

"MINNIE DOWNS"

1882 - 1936

MS L20/1080-1099

**Includes correspondence, journals and
ledgers, account books.**

Located outside Tambo (Queensland), "Minnie Downs" was first established by Mr J.T. Allen in 1861 under the name "Elizabeth Creek".

The property was later bought by the Archer Brothers of 'Gracemere' in 1873. Throughout the years, and in the hands of many owners and managers, "Minnie Downs" developed into a well-known horse stud and sheep run and stud.

L20/1080. "Minnie Downs". Letter Books. General Correspondence (Outward) 24 March 1882 - 22 January 1901 :

Includes copies of outward correspondence mostly from W. Cameron (Manager of "Minnie Downs")

1. Letter books General Correspondence 24 March 1882-24 Feb. 1887:
 2. Letter books General Correspondence 25 Feb. 1890-29 Aug. 1894
 3. Letter books General Correspondence 18 April 1895-7 Oct. 1896
 4. Letter books General Correspondence 15 June 1898-22 Jan. 1901
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L20/1081 "Minnie Downs" Letter Books General correspondence (Outward) 4 January 1901 - 11 January 1910

Includes copies of outward correspondence from W. Cameron and C.E. Millar (Managers of "Minnie Downs"); also some correspondence from T.A. Stirton (became owner 1905) and M. Ryan.

1. Letter books General Correspondence (Outwards) 4 Jan. 1901-1 Sept. 1902
2. Letter books General Correspondence (Outwards) 26 April 1904-21 Oct. 1905
3. Letter books General Correspondence (Outwards) 25 June 1905-27 March 1907

4. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 8 April 1907-28 April 1908
 5. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 4 March 1909-11 Jan. 1910
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L2/1082 "Minnie Downs" Letter Books General Correspondence (Outwards)
11 January 1910 - 13 Sept. 1910 : Includes copies of outward
correspondence from C.E. Millar (Manager of "Minnie Downs") plus
others.

1. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 11 Jan. 1910-13 Sept. 1910
 2. Letterbooks General Correspondence
(Outwards) 13 Sept. 1910-11 Sept. 1911
 3. Letterbooks General Correspondence
(Outwards) 11 Sept. 1911-26 Nov.. 1912
 4. Letterbooks General Correspondence
(Outwards) 26 Nov. 1912-27 Oct. 1913
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L2/1083 "Minnie Downs" Letter books General Correspondence (Outwards)
28 oct 1913 - 28 February 1921 :

Includes copies of general correspondence from C.E. Millar and
W.M. Hutchinson (Managers of "Minnie Downs") plus others such as
T.A. Stirton (Owner) and Theo J. Carnegie.

1. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outward) 28 Oct. 1913-2 Aug. 1916
 2. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 18 Sept.. 1916-16 Jan. 1917
 3. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 11 Nov.. 1918-2 Feb. 1920
 4. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 2 Feb. 1920-28 Feb. 1921
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L20/1084 "Minnie Downs" Letter Books General Correspondence (Outwards)
9 April 1923 - 19 January 1937

Includes copies of general correspondence from W.M. Hutchinson and R.F.D. Barton (Managers of "Minnie Downs"). Also includes correspondence from Millar and Rennick (8 March 1909 - 26 September 1911)

1. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outward) 9 April 1923-29 July 1925
 2. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 17 Jan. 1927-22 July 1932
 3. Letter books General Correspondence
(Outwards) 23 Jan. 1932-19 Jan. 1937
 4. Letter books Millar and Rennick 8 March 1909-26 Sept. 1911
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L20/1085 "Minnie Downs" Letter books Correspondence to T.A. Stirton
26 February 1907 - 1 June 1909 :

Includes correspondence to T.A. Stirton, Esq., Warrigal Club, Sydney from [Charles] E. Millar, (Manager of "Minnie Downs").

1. Letter books T.A.S. 26 Feb. 1907-1 June 1909
 2. Letter books T.A.S. 8 June 1909-9 April 1912
 3. Letter books T.A.S. 25 March 1912-7 Jan. 1913
 (partly readable)
 4. Letter books T.A.S. 15 Jan. 1913-8 Dec. 1913
 5. Letter books T.A.S. 16 Dec. 1913-11 Aug. 1914
 6. Letter books T.A.S. 22 Aug. 1914-28 June 1915
 (partly readable)
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L20/1086 "Minnie Downs" Correspondence (Inwards and Outwards) 12
January 1893-1922 December 1893, 18 June 1896

Includes correspondence to and from manager of "Minnie Downs", indexes to incoming correspondence, telegrams lists (outwards) and stamp book.

