Musical Festival. But the work that is at all likely to delay us has not stood still a single hour. This is the ends of the stalls we are preparing in London and while these are being done there is [..?] difficulty of doing everything else we have to do. If the Dean & Chapter will bear patiently with us another week or less we will then convince you that we are really in c[.] in what we are saying.
F1263	1871	G. Gilbert Scott to Lord Lyttelton. The question of the Choir screen at Worcester came before the Committee on Saturday; when, though five out of seven of the members present were favourable to the design originally passed as a part of my General scheme (subject to some trifling modifications) the actual decision was postponed till Tuesday the 31st owing to an omission of due notice of the discussion of the subject as well as to your own absence and that of Lord Dudley. I am so intensely anxious on the subject from a conviction that the interior will lose half its dignity if the screen be omitted, that I beg your Lordship kindly to excuse my addressing you somewhat earnestly on the subject. The alternative proposed by Sir J. Pakington is a low septum such as is seen in some Italian Churches but especially at Monreale. My argument against this on aesthetic grounds is this: that our English Cathedrals are so long that each half becomes a well-proportioned interior - that, if due proportions are thus doubled a pronounced line of division is demanded, otherwise the interior becomes degraded into a magnified Corridor, and its dignity is lost. A low septum has no effect on mitigating this evil; and, even the height which we see in Italian Churches is too great for use, as it would hide in a great degree those officiating in the Choir. If such a Septum be made high enough to have any architectural value - it hides those standing in the Choir; - if it be made so low as to be unobstructive it is itself hidden by the congregation standing outside. Now, if we look at the plans of the Church at Monreale and that at Worcester the whole of this is explained. Monreale is at one two thirds the length of Worcester while its width between the colonnade exceeds it by nearly one third while, then, Monreale is only six times as long as its width between the colonades Worcester is twelve times its width. Monreale is in fact, little more than one of the two great divisions of Worcester in its proportions - and it follows that, while this one part may not need the subdivision of a high screen, this cannot be said with any probability of truth of a church of double the proportionate length. I will add that my screen is unobstructive beyond any I ever designed or have seen, its main solid part is very low - while its more ornate portion is far above people's heads and offers no obstruction to sound. The intermediate part is perfectly open excepting a few brass columns. I have only to plead for my intrusion my intense conviction of the vital necessity of this feature.
F1264	1871	G.Gilbert Scott, Rook's Nest,Godstone, to Lord Lyttelton I thank you for your very kind letter. I take the liberty of enclosing a copy of a chance passage I have met with from Burke, which bears directly on the subject. I do not dispute nor would he, the beauty of long, cloister-like avenues, it is dignity and grandeur which are sacrificed. At Worcester we have the length and shall not lose its value by means of so practical a check as an open screen, all we shall do is to suggest a division which will prevent its descending to the rank of a corridor.
F1265	1871	G. Gilbert Scott to ? I am in communication with Mr. Hill on the Organ but it will take some time to arrive at a result. I must make his projection into the Choir lighter and more elegant. He on the other hand declares it simply impossible to get the whole into the one bay decided on, at which I do not wonder. He will have to plan many large pipes against the Tower pier toward the Aisle with communication underground and may perhaps have to plan the keys and bellows under the intervening Arch. I will write again when we arrive at a definite conclusion.
F1266	1872	Ackn. Hardman's. Receipt for £430 is enclosed. Thanks for Balance £10.

F1267	1872	A.E.Perkins to T.Baxter. You no doubt may remember that Mr Scott exhibited the drawings of the design for the Organ at the last meeting. Can you tell me what became of it after the meeting. Sir Gilbert Lewis asked me for it, Mr Hill the Organ Builder has written to me for it & now Mr Scott has written to me for it & I myself want it. Mr Scott says he left it at the Deanery. It is not at the Deanery & the Dean is displeased at its being supposed to be there. Can you give any clue to the finding it. P.S. Did you procure cheques for the two Certs. - if not will you. I thought I saw Mr Scott roll up the drawings.
F1268	1872	?, 23, Newman St. to ? [T.Baxter?] Account for making Cartoons for Choir Pavement will be settled by Messrs Poole. If it hasn't been forwarded to them, please send it to us. [No Signature - cut out.]
F1269	1872	Field Poole & Son to Chapter Clerk. Enclose Cert. for £400 for Pavement etc.
F1270	1872	Hardman to T.Baxter. Have asked Perkins for Cert. for Roof Decorations of intersecting Bay.
F1271	1872	A.E.Perkins to T.Baxter. Canon J.R.Wood agrees that Messrs Hardman may now be paid £300 for their decoration of the Sacrarium. .. Mr Forrest, Clerk of Works weekly payment .. dated from 4th April but he had really been employed two weeks earlier & should be paid for that time.
F1272	1872	Farmer & Brindley. Acknowledge receipt of cheque.
F1273	1872	Field, Poole & Son. Copy. Estimate. Pavement of Choir and Sanctuary, in British Marble. Carried and fixed in ready prepared ground.
F1274	1872	W.Niven to Canon Wood. Mr Scott's revised designs for Altar Table. £70-75.
F1275	1872	Greenway & Son to A.E.Perkins. Owing to the extraordinary and unprecedented advance which has taken place in the cost of Materials and Labour since our Estimate was accepted by the Joint Restoration Committee of Worcester Cathedral (now nearly twelve months since) We beg most respectfully to ask for your kind assistance to Enable us to obtain an additional grant to the amount of our Estimate of August 19th - to assist us in some part to meet the Extra Expense we are put to in the Cost of Iron pipes, Meters Labour &c to complete the Engagement at the present time.
F1276	1872	Greenway to A.E.Perkins. Decision needed - either Brass or Iron pipes for the Fringe Pipe for Gaslighting the Nave. We cannot proceed with the work - and unless we know definitely at once - the work will not be ready by the time required.
F1277	1872	F.A.Skidmore to Canon Wood. In accordance with your request I beg to state the following - the Estimate for the metallic part of the Skreen was made and returned a considerable time ago, since then the value of iron has been doubled & not only this single raw material but all others used in its manufacture as coke coal files tools etc have in a like degree risen & wages have also followed - It is of daily occurrence that ordinary estimates for things of common use have to be altered to meet the rise in every department of manufacturing. In the instance of the Skreen while the rise has been nearly double the addition on this has not been to that extent - the estimated increase on the original amount (viz. 333 nett) was 264£ this has been reduced to 200£. The second estimate 526£ extra includes the substitution of the brass columns bases moldings & bells of capitals and the addition of 12 figures at the bases of the columns. Sir Gilbert Scott is particularly anxious to have these latter as giving additional character to the Skreen. The Estimate is calculated on the lowest possible amount for each portion of the work. At the present moment we have a staff of hands ready to proceed vigourously with the work & may ensure an early execution probably 6 weeks to two months. All the Skreens I had in hand are finished and delivered.

F1278	1872	G.G.Scott, (Bala, en passant) to Canon Wood. I have just heard that you have a meeting on 31st. I have not the statistics of Mr Skidmore's estimate with me but the circumstances are twofold. I wanted to make an improvement in the pillars of the Great Screen which I found to my dismay had been estimated in iron whereas I wanted them to be of brass besides an improvement in the design. Circumstances however are so perverse that I am not able to state this simple case for the committee to adjudicate upon as I have expected: but, in comes the disturbing element of the rise in all metals and in the labour, coals &c &c necessary to working metals, which Mr Skidmore considers that the 4 years or so interval gives him a right to charge. I think from memory he made the two come to about £560 besides some excess of measurement in the lengths of the side screens of which I do not know the origins, as your pillars & their intervals certainly have been a constant quantity. He does not charge for the excess in metals &c for the side screens. I think I mention an encouragement to ask for the improvement to materials &c which I hope holds good. PS I enclose a Cert for Mr Skidmore for work already done.
F1279	1872	Hardman's to A.E.Perkins. Iron Railings and Gates - no definite instructions yet from Sir G. Scott. Will take 2 months. Gas Standards - Enclose Estimates, 2 large brass in Sanctuary - 6 months Choir - 2 months, Nave and Tower Iron ones 3 months.
F1280	1872	F.Spooner to Canon Wood. Papers in such a confused state that I have been unable since I received them on Thursday Evening to do more than draw up a continuation of the balance sheet for the Committee Meeting today. I trust that prior to your next meeting I shall be able to regulate the docs and thus accurately the outstanding Subs & financial position of the Committee.
F1281	1872	Field Poole to T.Baxter. Enclose Cert. for £200 on A/c marble pavement.
F1282	1872	A.E.Perkins to Canon J.R.Wood. Mr Forrest's Salary, five weeks as Clerk of Works £7.10.0
F1283	1872	Skidmore. Note. Sends A/c to Canon Wood.
F1284	1872	Skidmore. Statement of Account. Wrought Iron panels to side screens £390 Balance £57
F1285	1872	Skidmore. Wrought Iron Grilles £380 Balance £28
F1286	1872	Skidmore. Note. Extra length of Stall Screen, 68ft. £30
F1287	1872	Skidmore. Bill. £103
F1288	1872	Skidmore. Contract for Pulpit Rail. £50.00.0
F1289	1872	F.A.Skidmore. Contract for Choir Screen Spandrils Gates Panels and crestings of Wrought Iron. Columns - cast iron. Capitals and Cross of Bronze, figures of Dragons on Columns of Brass or Bronze - £100 extra. £403.00.0 With Brass Columns, Capitals and Cross and animals, Wrought Iron spandrils, panels, gates and cresting. £795.00.0
F1290	1872	A.E.Perkins to Canon Wood. Statement from Farmer & Brindley - The four large iron columns for the Choir Screen were brought here on Thurs. last, but no men to fix them. I expect Mr Skidmore will bring them with him today and begin fixing. he has not yet sent his A/c though I sent for it last week. Farmer & Brindley have not yet answered my question concerning Organ Case neither have Messrs Hill stated the time for completion of Organ. I saw Mr Collins on Sat who promised to send the first Foreman at once to take charge of the Pulpit.

F1291	1872	John Scott, Brecon, to Canon Wood. Yr letter followed me here, or it wld have been answered before. I will have the full size drawings prepared at once & Helbronner will then be able to make an exact estimate. I expect it will be rather more than £80. The Super-Altar forms, I think, part of the Reredos, but I will find out about it for certain. The Ends of the Altar table can be either uncovered or covered with simple velvet (in this case with the same velvet that is used for the frontal but without any gold.) There are some excellent materials at Helbronner's for cloths ec. which might very well be used, they are a kind of velvet pile. PS I will get Helbronner to send patterns of the carpet materials to Worcester.
F1292	1872	Skidmore. Statement of Contract. Choir Screen £403. (Brass or Bronze Dragons £100 extra)
F1293	1872	Skidmore A/c. Wrought Iron Grilles in Side Screens and wrought iron Panels & cresting on Stalls.
F1294	1872	Skidmore. A/c including extra length revised Choir Screen, £30. Total Balance £103
F1295	1872	Field Poole & Son, 48, Johnson St. Millbank. Taking up old material, preparing Foundations levels, & grounds done by Field Poole & Son, work not included in Tender.
F1296	1872	[Stamped] F.A. Skidmore. Contract. Iron Gates, hinges & locks - North Porch, and South Entrance. Wrought Iron work for S.Entrance. To be finished before March 31st, 1873. £340 [Endorsed March 31st 1873]
F1297	1872	Farmer & Brindley A/c. Bishop's Throne, Choir Fittings, Screens and Organ Case.
F1298	1872	Field Poole & Son to A.E.Perkins. In answer to yours of 7th, copies of letters between us and Canon Wood. [Endorsed 25 June cheque £400, 19 Sept £200, total received £600]
F1299	1872	Field Poole to Canon Wood. COPY. Ref 19th Ult. Taking up of old material, preparing foundations have been done by Field Poole & Son which is not included in the Tender. Endorsed 10.10.72
F1300	1872	Field Poole to Chas Spooner, Esq. In reply to yours of 7th, copies of letters between us and Canon Wood.
F1301	1872	Field Poole to Canon Wood. COPY. Ref 19th Ult. Taking up of old material, preparing foundations have been done by Field Poole & Son which is not included in the Tender.
F1302	1872	Farmer & Brindley A/c. Bishop's Throne £270,[Deleted 'Bishop' inserted] Choir Fittings, Balance £800. Choir Screen, Balance £450, Organ Case Balance £550.
F1303	1872	J.Wood, The Butts to F.Spooner. Tender for Floor of Nave and Choir Aisles. Accepted £1905.0.0
F1304	1872	W.Hill to Rev G.F.Lewis, Bart. .. while progress is being made with Worcester Cathl Organ, it is not yet in such a state as to enable us to make any definite promise as to the time as to time of completion. It will necessarily be many months. Answer. G.F.L. Anxious work shd be done with as little delay as possible.
F1305	1872	Approximate Summary of A/c for Geo. Gilbert Scott and A.E. Perkins @ 7«% on £16473. To 12.10.72
F1306	1872	W.Hill to Sir G.F.Lewis. ..will proceed with the Organ with all possible despatch. The case will take a considerable time to make, so that we fully expect to be ready by the time it is completed.
F1307	1872	G.G.Scott to Canon Wood. Altar Cloth. Full size drawings in Helbronner's hands. Hellbronner will send definite estimates in a day or two.
F1308	1872	Farmer & Brindley to J.Spooner. Enclosing Receipts.

