



A GUIDE TO
THE RECORDS OF
BERMUDA

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FOREWORD

In recent years there has been an upsurge of interest in the early history of Bermuda and a number of serious scholars have spent, and are spending, days, weeks and months searching and researching the historical records and material in the Archives and Records Centre.

The publication of this *Guide to the Records of Bermuda* is intended to facilitate the work of these scholars. At the same time it is expected that this new guide will make it easier for Departments to retrieve information contained in the Records Centre which they may currently need.

I am confident that this document will serve its purpose well and I commend the Archivist, Miss Helen Rowe, for her initiative in compiling the document.

F.W.P. Vesey
Minister of Education

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INTRODUCTION

This *Guide* has been compiled in order to bring together for research some of the many records which exist in Bermuda and the Bermuda-related material which is to be found in foreign repositories.

There has been no attempt in the *Guide* to list maps, plans, pictures, photographs or printed material although they have been included in some instances where they form the core of an institution's records, such as plans and maps at the Public Works Department. It is hoped that a listing of these materials will be done at some later stage. The records included in the *Guide* are the records which exist in the Bermuda Archives, the Government Departments, the Schools, and Historical Societies and the Maritime Museum. Again, no attempt has been made to list the many records in the Friendly Societies, Lodges, and other societies and associations throughout the island, other than those records which have been lodged in the custody of the Archives either as loans, or as gifts.

Prior to December, 1955 a number of departments, such as the Department of Tourism and the Public Works Department, stored their records in the Hamilton Hotel. The fire in the hotel in that month destroyed many of these records and has left some serious gaps in the history of the first part of this century.

In dealing with the Government records the locations of the records have been given. It is important to note that access to records in the Records Centre can be obtained only through the department responsible for the creation of the records. Under absolutely no circumstances will access be given by any member of the Archives' staff.

Attention is also drawn to Section 8 of the Bermuda Archives Act 1974, Access to Records and Public Archives, and the restrictions imposed on access. In particular Section 8 (1) which states that: "public records and judicial records in the Bermuda Archives . . . shall not be available for public inspection until they have been in existence for thirty years or such other period, either longer or shorter, as the Minister for the time being prescribe"; and also Section 9 (2)a: "Any person may inspect archives subject to — any conditions or restrictions prescribed by the Minister or imposed by the person from whom they were acquired."

The Government ministries and departments have been arranged and named in as similar a manner as possible to that found in the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1980/81. Schools and religious denominations have been arranged alphabetically, but churches within the denominations have been arranged by location from the east end to the west end of the island.

With regard to the foreign repositories, records in the Archive of France, Paris, have not been recorded here due to the difficulty in obtaining a comprehensive list without employing a researcher. This is the same situation with Spain and researchers wishing to use the documents on Bermuda in Spain are advised to obtain a copy of *Documentos relativos a la Independencia de Norteamerica existentes en Archivos Espanoles*, by Pilar Leon Tello, Concepcion Menendez and Carmen Herrero (Madrid, 1976).*

The photographs which appear were used in the Bermuda Archives exhibition "Heritage" in 1979. The portraits were taken by the photographer N.E. Lusher just before the turn of the century and the scene of the Cottage Hospital was by William Weiss, probably some time between 1900 and 1915.

The compiler looks forward to hearing from anyone who can add to this list of records either in terms of what this *Guide* is attempting to include, or with regard to those areas which have not, as yet, been embarked on.

Helen Rowe
Bermuda Government Archivist
1980

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ABBREVIATIONS

A.O.	Exchequer and Audit
A.M.E.	African Methodist Episcopal
Adm.	Admiralty
B.T.	Board of Trade
C.	Chancery
Cab.	Cabinet Office
C.O.	Colonial Office
H.M.C.	Historical Manuscripts Commission
P.C.	Privy Council
S.P.G.	Society for the Propagation of the Gospel
W.O.	War Office

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Photograph of Susan James



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HISTORICAL SUMMARY

Although as early as the fifteenth century Bermuda had been infamous as a result of the perilous barrier of reefs around her, it was not until 1609 that the islands were to be in continuous occupation, by the British. In 1609 the *Sea Venture*, under the command of Sir George Somers, by accident, as a result of a terrible storm, arrived in Bermuda. Two ships were built by the wrecked passengers of the *Sea Venture* and in 1610 they started the final part of their original journey to Virginia, leaving two men behind in Bermuda. These two men made possible the continuous occupation.

The Bermudas, also known as the Somer or Summer Islands, were not part of the Virginia Company so that an extension of the charter was sought and this was granted by King James I in a new charter dated 16 June, 1612. This was followed by the arrival of the *Plough* with 60 settlers under the command of the first Governor, Richard Moore. Work at once began on the erecting of forts in anticipation of attack by the Spaniards.

On 25 November, 1612, the Virginia Company transferred its rights to a new body of adventurers, who, in turn surrendered their claims to the Crown in 1614. At this King James incorporated the 118 members of the reconstituted company and granted them a new charter dated 29 June, 1615 under the name of "*The Governor and company of the City of London for the Plantacion of the Somer Islands*". Among the rights granted in this charter was that of calling a General Assembly with power to make laws, provided that these were not contrary and repugnant to the laws of England.

The Company did not prove successful and, at last, in 1684, proceedings under a writ of *quo warrant* resulted in the forfeiture to the Crown of the Company's charter, so that the government of the colony passed to the Crown. Bermuda did not, however, become a Crown Colony.

Shipbuilding developed until a large fleet of fast, small cedar craft was engaged in the carrying trade which took them to all ports on the east coast of North America and the Caribbean. Bermudians colonised the Turks Islands and established there a salt industry.

With the outbreak of war between England and the American colonies Bermuda's trade suffered a major set-back, especially in consequence of the embargo placed on all business with her principal customers. With the cessation of hostilities Bermuda's carrying trade increased by leaps and bounds.

In 1815 the growth of business in the middle and western parishes resulted in the transfer of Parliament, the Courts and other offices of government to Hamilton, a commercial settlement near the centre of Bermuda which, by Acts of the Colonial Parliament, was incorporated in 1793 and raised to the status of a city with effect from December, 1897.

As in the West Indies, slavery was permitted from the colony's earliest days, but was abolished in 1834 absolutely. The apprenticeship system used elsewhere was not adopted in Bermuda.

Later in the nineteenth century, following the inauguration of the steamship services, the tourist industry began. It grew slowly, many tourists coming annually to escape the harsh North American winters. As larger and faster ships were built and hotels erected, it finally became the colony's most important business. A profitable agricultural export trade had also been enjoyed at the turn of the century, but by the 1930s this had begun to wane.

With the exception of the years 1902 to 1913, Bermuda had been the headquarters of a British fleet since 1797, following the discovery of a passage through the reefs to a deep-water anchorage, and the realisation of the strategic importance of the islands.

In 1809 the Imperial Government purchased Ireland Island and the following year operations were begun for the establishment of a Dockyard, and it was not until 1 October, 1957 that the garrison was finally withdrawn. After being allowed to decay for many years the Dockyard area is now used for the Bermuda Maritime Museum, a thriving undertaking.

By the Parliamentary Election Act, passed in January, 1963 political evolution was stimulated by enfranchising everyone over the age of 25 thus creating a potential electorate of 22,000. In January, 1966, the Act was amended to enfranchise everyone over the age of 21. In May, 1963 Bermuda's first political party, the Progressive Labour Party, was formed, and in August, 1964 twenty-four independent members of the House formed the United Bermuda Party. The Constitutional Conference held in London in November, 1966 resulted in Bermuda's 1968 Constitution.

GOVERNMENT RECORDS

(Please note that access to records in the Records Centre can only be obtained through the Department responsible for their creation)

NON-MINISTRY DEPARTMENTS

GOVERNOR AND STAFF

When King Charles II dissolved the Bermuda Company and Bermuda became a colony, the form of government followed that of most colonies at the time. The Governor had executive power and the right to veto laws by the Legislature, but he could not force the Legislature to pass laws. Nor could he force them to vote taxes or agree to spending money for objects with which they disagreed.

The Governor ran the executive side of government with the aid of a council he picked himself; the council also had to approve laws coming from the lower house, the House of Assembly.

In 1888 a principal change came when the council was divided into an Executive Council presided over by the Governor, and a Legislative Council.¹ In 1973 the Executive Council became Cabinet — of which the Governor was no longer part.

Under the Bermuda Constitution Order 1968 provision was made for a Governor appointed by Her Majesty.²

In the Bermuda Archives

General minutes of meetings of the Executive Council 45 vols. 1687–1942
Certified copies of minutes 11 vols. 1832–1852
Rough copies of minutes 6 vols. 1698–1878
Typed copies of minutes 3 vols. 1765–1941 (breaks)
Confidential correspondence, out 3 vols. 1910–1916
Domestic correspondence, in 69 vols. 1765–1899 (breaks)
Domestic correspondence, out 46 vols. 1896–1916
Miscellaneous correspondence 2 vols. 1910–1912
Correspondence registers 4 vols. 1867–1915
Despatches from Secretary of State for the Colonies 111 vols. 1809–1938
Circular despatches, in 32 vols. 1877–1939
Indexes to despatches, in 6 vols. 1839–1937
Confidential despatches, in 9 vols. 1870–1936
Miscellaneous despatches, in 10 vols. 1909–1931
Telegrams, in 14 vols. 1938–1943 (breaks)
Despatches to the Secretary of State for the Colonies 38 vols. 1814–1937
Confidential despatches, out 6 vols. 1877–1937
Telegrams, out 6 vols. 1940–1942

¹ *The Story of Bermuda and Her People* by W.S. Zuill

² The Bermuda Constitution Order, 1968.

DEPUTY GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

The aim of the Deputy Governor's Office is to enable the Deputy Governor to perform his constitutional role.¹ Under the Bermuda Constitution Order 1968 the post of Deputy Governor was called for. The Constitution Order stated that the Deputy Governor should assist the Governor in his duties and should take on any of the functions of the office of the Governor so authorised by the Governor.²

in the Records Centre

Correspondence 1898–1970

in the Deputy Governor's Office

Correspondence from 1969

Naturalisation files from 1923

Registration certificates from 1960

The Revised Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80.

The Bermuda Constitution Order, 1968.

LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Originally the Legislative Council was known as the Council in Assembly. In 1888 the Governor's Council was divided into an Executive Council presided over by the Governor, and a Legislative Council presided over by the Chief Justice. The Legislative Council is solely concerned with passing laws, but by tradition is not supposed to interfere with money bills.¹

in the Bermuda Archives

Proceedings of the Council 33 vols. 1742—1938 (break)
Certified copies 10 vols. 1742—1864
Printed proceedings 47 vols. 1865—1967
Rough minutes of proceedings 9 vols. 1781—1873 (break)

in Legco Office, Cabinet Building

Bound, original signed copies of proceedings from 1927

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

The first General Assembly was held by Captain Butler on 1st August, 1620 (according to instructions sent out by the Bermuda Company) and consisted of the Governor, council, bailiffs, surgeses, secretary and a clerk. In 1687 writs were issued for the election of an Assembly of four persons from each of the nine parishes.¹ Originally the House of Assembly had been elected for even years, but this was reduced to five.

As a result of the Constitutional Conference in January 1966 a Boundaries Commission was appointed to revise constituencies before 1968. The report of the Boundaries Commission was approved by the House of Assembly in 1967. It divided Pembroke parish into four constituencies and the other parishes continued with two each, thereby increasing the number of seats in the House of Assembly from 36 to 40.²

Under the 1968 constitution the responsibility for all executive aspects of government except foreign affairs, defence and internal security falls on the Cabinet which in turn is responsible to the House of Assembly. The House of Assembly has the power to force members of the Cabinet to resign.³

In the Bermuda Archives

Acts and Resolves MSS., unbound, 1762–1915
Journals of the House of Assembly MSS., unbound,
Sessional papers of the House of Assembly 1810–1915

In the House of Assembly

Journals of the House of Assembly MSS., 1739–1870
Journals of the House of Assembly, printed, from 1691
Bermuda Acts, printed, 1938–1959 (breaks)
Bermuda Acts and Resolves, printed bound volumes from 1885
Messages from Governor and Council 1937–1958

¹ Correspondence with regard to a petition from the Bermuda Workers' Association. March 1947.

² Bermuda Report, 1971.

³ *The Story of Bermuda and Her People*, by W.S. Zuñil.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

THE SUPREME COURT

The legal system in Bermuda has reflected a general ambition to reproduce, as far as possible, the English legal system with justices of the peace; justices of the peace and quorum; judges and justices of the Court of the King's Bench; Common Pleas; Assizes, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery; judges and barons of the Court of Exchequer; masters of the Court of Chancery; and the full official list for a Court of Vice-Admiralty. There was also a Testamentary Court to straighten the affairs of small estates and call executors and agents to account. The Court of Chancery held appeals and a further appeal from this court to the Privy Council was always allowed.¹

Governor Bennett, 1701–1713, was the first Vice-Admiral in Bermuda² and brought with him the silver oar which, as an emblem of Admiralty jurisdiction, is always placed on the Registrar's table when the Supreme Court is called upon to adjudicate in Vice-Admiralty causes.³ At first the Vice-Admiralty Court was without definition and was entrusted to a councillor who preferred to reduce his own responsibility by working with a jury. George Larkin visited Bermuda to get some order in these matters and from that time onwards a line of procedure was laid down although not necessarily adhered to. In due time the Vice-Admiralty Court worked without a jury and for that reason was preferred by the Crown officials, but was less acceptable to colonists.

In 1876 the chancery jurisdiction was transferred to the Court of General Assizes.⁴

Since the amalgamation in 1905 the Supreme Court has possessed all jurisdictions formerly vested in the Courts of General Assize, Chancery, Exchequer, Probate, Ordinary and Bankruptcy. Other jurisdictions include the Court of Divorce, the Court of Admiralty and Prize, and the Court of Appeal.

Under the Constitution appointments to the Judiciary are the direct responsibility of the Governor. The Judicial Department is headed by the Chief Justice, and is administered by the Registrar of the Supreme Court under the Chief Justice's direction.

The Court of Appeal for Bermuda consists of a President and three Justices of Appeal. The Court was first constituted in 1964 and sat for the first time in September, 1965. The Appeal Court normally sits three times a year to hear appeals from the decisions of the Supreme Court in its civil and criminal jurisdiction which proceed thereafter to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

The Supreme Court of Bermuda has, at present, a Chief Justice and two Puisne Judges. The Court enjoys unlimited jurisdiction in all divisions of the law. The hearing of Divorce and Civil matters normally runs concurrently with each Criminal Session.⁵

The Registrar is required at all sittings of the Court and in Chambers when a record of the proceedings is taken. Also recorded are wills and probate, and letters of administration. In addition divorce decrees are prepared, judgments are entered and the remuneration due to jurors and witnesses for attendance in Court is administered.⁶

¹ *Bermuda in the Old Empire*, by H.C. Wilkinson

² *The Royal Gazette*, 27 April, 1944

³ Bermuda Report, 1971

⁴ *Bermuda Almanack*, 1925

⁵ Synopsis of Judicial Department supplied by Supreme Court. Compiled 5 February, 1979

⁶ *Bell's Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

In the Bermuda Archives

Books of Wills and Inventories 13 vols. 1648–1798
Books of Letters of Administration 6 vols. 1782–1797
Court of Vice-Admiralty records* 1693–1914
Assize, King's Bench, Oyer and Terminer General court records 18 vols. 1693–1797
Bills exhibited 1 vol. 1693–1694
Assizes, entries of actions 12 vols. 1694–1772 and 1841–1905
Records of judgments 3 vols. 1831–1888, 1906–1912 and 1928–1930
Beatty's Considered Judgments 2 vols. 1904–1954
General panel of jurors and documents of causes 1 vol. 1848–1874
Chancery Court records 10 vols. 1693–1880

In the Supreme Court

Criminal cases from 1968
Civil cases from *c.* 1900
Divorce records from 1944
Judgments of the Courts of Appeal from 1965
Considered judgments from 1923
Books of Wills, Probate, Letters of Administration 118 vols. from 1798
Indexes to Wills, Probates and Letters of Administration from mid-1860s
Original Wills from *c.* 1900
Register of Stamp Duties payable on estates from 1976
Civil actions regarding Prize Court from *c.* 1900

In Magistrates Court

Supreme Court criminal cases from *c.* 1930

*Rough minutes of Council, 1703. Includes some Chancery and Vice Admiralty proceedings, 1703/4.

MAGISTRATES' COURTS

There is a Senior Magistrate, two Magistrates and the Registrar of the Supreme Court also acts as an additional magistrate. The magistrates have jurisdiction throughout the islands. There are three Magistrates Courts in Hamilton and the magistrates hold Court each weekday.

The magistrates have jurisdiction to try all summary offences and, with the consent of the accused person, certain indictable offences. Their jurisdiction to try indictable offences has, in recent years, been considerably extended. For offences tried summarily, under the Misuse of Drugs Act, magistrates are empowered to impose sentences of imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years or a fine of \$5,000 or both.

In addition to their criminal jurisdiction, the magistrates hear and determine civil actions where the claim does not exceed \$2,500. They also have jurisdiction in matrimonial proceedings, similar to that of a magistrate's court in England.

A Special Court constituted of a magistrate sitting with two lay members (drawn from a special panel) decides questions of affiliation, adoption and custody of minors and deals with juvenile offenders. A magistrate sitting alone can deal with separation orders between husband and wife on the grounds of cruelty, desertion and failure to maintain.

The magistrates and the registrar act as coroners. The jurisdiction of a Coroners' Court corresponds with that of its counterpart in England but also extends to inquests into the causes of fires.

The magistrates act as chairmen of a number of other quasi-judicial statutory tribunals, e.g. Liquor Licensing Authority.¹

In the Records Centre

Parking tickets 1970–1974
Summary offences 1959–1973 (breaks)
Civil summons 1956–1971

In Magistrates Court

Criminal and traffic cases (including parking offences) from 1977
Civil cases from 1977
Liquor licence applications and permits from 1977
Correspondence from 1977
Bailiff's records from 1977
Magistrates' day books from c. 1950s
Domestic Accounts from c. 1940s
Coroners inquest files from 1972

¹Synopsis of Judicial Department supplied by Supreme Court. Compiled 5 February, 1979.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS

The Attorney General's Chambers provide the legal services required by the Bermuda Government. Counsel appears for the prosecution in Magistrates' Court, the Supreme Court and the Bermuda Court of Appeal and before administrative tribunals, and Counsel also drafts Bills for public Acts and statutory instruments, assists in Cabinet consideration and advises the Minister in charge of the measure during consideration in the Legislature.

The law officers answer requests for legal advice, and draft any necessary deeds or documents requested by government, and provision of administrative and drafting assistance is made to the Law Reform Committee and its sub-committees.¹

in the Records Centre

Acts files 1937–1976
Conveyances 1956–1970
Criminal injuries claims 1976–1977
Personnel papers (civil servants) 1962–1976
Supreme Court cases 1972–1973

in the Attorney General's Chambers

Acts files from *c.* 1975
Conveyances from *c.* 1970
Criminal injuries claims from *c.* 1978
Personnel papers (civil servants) from *c.* 1975
Supreme Court cases from *c.* 1974
Correspondence from *c.* 1960

AUDIT DEPARTMENT

The Audit Act, 1968 replaced the Public Accounts and Audit Act, 1943.¹ Under the Act the auditor's function is to audit and express opinions on the Public Accounts of the Bermuda Government, together with various other accounts which by statute or executive order fall within the purview of the Bermuda Government Auditor.²

In the Records Centre

Release of funds 1971–1972
Responsibilities under new Constitution 1968–1969
Rents (Public Works) 1968–1971
Patients accounts (St. Brendan's & Lefroy) 1955–1969
Salary Commission enquiry from 1969
Statements of revenue and expenditure 1970–1972
Audit income and expenditure 1970–1972
Salaries and conditions 1965–1971
Superannuation 1967–1970
Superannuation increases 1971
Union accounts 1956–1971
Virements of funds 1970–1971
Authority letters 1970–1972
Public Accounts Committee 1969–1970
Correspondence 1969–1972
Piloteage returns 1971–1972
Audit payment vouchers prior to April 1971

In the Audit Department

Correspondence from 1975
Audit working papers from 1975

¹The Revised Laws of Bermuda.

²The Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80.

