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Charles Booth letters

in the

Booth family papers (MS797)

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| MS797//1160 | Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth | 26
February
1858 |
| | 21 Water St., [Liverpool]. Palmerston has resigned. Doesn't think Palmerston has done much wrong and hopes he will return. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1161 | Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth | 1864
January 7-8 |
| | SS. Australasian [about one day's voyage from Queenstown]. Should keep £1000 in gold or sterling in reserve at New York. Doesn't do to run dry. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1162 | Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth | 5 February
1864 |
| | 15 Croxteth Rd., [Liverpool]. Enjoyed Lord Derby's speech in the Queen's speech debate. Agrees with Lord Derby's unflattering view of Lord John Russell. Wishes the books would balance. | |

5 pages of notepaper

- MS797//1163 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth. 12 March 1864**
With enclosures.
Enclosing a drawing [wanting] of headstone for Thomas Booth's grave, and a drawing by Charles Booth of the ground plan of his office.
8 India Buildings, [Liverpool].
- 4 sides of notepaper and a plan
- MS797//1164 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 25 May 1864**
Liverpool. Their prospects of grand steamer scheme getting worse. Expects to lose contract for Jamaica mail. News from Washington: Lee has retreated from his position. Booth is pleased: Lee cannot hold his own.
- 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1165 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 12 October 1864**
Liverpool. Is pleased about Italian-French agreement about Rome. Louis Napoleon could not have gone further for fear of the priests. The Austrians will not try to take Lombardy back.
- 3 and a half pages of large sheets
- MS797//1166 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 1 January 1865**
Liverpool. Many physical changes to Liverpool recently. Exchange has been pulled down, for instance.
- 5 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1167 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 10 May 1865**

Liverpool. Is hopeful about the pacification of the south of the United States. They have promptly rectified General Sherman's mistake. Admires Grant, even more than Lincoln.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1168 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 3 October 1866

[Liverpool]. Aunt Louisa died on Monday.

2 pages of notepaper

MS797//1169 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 16 February 1867

Liverpool. Is very pleased that Alfred has hit it off with Lydia Butler.

1 page of notepaper

MS797//1170 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 29 March 1867

Dresden, Germany. Discusses business offer to Tom Jevons.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1171 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 31 March 1867

Dresden, Germany. Has no particular conscience about British income tax. Suggests Alfred declares £500. Can re-write accounts if necessary.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1172 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 1867 September 29, October 2

[Liverpool]. Tempted to attend Alfred's wedding.

6 pages of notepaper

MS797//1173 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 19 October 1867

Addressed: 'per Russia. Alfred Booth Esq., New York bearer waits'. [Liverpool]. Fears he won't be able to make it to Alfred's wedding.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1174 Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred Booth 21 March 1875

Hyires, [Var, France]. Calculates the cheapest way to bring home a steamer loaded with wheat. Detailed analysis of shipping costs anticipating various types of sea conditions.

14 sides of notepaper

MS797//1175 Draft of letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 27 April 1876

f.1.London. Considers offer of money at 5.5% interest.

2 sides

MS797//1175A Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 28 April 1876

Canc. f.2r. London. Draft letter (later crossed out). Discusses costings of ships.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1175B Letter from Charles Booth to [CZ]M 28 April 1876

ff.2v-3v. London. Mary has had a miscarriage. Discusses work on the house. Water closets in accordance with the latest Acts of Parliament.

3 sides of paper of notebook

- MS797//1175C Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 28 April 1876**
 No address. f.4r. Returns figures of steamer valuations.
 1 page of notebook
- MS797//1176 Letter from Charles Booth to [G.R.] Heise 28 April 1876**
 London. Details of shares and profits of companies.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1176A Letter from Charles Booth to [G.R.] Heise [28] [April] 1876**
 No address. f.4r. Returns sheets (regarding capital). Queries addition to reserve fund.
 1 page of a notebook
- MS797//1176AA Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 9 December 1876**
 ff.28v-30v. London. Discusses offer to Edward Norton.
 5 pages of a notebook
- MS797//1176B Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 5 May 1876**
 No address. Canc. ff.4v-5r. Discusses the company's accounts.
 2 sides of a notebook
- MS797//1176C Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 5 May 1876**
 No address. ff.5v-6r. Draft copy. Discusses financial affairs.
 2 sides of notebook
- MS797//1176D Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] [5] [May] 1876**

No address. f.6r. Draft letter relating to company's accounts. Booth happy to have received "what is fairly mine".

1 page of notebook

MS797//1176E Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 8 May 1876

No address. ff.6v-7r. Company business. Will ask Romilly what extra freight could go to continental ports.

2 sides of notebook

MS797//1176F Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 18 May 1876

No address. ff.7r-8r, and f.10r. Company business including port charges.

3 pages of notebook

MS797//1176G Letters from Charles Booth to Louisa [Hancox?] 18 May 1876

No address. Canc. f.8 2 draft letters. Thanks her for her offer of money but refuses. Not money which will keep him apart from Mary and the children - rather business trips.

4 pages of notebook

MS797//1176J Letter from Charles Booth to [J.R.] Webb 23 May 1876

f.11r. London. Will try to help him get employment in London.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1176K Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 30 May 1876

No address. ff. 11r-12v, and f.14. Company plans. He will take charge of the steamers. Needs to know how much Alfred wants to do.

4 pages of notebook

- MS797//1176L Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 30 May 1876**
 No address. f.13. Plans to go to New York.
 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176M Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 31 May 1876**
 No address. ff.14v-15v. Romilly deserves a holiday, having worked continuously since 1874.
 3 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176N Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 7 June 1876**
 No address. ff.15v-16v, enclosing next item. Describes various planned journeys.
 3 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176O Letter from Charles Booth to [Messrs. Singlehurst] 1876 June**
 No address. Draft of letter to Messrs. Singlehurst, enclosed with letter of 7 June to T. Fletcher. f.17. Hopes they can arrange departure dates.
 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176P Letter from Charles Booth to Edward [Norton?] 9 June 1876**
 ff.18-19r. London. Explains Augustine diagrams. Hopes voyages can be more efficient.
 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176Q Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] [9?] June 1876**
 No address. folio19 onwards. Draft letter. Asks him to ponder calculations about costs of voyages.
 2 pages of notebook

- MS797//1176R Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 9 June 1876**
- No address. ff.19v-20r. Draft letter. Sorry that the New York plan has been abandoned. Has no fear of voyage on health grounds.
- 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176S Letter from Charles Booth to [CZ]M 10 June 1876**
- No address. Folios 20v-21r. Draft. Mary planning to travel with him but only after anxious consideration of her health and the effect on the children.
- 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176T Letter from Charles Booth to Hetty [-?] 12 June 1876**
- ff.21r-22r. London. Cancelled draft. Would be happy for her to look after the children during the voyage.
- 3 sides of notebook
- MS797//1176U Letter from Charles Booth to The Hand in Hand [Insurance] Co. 17 June 1876**
- ff.22v-23r. 6 Grenville Place. Asks about insurance for the trip.
- 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176V Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 10 November 1876**
- No address. ff.23v-24v. Discusses Norton's salary demands. Alfred [Booth] is ready to give up his salary and only work when he wants to. Alfred Booth and Norton would buy the goods.
- 3 pages of notebook
- MS797//1176W Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 17 November 1876**

No address. ff.25-26r. A draft of one paragraph of this letter is written on last page of letter from Alfred Booth to CB, 14 Nov. 1876. He should write down what he plans to do and what Norton's role will be.

3 pages of notebook

**MS797//1176X Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 25
November
1876**

No address. ff.26v-27r. Speculates about what Grant might do in the aftermath of the Presidential election.

1 page of notebook

**MS797//1176Y Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 3 December
1876**

No address. f.27. Will take up extra work if Norton declines the offer.

2 pages of notebook

**MS797//1176Z Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 3 December
1876**

No address. f.28r. Tells Tom that, if Norton declines the offer, he (Charles) will do the extra work.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177 Letter from Charles Booth to Joe [-?] 1876

No address. Draft letter. Has discussed their business proposal with Tom. Would be a possibility if Booth's company had an office in London. He hopes to move in that direction but not for a while. Couldn't act as buyers for Joe's company at the moment, therefore.

3 sides of note paper

**MS797//1177A Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 3 January
1877**

No address. f.31r. Norton's version of events is incorrect. (NB Previous draft letter in notebook, dated 9 December 1876, details history of Edward Norton's negotiations with Alfred Booth. It comprises 5 pages).

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177B Letter from Charles Booth to Agnes [Prange?] 3 January 1877

No address. Two drafts, canc. ff.31v-32r. Hopes that the strained relations between them will be over.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177C Letter from Charles Booth to Agnes [Prange?] 4 January 1877

No address. ff.32r-33r. He and Mary feel great sympathy for Agnes. Hopes 1877 will be a better year.

2 pages of notebook

MS797//1177D Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 22 January 1877

No address. Cancelled draft, starting folio 33. Hopes Romilly can return to New York in the autumn. Will help the business.

2 pages of notebook

MS797//1177E Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 22 January 1877

No address. Comprises folios 34r-37r. Draft letter. Surprised that Alfred, who "has a peculiar gift of silence", hasn't told Romilly when he should come to England. Update on "difficulties" with the job offer to Edward Norton. Gives detailed instructions about cargoes.

7 pages of notebook

MS797//1177F Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth] 23 January 1877

No address. Draft letter, beginning folio 37r.
Should tell Romilly when he should come over.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177G Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly **24 January 1877**

No address. Cancelled draft, beginning folio 37v. Business will benefit from Romilly and Tom (Fletcher) having time together.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177H Letter from Charles Booth to Louisa [Hancox?] **18 May 1876**

No address. Begins folio 9. Thanks her "kind and generous" offer but refuses it. Voyage is concerned with experiments to save fuel at sea.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1177Ha Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly **24 January 1877**

No address. Begins folio 38r. Glad he agrees about Norton.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177I Letter from Charles Booth to Messrs.Tatham Proctor & Co. **21 February 1877**

No address. Begins folio 38v. Relates to insurance of the company's building.

1 page of notebook

MS797//1177J Letter from Charles Booth to Francis [Prange?] **4 March 1877**

No address. Three drafts, two of them cancelled, beginning folio 39. For reply, see F.Prange, 7 Mar. 1877. Would like Alfred to be a trustee of his marriage settlement.

1 page of notebook

- MS797//1177K Letter from Charles Booth to 'Uncle James' [- ?]** **1877 March**
 No address. Two drafts, one cancelled, starting folio 40r. Has he considered investing at 5- 5 .5% in Booth & Co.?
 1 page of notebook
- MS797//1177L Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly** **17 March 1877**
 No address. Five drafts, four cancelled. Folios 40v-44v. Thanks him for information about Romilly's brother Arthur. Thinks should be clear distinction between family ties, friendship, and business connections.
 3 pages of notebook
- MS797//1177M Letter from Charles Booth to J. Gardner** **21 March 1877**
 Draft letter beginning folio 45r. Address: London. Assumes that negotiations with Thorn have fallen through. Hopes that a deal can be made relating to houses.
 1 page of notebook
- MS797//1177N Letter from Charles Booth to J. Gardner** **22 March 1877**
 Begins folio 45v-46r. Addressed from London. Hopes to fix exchange of houses. Sanitary facilities are good.
 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1177O Letter from Charles Booth to Alfred [Booth]** **23 March 1877**
 No address. Draft letter beginning folio 46v. Hopes Alfred will take the opportunity to visit Greece. He will run the business in the meantime.
 1 page of notebook

- MS797//1177P Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 1877**
 Draft letter. No address. Begins folio 47r. He is happy for Alfred to go away.
 1 page of notebook
- MS797//1177Q Letter from Charles Booth to [CZ]M 1877**
 Draft letter. No address. Begins folio 47. Mary won't be travelling: she is in bed with a bad cold. Will exchange houses in April.
 2 pages of notebook
- MS797//1178 Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] 20 September 1877**
 No address. Draft. 7 leaves; written on the backs of printed 'washing lists' (i.e. laundry lists) for the Booth family at 6 Grenville Place. Some leaves appear to be missing. Discusses value and depreciation of shipping.
 14 sides of large paper
- MS797//1178A Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] '2-' September 1877**
 Draft letter, comprising folios 48-52r. Addressed from London. Has spoken to Alfred, who has reiterated his desire to give up work in the business. Charles Booth will not take risks in a company in which he does not play a management role. Might dispose of the American part of the business.
 7 sides of notebook
- MS797//1178I Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 21 May 1876**
 Draft letter. No address. Begins on folio 10. Has received his calculations regarding profit and loss on the grain freight. His plans for sailing to New York.
 2 pages of notebook

- MS797//1179 Letter from Charles Booth to -. MacKee 1877**
 No address. His wife has sent a present to Mrs MacKie.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1179A Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 28 October 1877**
 Draft. No address. Begins folio.52v. The plan is for Romilly to go to America and for Dwight to come over to England to work with Alfred.
 1 page of notebook
- MS797//1180 Letter from Charles Booth to [H.] Romilly 1877 [?December]**
 No address. Draft. Discusses working arrangements with Dwight and Tom. Hopes "disagreeable business" will soon be settled.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1181 Letter from Charles Booth to T. [Fletcher] undated**
 No address. Draft. Needs detailed information on Kent and Co.
 3 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1182 Letter from Charles Booth to William [Aikin?] undated**
 No address. Draft. 'Dear Aikin' has been crossed out and 'Dear William' written instead. Sorry to lose him after his work in Liverpool but doesn't think there would have been a future for him.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1183 Letter from Charles Booth to [-] Purcell undated**

No address. Draft. Discusses cocoa trade. Figures relating to scale of depreciation of proposed steamer.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1184 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 2 January 1878

85 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool. Romilly's and his talk will be much easier once they have spoken to the two captains.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1185 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22 February 1878

India Buildings, Liverpool. Has had a useful long talk with Alfred.