.1 - .7 mostly incoming correspondence from G.N. Griffiths (Sydney)

1. Correspondence 12 Jan. 1893-30 March 1893
2. Correspondence 6 April 1893-25 May 1893

3. Correspondence 1 June 1893-29 June 1893
4. Correspondence 6 July 1893-27 July 1893
5. Correspondence 1 Aug. 1893-28 Sept.. 1893
6. Correspondence 5 Oct.. 1893-21 Dec. 1893
7. Correspondence 18 June 1896
8. Correspondence Index (Inwards) 5 Jan. 1913 - 27 May 1913 :
Includes letter pad indexing inward correspondence either from letters or telegrams to "Minnie Downs".
- .9 - .11 includes inward correspondence and receipts for Managers of "Minnie Downs" states "Letters 1915 in safe 1915" (Alphabetically arranged).
9. Correspondence Inwards 1915-1916 A-I
10. Correspondence Inwards 1915-1916 J-P
11. Correspondence Inwards 1915-1916 Q-Z
12. Correspondence Inwards 19 Feb.. 1952 - 30 April 1952
13. Telegrams Index (Outwards) 25 March 1922 - 7 Oct.. 1922
Includes detailed listing of telegrams sent from "Minnie Downs" by Hutchinson, Stirton, Campbell, Walker, Williams and others.
14. Stamp Book 1 Jan. 1909 - 31 Dec. 1910

<u>L20/1087</u>	<u>Cash Book</u>	<u>Dec. 1887 - Dec. 1897</u>	<u>Cash Account</u>
<u>L20/1088</u>	<u>Cash Book</u>	<u>Jan. 1898 - Dec. 1904</u>	<u>Cash account</u>
<u>L20/1089</u>	<u>Cash Book</u>	<u>Jan. 1904 - Dec. 1913</u>	<u>Accounts</u>
<u>L20/1090</u>	<u>Wages Book</u>	<u>April 1929 - March 1946</u>	

Details name, occupation, days worked and wages for employees of "Minnie Downs".

L20/1091 Stock Books

1. Receipt book of wool clippings 26 Aug. 1905 - 18 Dec. 1906
Details shearing descriptions such as brands, type of sheep and weight of clippings. Also names recipient of clippings.
 2. Sheep Account Book Sept. 1895 - 1906
Includes details of sheep in various paddocks, shearing, slaughtering and mustering details and numbers of sheep kept on "Minnie Downs". (too big for box)
 3. Paddock Book 1920 - 1925
Details paddocks of "Minnie Downs" and their contents (such as number of rams and ewes) for 1920 - 25.
 4. Paddock Book [1935 - 1936]
Also includes age/marks used by "Minnie Downs"
 5. Cattle Account Book May 1883 - Jan. 1926
Details numbers, types and ages of cattle kept on "Minnie Downs". Also includes brands on cattle.
 6. Account Book Queensland National Bank Oct. 1923 - Dec. 1926
Includes "Minnie Downs" account book with Queensland National Bank, detailing credits and debits for 1923 - 1926.
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L20/1092 "Minnie Downs" RecordsJournals September 1896 - June 1919.

Includes journal entries for cash account, petty cash account and other station expenditures. Also includes some entries for individual employees expenditures.

1. Journal Sept. 1896 - July 1905
2. Journal Jan. 1897 - Oct. 1901
3. Journal Nov. 1901 - Sept.. 1909
4. Journal Jan 1905 - May 1907
5. Journal Jan 1912 - Sept. 1913
6. Journal Nov. 1916 - Dec. 1917

7. Journal April 1918 - June 1919 & Dec. 1925

L20/1093 Journals July 1919 - Aug. 1925

Includes journal entries for various accounts, station expenditures and employees' expenditures.

1. Journal July 1919 - April 1920
 2. Journal April 1920 - Dec. 1920
 3. Journal Aug. 1919 - Nov. 1922
 4. Journal Dec. 1922 - Oct. 1924
 5. Journal Jan 1924 - Oct. 1924
 6. Journal Oct. 1924 - Aug. 1925
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L20/1094 Journal Oct. 1926 - Dec. 1931 & Ledgers 1905 - Dec 1913

Includes journal entries for various accounts and balances for October 1926 - December 1931. Also includes ledgers for general expenses. Ledgers also include stock accounts, shearing and crutching account, rations, stores, lava account, agistment and assessment account, bonus account, Queensland National Bank Working Account, New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Account, Unemployed workers' Insurance and other accounts.

1. Journal Oct. 1926 - Dec. 1931
 2. Journal Dec. 1928 - March 1930
 3. Ledger Jan. 1906 - Sept. 1911
 4. Ledger Jan. 1911 - Dec. 1913 (includes some individual accounts for "Minnie Downs")
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L20/1095 Ledgers January 1913 - September 1923

Includes ledgers recording general expenses and other various accounts such as stock, shearing and crutching, droving, cash sales, rations and stores, lava and agistment accounts and others. Also includes some individual "Minnie Downs" employees' accounts.