F1309	1872	Skidmore. Thanks Canon Wood for Cert. Will attend Committee. Query date of next Meeting. Please confirm arrangements for extending Stall Screens for G.G.Scott.
F1310	1872	Copy. Hardman's to G.G.Scott. Iron Railings for Choir Aisles with Alterations, £190. Painting & gilding to be done after they are fixed.
F1311	1872	John Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. .. there is plenty of space between the top of the Altar table & the underside of the projecting string which runs across the reredos to allow an alabaster slab to be inserted. This would certainly look better than a wooden Super-Altar. Would there be any difficulty about this? .. can best be decided when my father is in Worcester next Sat. [With sketch]
F1312	1872	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Estimate for 8 panels in Reredos was £18 each, this seems so different to Mr. Perkins statement. F.A.S. had better see drawings at Sir G.Scott's office, and write a more specific A/c. Any decision on Brass Columns for Choir Screen at Saturday's Meeting?
F1313	1872	Hardman's to Canon Wood. We send you Sir GG Scott's design for the Gas Standards for Chancel. Estimate £200 each. This price is not high when the size of the standard & the elaborate .. design is taken into consideration. To carry out the work in its integrity .. an extra set of carved patterns will be necessary).
F1314	1872	W.Hill to G.G.Scott. Have seen Mr Brindley's Foreman and arranged for the fitting of the case to our work. Regret work delayed very much owing to the unfortunate conflict we have had with our men.
F1315	1872	G.G.Scott to Canon Wood. I have enquired both of Messrs Hill and Messrs Farmer & Brindley about the progress of the Organ. The latter assure me that they are kept back wholly by the delay of the Organ, & Messrs [Hill] have sent me the enclosed [F1314] The Case is in a certain degree of progress and will do so more as the Organ gets forward. Have no doubt it will be ready by the time the organ is ready for fixing.
F1316	1872	F.A.Skidmore to Canon Wood. Away from home. Estimate for Reredos Grilles reduced finding openings not filled in as first supposed. F.A.S. would be glad to know .. decision .. respecting Brass or Iron Columns on Screen - wrought works so nearly finished that .. all ornamental parts will be fixed before the supports to carry them are put in hand, which he is anxious to avoid.
F1317	1872	G.G.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. 1. Choir Pavement - parts ordered to be altered are ready for inspection. 2. Gas Standards - Hardman to send Estimate to you. 3. Lectern - designs and Estimate sent to Dr Barry. 4. Pulpit, Skidmore has been informed that Estimate for Rails (£200) accepted. 5. Organ & Case I have already written. 6. Credum Table ordered. 7. Throne under consideration. 8. Reredos - Skidmore to estimate. PS I most earnestly hope that the pillars for the Screen will be ordered to be of brass.
F1318	1872	Hardman's to Canon Wood. Gas Standard for Sacarium £180 each to GG Scott's Designs. Note JRW'S Answer. Ask them to fix time when completed and fixed.
F1319	1872	F.A.Skidmore to Rev. Canon Wood. Estimate. I undertake to make six grilles, Wrought Iron, illuminated and richly gilt - to fill in panels of Reredos. £10 each - £60.
F1320	1872	J.Hardman to Rev.J.Ryle Canon Wood. Acknowledge receipt of letter of 25th. enclosing Committee Resolution. Will accept terms offered, although we feel that as regards price we are hardly doing justice to ourselves. Completed Standards by end of March 1873

F1321	1872	G.G.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. Resolutions sent to Hill & Son, Farmer & Brindley, and Poole & Co. I do not understand what is said about black tiles. I did not notice such alteration. The other is legal requirement on the principle of the pound of flesh but whether wise as between us and the Cathedral I have grave doubts. Please return plan of pavement.
F1322	1872	W.Hill & Son to G.G.Scott. We have received the Resolution .. from the Restoration Committee. Regret delay in completion of Contract... wholly unavoidable. In the temporary stoppage of our works during the strike it was not in our power to proceed with the work, which otherwise would be now completed. Beg to assure Committee that now we have resumed work every effort shall be directed towards the speedy completion.
F1323	1872	Skidmore to Joint Restoration Committee. Contract. Will make 6 wrought iron grilles illuminated and richly gilt, and fix in panels of Reredos by Feb 1,1873 £60.00
F1324	1872	Skidmore. Contract. Undertake to execute Choir Screen with Brass Columns and 13 brass animals on columns to drawing £392. Total £795.
F1325	1872	G.G.Scott (Edinburgh) to Canon Wood. Can't send drawings of Throne .. for next Meeting as I am on a long Journey.
F1326	1872	F.A.Skidmore to Canon Wood. Forwarded sketches by passenger train. Time for erection of gates is the extreme date. Minor works finished by Christmas.
F1327	1872	F.A.Skidmore to Canon Wood. Drawings for Gates sent by Passenger Train. Telegraphed to expedite their delivery. Will be in Worcester tomorrow morning.
F1328	1872	Note[Canon JRWood] Skidmore. Contract for Brass Columns, Choir, @ £392.
F1329	1872	J.Wood, The Butts. Estimate. Pair Oak Doors for Entrance from N.Porch to Nave according to Drawings etc by AEP, and fixing ironwork. £225
F1330	1872	Hardman to Canon Wood. Railings for Choir Aisles in hand since October 29th ordered by Sir G.G.Scott (per Mr Niven) work is progressing
F1331	1872	Copy to Hardman's. Choir Aisle Gates W.Niven - GGS
F1332	1872	Hardman to Canon Wood. I have been to Worcester and taken the exact measurement of the 4 railings for the Aisles of the Choir. When we submitted our Estimate to Sir G.G.Scott we only knew of 3 openings of the following sizes viz. 1 bay 18ft, 1 dø 15ft, 1 dø 10ft 3in & our price of £190 was for three bays only. Correct sizes - 18ft 4«in, 18'10" , 10'5 & 10ft 2«, making a total addition of 14ft 7 inches which taken at the same rate as the other makes the estimate a little more than £260 but we will say say £250 with one coat of painting only. ..time of completion ..I find the screens most required to be those in the North Aisle & we will therefore complete them first & have the westernmost one finished very soon after Xmas then others to follow as quickly as possible. .. when I was in Worcester on Nov 2nd the position of the steps at the Eastern end of the Aisles was not determined, & as I could not take the measurements we have been able to do very little towards forwarding the large screen. We have not yet heard from GGS about gilding a specimen of the Reredos.



F1333	1872	G.G.Scott to Canon Wood. I have looked as well as I can into the question of the black border on steps; and as far as I can fathom, there is no evidence of its being marble. It is jointed in short lengths like tile; the mason has never had it in his Estimate but I presume that the tile manufacturer has had it in his estimates as being of tile - The two estimates are distinct, and that the latter has executed it seems to prove that he viewed it as part of his work. Indeed a border to tile work seems more naturally to be tile than marble, and (but I believe it was to be considered) I fear that it is a debateable land to the west of the pavement already laid, a strip which seems to have intervened between the Choir pavement on the one side and the outside platform on the other during the interval when the screen position remained open. It must be like one of the internal pavements and I must .. adjust the money question as well as I can.
F1334	1872	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Alteraton of Stalls executed necessitated the making of new drawings for Canopies - caused considerable delay.Should be complete for March 25th Answer, 19th. Require promise Canopies be finished not later than March 25th J.R.W.
F1335	1872	Hardman's to Canon J.R.Wood. Railings. Committee can scarcely accuse us of delay when we have only just been able to procure the requisite measurements and yet have the work in hand. Estimate. 4 Gates as letter of 13th at £250, North Aisle Gates by Feb 1st, S.Aisle by Mar 1st. * Dated 'Sept.' on Outside.
F1336	1872	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Faithfully promise to finish by March 25th.
F1337	1872	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. All Contracts including Organ Case completed on time which would have been done before now had Messrs Hills work have been ready.
F1338	1873	Telegram. Farmer & Brindley to A.E.Forrest. Oak framing and pine matched boarding including carriage and fixing - £44 (with pencil sketch)
F1339	1873	W. Niven,(G.G.Scott's)to Canon J.R.Wood. Forward drawing of portion of Choir Pavement left by moving screen westwards - Estimate £33.10.0 Estimate for substitution of bands of Greek green Marble for the tile bands on the steps .. to Sanctuary. £28
F1340	1873	G.G.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. I have seen Mr Brindley and written to Mr Hill. I shall be able to say more in a day or two but I think Mr Brindley will go down. I fancy that .. the grille was in one bay in Organ drawing I will see that it is set right. The .. Pavement .. seems to have fallen between two stools. Answered - 16.1.73 Hoping Mr Brindley wd come down, complaining of mistakes made & consequent delays. Asked for Report for Committee next week. Dissatisfied with state of things. Chapter also have Meeting.
F1341	1873	F.A. Skidmore received a letter from Mr Perkins this am saying Canon Wood wants the grilles fixed before cheque for Cert is given. F.A.S has sent a fitter to fix the Reredos Grilles as he quite understands that being a separate gift the donor would desire to see the work in a state of completion, but he wishes to call Canon Wood's attention to the fact that fixing the Metal work in the Screen was a concession on his part not included in the Contract & he never contemplated having to send specially to fit up each part as delivered but to put up & complete the whole with a sufficient staff at one time - leaving it ready for the Decoration to follow, he thinks the placing of one or two portions at a time will throw the work out of proportion & cause unjust criticism particularly as the entire remaining portion of the ironwork will be delivered in another fortnight - the sum asked is such a trifle upon the actual value that he cannot but think Canon Wood's letter to Mr Perkins referred to the Reredos grilles only.