DEFENCE

The 1965 Defence Act provided for the amalgamation of the Bermuda Volunteer Rifle Corps and the Bermuda Militia Artillery into one force.¹ The Act was effective from 1 September 1962.²

The Bermuda Act published in July 1892 had granted facilities for the voluntary enlistment, regulation and training and discipline of a Force to be known as the Bermuda Volunteer Rifle Corps. It was three years before the appointments of Officers to this Corps were published.³ The Corps was for white men only. The coloured counterpart was the Bermuda Militia Artillery with its wartime offspring the Bermuda Militia Infantry. During the First World War many Bermudians served abroad; a contingent of the B.V.R.C. joined the Lincolnshire Regiment and the Bermuda Militia Infantry became part of the Caribbean Regiment.⁴

The Rifles and the Bermuda Militia Artillery had each been of company strength. Under the 1965 Act the Regiment was to be divided into three companies: a headquarters company and two rifle companies, the former to comprise of mainly specialist soldiers including the band and signal men.⁵

in the Bermuda Archives

Manuscript book entitled 'Pembroke Volunteers 1813'. Includes notes on manoeuvres, regulation and register of attendance 1813–1816

Printed regulations for the Bermuda Militia Artillery, 1932

Rough register of coloured persons kept under the Defence (Military Service) Regulations, 1940, 1942–1944

The Rag. The unofficial organ of the B.V.R.C. 1939

Bermuda Volunteer Rifle Corps press cuttings 1 vol. 1914–1918

Allowance account 1917–1918

at Warwick Camp

Military personnel records from c. 1914

The Royal Gazette, 17 July, 1965. p. 1, 4.

Mid Ocean News, 3 July, 1965. p. 7.

History of Bermuda Volunteer Rifle Corps, 1891–1933. p. 9/10.

The Story of Bermuda and Her People, by W.S. Zuill, 1973.

Mid Ocean News, 3 July, 1965. p.7.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Public Service Commission was created by the 1968 Constitution. The commission is supposed to be an impartial body of which civil servants may not be members.¹ It is charged with appointing applicants for top civil service jobs and was set up so that all appointments to the Civil Service might be made fairly without fear of political pressures.² Since 1977 correspondence and personnel matters have been filed on the files of the Department of Management and Personnel Services.

At the Public Service Commission

Minutes of meetings of the Commission from 1968

Correspondence 1968–1977

¹*The Royal Gazette*, 6 June, 1968.

²*Bermuda Sun*, 6 March, 1971.

CABINET OFFICE

Up until the time of the new constitution in 1968 Bermuda's administrative functions were handled under a system of public boards. The board system began in the second half of the nineteenth century with the establishment of boards such as the Board of Agriculture in 1875, the Board of Education in 1879, the Board of Immigration in 1864 and the Audit Board in 1883.¹

Much of Bermuda's administrative business was under the care of the boards appointed, as a rule, for not more than a three year term by the Governor. Often three or more of the number on board were selected from the membership of the House of Assembly with a member of the Executive as Chairman. By this means the Legislature and Executive kept in touch with the activities of the various boards. Once the House of Assembly had voted the board money for its annual finances, the board had supreme authority as to how it would spend that money for its department. Officials, specialists in their respective duties, headed the departments of government, and while actually responsible only to the Governor for their actions, had a certain amount of control exercised over them through the annual voting of money by the House of Assembly.²

The Colonial Secretary was the senior Civil Servant in Bermuda and in the absence from the colony of the Governor, the Colonial Secretary was appointed Acting Governor. The Department of the Colonial Secretary was, generally speaking, the secretariat of the Governor and dealt with all matters concerning the Governor's administration and was, consequently, in close liaison with the Secretary of State for the Colonies in London.³

By the Bermuda Constitution Order of 1968 the cabinet system was established allowing for a Premier and ministers. By the same Order, the ministerial system of government took the place of the board system. The post of Secretary to the Cabinet was also created, a public office.

The system of keeping minutes of the Executive Council (Exco) was superseded in July 1966 by a 'presented paper' system. As a result of the 1973 Amendment Act, Exco became Cabinet and the Exco Memorandums became Cabinet Memorandums. The Governor, no longer a part of Exco, now Cabinet, is advised by the Premier and others, and the records of these meetings are known as Governor in Council Memorandums.

At one time Management and Personnel Services was part of the Cabinet Office. When Cabinet moved from the General Post Office building to the Secretariat, leaving Management Services in the Post Office building, the joint filing system was also left. It is the intention, however, that the files specifically pertaining to the Cabinet Office be moved to the Secretariat (now the Cabinet building) in the near future.

In the Bermuda Archives

Colonial records 13 vols. 1612-1676
Commissions of the Peace (8) 1795-1855
Commissions appointing Governors (8) 1867-1908
Instructions to Governors (10) 1839-1943
Letters Patent (3) 1811-1820

¹Bermuda Laws.

²Bushell's *Handbook*, 1937. p. 171.

³Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

- books of Commissions 14 vols. 1693–1903
- books of Grants 3 vols. 1758–1937
- books of Miscellanies 13 vols. 1783–1903
- books of Petitions 7 vols. 1842–1954 (breaks)
- books of Proclamations 6 vols. 1782–1907
- books of Deeds, Bonds, Protests 14 vols. 1693–1800
- books of Protests, 13 vols. 1781–1940
- books of Warrants, Writs and Returns 13 vols. 1783–1940
- annual *Blue Book* 114 vols. 1823–1945 (breaks)
- Colonial Secretary's file on B.V.R.C. World War I contingent, Governor's fund and Committee correspondence 1916.

- Secretary to Exco, Certificates of Sanction to Acquire Land (under Alien Act, 1926) 1927–1932

- Secretary to Exco, Certificates of Naturalisation under the Alien Act of 1907 and original oaths of allegiance 1 vol. October, 1907 – May, 1922

- Secretary to Exco, unbound Certificates of Naturalisation under Aliens Act and the British Nationality Act, 1948, 1942–1950

in the Records Centre

- Colonial Secretary correspondence 1896–1939
- Bermuda status appeals 1969–1971
- Speeches from the Throne from 1969
- Bills forwarded to the House of Assembly 1970–1971
- Chief Secretary's Office personnel files 1916–1968
- Correspondence 1916–1962
- Cabinet Office personnel files 1961–1971
- Correspondence 1959–1974
- Coroner's inquisitions 1937–1969
- Executive Council Department personnel files 1937–1972

in the Cabinet Office

- Minutes of Exco 1942–1968
- Minutes of Cabinet (Cabinet conclusions) from 1972
- Exco Memorandums (presented papers) 1966–1973
- Cabinet Memorandums from 1973
- Governor in Council Memorandums from 1969

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

MINISTRY OF FINANCE HEADQUARTERS

The object of the Ministry of Finance is to supervise the economy of Bermuda generally and to provide the overall financial management and control of all government activities.

The Ministry of Finance headquarters comprises of the Office of the Minister and Financial Secretary, the Rent Commissioner and Central Data Processing.¹

in the Records Centre

Correspondence 1962–1978

in the Ministry of Finance Headquarters

Correspondence from 1965

Departmental estimates files from 1965

Minutes of the Economic Forum meetings from 1977

¹ Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80.

RENT COMMISSION

The Rent Commission was created by The Rent Increases (Domestic Premises) Control Act, 1971 which was effective from 1 September 1971. Under the act the post of Commissioner of Rents was established. The holder of this post was to have available to him an advisory panel, the Rent Increases Advisory Panel, whose members were to be appointed by the Member for Finance.¹

In the Rent Commission Office

Correspondence from 1971

Case files from 1971

Card indexes (one index for landlords and agents,s, one for tenants) from 1971

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 20 November, 1971. p. 1 & 14

DATA PROCESSING

The Data Processing Unit was opened in 1977. This office now gives services to a number of government departments including the Accountant General, the Land Valuation and Land Tax Offices, Transport Control and the Registrar of Companies. The information from these departments is on one disc. Specialised information is stored separately on tapes.

in the Data Processing Unit

Correspondence from 1977

Tapes (approximately 100 containing specialised information)

Disc (containing information of all departments on computer)

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL

The forerunner of the Accountant General's Department was the Treasury branch of the Revenue Department. The other branch of the Revenue Department was the Customs branch and the head of both branches was the Colonial Treasurer.

The treasury received from the various government departments all revenue collected by these departments, including Customs. Revenue was also collected direct by the treasury in respect of entertainment tax, pilotage fees, liquor licence duties and stamp taxes payable under the provision of the Stamp Duties Act. All payments on account of the government were made by the treasury.

The treasury was also responsible for the issue, cancellation and destruction of currency notes and also the investment accounts of the following funds were kept by the treasury: note security, savings bank, superannuation, savings certificates, and reserve and sinking funds for the redemption of local loans.

The accounting of the revenue and expenditure of the colony was another of the treasury's functions. This involved a certain amount of supervision of the accounts of various government departments.

Assistance was rendered by the treasury to the Finance Committee of the House of Assembly which prepared the annual estimates.¹

In 1969 the Public Treasury (Administration and Payments) No. 666 Act was passed creating a department called the Accountant General's Department.² Under this Act the Accountant General's responsibilities remain similar to those of the treasury branch of the Revenue Department and include the collection of government revenues, the disbursement of all government expenditures and the maintenance of central government accounting records.³ The Accountant General comes under the Ministry of Finance.

In the Records Centre

Month end vouchers 1971

Top sheets 1971-1975

General Ledger 1971-1974

General Ledger cards 1956-1974

Land Tax proposals 1968-1974

Land Tax receipt stubs 1974-1975

Daily receipts 1970-1975

Payment receipts 1971-

Daily payments 1971-1975

Journal adjustment vouchers 1969-1972

Bank backing sheets 1970-1972

Payments from receipts 1971-1975

Capital payments 1971-1975

Casual payments 1971-1974

Pay sheets 1972-1973

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

² The Revised Laws of Bermuda.

³ The Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80.

At Dockyard

Vouchers 1975–1977

General ledger cards 1969–1975

Cheques 1977

In the Accountant General's Department

Vouchers from 1977

Cheques from 1978

Land Tax receipt stubs from 1976

Land Tax proposals from 1975

General ledger from 1975

General ledger cards from 1976

Top sheets from 1975

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE OFFICE

The office of Government Employees Health Insurance was set up in 1960. The Government Employees (Health Insurance) Act, 1960 was repealed in 1965 and replaced by the Government Employees (Health Insurance) Act, 1965 and then its Adaption and Amendment Act, 1970.

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1965–1977

Hospital claims 1974–1977

G.E.H.I. claims 1970–1977

At Dockyard

Correspondence 1977–1978

Hospital claims 1977–1978

G.E.H.I. claims 1977–1978

In G.E.H.I. Office

Minutes of the Government Employees Health Insurance Advisory Committee from 1960

Correspondence from 1979

Hospital claims from 1979

G.E.H.I. claims from 1979

LAND TAX OFFICE

The Land Tax Office opened in August 1967 after the passing of The Land Tax Valuation and Tax Act in July 1967 which provides for the valuation of real property and the tax collecting machinery for a tax to be levied on the annual rental value.¹

In the Land Tax Office

Correspondence from 1977

Registration of rental units by parish (225 computer binders) from 1972

Receipt stubs from 1977

Payments lists and debts records (12 computer binders) from 1976

In the Records Centre

Government payment cards 1971

Receipt cards 1971

Amendments 1971–1972

¹*The Royal Gazette*, 11 July, 1967. p. 1, 2..

CUSTOMS

Once Bermuda had passed to the Crown the Commissioners of Customs in London sent out their own Collector of Customs, an office which they controlled until the middle of the nineteenth century.¹

Under the Colonial Treasurer H.M. Customs was a branch of the Revenue Department and was responsible for the collection of customs duties on goods arriving into Bermuda.

The Collector of Customs was head of the Customs Branch and also Shipping Master for the Port of Bermuda and the Registrar of Shipping for Bermuda.

Customs supervision of airports began in Bermuda on 30 June, 1937 when two flying-boat services were inaugurated at Darrell's Island airport.²

By The Colonial Treasury (Customs Division) Act, 1952 a government department was created known as the Customs Department under the Collector of Customs.³ This department comes under the Ministry of Finance.

In the Bermuda Archives

St. George's inwards manifest 38 vols. 1788–1898

St. George's outwards manifests 34 vols. 1792–1816

Hamilton inwards manifests 26 vols. 1816–1880

Hamilton outwards manifests 36 vols. 1871–1907

Customs entries 6 vols. 1930–1937

Warehouse book 1 vol. 1927–1934

Duty Books:

Hamilton 15 vols. 1822–1876

Hamilton and St. George's 2 vols. 1845–1848 & 1871–1877

St. George's 6 vols. 1822–1830, 1845–1849, 1864–1870, 1877–1885, 1928–1938, 1905–1915

Cash books, Hamilton 5 vols. 1833–1845 & 1897–1903

Cash books, St. George's 2 vols. 1826–1848

Clearances 1 vol. 1820–1823

Register of tonnage of vessels cleared 1 vol. 1830–1857

Daily Customs receipts 3 vols. 1839–1848

Official salaries account books 2 vols. 1848–1855

Statistical returns on exports 3 vols. 1830–1853

Register of 'B' goods imported in British ships, St. George's 1 vol. 1830–1857

Register of 'C' goods imported in foreign ships, St. George's 1 vol. 1832–1851

Register of 'E' goods imported in British ships, St. George's 1 vol. 1830–1856

Register of 'F' goods imported in foreign ships, St. George's 1 vol. 1830–1851

Check balance 1 vol. 1841–1846

Letter books, St. George's 3 vols. 1827–1854, 1861–1870, 1863–1865

B.O.A.C. and American flight registers 1937–1946

¹ Bermuda Report, 1971.

² Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

³ The Revised Laws of Bermuda.

At Customs

Entries from *c.* 1976

Accounts with importers from *c.* 1949

Ships' manifests from *c.* 1973

Shipping register, Port of Hamilton from 1935

Correspondence from *c.* 1940

Cash receipt books 7 vols. 1941–1945

Bond books, gauge recordings 3 vols. 1935–1936

Personnel files from *c.* 1940

POST OFFICE

Under the Board system the Bermuda Post Office was administered by a Colonial Postmaster who was responsible for the general supervision and direction of the postal service of the Colony. He was appointed by His Excellency the Governor and was subject, as to management and control, to the Governor-in-Council.

It is on record that there was a Post Office in Hamilton in 1813. In 1842 the Hamilton-St. George's service was in operation; the following year the service was extended to include the parish of Sandys. Later, receiving-houses, the forerunners of the present Sub Post Offices, were set up in all parishes.

During 1848, 1849 and 1854 H.B. Perot, who was then the Postmaster, issued the famous 'Perot Stamp'. This was a crude production, unperforated and unwatermarked, with the words 'Hamilton, Bermuda', type-set in the form of a circle; inside the circle was the year-date, the value (one penny) and each stamp was signed by Perot.

The first airmail received at Bermuda was from the United States by the airship *Los Angeles* on 20 February, 1925. No regular service was established until 1937, when the airmails were received and despatched once a week.¹

Under the new constitution the Post Office was placed under the Postmaster General and became part of the portfolio of the Minister of Finance.

In the Bermuda Archives

Correspondence from 1897
Bermuda Post Office savings account book, MSS., 1872-1873
Returns and correspondence, bound MSS., 1 vol. 1854-1860

In the General Post Office

Minutes of the Stamp Design Committee meetings from 1973
Correspondence from 1890s
Savings bank registers 1929-1951
Money order accounts from 1941
Money order journals from 1949
Cash on delivery register from 1930
Staff record book, forerunner of personnel files, from 1924
General account book from 1941
Staff salary books from 1933
Bank deposit slips from 1966
Records of parish to parish registered mail from 1974

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

STATISTICS OFFICE

The Statistics Office was started with the appointment of the first Chief Statistician in 1965.¹ The Office comes under the Ministry of Finance and its aims are to develop and maintain a body of statistical information to provide Government with sound bases for developing economic and social policies; to provide key indicators to show changes in the current economic situation; to provide advice on statistical matters; and to liaise on behalf of the Bermuda Government with local and international organisations on statistical matters.²

in the Records Centre

Returns from the Survey of Unemployment and Housing 1976

in the Statistical Department

Correspondence from 1965

¹*The Royal Gazette*, 6 December, 1965

²The Revised Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80

MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL SERVICES

In November 1970 the Management Services Office, under the Member for Government Organisation, replaced the Organisation and Methods Office, thus amalgamating personnel and training.¹ Management and Personnel Services was for some time part of the Cabinet Office and shared the same filing system, before coming directly under the Ministry of Finance. When the Cabinet Office moved to its new premises in 1977 all the files were left in the old location.

In the Records Centre

Personnel files, inactive, from c. 1920s

In the Department of Management and Personnel Services

Correspondence from 1972

Departmental case files from 1972

Personnel files from c. 1950

¹*The Royal Gazette*, 20 October, 1970. p. 1&2.

GOVERNMENT STATIONERY OFFICE

In 1976 Government bought a small printing business known as Sprint Speedprinting Services and set up its own in-house printing operation.¹ The Office, which is run by the Government Stationery Officer, is part of the Department of Management and Personnel Services which comes under the Ministry of Finance.² Correspondence and personnel matters are filed in the central filing system at the Department of Management and Personnel Services.

In the G.S.O.

Correspondence (operational) from 1976

The Royal Gazette, 5 January, 1979.

Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure, 1979/80.

SOCIAL INSURANCE

In 1968 the Department of Social Insurance was created under the Ministry of Finance and in 1970 the two War Pensions offices, one dealing with the local war pensions and the other dealing with U.K. war pensions were amalgamated with the Department. Apart from administering and developing the Government's social insurance programmes, which include contributory and non-contributory old age pensions, war pensions and hospital insurance, the department also acts as agent issuing the U.K. Health and Social Security pensions.

In the Records Centre

Hospital claims 1971-1978
Insurance cards 1968-1977
Bermuda War Pension vouchers 1967-1971
Correspondence 1950-1975
Continuation for payment of Benefit Schedules 1971-1972
Deceased files 1968-1971
Contribution refunds 1971-1972
Cancelled cheques and stubs 1971-1973
War Pensions:
War Pension payment schedules 1971
U.K. statements 1967-1970
U.K. vouchers 1968-1970
U.K. Royal warrants 1957-1967
U.K. War Pension rates 1967-1969
Bermuda War Pension vouchers 1965-1971

In the Department of Social Insurance

Minutes of the Hospital Insurance Commission from 1971
Minutes of the Bermuda War Pensions Commission from 1947
Correspondence from 1968
Staff personnel files from 1968
Insurance cards from 1978
Individual record cards from 1968
Individual pensioners' files from 1968
Individual workers' files from 1968
Individual war pensioners' files from 1968
Hospital claims from 1976
Lapsed policy files, individual and group schemes from 1971
Premium cards from 1971
Premium notices from 1975
Index cards on the over-65 qualifying for pensions
Personal files and card index on contributory pensioners and widows from 1968
Personal files and card index on non-contributory pensioners from 1968
Employees' card record from 1968
Individual files on employers paying contributions by imprest stamp from 1968
Individual files on employers paying directly from 1968
Individual files on government departments from 1968
Index of those on H.I.P. from 1968
Applications for insurance cards from 1968
Individual files and card index on war pensioners receiving insurance from prior to 1968
War pensioner record cards from prior to 1968
War pensioners hospital claims from 1977
Cheque stubs from U.K. pensions from 1977

OFFICE OF THE TAX COMMISSIONER

The object of this office is to administer the collection of taxes in accordance with the Miscellaneous Taxes (Rates) Act 1976.¹

The office of Commissioner of Employment Tax was established under the 1973 Employment Tax Act. In 1976 the title of Commissioner of Employment was superseded by that of Tax Commissioner.

In Office of the Tax Commissioner

Correspondence from 1973

Business case files from 1973

¹ Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80

REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

The office of Registrar of Companies was created in 1970 and is responsible for six major functions: the incorporation and regulation of all companies; the collection of company taxes; superintending real estate; investigating companies and initiating proceedings; and the regulation of insurance companies.¹ Previous to the formation of this department the function of the registration of companies was done by the Registrar General and, before the creation of that office, by the Registrar of the Supreme Court. The first exempt company to be registered was the Elbon Ltd. Co. as a result of The Elbon Limited Act 1935.

In 1975 the statutory Insurance Advisory Committee was set up, initially known as the Ad Hoc Committee. Since then numerous sub-committees have been created. In August 1978 the department was split into two sections: the Control of Companies section and the Registration and Revenue Collection Section.

In the Department

Insurance Advisory Committee minutes (formerly Ad Hoc Committee) from 1975

Insurance Registration Sub-committee minutes from 1978

Marketing Committee minutes from 1978

Accounting, Auditing, Rules Sub-committee minutes from 1978

Drafting Sub-committee minutes from 1978

Agents, Salesmen, Managers and Brokers Registration Sub-committee from 1978

Revolving registers of companies

Company files from 19th century

Daily log from 1976

Computer output (business classification) from 1977

Correspondence from 1970

Receipt books from 1973

¹ *Feedback*, Bermuda Public Service Association newsletter, December, 1977.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HEADQUARTERS

The Ministry of Education was created in 1968 and the Minister for Education is responsible for the policy of the Department of Education. The Board of Education advises the Minister on public relations, scholarships and standards. Also under the direction of the Ministry are the Bermuda Library and Bermuda Archives.¹

In the Records Centre

Minutes of the Board of Education 1973–1975

Correspondence 1921–1976

In the Ministry

Minutes of the Board of Education from 1976

Correspondence from 1976

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Although not the first Act to be passed in Bermuda dealing with Education, the 1858 Act was to provide for a Board of Education, an Inspector of Schools and an annual grant of £450. On the expiration of this Act in 1860, “no further Schools Act was passed until 1867 when the government was spurred to action by the withdrawal in the previous year of financial assistance given by the religious societies. The Act passed in 1897 providing for a Board of Education, an Inspector of Schools, Local Boards in each parish,” and an annual grant of £1,200 may be said to have formed the foundation of the present school system.