10 sides of notepaper

MS797//1186 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 23 February 1878

[Liverpool.] Just about to leave. Discusses family matters.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1187 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth [23?] February 1878

'Latest from Liverpool'. Just about to leave.

1 side of notepaper

MS797//1188 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 24 February 1878

SS. Algeria, Queenstown, Co. Cork. Relates his business discussions with Alfred and Romilly. Describes their habits at work.

12 sides of paper

- MS797//1189 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1878 March 3-8**
 SS. Algeria. Has been at sea for over a week. Miserable. Reading Trollope. Relates how much he appreciates his wife.
 12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1190 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 March 1878**
 57 Broad St., New York. Tom and his family have been very ill. Little for Booth to do.
 6 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1191 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1878 March 10, 13**
 Union Club, 5th Avenue & 21st Street, New York. Variety of restaurants reminds him of Paris. Possible to spend as little or as much as you want. Describes his dining companions.
 4 pages
- MS797//1192 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13-14 March 1878**
 Union Club, 5th Avenue & 21st Street, New York. Wishes she could help him write to Alfred about Dwight. Everybody talking as if there is no danger of more war although Booth is more pessimistic.
 10 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1193 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15-16 March 1878**

New York. Office is lovely and warm. Booth likes his bath. Tom nearly better.

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797/I/1194 Letter from Charles Booth to H. Romilly 17 March 1878**
Draft, enclosed with letter of 19-20 March to Mary Catherine Booth. New York. Congratulates him on his marriage. Discusses whether Romilly should return home.
4 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1195 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19-20 March 1878**
Enclosing draft of 17 March [MS797/I/1194]. New York. Discusses domestic matters.
5 pages
- MS797/I/1196 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22 March 1878**
New York. Shortly off to Boston. Wishes Tom were well enough to go with him.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1197 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth & Antonia Mary Booth 23-24 March 1878**
Includes a note to Antonia Mary Booth. New York. Describes his dining companions. Patriotic over the Russian question though the Americans will be surprised if Britain fights.
9 pages
- MS797/I/1198 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 29-30 March 1878**
Gloversville, N.Y. Notes Derby's resignation and the calling up of the reserves. Will war follow?
4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1199 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 April 1878**
 Gloversville, N.Y. Disraeli has been very clever. The war if it comes will be awful. He can't see Russia backing down although most of Europe approves of Britain's actions.
 6 sides of paper
- MS797//1200 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 April 1878**
 Office of Kent & Co., Dealers in leather..., Gloversville, N.Y. Feels very happy. Glad that she is well.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1201 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 April 1878**
 Gloversville, N.Y. Today is the debate on the Queen's message. Doesn't think things are very bad. Glad no "hollow alliance" with the Austrians.
 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1202 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1878 April 6-8**
 Enclosing: Nelia Fletcher to Charles Booth, 5 April 1878 [MS797//4863]. 'New York again.' Has got figures from factory. They are very bad. Supports a prospective war although his opinion is not widely shared.
 8 sides of paper
- MS797//1203 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 April 1878**
 [New York]. Tom is still ill but will leave soon. Booth is working hard.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1204 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14 April 1878**

New York. The bank will not oppose the plans. Expects to lose around £21000. Working to settle with all the creditors. The best chance of peace is if England is firm.

12 sides of notepaper

MS797//1205 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 18 April 1878

Office of Kent & Co., Dealers in leather..., Gloversville, N.Y. Work is going well. He is splendidly well.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1206 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 20-22 April 1878

Alvord House, Gloversville, N.Y. Winding up is going well but is time consuming. Town is dominated by the glove trade. Houses are mostly wooden and white.

20 sides of paper

MS797//1207 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 25 April 1878

Alvord House, Gloversville, N.Y. Cheered up after talk with Mr. Kent, who agrees with Booth's proposals.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1208 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 28 April 1878

Alvord House, Gloversville, N.Y. Hopes to rescue something from the factory.

4 sides of paper

MS797//1209 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1 May 1878

Gloversville, N.Y. Time he left as he believes that the business can pay. More people - though still a minority - agree with him that war is the honourable option.

4 sides of paper

- MS797//1210 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1878 May 4-5**
New York. He does not think Russia will give in. Hopes to be home before hostilities start.
- 12 sides of paper
- MS797//1211 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 May 1878**
New York. Loss on Kent's business not as big as feared. Finances looking good.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1212 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12-13 May 1878**
Scarsdale, N.Y. Not sure if war can be avoided. Distrusts the Tsar.
- 12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1213 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15-16 May 1878**
New York. Thanks her for the photographs of the children.
- 4 sides of paper
- MS797//1214 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 May 1878**
No address. Detailed update on winding up the business in Gloversville.
- 8 sides of paper
- MS797//1215 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 May 1878**

The Union League Club, Madison Avenue,
Cor[ner] 26th St., New York. Gives details of
colleagues and their traits.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1216 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 26 May 1878

New York. Gives his itinerary.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1217 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 29 May 1878

The Union League Club, Madison Avenue, New
York. Has had a productive time at Waterbury.
Believes in importance of meeting men on their
own ground to make businesses work. Most of
Alfred's building up of the business is down to this.

2 sides of paper

MS797//1218 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 31 May 1878

'Mr. Wm. Allen Butler's House', Yonkers, N.Y.
Now understands needs of principal customers
after time at Waterbury.

4 sides of paper

MS797//1219 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 2 June 1878

New York. Mr. Wood, the bank manager at
Gloversville, has been arrested and charged with
fraud. Needs Mary's help and would love to talk
things over with her. Gloversville is in crisis.

6 sides of paper

MS797//1220 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 3 June 1878

New York. Long detailed letter. Includes some financial figures relating to Gloversville. Also domestic matters, especially relating to servants. Suspects Sarah of selling meat: "she was a servant of the regular class and they all do it". Also politics: admires Lord Beaconsfield (Disraeli), "a very great man" who has done the right thing by going to Berlin. "If we are to have peace now, we shall owe it all to him". But, though war unlikely, still dangers to peace. Attempts to shoot the Kaiser have done great damage to the socialist party. Pleased that Bismarck appears to have lost out in recent European diplomacy: "I am glad he should not always bully and succeed".

12 sides of paper

MS797//1221 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1878 June 8-9

Peabody, Mass. Describes his hosts and Peabody in some detail. Has been reorganising the New York office. Speculates on business prospects given abilities of colleagues and business partners. Some description of Congregationalist service.

6 sides of paper

MS797//1222 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 12 June 1878

Boston, Mass. Short note. Concerned about her heart trouble but reassured she is not dangerously ill.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1223 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth [12] June 1878

[Boston.] Lengthy but incomplete letter (first page has not survived). Very anxious to get back to her. Credits her with helping him: "you have made me a new man and ready for anything". Detailed description of hotel and of his employee, Mr. Gaenslen, of whom Booth approves. Gaenslen respects Charles and Alfred Booth: "he praised Alfred for going right into things himself and said I

was the same".

12 sides of paper

- MS797//1224 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1878 June 15, 18**
Boston, Mass., and Gloversville, N.Y. Detailed description of Mr Gaenslen. Sorry that Mary has been ill: assumes it is stress-related.
- 4 sides of paper
- MS797//1225 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **19 June 1878**
Gloversville, N.Y. Things are looking better but there may be some dangers from a creditors' meeting next week. Worries about Alfred's reaction to the fact that he has "got the business into my own hands".
- 4 sides of paper
- MS797//1226 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23-4 June 1878**
Rockaway, N.Y. Encloses a copy of the letter he has sent to Alfred [nb not enclosed with this letter], which gives an idea of the work he has been doing. Hopes Alfred will approve. Has the German scheme (of Alfred's) been given up? She has to use the telegraph to answer some of his questions.
- 8 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1227 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28-9 June 1878**
Rockaway, N.Y. Family affairs. Has dined with the Romillys: describes their plans.
- 8 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1228 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 August 1879**

Kenilworth, Warks. Describes their accommodation.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1229 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 17 August 1879

Letter headed London. [Liverpool]. Self conscious about their letters. Could ask their executors to omit them from memoirs. Alfred is difficult to communicate with.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1230 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 18 August 1879

Liverpool. Happy with a carefully chosen nurse.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1231 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 August 1879

Written from Liverpool. Steamers are not doing very well this year. Much business activity telegraphed from New York: the busiest half month they have had.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1232 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 20 August 1879

Written from Liverpool. Gives a description of his social life.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1233 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 10 September 1879

6 Grenville Place, London, S.W. Plans trip to Rotterdam and Antwerp.

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1234 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **11 September 1879**
- From 6 Grenville Place, London, S.W. Beer at the music hall was atrocious. Has had to delay his trip to Antwerp.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1235 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 September 1879**
- Written from London. Hopes to leave tomorrow. MacLeod has finally turned up.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1236 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 September 1879**
- Kaizerkroon Hotel, Amsterdam, Netherlands. Has finished his work in Rotterdam, which he describes in some detail. Rotterdam is a curious place: its main streets "are real "high streets" on causeways, and the between streets sloping down to the canals - giving a very picturesque variety of levels". Amsterdam described in depth: it is "delicious", and it rivals Venice.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1237 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **[14] September 1879**
- Written from the Oude Kasteel van Antwerpen Hotel, Utrecht, Netherlands. Long description of Utrecht. Great contrast between Catholic and Protestant churches and worshippers. Has mostly spoken German in Holland: waiters are all German.
- 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1238 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **[16] September 1879**

Sent from Hotel de la Paix, Antwerp, Belgium.
Charmed by The Hague, which he describes in
some detail.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1239 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 18 September 1879

Written from Hotel de Suede, Liege, Belgium.
Just about to leave for the Ardennes.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1240 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 September 1879

Written from Hotel du Nord, La Roche, Belgium.
Detailed description of the area.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1241 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 21 September 1879

Written from La Roche, Belgium. Not feeling
well: inclined to come home.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1242 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22 September 1879

Written from La Roche, Belgium. Afraid that he
will become a frail old man.

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1243 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 23 September 1879

Written from La Roche, Belgium. Describes his
fellow guests.

6 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1244 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **27 September 1879**
- Written from Spa, Belgium. Has a cold but looking forward to coming home. Worried about the "ease with which I break down".
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1245 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 January 1880**
- Written from Liverpool. Detailed description of family's financial affairs.
- 9 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1246 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **11-12 June 1880**
- Written from Sefton Drive, Liverpool. Has read Gladstone's budget: "which takes one back to his great days - he has a most wonderful gift on these things". Tom says profits in hand are £10,000.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1247 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **[12-13] June 1880**
- Letter dated '11 June'. Written from SS. Gallia. Describes his fellow passengers.
- 4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1248 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 June 1880**
- Written from SS. Gallia. Has recovered from depressed period. Detailed description of voyage and passengers. Trying to suppress his dislike towards the American passengers. Just seen "water sprout" (tornado).