F1342	1873	Skidmore to A.E.Perkins. I send you the Contract with a trifling alteration respecting payment. I did not think I should have to be under penalties when I made such considerable reduction from the estimate in the final instance, and again upon the modified sums, such being the case prompt payment is only a necessary condition, or I shall be the loser. I have sent to fix the Reredos grille & Panels in the Stall screens and hope they will be completed in good time.
F1343	1873	F.A.Skidmore will be feel much obliged if Canon Wood will kindly tell the bearer (his son) whether he can have a cheque for the Reredos
F1344		Card. Worcester Cathl Restn, Contracts & Estimates
F1345	1873	Joseph Wood, The Butts. Contract. Lay new stone paved floor of N. Porch, solid step of black slate. Side benches of stone. - £85.
F1346	1873	Hardman to Canon Wood. Mr John Powell reports - you will want the Iron Gas Standards for Transepts and Nave as well as Brass ones for the Chancel before the Opening of the Cathedral. Kindly send a formal Order for them, as though much has been said and written and designs approved,a positive order has not yet been received.
F1347	1873	William Hill to Canon Wood. .. We agreed to send the Organ so that it would be in the Cathedral by 14th Feb. We now have a little longer time
F1348	1873	Hardman to Canon Wood. Gas Standard, Nave. Estimate for Iron Gas Standards- 2 under Tower, £150. West End, £80 North Porch- £66.
F1349	1873	William Hill to Dean. Request for £300 on account. Two thirds of work done.
F1350	1873	William Hill to Canon Wood. .. our intention to send off the Organ at the end of next week.
F1351	1873	John Hardman & Co to Canon Wood. Estimate for Decoration of Roof, Ceilings, Choir and Lady Chapel with ribs elaborated £400. Choir Transepts as Choir but less detail £360. Lady Chapel Aisles £132. Choir Aisles £234 St John's Chapel £65.
F1352	1873	Hardman. Estimate. Copy. Roof of Lady Chapel - £400. Choir Transepts £300. Lady Chapel £132. Choir Aisles £234. Chapel of St John £65. Exclusive of scaffolding.
F1353	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. I have delivered the wrought Iron grilles, gates for South Cloister and North gates will follow in 2 or 3 days. Gates for Choir Screen have been delivered. Door for S. Cloister not (I presume) made as I cannot obtain any particulars of it & without the plan of woodwork, it is impossible to set out the ironwork, it is absolutely necessary the hinges should fall according to the framing of the door & where the hinges occur must guide the exterior arrangement of scrolls so as to insure sufficient security. I hope to be in Worcester shortly and should be very glad to have this information. Though the price of the gates is so considerably reduced I am sorry to say I have not been able to lessen the cost, indeed the continued increase in cost of material and labour have caused them to exceed the original estimate.
F1354	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. North Gates sent from Birmingham Station tomorrow (Tues.) - hopes to send Architect's Certs for them and the grille before the Meeting on Easter Monday.

F1355	1873	Sir G. Gilbert Scott to [JRW] I am truly concerned to hear of the decease of my old friend and colleague Mr Perkins. I had a great respect both of his general correctness of view in professional matters and to his thoroughly honourable and general feeling & Christian trustworthiness & singlemindedness. I always feared that his life was uncertain but did not think of his being cut off so soon. I am going to Worcester to attend a c... a few miles off on Tuesday I would go to your meeting on Monday but an obligation to attend a College meeting at Oxford. I think the Gentleman y mention had better be continued as the Clerk of Works with an understanding that he is now to look on me as his principal. I had better go on so far as my works go, as the sole architect though I shall continue with Mr Perkins exors the same pecuniary arrangements which I had with himself. I had not personally heard from Mr Perkins about the Corporation seats though it is possible he may have written; and the letter not been given to me. I am today away from my office so I cannot design them. [Enclosure] Mr Powell wants me to see his drawings in the Lady Chapel but I cannot do so before the meeting. Perhaps any approval may be made subject to my revision.
F1356	1873	Collins & Cullis to Canon J.R.Wood. Estimate. We will do the plastering found necessary to be done in excess of that anticipated by Messrs Hardman & Co for their Decorations in the ceiling of the Lady Chapel Aisles of Worcester Cathedral for the sum of £15. Accepted
F1357	1873	G.G.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. As regard to the first resolution of your meeting on April 14th, I beg to say that though I do not see any objection to a certain moderate number of light moveable benches in the Nave, it seems to me that the major part of the congregation should be seated on chairs, which however may be of a superior character. The seating of the whole Nave with benches will not only much cancel the beautiful pavement but will I would respectfully suggest give the Cathedral the character of a parish Church in some degree rather than the wide spacious air of a cathedral. I feel I confess a very strong objection to the introduction of a choral arrangement into the Nave. This belongs as it appears to me, only to those cathedrals which have a Close Screen cutting off the Choir from the Nave. The substitution of another Screen was, so far as I was concerned, and certainly I think, so far as the public were concerned who pressed it, wholly for the purpose of allowing the service as performed in the choir to be audible by persons in the Nave and personally but with all possible respect must for consistency's sake avoid a step contradicting to the principle on which I have throughout acted. The placing of a pulpit however in the Nave I think in the highest degree desirable.
F1358	1873	Hardman to Canon Wood. Thank you for design of Gas Standard. Work shall be put in hand. Mr Hardman is away .. cannot fix exact date for completion. Our Mr Hopkins is now making arrangements for pushing forward decoration of Lady Chapel with all possible ddecoration of Lady Chapel with all possible despatch.

F1359	1873	W.Niven, Spring Gardens, to Canon Wood. I have contrived to see Sir Gilbert this afternoon. I told him of the difficulties in the way of removing the grilles to the centre of the piers and he hopes that the Committee will upon reconsideration yield this point. As to the grille itself he is also dissatisfied with the colouring of it and has told me to write to Mr Powell and ask him to decorate one portion of it as an experiment. He says he spoke to Powell about it some time ago. As to the S. Entrance to Cloisters from College Green, he is of the opinion that the architectural features, bases etc. of the doorway ought to be exposed but that it is unnecessary to return to original level of the pavement inside. He supposes it was so sunk in order to get more convenient access to the crypt below the schoolroom. Sir Gilbert will prepare a Design for the Nave Pulpit as soon as possible. I have already received sketches from him for the seats for the Mayor and Corporation and I will get them drawn without delay. Messrs Hardman's inform me by letter that the Lectern is not in a "very forward state" as they have been 'pushing forward with the large gas standards' which are "far advanced". The spread of the Eagle's wings where the rest comes is 2 feet 2 inches and the length of the back about the same. I have been to Helbronner's today and delivered Mrs Wood's message to them. He himself was not there but they showed me a portion of velvet with the cut pattern filled in with embroidery in gold thread and yellow silk and that part looks very well. In spite of the letter I had written to them the day before they had none of the Orphreys by them, nor the Superfrontal; but they said these were all progressing. I told them to forward to Mrs Wood without delay specimens of the patterns.
F1360	1873	Greenway, High St. Worcester to Canon Wood. Nearly completed Gas Lighting. Please send second payment on account.
F1361	1873	W.Niven. I send with this the design for the seats for the Mayor & Corporation. I understand from what you and Dr Barry said when I was at Worcester that you thought of seating 5 only on the South side and some more on the North side. I have therefore shewn them so divided. Sir G. Scott was under the impression that the seats were to be all on one side & arranged in a double row, a bench being placed in front of the desk, and another desk in front of that. Perhaps the Committee will decide this point at next meeting. I have kept sufficient data from which to get an estimate if the design be approved. I delayed sending the drawing in order that I might draw the Worcester City Arms on the side shields of the Mayor's Chair, but after a great search among all my papers this morning I was unable to find the shield & I have written upon it what was intended. I will prepare drawings for the Litany Desk and Pulpit for the Nave as soon as I can get instructions from Sir Gilbert.
F1362	1873	Hardman to Canon J.R.Wood. Our Decorator, George Parry has brought us a request from you for a report of progress. .. The Gates for the W. end of the S.Aisle will leave here this week, and those for the E. end of the same aisle are now being put together. The two large Brass Gas Standards in a very forward condition. The smaller ones for the Choir are finished, & the large Iron ones will very soon be well in hand as the necessary drawings and models are now being made for them. With regard to the decoration we have consulted Mr John Powell & he informs us that the preliminary drawings & experiments are now nearly completed & that we shall very soon have a larger staff of men at work. We must ask you to remember that in a work like this which, where once put on the roof, must be permanent all experiments & changes have to be made first on paper, the whole of which work though making no show is absolutely necessary & is not to be accounted as time lost. Assuring you ..
F1363	1873	W.Niven to Canon J.R.Wood. I send designs for Mayor & Corporation Seats, 2 Designs for a Litany Desk and platform and oak seats for Sedilia. Estimate from Farmer & Brindley. Mayor & Corp Seats £215. Mayor's Chair, Stuffed seat and back £78 Litany Desk £77 Litany desk No2 £42 Sedilia Seats & platform £33.10 The Estimate for Corpn Seats is made for them arranged in one block. In order to fix the oak step to the sedilia chases will have to be cut in the existing stone step.

F1364	1873	Geo. Gilbert Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. It has occurred to me that there will be much difficulty in setting back the Grilles behind behind the stalls; and that it is a question which merits reconsideration. 1 It will never do either to begin them at the floor of the Aisles - so as to enclose an "uncome-atable" space between them & the Stalls, nor to commence them at the level of the stalls but 2"6in further back so that people in the aisles could stand with their heads behind the stalls but in front of the grilles. 2 The only course would be to have a curved piece of grille connecting the stalls with the critical grilles. [Sketch] But this would look so very abnormal that I cannot recommend it. There can be no doubt that, by analogy from old precedent, the present position is the right one. I think that some improvements may be effected in the details of the grilles, and very much in the colouring and gilding which is handsome. I ought to have mentioned that if all the other grilles were set back the front of the organ could not be so. As regards the pavements of the old Norman building in the South West of the Cathedral, I would say that they are a most valuable and interesting relic of the Ancient Monastic buildings come to light unexpectedly like a gleam of light in the dark. They must by no imaginable means be disturbed. If I may be excused in saying so, Worcester already enjoys an unenviable notoriety for its destruction of its antiquities, and cannot afford to brave public opinion again on a like subject.
F1365	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon J.R.Wood. Estimate. Carving to 42 Panels on Front of Framing of Worcester Organ Case. £27.6.0 (Endorsed 22 April) [Note on back] 24.5.73 JRW to ? Write to Sir G.S. and Enquire whether this is a light charge and whether the decoration of the panels was not included in the original estimate.
F1366	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Will send a man over on Monday to take particulars of Pulpit panels, the area railings will be tried in their places before putting them together, they are being awkward to fit to templates.
F1367	1873	Farmer & Brindley to G.G.Scott. Estimate. Back of Organ Case to your entire satisfaction £540.
F1368	1873	Hardman to Canon Wood. Mr J.H. Powell will be at Worcester on Monday next without fail. Iron gates took longer than anticipated - nature of design requiring careful working. Ready by 12 June.
F1369	1873	Farmer & Brindley to G.G.Scott. ...Back of organ Case (Worcester Cathedral) not including Angels Pendant and Carved Brackets for the sum of £420.
F1370	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Estimate for 4 Organ Panels @ £2.10.0 - £10
F1371	1873	Collins & Cullis. Summary of Account.
F1372	1873	Collins & Cullis. Estimate. Restore Jambs and Arch of door of North Porch ready for reception of new Oak Door - £17.18.0
F1373	1873	Jos Wood, The Butts, Worcester to Canon Wood. In accordance with your request we have examined the stone work which at present walls up some of the Arches in the Crypt of Worcester Cathedral and then beg to report upon those we are of the opinion can be removed without the slightest risk of injury to any part of the building. The arch and doorway between South Crypt under St John's Chapel also the walling in archway Eastward and adjoining this doorway can be removed with perfect safety to the Fabric, as no other work is in any dependent on them. [Sic] The doorway is evidently an erection put up merely for the purpose of dividing and securing one part separate from the other and the walling of the archway has also probably been built for the sake of dividing off a section. We do not advise opening out the walled up arches N. & S. of main Crypt, as part of the piers of the Choir Aisle rest upon them.