In 1914 the title of Inspector of Schools was changed to Director of Education. For a number of years the Director received no more than the assistance of a part-time clerk.

Under the Education Act, 1954, the general administration of education was vested in the Board of Education, who were to act as advisers to the Governor in matters relating to education. The Director was to act as the official adviser and chief executive officer of the Board.¹ In 1968 the post of Director of Education was replaced by that of Chief Education Officer following the establishment of the ministerial system of government.

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1921–1976

In the Department of Education

Correspondence from c. 1960

THE BERMUDA LIBRARY

The Bermuda Library was founded in July 1839. The initiative for the legislation came from the newly-appointed Governor, Lieutenant-Colonel William Reid, and the Library was set up in a room at the Customs House, now the Cabinet Building. In January 1917, the Library moved to its present premises, a former residence built in 1834, called Par-la-Ville; the building being leased by the Bermuda Government from the Corporation of the City of Hamilton. In 1955, a new agreement was reached, under which the Corporation leased the building and enough land on which to construct a new wing, for 99 years at a nominal rate, on condition that a repository for the Colonial Archives and the museum of the Bermuda Historical Society should be included in the building. On the 29th July, 1957, the enlarged premises were opened at Par-la-Ville.

The Library is very proud of its Bermudiana Collection, housed in the Reference department. The Collection was begun in 1871 by a very far-sighted Governor, Sir John Henry Lefroy, who salvaged the early colonial records and from these compiled his famous work, *Memorials of the Discovery and Early Settlement of the Bermudas or Somers Islands, 1515 - 1687*, which now forms the basis of the Collection, consisting mostly of books.

In the Bermuda Archives

Bermuda Library minute books 5 vols. 1859–1966

Accession registers 3 vols. 1948–1959

Visitors book for the Bermuda section of the British Empire Exhibition 1 vol. 1924

In the Bermuda Library

Minutes from 1967

Correspondence from c. 1940s

The Royal Gazette 1784 to date

Bermuda Recorder 1933–1938; 1952–1967, some gaps; 1969–12 July 1975 (last issue), again, some gaps

News Pictorial 1960–1962

Mid Ocean News 1962 to date

Bermuda Sun 1964 to date

Blue Book 1901–1950, some gaps

Estimates of revenue and expenditure 1944 to date, some gaps

Official Gazette 1933–1937

Journals of the House of Assembly 1691–1785; 1855 to date, some gaps

House of Assembly debates 1896–1934, some gaps

Legislative Council proceedings 1879 to date, some gaps

voters lists 1963; 1969–1978

Annual Reports of Government Departments, some gaps

Land Valuation lists 1977

John Tavenier Bartram's book on flora and fauna MS. n.d.

Documents on Microfilm in the Bermuda Library

The Royal Gazette from 1784

Bermuda Recorder from 1933 (gaps)

BERMUDA ARCHIVES

The Bermuda Archives was started in approximately 1950 by a group known as the Bermuda Historical Monuments Trust, forerunner not only of the Bermuda Archives, but also of the Bermuda National Trust. In 1968 the Archives became part of the Bermuda Government and was at that time included administratively into the Bermuda Library. By the 1974 Bermuda Archives Act it became a separate department within the Ministry of Education.

In the Bermuda Archives

Minutes of the Archives Advisory Council from 1974

Correspondence from 1950

Enquiries files from c. 1956

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1973–1977

THE BERMUDA COLLEGE

The Bermuda College was formed from an amalgamation of the Hotel and Catering College, the Technical Institute and the Sixth Form Centre under the Bermuda College Act 1974. It operates as a single entity with three departments: the Department of Academic Studies, the Department of Commerce and Technology and the Department of Hotel Technology.¹

The management of the college is vested in a body of governors.²

In the Chief Executive Officer's Office

Minutes of the Board of Governors from 1974

Correspondence from 1975

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 18 May, 1972

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 1 June, 1974, p.2

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES HEADQUARTERS

The Ministry of Health and Social Services Headquarters provides central direction, management and co-ordination for services operated by the Health and Social Services Departments¹ which combine the functions of the former Medical and Health Department and the Social Welfare Board.²

In the Ministry

Correspondence from c. 1960
Personnel files from c. 1960

In the Records Centre

Personnel files 1964–1970

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Acts pertaining to health are found early in Bermuda's history as, for example, the 1763 Act to prevent the spreading of the Small Pox. Parish vestries had always exercised the powers of local boards of health. By the 1920 Health Act³ the active boards were to be left alone, but if the local board was slack in performing its functions the General Board could step in and carry out the necessary work. Part of the 1920 Act made an attempt to codify the law with respect to the nuisances dangerous to public health and the Act provided for a medical officer of health and three full-time sanitary inspectors.

The Department is at present under the Ministry of Health and Social Services and is headed by the Chief Medical Officer.

In the Bermuda Archives

Board of Health minutes 1880–1907

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1931–1974
Personal record cards (school cards) 1922–1954

In the Department

Correspondence from c. 1960
Death notices from c. 1960

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

The Department of Social Services has taken over the functions of the Social Welfare Board. It comes under the Ministry of Health and Social Services and is headed by the Director of Social Services.

In the Bermuda Archives

Minutes of the Social Welfare Board 1949–1968
Social Welfare Council Reports 1944–1947

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1980/81

¹ Bermuda Report, 1970

² General Review of 1920. No. 57. C.O. 37:267.

In the Department of Social Services

Correspondence from 1931

Case files n.d.

Prisoners' files from c. 1964

KING EDWARD VII MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The King Edward VII Memorial Hospital, which is Bermuda's general hospital, was officially opened in 1920 and took the place of the Cottage Hospital which had been opened in 1894. In 1936 legislation established the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital as a semi-private foundation, under trustees, and licensed to receive grants from public funds.¹

By legislation enacted in 1970, on 1 January 1971 the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital, the Prospect Hospital and St. Brendan's Hospital all came under the management of a single Hospitals Board.²

In the Bermuda Archives

Cottage Hospital Annual Reports, 2nd—19th, 24th—26th, 1895—1919 (breaks)

In K.E.M.H.

Minutes of the Board of Trustees (became Hospitals Board in 1971) 1928—1933 and from 1955

Minutes of the Medical Advisory Committee from 1959

Minutes of the Medical Records meetings from 1959

Annual Reports 1930—1965 and from 1975

Correspondence from 1965

Patients' records from 1974 (non-active and still alive, kept 5 years then microfilmed and original file destroyed) Patients' records from 1969 (records of dead kept 10 years, then microfilmed and original file destroyed)

Patients' records on microfiche from 1972

Admissions and discharges register from 1959

Register of deaths from 1969

Original autopsy records from 1966

¹ Pamphlet. 'Our Patients and their Visitors', King Edward VII Memorial Hospital.

² Bermuda Report, 1970.

Photograph of the Cottage Hospital



ST. BRENDAN'S HOSPITAL

The original building on the site of the present hospital was completed in 1829, constructed in the form of the letter 'H'. The purpose of the building was that of a school. From 1835 to 1870 the building remained empty when it was sold to government for a psychiatric hospital and it now forms the central section of St. Brendan's Psychiatric Hospital. Various buildings were gradually added to the original structure and in 1856 the first of the modern buildings was completed.¹

In 1971 St. Brendan's Hospital came under the management of a single Hospitals Board together with the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital and the Prospect Hospital. Up until this time the psychiatric hospital was run directly by the government under its Department of Health and Welfare.²

In St. Brendan's Hospital

Minutes of the Clinical Care Evaluation Committee meetings, from 1975

Admission registers, from 1897

Statistics, from 1973

Detention orders from c. 1881

Patients' records, from c. 1922

¹ Pamphlet. St. Brendan's Hospital. Published by the St. Brendan's Amenities Committee, 1974

² Bermuda Report, 1970

PRISONS AND SENIOR TRAINING SCHOOLS

HER MAJESTY'S PRISONS

As early as 1620 a jail was erected in St. George's to house drunkards. In 1711 the House of Assembly voted for a new jail which was replaced in 1756. It appears that by at latest 1849 the present St. George's prison, (now the Senior Training School) was in operation. The Prisons and Senior Training Schools today consist of Casemates Prison, Ireland Island; the Senior Training School, St. George's; the Prison Farm, St. George's West; and the Female Prison, Prospect.

In the Bermuda Archives

Hamilton gaol journal 1846–1938

St. George's gaol journal 1846–1936

At Prison Headquarters

Annual Reports on the work of prisons 1937–1967 (some years missing)

St. George's Prison/Senior Training School

Various administration files and books from 1936

Hamilton Gaol

Various administration files and books 1951–1961

Prospect Prison (females)

Various administration files and books from 1959

Casemates Prison

Various administration files and books from 1961

JUNIOR TRAINING SCHOOL

The Junior Training School is located on Paget Island and its objective is to re-educate the young people committed to its care through a comprehensive educational process. This process includes the social, academic and vocational aspects of education in the broadest sense.¹

At School

Case files from c. 1940s

¹ *The Workers Voice*, 20 May, 1977, Vol. 6, No. 19

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT

The Board of Immigration was created in 1864 by the Immigration Act of that year.¹

The objects of the Labour and Immigration Department are to promote good industrial relations, to ensure compliance with international labour standards and to administer the Immigration and Protection Act, 1956.²

The Government Employment Office is under the Department of Labour, the manager of which is assisted by an advisory committee. The Youth Employment Office is also under this department.³

Records held at Prospect

Arrival and departure records from 1948
Passport applications from 1946
Re-entry permits from 1974

In the Records Centre

Minutes of Joint Committee of Boards of Agriculture and Immigration—Portuguese 1932–1934
Minutes of the Board of Immigration 25 vols. 1931–1972
Old Portuguese files from c. 1920s
Portuguese green numbers from c. 1900
Immigration files from c. 1900s
Portuguese dead files from c. 1920
Portuguese: old contracts and queries from c. 1920
Portuguese: employer from c. 1920s
Portuguese dead files: employer from c. 1920s
Ecuadorian dead files from 1970

In the Department of Labour and Immigration

Minutes of Board of Immigration from 1973
Minutes of the British Naturalisation and Bermuda Status Committee, from 1979
Salesmen permit receipt books, from 1977
Multiple re-entry permit receipt books, from 1978
Landing permit receipt books, from 1978
Re-entry letters from 1975
Immigration files, from c. 1960s
Passport correspondence from 1972
Applications for automatic status from 1970
Land files from c. 1920s
Portuguese files from c. 1920s
Portuguese dead files from c. 1920s
Ecuadorian files from 1970
Green numbers from c. 1900

Bermuda Laws

¹ Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1980/81

² Bermuda Report, 1971

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

This function originated with the Cabinet Office and in 1977 was transferred to the Ministry of Home Affairs. Pre-1977 files remained with the Cabinet Office.

In the Department of Telecommunications

Minutes of the Telecommunications Authority from 1976

Correspondence from 1977

REGISTRY GENERAL

The Registration Act of 1865 was passed to provide for a better system of registration of births, marriages and deaths and for the appointment of persons to be registrars in the different areas and for one person to be Registrar General.¹

The Colonial Secretary originally acted as Registrar General and the registration of births, deaths and marriages was conducted by six district Registrars who furnished him monthly with the returns of the districts.² Later, the Registrar of the Supreme Court held the post of Registrar General and, as now, was responsible for the issuance of certificates of birth, marriages and deaths; the recording of deeds; and the registration of heads of mortgage, voluntary conveyances and memorandum of alien deeds. A register of all land, showing the area held by aliens, is kept; and an important function performed is the registration of patents, trade-marks and designs.³

In 1966 it was decided that the posts of Registrar General and Registrar of the Supreme Court no longer should be held by one person. At the same time the function of Parliamentary Registrar was added to the responsibilities of the Registrar General.⁴

In the Bermuda Archives

Baptisms (by parish) 36 vols. 1866–1949
Indexes to baptisms (by parish) 19 vols. 1866–1949
Marriages (by parish) 14 vols. 1866–1949
Indexes to marriages (by parish) 10 vols. 1866–1949
Burials (by parish) 18 vols. 1866–1949
Indexes to burials (by parish) 15 vols. 1866–1949
Register of Marriage Licences 1850–1944
Register of Marriages, non-parochial (non-Anglican) 1904–1905
Marriage Register (duplicate of original register) 1848–1874
Marriage Register book 1874–1880
Marriage Register 1896–1904
St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Church*, marriages 1877–1895; births 1875–1898
Books of deeds 4 vols. 1700–1800
Slave registers 3 vols. 1821, 1830, 1833

In the Records Centre

Notice of Death forms 1950–1973
Appointment of Marriage Officers 1970–1972
Marriage notices and licences 1950–1973
Publication of marriage notices 1970–1973
Marriage returns 1951–1973
Issued marriage licences 1973–1974
Birth registers 1923–1932
Birth forms 1950–1973
Marriage Officers licences issued 1957–1974
Legitimation forms 1959–1974
Special marriage licences 1955–1958

* Put into care of St. George's District Registrar in August, 1936

¹ Bermuda Acts Vol. 1, p. 537

² Bermuda Almanack, 1892

³ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947

⁴ *The Royal Gazette* 11 December, 1965

In the Registrar General's Office

Books of deeds 111 vols. from 1800
General index to books of deeds 2 vols.
Cross index to books of deeds 2 vols.
Books of alien deeds 14 vols. from 1908
Register of aliens from 1908
General index to record deeds of conveyance 1 vol.
Cross index to books of deeds 1 vol.
General index to Record of Real Estate Acquired by Aliens 1 vol.
Cross index to Record of Real Estate Acquired by Aliens 1 vol.
Books of voluntary conveyances 28 vols. from 1897
General indexes to voluntary conveyances 4 vols. from 1897
Cross index to voluntary conveyances 4 vols. from 1897
Register of freeholders for the Town of St. George's from 1950
Books of Bermuda mortgages 6 vols. from 1789
Books of mortgages 323 vols. from 1779
General indexes to chattel mortgages 3 vols. from 1973
Cross indexes to chattel mortgages 3 vols. from 1972
Rough book of legitimations 1 vol. c 1968–1973
Order books 3 vols. 1975
Marriage Officer's Register 1 vol. 1964–1974
Registers of Bermuda patents 3 vols. from 1904
Register of Bermuda Patents 1 vol. from 1968; in same book as: Register of Copyright 1 vol. 1910–1911
Register of Patents Granted in the U.K. 1 vol. 1930–1972
Index to Bermuda patents (by proprietor name only) 1 vol.
Index to Proprietors Names (U.K. Patents) 1 vol.
Index to proprietors 1 vol.
Index to patents for inventories 1 vol.
Register of Trade Marks 22 vols. from 1930
Index to Trade Marks (Registered Proprietor) 1 vol.
Index to Trade Mark Applications 1 vol.
U.K. Trade Marks Registers 4 vols.
Indexes to U.K. Trade Marks 2 vols.
Trade Marks Register (Cancellations and Abandonments) 1 vol. 1968–1972
Trade Marks Journals 2 boxes 1970–1975
Book of Registered Users 1 vol. from 1976
Registers of Corporate Bodies 3 vols. from 1936
Death Notices 1977–1978
Registers of births 75 vols. from 1866
Indexes to births 21 vols. from 1866
Register of marriages 24 vols. from 1866
Indexes to marriages 11 vols. from 1856
Register of deaths 21 vols. from 1865
Index to deaths 10 vols. from 1866
Register of Legimated Births 1 vol. from 1966
Register of Still-Born 1 vol. from 1957
Parliamentary Registers from 1968
Files of applications for registration of parliamentary electors from 1975
Parish Assessment records from c. 1897
Sandys parish minute book 1910–1944
Parish land transfer records 1934–1971
Annual reports from 1939
Correspondence from c. 1966

Documents on Microfilm in Registrar General's Office
Books of deeds (positive copies) from 1800

POLICE

One of the first significant mentions of a constable was in 1620¹: "The subordinate Officers to these (the Bailiffs) in every tribe, are the Constables, . . . : these are the triers of the Tobacco, which if they allow not to be merchantable, is burnt; and these are the executioners of their civic and politic causes."

An attempt was made in 1827 to establish a Civil Watch and an Act was made setting out ways and means of doing so. It was however, disallowed and it is not certain whether a start was made to carry out its provisions. A further Act was passed in 1834 which empowered a Justice of the Peace to hire a number of men as necessary for each parish. These men, while on duty, had the powers of a constable and assisted them in their work, but only during hours of darkness. In the same year another Police Bill was introduced "for establishing an efficient system of Police in the Towns of Hamilton and St. George." In 1844 an Act was introduced for improving the Police in and near the towns of Hamilton and St. George's and it became lawful for the Governor to appoint during his pleasure a Head Police Constable and one Assistant Police Constable for each of the towns. The constables, like their predecessors, were under the Police Magistrate of the respective towns and were required to be in attendance at his office during office hours.

The Police Establishment Act of 1879, the preamble of which reads "Whereas the present Police Force is deficient in organisation, discipline and efficiency, and it is expedient to regulate it under more efficient management," put the force under a Superintendent. Under the 1901 Establishment Act the Superintendent rank was replaced by that of an Inspector of Police. Under him were three Chief Police Constables, fifteen Constables and 21 Rural Constables.

By the Police Establishment Act of 1920 the Force was completely reorganised and the salaries raised. It was after this Act that the Chief of Police was sent to England to recruit young men. Under the Provisions of the Police Act 1951 the Bermuda Reserve Constabulary was formed,² and in January 1962 the first policewoman was admitted on to the Force.³

in the Bermuda Archives

from St. George's Police Station: Register of Jurors (St. George's parish) and minute book of justices of the peace for special jurors and jurors, 1896-1932
Smith's parish register of Jurors 1896-1932
Register of charges, St. George's 1926-1934
St. George's parish minute book of jurors 1932-1935

at Police Headquarters

staff personnel files (confidential) from c. 1920
criminal case files (confidential) from 1969
special interest cases and undetected crime files from c. 1940
accident files from 1969
correspondence from c. 1950

¹Smith's *General History of Virginia, New England and the Somers Isles*. 1624.

²*Bermuda Historical Quarterly*, Autumn, 1955. 'The Policing of Bermuda from the Earliest Times, by E.A. Burton.'

³*The Royal Gazette*, 10 January, 1962.

Photograph of Mr. Thomas Joseph Powell, policeman



MINISTRY OF MARINE AND AIR SERVICES MARINE AND PORTS SERVICES

The functions of the Department of Marine and Ports were formerly carried on by the Board of Trade which came under the direction of the Board of Trade Inspector who was also the official Marine Surveyor. The Trade Inspector had a variety of duties both with regard to ships and shipping and to the control of business and trading on land. In addition the Board administered the Government Aquarium, the two signal stations at Gibbs Hill and Fort St. George, the two lighthouses at Gibbs Hill and St. David's Island, the pilotage station and the meteorological station.¹

In 1963 the Department was created and is now under the Minister of Marine and Air Services. Its objects are to provide the necessary services to ensure the safe operation of international shipping and local craft in Bermuda waters; to operate a public ferry service; to support other agencies in marine search and rescue and to administer the Merchant Shipping Acts.²

In 1975 the function of the Registrar of Shipping, formerly the responsibility of the Collector of Customs, was transferred to the Department of Marine and Ports. This operation is carried out in a separate location from the rest of the Department.

In the Bermuda Archives

Gibbs Hill lighthouse signal station log 3 vols. 1919–1936

Meteorological records 10 vols. 1918–1958

Registers of shipping 1698, 1787–1831, 1849–1855, 1853–1940

In the Department of Marine and Ports

Minutes of the Board of Trade 1912–1921

Minutes of the Board of Pilot Commissioners 1917–1921

Minutes of the Bermuda Marine Board 1963–1967

Minutes of the Marine and Ports Authority from 1967

Index to Mooring books from 1940

Pilot tickets from c. 1900

Gibbs Hill Lighthouse visitors books from c. 1960

Board of Trade ledger from 1937

Records of ship wrecks from c. 1940

In the Registry of Shipping

Minutes of the Merchant Ships Advisory Committee from 1975

Registration of British ships registers from 1836

Crews lists from c. 1954

Correspondence from c. 1960

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

² Approved Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1979/80.

CIVIL AVIATION

The Bermuda — New York air service was inaugurated jointly by Imperial Airways Ltd. and Pan American Airways, Inc., in June, 1937. Each company operated one flying boat with accommodation for about twenty-four passengers and mail on a combined schedule calling for four round trips by the two flying boats each week. No subsidy was paid with respect to the air service, but the Bermuda Government made a contribution towards the cost of the maintenance of the air base at Darrell's Island.¹

On 21 September, 1942 the Airport Board held its first meeting. The Board had full supervision of all matters pertaining to air services to and from Bermuda as well as that of local operations within the Colony. The Board's routine work was under the direction of an Air Advisor and Register of Aircraft. The final meeting of the Board, before the 1968 Constitution, was held in October 1967.²

Under the new Constitution the position of Director of Civil Aviation was created, responsible to the Minister of Marine and Ports. Two committees were set up, the Air Advisory Committee and the Air Transport Licensing Board.