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1249 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **22 June 1880**
Written from New York. Romilly and his wife do not look well.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1250 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **[25] June 1880**
[Written from New York.] Short note. Is very well and believes he is getting a good deal done.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1251 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **27 June 1880**
Written from 25 5th Avenue, New York. Hopes to avoid "making some mess with my hasty tongue and thick head". Is enjoying work. Detailed description of colleagues. Thinks Romilly has consumption.

11 sides of letter paper

MS797//1252 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **29 June 1880**
Written from New York. Short note. "Gladstone's leadership is a disgrace".

1 side of notepaper

MS797//1253 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **1-2 July 1880**
Written from 25 5th Avenue, New York. Getting on well with Kuettner. Trains are safer here.

3 sides of letter paper

MS797//1254 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **4 July 1880**

Written from Rockaway, N.Y. Situation has improved at Gloversville since he was there two years ago.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1255 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1880 July 7-8

25 5th Avenue, New York. Wishes she were there to advise him on business decisions. They have allowed "dry rot" to get into system but he is hopeful that his changes will work. Not sure whether to discuss matters with Alfred.

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1256 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth [11?] July 1880

[New York.] Fragment of letter. Gloversville and Boston are fine: New York is where work is needed. State of New York business is "disgraceful". Detailed description of business plans and Gloversville negotiations.

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1257 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 16 July 1880

Written in New York. Alfred coming out soon. Gives her code for messages so she can advise him. Feels comfortable about the business.

6 sides of letter paper

MS797//1258 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 July 1880

From Gloversville, N.Y. Has discovered they are in profit (£6000 for 6 months). This exceeds their wildest hopes.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1259 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 21 July 1880

No address. Things look good in Gloversville.

2 pages of notepaper

- MS797//1260 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **26 July 1880**
From New York. Is pleased she is getting better. He is fine despite the hectic travel.
1 page of letter paper
- MS797//1261 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **27 July 1880**
From 25 5th Avenue, New York. What he is doing [with the business] "amounts to a revolution". Describes Oceans Grove, a Methodist development, in some detail.
9 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1262 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29 July 1880**
New York. Describes buying and selling of lamb skins.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1263 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2-3 August 1880**
New York. Long passage about Mary and her father. Values her advice on Alfred. Not troubled by management responsibilities at this stage. Admits to other self-doubts: "I often flag and grow low-spirited".
9 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1264 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 August 1880**
New York. Reminds her that it will be a long time before she fully recovers.
4 sides of letter paper

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| MS797//1265 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth

New York. Wishes "an aerial machine" could fly her to the States: "we have lived too soon".

2 sides of letter paper | 1880
August 6-
[?7] |
| MS797//1266 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Gloversville, N.Y. Trade "is mending everywhere". Believes they will see their money back from Gloversville.

1 side of notepaper | 10 August
1880 |
| MS797//1267 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
New York. Tells her not to worry about imperial affairs: "England has turned worse corners than this".

3 sides of letter paper | 13 August
1880 |
| MS797//1268 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Boston, Mass. Discusses his colleagues.

2 sides of letter paper | 18 August
1880 |
| MS797//1269 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Boston, Mass. Worries about her health.

4 sides of letter paper | 22 August
1880 |
| MS797//1270 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Boston, Mass. Regrets his "prejudiced" temperament. Is working with a "good team" but they need management.

5 sides of letter paper | 26 August
1880 |

- MS797//1271 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1880 August 31-September 2**
- New York. Continued from 31 August on 2 September. Gloversville going very well.
- 7 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1272 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1880 September 2, 4**
- New York. Has had a long talk with Kuttner.
- 2 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1273 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **7 September 1880**
- Gloversville, N.Y. Has bought another factory for the business. Details of the sale and the strategy behind the purchase. Some background on their businesses generally.
- 4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1274 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **9 September 1880**
- Gloversville, N.Y. Has sorted out new agreement regarding new factory and regards it as a good deal. The business is "making money fast all the time".
- 1 side of letter paper
- MS797//1275 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 September 1880**
- Gloversville, N.Y. If she sends a cable to him she must use "real words": he hasn't kept the "little code". Organisation of the business now complete apart from the credit book. Will leave instructions for Alfred but will make them concise:

"I don't think I should get my ideas into his head whatever I wrote or even if I had him to talk to for a week". Describes Alfred's letter to him as "most pitiful. It reads almost like a cry. He has no conception of what a great strong thing this business of ours is". Is confident that colleagues will be able to continue and improve what he has started. Some details on characteristics of colleagues. Plans for Liverpool office.

7 sides of letter paper

MS797//1276 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 15 September 1880

25 5th Avenue, New York. Is in good spirits: "but you must learn that I tell you everything and even exaggerate my work and troubles to gain your pity".

3 sides of letter paper

MS797//1277 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 18 September 1880

New York. "We will talk of everything when we meet - especially as to "the firm". Encloses a letter from Alfred: she shouldn't be alarmed by Alfred's doubts about the Gloversville business.

1 side of letter paper

MS797//1278 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 20 September 1880

Philadelphia, [Pa.?]. Confident he will finish work in time: the test will be if things work for 6 months afterwards. "Business is springing up and the prospects are good".

MS797//1279 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 23 September 1880

New York. Last letter before his voyage. Is spending time with a colleague going thoroughly "over the credits".

1 side of letter paper

MS797//1280 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 12 December 1880

63 Catherine St., Liverpool. Mostly family affairs including illnesses. Alfred sailed yesterday and should arrive on Tuesday.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1281 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 13 December 1880

63 Catherine St., Liverpool. Mostly family affairs although some allusions to business going "smoothly".. Discusses Alfred: "I think the drift is against business and towards religion".

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1282 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 8 April 1881

63 Catherine St., Liverpool. Gives details of purchases of ships. Is sorry about Beaconfield's (Disraeli) illness.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1283 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 10 April 1881

63 Catherine St., Liverpool. Hopes to repair relations with Philip. Description (with very little detail) of his work.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1284 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 11 April 1881

63 Catherine St., Liverpool. Life will be difficult if the Land Bill passes.

3 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1285** **Draft letter from Charles Booth to [The Times?]** **1881**
[?May]
[See also MS797//128]. Draft letter about the Irish Land Bill. Gives his suggestions relating to fair rents.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1286** **Draft letter from Charles Booth to St. James Gazette** **7 June**
1881
Stating, '...not...for publication'. A draft rejoinder to their notice about his letter in the Times about the Irish Land Bill. Suggests linking rent with proportional payment for tenant right.
[See also MS797//128].
- 1 side of notepaper
- MS797//1287** **Draft letter from Charles Booth to [The Times?]** **14 June**
1881
[See also MS797//128]. Irish Land Bill: Booth gives his views on sub-letting of land. Fears "creation of land jobbers or middlemen" who use "land hunger" to keep up the prices tenants have to pay.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1288** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 July**
1881
Catherine St., Liverpool. Describes the Romillys' house. "Usual tale" when someone rents someone else's house: no glasses, crockery, pans or inventory. Therefore necessary for the Romillys to interrogate the servants for 10 days.
- 2 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1289** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15-16 July**
1881

SS. Cordillera, Pauliac, [Bordeaux, Gironde, France]. Explains plans for travel in France.

2 sides of letter paper

- MS797//1290 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 July 1881**
Bordeaux, Gironde, France. Descriptions of travels and business dealings in France.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1291 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 July 1881**
Toulouse, Haute-Garonne, France. Descriptions of his time in France.
4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1292 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **18 July 1881**
Toulouse, Haute-Garonne, France. Descriptions of life in France such as bathing in the river.
3 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1293 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **[20?] July 1881**
Dated '?July 1881' by Charles Booth. Descriptions of his travels. Mazamet, Tarn, France.
3 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1294 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 July 1881**
Millau, Aveyron, France. Descriptions of places he has visited.
2 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1295 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **25 July 1881**

Millau, Aveyron, France. Descriptions of places he has visited.

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1296 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 26-27 July 1881

Meyrueis, Lozere, France. Descriptions of his travels and of the area.

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1297 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 27 July 1881

Meyrueis, Lozere, France. Descriptions of the area and of his travels.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1298 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 28 July 1881

Chez Boulet, Hotel du Commerce, Meyrueis, Lozere, France. Description of his time there.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1299 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1881 July 30-31

Clermont Ferrand, Puy-de Dome, France. Descriptions of his travels including a visit to St. Etienne.

11 sides of letter paper

MS797//1300 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 2 August 1881

Orleans, Loiret, France. Has enjoyed his "successful" holiday. Takes to foreign ways "like a duck to water".

5 sides of letter paper

MS797//1301 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 4 August 1881

Caen, Calvados, France. Briefly hints at his religious views. Also descriptions of Orleans and other places he has visited.

5 sheets of letter paper

MS797//1302 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 4 August 1881

Cherbourg, Manche, France. Would have liked another week in France. Gambetta is speaking at Tours.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1303 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 September 1881

Liege, Belgium. Has had preliminary talks in Antwerp.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1304 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1881

[Liverpool]. 'Wednesday'. Couldn't sleep on the train.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1305 Draft letter from Charles Booth to The Times 16 April 1882

[See also MS797//28]. Concerns Irish Land Act.

2 sides of letter paper

MS797//1306 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 11 August [1882]

'Llantillio' [Llantilio Pertholey?, Mon.] Gossipy letter about a party he had attended.

3 sides of letter paper

- MS797//1307 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** [Late August- Early September] [1882]
- 'Sunday'. No address. Mostly family and domestic matters.
- 12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1308 Letter from Charles Booth to Beatrice Potter** 31 July 1886
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Typescript extracts (4 pages) from Booth's original letter. Responds to her letter about political economy by discussing deductive and inductive methods, use of statistics etc. "Too many hasty deductions" are being made. Booth is "doubtless out of his depth".
- 4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1309 Letter from Charles Booth to Beatrice Potter** 5 September 1886
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Typescript copy of original letter. Detailed description of methods for Life and Labour in London survey. "The information will have to be got by personal interview with each visitor and a good many hours of it for each...". Potter will have responsibility for women visitors: "we shall relegate any female visitors to your care". "We only deal with the heads of families but to separate them from the young persons or unmarried men and women is an important step".
- 4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1310 Letter from Charles Booth to [A. Marshall]** 18 October 1886
- 2 Talbot Court, E.C., [London]. Asks for advice on proposed methods for survey of life and labour in London.
- 4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1311 Letter from Charles Booth to A. Marshall 20 October 1886**
- 2 Talbot Court, Gracechurch St., E.C., [London]. Thanks him for looking at methods of survey of life and labour in London. Sends enclosures including schedules for St Paul's and list of occupations.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1312 Letter from Charles Booth to A. Marshall 22 May 1887**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Admires his analysis of London industry. Booth explains how he will let his secretaries get on with the Hackney division.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1313 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves 3 March 1889**
- 6 Grenville Place, London, S.W. Likes his paper.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1314 Letter from Charles Booth to Beatrice Potter 16 June 1889**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Extracts from letter. Don't be "alarmed by Professor Marshall's bogeys".
- 1 side of letter paper
- MS797//1315 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 21 February 1891**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Short note. Thanks her for the paper. "Desperate fog" this morning.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1316 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 30 April 1891**

R.M.S. Britannic [at Liverpool?]. Description of how he expects the voyage to go. He imagines how her recuperation will go.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1317 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 7 May 1891

R.M.S. Britannic [one day's voyage from New York]. Describes the voyage and his fellow passengers.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1318 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 28 July 1891

Liverpool. Wishes her a happy 12th birthday.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1319 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 27 December 1891

Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Describes the beautiful weather.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1320 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves 24 February 1892

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Describes methodology of the survey of London industries.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1321 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 5 March 1892

2 Talbot Court, 55 Gracechurch St., E.C., [London]. Has finished reading the proofs of his book.

3 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1322 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **17 March 1892**
R.M.S. Majestic [in Queenstown Harbour].
Voyage has been rough so far.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1323 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **22 March 1892**
R.M.S. Majestic [one day's voyage from New York.] There are more children on board now.
Looking forward to the holidays.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1324 Letter from Charles Booth to A. Marshall** **27 April 1892**
- North Western Hotel, Liverpool. Thanks him for his critical letter: "I like your hard hitting even better than the thousand kind things you have said of me". Doesn't think Marshall's plan (for poor relief) is practical.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1325 Letter from Charles Booth to A. Marshall** **3 May 1892**
- North Western Hotel, Liverpool. Booth makes suggestions for poor relief. Thinks there is "a good deal of scope for just discrimination" by Poor Law Guardians.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1326 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **10 July 1892**
North Western Hotel, Liverpool. Describes his meeting with Mr. Purcell.
- 5 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1327 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **22 February 1893**

Naples, Italy. Describes the opera and the ballet he has seen.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1328 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 10 March 1893

Palermo, Italy. Describes their sight seeing.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1329 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 12 March 1893

Part of the letter (11 March 1893) written by Mary Catherine Booth. Describes going to see the opera, "Norma".

