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GPB

1		[Diaries, notebooks and miscellaneous correspondence]
1/1		[Diaries etc.]
/1/1	1824 May-1824 Dec.	[Includes silhouette of young lady tipped in at front. At back are notes on Mechanics, Friction, Hydrostatics, Pneumatics, Formulae taken from Playfair's Outlines of Nat. Philosophy]
/1/2	1824 Dec.-1827 Nov.	
/1/3	1831	
/1/4	1832	[Tipped in are two accounts of GPB with H R Palmer]
/1/5	1834	
/1/6	1835	
/1/7	1852	[Tipped in is letter of 1848 Nov. 1, North Woolwich Land, Guildhall Bdgs. to GPB/James Hutt, re and with separate details of sums payable on two shares]
/1/8	1853	
/1/9	1854	[Tipped in is note re account 'Building Land Mr. Peto']
/1/110	1855	[Tipped in is letter of 1855 May 16, Victoria (London) Dock House, 23 Rood Lane, London to GPB/William Smith, re 'Kentledge' pig iron, and employment of architect]
/1/11	1856	[Tipped in is note of 1856 Oct. 21 re 'Cash paid in England by Mr Edward Price to Mr G P Bidder', 1855 Oct. to 1856 Oct]
/1/12	1857	[Tipped in are bill for cigars bought by GPB on 1857 Mar. 14 in Newcastle, cheques for £1000 of 1857 Feb. 26 to self and for £15 of 1857 Jul. 2 to Revd. W. Bidder, and slip of 1857 Feb. 23 re money owed by GPB and SP Bidder]
/1/13	1858	

/1/14	1859	
/1/15	1864	
/1/16	1865	
/1/17	1866	[Tipped in are two letters, 1867 Jul. 26 & Jul. 30, Lyme Regis to GPB/Frances M. Waring, re help given by GPB to her son Frank, and her investing in Midland Railway]
/1/18	1867	
/1/19	1868	
/1/20	1869	[<u>Wanting</u>]
/1/21	1870	
/1/22	1874	[Tipped in are 2 slips bearing expenses in 1872-74, one marked 'Farm']
/1/23	1875	
/1/24	1876	
/1/25	1877	[Last entry is on Feb. 24]
/1/126		NO. NOT USED
/1/27	1841-1850	[Notebook containing Mrs Harby's income accounts, she being the mother of GPB's wife. (Formerly a note/account book of others, 1800- 1820)]
/1/28	-	[Notebook containing 'Extracts from Smeatons Experimental Enquiries concerning Mill and Machines' and numerous freehand sketches. Tipped in is ink 'Sketch of Locks for the new proposed London and Birmingham Junction Canal March 4th 1828' (1 leaf)]
/1/29	1826-1828; 1833 Jun.- Sept.	[Pocket book: 'Book containing Earthwork for the New Dock', being entries from 1826 Nov. 5 to 1828 Apr. 18 relating to his work under H R Palmer at the London Dock Extension Works (see E F Clark 'G.P. Bidder at the London Dock Extension Works 1826-1828' in Transactions of the Newcomen Society 55, 1983-4, 177-209); book also contains, from the back, detailed entries re his work as resident engineer at Brunswick

Wharf, especially re piles driven
between June and September 1833]

- 1/2 [Printed items]
- /2/1 - Bidder's Tables. [Folding] Tables
showing the contents of
excavations, area of slopes, &c. by
George P. Bidder, civil engineer
- /2/2 1839 Transactions of the Institution of
Civil Engineers. Volume III - Part
I [containing papers 'On Steam-
Boilers and Steam-Engines' by
Josiah Parkes, and on Brunswick
Wharf by M.A. Borthwick. Bound
vol., copy of GPB]
- /2/3 1846 Correspondence, Reports, [Plans]
&c., [1835-46] referring to Railway
Communication through Greenwich
Park. [Bound vol.]
- /2/4 1847 The Double Gauge. Observations by
Mr. R. Stephenson on Mr. Brunel's
report on the double gauge. [Bound
vol.]
- /2/5 1852 North Staffordshire Railway
Directors' Reports, [with statement
of accounts, for years 1846-1851.
Bears 'G.P. Bidder Esq. 1852' on
flyleaf. Soft leather covers]
- /2/6 1858 River Nene. Report of Robert
Stephenson, Esq. M.P.; G.P. Bidder,
Esq.; and Geo. Rob. Stephenson,
Esq. on the Improvement of the
River Nene, pursuant to resolutions
passed at a public meeting held in
Wisbeach, 10th September, 1857 with
a prefatory letter from Mr Robert
Stephenson. [Limp covers]
- /2/7 1861 The National Defences. By George
Parker Bidder, Jun., M.A.
Excerpt Minutes of Proceedings of
the Institution of Civil Engineers
Vol. XX, Session 1860-61. [Bears
'Geo. Bidder' on front; limp
covers]
- /2/8 1868 Aug. Address to the Mechanical Science
Section of the British Association,
Norwich, August 20, 1868. By George