In the Department of Civil Aviation

Airport Board minutes 1942–1967

Air Advisory Committee minutes from 1968

Air Transport Licensing Board from 1968

Correspondence from 1946

Statistical summaries from 1966

¹Trade Development Board Annual Report, 1938.

²Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

MINISTRY OF PLANNING HOUSING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

The work of the Department of Planning was done by the Central Planning Authority until June 1968 when the new Constitution was introduced.¹

The Department contains a Planning Section, a Building Control Section and a Land Valuation Office. It is also responsible for carrying out a complete resurvey of the islands every five years.²

In the Records Centre

Building Authority minutes 1956–1963

Central Planning Authority minutes, and minutes and submissions 1964–1968

Development Applications Board minutes and submissions 1968–1971

Special Committee meetings from 1965

Building Application files 1962–1966

Census printout 1970

Building Authority appeals 1953–1964

Foreshore Encroachment Licensing 1920–1963

In the Department of Planning

Development and Applications Board and Committee minutes from 1962

Correspondence from 1946

Planning application files from 1969

Financial records from 1964

Receipt books from 1962

¹ Bermuda Report, 1968.

² Bermuda Report, 1970.

LAND VALUATION OFFICE

The Land Valuation and Tax Act which provides for the valuation of real property and tax collecting machinery for a tax to be levied on the annual rental value was passed in 1967¹ leading to the creation of a Land Valuation Office.

In the Land Valuation Office

Property inspection files from 1967

Correspondence from 1967

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 11 July, 1967, p. 1 & 2.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM
DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM

Although it is recorded that Bermuda has been in the tourist business for well over one hundred years since the cornerstone of the Hamilton Hotel was laid in August 1852 and the Princess Hotel opened in 1885, no formal tourist promotion organisation was in being until 1913 when, by Act of Parliament, the Bermuda Government established the Bermuda Trade Development Board. This Board had as its primary functions the following: to develop and foster the trade of these islands and to arrange for transportation to markets outside these islands for the fresh produce grown here, and to encourage the tourist industry. The Department was established soon after that in a very small way.

The Trade Development Board, since its inception and until 1968, when the Trade Development Board Act was rescinded, was an executive board with the power to engage staff and, to a large degree, run its own affairs; the staff of the Department were not established civil servants until after 1968. The Board was divided into a number of committees such as advertising, overseas communication, amenities and entertainment.¹

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1959–1975

Minutes 1956–1968

In the Department of Tourism

Correspondence from c. 1960

Minutes of the Bermuda Tourist Board from 1969

Personnel files from 1959

Leases for foreign offices of Department from 1945

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

TRANSPORT CONTROL DEPARTMENT

The Transport Control Board was constituted by the Transport Control Board Act, 1945, on the 16th March of that year, taking the place of the Transport Board established under the Motor Car Act, 1943. It was formed "to establish a central authority to deal with matters connected with the organisation, improvement, control and regulation of the means of transport within these islands". The Board was made responsible for administering the provisions of the Motor Car Act, 1943 and the Motor Car Regulations 1943. The Board assumed the duties formerly carried out by the Railway Commissioners under the Bermuda Railway Act, 1924, and took over the control of the Ferry Services formerly the duty of the Board of Trade.

In July 1946 it was decided that the duties of the Transport Control Board should be divided and the Public Transportation Board Act was passed by the Legislature on the 15th June of that year, establishing that Board with the duty of operating the Bermuda Railway and a Government Omnibus Service, these functions being divorced from the duties of the Transport Control Board.

Prior to the passing of the present Motor Car Act the "general use" of motor cars in Bermuda was prohibited. Eventually, the Motor Car Act, 1946 was passed. This Act abolished the Motor Car Act, 1943 and other relevant Acts and came into force on the 1st September 1946, the Transport Control Board being charged with the duty of administering to it. Under the Motor Car Act, 1946 the use of motor cars was extended, but remained subject to restrictions.¹

The Transfer and Reorganisation (Transport Control Board) Act, 1968 was later passed.

in the Bermuda Archives

Correspondence file on the Bermuda railway 1932–1949

in the Records Centre

Minutes of the Bermuda Railway Co., Ltd. 1944–1949

Minutes of Board meetings 1950–1964

Annual reports 1947–1971

Correspondence 1941–1971

Medical files 1975–1976

Unlicensed motor cycle files 1971

Drivers' licence files 1975

Drivers' licences (expired) to 1972

Accident reports 1947–1951

Receipts and expenditure statements 1947–1951

Contracts: Kindley Field 1952–1962

Accounts 1952–1964

in the Transport Control Department

Minutes from 1946

Correspondence from 1970

Vehicle records from 1946

Drivers' licence files from 1946

Drivers' record card from 1946

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Originally the Public Transportation Board controlled and operated the Bermuda Railroad and Motor Bus Passenger Services and the maintenance and operation of these various services were in the charge of the Director of Public Transport with the advice of the Board.¹ The Public Transportation Department is at present responsible for the operation of scheduled, school, charter and sightseeing buses throughout Bermuda.²

In Public Transportation Department

Minutes of the Public Transportation Board from *c.* 1960

Correspondence from *c.* 1965

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947

² Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1980/81

MINISTRY OF WORKS, AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Board of Works was established by the Board of Works Act, 1800.¹ Under the Board of Public Works Act 1968 the board system was replaced by the ministerial system.

The Public Works Department, under the Minister for Works and Agriculture, is responsible for the maintenance and improvement of all public works, public buildings, highways and Government-owned lands.² In 1968 the Crown Lands Corporation was dissolved by the Crown Lands Corporation (Dissolution) Act, 1968, and its function was turned over to the Public Works Department. The Crown Lands Corporation had performed very much the same function in relation to properties taken over from Her Majesty's Government as Public Works did for Government properties over approximately 1,000 acres.³

Much of the department's correspondence was destroyed in the Hamilton Hotel fire of 1955. There were many of the plans of the Surveyor's Office. It is for this reason that the register of architectural drawings starts as late as 1958.

in the Bermuda Archives

Minute books of Committee and Board of the Crown Lands Corporation 6 vols.* 1954–1969
Minutes of the Road Commissioners Board 1 vol. 1862–1874
Colonial Surveyor letter books 13 vols. 1735–1873
Plans, MSS. 1735–1873

in the Records Centre

Correspondence 1843–1945

at Prospect

Crown Lands records 1956–1968

at Public Works Department

Minutes of the Board of Public Works from 1886
Correspondence from c. 1930
Personnel files from c. 1930
Plans and Deeds from 1902
Register of land deeds 1 vol. from 1902
Road deeds from 1900
Register of road deeds 1 vol. from 1900
Plans from 1899
Plans from 1886
Survey Department's Plan register 1 vol. from 1886
Architectural drawings from 1958 (a few drawings go back as far as 1865)
Register of architectural drawings 1 vol. from 1958

Bermuda Laws

Bermuda Report, 1971

The Royal Gazette, 28 December, 1968, p. 2

Closed access until 1981

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

In 1875 an Act was passed to establish a Board of Agriculture. The Board's object was to be "to acquire and diffuse useful information on all matters connected with agriculture and horticulture in these islands."¹

The department is located in the Bermuda Botanical Gardens, formerly known as the Public Gardens. These grounds were bought by the Board of Agriculture in 1898. The name 'Public Garden' was changed to 'Agricultural Station' in 1912 in keeping with the purpose of the grounds at that time. In 1958 the name 'Bermuda Botanical Gardens' was adopted.²

The department is now under the Ministry of Works, Agriculture and Fisheries.

In the Records Centre

Correspondence 1938–1971

In the Department of Agriculture & Fisheries

Minutes of the Board of Agriculture 7 vols., vols. 1–2 missing, from 1924

Annual reports from 1898

Minutes of the Port Royal Golf Course Trustees 3 vols. from 1966

Minutes of the Sub-Committees of the Board of Agriculture 1949–1950 (in general, sub-committee minutes are to be found in the main minutes)

Correspondence from c. 1925

¹Bermuda Laws.

²Bermuda Botanical Gardens, Guide Map.

BERMUDA AQUARIUM, MUSEUM AND ZOO

The Aquarium was designed and built in 1928 by the first curator, the late Louis L. Mowbray. The purpose was to have a marine exhibit available, at a reasonable price of admission, for visitors and Bermudians. The Museum was added in 1942 and the Zoo in 1950.¹ Initially under the Board of Trade, the Aquarium, Museum and Zoo were transferred from the Trade Development Board to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries in August 1961. In January 1977 an Aquarium Committee was appointed for the first time under the chairmanship of Mr. H.L. Williams. This committee was in turn responsible for the creation of the support society, the Bermuda Zoological Society which came into being on 1 April, 1978.²

In the Bermuda Aquarium, Museum and Zoo

Minutes of Aquarium Committee from 1977

Minutes of Zoological Society from 1978

Correspondence from 1928 (breaks)

Ledgers from 1928 (breaks)

Financial records from 1972

¹ Trade Development Board, Annual Report 1961

² Bermuda Zoological Society Newsletter, August 1978

MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS YOUTH AND SPORT

Until April 1968 the Youth Service was under the Social Welfare Board. In that year, with the redistribution of responsibilities under the new constitution, it was transferred to the Department of Education and came under the supervision of the Member for Education and the Member without Portfolio. While an extension of the Department of Education, it functioned with complete autonomy in the operation of youth, sport, recreation and community development services.¹ It was after this that the Department of Youth and Sport became a separate Government department under a Minister of Youth and Sport only to be transferred, in early 1975, back to the portfolio of the Minister of Education as a separate department.² At present Youth and Sport are part of the Ministry of Community Affairs.

In the Department of Youth and Sport
Minutes from 1970
Correspondence from 1970

¹ Bermuda Reports 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971

² Ministry of Education Annual Report 1975/76

³ *The Royal Gazette*, 3 February, 1978

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The Ministry of Community Affairs was created in 1978 with three primary objects: to improve community relations, to oversee consumer affairs, and to give assistance to small business.¹ The Consumer Affairs Bureau, which became part of the Ministry, had been originally set up in 1973.²

In Community Affairs

Race Relations Council minutes (confidential) from 1965

Consumer Affairs Board minutes from 1977

Energy Conservation Committee minutes from 1979

Heritage Advisory Committee minutes from 1978

Correspondence from 1978

¹B.P.S.A. newsletter, *Feedback*, September 1978.

²*The Royal Gazette*, 22 September, 1973.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

All Records Held at Schools

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Dellwood Primary (established in 1940)

Admission registers from 1940; log books from 1945; pupils' record cards from 1940.

Elliot School (established 1965)

Admission registers from 1965; log books from 1965

Francis Patton (established 1950 thus amalgamating Cripplegate and Temperance Hall schools)

Admission registers from 1950; log books from 1950

Gilbert Institute (established in 1933, it was formerly the Dudley Hill School)

Admission registers from 1933; log books (earliest book from the Dudley Hill School) from 1929.

Harrington Sound Primary (established in 1945 thus amalgamating the Talbot and St. Mark's schools)

Admission registers from 1945; log books from 1945

Heron Bay (formerly Southampton East School)

Admission registers from 1943; log books from 1964

Paget Primary

Admission registers from 1894; log books from 1931.

Port Royal

Admission registers from 1962; log books from 1962

Prospect Primary

Admission registers from 1958; log books from 1958

Purvis

Admission registers from 1975; log books from 1946

St. David's School (established c. 1889)

Admission registers from 1932; log books from c. 1940

St. George's East End School

Admission registers from 1942; log books from 1944

St. George's Preparatory School (formerly St. George's Grammar School)

Admissions registers 2 vols. (start Grammar School, become Preparatory School) from 1941; log books 5 vols. (start Grammar School, become Preparatory School) 1910–1922 and 1924–1977; cash book, Board of Trustees 1 vol. (Grammar School) 1911–1941; minute book, Board of Trustees 1 vol. (Grammar School) 1909–1950

Somerset Primary School (formerly Heathcote Hill Somerset School and then Sandys Grammar School)

Admissions registers from 1894; log books from 1893

Southampton Glebe School

Admissions registers from—; log books from—

Victor Scott School (formerly Central School)

Admissions registers from 1940; log books from 1929

West End School (Huntley School and St. James's School became the West End School)

Admission registers (Huntley School) from 1923; admission registers (West End School) from 1931; log books (a Southampton School*) from 1893; log books (St. James's School) from 1896

West Pembroke School

Admissions registers from c. 1931; log books from 1918

* School in which this log kept not identifiable

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Berkeley Institute (established 1897)

Admission registers from 1897; log books from 1897

Prospect Secondary School for Girls (established in 1948 the Girls Institute of Arts and Crafts was taken over by Government in 1958 and formed the nucleus of Prospect Secondary School for Girls)

Admission registers from 1957; log books from 1957

Robert Crawford School (established 1959 as Prospect Boys' School. In 1965 became Churchill School and then Robert Crawford School)

Admission registers from 1959; log books from 1959

St. George's Secondary (established 1955)

Admission registers from 1955; log books from 1955

Sandys Secondary (established 1927)

Admission registers from 1970; log books from c.1960; minutes of the Association of Sandys Educational Association from 1926

Warwick Academy (established 1662, early records destroyed by fire in 1950s)

Admission registers from 1972; log books from 1972; pupils' records from 1960s

Warwick Secondary (established 1967)

Admission registers from 1967; log books from 1967

Whitney Institute (established in 1883)

Admission registers from—; log books from—

Northlands Secondary School (established in 1973. Dellwood Secondary moved to this site and became Northlands. For pre-1973 records see Dellwood records)

Admission registers from 1973; log books from 1973

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

All records held at schools

Bermuda High School for Girls (established in 1894, this school was a government school prior to 1962)

Admission registers from 1962; log books from 1962

Mount St. Agnes Academy (established 1890)

Admission registers from 1890; log books from 1890

Saltus Grammar School (established in 1889, many of the school records lost in fire in 1977)

Pupils' file cards (full information) from 1940; pupils' file cards (sketchy information) prior to 1940; log books from c. 1969

Seventh Day Adventist School (first established in 1898. The school closed and re-opened in 1943, moving premises in 1952)

Pupils' records from 1953; admission registers from 1953; log books from 1953

CHURCHES

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The African Methodist Episcopal Church was introduced into Bermuda with the merging of the British Methodist Episcopal Church of Canada and the A.M.E. Church of America in 1882.

The first B.M.E. church was established in 1870 by Bishop Nazery of the A.M.E. Church of America who was invited to Bermuda to introduce and organise the movement. The first services were held in the home of Mr. John Burchall Benjamin. Over the next fifteen years the services were held in various homes and the membership grew rapidly. A building of a church at Mullet Bay was completed and once the B.M.E. became A.M.E., a lot of land was purchased in St. George's and the cornerstone from Mullet Bay was relaid to become the beginning of the Richard Allen Church.

Meanwhile, the first church of the denomination to have its cornerstone laid, in 1879, was St. John's Church at Bailey's Bay. The "Mother Church" of the denomination in Bermuda, St. Paul's A.M.E. Church, was the second, in 1881. The next was the Bethel Church at Shelly Bay and in 1897 the Chapel at Whale Bay, Southampton was dedicated. In 1900 a church was erected in Tucker's Town and was dedicated by Bishop C.S. Smith. The original location of this church had been in the vicinity of where the Castle Harbour Hotel now stands. In the early 1920s St. Phillip's was located on its present site at Harris Bay.¹

At Richard Allen Church, St. George's

Baptisms 1945-1948 and from 1960

Marriages 1945-1948 and from 1960

Burials 1945-1948 and from 1960

At St. Paul's A.M.E. Church, Hamilton

Baptisms from 1870

Marriages from 1871

¹ *Mid Ocean News*, 27 February, 1965

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF BERMUDA

J.H. Lefroy lists the earliest clergymen in Volume 1, appendix IV of his *Memorials of the Bermudas*. Most 18th and 19th century governors held the office of Ordinary as part of their civil duties and controlled the appointment of rectors. The rectors were licensed by the Bishops of London and were responsible to him for ecclesiastical purposes. Bishop William Howley (1813–1828) was the last one to exercise this colonial authority as it was during his incumbency that colonial bishops appear to have been appointed. Bermuda seems to have been placed in the diocese of Nova Scotia in 1825 with the Hon. Aubrey G. Spencer as Archdeacon of Bermuda. At a later date the island came within the administration of the Diocese of Newfoundland.

The Churches were consecrated and dedicated during the first and subsequent triennial visits of the Bishop. Until that time they were known by their geographical location as follows:

Somerset Church – St. James's Church, Sandys; Port Royal Church – St. Anne's, Southampton; Heron Bay Church – St. Mary's, Warwick; Crow Lane Church – St. Paul's, Paget; Spanish Point Church – St. John's, Pembroke; Brackish Pond Church – St. Mark's, Smith's; Bailey's Bay Church – Holy Trinity, Hamilton parish; St. George's Church – St. Peter's, St. George's.

The building of Trinity Church, the predecessor of the Cathedral, began in 1845. In 1844 this structure was destroyed by fire and work on the present building was started. Trinity Church was constituted The Bermuda Cathedral by act of the Legislature in 1894.¹

St. Peter's Church, St. George's

In the Bermuda Archives

Minute books 10 vols. 1808–1937

Property books 10 vols. 1808–1953

At St. Peter's Church

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 2 vols. 1755–1815

Baptisms and burials 1 vol. 1826–1838

Baptisms 7 vols. from 1841

Marriages 6 vols. from 1815

Burials 5 vols. from 1847 (breaks)

Holy Trinity Church, Hamilton Parish

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 3 vols. 1745–1906 (some are copies of the originals)

Baptisms, marriages and burials recorded in service books 1884–1908

Service books 2 vols. 1826–1859

Baptisms 2 vols. 1826–1859

Marriages 5 vols. 1826–1951

Burials 5 vols. 1826–1951

At Holy Trinity

Baptisms 1 vol. from 1952

Marriages 1 vol. from 1907

Burials 1 vol. from 1951

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda* 1947

St. Mark's Church, Smith's

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 1 vol. 1881–1907

Baptisms and burials 1 vol. 1827–1845

Baptisms 1 vol. 1845–1950 (breaks)

Marriages 2 vols. 1827–1845 (breaks)

Burials 2 vols. 1845–1960

Vestry record books 5 vols. 1750–1896

Account book 1 vol. 1835–1844 and 1850–1854

Ledger 1 vol. 1861–1894

Qualification book 1 vol. 1858–1872

At St. Mark's Church

Registers:

Baptisms 2 vols. from 1907

Marriages 1 vol. from 1908

Burials 1 vol. from 1961

Christ Church, Devonshire

In the Bermuda Archives*

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 3 vols. 1820–1891

and recorded in Parish Vestry minute books 1668–1705 and 1819–1820

Baptisms and marriages 2 vols. 1847–1877 and 1865–1907

Baptisms and burials 2 vols. 1888–1971

Baptisms 1 vol. 1918–1933

Marriages 6 vols. 1826–1840, 1844–1904 and 1907–1958

Duty books 3 vols. 1872–1929 (break 1911–1916)

Minutes of Church Vestry 3 vols. 1867–1946

Grave registers 2 vols. n.d.

Assessment books 1 vol. 1927–1934

Vouchers 1847–1853

Correspondence 1847–1973 (breaks)

At Christ Church

Registers:

Baptisms from 1926

Marriages from 1958

Burials from 1971

The Cathedral, Hamilton

At the Cathedral

Registers:

Baptisms 2 vols. from 1895

Marriages 2 vols. from 1895

Record books of services and offertories 11 vols. from 1895

St. John's Church, Pembroke

In the Bermuda Archives

Vestry minutes 3 vols. 1843–1908

Vestry rough minutes 4 vols. 1859–1897

* Access to these records is not permitted without the permission of the Church

At St. John's Church

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 6 vols. 1645–1968

Baptisms 1 vol. 1889–1911

Accounts 3 vols. 1677–1850

Assessments 3 vols. 1826–1835

Minutes of Church Vestry 4 vols. 1663–1791

Minutes of Church Vestry 1867–1886

St. Paul's Church, Paget

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 3 vols. 1825–1841

Baptisms 3 vols. 1841–1901

Marriages 3 vols. 1841–1908

Burials 3 vols. 1842–1911

At St. Paul's Church

Registers:

Baptisms from 1902

Marriages from 1909

Burials from 1912

St. Mary's Church, Warwick

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 1 vol. 1825–1827

Births and baptisms 3 vols. 1793–1900

Marriages 2 vols. 1826–1901

Burials 2 vols. 1825–1904

Minutes of Church Vestry 1867–1944

At St. Mary's Church

Registers:

Baptisms from 1900

Marriages from 1901

Burials from 1904

St. Anne's Church, Southampton

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 1 vol. 1619–1751

Vestry minutes 1 vol. 1892–1917

Ledgers 1 vol. 1883

Ledger and minute books 1 vol. 1866–1877

Assessment books 23 vols. 1813–1916

At St. Anne's Church

Registers:

Baptisms, marriages and burials 1 vol. 1802–1855

Baptisms 3 vols. from 1826

Marriages 4 vols. from 1826

Burials 3 vols. from 1826

St. James's Church, Sandys

In the Bermuda Archives

Registers:

Baptisms 2 vols. 1826–1876

Marriages 2 vols. 1818–1887

Burials 2 vols. 1826–1897

Vestry minutes 5 vols. 1782–1955 (breaks)

Vestry books 3 vols. 1825–1910

Assessments 3 vols. 1781–1903 (breaks)

Account book 1 vol. 1901–1934

At St. James's Church

Registers:

Baptisms from 1877

Marriages from 1888

Burials from 1897

BAPTIST CHURCH

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

A group of United States Air Force people who were Baptists stationed in Bermuda began home meetings in 1956. On 22 July, 1956 the Church began in a rented building, Alexandrina Hall in Hamilton.¹ In 1962 property was purchased on Middle Road, Devonshire for the erection of a new church. After renting a building on South Shore Road, Paget for approximately ten years² the First Baptist Church's new building was dedicated in August, 1967.³

Until 2 December, 1969 the St. George's Baptist Mission was part of the First Baptist Church and its records formed part of the parent church's records. At that time it became a church in its own right and began keeping its own records.