F1374	n.d.	Canon J.R.Wood. Note. Nave Pavement Tender, Woods, Collins
F1375	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Ironwork for S.Cloister Door, Spandrills for Choir Screen and area rails to be sent in a week or 10 days. Can now proceed with pulpit rail. Sir G.G.Scott has approved full size drawing.
F1376	1873	W.Niven. Drawings of Organ Case, Sedilia, Seats for Mayor & Corporation. Estimate, from Farmer & Brindley.
F1377		Letters from Contractors.
F1378	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Estimate. .. we shall require an extra £20 for the 2 pcs of Framing erected externally at each end which was not shown in Contract Drawings. Our Mr Head called twice during the afternoon but was unable to see you.
F1379	1873	John Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. I have been writing to my father and have asked him for some instructions about the Nave fittings. As soon as I hear from him I will have the necessary drawings made. I believe his wish is that the Organ should be decorated by Hardman and if you will allow me I will instruct Mr Powell to prepare a design and estimate. It will be desirable to confine the decoration mainly to the pipes, using only a small quantity of gilding on the enriched parts of the woodwork.
F1380	1873	Hill & Sons. Extra Pipes to Organ. Estimate. 10 ft long 5ft 6 wide @£10 and to fill up gap over stalls £5. Total £15. Accepted 22 July 1873.
F1381	1873	F.A.Skidmore. Statement of Account. Including moveable Altar Rails. S.Door, N. Porch, North Gates, Work on Screens- £781. £435 paid, £200 cheque.
F1382	1873	Earl Dudley, Dudley House to Canon J.R.Wood. I have seen Mr Forsyth the sculptor and he tells me that he met yourself and the Bishop of Worcester and that you referred to the minute that entrusts Sir G.Scott to send me the drawings for the furnishing of the Nave. Sir G.Scott has done nothing in the matter. He is gone abroad and for some time his son, /as he wrote to me/- did not know his address. He is broken in health and cannot do the work he has undertaken. Is it not therefore time that we should take some stop in the matter for we cannot go on so, and neither 74 or 75 will see the Cathedral finished if this is to be the course we pursue. If you cannot take the responsibility on your own shoulders will you confer with the Dean & Chapter as well as the Bishop & let me know the result. I will have designs submitted to you in a week if you will only leave me free to take the initiative. My advice is to close Sir G.Scott's connection with the work on the grounds that we cannot await his return, but in any case, to give him notice that we shall proceed according to our own judgement in this matter. [Last part crossed]
F1383	1873	W.Hill & Son. Organ. Bill. Rebuilding and Front Pipes and Bench. Balance £384
F1384	1873	John Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. My father has written giving me instructions about nave seats and promising a design for the pulpit at once. As soon as this comes I will have the necessary drawings prepared. I have seen Mr Forsyth about it. The design for the Nave seats shall be sent in time for the meeting on Saturday. Mr Skidmore has within the last few days sent me a drawing of the side grilles. These I have altered in the manner suggested by my father and returned to him. My father wishes Mr Powell to decorate these grilles and has arranged that he should do so with Mr Skidmore. He is preparing a design & estimates for the decoration of the Organ. I have not yet heard about the lobbies.

F1385	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. I have been striving very hard to get up some of the polished brass shafts before the meeting on Saturday, but the illness of the men one after another in a most unfortunate manner has prevented it. I shall however have several finished next week. In the meantime I have sent a decorator in to gild the gates & spandrils which I hope will greatly relieve the heaviness of the present appearance. I have advice of drawings from the office for Choir stall screen alterations and will proceed immediately they arrive.
F1386	1873	W.Niven (for Sir G.Scott). I send with this a design for the proposed open seats for the Nave. Farmer & Brindley have sent us a tender for the work for these. £40.10.0 for 10ft. (6 people) and £50 for 15ft. I enclose Farmer & Brindley's Statement of Account. We have directed Mr Skidmore to send a drawing shewing the proposed alterations in the Grilles in time for the Committee. Note. Written to acknowledge and call attention to... enclosures. Choir Stalls. Canopies etc JRW
F1387	1873	Joseph Wood, The Butts to F.Spooner. Statement of Account. Flooring, Choir Aisles £500 - £400 paid. Work for Lord Dudley, Contract for £150 for Crypt and £20 for drainage for Cloisters. Plastering Groining of Choir Aisles & St.John's Chapel. Erection and hire of scaffold. Sundry other works - about £300. We cannot say that all these are on "Restoration A/c" We merely give the information as a guide for you.
F1388	1873	Farmer & Brindley, Statement of Contract, 4.8.73 Paid - Fittings &c £3000. Choir Screen £1150. Organ Case £350. Certs Granted -£750.
F1389	1873	Geo. Wood for Sir G.Scott to Dean. .. be good enough to procure for Sir Gilbert Scott a further payment for £300 on A/c. (Banker: Cocks, Biddulph & Co.) (Endorsed Paymt £300)
F1390	1873	John Scott, Kettering, to Canon J.R.Wood. I am very sorry that the drawing for the nave seats did not reach you in time for the meeting. We have frequently been misled by the book post arrangements lately. I see my father promises in a letter to Ld Dudley to send the drawing to his lordship perhaps you will kindly forward it to him with the estimates. My father's wish about the treatment of the Choir Screen woodwork is to have it first wax polished, & have certain lines in it gilded. This is necessary to bring it & the metalwork into complete harmony. He wishes to have this done at once by Powell in common gold, but if you will allow it he would much prefer its receiving its permanent gilding at once. Skidmore should not gild the gates unless they are to be wholly gilt. If any colour is to be introduced it should certainly be done by Powell. We have received my father's design for the Nave Pulpit which is now being drawn out, it shall be sent to Lord Dudley as soon as possible. I will push the other matter forward.
F1391	1873	John Scott, Oxford, to Canon Wood. I will write to Mr Powell & beg him to attend the meeting on Saturday. Drawings of the Lobbies are not ready. I will ask Farmer & Brindley to write about filling the niches with figures. I do not know whether or not these figures are in the Contract but I will ascertain. I am expecting my father back at the end of next month. J.S. has details for Decoration of Screen and Grilles.
F1392	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Alteration of Stall Screens may probably prove more expensive than anticipated. I am having only 2 panels prepared for you to see on Sat. ready for the meeting (which I fully hope to attend) and I shall have one of clustered shafts up for the Committee's inspection.
F1393	1873	Farmer & Brindley. Estimate. Price for statues in canopies in Stalls sent at request of Mr Scott. Ordinary Stalls @ £8 each. That of Dean and Sub-Dean being larger £10 each. Total, Dean & Sub-Dean £80. 20 Ordinary Statues £160.
F1394	1873	Note. [Canon J.R.Wood] Mr Skidmore Alteration in Choir Grilles with or without gilding.

F1395	1873	<p>J.O.Scott to Canon Barry. My father is still abroad from England. I am sorry to say he has not so completely recovered his health as we hoped he would have done by now. I informed him of the meeting on Oct 11th &amp; of the strong wish expressed by the Committee that he would be present. I fear, however, that this will be impossible &amp; that I shall have to beg the Committee to allow me to represent him. The heaviness of the benches for the Nave is the effect of an error in the drawing. They would in execution be as light as such seats can be made and could be capable of being easily lifted by two men. Working drawings for them are now being prepared, and the wishes of the Committee are being completely attended to. I feel unable myself to take any steps about the seats for the Choir or the Nave till I hear further from my father on the subject as I know he is strongly of the opinion that with a perfectly open Screen they must be unnecessary and out of place. He has however expressed himself in favour of placing some dignified seats in the Nave opposite to the Pulpit to which the Clergy &amp; perhaps the Choir might move for the Sermon. My father has made an extremely beautiful design for the Nave Pulpit which Mr Forsyth has seen. It will be sent in the course of a day or two. It is intended to be executed in alabaster &amp; marble. Mr Forsyth had understood that some preference had been expressed for a wooden pulpit but there can be little doubt that while a moveable pulpit is customary within the Choir of a cathedral a fixed one is much better adapted to the Nave. The Pulpit as designed will I am convinced be the finest in any English Cathedral and I sincerely trust that it will meet with the approval of Lord Dudley and the Committee. The drawings for the Enclosures at the doorways are in progress.</p>
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F1396	1873	<p>G.G.Scott, Geneva, to Canon J.R.Wood. I regret that, having been strongly advised to prolong for a time my absence abroad, I shall be unable to be present at your meeting on the 11th. I beg you however to accept my son as my representative. He has told me of your wish that I should design moveable Choir seats to be used as a quasi-choir in the Nave. I think I have already explained to you my views on this point, but will do so again. The great difficulty of arranging a Cathedral for popular services has arisen from the presence, in most Cathedrals, of a close stone screen. Where this, and the arrangement of returned stalls behind it, are ancient, I am opposed to their removal, and in that case the best remedy is the introduction of nave services: that is to say, services in which, not only the Congregation, but also the Choir and clerical staff are located without the screen. This was, I think, first done in Westminster Abbey, and has been carried out at York and several other cathedrals. It is imperfect, because the Altar is either wholly excluded from the services or is so far (&amp; so separated) from the choir as to be practically excluded. Where however, no question of Antiquity intervenes, the best course is to open out the Choir to the Nave by the substitution of an open for a close screen, as is now the case at Worcester. By this arrangement, the Congregation may be partly in the Nave, while the Service is still conducted in the Choir. It was on this principle and with this object that the close screen was removed from your Cathedral. It was with this view that that step was so strongly advocated by that part of the public who had given their study and thoughts to church arrangement, and it was on this principle that I advocated it in the reports laid before and accepted by both the Chapter and the Committee. It was, too, from a suspicion that this might not be acted upon that the objection was raised by a part of the local public that, by opening the Aisles also to the Choir, it was secretly intended to make a sort of parish church of the Choir and its Aisles; - an intention I urgently repudiated. If, now, after all, - we make a nave-choir just as if we had never opened out the actual Choir - we shall be going far to stultify all we have done, and shall be flying in the face of that intelligent portion of the public whose views we have sought to meet and whom I - at least have assured that such would be the case. I am aware that questions have been conversationally raised in the Committee as to the congregation "overflowing into the Nave" and that different opinions have been expressed; but, as these remarks only occurred incidentally in addresses made mainly on other subjects, I have not felt it my duty to reply to them. Now, however, I feel called upon to do so, and to express my opinion. 1st that the screen was opened expressly to enable the Congregation to overflow into the Nave; 2nd that, in my undoubting opinion, they ought so to overflow; 3rd that, whatever may be our individual likings or views, they will so overflow; and 4th that any arrangement tending to prevent this will be frustrating the great object of the work and will be deeply resented by that part of the local public whose opinions on such subjects are most matured. I hold strongly, however, with the introduction of a Nave pulpit. I think though on ordinary occasions when the Congregations are moderate, the Sermon would be preached from the Choir pulpit, that on greater occasions they should be in the Nave. The Custom abroad is frequently for those in the Choir, including even the Bishop to come out and sit near the pulpit when the Sermon comes on. Such was I think &amp; perhaps is the custom still in some at least of our own Cathedrals. The great practical evil of a choir arrangement in the Nave is that it would occupy just that part into which the congregation would naturally overflow; and prevent its being thus legitimately occupied - If however for any special &amp; exceptional reason or on any special occasion it should at any time be wanted to have a choral service out in the Nave, the usual nave seats may for the time being be so transposed and arranged as to effect this purpose, without encumbering the best part of the Nave with seats or raised platforms, at once hindering its proper use and marring its beauty. The raised platform beneath the tower might be useful for such occasional purposes as the two or three steps by which it is raised above the Nave would sufficiently elevate those who would, on such occasions, conduct the service. Begging you to excuse my plain statement of my views.</p>
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F1397	1873	Hardman to F.Spooner. We now beg to inclose you, as promised, Statement of the Works some of which are for Decoration, the other Metal and these lists include everything we have commissions for at present. There will be extra charges for fixing &c some of the Metal- works, but not to a considerable amount. Other works are in contemplation but for these no estimates have as yet been given ..
F1398	n.d.	Hardman. Statement of Work. Decoration £1191
F1399	n.d.	Hardman. Statement of Work. Metalwork
F1400	1873	Collins & Cullis to Joint Restoration Committee. Estimate. Inner Porch of North Entrance in wainscote oak to design by Sir G.G.Scott. £275
F1401	1873	Jos. Wood Estimate. Oak Lobby at N. Entrance in accordance with Sir G.G.Scott's drawings, £290
F1402	1873	Summary of Local Accounts. Collins and Cullis, laying gas pipes, scaffolding and Pulpit. Wood & Son, Paving Choir Aisles, Scaffolding and plastering. Greenway. J.Andrews, clearing rubbish. J.Close, lead and painting.
F1403	1873	Collins & Cullis, Tewkesbury. Tender. To erect, maintain and dismantle scaffolding for 1 month to decorate the Choir. £68.0.0
F1404	1873	Farmer & Brindley, Statement of Contract, [Dated 4.8.73. Endorsed and corrected to 28.10.73] Stall Screens, Bishop's Throne, Choir Screen, Organ Case Contract, Extra Canopies, Mayors Seat. Monies Received. Fittings etc. £3500, Choir Screen £1150, Organ case £600, [Anotated in red.] [In pencil] - Mayor's Seat to Lord Dudley+ Balance.
F1405	1873	W.Niven, Spring Gardens, to Canon Wood. Mr John Scott's reply to letter of Oct 30th. The Corporation Seats are well advanced. I will write to Mr Skidmore by this post that he may be prepared to give the Committee the information they require on Saturday. The design for the lobby by the S.E.Doorway shall be sent with the other drawings in readiness for the meeting. It is however only a working drawing intended to have been sent direct to the contractor. Mr Medland desires me to acknowledge your letter to him and say that as the drawing for the Sedilia cannot be found another will be done.
F1406	1873	Dean Peel to Canon Wood. This morning's post brought me a more than usually heavy bag of letters all of which must receive some reply .. Lewis sent me 2 patterns of crimson velvet supplied by Messrs Jones & Watts which I thought had been seen by you and 2 which having called in the aid of Mrs Herbert Peel who is more conversant than myself with such matters I selected the lower priced one though I thought 9/- a foot exorbitant as being little inferior in quality and much richer in colour than the pattern at 11/6 a foot. I have forwarded your letter of this post to Lewis as it may reach him in time to ?delay the order which acting on the instructions of the Chapter he was prepared at once to make. Glad lunch on Sat next is at 1.30 - later .. was .. inconvenient .. I have not the Resolution passed by the Chapter on the evening of Oct. 10th at the Deanery with ref. to Lord Dudley's proposal for Benches in the Nave. It was to this effect - 1st that the offer was accepted with grateful acknowledgements on condition that the Benches were moveable and did not extend lower down the Nave than the Entrance at the North Porch. I cannot remember the precise words. I sometimes before leaving the Chapter House put any loose papers I may see lying about under the cushion on the table opposite my Chair. The Resolutions may be there. I was afraid the discrepancy would be greater.
F1407	1873	W.Niven to Canon Wood. Sends drawing for Bishop's Chair, Sedilia, and S.E.Lobby for Nave. Estimates from Farmer & Brindley. Bishop's Chair £98, Sedilia £70. Drawings of Corporation seats will be sent tomorrow.

