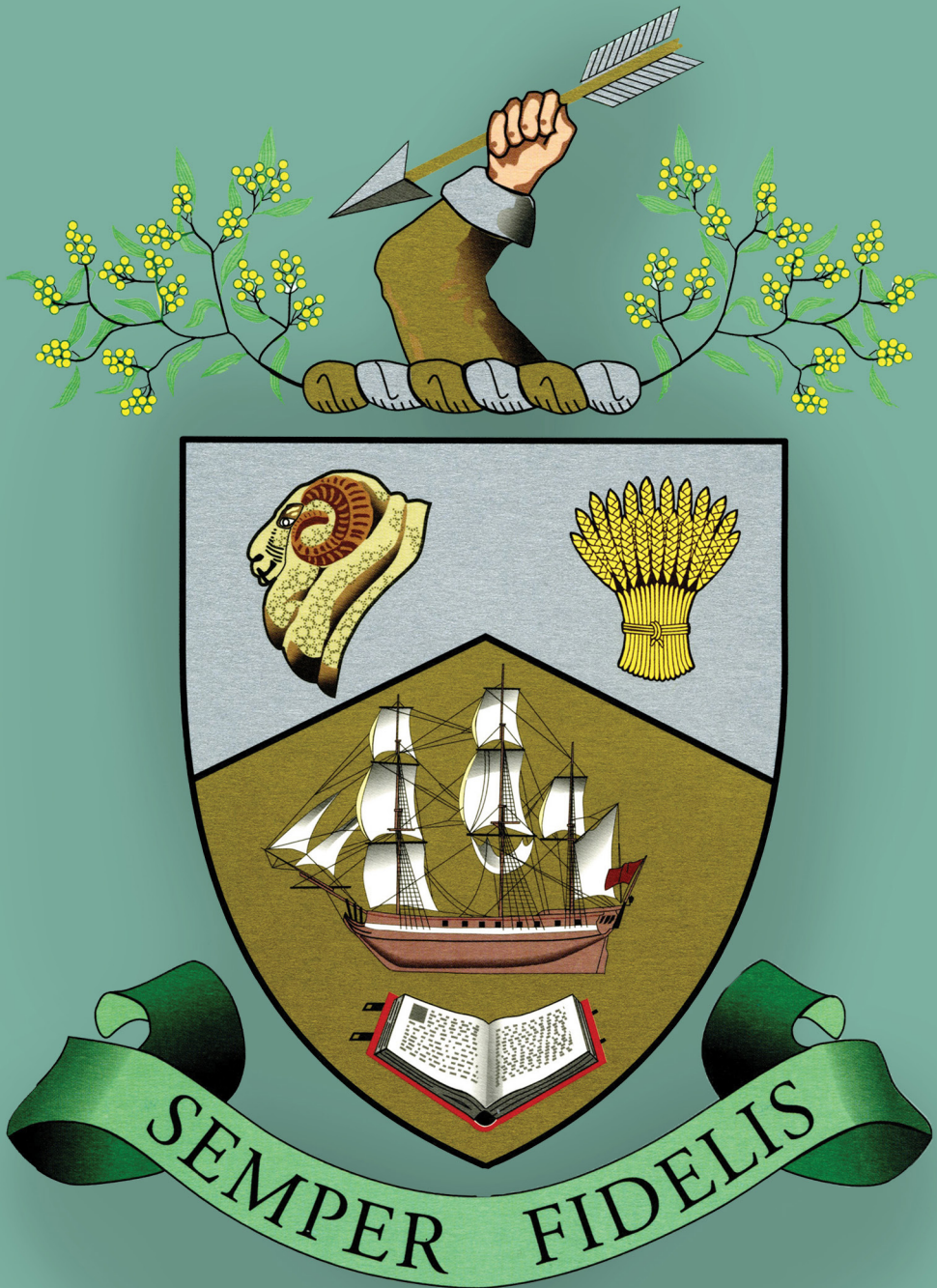


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Association News

2023 reunion

Plans are progressing for the Hassall Family reunion to be held in Camden, Middleton Grange, and Parramatta, 5th -7th May 2023. In this newsletter we provide an update from the working group and announce the registration prices and more program details.