The First Baptist Church and the Emmanuel Baptist Church, which was actually the first Baptist Church in Bermuda, having organised in 1932, nurture a relationship of mutual participation.¹

At St. George's Baptist Church

Baptisms from 1979

Marriages from 1979

Burials from 1979

At First Baptist Church

Baptisms from 1957

Marriages from 1957

Burials from 1957

¹ *The Cedar Cross. A History of the First Baptist Church of Bermuda.* Hamilton Press. 1973

² *The Royal Gazette*, 9 May, 1967, p. 1

³ *The Royal Gazette*, 24 July, 1976, p. 13

CHURCH OF GOD (FIRST)

The Church of God in Bermuda was started in 1905 by Reverend Edward Byam Grant, who had arrived in Bermuda in 1900. The mission was begun under the authority of the Church of God whose international headquarters were in Indiana.

Reverend Grant started by holding services in the Working Men's Halls and during the week cottage meetings were held at the home of a Mr. and Mrs. Parker. In 1910 the present location of the church on Angle Street was bought and work on the erection of the church begun.

During the administration of Reverend Mayes, which began in 1953, the church in Somerset was founded.¹

At the First Church of God, Angle Street, Hamilton

Child dedications from 1975

Baptisms from 1975

Marriages from 1975

Burials from 1975

¹"Our Heritage. A Tribute to our Founder, Rev. E. Byam Gant, B.D. Pastor 1905-1941."

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMONS)

The Bermuda branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints was officially organised at a special conference held 26 June, 1966. Members had, however, been meeting as an organised group at the Youth Center, Kindley Field Air Force Base, for some time prior to this date.

On 12 December, 1966 the Branch moved to its present location in the Lyceum Building, Wilkinson Avenue, Hamilton Parish.

All permanent records of members, of baptisms, marriages, deaths, etc. are kept in the Archives of the Church in Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.

At the Bermuda Branch

Registers:

Baptisms, current year and previous year

Marriages, current year and previous year

Burials current year and previous year

Divorce records, current year and previous year

Minute books, current year and previous year

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

The Church began in Bermuda in 1962. For eight years it had a hall on Court Street for its headquarters. In 1969 the Church moved to St. Patrick's Church, Smith's Parish, formerly a Roman Catholic church.¹

At the Church

Membership record from 1962

Record of children dedicated from 1962

Baptisms from 1962

Marriages from 1969

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 15 July, 1969, p.5

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

At present the Jehovah's Witnesses' congregations include: the East Congregation, St. George's, the Central Congregation, Hamilton; the Heron Bay Congregation and the West Congregation, Somerset.¹ The Central Congregation's new Kingdom Hall on Ewing Street, Hamilton was dedicated in October, 1964.²

The Jehovah's Witnesses do not keep registers of baptisms and burials but, instead, a registration card is kept for each Witness which moves with him if he changes congregations.

At Churches

Registration cards from 1969

Held at Kingdom Hall, Hamilton, for all congregations

Register of marriages from c. 1960

¹*Bermuda Telephone Directory*, 1979.

²*The Royal Gazette*, 29 October, 1964, p. 9.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A bill to permit the organisation of a Lutheran church in Bermuda was passed by the Legislative Council on 10 December, 1963. The bill followed a petition by members of the Lutheran faith in Bermuda to become a body corporate in Bermuda under the Peace Lutheran Church.¹ After the passing of the bill plans went ahead for the erection of a church and a pastor arrived from Baltimore for the congregation.² The Church was opened and dedicated on 30 May, 1965.³

At Peace Lutheran Church

Baptisms from 1965

Marriages from 1967

Burials from 1967

¹*The Royal Gazette*, 11 December, 1963.

²*Mid Ocean News*, 16 January, 1965. p. 9.

³*The Royal Gazette*, 31 May, 1965.

THE WESLYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF BERMUDA

On 15 March, 1748 the famous Methodist itinerant preacher, Rev. George Whitefield visited Bermuda. He stayed for two months generally preaching twice a day through the islands. It was not until fifty-one years later that he was followed by another preacher of his Church when John Wesley's Methodist Conference sent Rev. John Stephenson to Bermuda. Reverend Stephenson arrived charged to preach the gospel to the "Black and Coloured people". His arrival was quickly met with an Act passed in 1800 "to prevent persons pretending, or have pretended, to be Ministers of the Gospel, or Missionaries from any religious Society whatever, and not invested with Holy Orders, according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England or the Church of Scotland, from acting as Preachers." Stephenson was arrested for breaking this law.

Joshua Marsden was the second Methodist missionary, sent to Bermuda in 1808. Under him, in 1810, the first Methodist chapel was dedicated, known as "Zion". This chapel soon became too small, however, and in 1881 the existing Wesley Church, Hamilton was dedicated.² The Cobb's Hill Wesleyan Methodist Church, meanwhile, was built by slaves working at night, after their masters' work was finished and it was dedicated in November 1827. In 1839 the cornerstone of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Smith's parish was laid, becoming part of the Central Circuit in 1919,³ and in 1900 the Grace Methodist Church was dedicated.⁴

Ebenezer Methodist Church, St. George's

Births and marriages 1 vol. from 1847

Burials 1 vols. from 1866

Wesley Methodist Church, Hamilton

Baptisms 2 vols. 1834-1906

Baptisms 1 vol. from 1963

Marriages 6 vols. from 1835

Burials 1 vol. from 1974

Ireland Island Church, Port Royal Circuit

(records held by Circuit)

Baptisms from 1919

Marriages from 1934

Burials from 1919

Flatts Hill, Central Circuit

Baptisms 1 vol. from 1949/50

Marriages 1 vol. from 1949/50

Burials 1 vol. from 1949/50

¹*Chained on the Rock*, by Cyril Outerbridge Packwood.

²*The Royal Gazette*, 13 November, 1960.

³*The Royal Gazette*, 19 August, 1967.

⁴*The Royal Gazette*, 28 April, 1970.

United Church Women, Central Church

Handbook, published 1962

Minute books 2 vols. 1962–1972

Correspondence 1964–1972

Account book 1 vol. 1962–1971

Grace Church and Cobb's Hill

Grace Church baptisms 1 vol. from 1951

Grace Church burials 1 vol. from 1951

Cobb's Hill burials 1 vol. from 1953

Grace Church and Cobb's Hill Church marriages 1 vol. from 1965

Emmanuel Church, Port Royal Circuit

(records held by Circuit)

Baptisms from 1923

Marriages from 1926

Burials from 1923

Somerset Church, Port Royal Circuit

(records held by Circuit)

Baptisms from 1904

Marriages from 1905

Burials from 1908

Ireland Island Church, Port Royal Circuit

(records held by Circuit)

Baptisms from 1919

Marriages from 1934

Burials from 1919

NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH OF GOD (PENTECOSTAL)

In Devonshire

Records of dedications from 1976

PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA INC. (MARITIME DISTRICT)

Evening Light Pentecostal Church

The first Evening Light Tabernacle was constructed in 1935 in Pembroke and was followed by the erection of a new church in 1954. The Evening Light Tabernacle is affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.¹

At the Evening Light Pentecostal Church

Baptisms from 1935

Marriages from 1945

Burials from 1949

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 9 May, 1954.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
CHRIST CHURCH, WARWICK**

Presbyterianism in Bermuda dates from the founding of the Colony in 1612 and the congregation of Christ Church claims to have been a continuing body from that time. The present building of Christ Church, Warwick was erected in 1719 and is one of the oldest church buildings in Bermuda.¹

Christ Church is included in the Edinburgh Presbytery of the Church of Scotland.

In the Bermuda Archives*

Marriages, burials and baptisms 1 vol. 1789–1851

Marriages 3 vols. 1846–1932

Grave location register 1 vol. n.d.

Minute books, financial records, correspondence, etc. 1782–1966

At Christ Church

Current records held at Church

* Access to these records is not permitted without the permission of the Church.

¹ Bell's *Beautiful Bermuda*, 1947.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In 1843 a number of Presbyterians living in and around Pembroke requested the Rev. James Morrison to preach in their parish once a fortnight if temporary accommodation could be found. This was done and a church was built in the meantime. The church was officially opened in May, 1846 and for thirty-one years the two Presbyterian Churches supported the same ministry. In 1874 Kenneth F. Junor came from Canada as the assistant to the Rev. Thorburn and among his duties was the care of the Hamilton congregation. The Hamilton Congregation immediately took to their new priest and he returned to Canada to be inducted into the charge of St. Andrew's, Bermuda. To solve the problem of the already given allegiance to the Church of Scotland, the congregation of St. Andrew's joined the Church of Canada. The Church thereafter came under the care of the Presbytery of Halifax-Lunenburg, Nova Scotia. In 1963 it was transferred to the care of the West Toronto Presbytery, Toronto.¹

At St. Andrew's Church

Baptisms from 1843 (some breaks)

Marriages from 1843 (some breaks)

Burials from 1843 (some breaks)

Session meetings of Elders records from 1843 (some breaks)

Mid Ocean News, 5 December, 1964. p. 4.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

From the earliest days of Bermuda's inhabitation regulations over religion were strict and the colonists were obliged to swear "to continue ever in the faith of the Church of England and to stand in defence of it against all atheists, papists and anabaptists dissenting from it."

However, by 1843 there was a definite need for a resident Roman Catholic priest in the colony. By 1844 the Holy See formally made Bermuda part of the Halifax diocese. Until this point no attempt had ever been made to establish a permanent mission in Bermuda. The Rev. Dr. Michael Hannan was the first priest to stay in Bermuda as long in six months and since his time Bermuda has never been without a Catholic priest for an extended period. His main concerns were the Catholic soldiers stationed throughout the islands, the Catholic convicts and the few Catholic residents.

In 1848 the Most Rev. William Walsh, the Bishop of Halifax, visited the mission, the first Catholic bishop to visit the colony, and in 1859 the first Catholic church, St. Edward's, was completed.

By 1891 the number of Catholics had nearly doubled over a ten-year period. There were 565 listed in the census taken in that year compared to 391 in 1881. In the second half of the nineteenth century the Portuguese families arriving in Bermuda had helped to swell the numbers of the Catholic Church.

In 1919 the Roman Catholic Corporation of Bermuda was legally established. In 1929 St. Joseph's Church, Somerset was erected and in 1932 St. Theresa's was opened. St. Anthony's Church was opened in 1958 and construction on the Stella Maris Chapel began in 1947; St. Patrick's Church was completed in February 1948 which was to be replaced in 1969 by a new church with the same name. In 1950 a chapel had been dedicated to St. Michael.¹

A new Roman Catholic province taking in Jamaica, Nassau and Bermuda was created in 1967, giving the colony an indirect representation to the Catholic Synod of Bishops in Rome. Previously the islands were regarded as a missionary diocese.² As a result of the change the colony was split up into parishes making the previous mission churches now parish churches.³

Records held at Churches:

Our Lady, Star of the Sea (Stella Maris), St. George's

Baptisms from 1960
Marriages from 1960
Burials from 1960

St. Patrick's, Smith's

Baptisms from 1964
Marriages from 1960
Burials from 1968

St. Michael's Church, Paget

Baptisms from 1963
Marriages from 1963
Burials from 1963

¹ *Bermuda's Priests* by John M. McCarthy.

² *The Royal Gazette*, 3 October, 1967, p. 1

³ *The Royal Gazette*, 20 February, 1968, p. 5.

St. Theresa's, Hamilton

Baptisms from 1850

Marriages from 1867

Funerals from 1885

St. Anthony's, Warwick

Baptisms from 1958

Marriages from 1858

Funerals from 1858

St. Joseph's, Somerset

Baptisms from 1930

Marriages from 1930

Burials from 1930

Photograph of Frank Correia, a Roman Catholic family



SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army was officially started in Hamilton in 1896. Three young women officers, the leader of whom was Ensign L. DesBrisay arrived on January 6 and six days later, on the Sunday, held their first meeting in the City Hall.

It is stated in the Hamilton Corps' History Book that, "The Headquarters decided to start work in Bermuda as the result of requests received from Dr. Dobson, a Methodist minister who was stationed in Bermuda at the time and from various soldiers and sailors in the island who had been associated with the Salvation Army work in England and were holding informal meetings in various parts of the colony."¹

Divisional registers:
Dedications from 1959
Marriages from 1915

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 26 February, 1971, p.10

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS

From 1895 services of the Seventh Day Adventists were held in a homestead, with no official recognition. In 1901 the worshippers in Bermuda were placed on record by the General Conference as a "miscellaneous mission". However, in 1915 the Autumn Council made Bermuda a part of the Atlantic Union Conference with the headquarters of South Lancaster, Massachusetts. The Mission was fully organised in 1959 and incorporated by an Act of Parliament in 1960.

In 1901 the General Conference sent J.W. Bartlett to organise a company in Hamilton. He was succeeded two years later by Elder J.A. Morrow who became the first pastor to settle. Under his direction their first church was built in Hamilton. In 1947 it was sold as it had become too small for the growing congregation. A small chapel was subsequently built followed by a large church. The congregation moved to the latter in 1960.

In 1935 the St. George's church came into being. Their first meetings were held in rented quarters after which they moved into the town hall for meetings. In 1954 the Church bought the Cooper Estate in York Street which was remodelled into a church auditorium and Sabbath School rooms. The first full-time pastor at this church was also the first to be ordained in Bermuda, Pastor Joseph Melashenko. Sister churches were also established at Bailey's Bay, Warwick and Southampton.

Records held at Church

Baptisms from 1900

Deaths from 1900

¹ *Mid Ocean News* 14 November, 1964. p. 4.

UNITED HOLY CHURCHES OF AMERICA, INC.
(Bermuda District) (Pentecostal)

House of Prayer, Pembroke

Records held at Church
Marriages from 1970

WORLD WIDE CHURCH OF GOD

The World Wide Church of God in Bermuda is a regional office of the World Wide Church of God which has its headquarters in California.¹

Baptisms from 1971

Marriages from 1971

¹ *The Royal Gazette*, 6 October, 1979, p. 6

PRIVATE PAPERS BELONGING TO, AND IN THE CUSTODY OF, THE BERMUDA ARCHIVES, THE BERMUDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE BERMUDA MARITIME MUSEUM, THE BERMUDA NATIONAL TRUST AND THE ST. GEORGE'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

BERMUDA ARCHIVES

In the Bermuda Archives

Jennings family book. 1697–1746. (MS.)

Receipt for instalment on Whale Company Share, Sir Robert Clayton. 21 February, 1664. (MS.)

The Blaythwayt Papers. 1685–1702. (Photocopies of Vol. 36 comprising the Bermuda correspondence.)

Grant of land to Sir Humphrey Meverell. 1660.

Sir George Somers, inquisition post mortem. 1611–1612.

Six letters from the Pym Collection. 1632–1670. (MS.)

Autographed deed of William Strachey. 1599. (MS.)

Hall family papers. 1796–1905. (MSS.) Former owners of Maria's Hill, now Pembroke rectory.

Will of Phillis Fisher and correspondence by and in connection with her. 1791–1892. (MSS.)

Salt case at Turks Island, Paul Bascome against Samuel Tatem. 1776. (MS.)

Letters from Alexander Ewing to his father. 1780–1796. (MS. copy)

Letter book of Alexander Ewing. 1784. (MS.)

Receipt book of Alexander Ewing. 1816–1822. (MS.)

Autograph of Governor Crawford on abstract expenses incurred in the erecting of Navy cisterns, building wharf and house. September, 1795.

An Act for the better regulating of jurors to serve in the island of Bermuda. 1738/9. (MS.)

Letter from Leon White to the Governor regarding adjournment of the Court of Admiralty. 1772.

Autographs of Governor Hodgson, 2 autographed letters. 1814. (MSS.)

Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, minute book and correspondence. 1894–1908.

Cox family letters and wills. 1707–1914. (MSS.)

Will of Rebecca Peniston, widow of Richard Jennings Peniston. 1813. (MS.)

Wood family papers. 1817–1878

Licence to John Allen, master of the schooner *Mary*. From His Excellency, Sir William Lumley. 5 October, 1822.

Booklet by John Ravener Bartram of Mullet Bay, St. George's, Bermuda. 1851. (MS.)

The People's Journal. 1899. A newspaper printed in Hamilton, Bermuda.

Daniel Robert Tucker's diary. 1850–1858. (MS.)

Two small account books of Samuel T. Outerbridge. 1860–1864. One book an arrowroot account with Dickinson. (MSS.)

Slave Registration Certificate, Susan Basden. 1835. (MS.)

Certificate for the Bermuda Industrial Exhibition. 1872. First prize awarded to Lieutenant C.J.C. Beresford, Royal Engineers. Also a number of blank certificates and a catalogue of the articles exhibited in the Exhibition.

Winifred Rogers collection. 1895–1965. (Includes part of library.)

Report of the Parish Boundary Commission. 1899, and papers in connection with the boundaries of the city of Hamilton.

Will of Dr. Francis Augustus Eve. 1849. Receipt book from the estate of John Eve. Enclosed is a letter from Francis A. Eve to Daniel E. Seon. 1902. (MS.)

John Fowle's diary, No. III. 1893–1896. (MS.)

List of immigrants. 1881–1889. (Only one page of information.) (MS.)

Correspondence relating to defences of Bermuda and the building of South Shore Road, from 1858.

Book of autographs of Mary B. Tucker, from 1861.

Deed of Mr. Joseph Henry Durham, Turks and Caicos. 1854.

Papers of John J. Masters. 1814–1891.

Book of hand-drawn and coloured Bermuda flags from the estate of Amelia Wainwright. n.d.

Book entitled 'Reefs, Shoals and Beacons', compiled by Daniel Robert Tucker. Records approximately 39 wrecks with a map of their locations. (MS.)

Joell family papers. 1822–1951. (MSS.)

Nineteenth Century Club, minutes and correspondence.* 1896–1962.

Journals of travels of T.M.D.B. Godet. n.d.

Illuminated poem in book form entitled 'The Knight of Aage'. n.d. (MS.)

Anna Maria Outerbridge's correspondence on King Phillip's War and the Boer War prisoners. 1903–1912.

Bermuda Esperanto Association's correspondence. 1963–1968.

Admiralty House Park Association's correspondence and scrapbook. 1974–1978.

Socratic Literary Club's programmes. 1939–1959

Flyer urging the people of Bermuda to surrender to Hitler. n.d.

Bermuda Irish Association's minutes and correspondence. 1962–1975.

Island Council of Bermuda Boy Scout Association's minutes. 1933–1945.

Bermuda Empire Games, correspondence on, 1934.

Arbitration proceedings of the St. David's Island acquisition of land for U.S. Base; minutes and awards 2 vols. Together with St. David's Rehabilitation Plan. 1940–1944.

St. George's Yacht Club, minute book 1907–1924; and accounts book 1922–1927.

Major C.M. Moore, D.F.C., correspondence and papers of. 1938–1969.

E. Brownlow Gray's U.S. Bases Agreement arbitration cases. 1941–1942.

Diaries of Miss Emily Brownlow Gray. 1914–1966.

Papers of Charles H. Pearman Wilson. 1942–1954. (Includes books from his library.)

Bermuda Group of Professional Engineers, correspondence.* 1964–1975.

Parish Vestries Association's minutes and correspondence. 1963–1970.

Rotary Club records. 1947–1976.

Philosophical Society papers. 1967–1980.

Scrapbook on Bermuda compiled by Miss Jeanette L. Karlshoren. 1913.

Imperial censorship records. 1939–1940 and 1944.

Toc H War Fund records. 1940–1945.