/2/9	1869 Jul.	Parker Bidder 10p Address delivered at the meeting of the Devonshire Association for the Advancement of Science, Literature, and Art, at Dartmouth, the 20th July, 1869, by G.P. Bidder, Esq., C.E., President of the Association 20p
/2/10	1870	Address of Charles Blacker Vignoles Esq., F.R.S., on his election as President of the Institution of Civil Engineers, Session 1869-70. [Bound vol., presentation copy to GPB]
/2/11	c.1873	The Birthday Scripture Text Book. [GPB notes his own birthday, on Jun. 14; birthday of several others noted]
/2/12	1896	Excerpt Minutes of Proceedings of The Institution of Civil Engineers, Vol. cxxv, Session 1895-96, Part iii, [being offprint of obituary of G P Bidder II] [2 copies] 7p
/2/13	1897 Feb.	[Obituary notice of G P Bidder II (1836-96)] Reprinted from the Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Vol.LVII, No.4 [pp.208-210]
1/3		[Packet of letters etc labelled "Railway Papers C.E."]
/3/1	1864 Oct. 27- 1865 Jan. 11	Extracts from [Dartmouth] Local Board Minute Book, [re planned improvements to turnpike road next to GPB's property on Warfleet Hill. Includes letter by GPB offering £50 towards costs but with conditions] 2p on 1 leaf
/3/2	1869 Jan. 25/28	[Letters (2)] Dartmouth [to] GPB, 24 Great George Street, Westminster/[J - Smith, re state of wall mentioned in 1/3/1 above] 4p on 2 leaves
/3/3		[Norwegian Trunk Railway]
/3/3a	-	[Ground plan of property (GPB's Norwegian estate?) Chiefly in, and bearing legend in, Norwegian] Line drawing with wash on tracing paper Shelved at MSL 103

/3/3b	1852 May 20- 1856 Sept.	[Pages (numbered but not consecutive) from a ledger re Norwegian accounts] 13 leaves
/3/3c	1853 Dec. 15	[Letter] Christiania [to] GPB, 24 Great George Street, Westminster/[3 Norwegian engineers (H Aubert, G Rader, O Pike/Pikl?), re technical aspects of the Norwegian Railway 3p on 1 leaf
/3/3d	1853 Nov. 15	[Translation of communication, Ch[risti]ania, to GPB/H Aubert for the Norwegian Railway Commissioners, re letter to be forwarded to Mr Brunel concerning plates and sleepers on the line] 1p
/3/3e	1853 Nov. 15	[--- as above ---, to Charles Rammell/H Aubert for the Norwegian Railway Commissioners, re a requested signature] 1p
/3/3f	1856 Sept. 11	In re The Norwegian Trunk Railway, before Robert Stephenson, Esq. M.P. arbitrator. [Printed and bound copy of the verbatim evidence. Arbitrator's award not included, but copy letters (ms. corrected) form an appendix] 128p
/3/3g	1868 Mar. 14	[Copy letter] Christiania [to] The English Directors of the Norwegian Trunk Railway/J R Crowe, [re development of the line, increased traffic on it, accounts etc.] 3p on 1 leaf
/3/3h	1869 Aug. 26- 1870 Apr. 8	[Letters (3)] Christiania [to] GPB/J R Crowe, [re Norwegian Trunk Railway] 8p on 3 leaves
/3/3i	1870 Nov. 5	[Letter, Finance Department of Royal Norwegian Railways, to] GPB, 24 Great George Street, Westminster, [re non payment of instalments on shares in the Hamar-Elverum Railway] 1p
/3/3j	1871 Oct. 14	The Money Market Review [pages 405-8 containing, re Norwegian Trunk Railway, 'Mr Bidder's state ment of his negotiations with the Norwegian Government, with regard to the case of the Preference Shareholders' and three appendices] 2 leaves
/3/3k	1875 Oct. 8	Copy [letter] 9 Seymour St,

		Cumberland Gate, London [to] Earl of Derby [Foreign Secretary]/Sir Francis Head, [re alleged misconduct of Norwegian government in running the Norwegian Trunk Railway] 5p on 2 sheets
/3/3l	1875 Nov. 4	Copy [letter] Christiania [to Sir Francis Head]/Sir John R Crowe, [replying to Head's letter (1/3/3k above) and largely refuting his allegations] 7p on 2 sheets
/3/3m	1875 Nov. 17	Copy [letter] Christiania [to] Earl of Derby/Henry M Jones, British Consul General, [being a reply to official Foreign Office despatch of Oct. 16, and covering much the same ground as 1/3/3l above] 6p on 2 sheets
/3/4	1857 Sept. 16	[Letter] 3 Foley Place, Cavendish Sq [to] GPB/Joseph Jennings, [architect, re particulars of 'Bridges and Lock Gates', possibly incorrect 'boreings', Bidder's remuneration] 3p on 1 leaf
/3/5	1856 Mar. 8/26	[Letters (2)] Norfolk Railway Company, 69 Lombard Street, London [to] GPB, 24 Great George Street, Westminster/James Hutt, [secretary, re Col. Wynne's report to the Board of Trade re wooden viaducts on the Yarmouth & Lowestoft Railway] 3p on 2 leaves
/3/6		[Engineer and Railway Volunteer Staff Corps]
/3/6a	1865 Jan. 21	[Commission from Marquess of Salisbury, as Lord Lieutenant of Middlesex, appointing GPB 'Lieutenant Colonel Commandant in the Engineer and Railway Volunteer Staff Corps'] 1 card
/3/6b	1868 Feb. 27	[Letter] Engineer and Railway Volunteer Staff Corps, 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Lt. Col. Bidder/Lt. Col. Charles Manby, [re Exercise II of the Corps. <u>With</u> confidential printed circulars (2) re same both of Feb. 1868, one pertaining to the Railway Branch, one to the Engineering Branch] 2p on 1 leaf + 2 sheets