F1408	1873	John Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. The remainder of the pavement in St John's Chapel is only wanting for my father's decision about a small question connected with it. I hope you will have all the drawings you require for the meeting, there has been some difficulty about one or two of them as they could not be found, I am assured that they were already in your possession. It would be an advantage if it could be decided definitely how many benches will be required in the nave. I cannot help thinking that the position fixed for the pulpit is too far West, and that the next Column towards the East would be better. Should you require anyone from our office at your meeting please telegraph Mr Niven. I have to go to Edinburgh tonight.
F1409	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Telegram. Am prevented by an accident attending meeting. The rail according to drawing would be £265. Other work progressing fast and will be finished on time. [Endorsed Estimate]
F1410	1873	Hardman to Canon Wood. Estimate. We received yesterday from Mr Forrest a design of Sir G.G.Scott's for a very handsome and massive Brass Altar Rail to be executed in polished brass in the same style as the Lectern and High Chancel Gas Standard which we are now executing for your Cathedral - The handrail to be of moulded & polished oak. Mr Forrest asked for an approximate estimate. We would undertake to fix the rail in the Cathedral for from £450 - £500
F1411	1873	John Scott to Canon Wood. The instructions of bringing everything to a close by Easter is in some danger of being frustrated through the uncertainty there seems to be about 2 questions connected with the Nave. First whether or not there are to be benches in the Aisles & secondly whether the pulpit shall stand against the first or second small pier on the S.side. At the meeting which I attended (in October) I understood and I believe Lord Dudley was under the same impression that some aisle seats were agreed to, and that the position for the Pulpit against the first small pier - suggested by my father was accepted. Immediately after the meeting I was informed by you & by Sir Gilbert Lewis that neither was the case. I was much puzzled to know what to do, as I was sure that Lord Dudley had gone away with the same impression. I therefore wrote to his Lordship explaining the difficulties and suggesting that these two questions should be finally settled at the next meeting. I have not heard whether this was done - but Messrs Wood are pressing for instructions on these points and I am unable to give any. ... the question must be settled by the Ctee in order to avoid loss of time .. My feeling .. is that the Pulpit should be against the first small pier - this would give a larger number of benches in the Nave - but that no benches should be placed in the Aisles. If the 2nd pier be adopted the number of benches will be so small as to look almost ridiculous in so great a building. In your last letter you do not inform me whether the lobby for the S. door was ordered. .. please let me have the drawings at once unless you have already sent them to Collins & Cullis. I shall be glad to have all the other drawings back as we can do nothing without them. The Altar rail should be ordered immediately as it will take a long time. If put in Skidmore's hands I doubt whether you would get it in less than 12 months. I will have the Bishop's Chair modified directly I get back the drawings. With regard to the Resolution you sent me referring charges I have not yet been able to speak with Mr Wood on the Subject, but I know the statement was drawn up by him in a great hurry at your request and I noticed some errors in glancing through it afterwards. It shall be carefully reconsidered when my father returns. The Altar rail is not instructed to have any gates, this seemed to be the general wish at the October meeting.
F1412	1873	Note Canon Wood to JO Scott. Benches in Nave. Pulpit 2nd Pier. Sedilia & Bishop's Chair. Altar Rail to be ordered by Lord D. Return Drawings. Sir G.'s charges. Figures in Stall canopies.

F1413	1873	John Powell, Hardman's, to Canon Wood. I perhaps ought to have written earlier and told you that Lord Dudley gave me the order for your Great West Window, the last time I was in Worcester. There are some improvements suggested by his Lordship, that I should like to make before submitting the design for the Dean and Chapter's approval -Lord Dudley was much pleased with the scheme as a whole and the alterations he wishes will be certainly an advantage. I need hardly assure you that we are going to do all we possibly can to make this a magnificent work. Answer on reverse. Nov 22. Requested Mr.P. to return the design with proposed alterations so that he not delay to complete decorations in Choir Sacrarium & Choir Aisles.
F1414	1873	Dudley, (Binacre, Wrentham,) to Canon Wood. I am very much obliged to you for taking the trouble to write to me - as well as Lady Dudley after all the trouble of keeping the minutes of the last meeting, for I know what it involves - much good pen or hard pen it is an effort & a sacrifice if left. I was very much indebted to the joint Committee for granting me the additional bays below the entrance as well as the two above - for the effect of benches in the space first granted would have been poor in the extreme and what is more would have had an air of exclusiveness which the Committee /and the Chapter still less/ would have been very unwilling to be charged with but I think now so many can be seated that there will be no question of unfair distinction. With regard to the aisles having seats instead of benches - there are two reasons why I prefer the latter. They just hold three persons each either side of the gangway by which they are entered - the measurement of which has been taken - and they are part and parcel of the plan as first put before the Committee as will be seen at once by reference to the plans drawn by Scott and approved - the second reason is this & it is very important to the Chapter - that chairs will be shuffled about immediately under & below the Preacher to his exceeding annoyance - whereas the Benches are stationary. It would be very ungracious of me to oppose any wish of the Chapter - after their kind grant of more space to me, but I think the merit of the arguement is on my side, but if when they are placed, there is any reason for getting rid of them they can go down lower or be used in St John's Chapel - There is another question of pressing importance - and that is where is the Nave Organ to stand and the Choir to be placed. Has another meeting been fixed - Saturday December 13th would suit me but I would come any later day that you fix or as most convenient. Powell promised me an improved design for the W.Window but I hear nothing of it yet. I am sorry to hear that the Dean is still so suffering. I seem to have written to him just at the right moment as the Chapter were all gathered for the Audit.
F1415	1873	Hardman to Spooner. 2 Gas Standards ordered in April at £33. If 4 are required we will put the other 2 in hand at once.
F1416	1873	F.A.Skidmore has been pressing forward the Choir Screen and & hopes Canon Wood wil soon be satisfied with the progress made - all the columns but one, clustered, are despatched & the last group will be sent this week. In respect of the Pulpit railing Mr John Scott ordered the patterns to be carved by Messrs Farmer & Brindley. FAS sent the instructions to them as soon as he had the drawing but he has not yet received the patterns, the other portions are progressing rapidly he will write again to Messrs Farmer & Brindley, and upon receipt of their reply will write more fully to Canon Wood upon this matter and the Stall Screen, the forging for which he is putting on all hands. FAS has not heard anything from Canon Wood about the Altar Rail. Note JRW. Check whether F & B sent patterns.

F1417	1873	John Hardman to Canon Wood. Since we sent our Estimate on Nov. 8th for the Altar Rail we have as requested been again most carefully through it. We find to carry it out will not cost less than £450 fixed - in our former letter we said from £450-£500 but we will name definitely the former sum. At the beginning of the week we had a letter from Mr Spooner asking why our approximate A/c of Works in Hand we only named two wrought Iron Gas Standards at £33 each whereas 4 are required- 2 for the N. and 2 for S. Porch. Our reason for doing so was that when you ordered them on the 30th April last no definite number was named in your letter but on the design in your handwriting is "Two Standards at £33 each accepted JRW" If 2 more are required for the S. Porch making 4 in all we will put them in hand for you at once upon hearing from you. P.S. We shall be glad to have instructions about wrought Iron Railings as time will soon press. On reverse. Answered Nov 30. Made order for Gas S. clear. Altar Railing Ld. D. Asked for measure of Lectern. Letter to Powell.
F1418	1873	James Brindley to Canon Wood. The carved pattern for the Brass Pulpit Rail was sent off on Sat. last to Mr Skidmore and he acknowledged the receipt of them. Mr Skidmore accepted a price for them on Nov 7th and we put them in hand the next day. Although there were only 2 patterns they had to be carved on both sides. Consequently it was like one man having 2 spandrils to do & they took all the time to do. We will send the report you asked for in time for your next Chapter Meeting as requested.
F1419	1873	Skidmore to Canon Wood. Patterns received from Farmer & Brindley & put in hand. Pulpit railing not ready. Pulpit patterns not yet received. Choir screen finished except for foliage on capitals. A Fitter will move to forward stall screens here, to have a bay fixed by meeting on 13th, he also hopes to be present at the meeting.
F1420	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. In answer to the latter part of yours of Dec 2. Mayor's Seat will be complete in 3/4 weeks, Sedilia & Bishop's Throne by Easter, for the labour in the ends is so great & there is only room for two men to work on them. Enclose Cert. & Financial Statement.
F1421	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Bishop's Throne - will be done by end of Feb. Two sets of men to work on it night and day. Not all our blame because some bits were prepared before size was increased. Trusting this definite promise will relieve the Committee.
F1422	1873	Farmer & Brindley to Canon Wood. Kindly oblige us with a cheque for the last Cert. so as we could obtain same for Saturday's payment. We promise most faithfully to keep our word in the completion of the Bishop's Throne & other works.
F1423	1873	Collins and Cullis to Committee. Inner Porch of N. Door in forward state, hope to begin fixing early in Feb. South Doors at end of Feb. S.W.Door to Cloister also forward.
F1424	1873	F.Skidmore. Agreement to complete work on Railings & Choir Screen by Jan 31.
F1425	1873	F.A.Skidmore. Statement of Account. Choir Screen Endorsed - Chq £198
F1426	1874	Hardman to Canon Wood. We send you this evening by passenger train the designs for Organ Decoration. Estimate to Painting & decorating whole of exterior face of Organ £300, (as per sinister half of design) and which shows towards N.Aisle. If woodwork facing choir filled with angels as per dexter half of design £50 extra. Not including scaffolding.