On Wednesday 19th October the planning team (Graham Hassall, John Brooks, Alison Shaw, Rowland Hassall, and Melissa Blanks) held four meetings in Parramatta. We commenced with a visit to Old Government House (photo above), where Museum Officer/Duty Manager Kierra Dobbin answered our questions about this historic site which, we presume, Rowland Hassall visited regularly when working for governors King and Macquarie.



We then met Judith Dunn OAM (photo at left), a tour guide and historian, who is assisting with our “historical tour” of St John’s Cemetery on Sunday May 7th. At 12.30pm we had lunch Rev. David Ould at St John’s Cathedral, to discuss the service to be held on 7th

May 2023.

The afternoon was taken up with two meetings, the first with officers at Parramatta City Council - Jessica Wheat (Civic Events), Julie Lockhart (Senior Civic Liaison for Lord Mayor), Bronwyn Pullen (Executive Officer to Lord Mayor), Janelle Blucher (Parramatta Heritage and Visitor Information Centre), Christine Glasson (PHIVE - Community Hub), Rebecca Vickers (Trainee). Parramatta Mayor Counsellor Donna Davis will welcome our Association to Parramatta at an event on the afternoon/evening of Friday 5th May, with final details still to be worked out.



The afternoon’s second meeting was with officers Ken Smith and Jeff Allen of the Parramatta Historical Society, based at the historic *Hambleton Cottage* (photo left). The Association has given us useful advice on how to promote our Reunion within the city of Parramatta.

A second busy planning day followed on Thursday 20th October, with meetings in Middleton Grange, Cobbitty, and Camden.

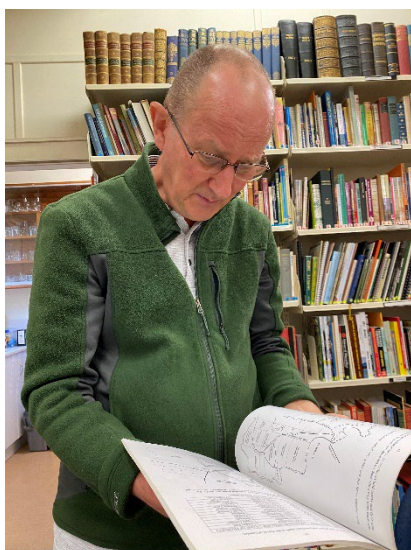


The first was with Ross Whelan, Carmen Pasapera, and Trudie Wilson, at Thomas Hassall Anglican College, Middleton Grange, where the Reunion's Saturday (May 6th) program is to take place. In addition to plenary sessions and breakout sessions throughout the day, there will be activities for children and youth, group photographs, and a dinner.



After touring the College's latest expansion projects, we visited *Denbigh*, the historic residence of Thomas and Ann Hassall. Now owned by Ian and Susie McIntosh, Denbigh is simultaneously a cattle farm, an historic homestead, and a hub for local artisans. Ian and Susie have graciously agreed to open Denbigh as part of the Reunion's optional program, from 10 am to 11.30am on Friday May 6th.

From Denbigh we travelled along Cobbitty Road, past *St Paul's Anglican Church* and cemetery, and nearby *Hassall Cottage* at Camden Airport, to meet John and Julie Wrigley, and Ian Willis at the Camden Historical Society, in their room at the Camden Museum (photo to left and photo of Ian Willis Below). Dr Willis' online site Camden History Notes includes multiple references to Hassall family members: <https://camdenhistorynotes.com/category/camden-historical-society/>



The Camden Museum is also home to the Camden Area Family History Society.

The day ended with a visit to local historian John Burge, to purchase copies of his latest books *A Glimpse of Cobbitty* (volumes 1 & 2). John is also an authority on St. Paul's Anglican Church and Cemetery at Cobbitty, where a number of family members are buried.