/3/6c	c.1868	Engineer and Railway Volunteer Staff Corps. Answer to Exercise III. Proposed by order of the ... Secretary of State for War. [Includes 'Appendix as to conveyance of troops to Reigate and its vicinity', i.e. by new Midland main line] 16p
/3/7	1864 May 8	[Letter (in Italian) Locarno [to] GPB/La Municipalità della Città di Locarno, [re alternative routes of proposed railway from Locarno to Bellinzona] 3p on 1 leaf
/3/8	1842	[Letterpress copy] Extract. Vol.I - Transactions Inst. C.E., [relating to M A Borthwick's 'Memoir on the use of Cast Iron piling' communicated to the Institution in 1837] 1p
/3/9	-	Copy [letter]/Lionel Algar, [describing the granite tramway laid down by Algar and Barret in the Commercial Road, Limehouse in 1827] 1p
1/4		[Packet of papers re Netherlands Polders]
/4/1	1863 Dec. 21	[Letter] 15 Old Jewry, London [to] GPB, Dartmouth/ Chas. Morgan, [re 'Netherlands Land', informing of legal action proposed to be taken in Holland by Peto and Betts contrary to the agreement reached between Peto and GPB] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/2	[1863 Dec.]	[Draft letter to] Sir Morton [Peto/GPB, re 1/4/1 above] 2p on 1 leaf
/4/3	1864 Aug. 31	Thomas White's Report ... on the Netherlands Polders and Banks 5p on 3 leaves
/4/4	1864 Aug.	Statement of Outstanding Accounts to 30th August 1864 and amounts paid on account since 29th August 1863 5p on 3 leaves
/4/5	1864 Aug.	Statement of Unpaid Accounts incurred by Mr Dronkers to 29 Aug. 1864 2p on 1 leaf
/4/6	1864 Sept. 3	Repairs and Protection Works to Sea Banks. Balance of Cash 2nd

		September 1864. [Copy statement]/Geo. Copley, Bath [Polder] 1p
/4/7	1864 Sept. 3	--- as above --- Abstract of Pay Sheet week Ending 2nd Sept. 1864. [Copy statement]/Geo. Copley, Bath [Polder] 1p
/4/8	1864 Sept. 3	Weekly Cash account. 2nd. Sept. 1864. [Copy statement]/Geo. Copley, Bath [Polder]
1/5/1-31		Bundle of miscellaneous correspondence
1/6	1871-1878	Ms. account book of GPB
3		[Materials for Memoir of G.P. Bidder (1806-1878). Collected, mainly by Charles Manby, in 1878-1879]
/1		1st proof [of] Memoir [for Proceedings, I.C.E. Printed, with copious ms. amendments. Bears 'Sent by Miss Bidder 22/Apl/79'] 6p
/2		2nd Revise [of] Memoir. [Printed, with copious ms. amendments] 4p [i.e. incomplete]
/3		3rd Revise [of] Memoir. [Printed] 9p
/4		--- as above --- [Printed, with minor ms. amendments] 9p
/5		--- as above --- [Printed, with minor ms. amendments, wanting first paragraph] 9p
/6a		1st Revise [of] Memoir. [2 printed copies, one with copious ms. amendments bearing 'Corrected for 2nd Revise 2/June/79', one bearing note 'Revised & taken to London 2/June/79 CM'] 5p
/6b		2nd Revise [of] Memoir. [Printed] 5p
/6c		3rd Revise [of] Memoir. [Printed, with minor ms. amendments; with 4p of ms. inserts] 9p + 4p
/6d	1879 Jul. 6	[Letter] Stoke House, Stoke Fleming [to] Col. Manby/Bertha Bidder, [re Memoir and family matters] 7p on 2 leaves

- /7 1879 Mar. 6 [Letter] 24 Great George Street,
Westminster [to] Mrs Bidder/Charles
Manby, [re his gathering of
information for the Memoir] 4p on 1
leaf

- /8 1878 Dec. 19 [Letter] 24 Great George Street,
Westminster [to] Miss [Bertha]
Bidder/Charles Manby, [re her part
in compiling the Memoir] 2p on 1
leaf

- /9 1879 Jan. 22 [Letter] Ranelagh House, Lower
Grosvenor Place [to] Miss Bertha
[Bidder]/Charles Manby, [re his
approach to the Memoir] 3p on 1
leaf

- /10 1879 Feb. 14 [Letter] 24 Great George Street,
Westminster [to] Miss Bertha
[Bidder]/Charles Manby
8p on 2 leaves

- /11 1879 Jan. 11 [Letter] 24 Great George Street,
Westminster [to] Miss Bertha
[Bidder]/Charles Manby, [making
suggestions for inclusion in
Memoir] 4p on 1 leaf

- /12 1879 Jan. 4 [Copy letter] The Greys, Eastbourne
[to] Miss Bertha [Bidder]/Charles
Manby, [making many suggestions re
Memoir] 3p on 1 leaf

- /13 - [Note, extracted from letter
written by a parliamentary agent,
giving reminiscences of GPB as a
witness, and re North Staffordshire
Railway and Victoria Docks] 5p on 5
leaves

- /14 1879 Aug. 9 [Letter] Moretonhampstead [to] Miss
Bidder/Jane W White, [correcting
two minor points in the Memoir] 4p
on 1 leaf

- /15 1879 Jan. 14 [Letter] 5 Great George Street,
Westminster [to] Lt.Col. Manby.
[Bears copy letter, 5 Great George
St to Rev E M Johnstone/Charles
Lucas, re Johnstone's son] 3p on 1
leaf

- /16 1879 Jan. 11 Copy [letter] Newcomin House,
Dartmouth [to] Chs. Lucas/E M
Johnstone, [re progress of his son,
Hope Johnstone, at school] 1p