F1427	1874	G.G.Scott to Canon Wood. In Confidence Lord Dudley wants to take down our wood screens east of the stalls & substitute iron. Now this cannot I feel sure be done before the opening & I feel it would be an alteration of a very doubtful character as while the lower part stalls supply substance & solidity in the other bays nothing of the kind would help us where the screens stand. I trust he will not press this. P.S. I hope to write tomorrow.
F1428	1874	G.G.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. I hear Altar rail is ordered subject to the question of the material for the top of the rail itself. I highly admire the idea of it's being ivory only that as the material is in short lengths it will require metal joining which may be made very conducive to beauty. It may as it is divided into several mouldings, be of two materials ivory & ebony which would be very beautiful. [Diagram]
F1429	1874	John Scott to Canon Wood. Hardman has got the metal crestings in hand. Brindley went to Worcester with a gilder to show how wooden screen might be treated but was not allowed to do so. It's suggested that as Hardman has gilders on the spot it would be best for them to do this work when it was ordered. A new design has been made for the Bishop's Seat, but till yr letter came this morning we had not heard that it should be easily moveable & this has not therefore been arrived at. My father is at Durham and does not return till Saturday. I will send this new design anyhow and if possible a second design showing a lighter treatment. Hardman has now got full instructions about the altar rail. His estimate for the ivory part is too high that I told him to communicate directly with Lord Dudley about it. It is quite practicable. The which will be a most beautiful object but the time for its proper execution is desperately short. Perhaps it could be removed after the spring for its more minute finishing & especially for the gilding of the [brass?] work whi[ch] seems very essential.
F1430	1874	W.Niven to Canon Wood. Sending Design of Bishops Chair. Estimate £94.15.0 Desk £41.
F1431	1874	F.Skidmore to Canon Wood. The works are now rapidly approaching conclusion & to expedite the gilding of the Choir Screen I have despatched another decorator today. Can you kindly obtain me a cheque for £300 on account for the enclosed items which I think you will find correct next week it will much oblige me.
F1432	1874	Skidmore, Account. Pulpit Rail, 30 Panels, wrought iron work, Stall Screens, Grilles.
F1433	1874	Skidmore. Copy. Account, as above. Screens, grilles etc Annotated in pencil.
F1434	1874	Hardman's to F. Spooner. The remainder of the Contract of March 14, 1873 for Decoration to the Cathedral being now completed & approved we beg to enclose you the Bill for the same. You will find an item for plastering Lady Chapel Aisles which was not included in the Contract; our Estimate being given as exclusive of plastering, scaffolding etc, and so expressed when they were given. The amount charged is the same as that charged by Messrs Collins & Cullis. May we request an early remittance of the amount.
F1435	1874	Summary of Local Accounts. Collins & Cullis - Doors and cleaning. Wood & Son Scaffolding and plastering. Greenway & Son, Gas.
F1436	[187	Note. Estimates for Floors, Gates etc & Paving of Porch
F1437	1874	Hardman to Canon Wood. Mr John Powell asked us to send you this evening a sketch for bookrests for choristers 14" long x 10" wide in perforated brass @ 90/-
F1438	1874	Hardman to Canon Wood. Copy. .. the standards only for supporting wooden book rests will be 27/6 each. We could supply 40 of the numbered plates in a fortnight after receipt of order.

F1439	1874	Collins & Cullis. T.W.Godfrey. Your telegram of this afternoon .. Mr Collins is not home to reply himself. We purpose sending the remainder of the North Lobby tomorrow Friday, except the Doors which will be completed on Monday. We have also the S.Lobby in hand & shall send a portion of it with the doors for the North Lobby on Wednesday next. As far as we are now able to calculate we should completely finish both lobbies by the end of the present month.
F1440	1874	John Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. Mr Skidmore has been speaking to me about the gilding on the woodwork of the Choir Screen - it is certainly my father's wish that this should be carried out, and as Mr Skidmore is now engaged in gilding the metalwork on the the Screen it will be best for him to do this also. The gilding will be confined to the fillets of the moulding as my father settled with him since.
F1441	1874	A.E.Forrest, St John's House, to F. Spooner. In reply to yr note, an Estimate was given by Messrs Collins to Messrs Hardman's representative for work to the plastering of Lady Chapel Aisles amounting to £10. This was ordered by Messrs Hardman and executed. It was found however that the plaster was in a worse condition than anticipated and an extra outlay of £15 was required the estimate for which was furnished to the Committee & ordered by them.
F1442	1874	Hardman to Canon Wood. Supports for choir desks & numbers posted the same day as we received your letter.
F1443	1874	Field Poole & Son to Rev Chas. Spooner. We have sent Revd Canon Wood a Certificate for £400 The amount due to us is £535.12.6 leaving a balance due to us of £135.12.6 Sir G.Scott's absence abroad prevents his looking through our account.
F1444	1874	F.A.Skidmore to J.Spooner. I send you copy of my last account which contains all the work now in hand or finished. There is a proposed extra for gilding the oak work of the Choir Screen, my estimate being £60 but at present it is only a proposal & Canon Wood has the matter in hand. As far as I am aware 5 or 10£ would cover any other extras likely to arise upon your present work. The items marked in pencil of £28 to be deducted is an error. I agreed to allow that sum for the moveable Altar rails in my Estimate for the new ones - but the order being given to Messrs Hardman my offer is cancelled.
F1445	1874	Skidmore. Statement of Accounts. Choir Screen,Gates etc From 9.10.73
F1446	1874	Farmer & Brindley to F.Spooner. Will forward a complete statement early next week.
F1447	1874	John Medland (GG Scott's) to Canon Wood. I have seen Messrs Farmer & Brindley & they agree to make ornamental panelling & enrichment for sedilia. The estimate for this as well as the present work as it stands is £92. The estimate for the work as it now stands is reduced on account of the length having been shortened & the divisions having been omitted. Please let me know if you think of having extra ornamental work carried out. I hope you found the experiment of colour on North Wing of Reredos satisfactory. I will send a sketch to you if you wish showing ornament to sedilia.
F1448	1874	F.Skidmore to Canon J.R.Wood. Answers Telegram 7pm. In reference to progress of the work I have received no reply from you to my letter respecting the gilding of wood works. My work will be finished in a week. The Bronzing of Grilles will also be finished in a week or nine days at the outside. My son returned today with additional help. The Grille fronting Organ will I fear be behind & unless your decorators can finish in time to allow the fitters to fix it by the time the other grilles are bronzed all my people will be standing still - the fitters now have nothing to join with & could be fixing it this week ready for them - P.S. I do not understand your remark about giving my work to another firm. The principal portion i.e the gilding of the Choir Screen, being as you are aware a present on my part & as nearly as possible already finished.

F1449	1874	Wed. F.Skidmore to Canon J.R.Wood. I enclose a statement of the amount I have engaged to pay for the gilding to ?stone for the side of the skreen you will perceive it is impossible to agreee to the terms of £5 penalty upon a bill? I should therefore feel however reluctantly compelled to [ ] I have found it extremely difficult even to get these terms agreed to as the period of the year renders work plentiful. Account 4 men @10/- a day - 6days 12.0.0 1 man extra 6 days @ 15/- £5.0.0. 5 Fares @ 10/- Return 10/- £5.0.0 Bonus to finish on time £5.0.0 Lodging at 10/- £2.10.0 Material £3 Gold £8 1 side!!! £40
F1450	1874	F.Spooner. to Thomas Mason. COPY. After some trouble I have .. arrived at something definite about yr late father's tombstone. A Mr Prosser at Dent's .. can point out the spot where it was placed. He describes it as a plain flat stone. .. the Clerk of Works .. search for it has been unsuccessful & the only conclusion at which I can arrive is that in the course of the works it may have been broken and so carried away with the refuse. - Under these unfortunat circumstances the only way is to have a new stone laid down & if you can give me the inscription I will .. see that it is done, as I feel that this is a proper reparation to .. you.
F1451	1874	Thomas Mason, St. Leonard's to F. Spooner. Your kind note to hand here as I have returned from Wood Street. Your proposition seems quite sensible. I was surprised that the architect who wrote to me (by authority of the Dean of Worcester) a long time back had not suggested it. He seemed to throw me over although the Rev Mr Blair to whom I first applied as Rector of the Parish gave me to understand that the Dean & Chapter were very desirous to respect the Graves in St Michael's Church- yard around the Cathedral & therefore I naturally felt much disappointment when I found that nothing was suggested. I shall have all the particulars in a very short time as I am about removing here & then I will write to you again. I thought I would at once answer your letter that you might feel I have no wish to evade the payment of what I had promised providing the authorities were disposed to meet me fairly as I presumed the [ ] the Grave would be respected. P.S. I supposed the lowering of the ground has not interfered with the Graves.
F1452	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. We have sent copy of Bill for decorations to Sir G.G.Scott for Certificate -early remittance, please.
F1453	1874	John Scott to Canon Wood. My father does not remember what is to be done to the Pavement in the Choir? Field is to apply to you for directions. I hope you received our approximate account in due time.
F1454	1874	Hardman's to F. Spooner. In reply to your note we are sending a Statement of Accounts for Decorating and Metalwork. We have not received a Cert from Sir G.Scott There are two items in the latter which we cannot give you without communication with our chief Decorator - but we have written for these & will endeavour to send for Saturday's Committee Meeting.
F1455	1874	A/c Hardman's Decorations. Lady Chapel Aisles, Choir Aisles, St. John's Chapel, Plastering Lady Chapel Aisles (Collins and Cullis), Painting on Elbows of Choir Arch. Decorating Organ £300. Gilding and Cresting Side Screens and Wood Screens of N. and S. Choir Aisle.
F1456	1874	Hardman's. Supplementing our information of yesterday Gilding cresting of side screens of Choir say £75.0.0 wooden screens for N&S of choir say £60
F1457	1874	Farmer & Brindley to J.Spooner. Enclose your Statement of Contract.
F1458	1874	T.Mason, St Leonard's, to F.Spooner. I send you as annexed the particulars for the flat stone in the College Churchyard belonging to St Michael's Parish. I shall be happy to respond when you write to me again that the matter is attended to. P.S. Please note that I am changing my address.



F1459	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. We hear that Sir G.G.Scott was present at the Opening of the Cathedral on Wednesday last. Will you allow us to ask you whether he certified the Bill presented for Decorations? We have written thrice to him & have received no reply. The delay is causing us inconvenience.
F1460	1874	Hardman to F.Spooner. Plastering Lady Chapel Aisles for Collins & Cullis £10. Plastering & scaffolding was expressly excluded from Estimate. £10.0.0 is the sum we pay Collins & Cullis. Inclose copy of Estimate to show this... Account of other work shall be sent in a few posts.
F1461	1874	Skidmore. Calls Rev Canon Wood's attention to letter of 1st Inst. Will be glad to know how early he will receive a cheque.
F1462	1874	F.Spooner to F.A.Skidmore. Copy. You must please to charge the following items in yr a/c against the Committee to the Earl of Dudley. 30 panels Stall Screen altered @ £6 per panel £180 14 wrought panels under 2 70 250 In the last a/c you have charged the pulpit rail £50 twice over. If your works are completed you had better send me a full statement as soon as convenient, I can then lay it with others before the Committee with a view to a settlement.
F1463	1874	F.Spooner to Geo.Wood, at G.G.Scott's. Copy. Take out of Sir G.Scott a/c against the Committee the following charges and charge to the Earl of Dudley: Designs, Lobby - N.Porch, Mayor's Seat, Brass Altar Rail, Nave Pulpit, Nave Seats and Nave Pavement. Charge to Mrs Canon Wood - Design of Altar Frontal.
F1464	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. We are greatly obliged for the Cheque for £300 on a/c Decorations, I enclose a receipt. The charge made to the Committee for the Choir Aisles as per the original estimate does not include the Medallions which were afterwards executed at the cost of the Earl of Dudley & for which we have sent him a Bill as also for extra works executed to the Choir Ribs & intersecting Bay. These charges to Lord Dudley are entirely in addition to the estimates given to the Committee. Mr John Powell will be in Worcester tomorrow and can explain any points the Committee wish information upon. We beg to enclose you the Bill for all works chargeable to the Committee up to the opening of the Cathedral. The remaining work in hand consists of - the Altar rail - West Window - 2 Gas Standards, West of Nave. These works are being executed at the cost of Lord Dudley. The Bill for Decorations already rendered & for which your cheque today is in part payment is not included in the Bill now inclosed..
F1465	1874	Hardman's. Will charge the sum for the Temporary Altar Rail £40 to A/c of Lord Dudley..
F1466	1874	Skidmore. Cheque on Account arrived safely yesterday & would have been acknowledged the same day but for the expectation of Mr Skidmore's return from London & the hope of being consequently enabled to enclose the entire account according to your wish. will send a formal receipt & entire account on his return.
F1467	1874	F.A.Skidmore to James Spooner. I have pleasure in sending you my account including all work now completed for Worcester Cathedral. The charge for gilding the oakwork of the Choir Screen is the lowest sum possible indeed it has cost me nearly the whole amount in money out of pocket, so much extra has to be given to men when pressed to do work in so short a time. I shall be very glad to have a settlement at an early date as the works have been anything rather than remunerative. Will you kindly give it your attention in placing before the Committee.
F1468	1874	Worcester Cathedral- Summary A/c. Collins & Cullis, Wood & Son, Pemberton, J.Andrews, Greenway & Son, Field Poole.