Written from the Hotel de la Paix, Palermo, Italy.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1330 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth & Antonia Mary Booth 15 March 1893

Palermo, Italy.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1331 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 25-26 March 1893

Rome, Italy. His companions, including his mother-in-law, are delightful. He hopes to have some time to do some sketches.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1332 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 28-9 March 1893

Part of the letter torn away, but some of the missing words are included in the part printed, Memoir, pp. 65-7.

Cassino, Italy. Is enjoying the location. Hopes to do some excursions by train.

5 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1333 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29-30 March 1893**
 Cassino, Italy. The monastery is a "wonderful structure". Describes the library with "thousands of old manuscripts".
 5 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1334 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 April 1893**
 Cassino, Italy. Is very well. The air suits him. Hopes to visit a nearby place but there is only one train a day.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1335 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 April 1893**
 Teano, Italy. Is anxious to hear from her. The Italian postal system is "wayward". Describes the process of sending a telegraph. Describes the churches and the Mass: "the whole thing was perfect as an act of simple devotion".
 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1336 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 April 1893**
 Teano, Italy. Describes Riardo "just as lovely as can be". Wishes he could speak more Italian.
 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1337 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Is worried about her health. Describes the funeral of a small child. No "crushing poverty" here.
 4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1338 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Very happy here. Feels much better physically. Describes a christening.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1339 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Enjoying his simple life. Goats milk in the morning: there is no butter here. He boils his drinking water to be safe. "The beauty of this place is beyond words....I am sure there is nothing much more beautiful this side of heaven."
 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1340 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **9 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Is very sorry about her mother's illness.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1341 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **9 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Describes a religious procession. Describes women's dress.
 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1342 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **11 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Has been to more religious services.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1343 Letter from Charles Booth to [T.M. Booth]** **[c11] April 1893**
 Endorsed: '16 Apr.1893'. Has been on a long expedition, 15-16 kilometres.
 [Riardo, Italy.]
 2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1344 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Life suits him well here. There have been prayers for rain.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1345 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Describes a religious procession.
 7 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1346 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14-15 April 1893**
 Riardo, Italy. Weather too gusty for outdoor sketching. The locals live a very spartan existence. Lemons are a great luxury.
 9 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1347 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 April 1893**
 Hotel du Vesuve, Naples, Italy. Is preparing to leave.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1348 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 April 1893**
 Hotel du Vesuve, Naples, Italy. Has had a splendid holiday. Wants to join her as her mother is very ill.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1349 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 November 1893**

Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Has watched a fox hunt.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1350 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 16 May 1894

39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Very pleased that they have appointed a valet-nurse.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1351 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 17 May 1894

Anthenaeum, Liverpool. Thinks Brazil Portugal row is all "huff and pride".

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1352 Letter from Charles Booth to A. Marshall 25 May 1894

39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Has read the minority report (by Sidney Webb) of Marshall's commission with a great deal of interest. His business partner has been ill so he has been drawn back into business. "I must say it does me good".

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1353 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 27 June 1894

[London.] Commission went well today. Thinks their arguments prevailed. Lord Abedare has offered to alter the point that Booth objected to.

2 pages of notepaper

MS797//1354 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 7 July 1894

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Notes that she gave permission for a party to go into the woods on Saturday. But people go into the woods on Saturday anyway.

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1355 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 November 1894**
- 39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Wishes he were with her. His leg is getting better, The Coalville money went yesterday.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1356 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 December 1894**
- 39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Lots to do at the office but nothing particularly worrying.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1357 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 January 1895**
- Athenaeum, Liverpool. Macartney very pleased with receipts from voyage of the Auselm (?): 200 passengers.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1358 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 January 1895**
- Athenaeum, Liverpool. Briefly describes business dealings with Ruttner, who is based in the USA. Exchange of letters/telegraphs. Suggests "climbing down" in a good humoured way.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1359 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **24 January 1895**
- Athenaeum, Liverpool. "Wonderfully well". Has talked with Nelia (?) and Tom about the financial position.
- 3 sides of writing on small notepaper.

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| MS797//1360 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 14
February
1895 |
| | Athenaeum, Liverpool. He describes Alfred and Charlie's travel plans. Alfred will shortly be off to Naples. | |
| | 3 sides of small notepaper | |
| MS797//1361 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 21
February
1895 |
| | Athenaeum, Liverpool. "Mrs Asquith's invitation is very amusing. What a queer thing electioneering always is!". Chamberlain says the Prince will not sign any report on old age "as the position has become controversial". "HRH told him so". Chamberlain thinks about half will not sign the chairman's report. He hopes to contrive an additional statement to represent all dissidents. Chamberlain has been very successful in passing the amendments to the report. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper, closely written | |
| MS797//1362 | Draft letter from Charles Booth to Lord Playfair | 28
February
1895 |
| | Athenaeum, Liverpool. Wishes he could have signed the report, especially as it has been altered so that it is closer to his views. Thinks their (political?) paths are leading in different directions. | |
| | 2 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1363 | Draft letter from Charles Booth to [E. Horner] | 1895
February |

Draft reply to letter of 25 February 1895 from E. Horner. Explains why he called drink the "most prolific cause of poverty". Gives details from the survey to back up his argument.
No address.

1 large side of notepaper

- MS797//1364** **Draft letter from Charles Booth to J. Stuart** **1895**
February
- Reply to letter of 26 February 1895 from J. Stuart. No address. Willing to compromise with Stuart and Chamberlain. Therefore no need for him to put in a separate report. Mentions other figures, such as Hunter, who are considering whether to approve the report. Stuart's draft differs from Chamberlain's in that Stuart's draft could fit in with the possibility of signing the chairman's report.
- 1 side of medium-sized paper
- MS797//1365** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 March**
1895
- 39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Rattner is depressed by failure of Mathieu (?) in Gloversville "by reason of drink". Leather has gone wrong too. Booth has discussed "the steamer problem" with Philip.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1366** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14 March**
1895
- Athenaeum, Liverpool. Agrees that Courtney will be disappointed about "the Speakership". Would have capped his career which might sink into "semi failure". But recognises there is strong feeling against him.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1367** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **[24?]**
[April?]
1895

Paper headed '24 Great Cumberland Place.' 'in the train on my way to Liverpool'. Writes at length about Tom's application to the army. Colonel Lyttleton seemed a bit sceptical of the Guards: he "evidently sympathises more with those who seek India & fighting". Arthur Baxter wants to become a cab owner: "a very odd thing to do".

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1368 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 11-12 July 1895

Arverne, N.Y. Gives timetable regarding his boat trips. Some details on business plans regarding Gloversville: "this proposed extension of the Phila[delphia?] business is the most important thing at present".

2 large sides of paper

MS797//1369 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 12 July 1895

New York. Speculates about Llewellyn Smith's chances of wooing Dodo. He would approve: "as to social position it will do".

1 large side of paper

MS797//1370 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 12 July 1895

New York. Mentions forthcoming Eton versus Harrow match.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1371 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 14 July 1895

Arverne, New York. Feels sorry for Llewellyn Smith.

1 side of paper

MS797//1372 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 14 July 1895

Arverne, New York. Gives his itinerary. Thinks the Unionists will get at least an 80 seat majority. "I don't see what will break them up for 5 years to come".

2 sides of paper

MS797//1373 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 July 1895

Boston, Mass. Notes that Harcourt, Morley and others have lost their seats. Chamberlain is in a powerful position if he can restrain himself: "What an immense chance for the man. What will he do with it?". Detailed description of business plans regarding Gloversville.

4 sides of paper

MS797//1374 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 19 July 1895

Young's Hotel, Boston, Mass. Feels sorry for Llewlyn Smith but attraction cannot always be mutual.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1375 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 21 July 1895

Arverne, N.Y. Thunderstorm is putting out the gas lamps. Sorry to miss excitement of election campaign.

3 sides of letter paper

MS797//1376 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22-23 July 1895

Arverne, N.Y. Detailed description of business meetings including Gloversville.

4 sides

MS797//1377 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 25-26 July 1895

The Alvord [Hotel], Gloversville, N.Y., and New York. Detailed descriptions of plans including moving business management to New York and leaving factory management in Gloversville.

5 sides

MS797//1378 Letter from Charles Booth to [Margaret Paulina Booth?] **15 August 1895**
(129 Riverside Drive, N.Y.?). There was a huge storm before the Wesleyan service.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1379 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **12 September 1895**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. His delayed arrival was due to a late train from Derby.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1380 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **17 September 1895**
Athenaeum, Liverpool. Admires Brook's reply to "Merrie England". Thinks "God's England or the Devil's" is very well done but shouldn't have been subsidised from the public purse. "He is the man to whom Balfour has given a pension for sound writing against socialism". Trollope is "wonderful": Booth is reading "not the worst of his books".

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1381 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth **23 September 1895**
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Gives his travel arrangements. Mostly domestic issues.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1382 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine **23 October**

- Booth** 1895
Toulouse, France. Describes surroundings: "there is not very much to be seen here".
3 sides notepaper
- MS797//1383 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 24 October 1895
Hotel du Midi, Toulouse. Has been sketching with Meg.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1384 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 25 October 1895
Carmaux, France. Has written a separate business letter. Troops are still here after the recent strike.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1385 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 27 October 1895
Hotel de France, Rodez, Aveyron, France.
"Margaret is an excellent traveller and a most delightful companion". Describes their travels.
6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1386 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 30 October 1895
Hotel Luxembourg, Nimes, France. Describes their travels and plans.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1387 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 31 October 1895
Hotel Luxembourg, Nimes, France. Describes their trip and travel plans.
2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1388 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **3 November 1895**
- Hotel au Forum, Arles, France. Describes area including church-going habits of locals. Has read Salisbury's speech in the parliamentary debate: "taking the same careful position he has always taken on that subject" ie free trade. Despite alarming rumours about Turkey, great powers continue to act together. Is relieved.
- 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1389 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 November 1895**
- Hotel de l'Europe, Avignon, France. Describes their travels. Worried that Turkey will break up from within: has read Gladstone's letter to Novikoff.
- 4 sides
- MS797//1390 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 November 1895**
- [Hotel de l'Europe, Avignon, France.] Describes their travels.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1391 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 November 1895**
- Hotel Boule d'Or, Bourges, France. "A really charming town". Likes the cathedral.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1392 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14 November 1895**
- Perrusson, France. George is in good shape.
- 2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1393 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 November 1895**
 39 Hunter St., Liverpool. Thinks Captain MacCartney will be pleased by her letter.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1394 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1896 July 15, 18**
 Cunard R.M.S. Umbria. Long description of Tom, who is very ill. Booth himself wants to survive longer to "make a jump over the next two or three years". Bemoans "the chaotic state of things in America". Thinks Republicans can win.
 10 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1395 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **21 July 1896**
 New York. Off to Boston the next day. "The whole position is extraordinarily confused".
 1 side of paper
- MS797//1396 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23-24 July 1896**
 Adams House [Hotel?], 553 Washington St., Boston, Mass. Met someone who told him that farming was impossible beyond a certain point in the West. "The Republicans have got the money and mean to spend it and win".
 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1397 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **27 July 1896**
 Arverne, N.Y. Thinks Bryan will win the presidential election. No-one knows the effect of a split in the Democrats will have on McKinley's chances. Both men are "contemptible creatures. What a way to select the President of a great nation!". Prefers the Republicans.
 4 sides