1. Ledger Jan. 1913 - dec. 1914
2. Ledger May 1917 - July 1919

3. Ledger Jan. 1920 - Dec. 1920
 4. Ledger Jan. 1921 - Dec. 1921
 5. Ledger April 1922 - Dec. 1923
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L20/1096 Ledgers 1905 - 1932

Includes ledgers recording general expenses and various accounts such as shearing, plant, repairs, stores, improvement account, stock account, bonus and assessments, and ledger records of "Minnie Downs" station employees, and their expenditures (includes wages, stores bought from station, occupations) for 1905 - 1907.

1. Ledger Jan. 1924 - Dec. 1924
 2. Ledger Dec. 1926 - Dec. 1927
 3. Ledger Jan. 1932 - Dec. 1932
 4. Ledger (Employees) 1905 - 1907 Also includes some working accounts
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L20/1097 Ledgers May 1909 - 1922

Includes ledger records of rations bought by "Minnie Downs" station employees, and employees accounts.

1. Ledger (Employees') May 1909 - Dec. 1910
stores
 2. Ledger (Employees') April 1917 - Dec. 1918
accounts
 3. Ledger (Employees') Jan. 1920 - Dec. 1920
stores
 4. Ledger (Employees') Jan. 1922 - Dec. 1922
accounts
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L20/1098 Ledger January 1923 - December 1933

Includes ledger records of "Minnie Downs" station employees' expenditure at station stores. Also includes employees accounts (including wages).

1. Ledger (Employees' Accounts) Jan. 1923 - Dec. 1923
 2. Ledger (Employees' Accounts) Jan. 1924 - Dec. 1924
 3. Ledger (Employees' Accounts) Jan. 1926 - Dec. 1926
 4. Ledger (Employees' Accounts) Feb. 1927 - Dec. 1927
 5. Ledger (Employees' Accounts) Jan. 1933 - Dec. 1933
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L20/1099 Account Book July 1890 - September 1904

Includes scrapbook of original account statements (and some receipts) for stores, rations and other equipment bought for "Minnie Downs".

1. Account book July 1890 - March 1894
This is the actual scrapbook with accounts glued in.
.2 - .17 are the loose-leaved accounts removed from the Accounts Book.
2. Accounts McCallum & Co. 8 Feb. 1904 - 13 Aug 1904
- orient stores
3. Accounts Hannah T. Walsh 9 Dec 1891 - 10 April 1897
Also includes F.L. Walsh accounts (Club Hotel) for 13 Sept 1894 - 2 September 1895.
4. Accounts W.M. Munro 1 Nov. 1903 - 1 May 1904
- stationery and piano merchant.
5. Accounts J.E. Dowell 6 March 1894 - 23 July 1897
- general stores.
6. Accounts Willie Ah You 16 June 1894 - 24 Mar. 1897
- grocers and bakers.
7. Accounts Sidney Williams 8 May [1895] - 4 Jan. 1902
- plumbers and metal merchants.

8. Accounts of G.N. Griffiths 1896 - 1904
Includes account statements addressed to G.N. Griffiths of Sydney on behalf of "Minnie Downs". Includes accounts with N.J Westercaard Nielsen (Charleville stock agent), (wine and spirit merchants), Augustus Morris & Co. (tea importer), and F. Lassetter (dog traps).
9. Accounts Williams & Graham 2 May 1892 - 1 Feb. 1896
- furnishers and ironmongers.
10. Accounts Lysaght Bros. 30 June 1896 - 1 Aug 1896
- wire netting manufacturers.
11. Accounts H.J. Carter & Coy. 31 Oct. 1896 - 1 Nov. 1903
- general forwarding and commission agents.
12. Accounts Miscellaneous 1894 - 1904
Includes account statements from various businesses in Rockhampton, Charleville and Sydney.
13. Accounts Walter Reid & Co. 19 March 1894 - 1 May 1905
Includes supplies lists to Messrs. Irving & Co.
.14 - .17 Dalgety & Co. Accounts 22 March 1898 - 8 Sept. 1904
Includes Dalgety account statements plus receipts from other businesses from whom Dalgety & Co. buy "Minnie Downs" stores.
14. Accounts Dalgety & Co. 22 March 1898 - 30 Dec. 1899
15. Accounts Dalgety & Co. 21 Feb. 1900 - 31 Oct 1901
16. Accounts Dalgety & Co. 1 March 1902 - 30 Nov. 1902
17. Accounts Dalgety & Co. 19 Aug. 1903 - 8 Sept. 1904
18. Accounts Book December 1913 - December 1917
Scrapbook of account statements and receipts for "Minnie Downs" from various businesses in Rockhampton, Charleville, Brisbane and Sydney. (Includes some loose papers).