- /17 1879 Feb. 19 Copy [letter] Worthing [to Manby]/A Burgess [sic], [with recollections of GPB's involvement in various works. The original is at 3/31a] 2p on 1 leaf
- /18 - [Chronology of events in GPB's career, 1824-1838] 2p on 1 leaf
- /19 1879 Mar. 11 Copy [letter] Farnham [to Manby]/W G Andrewes. [He relays memories of his father-in-law, William Fothergill Cooke, who is infirm, re GPB and the early days of the electric telegraph etc] 4p on 4 leaves
- /20 1879 Mar. 27 [Letter] Team Lodge, Saltwell, Gateshead on Tyne [to Manby]/Thos. L Gooch, [re and with 'Memo as to the late George Parker Bidder (by Thomas L Gooch)'] 3p on 1 leaf + 3p on 3 leaves
- /21 1879 Mar. 28 [Letterpress copy letter] Ranelagh House, Lower Grosvenor Place [to] Thomas L Gooch/Charles Manby, [replying to above] 3p on 2 leaves
- /22 1878 Sept. 22 [Letter] Chelston, Torquay [to] Manby/W Froude. [With letterpress copy reply of Sept. 23] 4p on 1 leaf + 4p on 2 leaves
- /23 1878 Sept. 25 [Letter] 8 Ladbroke Square [to] Charles Manby/Peter W Barlow 2p on 1 leaf
- /24 1879 Mar. 24 [Letter] Whitburn [to] Bertha [Bidder]/T E Harrison, [re GPB's skill as a witness, especially for the North Eastern Railway] 3p on 1 leaf
- /25 1879 Feb. 28 [Letter] London & St Katharine Docks Company, Dock House, 109 Leadenhall Street [to] Chas. Manby, 24 Gt George St, Westminster/B H Martindale. [With letterpress copy letter, 1879 Feb. 27, to Colonel Martindale/Charles Manby, requesting information on GPB] 1p + 2p on 2 leaves
- /26 - [Draft letter] To the Editor of the Philosophical Magazine [re] Mental Calculation, [detailing GPB's skill

in the determination of logarithms, to 7 or 8 places, of any given numbers'. Seemingly the basis of W Pole's paper in Min. Proc. Inst. C. E. 1889-90 vol. ciii pp.250-6, a footnote to which states that the memoranda upon which it is based 'was prepared during Mr Bidder's lifetime, and with his approval'. Bears note by GPBIII 'Pole on Bidder as published?'] 8p on 4 leaves

- /27 - [Note (by GPB III?) giving examples of GPB's powers of mental calculation. Refers to pages which correspond to pagination of reprint of GPB's paper on 'Mental Calculation'] 1p

- /28 1879 Feb. 3 [Letter] Royal Exchange Assurance, Royal Exchange [to] John Goddard/J A Higham, [re GPB's short employment there] 2p on 1 leaf

- /29 1879 Feb. 10 [Letter] Rock Life Assurance Company, 15 New Bridge Street, Blackfriars [to] Lt.Col. Manby/Actuary, [giving John Goddard's address in Beckenham] 2p on 1 leaf

- /30 1879 Mar. 17 [Letter] 7 Woodlands Terrace, Blackheath [to] Lt. Col. Manby/Thos. B Winser 3p on 1 leaf

- /31a 1879 Feb. 19 [Letter] Worthing [to] Charles Manby/A Burges. [The original of 3/17] 4p on 1 leaf

- /31b [1879 Mar. 3] [Letter] Worthing [to] Charles Manby/A Burges 1p

- /31c 1879 Feb. 24 [Letter to] Chas. Manby/Jas. A McConnochie, [re information on GPB at 23 Great George Street] 1p

- /31d 1879 Mar. 4 [Letterpress copy letter to] Alfred Burges/Charles Manby, [seeking date of GPB's 'admission to your office'] 4p on 2 leaves

- /31e 1879 Feb. 20 [Letterpress copy letter to] Alfred Burges/Charles Manby, [replying to 3/31a] 2p on 1 leaf

- /31f 1879 Feb. 24 [Letterpress copy letter to] F C Stileman/Charles Manby, [seeking

dates which may be 'in the Books of the late Mr James Walker ... in your possession'] 2p on 1 leaf

- /31g 1879 Feb. 25 [Letterpress copy letter to] Miss Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby, [updating her on the Memoir's progress. He feels information should be obtained 'with all speed lest the old fellows 'pop off'!'] 4p on 2 leaves
- /32a 1879 Mar. 18 [Memorandum] H.M. Office of Works, Ordnance Survey Office, Southampton/A C Cooke, [giving dates, and enclosing copies of three supporting letters, re GPB's joining the Survey, his transfer to London, and his leaving] 1p
- /32b 1825 Mar. 31 Copy [letter] Gorden's Hotel, Albemarle St [to] Major Colby/Henry Jardine, [re GPB's wish to leave the Survey. Bears notes to Bidder [GPB II]/D Lysons, and 1879 Mar. 21 to Sir Daniel [Lysons]/A C Cooke] 1p
- /32c 1824 Jun. 29 [Copy letter] O.M.O. [to] Major General Sir Geo. Murray/Major Colby, [re GPB's being 'taken into pay on the British Survey'] 1p
- /32d 1824 Aug. 18 [Copy letter] Ordnance Map Office, Tower [to] W Griffin/ Thos. Colby, [re GPB's pay whilst working in London for the 'Trigonometrical part of the Survey'] 1p
- /32e 1825 Mar. 31 [Copy letter] Gorden's Hotel, Albermarle St [to] Major Colby/Henry Jardine. [As 3/32b minus notes] 1p
- /32f 1879 Mar. 20 [Letter] Quarter Master General's Office], Horse Guards, War Office [to] Bidder [i.e. GPBII]/D Lysons, [sending 'all the information I can get from the Ordnance Survey Office'] 3p on 1 leaf
- /32g 1879 Mar. 19 [Letter] Ordnance Survey Office, Southampton [to] Sir Daniel [Lysons]/A C Cooke, [re information on GPB] 1p
- /33a 1878 Dec. 14 [Letterpress copy letter to] Sir S Morton [Peto]/Charles Manby,