- MS797//1398 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **31 July 1896**
 Arverne, N.Y. Thinks money will be crucial in the campaign. "Democracy is a fraud everywhere". Wonders if "divine right of kings" will be reformed and acquire new legitimacy.
 2 sides
- MS797//1399 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 August 1896**
 Arverne, N.Y. Speculates on Bryan's chances in the presidential election. American papers very complimentary about Jameson trial.
 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1400 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 August 1896**
 New York. Interested in James Smith, Cecil Rhodes controversy. Doubts Smith is right about his version of events.
 1 page
- MS797//1401 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 September 1896**
 2 Talbot Court, Gracechurch St., E.C., [London]. Discusses rent. Duckworth thinks it is too much.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1402 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 September 1896**
 Liverpool. Advises her to get a cabin on her Channel crossing and to change English gold for French money on the boat or at Calais.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1403 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **30 September**

- 1896**
- Ightham Mote, Ivy Hatch, Kent. Hasn't seen Herbert Spencer's obituary, "he was a very remarkable man in his way". Wonders whether Beatrice (Potter) will write a biography.
- 4 sides notepaper
- MS797//1404 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **30 September 1896**
- Ightham Mote, Ivy Hatch, Kent. Mostly family news.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1405 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 October 1896**
- Ightham Mote, Ivy Hatch, Kent. Mostly family news.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1406 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **18 October 1896**
- Ightham Mote, Ivy Hatch, Kent. Mostly family news. He is learning to ride a bicycle. Long description of the Archbishop of Canterbury's funeral.
- 8 sides of newspaper
- MS797//1407 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 October 1896**
- Ightham Mote, Ivy Hatch, Kent. Mostly family news. Times thinks McKinley, Bryan race is too close to call. He will be anxious until it is over.
- 2 sides notepaper
- MS797//1408 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 November 1896**

Athenaeum, Liverpool. Thinks that McKinley's narrow majority might be a good thing: the Republicans might "not make idiots of themselves these next 4 years". Discusses £50,000 transfer.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1409 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **6 November 1896**

Athenaeum, Liverpool. Family news. Glad she has sorted out the accounts.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1410 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth **29 November 1896**

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Looking forward to seeing her soon. Family news.

6 sides notepaper

MS797//1411 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **18 February 1897**

Athenaeum, Liverpool. Met Tom Mann on the train "he told me all about his Hamburg experiences". Rhodes' position is bolstered by everybody else being involved too.

7 pages notepaper

MS797//1412 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **28 April 1897**

Local Office, Bow Rd., [London?]. Family news.

2 sides

MS797//1413 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **19 May 1897**

'On the road to Paris'. Describes the journey.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1414 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **20 May 1897**
'On the road to Spain'. Describes the train journey.

2 sides notepaper

MS797//1415 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **20 May 1897**
'On the way through Spain'. Describes the train journey and his companions.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1416 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **20 May 1897**
'On the road through Spain'. Describes the rail journey. Admires the quality of Spanish roads.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1417 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **21 May 1897**
'Approaching Lisbon'. Explains travel plans.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1418 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **22 May 1897**
Lisbon. Not sure he will see Purcell again.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1419 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **23 May 1897**

'On the road to Badajos', [Badajoz, Spain]. Feels hopeless about Purcell's recovery.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1420 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 25 May 1897
Fonda Madrilena, Merida, Spain. Will go to Lisbon for Purcell's funeral.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1421 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 26 May 1897
Lisbon. Lists his travel plans.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1422 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 26 May 1897
Lisbon. Purcell's children are being happily looked after. Describes his surroundings.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1423 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 28-9 May 1897
Hotel de Paris, Seville, Spain. Describes the cathedral.

5 sides of notepaper

MS797//1424 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 29-30 May 1897
Seville, Spain. Describes St. Fernando. Describes churches.

8 sides of notepaper

MS797//1425 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1897 May 30-31

Seville, Spain. Describes a bullfight.

8 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1426 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 June 1897**
Seville, Spain. Concerned about her health. She must slow down.
6 sheets of notepaper
- MS797//1427 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 June 1897**
'From Seville to Cordova'. Has decided to go Granada and omit Toledo.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1428 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 June 1897**
Cordova, Spain. "This place is very Spanish. Strikes me as more so than Seville." Fewer foreigners. The cathedral-mosque is "a most wonderful place".
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1429 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **6 June 1897**
Alcazar, and Madrid, Spain. He liked Granada. Cordova is "wonderful". Discusses arrangements on his return. Doesn't "much fancy" Lady Pratt's house but shall be happy there if she decides to take it. His philosophy is to leave such things until the last moment.
7 sheets of notepaper
- MS797//1430 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 June 1897**
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
Discusses arrangements for the Queen's jubilee. St. Paul's will be closed entirely to the public.
6 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1431 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 June 1897**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. They have been invited to meet the Prince of Wales.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1432 Letter from Charles Booth to [Louisa Hancox]** **26 June 1897**
 Noted by Mary Catherine Booth 'Returned to me by dear Louisa'. Description of the jubilee celebrations.
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
 14 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1433 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 July 1897**
 Liverpool. Had an interesting journey with Mr. Warr "who is very interesting on his House of Commons experience".
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1434 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 July 1897**
 R.M.S. Umbria. Would like a good rest.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1435 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23-4 July 1897**
 R.M.S. Umbria. Recounts a conversation with an American about American politics, farming. Also recounts a conversation with a woman from South Africa about Kruger and Rhodes.
 15 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1436 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **24 July 1897**
R.M.S. Umbria. Gives his planned itinerary for his American visit.
4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1437 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **27 July 1897**
Arverne, N.Y. Everything going well.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1438 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29 July 1897**
Boston, Mass. Business is very busy. Is worried about Tom.
1 side of paper
- MS797//1439 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **10-11 August 1897**
Arverne, N.Y. In negotiations about the new leather.
3 sides of paper
- MS797//1440 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13-14 August 1897**
Arverne, N.Y. She will have been worrying about Tom who is recovering from typhoid. "It is a blessing that the frontier troubles seem to be getting over". Suggests it may be better to establish a real Russian frontier with a campaign in Afghanistan.
6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1441 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 August 1897**

Arverne, N.Y. He is anxious about Tom. Hopes the Ameer will back down.

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1442 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 31 August 1897

Liverpool. Is watching the situation in India carefully. "It is Egypt all over again in this".

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1443 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 21 September 1897

28 Woodland St., Dalston, Hackney, London. Best if Tom comes home. Thinks the campaign may be over by Christmas although the British may go into Afghanistan.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1444 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 6 October 1897

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Mostly family issues and regarding tenants.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1445 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 21 October 1897

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Anxious about Tom. Has no idea how many of the Gordons have been killed.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1446 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 21 December 1897

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Is "buried" in re-reading about districts 14 and 16.

2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1447 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **11 January 1898**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Went to talk by Miss (Clara?) Collett and Schloss. Discussion dominated by anti-capitalist theories and the engineers' strike. Agreed with (Ernest) Aves, as he usually does.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1448 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 June 1898**
 Arverne, N.Y. It is good to have George around. Discusses his travel plans.
 1 side of paper
- MS797//1449 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1898 June 30-July 1**
 Continued from 30 June on 1 July 1898. Hotel Touraine, Boston, Mass. Gives travel plans. War news is "most absorbing". Thinks there will be a "great blow" struck at Santiago. Thinks Santiago will be taken before the 4 July "and this country will then go wild".
 5 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1450 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1898 July 4-5**
 Arverne, N.Y. Has the "great news" of the total destruction of the Spanish navy by the American navy. Santiago expected to fall soon.
 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1451 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **25 October 1898**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. His leg is still troubling him.
 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1452 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine** **14**

	Booth	December 1898
	Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. All the inquiry note books are up to date "a perfect mass it will be".	
	4 sides of notepaper	
MS797//1453	Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth	15 December 1898
	Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Domestic news.	
	4 sides of notepaper	
MS797//1454	Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth	18 December 1898
	Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Mostly domestic matters.	
	4 sides of notepaper	
MS797//1455	Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth	20 December 1898
	Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Urges her to join him.	
	4 sides of notepaper	
MS797//1456	Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth	9 January 1899
	24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Has had a wonderful day amongst the Poplar churches.	
	4 sides of notepaper	
MS797//1457	Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth	10 January 1899
	24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Thinks that there will be revolution in France soon.	
	3 pages	

- MS797/I/1458 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **18 January 1899**
 Liverpool. Has been to an interesting labour meeting. Impressed by Doyle, the miners' leader. It will be "very interesting indeed to get in touch with all this organised labour".
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1459 Letter from Charles Booth to [Margaret Paulina Booth]** **11 February 1899**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Domestic matters.
 3 pages of notepaper
- MS797/I/1460 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **7 March 1899**
 Athenaeum, Liverpool. Visited Philip at Croxteth Gate in the aftermath of Anna's death.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1461 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15 March 1899**
 Athenaeum, Liverpool. Glasgow meeting was a success.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1462 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 April 1899**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
 Domestic matters.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1463 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14 August 1899**

Runkerry, Bushmills, Co. Antrim. Is enjoying Lord Macnaghten's company.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1464 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **1 September 1899**

Cunard R.M.S. Campania [approaching New York]. Discusses education in America especially "latest..fads of lessons without discipline".

12 pages of notepaper

MS797//1465 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **5 September 1899**

Pierrepoint House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. Describes his wandering around Brooklyn and events on his trip.

4 pages

MS797//1466 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **1899 September 5-6**

Pierrepoint House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. Thinks war is unlikely in the Transvaal. Dreyfus affair is covered more fully here.

2 sides of paper

MS797//1467 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **8 September 1899**

Pierrepoint House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. Discusses Dodo's dilemma re marriage and imminent Dreyfus verdict, which is "a foregone conclusion". Does not believe a shot will be fired in the Transvaal.

2 sides of paper

MS797//1468 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **11 September**

- 1899**
- Gloversville, N.Y. Feels pity for "poor Dreyfus". If the sentence is nominal, "it is all the more cowardly a business". Doesn't believe court is independent. Things looking up with Booth's business interests in America.
- 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1469 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15 September 1899**
- Pierrepont House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. She has had "another bad attack". He sympathises at length. Is convinced that the Boers will climb down in the Transvaal. Lengthy discussion of background to South Africa crisis. A war "will leave a legacy of hate". All going "mightily well" at Gloversville.
- 6 sides
- MS797//1470 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **19 September 1899**
- Pierrepont House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. She must be very worried that Tom will be sent with his regiment to South Africa. He does not think the Boers will fight. Discusses Dreyfus' pardon.
- 4 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1471 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **21 September 1899**
- Pierrepont House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. Still thinks there will be no fighting in South Africa. The Boers won't fight: "I cannot conceive that the Orange Free State would fight". Thinks Kruger may be bluffing to get a favourable diplomatic settlement.
- 2 sides of letter paper
- MS797//1472 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **24 September**

- 1899**
- Pierrepont House [Hotel], Brooklyn, N.Y. Still thinks there will be no fighting in South Africa. Some newspapers in the USA are very anti-British.
- 1 side of letter paper
- MS797//1473 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **26-7 September 1899**
- New York. Thinks the British government is doing well regarding Transvaal. Their cables seem to strike the right tone.
- 3 pages
- MS797//1474 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29 September 1899**
- New York. Feels for Tom, who is on his way to South Africa with troops from India.
- 3 pages
- MS797//1475 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **29 September 1899**
- New York. Family news.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1476 Draft letter from Charles Booth to Sir Edward W. Hamilton** **[13?] [November] 1899**
- Reply to letter of 11 November 1899, from Sir Edward Hamilton. Has read the draft report. Disagrees with passages regarding evidence of thrift.
- 3 sides of paper
- MS797//1477 Draft letter from Charles Booth to E.S. Talbot** **[7?] [December]**

- 1899**
- Reply to letter of 6 December 1899, from E.S. Talbot, Bishop of Rochester. Doubts the sense in having a meeting to "inaugurate the life of the new borough of Southwark before it becomes a political consideration".
- 1 side of paper
- MS797//1478 Draft letter from Charles Booth to E.S. Talbot** **[9?]
[December]
1899**
- Reply to letter of 8 December 1899, from E.S. Talbot, Bishop of Rochester. Flattered by the Bishop's invitation to join a group but feels he must decline.
- 1 side of notepaper
- MS797//1479 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **18 January
1900**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Her mother has been ill.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1480 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **18 January
1900**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Her mother is feeling better.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1481 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **19 January
1900**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Her mother's health is continuing to improve.
- 1 side
- MS797//1482 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **20 January
1900**

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
Family news. Thinks the war news is good.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1483 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 27 January 1900

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. They are both very worried about the Boer War. Tom is off on a tiger shoot in the Punjab.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1484 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 31 January 1900

Dated 1 February. 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Comments on siege of Ladysmith.