2023 Preliminary Programme

<p style="text-align: center;">The legacy of the early Hassalls: 225 years on <i>Build your History - Know your Hassalls</i> 5-8 May 2023 Preliminary program</p>					
	Friday 5 th	Saturday 6 th	Sunday 7 th	Monday 8 th	Monday 8 th
	Optional tour Camden / Cobbitty / Denbigh	Thomas Hassall School, Middleton Grange	Parramatta	Optional tour O’Connell/ Bathurst	Optional tour Windsor
AM	morning tea at Denbigh (Homestead of Thomas and Anne Hassall)	Welcome ceremony <u>Plenary</u> : Guest Speaker Dr Anna Johnston Lunch	History walk or drove, retracing Rowland and Elizabeth’s life in Parramatta. and St John’s Cemetery	Tour to O’Connell / Bathurst	St Mathews Windsor (Jonathan and Mary’s gravesite) and Rouse Hill Farm (Mary’s father Richard Rouse).
PM	Tour to Hassall- family- related sites in / Camden / Cobbitty / Narellan	Choice of Breakout sessions (family line/projects/youth sports) Afternoon tea Breakouts repeated Conference Photos	St John’s Cathedral Service	Tour to O’Connell/ Bathurst	
Night	Mayoral Reception at Old Government House (TBC)	Reunion Dinner: Guest speaker Dr Tanya Evans Musical presentations			

Registration

The Committee has set the following registration fees. We have tried our best to keep fees low whilst at the same time covering anticipated costs. You can register through an online process or through direct bank transfer and will be notified about these options as soon as they become available.

children (ages 4-10)	youth (ages 11-18)	Adult concession	Adult – full registration up to March 31 st	Adult – full registration – from April 1st	Conference Dinner (May 6 th)
\$20	\$30	\$60	\$75	\$85	\$40 (to age 18) \$80 (adult)

Welcome to new members

New Life Members

Congratulations to our newest life members: Jonathan Guy Hassall, of Holbrook, NSW; Graham Hassall of Gold Coast, Qld; and Gavin Hassall.

Membership renewal

Renewals of Hassall Family History Association Membership are due by 1st July each year. Members receive three newsletters per year, including news of Association activities and projects. The cost of membership helps to defray administrative expenses and assist with the costs of our 2023 reunion.

Volunteering opportunities

Members can volunteer to assist with any of the Association's projects. We would particularly welcome offers to help set up a simple website. We welcome additional help with developing our genealogical tables and with transcription of the Hassall Family Papers held by the State Library of New South Wales.

Family line meetings

In August and September, the Association convened online sessions to bring together descendants of Rowland and Elizabeth Hassall's eight children. These sessions can be viewed online

1. ■ Thomas Hassall and Anne Marsden <https://youtu.be/QRWTp2QWZ6s>
2. ■ Samuel Otoo Hassall and Lucy Mileham https://youtu.be/_bui0oAqJkY
3. ■ Jonathan Hassall and Mary Rouse pt I <https://youtu.be/yItb4kp3m0Q>
4. ■ Jonathan Hassall and Mary Rouse pt II <https://youtu.be/0WHW5S-WgrQ>
5. ■ Mary Cover Hassall and Walter Lawry <https://youtu.be/6mrMAk5Kx38>
6. ■ James Hassall and Catherine Payne Lloyd <https://youtu.be/zMPMp9R82Wc>
7. ■ Eliza Cordelia Hassall and William Walker <https://youtu.be/LSbzwnyeMdm>
8. ■ Susannah Hassall and William Shelley <https://youtu.be/vxYjPHscOZY>
9. ■ Ann Hassall & Robert Campbell <https://youtu.be/3kwW6iICTw8>

Members' News

On 17th March 2022 the *Sydney Morning Herald* included an article that featured Samuel Hassall descendent Ian Litchfield.