		[requesting information on GPB] 3p on 2 leaves
/33b	1878 Dec. 28	[Letter] Eastcote House, Pinner, Middx. [to] Col. Manby/S Morton Peto. [He would go through the proof of the Memoir and make notes] 2p on 1 leaf
/33c	1879 Jan. 9	[Letter] Eastcote House [to] Col. Manby/S Morton Peto, [giving much information on his association with GPB] 4p on 1 leaf
/33d	1879 Jan. 10	Letterpress copy letter to] Sir S Morton Peto/Charles Manby, [asking whom to contact at the Rock Life Assurance Company re GPB] 3p on 2 leaves
/33e	1879 Jan. 11	[Letter] Eastcote House, Pinner, Middlesex [to] Col. Manby/S Morton Peto, [replying to above and suggesting he contact John Gardner] 1p
/34	between 1878 & 1880	Copy [memorandum re chronology of, and GPB's involvement in, the building of the Norwegian Trunk Railway, and mentioning his Norwegian property] 4p on 1 leaf
/35	1879 Feb. 20	[Letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] George P Bidder QC [GPBII]/W J Kingsbury, [re GPB and the construction of the Victoria Docks] 5p on 5 leaves
/35a	1855	[Sheet bearing cuttings from unnamed periodical(s) re Victoria Docks]
/36	1879 Feb. 20	[Letter] Engineer in Chief's Office, North Eastern Railway, Newcastle upon Tyne [to] Manby/Thos. E Harrison, [re Miss Bidder's request for information] 2p on 1 leaf
/37	1879 Feb. 21	[Letterpress copy letter to] Colonel Harrison/Charles Manby, [in reply to above] 3p on 2 leaves
/38a	1879 Jan. 6	[Letter] 31 Stockwell Park Road [to GPB II] G H Phipps, giving much detailed personal knowledge of GPB's work. <u>With</u> 2 copies of same] 9p on 3 leaves + 5p on 2 leaves &

/38b	1879 Jan. 13	4p on 1 leaf [Letter] 31 Stockwell Park Road [to] Manby/G H Phipps, [with information re GPB] 2p on 1 leaf
/38c	-	[Note re address of C L Christian: Norfolk Lodge, Barnet] 1 slip
/38d	1879 Jan. 14	[Notes by G H Phipps re 'Parties who may know particulars about Mr Bidder'. <u>With</u> other notes] 1p + 2p
/38e	1879 Mar. 20	[Letterpress copy letter to ?/Charles Manby] 2p on 1 leaf
/38f	1879 Jan. 15	[Letter to] Manby/G H Phipps, [suggesting other names to contact] 1p
/38g	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter to] G H Phipps/Charles Manby, [asking for information on GPB, particularly re the Stephensons, and the London- Birmingham Railway] 3p on 2 leaves
/38h	1879 Jan. 14	[Letterpress copy letter to] G H Phipps/Charles Manby, [asking for information on GPB's early career] 3p on 2 leaves
/38j	1879 Jan. 16	[Letterpress copy letter to] G H Phipps/Charles Manby 2p on 1 leaf
/39	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter to] Edwin Clarke [sic]/Charles Manby, [again asking for information on GPB] 3p on 1 leaf
/40	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] John Horatio Lloyd/Charles Manby, [requesting information on GPB] 4p on 1 leaf
/41	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter] to Major Charles Lucas/Charles Manby, [requesting information on GPB] 4p on 2 leaves
/42a	1879 Jan. 14	[Letterpress copy letter to] C L Christian/Charles Manby, [requesting information on GPB] 3p on 2 leaves
/42b	1879 Mar. 17	[Letter] Norfolk Lodge, Barnet [to] Lt Col Manby/C L Christian. [He has little information] 4p on 1 leaf

/42c	-	[Notes] re G P Bidder/C L Christian. [Scanty details re Norwegian Railway, and re contracts] 5p on 2 leaves
/43a	-	[Notes (by Manby) made re 'a kind of pocket day book' which refers to work at London Dock and Brunswick Wharf, 1825-28 (probably 1/1/29 above)] 3p on 1 leaf
/43b	-	[Notes re GPB and names to contact re specific areas of his work] 4 slips
/44	1879 Mar. 17	[Letter] Great Western Railway, London Terminus, Paddington [to] Chas. Manby/Dan. Gooch. [Writes anecdotally about Bidder, especially re gauge controversy] 3p on 1 leaf
/45	1860 Feb. 4	[Letter] 15 Green St, Gros[venor] Sq [to Manby?]/Howard Douglas, [asking if new president of the ICE is the 'boy possessing prodigious powers of mental solution' he met 40 years earlier] 2p on 1 leaf
/46	1879 Mar. 18	[Letter] Whittington, Chesterfield [to] Lt.Col. Manby/F Swanwick. [He has little information re GPB but suggests he contact Thomas Longridge Gooch] 2p on 1 leaf
/47a	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] John Goddard/Charles Manby, [seeking information on GPB] 3p on 2 leaves
/47b	1879 Jan. 21	Copy [letter] Elmer Lodge, Elmers End [to] Lt.Col. Manby/J Goddard, [re GPB as a director of Rock Life Assurance Company] 2p on 1 leaf
/47c	1879 Jan. 23	[Letterpress copy letter to] J Goddard/Charles Manby, [asking for more exact information] 2p on 2 leaves
/48a	1879 Feb. 27	[Letterpress copy letter to] J B Redman/Charles Manby, [thanking him for information on GPB and 'works at the Commercial Road, and seeking dates re his work on 'one of the Entrances of the London Docks']] 3p on 2 leaves