6 pages of notepaper

MS797//1485 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 5 February 1900

Athenaeum, Liverpool. Has seen Louisa Hancox.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1486 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 6 February 1900

Athenaeum, Liverpool. No definite war news. Mrs Wagner is ready to sell half her shares.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1487 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 17 February 1900

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Likes the poem. Comments on relief of Kimberley and other Boer war news.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1488 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 23 February

- 1900**
- 39 Hunter St., Liverpool. War news is "anxious".
Family events discussed.
- 2 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1489 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 12 March 1900**
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
Sympathises about her ill health. His travel plans.
- 3 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1490 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 21 April 1900**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Family news.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1491 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 25 July 1900**
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Heat
has affected her mother.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1492 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 26 July 1900**
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Her
mother is improving. Huxley (the family doctor) is
confident about her recovery.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1493 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 28 August 1900**
R.M.S. Oceanic [one day's voyage from New
York]. Admires the ship. Wonder if Tom is in
action.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1494 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine 4**

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| | Booth | September
1900 |
| | Arverne, N.Y. Discusses business. | |
| | 2 sides of paper | |
| MS797//1495 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 7
September
1900 |
| | Arverne, N.Y. She must be very anxious about Tom. But he is pleased that he is time to take part in the last great act of the (Boer) war. Some discussion of business. Very sorry that she is having such a difficult time, especially regarding Pratt's shooting himself. | |
| | 3 sides of paper | |
| MS797//1496 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 10
September
1900 |
| | Arverne, N.Y. Details of negotiations with Wolff. News from Africa is good. Thinks (Boer) war is nearing the end. Not sure what will happen regarding China. Assumes that British will work with Germans and Japanese but go it alone if necessary. | |
| | 3 sides of paper | |
| MS797//1497 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 14
September
1900 |
| | Arverne, N.Y. Wolff negotiations. Benedict (ship) now afloat. News from Transvaal is good. | |
| | 2 pages | |
| MS797//1498 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 18
September
1900 |
| | One line almost worn away 'extra/-ordinarily big this time - far-reaching decisions are upon us. All / proofs'
'Returning from Boston', Mass. Admires the picture of Dodo by Marie Stillman. | |

2 pages

- MS797//1499 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **21 September 1900**
- 'On Railway - Albany to Gloversville', N.Y.
Comments on Wolff - "a strange character".
- 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1500 Draft letter from Charles Booth to Sir Henry C. Burdett** **[14?] [November] 1900**
- Reply to letter of 13 November 1900 from Sir Henry C. Burdett. Hooliganism not a great threat to crime and the police.
- 1 side of notepaper
- MS797//1501 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **3 December 1900**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. She needn't worry about her mother.
- 3 pages notepaper
- MS797//1502 Draft letter from Charles Booth to [W.H.?] Dickinson** **9 December 1900**
- No address. Regrets that he won't be able to serve on the committee on hooliganism as he will be away.
- 1 page of notepaper
- MS797//1503 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves** **30 December 1900**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Has got the notebook for district 40. Excited at the prospect of finishing.
- 2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1504** **Draft letter from Charles Booth to London County Council** **1901**
[January]
 No address. Writes a reference for George Duckworth who is applying for the post of housing manager. Describes their professional relationship.
 1 side of paper
- MS797//1505** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **6 March**
1901
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Advises her not to hurry down.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1506** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 March**
1901
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Describes work going on the estate.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1507** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **25 June**
1901
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Describes all the building work.
 12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1508** **Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **3 December**
1901
 Hotel Griffon, New York. The fogs must have been difficult.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1509** **Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **6 December**
1901
 Hotel Griffon, New York. They will be very happy when they hear that Tom's regiment is leaving South Africa.
 4 sides of notepaper

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| MS797//1510 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Hotel Griffon, New York. Describes their hotel. George is doing splendidly. | 8 December 1901 |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1511 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Hotel Griffon, New York. Skinner has done wonders. Glove business is profitable now. | 10 December 1901 |
| | 4 pages of notepaper | |
| MS797//1512 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Hotel Griffon, New York. Hopes she enjoys Gracedieu more than London. | 13 December 1901 |
| | 3 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1513 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Philadelphia, [Pa.?]. Asks about the storms. George is doing very well. | 16-17 December 1901 |
| | 6 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1514 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Hotel Griffon, New York. Hopes war will finish soon. Most American hotels are no good. Just finishing the end of year accounts. | 20 December 1901 |
| | 8 pages of notepaper | |
| MS797//1515 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 21 December 1901 |

New York. Accounts are being finalised today. Alfred Allen has accepted place on Board of Cunard. Charles Booth approves: their business will not be affected.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1516 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **23-24
December
1901**

Hotel Griffon, New York. Has heard terrible accounts of weather in England. Accounts being finalised.

8 pages

MS797//1517 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **26-27
December
1901**

Hotel Griffon, New York. Details of social life. Detailed description of the Kuttner family. Thinks that Rosebery's speech is remarkable, especially Rosebery's contention that the British are united and that a change of government would not change policy regarding South Africa. Watching developments regarding Chile and Argentina with great interest. Expects Chile to win any conflict and that this will have great implications for South America and the Monroe Doctrine.

10 pages of notepaper

MS797//1518 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **31
December
1901**

Hotel Griffon, New York. Accounts have been completed: "a pretty good year all told".

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1519 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **24 April
1902**

Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. "The Baron and his scheme" have taken up a lot of his time. Failed to communicate with the Baron by telephone but did meet for a friendly lunch. Is deluged by proofs.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1520 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **27 April 1902**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Remarks on their wedding anniversary. Enjoyed the Club the previous night: they will discuss Cecil Rhodes soon. Some discussion in the letter about the book's progress.

8 pages of notepaper

MS797//1521 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **21 May 1902**
30 James St., Liverpool. Comments on Cunard's strategy to maintain their business.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1522 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves **26 August 1902**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Detailed descriptions of latest developments regarding the Life and Labour in London project. Short comments on each proposed chapter and the source material for them. For instance chapter 9 on prostitution "is very imperfect....There are also many opinions worth quoting". Missions chapter - "better can be done" since the extracts "contain some amazing specimens".

6 sides of letter paper

MS797//1523 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **30 August 1902**
Cunard R.M.S. Campania. Some details about voyage.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1524 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **5 September 1902**

Cunard R.M.S. Campania. News on the voyage.

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1525 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 September 1902**
- Boston, Mass. Family news (George and Margaret are with him).
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1526 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **19-20 September 1902**
- Arverne, N.Y. Hopes to settle dispute with Ballin. All the shipping magnates are here although "there is some kind of hitch over the combine".
- 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1527 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 September 1902**
- 88 Gold St., New York. In the middle of cables going back and forth "which are destined to end in the settlement of our war with the Germans". It will be a victory for Booth's side. Arbitration clause, which Booth could not agree to, has been struck out.
- 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1528 Letter from Charles Booth to George Macaulay Booth** **7 November 1902**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Happy that Canada is so splendid.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1529 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **2 December 1902**

Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Family news. Pleased that he has finished volume 7 of Life and Labour in London, "have decided to put myself on half time for the concluding volume". Describes work on Life and Labour as "very exacting". "To have created the Monster!".

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1530 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves **29 December 1902**

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Is reading James' book on varieties of religious experience.

2 sides notepaper

MS797//1531 Draft letter from Charles Booth to J. Robertson **3 January 1903**

Reply to letter of 29 December 1902 from J. Robertson. No address. Booth is an enthusiast for the life of business. Hopes that Robertson's son will succeed in business too. Sees potential in him.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1532 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves **13 February 1903**

8 Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W.C., [London]. Thanks him for the revisions of volume 3. "How much the book owes to you no one can ever know". Booth is now writing "Housing".

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1533 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **15 February 1903**

Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Is working away. The weather is delightful.

4 pages of notepaper

- MS797//1534 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 February 1903**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Alludes to local strike: "Stablefords men & all out". Spoke to O'Brien (?), "he suspects that advantage is being taken of slackness to give the men who cannot be relied on a lesson".
- 4 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1535 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 February 1903**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics.
- MS797//1536 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **18 February 1903**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Comments on Stableford's - they have been in a fix because of an Indian wagon order.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1537 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **19 February 1903**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Hopes he will finish the book soon.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1538 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 February 1903**
- Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Comments briefly on alleged miracles in Ireland. She will be getting housing section of the book from Miss Duncan.
- 4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1539 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **21 February 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Encloses latest version of the book with Aves' corrections.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1540 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 February 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Agrees with her that last two pages of the book should be omitted.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1541 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 March 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Thanks her for looking at proofs. Still can't see his way to cutting out the whole of section 4.
 4 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1542 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 March 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Has laughed at his own incapacity to finish the book.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1543 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **3 March 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Has reached the point where volume seven is as good as it's going to get.
- MS797//1544 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 March 1903**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Concerned about her ill health. Domestic matters: felling of tree, brick samples etc.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1545 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **5 March 1903**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Has received the final revision of volume 7.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1546 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **6 March 1903**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Is "well enough satisfied" with the revision of volume 7.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1547 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **8 March 1903**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Further discussions about the tree with the squire. Has enjoyed the children's correspondence from India and America.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1548 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **15 March 1903**
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Encloses the annual accounts. Thinks Meg has neuralgia.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1549 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **16 March 1903**
North Western Hotel, Liverpool. Has talked with Nelia and Enfield. Thinks latter will leave Booth's employment.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1550 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **2 April 1903**

Grand Hotel de Normandie, Rue de Paris 106 & 108, Havre, France. Describes boat trip and fellow passengers.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1551 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1903 April 4-5

'Havre to Oporto' and Oporto, Portugal. Has got to know the captain a little.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1552 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1903 April 5-6

S.S. Obidense. Descriptions of Oporto. Will speak to Chissold about the deficit of £1500.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1553 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1903 April 7-8

S.S. Obidense. Describes royal procession. Lisbon very enthusiastic about the royal visit.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1554 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 10 April 1903

S.S. Obidense, Madeira. Having a lazy time. Islands (Madeira) are rocky and beautiful.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1555 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 16 April 1903

S.S. Obidense. Describes how he is spending his days.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1556 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 17 April 1903

S.S. Obidense. Is reading Bates, "quite charming".

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1557 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **18 April 1903**
S.S. Obidense. Describes ship, passengers and crew at some length.
20 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1558 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 April 1903**
Para, Brazil. Amazon company has put one of their fastest steamers at this disposal. Has met the mother of the consul.
2 pages
- MS797//1559 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **25 April 1903**
S.S. Obidense, 'Ashore in the Amazon 30 miles above Prainha', Brazil. Ship got stuck on the mud. He is well though it is "piping hot".
4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1560 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 April 1903**
S.S. Obidense. 2 crew killed in an accident. Admires "beautiful forest banks".
8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1561 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1-3 May 1903**
Manaos [now Manaus], Brazil. Their prospects "are very good". Hopes his men and employees of others will work well together.
12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1562 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1903 May 5-6**

S.S. Perseveranca, 'On the way to Iquitos'. Far more interesting to travel by river boat than by ocean steamer.

- MS797//1563 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17-18 May 1903**
'Iquitos to Manaus'. Detailed descriptions of "amazing" river.

12 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1564 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 May 1903**
Manaos, Brazil. Has received her letters. Two clerks (from another firm) have died of yellow fever.

6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1565 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 May 1903**
Manaos, Brazil. Cannot refuse any honour if offered spontaneously although "I really like be best as I am". Would prefer being on the Privy Council or perhaps a KCB.

1 side of notepaper
- MS797//1566 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1903 May 30-31**
Manaos, Brazil. Pleased he has stayed the extra 10 days: "Success is I think certain at every point....never was anything more interesting in the way of business".