F1469	1874	John Scott to Canon Wood. I return the three accounts you sent. Mr Brindley has seen my father and explained those items noted - he has suggested Mr Brindley should attend your meeting tomorrow & give the required explanation. 6 Items marked most of which are simple questions which you will have little difficulty in settling. The charge for the statuettes is the chief claim. The circumstances are these. Our perspective drawing of the Choir arrangement showed figures in the canopies. The working drawings from which Farmer & Brindley estimated did not, we have examined their detailed estimates and no sum is provided in it for them. The claim made is reckoned at cost price namely £5 a figure. My father much hopes that the Committee will allow it as the loss would a severe one to Messrs Farmer & Brindley. The Wax polishing and staining was done in consequence of a wish expressed for it by a member of the Committee. No claim has been made for removing the staining from the great screen tho' this cost a considerable sum. The accounts are not at present in a state to enable us to draw up our final statement but this shall be as soon as possible. It is manifest that it must be the last account to be sent in as it depends on the settlement of all the others.
F1470	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. It would be a great convenience to us to receive the amount due for the different works executed by us at Worcester Cathedral. Many of the works were necessarily in progress for a considerable time before completion & we have had to disburse a considerable amount in labour and materials. Will you allow us to ask you to use your influence with the Committee that we may receive an early settlement.
F1471	1874	Canon J.R.Wood to F.Spooner. Will you have the goodness to procure Sir E.Lechmere's signature to the two enclosed cheques payable to W.Godwin and J.Andrews and forward them. I also enclose a cheque for £21.15.9 which I will thank you to place to the credit of my private account. P.S. I hope you will be able to come to a satisfactory arrangement with Sir G.Scott's Secretary as to the disputed charges in some of the Contractors accounts. Did you arrive at the amount of the Architect's charge? Are the Committee still in debt to the excors of Mr Perkins? I have been unfortunately confined to my room all week and am still not allowed to leave the house.
F1472	1874	Payments to Collins & Cullis Concreting Choir Floor, Repair of Bases, Plastering Groining, Scaffolding (Choir), Areas round large Piers, Transept Staircase Door-£15, Choir Pulpit repair of Pier, Sundry Works March 1870 to April '74, Laying Gas- Pipes in Nave and Choir, Lady Chapel Steps-£62, North Porch Door Repair, Scaffolding Lady Chapel-£199, N. and S. doors of Nave, S.W. Door, Cleaning Cathedral throughout- £140.11.7 TOTAL £1,598.3.8
F1473	1874	F.A.Skidmore to Geo.Wood. In reply to your letter the area railings were made according to drawing but not being approved the present railings before they were erected were sanctioned by Sir Gilbert Scott with the understanding they were to be charged for they are of larger area & contain double the number of uprights the charge 21.17.0 at ten pounds 18/- each is moderate for them as they are exclusive of twice making. The charge of £50.0.0 was for work in removing the side skreens according to instructions from the Committee carriage re-erecting bronzing & for trial. Removing & re-erecting gates North & South Porch - the amount is cash out of pocket. - The altar rail was made according to drawing. I offered to take it back & allow the full amount in exchange for another Altar Rail this was not carried out - Objects such as these made for one place never fit another - they do not pay to cut up - when iron has been drilled punched & ornamented what with welding up to fresh lengths fitting out patterns & the loss of time & wages render it better to start with new iron. I have made an offer of £5 but as the matter is now reopened I will withdraw the previous offer and increase it to £10 for the old railing provided that the £100 not paid on the Certificate is paid this week & the balance of the account delivered in one month.

F1474	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. Have you heard from G.G.Scott? Delay causing serious inconvenience.
F1475	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. We are obliged by your note & as you suggest have sent a few lines to Mr Wood to urge a speedy settlement of Account for Decorations.
F1476	1874	Geo.Wood to F.Spooner. I am desired by Sir Gilbert Scott to enclose Farmer & Brindley's A/c with the following explanations of the items objected to by your committee. Item 1 The addition of £10 to this item is caused by the alteration in the design at the wish of the Committee & in the opinion of Sir Gilbert should be allowed. Item 2 This addition (£25) was sanctioned by the Committee. Item 3 Sir Gilbert Scott is of the opinion that this item should be allowed as it is for the benefit of the work. Item 4 is struck out of the A/c Item 5 & 6 These items are for work which was found to be an improvement as the work went on - and could not have been foreseen - so as to be included in the estimate. Sir Gilbert is of the opinion that these items should be allowed. Item 7 is struck out of the a/c. The 2 items not allowed were deducted from the a/c, and £25 added to the charge for the Sedilia shewing the net balance of £181.2.6 which Sir Gilbert has certified. I am also desired to enclose Messrs Hardman's a/c - the charge for temporary altar rail has been deducted - but the charge for a portion of expenses of conveying two several works to Worcester (except the Chancel standards) Sir Gilbert considers to be perfectly fair, as the estimates for the works in Question were given "exclusive" of packing & carriage. Sir Gilbert has therefore certified this a/c amounting to £1503.9.0 There are several other items in the remaining a/cs which Sir Gilbert has under consideration & I hope soon to be able to forward them with his decision & his own a/c.
F1477	1874	Collins & Cullis to F.Spooner. We venture to trouble you respecting the payment of our Bill against Lord Dudley amounting to £592.5.0 - the work was done through the orders of the Joint Restoration Committee & the amount has been passed on their behalf by Mr Forrest, and in accordance with your request we sent the account in question to his lordship on 18th May last & have since that written him respecting the payment - we have not as yet received any reply and we shall feel much obliged if you can assist in hastening a settlement as our midsummer a/cs are coming in and the amount would be of great service.
F1478	1874	Hardman's to F.Spooner. Mr Wood told us Sir G.Scott has been away from London - is back & that in a few days the a/c for Worcester Restoration wld be certified & we presumed forwarded to you for payment. .. ask whether you have received them?
F1479	1874	Skidmore. When can my A/c be settled up? It is now some time since the completion of the work & I have been informed that the cert. has been sent from Sir Gilbert Scott's office, it would be of great use to me just now as I have some large midsummer accts to meet.
F1480	1874	Skidmore. Urging settlement. I am anxious for an early date. Reply on Back. Expect a Committee Meeting on 8th August when I hope to obtain cheques for all the outstanding a/cs.
F1481	1874	A.E.Forrest to F.Spooner. Before Mr Skidmore's account is balanced his attention must be called to the state of the North Porch Gate many of the details of which are insecurely fixed and must be repaired. He has also sent no keys to the S. Door of Nave though I have sent repeatedly for them.
F1482	1874	F.A.Skidmore to F.Spooner. The balance certified by Sir G.G.Scott is £216.17.0 I mentioned to Mr Wood that I would allow £10 for the altar rail if the account were settled then but as so long a time has passed I must revert to my original proposal of £5. The keys for South Door I have not been able to obtain from the maker - meantime 20/- can be deducted.

F1483	1874	Statement of Contract, Farmer & Brindley. At 1.4.74. Stalls, Organ Case, Choir Screen £6628.16.2 Received on A/c £6324 Paid £100 Balance at 7.8.74 £81.2.6
F1484	1874	Collins & Cullis to F. Spooner. Your letter of 28th July to Mr Edgell was handed on to me & acting on your suggestion made another application to Earl Dudley using the envelope sent for that purpose, we however regret to say no reply has yet reached our hands and the delay in receipt of the amount due has been & is now a serious inconvenience to us, so much so that we hope you will at once on behalf of the Committee kindly take the matter in hand with a view to obtain the desired results and we trust you will be better able to accomplish than ourselves seeing that the work was executed for your Committee and certified by your Clerk of Works.
F1485	1874	Geo. Wood to F.Spooner. I am sorry I have been unable to reply sooner to yours of 3rd. I have been so much from home. Sir Gilbert is abroad, and I cannot get a reply from him on the subject of your letter for some time. I know his feelings exactly & he is unwilling to apply to the Earl of Dudley feeling that the Restoration Committee are his employers & he would prefer his a/c to go through them. Skidmore's a/c I return at your request (because I should have preferred to keep it for further instructions from Sir Gilbert if possible,) although it is not certified- I send also an explanatory letter from Skidmore. I hope you will kindly lay Sir Gilbert's a/c before the Committee in its present form in accordance with Sir Gilbert's wishes.
F1486	1874	Field Poole & Son to Revd Chas.Spooner. Enclosed Receipt for cheque for balance. Thanks for your kindness.
F1487	1874	Canon Wood to F.Spooner. I think there must have been some mistake as to the delivery of yr note wh tho dated 14th only came this afternoon. Letters of Collins & Cullis & Mr.G.Wood I return its Enclosure. In my opinion you cannot do better than to apply to Donors in the way you propose.
F1488	1874	F.Spooner to Revd J.Peel,D.D. On looking over Sir G. Scott's a/cs with a view to a final settlement of them, I find the following item, to which I take the liberty of directing your attention, as you may prefer that it should be deducted from the account against the Restoration Committee - If I am right in this you will probably favor me with a cheque for the amount or remit the same to the Worcester Old Bank. I can then include it in the payment to Sir G.Scott. Commission on Reredos £1635 at 7«% - £122.12.6
F1489	1874	Draft. F.Spooner to Canon Barry. Reminder as above, amended. [No details]
F1490	1874	Canon Barry to F.Spooner. In the present condition of the Restoration Fund it seems desirable that it shd not be burdened - Mr J.Hooper and I will therefore gladly defray the extra expense of Sir G.G.Scott's superintendence & if he will kindly send his account to me it shall be discharged at once.
F1491	1874	Collins & Cullis. We are greatly obliged by your favour just to hand & in accordance therewith enclose a copy of Lord Dudley's A/c.
F1492	1874	Copy F.S. to the Earl of Dudley. The Committee desire as early as possible to close the account. On an examination of Sir G.Scott's a/c I find several items which I think that your Lordship would prefer to be excluded from it before I bring it under the notice of the Committee. I therefore take the liberty of asking your wishes on the subject - Your Lordship will find enclosed, a copy of the a/c. Messrs Collins & Cullis have also sent to me their bill for the portion of work excluded by your desire. If your lordship prefer to facilitate matters by making me the medium of communication with the above parties I shall be pleased to receive your cheq for £1411.5.0 then I will obtain & forward to you the proper receipts.