/48b	1879 Mar. 4	[Copy letter] 7 Little Queen St, Westminster [to] Manby/J B Redman, [bearing copy letter, 1879 Mar. 3, Shadwell Entrance, London Dock, to J B Redman/James Maitland, London Dock Master, giving dates of construction of old dock entrance and basin for which H R Palmer was engineer and GPB an assistant] 1p
/48c	1879 Mar. 6	[Letter] General Manager's Office, London & St Katharine Docks Company, Dock House, 109 Leadenhall Street [to] Charles Manby, 24 Great George St/B H Martindale, [further to above] 2p on 1 leaf
/49a	1878 Oct. 22	[Letter] Rilland [to] Manby/Charles J Harrison. [Personal news. (He was resident manager of the Netherlands Land Enclosure Company in Holland)] 4p on 1 leaf
/49b	1879 Jan. 13	[Letterpress copy letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] C Morgan/Charles Manby, [seeking information re GPB and the Netherlands Land Enclosure Company] 3p on 2 leaves
/49c	1879 Jan. 14	[Letter] 15 Old Jewry, London [to] Col. Manby, 24 Great George St./Chas. Morgan, [replying to above] 2p on 1 leaf
/49d	1879 Feb. 21	[Letter] 15 Old Jewry, London [to] L.Col. Manby, 24 Gt. George St/Chas. Morgan, [enclosing 'an outline of the important facts connected with the Netherlands Land Enclosure Company' (see below)] 2p on 1 leaf
/49e	[1879 Feb]	[Memorandum of history of Netherlands Land Enclosure Company] 7p on 7 leaves
/49f	1879 Feb. 25	[Letter] Rilland [to] Manby/Charles J Harrison. [Personal news] 4p on 1 leaf
/49g	1879 Jan. 20	[Letterpress copy letter to] Chas. Morgan/Charles Manby, [replying to 3/49c] 2p on 1 leaf
/50a	1879 Mar. 6	[Letter] 4 Delahay Street, Westminster [to] Manby/Jas.

		Abernethy, [remembering GPB as assistant of H R Palmer 'on the works of the Eastern Basin and Shadwell Entrance of the London Docks' in 1829-30] 3p on 1 leaf
/50b	1879 Mar. 6	[Letterpress copy letter to] James Abernethy/Charles Manby, [replying to above] 2p on 1 leaf
/51a	1879 Mar. 19	[Letter] 60 Russell Square, London [to] Lt.Col. Manby/Thos. Edwd. Twisden, 24 Great George Street, [with fulsome reminiscences of GPB and railway matters 1842-62] 7p on 2 leaves
/51b	[1879 Mar]	[Letterpress copy letter (2nd leaf only) to] T E Twisden/ Charles Manby, [probably in reply to above] 1p
/52	1879 Mar. 26	[Letterpress copy letter] Ranelagh House, Lower Grosvenor Place [to] Rev. Henry Bidder/Charles Manby, [re progress of Memoir] 3p on 2 leaves
/53	1879 Apr. 4	[Letterpress copy letter to] G P Bidder QC/Charles Manby. [First proof of the first and last parts of the Memoir have been sent to Bertha] 2p on 1 leaf
/54a	1879 Mar. 14	[Letterpress copy letter to] Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby, [stating need for caution when using information on contentious issues] 6p on 3 leaves
/54b	1879 Mar. 20	[Letterpress copy letter] Ranelagh House, Lower Grosvenor Place [to] Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby, re progress of Memoir] 3p on 2 leaves
/54c	1879 Mar. 24	[Letterpress copy letter to] Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby, [re difficulties in condensing the Memoir] 5p on 3 leaves
/54d	1879 Mar. 26	[Letterpress copy letter] Ranelagh House, Lower Grosvenor Place [to] Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby, [re need to get Memoir to proof stage] 5p on 3 leaves
/54e	1879 Apr. 4	[Letterpress copy letter] Ranelagh House, Lower Grosvenor Place [to] Bertha [Bidder]/Charles Manby,

		[sending first proof of Memoir] 2p on 1 leaf
/55a	1879 Jan. 20	[Copy letter] Blackwall [to Bertha Bidder]/W P Bain, [anecdotally re GPB's early life] 10p on 10 leaves
/55b	1878 Nov. 23	[Letter] Goldielands [to GPB II]/James Elliot, [re his early recollections of GPB, chiefly at Edinburgh and subsequently up to GPB's days with H R Palmer. <u>With</u> copy of same] 12p on 3 leaves + 17p on 17 leaves
/55c	1879 Jan. 29	Copy [letter] Goldrelandi [i.e. Goldielands, to Bertha Bidder]/James Elliot, [re date of GPB leaving University, etc.] 2p on 2 leaves
/55d	-	[Memorandum by EMJ (Rev. E M Johnstone) re GPB's mental powers on the day prior to his death and at other times] 8p on 8 leaves
/55e	1879 Feb	Shedule [sic] of Original letters returned to Miss Bidder Feb. 17 1879 [i.e. the 4 items above] 1 slip
/56	1879 Mar. 3	[Letter] 5 Percy Villas [to] G P Bidder QC, Paper Buildings, Temple/E Palmer, [widow, re GPB's time with H R Palmer, and with Isaac Solly, James Walker and George Stephenson. <u>With</u> envelope] 12p on 3 leaves
/57a	1879 Jun. 28	[Letter] Institution of Civil Engineers, 25 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Charles Manby, Stoke House, Stoke Fleming, Dartmouth/James Forrest, [chiefly re speeding up production of Memoir] 2p on 1 leaf
/57b	1879 Jul. 8	[Letterpress copy letter to] James Forrest/Charles Manby, [re papers received from Col. W G Andrewes for memoir of his (Andrewes') father-in-law, Sir William Fothergill Cooke] 2p on 1 leaf
/57c	1879 Jul. 8	[Letterpress copy letter to] Col. W G Andrewes/Charles Manby, [re Cooke memoir] 3p on 2 leaves