Treasured family memory bridges a lifetime

Ian Litchfield's father Frank was one of the top engineers on the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Ninety years on, Ian still recalls a guided tour of 'Daddy's bridge' before it even opened.

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Ian Litchfield yesterday (right) and (above right) with his father Frank and brother Eric on the bridge in 1932. Main photo: Flavio Brancalone

Articles

Where are your Hassall ancestors? Identifying and Restoring Hassall Graves

By John Brooks

One of the enduring records of Hassall settlement can be found in the many grave markers of Hassall ancestors. Together they tell stories of the courageous spread of people who ventured into unknown territory and of their survival. But they also tell of tragedy; of lives cut short by accident and by medical conditions that today we treat successfully with the help of modern science.

All around the country are Hassall gravestones lovingly installed by family. But many are now showing the ravages of time and inattention as families move away and what were intended as lasting monuments begin to crumble and be forgotten, relocated or destroyed by development. However, some good examples of preservation exist. Also, information can be found in church records and in research carried by local historical Associations and Local Government.

A good example is in the grave of Rowland Hassall in Parramatta cemetery. Surrounded by massive development of this city, the cemetery is recognized as an important historical asset and maintained by local volunteers. Today Rowland's grave has a modern plaque attached to it explaining its significance, but the headstone needs attention. A piece of the headstone has been dislodged and thanks to the local Historical Society the missing piece has been saved and is kept in St Johns Cathedral awaiting professional reattachment. (photo above)



Finding Jonathan's Tribe

As the Association member responsible for Jonathan Hassall's line, I have been fortunate in identifying his and wife, Mary's grave in the extensive graveyard surrounding St Matthews church at Windsor. That area contains several substantial Hassall memorials that are in good condition and can be read clearly. The Church has a listing of all burial plots plus a plaque



commemorating Jonathan's seventh son Charles who drowned in the Cudgegong River. My wife, Beverley and I were able to locate the grave of Jonathan and Mary and take the photograph below.

Time and weather have not been kind to the sandstone lid that bears the inscription and the iron fence surrounding the grave is rusting but quite robust. However, I have great doubts that it will

survive another two centuries if something is not done to restore or preserve it.

Jonathan's third son Richard, my great grandfather, settled and lived out his life on a property "*Morrowongla*" near Gulgong, in central west NSW. Fortunately, the husband of my niece has an interest in family history and was able to track down the remnants of the property and the graveyard containing the graves of Richard Hassall and his wife Emily.



Probably due to a more benign climate and the vertical faces of the headstones, they are in quite good condition with clear inscriptions and in a typical but well-maintained country cemetery.

The same cannot be said for the *Morrowongla* homestead that is still standing in the Gulgong district. The basic structure of timber slab and iron roof is characteristic of the time. No doubt it explains why, as you drive around country Australia, you see many freestanding brick chimneys

as all that is left of former homesteads. The dirt floor inside illustrates the limited facilities that our ancestors enjoyed and the hardships that they faced.

These examples of our Hassall heritage show why it is important that we identify them now and find out how we can best preserve and record them. I would like us to use some time before and at next year's reunion in thinking about what we can do to ensure that we do not lose these great examples of Hassall family and Australian heritage.



Projects

Bibliography

The Association maintains a bibliography of publications relevant to the family's history. The following titles have been added to the *Hassall Family Bibliography* since the last Newsletter:

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This book includes a map of the landholdings in early Camden, including Rowland's Macquarie Grove. It refers to Samuel Hassall's management of Rowland's property.

Cleverley, John F. *The First Generation: School and Society in Early Australia*. Sydney: Sydney University Press, 1971.

Blair, Eline, and Isabel Pratten. *The Marsden and Hassall Families; Ministering to Australia's Pioneers*. 1973.

A 21-page manuscript by Mrs Eline Blair (1898-1986) and Miss Isabel Pratten (1895-1983); Great-great-granddaughters of Rev Samuel Marsden, great-grand-daughters of Rev Thomas Hassall, grand-daughters of Rev James Hassall' – held at State Library of Queensland.