5 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1567 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 September 1903**

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Travel arrangements. Enjoying controversy about Balfour.

3 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1568 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 September 1903**
- 8 Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W.C., [London]. Satisfactory cable from Manaus with figures required for the annual meeting.
- 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1569 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 October 1903**
- Liverpool. Family news.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1570 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves** **27 October 1903**
- 40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. He believes in colonial preference. Has his own scheme: doesn't always agree with Joseph Chamberlain.
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1571 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves** **23 November 1903**
- 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Suggests Aves consults the Webbs on his career plans. Sidney Webb wished to "keep the School neutral but open-minded" [assumed to be a reference to the London School of Economics].
- 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1572 Draft letter from Charles Booth to A. L. Baxter** **25 November 1903**

Reply to letter of 23 November 1903 from A. L. Baxter. No address. Stresses "happy relations which have...bound us together".

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1573 Draft letter from Charles Booth to [B. H. Alford] 1903 November

Reply to letter of 9 Nov. 1903 from Revd. B. H. Alford. No address. Values his support for Booth's project, especially since Alford has so much knowledge about London life.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1574 Draft letter from Charles Booth to [H. Begbie] [?1903]

Reply to letter of [1903?] from H. Begbie. An interview is not practicable at present as Booth is rarely in London.

1 side of paper

MS797//1575 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 5 January 1904

40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. Has chatted to the secretary of the dock workers' union "who, very curiously for a trades unionist, asked if protection would not make the trades unions unmanageably strong - if it made employment so much better."

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1576 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 13 January 1904

8 Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W.C., [London]. He will head for Liverpool for the accounts and a board meeting.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1577 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 13 January 1904

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
Memories of Garland. Off to a tariff reform dinner
tomorrow night.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1578 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 14 January 1904

8 Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W.C., [London].
Domestic matters including the outbreak of
chickenpox and the possibility of Charles being
quarantined. Could a carriage meet him at
Coalville? He will have been fed on the dining
train.

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1579 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22 January 1904

40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. "The Light of
the World" arrangements are moving forward. It
is going to be a beautiful piece of work.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1580 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth [?] January 1904

40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. Describes the
layout of their proposed new accommodation.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1581 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 4 February 1904

24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W.
Commission did a great deal yesterday. "I think
sobriety rules in the tariff reform councils and will
do so".

4 pages of notepaper

MS797//1582 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 26 February 1904

40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. Yesterday spent settling contract for new passenger ship to be built at Belfast. Gives details of prices and negotiations.

2 sides of notepaper
See also MS797/I/1583, which appears to be a continuation of this letter.

- MS797/I/1583 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1904**
[?February]
Possibly a continuation of letter of 26 February (see reference MS797/I/1582). No address.

1 side of notepaper
- MS797/I/1584 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 May**
1904
Gracedieu., Whitwick, Leics. Family news. Is keen to see her and for her to travel.

4 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1585 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **20 May**
1904
Gracedieu., Whitwick, Leics. The bluebells are magnificent.

3 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1586 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **10 June**
1904
24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Short note re a subscription Booth is sending. The cause isn't made explicit.

2 sides of notepaper
- MS797/I/1587 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **11 June**
1904
'In the Oxford train'. Family news and details regarding his journey.

2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1588 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **12 June 1904**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Some details of the garden party in Oxford. Was "lost" without her as he couldn't put names to faces.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1589 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 June 1904**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Family news.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1590 Letter from Charles Booth to E. Aves** **25 June 1904**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Thanks him for the congratulations. Booth heard the news (about the Privy Council) when receiving an honorary degree from Oxford.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1591 Letter from Charles Booth to C. W. Jones** **6 July 1904**
 8 Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W. C., [London]. Thanks him for his congratulations. Privy Council duties are not onerous. Will be a great relief if the "Wolff business" is settled.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1592 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **30 July 1904**
 R.M.S. Campania. Explains why Imogen is accompanying him.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1593 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **10-11 August 1904**

129 Riverside Drive, New York. Descriptions of travels. Imogen is "perfectly delightful".

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1594 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth 14 August 1904

129 Riverside Drive, New York. Is looking forward to seeing her.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1595 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 14-15 August 1904

129 Riverside Drive, New York. Detailed description of the house they are staying in. Itinerary.

10 sides of notepaper

MS797//1596 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 16 August 1904

129 Riverside Drive, New York. Would like to see Chamberlain's speech. Absorbed by news of Russian fleet. "How utterly crushing it all is". Port Arthur must fall soon: there will be nothing left of Russia in the Far East.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1597 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 22-3 August 1904

129 Riverside Drive, New York. Mostly family matters.

7 sides of notepaper

MS797//1598 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 27-8 August 1904

'From New York to Chicago'. Impressed by "wonderful" New York: "The effect at night of an electrified existence is extraordinary".

6 sides of notepaper

MS797//1599 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **1 September 1904**

The St. Nicholas [Hotel], St. Louis, Missouri. Descriptions of Chicago. Exhibition is "really very wonderful".

8 sides of paper

MS797//1600 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **6 September 1904**

88 Gold St., New York. Family news. George having an operation.

3 pages of notepaper

MS797//1601 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **9 September 1904**

Boston, Mass. Family news. Thinks Tom will leave the army.

5 pages

MS797//1602 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **19 September 1904**

129 Riverside Drive, [New York]. He is a little anxious: "there is a good deal here that is critical about the business situation."

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1603 Letter from Charles Booth to George Macaulay Booth **19 September 1904**

129 Riverside Drive, [New York]. Hopes to be able to report that the proposed company will come off. Loan might be arranged on Wednesday.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1604 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 23 September 1904

129 Riverside Drive, [New York]. Family news.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1605 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 6 October 1904

341 West 85th Street, New York. Amalgamation scheme for leather business sounds promising but yet to be confirmed.

6 pages

MS797//1606 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 10 October 1904

341 West 85th Street, New York. Worried about George.

2 sides of paper

MS797//1607 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 14 October 1904

341 West 85th Street, New York. Family news.

4 sides of paper

MS797//1608 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 16-17 October 1904

New York. Confident that he can work with Tom if he leaves the army. Other family news especially relating to George.

7 pages of letter paper

- MS797//1609 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **21 October 1904**
 341 West 85th Street, New York. A few details of his social life.
 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1610 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **24-25 October 1904**
 341 West 85th Street, New York. Thinks Alfred under-estimated difficulties of the leather business.
 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1611 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 October 1904**
 341 West 85th Street, New York. It looks like war has been averted. The Russians might have been tempted to invade India instead. He thinks the French decision not to get involved has been decisive.
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1612 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **4 November 1904**
 341 West 85th Street, New York. Still some doubt as to whether Russia and Britain can avoid fighting. The battlefield is likely to be India.
 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1613 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 November 1904**
 341 West 85th Street, New York. Mr Friedheim arriving soon to discuss the leather business. Important to know what they are doing before they order thousands of goat skins.
 4 sides of paper

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| MS797//1614 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 20
November
1904 |
| | Boston, Mass. Had a long interesting talk with John Morley, Morley is much interested in Roosevelt. Morley thinks Roosevelt elected because of patriotism. Roosevelt had doubted whether he would win. Morley thinks a 6 year term would be better with a maximum of 2 terms. | |
| | 3 pages of paper | |
| MS797//1615 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 20
December
1904 |
| | 40 Sydenham Avenue, Liverpool. Family news. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1616 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | [26?]
January
1905 |
| | 'Blaisy-Bas or thereabouts', France. Describes his surroundings and their journey. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1617 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 27 January
1905 |
| | 'Approaching Rome'. Describes the journey. Short descriptions of Italy. | |
| | 3 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1618 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 29 January
1905 |
| | Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. Describes journey, their hotel. | |
| | 3 sides of letter paper | |
| MS797//1619 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 30 January
1905 |

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy, Has read the Daily Mail regarding Balfour's "strong" speech. Thinks he will hold off (from calling an election?) until the Russo-Japanese (?) war is over. Russia will be gravely weakened by the revolution.

4 sides of letter paper

MS797//1620 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 31 January 1905

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. Margaret's health is improving.

3 sides of letter paper

MS797//1621 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 1 February 1905

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. Has influenza.

2 sides of notepaper

MS797//1622 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 2 February 1905

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. Details his health problems - he must rest for a fortnight.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1623 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 3 February 1905

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. His health is improving. Alludes to North Sea Commission.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1624 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth 4 February 1905

Hotel Marine, Rivera, Amalfi, Italy. Description of the hotel. Reading Gibbon.

2 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1625 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **5 February 1905**
 Dated 4 February in error. Ravello, Italy. More details on his ear infection.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1626 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **6 February 1905**
 Ravello, Italy
- MS797//1627 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **7 February 1905**
 Ravello, Italy. His ill health.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1628 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **13 February 1905**
 Ravello, Italy. He is recovering. Requests that she buy him a walking stick.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1629 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15 February 1905**
 Ravello, Italy. Is getting stronger but worries about her.
 2 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1630 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **10 March 1905**
 Hotel Russie, Rome, Italy. Describes his surroundings.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1631 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina** **26 March**

- Booth** 1905
Rome. Gives his travel plans. Rome doesn't lose its charm.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1632 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 12 April 1905
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. All well with him and Imogen.
2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1633 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 13 April 1905
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Passes on George's views regarding the leather business. Wishes she were there to advise him.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1634 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** 14 April 1905
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Thanks her for passing message on.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1635 Letter from Charles Booth to J. Argyle** 19 October 1905
Returning 'typed copy & revised proof of "Expansion" [MS797//II/32/1-2?] and enclosing two sheets of revised matter for insertion.
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics.
3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1636 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** 31 October 1905
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Her mother is much better.
3 sides of notepaper

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| MS797//1637 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 19
November
1905 |
| | Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Family news. Booth has been interviewed by the Standard but has said nothing. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1638 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 20
November
1905 |
| | Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Their sewers have been inspected and in good order. | |
| | 4 sides notepaper | |
| MS797//1639 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 21
November
1905 |
| | Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Hilda disaster is awful. | |
| | 4 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1640 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 18 January
1906 |
| | Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Meeting last night was successful. | |
| | 2 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1641 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 18 January
1906 |
| | Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. There has been sleet. | |
| | 2 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1642 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth | 18-19
January
1906 |

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Birmingham is a great triumph for Chamberlain. The "Labour position is the event of the day". The Liberals won't like it at all.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1643 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **22 February 1906**

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Dinner lasted until 1.30: Chamberlain almost in tears at times.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1644 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **23 February 1906**

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Family news.

3 sides of notepaper

MS797//1645 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **1 March 1906**

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Morley may be best off patching up the quarrel between Curzon and Kitchener.

2 sides of paper

MS797//1646 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **2 March 1906**

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Aves is struggling with his workload.

4 sides of notepaper

MS797//1647 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth **2-3 March 1906**

Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Has settled the lease for the cottage.

4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1648 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Booth's plans for the garden.

1page
- MS797//1649 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **8 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Gardening news.

4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1650 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **9 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Family news.

3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1651 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **14 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Family news. It has snowed.

3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1652 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Details of Mr German's car.

4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1653 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **15 March 1906**
Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Details of Briers' heart attack. He was treated with an injection of strychnine. "The strychnine had....enabled him to live".