/58	1856 Dec	[Printed report of the I.C.E. annual general meeting of Dec. 16, reporting Col. Manby's retirement as secretary, G P Bidder, vice-president, in the chair] 6p
/59	c.1870?	[Copy photo of GPB (standing) and Charles Manby (seated)]
2		[Electric Telegraph]
/1	1816/1819	[1" to 1mile O.S. map of Surrey and Kent consisting of sheets of two editions dissected and mounted on cloth. Includes some railway lines not opened until after 1840. Others are shown coloured, including line between Chislet and Margate; map bears ms. calculations re same. Presumably of relevance to proposed telegraph lines]
/2	1877	Excerpt [from] Minutes of Proceedings of The Institution of Civil Engineers. Vol. xlvii. Session 1876-77. Part i [being Memoir of Sir Charles Wheatstone 1802-1875] 8p
/3		[Bundle of papers labelled 'GPB I Electric Telegraph']
/3a	1853 Oct. 10	[Telegram to] Mr Harby, 24 Gt. George Street, Westminster, [re safe arrival of <i>Mayfly</i> at Lowestoft] 1 leaf
/3b	1848 Feb. 24	[Letter] Manch[ester, to] Bidder/Edwd. Tootal, [enquiring re progress of Company with reference to government and railway lines. Bears copy letter, 1848 Feb. 22, Temple, to Tootal/Thomas Wheeler, re taking up electric telegraph on East Anglian lines, as referred to in main letter] 3p on 1 leaf
/3c	1846 Jul. 23	[Letter] Electric Telegraph Company, Guildhall Buildgs. [to] G P Bidder/Richd. Till, [accepting a £25 call on his shares] 1p
/3d	1846 Mar. 10	[Letter] Manchester [to] GPB, 24 Gt George St, Westminster/J P Westhead, [re a sum of £1200 (to be invested in Telegraph Co.?) and interest on same. <u>With</u> letter, 1846 Apr. 28, Manchester, to GPB/J P Westhead, withdrawing from taking

up shares in Electric Telegraph Company] 2p on 1 leaf; 3p on 1 leaf

- /3e 1847 Mar. 3 [Letter] 35 Upper Baker Street, Regents Park to the Directors of the Electric Telegraph Company/Alexander Bain, [offering the use of his 'recently Patented Electric Telegraph' for £12,000, and outlining the benefits of his system] 2p on 1 leaf
- /3f-g NUMBERS NOT USED
- /3h 1845 May 5 [Letter] Midbrooke nr. Blackheath [to] G P Bidder, 24 Gt. George St./Willm. F Cooke, [offering terms if successful in introducing the telegraph on lines to London, Manchester, Liverpool and Holyhead within six weeks] 2p on 1 leaf
- /3i 1845 Sept. 3 [Letter] 1 Copthall Build[ing]s [to] Geo. Bidder, N. Euston Hotel, Fleetwood, Lancashire/Willm. F Cooke, [re cutting from The Times about another telegraph company] 3p on 1 leaf
- /3j 1845 Sept. 10 [Letter] 1 Copthall Build[ing]s [to] Geo. P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke, [re a second rival telegraph company. He proposes getting all railway company chairmen and directors interested] 5p on 2 leaves
- /3k 1845 Oct. 19 [Letter] Chatsworth [to GPB?]/Jos. Paxton, [sending 'halves of notes for £1000 and a cheque ... for 510'. He will send remaining halves and balance of £308.3.8 the next day. With registered letter, 1845 Oct. 20, Manchester, to GPB c/o Robert Stephenson, Great George Street/Thos. Cardwell & Son(s), sending halves of bank notes for £1000 and cheque for £303.3.8 on Joseph Paxton's behalf] 2p on 1 leaf; 1p
- /3l 1845 Dec. 9 [Letter] Electric Telegraph, 1 Copthall Buildings [to] G P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke. [Having visited Mr Heighton, who seems to have interested the London and Birmingham Railway board, Cooke deems his telegraph apparatus to be

no real threat. 'Mr Heighton does not stand as a rival, but as a friend'. Cooke will shortly 'be able to arrange with Mr Heighton (of Rugby) for his invention'] 8p on 2 leaves

- 2/4 [Folder entitled '1845 Electric Telegraph Co.']
- /4a 1913 Apr. 16 [Press cutting] 'A Pioneer in Telegraphy. Death of Mr E B Bright' [from The Times Engineering Supplement]
- /4b 1913 Apr. 16 [Press cutting] 'A Pioneer of Telegraphy. The late Mr E B Bright' from] The Daily Chronicle
- /4c - Heads of the proposed agreement for setting up & working the Commercial Telegraph upon the South Eastern Railway. [Watermarked 1846] 4p on 1 leaf
- /4d 1845 Sept. 11 [Copy] Articles of Agreement made ... between William Fothergill Cooke of Kidbrook in the County of Kent Esquire ... and The South Eastern Railway Company ... 4p on 1 leaf
- /4e - [Draft form letter] London [to shareholders of the Electric Telegraph Company re a rights issue of shares. Bears names of six shareholders] 1p
- /4f - [Draft form letter to shareholders of the Electric Telegraph Company, acknowledging receipt of payments for additional shares. Named shareholders differ slightly from those at 2/4e above] 2p on 1 leaf
- /4g 1846 Oct. 13 [Copy letter] 24 Great George St., Westminster [to] John Hawkshaw, Manchester/Geo. P Bidder, [acknowledging receipt of £500 for 20 shares] 1p
- /4h 1845 Oct. 16 [Letterpress copy letter] London [to] S M Peto/Geo. P Bidder, [requesting immediate payment of £1818+] 1p
- /4i 1845 Oct. 16 [Letterpress copy letter] London [to] Ed[war]d Tootal/Geo. P Bidder,