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Buscombe, Eve. "Artists and Their Sitters a Colonial Portrait: A Guide to the Portrait Painters of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land 1820 1850." MA, Australian National University, 1970.

This thesis, with appendices, 579 pages in length, identifies portraits of Ann Hassall (nee Marsden), Elizabeth Hassall (nee Hancox), and Samuel Marsden. It is downloadable at <https://openresearch-repository.anu.edu.au/handle/1885/117156>

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This is an archaeological report on 78 years of occupation (1804-1882) of 109-113 George Street Parramatta. This was the house built by Rowland and Elizabeth and occupied by them until Elizabeth's passing in 1934. It remained in the family's possession until sold in 1882. The report and appendixes amount to 355 pages. It provides a detailed description of the leases, buildings, and activities at this site, to the extent that these are visible in historical records and archaeological evidence.

Available online at https://www.caseyandlowe.com.au/portfolio_page/109-113-george-street/.

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Dermody, Kathleen Mary. "D'arcy Wentworth 1762-1827: A Second Chance." PhD, Australian National University, 1990.

This thesis makes extensive use of the Hassall family papers to tell the story of freed convict D'arcy Wentworth – available at <http://hdl.handle.net/1885/114504>

Dickey, Brian. *The Australian Dictionary of Evangelical Biography.* Sydney: Evangelical History Assoc., 1994.

This dictionary published in 1994 and placed online in 2020 at <https://sites.google.com/view/australian-dictionary-of-evang/home> includes entries for Rowland Hassall, Thomas Hassall, Eliza Marsden Hassall (1834-1917), Ann Marsden (1794-1885), William Walker, Walter Lawry, William Shelley, and William Crook.

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“The [Marsden] family was renowned for being hoarders both of their writing and their possessions. Eliza Marsden Hassall, seventh child of Thomas and Ann, never married but worked as a philanthropist and missionary, took an intense interest and part in the lives of her siblings and their children, as well as the families who lived on the Hassall estate while also being the primary carer for her invalid (and increasingly difficult) mother until her death in 1885. She was passionately interested in the preservation of her family’s history and was responsible for keeping many of the documents and objects belonging to them that exist today. The dresses and habit shirt were donated to the Royal Australian Historical Society from the estate of Eliza Hassall in 1919. A miniature of Elizabeth Marsden was passed on to them from Elizabeth Betts (daughter of John Betts and Mary Marsden). Many of the notes which have been used to detail the provenance of the costumes appear to be written in Eliza Hassall’s handwriting.” (pp 218-219)

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Fry, Kenneth Lionel. "Class Formation in a Pastoral Society: Bathurst, 1818-1848." PhD, Australian National University, 1988.

This thesis describes early European settlement in Bathurst, including fatal conflict with its indigenous landowners. Available online at <http://hdl.handle.net/1885/126444>

Gapps, Stephen. *The Sydney Wars: Conflict in the Early Colony 1788-1817*. Sydney: NewSouth Publishing, 2018.

Relies on James Hassall’s 1902 work *In Old Australia* to recount Samuel Hassall’s experience of clashes between aboriginals and settlers at Cowpastures in 1816. Gapps then comments:

“Hassall’s description of the battle at Razorback has largely been ignored by historians or treated as a farcical example of settler retaliation. It is, however, an accurate and graphic account of an Aboriginal victory in the rare moment of an open battle. While the colonists’ force was cobbled together and poorly armed, this shows the desperation involved. It was also a sanctioned defensive militia led by a magistrate and formed around a nucleus of soldiers and constables, rather than just a ‘posse’ of armed settlers.

The warrior’s’ tactics were sound, showing discipline and planning. When fighting on terrain of their choice, with stockpiled weapons, they could defeat Europeans with firearms. ‘Dancing’ to attract fire and ‘dropping down’ to avoid it was not just about evading musket balls but about encouraging the militia to waste their fire and inviting them to advance into the range of spears and stones.