Copies of the following family trees and/or notes are also available: Peniston–Jackson; Stowe–Wainwright; Godfrey; Gorham–Till–Kirkham; Packwood; Tucker; Tynes; Roelk; Holt; Hayward; Bellamy; Outerbridge; Richardson; Dunscombe; Darrell; Perinchief; Lightbourne; Jadwyn; Smith; Whitter (Witter); Dunscombe; Tynes; DeCoverley, McDowall; Darrell; Watlington.

* Closed 25 years

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Par-la-Ville, Queen Street, Hamilton

In the Bermuda Archives

Day book of brig *Heseltine*. 1843–1872

Sheet almanacks. 1893, 1895, 1896, 1898, etc.

Shipping documents. Documents relating to ships either captured by H.M. vessels of war or Bermudians privateers. 19 century.

BERMUDA MARITIME MUSEUM

In the Bermuda Archives

Register of shipping kept at the Pilot Station, St. David's. 1913–1916. (MS.)

Log book of Fred G. Virtue. 1924. (MS.)

At the Maritime Museum

Log of Midshipman Johnson covering services on H.M.S. *Galatea*, *Nile*, *Buzzard*, *Jason*, *Formidable*, *Caledonia* and *Achilles*, 1862–1867. (MS.)

Handwritten log of B.A. Williams on *Hound*. 1866–1871. (MS.)

THE BERMUDA NATIONAL TRUST

The forerunner of the Bermuda National Trust was the Bermuda Historical Monuments Trust which began in 1937. The object of this Trust was, to preserve all old buildings and ancient relics,¹ including documents. In 1969 The Bermuda National Trust Act was passed by which the National Trust was created. The Bermuda Archives which had been set up by the Bermuda Historical Monuments Trust, meanwhile, had become part of the Bermuda Government although the private material which had been loaned, donated or purchased by the earlier body became part of the property of the Bermuda National Trust, in the custody of the Government Archives.

In the Bermuda Archives

Copies of correspondence on the creation of the Bermuda National Trust. 1966–1970.

Visitors books: Confederate Museum, St. George's 3 vols, 1963–1964; Verdmont Museum, Smith's, 1955–1957.

Old cemeteries cash book, 1 vol. 1955–1957.

Tucker family papers 1811–1943 (MSS. and printed)

Outerbridge genealogical material. n.d.

Patton papers, Francis L. 1888–1926. (printed)

Darrell family papers. 1790–1943 (MSS. and printed)

Durnford manuscripts. 1790–1798.

Visitors book for the Confederate Museum. 3 vols. 1961–1963

Abstract of causes of death in the Bermudas between 1 January–21 December, 1843

Books of deeds and fees. Colonial Secretary. 1919–1926

Pembroke Arbor Society. Minute books. 3 vols. 1926–1941

Office fee book. Secretary's office. 1872–1875

Scrapbook giving an account of the Tucker family of Bermuda, by Thomas A. Emmet, with correspondence and notes, mainly of William Astwood.

Papers on the convict hulk establishment. (MSS. and printed) 1823–1862

Register of baptisms, marriages and burials at Port Royal Church by Dr. L. Dunbar Bell. 1802–1836.

Register concerned with men of military age in Bermuda for such purposes as was considered suitable for the war effort. n.d.

Flyer, the Tower Bulletin

Scrapbook on Clay Merrell. Formerly both Vice Consul and Consul of the United States in Bermuda, 1951.

Sir Roger Hall's scrapbook containing newspaper cuttings dealing with his activities during W.W.II as President of the Prize Court. 1941–1952.

Handwritten logs by the Hon. John Harvey Darrell on voyages to America and Switzerland and notes on books he had read, and on lectures. 1814–1823.

¹*Bermuda Today and Yesterday 1503–1973*, by Terry Tucker.

Typewritten copies of Governor Browne's correspondence. Indexed. 1778–1792.

Hyland diaries. (Closed access) (MSS.) 1850–1880.

The Reverend John Moore's register of baptisms, marriages and burials. 1743–1780. (MS. and typed copy.)

Marriage register, Christ Church, Devonshire. Typewritten collection of St. Mary's Church, Warwick, records presented to Warwick Church in 1856 by the Reverend M.K.S. Frith.

The Reverend Alexander Richardson's register of baptisms, marriages and burials in Bermuda. 1755–1772; 1778–1802; 1773–1778. Includes section on St. Eustatia.

Collection of the Reverend John Moore's handwritten sermons. 1766–1791.

Tucker-Coleman papers. (photostat copies) 1737 and 1770–1827.

Aerial photograph survey by Hunting Survey Corporation. 7 July, 1962.

Autographs of men of note. (2 scrolls.)

Ledger. 1813–1821. (MS.)

Bermuda Census. 1788–1800. (MS.)

Series of picture postcards of Bermuda. The majority are written by 'Cissie' to Corporal, later Sergeant, J. Young. 1906–1908.

Anna Maria Outerbridge's Boer War prisoners manuscripts. 1901–1911.

E.A. McCallan's papers. Manuscripts and notes on *Life on Old St. David's*. By E.A. McCallan.

Diaries of E.A. McCallan. 9 vols. 1934–1959. (MS.)

Astwood-Wadson papers. Late eighteenth and early nineteenth century. Commercial papers of Daniel Astwood and others.

Chads papers. 1711–1812. (MSS.)

Genealogical papers include the family trees for the following families: Kempe; Gray; Godet; Browne and Spurling.

Rich papers. 1616–1642. (MS.)

ST. GEORGE'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY

At the Museum

Newspapers, from 1784. Various issues of the following local newspapers: *The Royal Gazette* under its varying names: *The Bermuda Colonist*; *The Colonist*; and *The Bermuda Recorder*.

BERMUDA RELATED MATERIAL IN FOREIGN REPOSITORIES

ENGLAND

BERKSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, SHIRE HALL, READING

MANUSCRIPTS OF THE MARQUESS OF DOWNSHIRE

Letter, John Woodall to William Trumbull, 7 October, 1613. Contains comments on the state of affairs in Bermuda.

Letter, Sir John Digby to (William Trumbull), from Madrid, 7 November, 1613. Mentions Bermuda and Spanish claims to it.

Letter, Sir John Digby to William Trumbull, from Madrid, 3 February, 1613–1614. Refers to the possibility of Spain removing the plantation at Bermuda.

Sir Edward Cecil to William Trumbull, from Utrecht. Endorsed 5 June, 1611. Refers to the fact that the 'Baramuthes' of little interest to the Spaniards.

John More to William Trumbull, from London, 30 August, 1610. Refers to the safety of the troop that 'lay lost in the Baramathaws'.

Newsletter from London, 7 July, 1687. Refers to Bermuda and ships supposed to be landed there.

Newsletter to Mr. Henry Hastings, merchant, Marseilles from Whitehall, 7 November, 1687. Refers to letters from Bermuda reporting on diving for Spanish galleon treasures.

Newsletter to Messrs. Goodman and Martin from London, 19 May, 1688. Refers to H.M.S. *Swan* arriving at Plymouth from Bermuda.

Letter, from William Dobyys to Sir William Trumbull, 2 December, 1700. Refers to Dr. Woollaston who had been recommended as Governor of Bermuda.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, LONDON ROAD, BRACKNELL, BERKSHIRE, RG12 2SZ

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Data giving maximum, minimum, wet and dry bulbs temperature, humidity, barometric pressure, rainfall amounts, surface wind and cloud amount with a few words of descriptive narrative. Royal Engineer Observatory. Position: 32° 22' 57.8"N 64° 40'W at 122.61 feet. (near St. George's). Royal Engineers No. 1. 1852–1900, (1854, 1863 to 1865 missing.)

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY RECORD OFFICE, COUNTY HALL, AYLESBURY

BULSTRODE MANUSCRIPTS

Rear Admiral Sir James Hope in Bermuda commenting on native opposition to Spanish in Santo Domingo. 9 April, 1864.

* A list of the printed material related to Bermuda to be found in the Meteorological Office Library is available in the Bermuda Archives.

Hope in Bermuda reporting on contact with British Consul in Havana and on suppression of slave trade. 11 May, 1864.

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY RECORD OFFICE, GRAMMAR SCHOOL WALK,
HUNTINGDON PE18 6LF, CAMBRIDGESHIRE**

"Map of Bermuda or Summer islands. 1738. Dedicated to Alured Popple Esq., Governor" by C. Lempriere and W.H. Toms. 23¼ in. x 9 in. (MD.3 FM.10/7. ACC. 1596) Part of the Duke of Manchester's collection.

Lease for 21 years. Edward, Earl of Manchester, Lord Chamberlain of the King's Household and John Wells, planter "of the Sommer Islands alias Bermudas, in the parts beyond the seas", 12 July, 1661. (DDM. 7/27)

**CUMBRIA ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT,
THE CARLISLE CASTLE, CUMBRIA CA3 8UR**

**LORD LONSDALE'S LIST OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF H.M. CUSTOMS AT HOME AND IN THE
PLANTATIONS**

Records Thomas Smith as Collector and a vacancy for the post of Search at the west end of the island. 1763. (Volume, ref. D.Lons/L)

DERBYSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, COUNTY OFFICES, MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE DE4 3AG

HURT PAPERS

Two letters from Francis Hurt to mother. 1853. Describes flora and landscape of Bermuda.

**ESSEX RECORD OFFICE, COUNTY HALL, CHELMSFORD CM1 1LX
ESSEX**

Disbursements on the account of the Bermudas. 6 September, 1675. Includes charges on the suit at law. (D/DBa 02/31)

Copies of Bermuda Council minutes on claim by Daniel Finch, Henry St. John and Thomas Barrington to land in Somers Islands. 13, 23 November, 1675. (D/DBa 02/32, 33)

Copy of letter from (Sir John) Heydon (Governor) to tenants of heirs at law of late Earl of Warwick. 2 December, 1675. (D/DBa 02/35)

List of names of Governor (Capt. John Darrel, sen.), Secretary, Sheriff, councillors, captains of trained bands and forts. n.d. (D/DBa 02/34)

Essex rental Daniel Finch, Earl of Nottingham, co-heir of Earl of Warwick, 1687, with memorandum referring to sale of "Bermuda Lands". (D/DK E1)

Copy of report on American colonies, including Bermuda or the Somers Islands, to House of Lords. 1734. (printed in A.C. Edwards' *English History from Essex Sources, 1550-1750*, 189-191) (D/DM 01/41)

Papers relating to the tour of the 56th Essex Regiment in Bermuda. 1852-1854. Mainly lists of yellow fever casualties. (D/DU 346/2/1-11)

GLOUCESTER RECORD OFFICE, SHIRE HALL, GLOUCESTER GL1 2TG

AGG FAMILY MANUSCRIPTS

Copy of the will of John Barr of St. George, Bermuda, merchant, with relevant papers. 1851–1870. (D855/F5)

HAMPSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, 20 SOUTHGATE STREET, WINCHESTER, HAMPSHIRE, SO23 9EF

WRIOTHESLEY (ESTATE) MANUSCRIPTS

Demise of land in the Summer Islands. 1637.

HEREFORD AND WORCESTER COUNTY RECORD OFFICE, THE OLD BARRACKS, HAROLD STREET, HEREFORD HR1 2QX

Letter books, Captain N.L. Pateshall, R.N., whilst commanding ships at Bermuda. 1815–1816. (A95 Box 73)

Diary of a tour of the West Indies by J. Biddulph. 1902–1903. (A89)

THE BRYNMOR JONES LIBRARY, THE UNIVERSITY OF HULL, COTTINGHAM ROAD, HULL, HUMBERSIDE HU6 7RX

LORD HOTHAM'S PAPERS

Order book, "Bermuda Port Orders", March 1808–July 1814. Among the papers of Admiral Sir Henry Hotham. (DDH0/7/44)

Order from Sir Thomas Hardy, on H.M.S. *Ramillies*, to Midshipman (later Admiral) George Frederick Hotham to take the American brig *Cornelia* into Bermuda as a prize. 26 April, 1813. (DDH0/9/2)

KENT ARCHIVES OFFICE, COUNTY HALL, MAIDSTONE, KENT ME14 1XQ

LORD SACKVILLE COLLECTION

The King had granted for seven years to the Companies of Plantations the import of tobacco from Virginia and Bermuda. c. 1662.

PAPILLON OF ACRISE PLACE MANUSCRIPTS

Letters to Thomas Papillon. from his brother Frederick in Bermuda, 1840. (U1015. C121/6-12)

KNOLE PARK, KENT

MANUSCRIPTS OF THE RT. HON. THE EARL DE LA WARR (BARON BUCKHURST)

Letters and papers about the Somers Isles and the Company of Merchant Adventurers.

Petition to the King by the Companys for Virginia and the Somers Islands.

Petition by the Somers Islands Company to the Lord Treasurer. 'They have brought the crop of Tobacco to the Port of London; it is of mean quantity; better Tobacco is brought from Spain.' They ask for remittance of duty. 1623.

**LANCASHIRE RECORD OFFICE,
BOW LANE, PRESTON, LANCASHIRE PR1 8ND**

HULTON MUNIMENTS

Conveyance: for £33 6s. 8d.; Richard Spitty of Graies Inn, gent., to William Jessop of High Holborne, gent.,—one full part and share of lands and ground within the Somer or Barmudas Islands situate lying and being within the tribe of the right honourable the Earl of Devonshire commonly called Lord Cavendish his tribe containing by estimation twenty and five acres be it more or lesse one side thereof abutting upon the share now or late of John Fletcher and Company and the other side of the land now or late of William Nichols'. 16 May, 1637.

Grant: Robert, Earle of Warwicke "Proprietor of the Province of Montgomery" to—Hall of the Somer Islands, otherwise called Bermuda, gent, who hath signified his desire to settle a Plantation in the Island of Trinidad — 300 ac. land in Trinidad — paying yearly for the 1st year 1lb of Tobacco of the growth of that Island and thereafter 50s. 10 English men to be planted and settled. 1 February, 1642/3. (Hulton Muniments: DDHu 53/21:22)

LEICESTERSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, 96 NEW WALK, LEICESTER LE1 7JB

Documents relating to lands owned by Robert Rich, Earl of Warwick, and his heirs, including Daniel Finch (Lord Finch) [afterwards 2nd Earl of Nottingham.] 1619, 1642, 1675–1683. (DG 7—Colonial and Overseas Possessions. Col. 1, Box 4964.)

11 documents as follow: Arbitramsul (?) by the Earls of Pembroke, Southampton and Devonshire allocating three out of seven parts of a surplusage of lands in dispute to Capt. Daniel Tucker, late Governor. 24 July, 1619. (True copy, May 22, 1677.) 2½ ff.

Indentures whereby Robert, Earl of Warwick (at his going to sea), granted to Sir Thomas Barrington and others, to the uses set forth, various advowsons in the county of Essex and his lands, etc., in Trinidad, Tobago, Barbados and Fonseca; Bermuda; and Providences. 31 March, 1642. (True copy, 7 leaves.)

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at St. George's 23 November, 1675. Opinions of members on an order of the Company to give possession to Daniel Finch, Henry St. John, and Thomas Barrington as heirs of the Earl of Warwick; with the opinion of the Governor, Sir John Heydon, in their favour. (True copy, 14 December, 1675, 2 ff. For the order referred to, see *Finch* II, f. 25.)

Sir John Heydon to the tenants of the heirs of the Earl of Warwick, deceased. Citing the order of the Company and the proceedings of the Council thereon as in (iii), and requiring them to comply with the demands of Mr. William Millborn, attorney and the agent of the heirs aforesaid. (True copy.) 1 f. 2 December, 1675.

The Court of the Somers Islands Company to Daniel Finch. Requesting him—after reference to a letter from the Privy Council, a committee for foreign plantations, and the heads of inquiries thereunto annexed, and a report of a committee of the company thereon—to acquaint the Lord Chancellor "of the different state of this company from other companys and plantations, and that the former Counsell of Trades being acquainted therewith did rent therein satisfied, without giving this company any further trouble. 1 August, 1676. 1 p. Endorsed (by Finch): "Order of ye Bermuda Company to me", with date.

Letter from Sir John Heydon to Daniel Finch. Relating to the objection of Mr. (Perient) Trott against French's title. (See also (iii) and (iv)). 28 December, 1676. Bermuda. Holograph. 1p.

Power of attorney from William Millborn of Devonshire Tribe in the Summer Islands alias Bermudas, merchant, to the Right Hon. Daniell Finch, esq. of the city of London to answer to all

actions, presentments, etc., brought against Millborn in any court by any person. 11 May, 1677. Signed, sealed and witnessed. $\frac{3}{4}$ p.

Articles of agreement between Thomas Barrington, Henry St. John and Daniel Finch of the one part and Perient Trott of London, merchant, of the other touching certain shares of land in Bermuda. 7 July, 1679. Parchment indentures, signed by Trott, sealed and witnessed.

Direction by Samuel Trott, son and heir of Perient Trott, to Barrington, St. John and Finch to convey certain shares of land in accordance with the terms of the foregoing agreement (viii) and of Perient Trott's will. 18 July, 1680. (True copy, 26 July, 1682.)

Letter from Daniel Finch to the tenants of the lands referred to in (ix), directing them as to the payment of their rents. 31 July, 1683. Draft, corrected and signed by Finch, with memorandum by him that he had signed two letters of that tenor and given them to Mr. Kecks, Sir Robert Clayton's servant, that day. 1p.

Letter from the freeholders and other inhabitants of Bermuda to the Governor concerning the Company's duties and the *quo warranto* mentioned in his letter to them of 25 January, 1681–2. 25 March, 1683. Copy. 1p.

**DEPARTMENT OF MANUSCRIPTS, BRITISH LIBRARY,
GREAT RUSSELL STREET, LONDON WC1B 3DG**

SLOANE MANUSCRIPTS

The History of the Bermudas by Captain Nathaniel Butler, Governor. (Sloane 750, ff. 5-162) (See also Sloane 758.)

Papers concerning trade, collected by Abraham Hill, member of Board of Trade, many relating to Barbados, the Bermudas, Jamaica, and the West Indies in general. 1696–1705. (Sloane 2902.)

Papers concerning Barbados and the Bermudas. (Sloane 2903, ff. 4, 30.)

Information by James Farmar of Bermuda about a Spanish wreck. 1685–1688. (Sloane 3984, f. 191.)

VANSITTART PAPERS

Maps and plans of America and the West Indies, including Bermuda, 17th and 18th centuries. (Add. 31357 A–Y)

HEYTESBURY PAPERS

Copy of tract by Captain N. Butler on the use of Bermuda Islands as a base for attacks on the Spanish Indies fleet. 1626. (Add. 41616 ff. 29b-35b) (See also another version in Bodleian MS. Tanner 73, f. 518.)

EGERTON MANUSCRIPTS

5 f. 10. "A comparison . . . between the contract made by the companies for Virginia and Summer Islands, in the year 1662, and the contract lately made by some undertakers who were the chief breakers (*sic*) of the former." An analysis of a new contract for the exploitation of the tobacco plantations in Virginia and the Somers Islands, drawn up apparently soon after the revocation of the charter of the Virginia Company in 1624. (2978. Heath and Verney Papers, Vol. 1.)

EGMONT PAPERS

Letter-book including copies of correspondence, mainly between George Berkeley and Perceval. Concerns the former's Rhode Island visit to purchase land in order to supply a proposed college in

Bermuda. Berkeley's letters include description of Newport, R.I., and his activities there. 1729–1730. (47032)

MANUSCRIPTS OF THE EARL OF BATHURST

Letter, (Vice Admiral George Berkeley to (?) Earl Bathurst) from Halifax, Nova Scotia, Berkeley pleads with Earl Bathurst to urge the Secretary of State to improve the defence of Bermuda. 13 August, 1807.

Letter, Sir John Borlass Warren to Viscount Melville from Bermuda. Urges improvement of defence of Bermuda, 13 March, 1813.

Letter, Earl Bathurst to Viscount Melville, from Downing Street. Refers to work in Bermuda. 14 May, 1813.

Letter, H(enry) E(dward) Bunbury to Earl Bathurst on reinforcements for Bermuda. 22 October, (1814).

"Memorandum of Arms gone and going to La Vendee." Refers to muskets brought back from Bermuda. 8 June, (1815).

Letter, Earl Bathurst to the King from Downing Street. Refers to the probable recall of Lieutenant-General Sir William Lumley, Governor and Commander-in-Chief at Bermuda. 27 May, 1824.

FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE LIBRARY, SANCTUARY BUILDINGS, GREAT SMITH STREET, LONDON SW1P 3BZ

Annual Reports. Agriculture and Fisheries 1956–1974; Audit (Finance) 1957–1968, 1970–1971; Board of Health 1956–1967; Civil Aviation 1956–1967; Crown Lands Corporation 1956–1967; Education 1956–1967; Estimates 1879/80–1974/75; Immigration 1956–1967; King Edward VII Hospital 1956–1966; Library 1956–1967; Marine and Ports 1959–1967; Police 1956–1977; Post Office 1956–1967; Prisons 1956–1966; Public Transportation 1956–1967; Public Works 1956–1967; Registrar General 1956–1967; Social Welfare Board 1956–1967; Trade 1956–1967; Trade Development Board 1956–1967; Transport Control Board 1956–1967; Treatment of Offenders Commissioners 1960–1967.