4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1654 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine** **15 March**

- Booth** **1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Dr. Burkitt has had to cancel Canadian trip.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1655 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **16 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Briers on the mend. Has ordered whisky and claret.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1656 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **22 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Briers not too well. Domestic matters.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1657 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Plans for "motor accommodation" ie garage (with diagrams),
 8 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1658 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Briers making encouraging progress in his recovery. Glorious weather. Children have enjoyed the lawn.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1659 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **28 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Thanks for sending the teeth: he now has "a full mouth". Insurance matters. Remarks on the weather.
 4 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1660 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Details of their insurance policies.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1661 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **29 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Details plans for outbuildings. Seeks her approval.
 3 sides of paper
- MS797//1662 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **30 March 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick. Leics. Has forwarded the letter from the missionary's son at Birmingham to Gerard Beesley as his wife is a subscriber "as are all the Chamberlains".
 3 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1663 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **23 April 1906**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. His travel plans. Aves is off to Portugal "so he is off my mind".
 3 pages of notepaper
- MS797//1664 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **30 April 1906**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. George has brought news of the engagement. He doesn't see why it should remain a secret.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1665 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 May 1906**
 24 Great Cumberland Place, London, S.W. Billy's employment.
 3 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1666 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 May 1906**
 Civil Service paper. No address. Has discussed Billy's prospects with him. Pleased at Walter Potter's success.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1667 Draft letter from Charles Booth to R.T.W. Ritchie** **4 May 1906**
 Not signed. Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Regarding Margaret's engagement with Billy, " a good and honest gentleman". A long engagement would be a mistake.
 2 sides of paper
- MS797//1668 Letter from Charles Booth to Margaret Paulina Booth** **17 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Family matters. Announcement (of her engagement) looked "mighty fine".
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1669 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **17 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Beginning work on new statement of his Poor Law scheme. Tariff Commission meetings are going well.
 4 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1670 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **18 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Is glad that Imogen is on the mend.
 3 sides of notepaper

- MS797//1671 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **19 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Wants to discover more about Poor Law and work of overseers from Pickering
 5 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1672 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **31 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Motor house looks magnificent. Wants to chat to squire.
 4 sides of newspaper
- MS797//1673 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **31 May 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics.
- MS797//1674 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 June 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Family news. Update on improvements to garage.
 6 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1675 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **1 June 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. He is annoyed that Everard has not accepted his invitation to discuss the kitchen.
 2 sides of notepaper
- MS797//1676 Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth** **2 June 1906**
 Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. Family news. Margaret's Swiss cure has done her good.
 4 sides of notepaper

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| MS797//1677 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. | 3 June 1906 |
| | Plans for Gracedieu. Family news | |
| | 11 sides of notepaper | |
| MS797//1678 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. | 4 June 1906 |
| | Plans for Gracedieu. | |
| | 8 sides of notepaper. | |
| MS797//1679 | Letter from Charles Booth to Mary Catherine Booth
Gracedieu, Whitwick, Leics. | 4 June 1906 |
| | Plans for Gracedieu. | |
| | 6 sides of notepaper. | |
| MS797//1680-1697 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1906 June 5-December 6 |
| | Mostly letters to his wife. Subjects include family, plans to alter Gracedieu, statistics on the burden of pauperism, proceedings of the Poor Law Commission. | |
| MS797//1698-1716 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1907 January 28 - 1907 June 3 |

Correspondents include his wife, Mary Catherine Booth and A. Marshall. Subjects include his health and hers, family news, Municipal Reform Party candidates, Booth's privileges as a Privy Councillor, Asquith's Budget. Also includes detailed report of conversations at a dinner party including discussions about colonial conferences and permanent secretariat. Allusions to views of fellow guests, Richard Burdon Haldane, Herbert Samuel, Arthur Balfour, Alfred Milner, Francis Hopwood, Sir Frederick Pollock (5 February). Comments on Municipal Reform Party's "glorious victory" in the London County Council election which "proves that no class can command the polls".

**MS797//1717-
1743** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1907 June
4 - 1907
August 10**

Correspondents include Mary Catherine Booth, Margaret Booth, Holman Hunt. Subjects include Light of the World, Booth's trips to Scotland and Switzerland, insurance for their motor vehicles, British foreign policy including relations with Germany and Austria, rumours about Sir Edward Grey's negotiations with the Austrians and Russians regarding Macedonia.

**MS797//1744-
1768** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1907
October 31
- 1907
December
31**

Includes letters to Denis Ritchie, Margaret Ritchie, Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include problems with his health, family news, settlement of railway dispute ("I see the Free Labour Association are disgusted - spoiling for a fight", letter of 8 November), Dakkyl case, deciding whether to get a telephone, Balfour and the tariff reformers.

- MS797//1769-1782** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1908**
1782 **January 1 -**
1908
February
19
- Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, Margaret Ritchie. Subjects include family news, Mary Booth's health, their trip to Bath.
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- MS797//1783-1809** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1908**
1809 **February 26**
- 1908
December
31
- Correspondents include Mary Catherine Booth, Denis Ritchie, and Margaret Ritchie. Subjects include family news, Mary Catherine Booth's health, improvements to Gracedieu Manor, death of Duke of Devonshire, the Education Bill, Cabinet reshuffle involving Winston Churchill and Reginald McKenna.
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- MS797//1810-1824** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1909**
1824 **January 1 -**
1909 March
17
- Correspondents include Mary Catherine Booth, Edward Alves, Margaret Ritchie. Subjects include discussions with Sir Herbert Smith and Clara Collett, Lloyd George and taxation
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- MS797//1825-1844** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1909 June 7**
1844 **- 1909**
November
8
- Correspondents include Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include Rosebury's speech, visit to Ireland.

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| MS797//1845-
1860 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1909
November
9 - 1909
December 5 |
| | Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include Honours list, speeches of Balfour and Lord Rosebury at a meeting. | |
| MS797//1861-
1877 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1910
January 25
- 1910
March 6 |
| | Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, Margaret Ritchie. Subjects include "disappointing" result in Loughborough in the General Election, domestic matters, "vastly funny" dreadnought hoax, prospects of another general election, views of George Barnes on political situation. | |
| MS797//1878-
1891 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1910 March
7 - 1910
August 4 |
| | Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include possibility of renting land, family news. | |
| MS797//1892a-
1907 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1910
August 13 -
1910
December
30 |

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth.
Subjects include trip to France.

MS797//1908-1911 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1911 July - 1911 October**

Letters to Mary Catherine Booth and Margaret Booth. Subjects include Bourne case, his hopes that Franco - German tensions will be defused and that threatened withdrawal of French banking credits will be averted, rumours of war crisis involving English officers in Dunkirk and railway movements in that vicinity.

MS797//1912-1927 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1912 February 16 - 1912 April 28**

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, Margaret Booth. Subjects include Churchill's "ingenious" ideas for the navy: "it will be interesting to see what view the Germans take of these huxtering methods". Also includes detailed descriptions of his voyage to Brazil.

MS797//1928-1934 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1912 May 1 - 1912 May 14**

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, Imogen Booth. Subjects include trip to Brazil with detailed descriptions of Manaus and the voyage from Para.

MS797//1935-1945 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1912 May 15 - 1912 August 7**

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth and Edward Aves. Subjects include trip to Brazil and detailed descriptions of voyages, "political trouble" and riots in Para. Mentions Alfred Booth's heart attack, which was much more severe than Booth's own attack.

**MS797//1946-
1958** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1912
August 10 -
1912
September
17**

Includes letters and postcards to Mary Catherine Booth and Margaret Paulina Booth. Subjects include his travels by car in England and Scotland.

**MS797//1959-
1973** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1912
September
21 - 1912
October 20**

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth and Margaret Paulina Booth. Subjects include his travels in Scotland, possibility of the servants joining the Prudential, the Crisp Loan to the Chinese government.

**MS797//1974-
1990** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1913
January 9 -
1913 April
10**

Includes letters from Mary Catherine Booth, George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include prospective deal with Farquhar, Lima business news, Booth's views on insuring against war risk in terms of shipping.

MS797//1991- Letters from Charles Booth

1913 April

2003

**13 - 1913
May 19**

Includes letters to George Macaulay Booth and Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include his voyage to the United States, comments on British delegation to planning meeting for centenary celebrations of American peace treaty. Includes brief remarks on Sir Henry Vivian, Allen Baker, General Wood's views on immigration and racial inter-marriage, relations between Japan and the United States.

**MS797//2004-
2020 Letters from Charles Booth**

**1913 May
21 - 1913
October 12**

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth and George Macaulay Booth. Includes his trip to Canada, descriptions of Montreal, his trip to Scotland (including descriptions of Peebles), discussions with Aves about Booth's work on trade unions ("He thinks its opening positions too much of an attack...").

**MS797//2009-
2518 Letters of Margaret Paulina Booth**

**1895
February 8
- 1895 July
9**

Includes letters to George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include family news.

**MS797//2021-
2042 Letters from Charles Booth**

**1913
October 13
- 1913
December
31**

Includes letters to Edward Aves, Margaret Paulina Booth and Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include discussions with George Askwith about research into industrial relations.

- MS797/I/2043-2072** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1914**
January 8 -
1914 June
27
- Includes letters to George Macaulay Booth, Mary Catherine Booth. Subjects include Home Rule in Ireland and possibility of a general election soon. Thinks the Liberal Government is "done for". Also details of plans for distribution of company shares within the family, voyage to the United States.
- MS797/I/2073-2090** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1914 June**
27 - 1914
July 22
- Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, Edward Aves, George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include his trip to the United States, tribute to Joseph Chamberlain on his death, Home Rule Bill for Ireland.
- MS797/I/2091-2110** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1914 July**
27 - 1914
December
28
- Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, George Macaulay Booth, Edward Aves. Subjects include his trip to the United States, "fearfully dangerous" international situation. Predicts international conference will result from the crisis. Detailed speculation on what will happen. Tribute to Albert Booth on his death.
- MS797/I/2111-2133** **Letters from Charles Booth** **1915**
January 7 -
1915 March

Includes letters to Mary Catherine Booth, George Macaulay Booth, Edward Aves. Subjects include Belgian refugees, naval blockade.

MS797//2134-2155 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1915 April 1- 1915 July 20**

Correspondents include his wife, George Macaulay Booth, Margaret Booth. Subjects include Dardanelles, recruitment to the army, Kitchener "an odd specimen", his rheumatism, family news, Lloyd George, coal miners' strike.

MS797//2156-2177 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1915 July 21-1915 September 7**

Correspondents include his wife, George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include Munitions Bill, war news, possibility of new allies in the war, Dardanelles. Believes party government "had to be abandoned, the coalition is a failure, the remaining alternative is a war ministry". Germany bent on "world domination". A hasty peace is "ill advised" (1 August 1915).

MS797//2178-2200 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1915 September 8-1915 October 6**

Correspondents include his wife and George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include Zeppelin raids in London, Asquith "as unsatisfactory as ever", Lloyd George, war news, the Balkans.

MS797//2201-2216 **Letters from Charles Booth** **1916 January 4-**

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| MS797//2217-2228 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1916
February
17 |
| | Correspondents include his wife and George Macaulay Booth. Subjects include war news, wolfram, Zeppelin raids, improvements to the house, opening of the Octavia Hill Memorial Hall (Notting Hill), | |
| MS797//2229-2249 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1916
March 9 -
1916 April
3 |
| | Mostly letters to his wife. Subjects include: family news, war news especially Verdun, submarine attacks, zeppelin raids. | |
| MS797//2250-2266 | Letters from Charles Booth | 1916 April
3 - 1916
May 8 |
| | Correspondents include his wife, D. H. Crompton, and C. E. Gardiner. Subjects include business plans in the United States, speculation about the war ("we.....can not hope to force the conclusion before 1917", 13 March), Verdun offensive, changes caused by the war ("In Europe whole classes will be permanently impoverished", 23 March), family news, disruption caused by impending zeppelin attacks, Asquith's "contemptible" speech, Carson's attack on Kitchener. | |
| | Correspondents include his wife and D. H. Crompton. Subjects include potential amalgamation of businesses, America profiting from the war, Europe will be the poorer, trade unions "threaten the greatest difficulty" (7 April). | |

British government incompetence might bring about incomplete victory or defeat. Government survives because of baseless fear that "no other possible government would have a united people behind it". War will last beyond 1917. Gallipoli nearly brought down government. "The idea that the enemy might collapse is very commonly held & has been throughout the war" (17 April), Irish Easter (Sinn Fein) rising.

**MS797//2267-
2282** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1916 May 9
- 1916 May
25**

Letters and draft letters. Correspondents include his wife and D. H. Crompton. Subjects include family news, business matters (especially shoe leather, shipping), situation in Ireland.

**MS797//2283-
2301** **Letters from Charles Booth**

**1916 May
25-1916
November
17**

Correspondents include George Macaulay Booth, D. H. Crompton, Margaret Ritchie. Subjects include "furious" fighting in war, family news

**MS797//2302-
2308** **Letters from Charles Booth**

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Correspondents include his wife, Margaret Paulina Booth, Sir Hubert Llewellyn-Smith. Subjects include family, business, old age pensions, the apparent reduction in the number of paupers between 1892 and 1899,