Hassall’s desperate narrative, written in haste and while gripped by the tension of warfare, is among the few reliable, detailed first-hand accounts of such an engagement in the Sydney wars. The Hassalls were a religious family, and Samuel’s accounts are full of faith in providence and confidence that the situation would end well. But he also finished one hasty dispatch about the situation at Macquarie Grove by merely requesting ‘everyday clothing’ and more gunpowder.”

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Jervis, J. *A History of the Berrima District, 1798-1961*. Berrima County Council, 1962.

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This book includes a rare find: an excerpt of a letter from Rowland Hassall to LMS, 28 January 1798, in the LMS Archives in the UK:

About 7 o'clock this morning ... there came an old man up to me and I enquired where he was going. He told me for the priest ... his Master's granddaughter was now in labour, and that he was going for him to offer this Child to his god. I Requested the Old Man to call for me when the p. was come, accordingly in about half an Hour he came, and we went together toward the house. When we came within 100 yards of the house I

saw the woman under a large Breadfruit tree in the midst of the long grass in great pains without help, and in the open air, you must needs think, that I was Much affected at the sight. I requested that she might be taken into the house, to which they replied that their customs would not admit it, the house being sacred and if the woman was to go in before the expiration of ten days the House must be Burnt down. After the Child was Born I went towards her and found the Child lying in the grass, with a cut all across the Cheek, But a fine boy. I asked them to take him into the house and wash him &c. But they answered, the Child is unclean and will be till it be given to the god twice, after it might go in the house and not till then, upon which they brought the child to the P. [at the marae]

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“Pomegranates were seductive and especially redolent of Australia's earliest gardens. The lovely double-flowered pomegranate we saw at the Lewers Bequest Garden had many wondering at what it was. Thomas Scott, Archdeacon of NSW, was responsible for the introduction of this form in the Sydney Botanic Gardens in 1824.

At St Paul's Church at Cobbitty the survival skills of an ancient Carob or St John's Bread, *Ceratonia siliqua*, its massive base sprouting the multiple trunks that tell of a radical pruning, is a favourite of mine. The Australian Agricultural Company introduced this species to Sydney in 1827 but I enjoy its association with Thomas Hassall, the galloping parson, so known because of the distances he covered each week. Hassall almost certainly planted this tree and another, which collapsed just over five years ago, in the garden at Denbigh, Hassall's nearby estate” (p20) available at: <http://www.jstor.org/stable/44179471>.

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Transcription

We continue to make progress with transcription of the Hassall family papers held at the State Library of New South Wales. This project can be viewed at <https://fromthepage.com/statelibrarynsw/hassall-family-papers-1793-2000>. 1,322 pages have been transcribed, with 5,927 pages yet to complete. A sample of pages set out below shows that in a few instances these pages have been printed elsewhere, while in other instances they appear to be mis-catalogued in some way, or else remain uncatalogued.