THE RECORD OFFICE, HOUSE OF LORDS, LONDON SW1

SHAW-LEFEVRE PAPERS (BOARD OF TRADE FILES)

Drafts, memos, and letters concerning, among other Acts, the Bermuda Act, 1845. (GRP 245.)
Petition of the Company of London or the plantation of the Summer Islands to (H.C.)

LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY, LONDON SE1 7JU

MANUSCRIPTS

Minutes of S.P.G., 1758–1766. (MS. 1124)¹

Letters from Edward Feild, Bishop of Newfoundland, 1844–1867. (MS. 1606, ff. 150–92)

Notes of clergy licensed to officiate in Bermuda, 1767–1777. (MS. 2589)

PAPERS OF THE ARCHBISHOPS OF CANTERBURY

These comprise the official correspondence of the Archbishops of Canterbury.

¹ Available on microfilm from World Publications Ltd

LONGLEY AND TEMPLE PAPERS

For Longley and Temple Papers see: J.E. Sayers and E.G.W. Bill, *Calendar of the Papers of Charles Thomas Longley, Archbishop of Canterbury 1862–1868 in Lambeth Palace Library*, 1976 and M. Barber, *Index to the Letters and Papers of Frederick Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury 1896–1902, in Lambeth Palace Library*, 1975.

TAIT PAPERS

The Tait Papers include correspondence with Edward Feild, Bishop of Newfoundland, on the use of the revised lectionary, 1871–1872, (Vols. 178, ff. 5–6; 186, ff. 106–11); correspondence on the appointment of his successor as Bishop of Newfoundland, 1876–1878 (Vol. 243, ff. 111–45).

DAVIDSON PAPERS

The Davidson Papers include correspondence with A.H. Browne, Bishop of Bermuda, on diocesan affairs, 1926. (1926 Bermuda)²

RECORDS OF THE VICAR GENERAL OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

The act books include records of appointment and consecration of bishops; a few ordinations of clergy for the colonies (e.g., Alexander Ewing, 1787), and the conferment of Lambeth degrees (e.g., A.G. Spencer, Archdeacon of Bermuda, 1827). For further information on the act books, 1663–1859, see: E.H.W. Dunkin, ed. by C. Jenkins and E.A. Fry, *Index to the Act Books of the Archbishops of Canterbury, 1663–1859*, (Index Library, Vols. 55, 63).

The colonial series of the Vicar General Records includes material on the appointment and consecration of the bishops of Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Bermuda from 1815.

RECORDS OF THE FACULTY OFFICE

The registers of foreign notaries, 1801–1896, include notes of the appointment of notaries public for Bermuda.

The muniment books and *fiats* also include further material on the appointment of notaries public and the conferment of Lambeth degrees from the 17th century.

PAPERS OF THE BISHOPS OF LONDON

Before 1787, the Bishops of London exercised jurisdiction over the Church of England in Bermuda.

FULHAM PAPERS

The Fulham Papers (American), Vols. 1–40, include correspondence on Bermuda, and records of ordinations and licences for clergy to officiate in Bermuda. For further detail see: W.W. Manross, *The Fulham Papers in the Lambeth Palace Library*. American Colonial Section. Calendar and Index, 1965.

The Fulham Papers (American), Vol. 42, includes lists of licences for clergy to officiate in Bermuda, 1728–1746.³

BLOMFIELD PAPERS

Letter books of C.J. Blomfield, Bishop of London, 1828–1855. (FP 334–401.)⁴

² The Tait, Davidson and Lang Papers have not yet been indexed and may contain other relevant material

³ All the Fulham Papers (American) are available on microfilm from World Microfilm Publications Ltd.

⁴ The Collection is available on microfilm from Mansell Publishing

TAIT PAPERS

The Tait Papers include replies to the Bishop's circular on the primacy of Canterbury and the organisation of the Colonial Churches, 1866 (Vol. 159, ff. 300–13); letters from Edward Feild, Bishop of Newfoundland, requesting the appointment of an assistant bishop, 1867 (Vol. 146, ff. 272–3).

LAMBETH CONFERENCE PAPERS

The papers include *The synod acts and constitution and other acts relating to the powers and duties of the synod*, (1878–1900), (LC 136, ff. 181–95); correspondence with Llewellyn Jones, Bishop of Newfoundland, 1887–1912; correspondence with C.L. Worrall, Archbishop of Nova Scotia and paper by Claude Jenkins, Professor of Ecclesiastical History at King's College, London, on the status and history of the dioceses of Bermuda and Newfoundland, 1918 (LC 136, ff. 98–102, 110–23). There may be other relevant material in the proceedings and reports of the Conference.

PAPERS OF S.P.G.

These comprise minutes, 1701–1750, and correspondence of the Society, 18th century. For further details see: W.W. Manross, *S.P.G. Papers in the Lambeth Palace Library. Calendar and Indexes*, 1974.⁵

PAPERS OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH SOCIETY

The papers of the Society were deposited in the Library in 1973. They include material on Bermuda, notably letters from the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and the Archdeacon of Bermuda, early 19th century.⁶

LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY, LIVINGSTON HOUSE 11 CARTERET STREET, LONDON S W 1

Correspondence: in-letters

Several letters concerning the sending of a missionary to Bermuda. 1814–1820.

POST OFFICE RECORDS, POSTAL HEADQUARTERS, ST. MARTIN'S-LE-GRAND, LONDON E.C. 1

There are extensive records dealing with the setting up of postal services with Bermuda, and subsequent associated matters arising. They are, however, spread over many different categories of material, such as administrative working papers, letter books, miscellaneous reports and various manuscript ledger entries. One of the foremost series containing information on Bermuda is the Packet Series.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, CHANCERY LANE, LONDON WC 2A 1LR (See under listing for Public Record Office, Richmond, Surrey)

⁵These papers are available on microfilm from World Microfilm Publications Ltd.

⁶The microfilm will be available before the publication of the *Guide*

**ROYAL ARTILLERY INSTITUTION,
OLD ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY, WOOLWICH, LONDON SE18 4JJ**

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR JOHN HENRY LEFROY COLLECTION

(Access number 2593/7904/13. Military documents number 1101)

Letters, autographs, commissions, etc. reflecting Sir Henry's military, scientific and antiquarian interests. 17th–19th centuries. MSS. 4 vols. (1101/1-4)

Some miscellaneous papers belonging to Sir Henry Lefroy. (1101/5). These include the following:
28 March, 1871: Earl of Kimberley from Downing Street (Secretary of State for the Colonies 1870) to Major-General Lefroy: announcing his appointment as Governor of Bermuda.

12 April, 1871: Earl Kimberley to Major-General Lefroy: transmitting Royal Commission on appointing him Governor of Bermuda, and instructions.

27 March, 1871: John Fox Burgoyne to Lefroy: congratulations on his appointment as Governor of Bermuda.

28 February, 1877: 4th Earl of Carnarvon to Lefroy: about his retirement from the Governorship of Bermuda.

11 March, 1876: John Harvey Darrell to Lefroy: papers on Prynn's (Pryme's?) pamphlet: the Church in Bermuda.

Correspondence concerning Dunkirk between His Majesty's Secretaries of State and J.P. Desmaretz and Andrew Frazer. 1762–1774. MSS. 3 vols. (1101/6-8)

Address from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, Tasmania. 3 November, 1881. (1101/9 RAI 7904/13)

**ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY LIBRARY,
18 NORTHUMBERLAND AVENUE, LONDON, WC2N 5BJ**

Prize Decree on *Los Dos Amigos*. Exemplification of Decree of the Court of Appeals for Prizes in the case of the ship *Los Dos Amigos*. The ship *Los Dos Amigos*, laden with cotton was taken as lawful prize by H.M.S. *Carrow* on 29 March, 1815. A counter-claim was instituted in the Courts at Bermuda. 21 November, 1816.

ROYAL UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION, WHITEHALL, LONDON, SW 1

Report on the defences of Bermuda. 1826–1827. (MM 169)

**SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, MALET STREET, LONDON WC1E 7HP**

METHODIST MISSIONARY ARCHIVES

There are records relating to Bermuda in this collection but they are scattered and it is difficult to trace them in existing indexes.

SKINNERS' HALL, 8 DOWGATE HILL, LONDON, EC 4

Court book of Skinners' Company mentions poor tawyers (one who prepares leather) going to Bermuda. 17th century.

LIBRARY, SOCIETY OF FRIENDS, EUSTON, LONDON

Account of visit by Jas. Dickinson (Quaker Minister 1659–1741 : DNB) to West Indies and America. n.d.

THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE (S.P.C.K.), HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, MARYLEBONE ROAD, LONDON, NW1 4DU

Minute books and letter books, 18th century. References and correspondence concerning Dean George Berkeley's project for a college in Bermuda, and the raising of subscriptions in England for that end.

Overseas grant books, minute books of the Society and of its committees, printed annual and monthly reports, 19th and 20th centuries. (Mostly under the Diocese of Newfoundland, but some references separately indexed, until 1917.)

Bermuda District Committee of S.P.C.K., references and office-holders listed, 1820–1914.

Grants for printing press, type and libraries, with supporting documentation of needs of Bermuda. 1842–1848.

Grants for churches at St. David's and Hamilton, with supporting documentation. 1842, 1849.

Grants of books and lantern slides. Various times.

UNITED SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL, 15 TUFTON STREET, LONDON, SW1P 3QQ

The Society began work in Bermuda in 1882 and was active until approximately 1860. Since that time there have been occasional honorary missionaries.

Bermuda was in the diocese of Nova Scotia until 1839, and afterwards in the diocese of Newfoundland. The manuscripts are filed under 'Canada'.

Journals of the Society (contain minutes from 1701 of meetings of S.P.C. Until the mid-19th century, they contain precis of letters and reports from missionaries in the field).

Minute books, Standing Committee and others. From 1701. Contain minutes of principal executive committee, and other committees or sub-committees dealing with specific aspects of the Society's business.

'C' Manuscripts. The Nova Scotia boxes contain material relating to the Bermudas (Correspondence, reports, episcopal visitations) 1822–1839, similarly Newfoundland, 1839–c. 1860.

'D' Manuscripts. Letters, etc. from bishops and missionaries. Bound volumes to 1938, thereafter unbound in boxes. Arranged annually by diocese. 1850–1958.

'E' Manuscripts. Missionary reports. Bound in annual volumes to 1938, thereafter unbound in boxes. c. 1845–1949.

CLR (copies of letters received) Nova Scotia: Newfoundland. c. 1835–1927.

CLS (copies of letters sent) Nova Scotia; Newfoundland. c. 1835–1945.

THE STEPHENSON LOCOMOTIVE SOCIETY, 32 RUSSELL ROAD, LONDON, W 14

Locomotive listing for the Bermuda Railway, 1938.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, DELAPRE ABBEY, NORTHAMPTON, NN4 9AW
(Records at Boughton House, access through Record Office)

BERMARLE PAPERS, MONTAGUE (BOUGHTON) COLLECTION

letter from Edward Conway, Bermuda to D. of A. He says that here they would not believe that Longmouth was dead and remain in rebellion against the Governor, have demanded his magazine and taken two of the forts. They opened a packet containing a letter from Lord Sunderland but only gave the Governor a copy so that there is some doubt of its authenticity. They shot and wounded the Governor but he saved his life. When Capt. Sharpe the Governor detained him with 0 men and the writer stayed longer than usual as assistance to him to recapture the two forts. 17 March, 1685/6. (No. 66)

copy of a letter from Lord Sunderland countersigned by James II to Richard Cony esqre Ltd. Governor and Commander in Chief of Bermuda. Has received his complaint addressed to Daniel Earl of Nottingham and seen articles against him of W. Milbourne and W. Righton. Now orders anyone having anything to depose concerning the same matter to have liberty to depose it before any members of 'Counsell' or justice of the peace in Bermuda delivered to each party concerned and that all the affidavits be transmitted for a hearing in Council. 14 May, 1685. (No. 60)

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, COUNTY HOUSE, NOTTINGHAM NG1 1HR

EDGE OF STRELLEY PAPERS

1797–1809. Correspondence of Thomas Webb Edge and Lady Warren (at London, Halifax and Bermuda), business and family. 1 letter. The reference to Bermuda only in the correspondent's address. (DDE 3/21)

THE LIBRARY, ALL SOULS COLLEGE, OXFORD

SIR CHARLES RICHARD VAUGHAN'S PAPERS

Joseph Planta. 1 letter to him from Vaughan. 1827. Refers to mails for the Bermudas.

DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH, BLENHEIM PALACE, WOODSTOCK, OXFORDSHIRE

MARLBOROUGH AND SUNDERLAND PAPERS

Letters and papers relating to Bermuda. 2 December, 1706–12; March 1707. (D1-1) (H.M.C. 1:18th. R.I. :Blenheim : p.48)

BODLEIAN LIBRARY, OXFORD, OX1 3BG

Drawings and watercolours, including a few of Bermuda. 1811–1814. (MS. Eng. misc. e. 603)

NORTH PAPERS

List of goods imported from Britain. 1769–1770. (MS. North c. 83, ff. 3^v-25)

CLARENDON MANUSCRIPTS

The case of the Bermudas, by Captain Brett. 1661. (MS. Clarendon 102, ff. 1-2)

Brief description of situation, extent of plantations, etc. 1661. (MS. Clarendon 102, ff. 3-4)

TANNER MANUSCRIPTS

Autograph tract by Captain Nathaniel Butler, Governor of Bermuda, 1626. On the use of the Bahamas as a base for an attack on the Spanish and Portuguese fleets. (MS. Tanner 73 f. 518)

Letters Patent of Charles II for the creation of a See of Virginia, with its cathedral at Jamestown, to include Virginia, Maryland, Bermuda, Barbados, Leeward Islands and Jamaica, n.d. (post 1667) (MS. Tanner 447, ff. 69–76)

RAWLINSON MANUSCRIPTS

Letters from Vice-Admiral Goodson to the Governor of Bermuda proposing to send people from thence to Jamaica, 24 September, 1655. (MS. Rawl. A.5, p.405: Birch IV, 5)

Letter to J. Forster, Governor of Bermuda, about his proposals for transplanting from Bermuda to Jamaica and mentioning the plate fleet. 24 September, 1655. (MS. Rawl. A.30, pp. 401–5 : Birch IV, 51-2)

Letter from J. Forster, Governor of Bermuda, and Major Sedgwick to the officers in Jamaica. 4 January 1655/1656. (MS. Rawl. A.34, p. 183 : Birch IV, 389)

Application by Mrs. Forster, wife of the Governor of Bermuda, for payment of her husband's salary. October, 1655. (MS. Rawl. A.257. f.105)

Draft commission to—. 1684. Coney to be governor of the Bermudas. (MS. Rawl. A.257. f. 105)

Original copies of letters of John Bruce Hope, Governor of Bermuda, to Secretaries of State and to the Board of Trade and Plantations. 1722–1726. (MS. Rawl. A.267)

Correspondence and papers relating to a project for the recovery of treasure allegedly buried by the Spaniards on Ireland Island, Bermuda. 1608, 1692–3. (MS. Rawl. A.305)

Proceedings of Quarter Sessions in Bermuda, July 1689–October 1724. (MS. Rawl. A.330)

Copy-book of John Bruce Hope's private correspondence. 1722–1729. (MS. Rawl. A.484)

Minutes of Council of Bermuda, 1721–1727. (MS. Rawl. C.170, pp. 9–115)

Proceedings in the Court of Quarter Sessions for Bermuda. 25 July, 1689–8 October, 1689. (MS. Rawl. C.710)

Copies of documents relating to the government and administration of Bermuda. 1615–1688. (MS. Rawl. D. 764)

DASHWOOD PAPERS

Letter from Bermuda. 1762. Concerns administration of Peru. (MS. D.D. Dashwood Bucks. B. 7/1)

BRYCE PAPERS

Letters relating to Boer prisoners in Bermuda. 1901.

RHODES HOUSE, OXFORD

JONES PAPERS

Arthur Creech Jones' papers on education in Bermuda. 1937–1938. (MSS. Brit. Emp. S332)

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, OXFORD

Minutes of the General Board of Adventurers in the Whale-fishing in the Bermudas. 1670–1671.

LIEUT.-COL. JAMES HANBURY, BURLEY-ON-THE-HILL, RUTLAND

FINCH PAPERS

Nicholas Trott in Bermuda to—. 24 July, 1690. Concerns the taking of St. Christophers from the French and the English intention 'to clear the Indies of the French'. (H.M.C. 71: Finch 1: pp. 384)

SOMERSET RECORD OFFICE, OBRIDGE ROAD, TAUNTON, SOMERSET, TA2 7PU

21 letters to Sir Charles Pym: 1660–1670. Relate to his estate affairs, and trade. (DD/BR/ely 2)

Report of a meeting of the General Court of the Somers Island Company. 1666 (DD/BR/ely 2)

Conveyance of a share in lands called Pagetts Tribe by Sir Charles' widow and trustees to William Jessop. 1673. (DD/BR/ely 2)

**STAFFORDSHIRE RECORD OFFICE, COUNTY BUILDINGS,
EASTGATE STREET, STAFFORD, ST16 2LZ**

DARTMOUTH PAPERS

William Legge, 2nd Earl of Dartmouth (1731–1802), was President of the Board of Trade and Foreign Plantations, 1765–6; Secretary of State for the American Department and President of the Board of Trade, 1772–5; and Lord Privy Seal, 1775–82.

List of offices, officers, how appointed, salary and how paid in provinces of, among others, Bermuda. (D(W) 1778/11 1957/B)

Memorandum of minutes, possibly of the Board of Trade, relative to the trade of the Bermuda Islands. 31 January, 1766. (D(W) 1778/11/2047)

Robert Nettleton to Lord Dartmouth asking his Lordship's recommendation for some provision for Mr. Popple. 1 May, 1766. Enclosure: Henry Popple to Lord Dartmouth: Memorial: he is the son of Governor Alured Popple of Bermuda decd. and requests assistance. (D(W) 1778/2048)

Lionel Chalmers: account of whale species which frequent Bermuda Islands, etc. 18 May, 1773. (D(W) 1778/11/2049)

Henry Boldero to Lord Dartmouth *re* recovery of a debt at Bermuda. 7 March, 1773. Enclosure memorandum *re* bond, etc. (D(W) 1778/11/2050)

Mr. Leonard, Chief Justice of Bermuda to Lord Dartmouth. Covering letter. Enclosures: facts of the State, Inhabitants and Customs Revenue of the Island of Bermuda; Memorial to Lord North: there is no salary attached to the office the writer holds and desires one may be annexed to the office of Chief Justice. (D(W) 1778/11/2051)

Paper headed 'Agenda' consisting of memoranda of letters and papers under-headings including Trade, General, Bermuda. 1767. (D(W) 1778/11/269)

Edward Northey's report on a Bermudan woman claiming to have found a new way to refine corn and a means of making bonnets from palmetta leaves, temp. Q. Anne. (D(W) 1778/V/698)

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, KEW, RICHMOND, SURREY, TW9 4DJ

(Those records still held at Chancery Lane, London, are marked with an asterisk)

ADMIRALTY

Out-letters. Letters *re* convoys, one to Bermuda. 1794. (Adm 2 (IND) 1097)

Transport Department records. Bermuda victuals supply. 1794. (Adm 108:4)

CABINET OFFICE

Committee of Imperial Defence: sub-committee Colonial Defence Committee. Defence Schemes. Memoranda or instructions by Colonial/Overseas Defence Committee to Colonial Governors and Officers commanding concerning various aspects of defence schemes. This class includes papers relating to Bermuda. 1863–1914. (Cab 11)

CHANCERY*

Masters' exhibits. Farrar (master). An unknown cause. Affidavits, papers and certificates about Geo. Forbes of Aberdeen and Bermuda and other members of his family. (C.08:402)

COLONIAL OFFICE

The Colonial Office records are the most important class of records pertaining to Bermuda.