F1493	1874	Rough Draft of F1492
F1494	1874	S.M.Peel. I am requested by my Father-in-Law Rev J.J. Peel to inform you that he has has paid Sir Gilbert Scott's a/c of £122.12.6 and received Mr Scott's receipt.
F1495	1874	Dudley House, Park Lane. F.A.Carver, Sec. The Earl of Dudley left London for Scotland on the 1st so that doubtless he received your letter of 31st before his departure. All letters are forwarded from here.
F1496	1874	S.M.Peel to J.Spooner. At the request of my father-in- law Rev John Peel I drove yesterday to Worcester for the purpose of renewing my enquiries with you, but hindered by the rain did not reach the Old Bank till after the hour of closing. Your letter of Sept 9th the receipt of which I hereby acknowledge requiring explanation. Mr Peel was not aware that there was any other design for the Reredos but that for which he paid. You do not specify the charge made for it, and for which I now beg to apply. If you are unable to supply this information I will on learning the name and address of Sir G.Scott's Clerk make immediate application for a detailed statement of Sir Gilbert's account. Note. F.S. I could not find separate a/c for design. I told the Rvd J. Peel that the charge was a lump sum in fact I quoted your letter to him.
F1497	1874	Collins & Cullis to F. Spooner. We regret having to trouble you again respecting the amount from Lord Dudley long overdue, the delay has proved of considerable inconvenience to us & being at the present time sadly in want of money we venture to ask your assistance.
F1498	1874	F.A.Skidmore. Some time has now passed & I should be glad of a cheque to balance up my a/c. I sent a man to make good the North Gates keys &c all of which have been done.
F1499	1874	F.A.Skidmore to F.Spooner. I have seen Mr Wood and it seems useless to refer me to him or Sir Gilbert Scott when it is the Committee themselves who object to the items which comprise the balance - In puttting down a sum for the Alterations of screens, erections & re-erections etc &c it was merely a nominal sum to allow you to make your statement & had no reference to the actual cost- I did not alter it afterwards as it appeared to have been passed by the Committee, but if the question has to be gone into again I must make an entirely different charge including my own journies and expenses.- I cannot make any offer now for the Altar railing - as Messrs Hardman made the new one & and have not been kept waiting for their money they perhaps might do so. In regard to the North Gates I sent a man especially to put every thing in order and considering the number of times they were put up & taken down again & the reduction in the estimate I cannot be responsible for further damage. I should mention the Altar rails were made to scale drawings from the office & as new railings having been given, it cannot be any loss to the Committee. I trust this matter will at once be settled - it is extremely unpleasant to be sent first to one party & then another- the Committee should recollect they gave the order themselves for all those items and Sir Gilbert was not cognisant of them until sometime after the various alterations were decided..
F1500	1874	Geo. Wood to Canon Wood. The matter of the desks is in hand - the model will soon be ready for Sir Gilbert's approval.
F1501	1874	Skidmore I should be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience in ref. our letter of 26th Ult.
F1502	1874	Copy to Canon Melville. As you kindly consented to bring the matter of the Architects & Builders a/cs under the notice of the Earl of Dudley. I venture to ask if you have yet had an opportunity of doing it. Messrs Collins & Cullis have again been with me & who are really in great need of the amount due to them.
F1503	1874	Skidmore. Bill Balance of Acct Rendered. £66.17.0. Fixing Orqan Screens, fares £1.18.8 Total £68.15.8

F1504	1874	F.A.Skidmore begs to enclose his accts for fixing the Organ grille added to the balance of the previous account & will feel glad if Canon Wood will kindly forward cheque for the amount by return of post, from Mr Spooner's letter he had expected to have received it some week or more since.
F1505	1874	F.S. to Lord Dudley. Copy. At the risk of being importunate I venture again to ask the favor of your Lordship's chq for £1411.5 to enable me to settle the enclosed accounts .. Messrs Collins & Cullis are urgent for payment having other works of a similar character in hand they are much inconvenienced by the delay.
F1506	1874	J.O.Scott to Canon J.R.Wood. My father has heard from Mr Forsyth that Lord Dudley had been enquiring about the design for a "reading desk". Can you let me know what his Lordship was referring to?
F1507	1874	Skidmore. I send you the account receipted. There remains the small charge of expenses in fitting the Organ grille. Reply inside. There is an objection to pay you for fitting the organ grilles as you merely completed your work, they were not permanently fixed until now.
F1508	1874	Jos Wood, Builder, the Butts, Worcester. to Canon Wood. We have in accordance with your request run through the various items of work which Lord Dudley has entrusted to us for Nave, Transept, North Porch and Cloisters.... total outlay which is borne entirely by His Lordship - upwards of £12,000. We are unable to give you exact figures as our accounts were not sufficiently made up for the Oak Seats .. total will be very near correct.
F1509	1875	Canon Wood to Spooner. Lord Dudley has just written me the enclosed cheque for £1411.5.4 wh I take no time in giving you. I will write. Please acknowledge the receipt of this cheque as I see it is payable to Bearer.
F1510	1875	Collins and Cullis, Thomas Collins to J.Spooner. Your favour & cheque in Settlement of the enclosed a/cs are duly to hand. We thank you most sincerely for your kindness in this matter and feel that your ingenuous perseverance has brought this matter to a close sooner than it otherwise would have been. We would also like to express our thanks to the Chapter for their interest and kindness on all occasions.
F1511	1875	Copy to J.D.Allcroft Esq. Reminder to pay Architect's Fees for Screen opposite Arthur's Tomb. £44.12.6. The Restoration Committee will meet on Saturday next in order to close the accounts & as the other Donors of Works have paid similar charges I trust that I am right in supposing that you would wish me to exclude the amount £44.12.6 from the Committee's a/cs, if so I shall be pleased to receive your cheque for the same.
F1512	1873	Opening Services. April 8th-14th, Daily timetable, Morning Prayer, Litany, Sermon, Holy Communion, Evensong and Sermon. Some preachers
F1513	1874	Opening Services. As above with Preachers
F1514	1874	J.F.Oxon, Cuddesdon to Canon J.R.Wood. I have written to the Dean to say that I will alter some appointments for Confirmations in Easter Week, so as to be able to get to Worcester on Friday afternoon. A train which reaches you at 1.50 will (I suppose) be in plenty of time. I will gladly accept your kind hospitality for that night. I had thought at first of availing myself of your suggestion to choose another day in the week but I must in any case make a change in my present engagements; so I may as well accept the day you named. .. let me know .. the general scheme of your sermons for the whole Festival, that I may fit in with it.

F1515	n.d.	T.Roffen. Care Canonice, It will suit me extremely well to preach on the Thursday. I suppose this unofficial answer will do, But if not, rescribam Decano.
F1516	1874	J.R.Ely to Dean Peel. Can't manage the Opening.
F1517	1874	A.C.Cantuar, Addington Palace, to Dean. Absence from home at the beginning of the week prevented my sooner answering your letter of 10th inst in which you ask me to preach at the re-opening of your Cathedral after its Restoration. It would have given me great pleasure to do so and see the results of the liberality which I understand the work has called forth, but in these difficult times calls upon my attention from various matters of public business are so numerous that I am unable to undertake extra work at least during the sitting of Parliament.
F1518	1874	T.L.Roffen to Dean Peel. I am much gratified by your kind request that I should preach at the opening of that dear old Cathedral. It will be quite convenient to me to preach on the Thursday evening, as you propose. What a truly magnificent work it is. I was amazed when I saw the whole effect - imperfectly as one can see it at present - you are the proudest of Deans. I daresay you don't feel so for you have had a great deal of anxiety - but it should be a great Gratification to you to have seen such a work carried through in your time. May it be blessed to you and to many, many contributors through many generations. As I looked at it the other day it seemed like a defiance against the coming assaults. It would be a shame to a building so cared for & adorned, without its guardians & officers. Mrs Claughton sends with me her kindest regards.
F1519	1874	Bishop of Derry to Dean. I have had the pleasure of receiving your kind letter of 17th inst. I feel honoured by the invitation & shall preach on the afternoon of Wed 8th April.
F1520	1874	Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol to Canon J.R.Wood. I have just written to your Dean to say how vexed I am that I cannot disentangle myself from my engagements and obey his friendly call. I am the more vexed, as it would have given me real pleasure to have paid you and yours a visit. I thank you heartily for your kind note, and am especially sorry I have to write like this in return.
F1521	1874	Bishop of Gloucester to Dean. .. Waited to see if I could possibly manage to come .. I cannot set myself free. I am engaged every day in the Easter Week and for such duties in the Diocese that I cannot put off.
F1522	1874	J.Hereford to Dean Peel. On Thursday 9th april I have a Diocesan engagement which will prevent me from complying with the letter of your request, but as I have a hint from Canon Barry that I might possibly be allowed to preach in Worcester Cathedral on Fri the 10th I most willingly place myself at your disposal for that day if it should fall in with your arrangements.
F1523	1874	H.Worcester, Hartlebury. Will preach on Wed 8th Apr.
F1524	1874	Dr Miller, Greenwich to Dean Peel. I am truly sorry to hear from Sir G.Lewis that he writes from your sickroom & sincerely wish that you may soon be released from it. I recognise your consistent thoughtfulness & kindness in the invitation given to preach on Sun April 12th. Accept my best thanks for the opportunity of taking part in your opening services. The memory of Worcester kindness makes the acceptance of your invitation very pleasant. God willing, I will gladly be with you.
F1525	1874	J.Hereford. Friday am on 10th April.

F1526	1874	Harvey, Bishop of Carlisle to Dean Peel. I am very sorry to say that I find on arriving home that I have an engagement for Easter week, which I had forgotten when in London, and from which I cannot easily get free - I must therefore ask you to be so good as to excuse me from taking part in your opening services at Worcester. I cannot say how disappointed I feel at having to write this second letter.
F1527	1874	James, Bishop of Manchester to Principal. I have been already obliged to refuse the invitation of a very old friend to attend the reopening of your Cathedral. It takes place in a week, in which I am every day engaged by various duties in my own Diocese; & they are engagements which I cannot put off. For instance, Thurs April 9th is the day of the Annual Meeting of our two diocesan societies, the Church Building Society and the Education Board. Excuse a hasty note; I am just starting for London, having to preach in the Abbey tomorrow.
F1528	1874	Bishop of Oxford to Canon Wood. I am quite at a loss how to answer your letter. I am already in difficulty about my engagement to you on account of my brother's consecration at Glasgow to the Bishopric of Argyll. I feel almost obliged to be there; and if it is to be in Easter Week, I am almost afraid that I must beg your kind indulgence, if I draw back from Worcester. But I will write more definitely when I hear from the North again. I am expecting a final reply everyday. Pray make your engagements without regard to me.
F1529	1874	J.Hereford to Canon Wood. Cannot preach at Worcester on 12th - can only do 10th, has confirmation at Whitbourne on 11th.
F1530	1874	J.B.Dickens, Emscote Vicarage, Warwick. How can I get admission for myself and friends of the re-opening service of Worcester Cathedral. Myself, my Curate, Churchwardens and my wife are all of us most anxious to attend if we can get admission..
F1531	n.d.	Preachers List with Services.
F1532	1874	Canon Barry to Dean. Dean Howden accepts for Thurs April 9th.
F1533	1874	J.F.Oxon Cuddesdon Palace. I find that my brother's consecration at Glasgow is to be on 25th. So as far as that is concerned, I am free in Easter Week. But I have Confirmations appointed, which still make my coming to Worcester difficult. Perhaps by this time you have arranged a programme which does not include me. If you are still counting on me, please let me know, that I may see whether I can make my duties fall in with your plan.
F1534	1874	Post card. J.F.O.(Oxford) to Canon Wood. Arrive 4.pm on 10th.
F1535		Printed. Circular inviting Clergy to attend Opening.
F1536		Printed. Order of Services - Reopening.
F1537		Printed. Invitation to Luncheon 8th April.
F1538	1877	G.F.Lewis, Receiver to Dean & Chapter, Hampton Court Kington, to Messrs Lechmere. Gentlemen, The Dean & Chapter of Worcester took over from the Restoration Committee a debt a part of which has been repaid but a part likewise remains unpaid & is still owing to your House. I shall be obliged to you to transfer from my account with you as Receiver to the Dean & Chapter the sum of one hundred pounds in further reduction of that debt.
F1539	1877	Receipt, Worcester Old Bank, Berwick & Co. Signed by Fras.Spooner £100
F1540	1877	Receipted Bill. Joseph Andrews, Builder for Work at Mrs Marshall's House. Repairing Chimney and Roofing. Itemised. 1876-7 £9.19.5 1/2
F1541/ 1-	1877	Bundle of cleared cheques &c. dated 12.4.77-20.11.77 To Dean & Chapter, Messrs Hooper, Between Receiver's and Treasurer's Accounts and other payments.



F1542	1876 - 1877	College Precincts. Land Tax, Income Tax and Inhabited House Duty 7 Receipts. Mr A.C.Hooper S.Burgess Collector. £1.3.6 Feb 1877 Battenhall Hemming & Co W.Hodges, Collector. 17.6 Feb 1877 College Precincts. J.Loscombe, S. Burgess, Collector £4.18.6, 12.2.77 St Michael Marshall Capel E. Bond £2.12.6
F1543	1908	List of Contents of Tin Box
F1544		Papers - Rickman, Edgington on Cathedral from Perkins, Forrest, Rowe
F1545	1973	Article. Gaslight on the 'new' Cathedral. Gladys Keighley, Evening News. Includes extracts from the diary of Patience Thorne
F1546		Typed and photocopied. G.G. Scott 'Personal & Professional Recollections' p. 342
F1547	[185	Extracts from Berrows Worcester Journal November & December 1856 concerning fatal accidents at the Cathedral
F1548		Bundle of Catalogue Cards