- 1797 October 31** *Joseph Hardcastle and Thomas Haweis to missionaries at Tahiti* (mis-catalogued as 3 October 1797). A 859/pp.1-6
- This letter is online in *The Evangelical Magazine* (Vol V) 1797, pages 510-512
- 1799 September 3** *Joseph Hardcastle, Thomas Haweis & John Eyre to Missionaries at Port Jackson* A 859/pp.9-16 (catalogued as A 859/p.16)
- 1799 September 3** *Matthew Wilks to Mary Cover* A 859/p.17-20 (Catalogued as A 859/p.17)
- Excerpts used in Richard Landsdowne, *Strangers in the South Seas: The Idea of the Pacific in Western Thought: an Anthology* (2006) available on Google books.
- 1799 October 21** *John Eyre and Joseph Hardcastle (LMS) to Missionaries at Port Jackson* – A 859/pp21-29 – **NOT IN CATALOGUE**
- 1800 March 6** *Thomas and Catherine Hancox to Rowland,* A 859/pp.33-36 – **INDECIPHERABLE**
- 1800 December 09** *George Burder to Rowland Hassall* A 859/pp.37-39
- 1801 February 05** *William Smith to Rowland Hassall,* A 859/p.41
- 1801 February 23** *William Smith to Rowland Hassall,* A 859/pp.42-3 **NOT IN CATALOGUE**
- 1801 August 12** *John Davies to Rowland Hassall* A 859/pp.45-47
- 1801 August 15** *William walker to Rowland Hassall* 859/pp.51-52 **NOT IN CATALOGUE**
- 1801 November 09** *William Roby to missionaries in Bengal John Edmond* A 859/pp.53-55
- 1801 (undated)** Unsigned memorandum concerning arbitration between Admiral Bligh, and R Campbell, and R Campbell's credit for £21.7.4 A 859/p.57
- 1801 November** receipt for supplies to missionaries **NOT IN CATALOGUE** (is this in the wrong date order?) [MS 58]
- 1801 January 13** *Hynes, -- (Ship --) to Rowland Hassall,* A 859/pp.59-60 (presumed to be mistake in original - should be 1802)
- 1802 January 09** *William Henry to Rowland Hassall,* A 859/pp.61-64
- 1802 January 07** *Jas Cooper to Rowland Hassall* A 859/pp.65-68
- concerning missionaries experiences in the Friendly and Tonga Islands, wars among Islanders and murder of Europeans, and his reception in England by the L.M.S. which was not very pleasing.

- 1802 July 30** *William Smith to Rowland Hassall* A 859/pp.69-71 **NOT IN CATALOGUE**
- 1802 August 10** *William Shelley (the elder) to Rowland Hassall,* A 859/pp.73-75
Catalogued as 16th - concerning amounts due to him, and to be accounted for by S. Lord; and the watch in Captain Bishop's care to be repaired, and axes to be repaired; parrot skins required; security through H.M. Porpoise at Tahiti.
- 1802 (august)** *John Davies to Rowland Hassall* A 859/p.76b **NOT IN CATALOGUE and first page missing**
- 1802 October 30** *Rowland Hassall to John Davies* A 859/pp.77,79
- 1802 October** Particulars of sundry Articles shipped on board the Cato, Capt John Park. - bound to Port Jackson - A 859/p.80
- 1802 November 06** *Rowland Hassall to William Shelley* A 859/pp.81-82 **Catalogued as A 859/p.83**
- 1802 November 17** *Rowland Hassall to William Shelley* A 859/pp.85-87
- 1803 February 02** *John Davies to Rowland Hassall* A 859/pp.89-91 **Catalogued as A 859/p.89**
- 1803 February 03** J Evans to Rowland Hassall A 859/pp.111-113 **Catalogued as Hassall, Thomas (not the Reverend Thomas) A 859/p.111**
- 1803 February 05** Thomas and Elizabeth Hancox to Rowland and Elizabeth Hassall A 859/pp.93-95
- 1803 February 07** Henry Bicknell to Rowland Hassall. A 859/pp.96a-96d
- 1803 February 05** Burder, George. Letter to Rowland Hassall. A 859/p.97 **Catalogued as London Missionary Society**
- 1803 March 20** **Joseph Hardcastle to Rowland Hassall A 859/pp101-102 Catalogued as Hassall, Rowland**
- 1803** List of goods on board the Alexander
- 1803 September 12 George Burder to Rowland Hassall A 859/pp. 115-116 **incorrectly catalogued as 12 September 1805 A 859/pp.115-116**
- 1803 November 18** Henry Nott to Rowland Hassall, A 859/pp.107, 109 **Catalogued as November 12**
- 1804 June 19 Valuation of goods belonging to the London Missionary Society **(not in catalogue)**
- 1804 August 15h James Hassall (father) to Rowland Hassall)
- 1804 August 16 James Hassall (brother) to Rowland
- 1804 September 20 J. Evans to Rowland Hassall A 859/pp.129-131
- 1804 September 24 Joseph Hardcastle and George Burder letter to Rowland Hassall A 859/p.135

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