Board of Trade. Original correspondence. 1709–1792. (C.O. 37:9:24)

Secretary of State. Original correspondence. 1703–1715. (C.O. 37:26-73)

Board of Trade. Entry books. 1711–1782. (C.O. 28:7-11)

Secretary of State. Entry books. 1777–1820. (C.O. 38:13-20)

Letters from the Secretary of State to the Governor. 1859–1865. (C.O. 38:13-20)

Acts. 1690–1936. (C.O. 39)

Sessional papers. 1687–1940. (C.O. 40:1-23)

Miscellanea. 1844–1845. Includes *Bermuda Gazette* (C.O. 41:2); *Blue Book* (C.O. 41:20 and C.O. 41:85-134)

Register of Correspondence. 1850–1930. (C.O. 334)

Bermuda Acts. Date on Act 911. (C.O. 383:14)

Correspondence, register of out-letters. 1872–1925. (C.O. 499)

Supplementary correspondence. (C.O. 537)

Government Gazettes. 1902–1940. (C.O. 647)

Bermuda currency seizures. 1940s. (C.O. 969:84)

CUSTOMS

Plantation Department records. Bermuda: 15 vols., numbers 264–278. 1811–1855. (Customs 34)

EXCHEQUER AND AUDIT DEPARTMENT*

Bermuda 'Accounts Current' to Treasury. Payments to officials and businesses. 1826–1838. (A.O. 3:226)

MINT

Bermuda. 1816. Cost of Seal. (Mint 1:19)

Bermuda. 1847. Old coins. (Mint 6:56)

Coins redeemed from Bermuda. 1932. (Mint 6:63)

Movement of coins between Royal Mint and Bermuda. 1885–1901. (Mint 6:77-79)

Extensive accounts on coin delivered to Bermuda. 1826–1831. (Mint 8:35)

Coin decrrial, including Bermuda. 1876. (Mint 13:10)

Royal Mint. Bermuda note. 1884. (Mint 13:14)

PRIVY COUNCIL (OFFICE)*

Commission for Popple, Hamilton and Crawford. (P.C. 1:58)

Governor Bruere's Instruction. (cf. Popple) (P.C. 1:59 B5)

Bermuda 1787 Act : confirmed 1790. (P.C. 2:135)

Letters on coins, Bermuda. 1793. (P.C. 2:137)

Bermuda letters, Order in Council, and Proclamation. (P.C. 2:138)

BOARD OF TRADE

Freeport. St. George's, Hamilton. 1792. (BT5:8)

WAR OFFICE

Registered papers. General Series Bermuda: proposed route via New York for military details. 1911. W.O. 32:1034)

Miscellanea. Lands, rents, and buildings. This section includes Bermuda. 1732–1932. (W.O. 55)

Correspondence: letter books. Transportation to Bermuda from America of soldiers under sentence. 1824. (W.O. 81:64)

BRAYBROOKE MANUSCRIPTS

Copies of letters (3) and list of signatures of complaint of Assembly of Bermuda against Governor William Popple. 1747–1749.

THE LIBRARY, ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW, RICHMOND, SURREY

Correspondence addressed principally to successive Directors of the Royal Botanic Gardens relating to botany, economic botany and plant collecting. Volume entitled Bermuda, Barbados & Grenada Misc. 1874–1928.

EAST SUSSEX RECORD OFFICE, PELHAM HOUSE, ST. ANDREW'S LANE LEWES, EAST SUSSEX BN7 1UN

BATTLE ABBEY ESTATE ARCHIVES

Two journals kept by Sir Godfrey Webster. June 1834. Describes a visit to Bermuda when he was sailing around the West Indies in H.M.S. *Racehorse*. (BAT MS. 4861, 4682)

MARQUIS OF ABERGAVENNY'S MANUSCRIPTS

18 January, 1778. Minutes of a Cabinet Council held at Lord North's in Downing Street. Lord Amherst's opinion conveyed to a meeting that a company, not less than 50 men, should be sent to the Bermudas.

LORD EGREMONT, PETWORTH HOUSE, SUSSEX

LECONFIELD MANUSCRIPTS

"A Discourse of a design on the West Indian fleet by way of the Bermudas". Early 17th century. (H.M.C. 5:6th R.:Leconfield : pp. 300, 305)

**WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY RECORD OFFICE, PRIORY PARK,
CAPE ROAD, WARWICK CV34 4JS**

WARD-BOUGHTON-LEIGH PAPERS

Letters concerning problems of City of London company for plantation of Summer Islands (the Bermudas) and possessions of Sir John Heydon there, 1677, 1683. Act of Parliament for settling estate of Anne Bridges in the Bermudas. 1699. (CR 162/550-552)

Notifications of appointments of Sir John Heydon as Chief Governor and Captain of the King's Castle. 1668-1676. (CR 162/685-686)

Letter from Heydon to his brother John Hubbard, solr., letter relating to the state of Sir John Heydon's possessions in the Summer Islands. 1683.

Papers of Sir E.N. Newdegate, as Major-General of troops, 1888 and as Governor and Commander-in-Chief, 1891-1892. (CR 764/250)

SEYMOUR OF RAGLEY

Volume of letters, charts, notes on naval organisation, navigation, etc. 1852. Papers *re* Bermuda's defences. 1840-1855. (CR 114/A/428B, 434)

MAPS

The Stag Channel, Bermuda. 1851. (CR 114/A/445/1)

**SOUTH WILTS AND BLACKMORE MUSEUM, ST. ANN STREET,
SALISBURY, WILTSHIRE**

SHORTT CORRESPONDENCE

Letters of Admiral F.H. Shortt to his wife from the West Indies, Bermuda, Nova Scotia, Hong Kong, etc. 1860-1880.

**THE RT. HON. THE EARL OF SCARBOROUGH,
SANDBECK PARK, YORKSHIRE (Private Papers)**

LUMLEY PAPERS

Lord Bathurst to Earl of Scarborough; has written to Sir W. Lumley proposing to submit his name as governor of Bermuda.

LEEDS ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT, YORKSHIRE

INGILBY RECORDS

Letter from John Borlass Warren, Bermuda, including reference to sheep required by the Board of Agriculture.

WALES

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF WALES, ABERYSTWYTH, WALES

MANUSCRIPTS OF MISS CONWAY GRIFFITH

Two manuscripts on Bermuda. 1706.

SCOTLAND

DEPARTMENT OF MANUSCRIPTS NATIONAL LIBRARY OF SCOTLAND, EDINBURGH, EH1 1EW

COCHRANE PAPERS

Letters of Sir James Cockburn, Governor of Bermuda, to Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cockrane. 1814. (MS. 2338, ff. 39-44)

SIR CHARLES ELLIOT PAPERS

General correspondence of Sir Charles Elliot. Includes 8 letters, 1846–1848, relating to Elliot's Governorship of Bermuda, among which are letters of Lords Aberdeen and Grey. (MS. Acc. 5534, Box 2)

MCCLEOD OF GEANIES PAPERS

Two letters of Lieutenant William McCleod, R.N., to his father, Donald McCleod, third, of Geanies, written from Bermuda. 1795–1796. (MS. Acc. 5340, Box 2, F.2)

MINTO PAPERS

Letter of Lord John Russell to the 2nd Earl of Minto, with copies of letters of and to Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas Harvey, concerning the naval dockyard in Bermuda. 1841. (MS. 11774, ff. 15-25)

NISBET PAPERS

Account of salaries of the Chief Justice of Bermuda. 1785. (MS. 5496, f. 189)

Correspondence of Ladies Charlotte, Harriet and Elizabeth Elliot. Includes letters concerning social life in Bermuda. 1841–1843, 1845. (MS. 11778, ff. 66, 74, 78, 99, 110, 120, 134, 145-9, 152-5, 200, 214. MS. 11779, ff. 1, 17, 34-53, 70, 76-85, 95, 106, 197, MS. 11781, f.10)

Sketch maps of Bermuda islands. 1843. (MS. 11779, ff. 73, 242)

NATIONAL REGISTER OF ARCHIVES (SCOTLAND), P.O. BOX 36, H.M. GENERAL REGISTER HOUSE, EDINBURGH EH1 3YY

Access to the following papers should be sought through the National Register of Archives (Scotland).

ADAM OF BLAIR, ADAM MUNIMENTS

Miscellaneous naval correspondence, mainly Bermuda. 1841–1845.

Louise A. Thomson. Journals of voyages to Bermuda, etc. 1843–1845.

EARL OF HADDINGTON PAPERS

Some references to Bermuda to be found.

SCOTTISH RECORDS OFFICE, H.M. GENERAL REGISTER HOUSE, EDINBURGH

BRUCE OF ARNOT

Letters as to a claim by Eveleigh, a Carolina merchant, against Sir John Bruce Hope while governor of Bermuda, 1735–1741, and “True Account of the rare proceedings of the Governor of Bahama Islands under John Tinker, the present Governor.” (Estate papers, Bundle 10)

JOHN MAGGREGOR COLLECTION

Correspondence, and papers relating to the Bermuda garrison; mainly instructions to Mr. Simon Fraser. 1782–99. (G.D. 50/185/267)

DALHOUSIE

Papers concerning proposal to raise Maltese riflemen for service in Bermuda, etc. 1847–1848. (G.D. 45/8/37)

MELVILLE CASTLE

Draft letter from Lord Melville to Vice-Admiral Domett explaining the reasons why Lady Warren’s request for passage to join her husband, Admiral Sir John Warren, at Bermuda had been refused. 1813. (GD 51/2/474)

ROSS ESTATE PAPERS

Letter from D. McNeil, Bermuda about military establishments there. 1807. (GD 47/754)

DUNDONALD

Letters to Lord Auckland, First Lord of Admiralty, from 10th Earl of Dundonald, regarding devices for deepening Stag Channel, Bermuda. 1848–1849. (GD 233/Box 85)

MISCELLANEOUS ACCESSIONS

Papers, including letters (5) to William Sheddon at Bermuda and New York on business matters. 1780–1794. (GD 1/67)

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, GEORGE SQUARE, EDINBURGH EH8 9LJ

LAING MANUSCRIPTS

Letter from Admiral Cochrane, Bermuda, to Admiral Durham, Leeward Islands, requesting ammunition to be sent from West Indies. 1814. (MS. La. II. 159-printed in H.M.C. Laing II, 758-9)

Letter of M. Bolton about minting copper coins for Bermuda, 6 August, 1804. (MS. La. II 453²)

Journal of Sir William Jardine, naturalist, of visit to Bermuda, Barbados, Trinidad and Jamaica, including descriptions of places, people, sugar manufacture, pitch lake, etc. 1860–1. (MS. DK. 6.20)

NORTHERN IRELAND

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND, 66 BALMORAL AVENUE, BELFAST, BT9 6NY

Journal of a voyage of H.M.S. *Pegasus* to Bermuda. March 1786–June 1787. (D. 1603)

Extract from the State Papers, Ireland, which are in the P.R.O., relating to the setting up of a college in Bermuda, 'for the advancement of religion and learning among the savage Americans'. 1724/5. (T. 610)

Journal kept by A.C. Dawson, while on board H.M.S. *Nieman* in which he describes his visit to Bermuda. 1821. (D.618/36B)

Two letters from John Mitchell, Irish Nationlist, written from exile in Bermuda. 1849. (D.1078/M3A and 4A)

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND, KILDARE STREET, DUBLIN 2

MANUSCRIPTS OF THE MARQUIS OF ORMONDE

Letter, from Francis Gwyn to Ormonde. 26 February, 1680/1. Sent from Whitehall and on the subject of the Governor of Bermuda, Sir John Heydon. (MS. 2408 Ormonde MSS. Vol. 108 pp. 209, 213, 214)

Letter from B. Bennett to Ormonde from Bermuda concerning apples and oranges. 9 June, 1701. (MS. 2457 Ormonde MSS. Vol. 157 pp. 81-82)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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WINSLOW MANLEY BELL BERMUDIANA COLLECTION 1674–1916

Court records, 1706–1764, laws, 1690–1788; historical essays, extracts from newspapers, and other material concerning Bermuda and its history, compiled by Bell during the preparation of his histories of Bermuda.

AMERICA-BRITISH COLONIES

'Plantation Reports, 1682–1724". 1 volume includes reports on Bermuda made to the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantation.

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA RECORDS

Records kept by the U.S. consul at Bermuda, of arrivals and departures of Confederate vessels at Bermuda and Nassau.¹ 1861–1865.

GEORGE COCKBURN PAPERS

Include a significant body of material pertaining to the history of the West Indies, Bermuda, and the mid-Atlantic states, with vivid descriptions of the social and political conditions present in these areas. Early 1800s.

¹On reel 69 of the microfilm edition.

PETER FORCE PAPERS

Volume entitled "Papers Relating to the Colonies and Plantations in America, 1691-1775", which includes a list of the estimated value of exports for the continental provinces, Newfoundland, Bahamas and Bermuda.¹ 1768-1770.

UNKNOWN-TOUR FROM BERMUDA

Anonymous journal of a tour from Bermuda. 7 August-2 December 1833.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE, WASHINGTON D.C. 20408

GENERAL RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Record Group 59)

Before 1906

Diplomatic instructions of the Department of State to United States Ministers to Great Britain. 1801-1906.

Despatches from United States Ministers to Great Britain. 1791-1906.

Consular Instructions of the Department of State. 1801-1834.

Despatches from United States Consuls in Bermuda. 1818-1906.

Instructions of the Department of State to Special Missions. 1810-1906. (Includes correspondence regarding a mission to recover slaves captured and sold in Bermuda and the British West Indies by the British during the War of 1812.)

1906-1910

Material relating to Bermuda accessible through card index in the National Archives which lists communications to and from U.S. legations and consulates.

1910-1949

These State Department records are filed according to a decimal classification system. The Purport Lists provide a description of each document in the Decimal File. Major decimal files for Bermuda include:

548G1 - Bermuda Conference, 1943; 611.44h - Export trade with the U.S.; 644h.00 - Import trade of Bermuda; 711.44h - Political relations between the U.S. and Bermuda; 844h - Internal affairs of Bermuda.

FOREIGN SERVICE POST RECORDS (Record Group 84)

Post Records consist of files maintained at U.S. diplomatic and consular posts abroad. Consular Post Records for Bermuda exist for:

Hamilton, 1853-1935, 1940-1943, 1950-1952. Included are some interfiled records from St. George's, 1853-1872. (42 feet)
St. George's, 1878-1942. (3 feet)

RECORDS OF THE AMERICAN COMMISSION TO NEGOTIATE PEACE

Inquiry document, Number 697, entitled "Economic Changes in Bermuda in Consequence of the War", by Ethelbert Watts, American Consul General in Charge, Hamilton, Bermuda. 4 June, 1918. (3 pages.)

NAVAL RECORDS COLLECTION OF THE OFFICE OF NAVAL RECORDS AND LIBRARY

Various Navy ships did stop in Bermuda while cruising in the Atlantic. Also, during the Civil War some ships patrolled the waters around Bermuda to watch Confederate blockade runners docked here. Pertinent documents are among the "Squadron Letters" and the "Area File".

In Series 8A, item 28, reel 4 of the microfilm edition.

RECORDS OF THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL (Record Group 24)

Deck logs of Navy ships that stopped off in Bermuda are among these records.

WAR DEPARTMENT COLLECTION OF CONFEDERATE RECORDS (Record Group 109)

Documents relating to Confederate ships, including blockade runners. Some blockade runners did dock in Bermuda before making a run for the South Atlantic coast.

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS (Record Group 77)

An index are reports pertaining to fortification in Bermuda. 1789–1889.

**THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES, THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA,
GAINSVILLE, FLORIDA 32611**

The Royal Gazette. Hamilton. The Library has incomplete holdings covering May 1959–December 1964 on microfilm. (079.7299 R888)

SURVEYOR GENERAL DEPARTMENT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

30th of the entries below probably have rerecordings of Loyalists who left Georgia during the Revolution. Some of these went to Bermuda.

Entry of claims for Georgia landholders. 1733–1755. Record of the early land owners rerecording their grants in 1755. (printed version available)

English Crown grants in Georgia. 1755–1775. (printed version available)

**WILLIAM L. CLEMENTS LIBRARY, THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN,
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48109**

SHELBURN PAPERS

Volume 79 of the collection endorsed “West Indies, Lord Rodney; Mosquito and Honduras; Demeray, Bermuda; Merchants’ Petitions; Sugar Refiners”.

Various other references.

NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY, FIFTH AVENUE AND 42nd STREET, NEW YORK

MANUSCRIPTS OF REGINALD HOLMONDELEY

Papers on Virginia and the Somer Islands.

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG FOUNDATION, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA 23185

WILLIAM BLAYTHWAYT PAPERS

Volume XXXVI contains correspondence from the Governors and other prominent persons in Bermuda, including letters from Richard Cony, Capt. Goddard, Sir Robert Robinson, Samuel Spofforth. 1685–1701. (Section 9 in Guide)

THE EARL GREGG SWEM LIBRARY, THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY
IN VIRGINIA, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA 23185

UCKER-COLMAN PAPERS, 1675-1956

family, business, legal, literary, and personal papers of St. George Tucker (1752-1827) of Williamsburg, Virginia, and his descendants, particularly his son, Nathaniel Beverley Tucker (1784-1851), and his granddaughter, Cynthia Beverley Tucker Washington Coleman. St. George, who came from Bermuda in 1771 to study at the College of William and Mary, was a prominent Virginia lawyer, jurist, teacher of law at the College of William and Mary, poet and playwright. Included in his papers are a goodly number of letters from his family in Bermuda written during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Letters: 1770-1786, from his father, Henry Tucker (1713-1787); letters, 1770-1790 from his mother, Anne (Butterfield) Tucker; letters, 1768-1792, from his brother-in-law, Henry Tucker (1736-1793); letters, 1772-1807, from his mother, Henry Tucker (1743-1808); letters, 1770-1826, from his sister, Elizabeth Tucker (1747-18); and, letters, 1772-1825, from his sister, Frances (Tucker) Tucker (1740-1825).

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, SECRETARY OF STATE,
ARCHIVES DIVISION, STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133

A number of volumes remain to be indexed and may well include further Bermuda related material.

Bermudos taken off the list of prohibited places in anticipation of its capture by a fleet under Sir George Ayscue. 17 October, 1651. (Vol. 60:21^a)

Although trade was formerly prohibited with Bermudars, by an order of the General Court, because this place was in rebellion against the Commonwealth of England now it appears that Sir George Ayscue's fleet will reduce Barbados and trade can be resumed, with the permission of the Governor or two of the Magistrates and the posting of a bond of £1,000 or £2,000. (1652) (Vol. 100:36a)

Bermuda (charter) vacated; mentioned in Governor Hutchinson's manuscript history of Massachusetts, Volume 2. 1678. (Vol. 28, folio 54, p. 343.)

Advice of Council that Rev. Mr. Bond of Bermuda be not called to First Church in Boston. 19 March, 1680/1. (Vol. 11:3)

The Governor of Bermuda, Captain William Stone, commander of the ship *Merchants Adventure*, promised to pay Richard Hooper his wages before, according to Hooper's petition to the General Court, Governor Simon Bradstreet and Deputy Governor Thomas Danforth. 12 October, 1682. (Vol. 100:284)

Petition of Sir Robert Robinson, Lieutenant-Governor of Bermuda, relative to sale of slaves. 28 October, 1688. (Vol. 9:119)

Nathaniel Force, negro, born free in the Island of Bermudos, mentioned in warrant of attachment upon William Hall, or his wife, Sarah Fowler Hall, or both, in action brought by Benjamin Backway, relative to the illegal sale of said Force as a slave. 3 January, 1690. (Vol. 36:301)

Golden Rose, on treasure hunt in 1683, was forced to the Bermudas for provisions. 29 January, 1690/1. (Vol. 36:349)

The ship *Amity* went to Bermudos, and the Governor of Bermudos gave its master, Captain Thomas Tew, a commission, according to the deposition of William Hughes about the ship's privateering cruise. 30 June, 1694. (Vol. 61:445 (duplicate on page 448))

The deposition of David Bassett that the ship *Amity* went to Bermudos and received a commission from Isaac Lesheur, Governor of Bermuda, before going on a privateering cruise on the coast of Guinea. 30 June, 1694. (Vol. 61:446)

The deposition of Edward Woodman that he enrolls on the sloop *Amity*, Captain Thomas Tew, master, for a privateering voyage and that they went first to Bermudos. 13 July, 1694. (Vol. 61:443)

Letter of Col. Codrington to Governor of Bermuda, mentioned in draft of letter from Lieutenant-Governor Stoughton, to Governor Fletcher, relative to the appointment of the Earl of Bellomont as Governor of New England, etc., dated Boston, 29 May, 1697. (Vol. 2:414)

Declaration of Boaz Bell, master of the sloop *Dolphin*, relative to the capture of six vessels of the fleet near the Gulf of Florida, sworn to, before B. Bennett, Governor of Bermuda. 10 March, 1708/9. (Vol. 2:660a)

ADS letter of Governor Bennett of Bermuda to . . . ? relative to news of an expected attack on Carolina by the French and Spaniards. 9 March, 1708/9. (Vol. 2:660)

Translation of a portion of a letter written in French by Mons. E. Gillober to Mons. Samuel Perroneau, relative to a projected attack upon South Carolina by the French and Spaniards, sworn to, before B. Bennett, Governor of Bermuda. 9 March, 1708/9. (Vol. 2:661)

Deposition of Benjamin Grose, as to the capture of Fort St. John's, sworn to, before B. Bennett, Governor of Bermuda. 18 April, 1709. (Vol. 2:621a)

Bermuda mentioned in document *re* trading in North American Colonies. 1754. (Vol. 21:145)

Bermuda (Islands) mentioned in: Vol. 7:20, 22, 28, 33, 42, 47, 51, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 63, 66, 67, 74, 79, 185. Vol. 9:125, 127, 128. 1686–1702.

CANADA

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WARDING PAPERS

Memoranda relating to works of defence in Bermuda. 1826–1828.

SPAIN

ARCHIVO GENERAL DE INDIAS, SEVILLA

PATRONAGE SECTION

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