[requesting immediate payment of
£3636+] 2p on 2 leaves

- /4j 1845 Oct. 16 [Letterpress copy letter] London
[to] Jos[ep]h Paxton/ Geo. P
Bidder, [requesting immediate
payment of £1818+ as the 'last
instalment on the Electric
Telegraph'] 1p
- Above 3 letters of request sent in order 'to
secure the agreement with Wheatstone']
- /4k 1845 Oct. 2 [Letter] Trent Valley Railway,
Company's Offices, 68 George
Street, Manchester [to] Bidder/Edw.
Tootal, [re telegraph matters]] 2p
on 1 leaf
- /4l 1845 Oct. 7 [Letter] Manchester [to]
Bidder/Edw. Tootal, [re testimonial
to George Stephenson; proposed
visit; telegraph matters; amount to
be subscribed] 2p on 1 leaf
- /4m 1846 Mar. 18 [Letter] Manchester [to]
Bidder/Edw. Tootal, [re telegraph
matters] 1p
- /4n 1846 Jun. 18 [Letter] Manch[ester, to]
Bidder/Edward Tootal, [re lunch
with Capt. Huish: 'the order has
been given for the Electric
Telegraph on the way from London to
L'pool & Mancr.']] 1p
- /4o 1846 Jul. 25 [Letter] Manch[ester, to] Geo. P
Bidder, 24 Gt. George St.,
Westminster/Edward Tootal,
[accepting additional shares. With
envelope] 4p on 1 leaf
- /4p 1846 Sept. 23 [Letter] Manch[ester, to] Geo. P
Bidder/Edw. Tootal, [explaining why
he did not pay 'the Telegraph
money']] 3p on 1 leaf
- /4q 1848 May 19 [Letter] 10 Angel Court,
Throgmorton Stt. [to] G P Bidder,
Gt. George St., West[minste]r/Oswin
Co., [advising payment of £1750 on
behalf of Edward Tootal. (Oswin &
Tootal, stock and share brokers
were at this address)] 1p
- /4r 1846 Feb. 25 [Letter] London & Birmingham
Railway Office, Euston Station [to]
G P Bidder/R Creed, [re progress of
project for telegraph on Railway]

3p on 1 leaf

/4s	1845 Dec. 4	[Letter, St.] Swithin's Lane [to] George P Bidder, 24 Great George Street, Westminster/John M Pearce. [Hindmarch (solicitor) approves the 'letter to be sent to your Friends'] 1p
/4t	1845 Dec. 22	[Letter, St.] Swithin's Lane [to] G P Bidder/John M Pearce, [re purchase of patents from Cooke, to be done before Christmas if possible] 2p on 1 leaf
/4u	1846 Feb. 3	[Letter] Electric Telegraph [Office?, St.] Swithin's Lane [to] G P Bidder/John M Pearce, [re parliamentary contract for urgent signature; he assures him 'you will not prejudice your Patents by signing it'. With unfolded envelope addressed to 24 Great George Street] 1p
2/4v	-	[Draft letter, in same hand as 2/4s-u above, re monies to be invested on someone else's behalf. Pearce was apparently Bidder's solicitor; he drafted this for him to send to someone for whom he was investing money in the Electric Telegraph Company] 2p on 1 leaf
/4w	1846 Jan. 10	[Letter] 1 Copthall B[uildin]gs [to] G P Bidder/Robt. Wilson, [re lease for premises at that address as 'an immediate office for the Telegraph Company'. (W F Cooke and Robert Wilson, solicitor, shared that address)] 1p
/4x	1845 [Dec?] 11	[Letter] 1 Copthall Build[ing]s [to] G P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke, [asking him to defer presenting a cheque; arrangements for assignment of patents] 3p on 1 leaf
/4y	1846 Feb. 12	[Letter] Electric Telegraph Office, 345 Strand [to] G P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke, [re proposed terms for working the 'Kentish Telegraphs for the South Eastern Ry. Cy.'] 4p on 1 leaf
/4z	1846 Apr. 18	[Letter] Electric Telegraph [Office], 345 Strand [to] G P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke, Eliot Lodge, Blackheath, [requesting immediate

payment of £9,600] 3p on 1 leaf

- /4aa 1846 Jun. 21 [Letter] Eliot House, Blackheath
[to] Geo. P Bidder/Willm. F Cooke,
[acknowledging receipt of £1500,
being his balance of the second
instalment of the purchase money
for the electric telegraph patents]
2p on 1 leaf
- /4bb 1846 Nov. 16 [Copy letter] Eliot House,
Blackheath [to] D Waddington/
Willm. F Cooke, [acknowledging
receipt, through Bidder, of £968
for 70 shares in the Electric
Telegraph Company] 3p on 1 leaf
- 2/5 1862 Dec. 13 [Letter] Atlantic Telegraph
Company, 22 Old Broad Street,
London [to] G.P. Bidder/Geo.
Seward, Secretary, [informing him
of his having been elected a
director of the company and asking
for his acceptance] 2p on 1 leaf
- 2/6 1902 Jan. 30 [Letter] Heatherbank, Weybridge
Heath [to] Mr Bidder [i.e. GPB
III]/George F Wilson, [brother of
Robert Wilson (see /4w above) with
reminiscences of the Electric
Telegraph Co., W. F. Cooke etc.] 2p
on 1 leaf
- 4 [Papers and letters to 1850]
- /1 [Bundle of letters labelled 'GPB I
1824-38 Misc']
- /1/1 1824 Nov. 6 [Letter] Dollar [to] George
Bidder/Patrick Gibson. [He is
pleased at his success, thanks him
for the sketches, assures him that
his (Bidder's) friend's son would
be well catered for at the recently
(1818) opened Academy] 3p on 1 leaf
- /1/2 1824 Jun. 8 [Letter] Edinburgh [to] George
Bidder, Pengam, Cardiff/ Henry
Jardine, [re his progress in the
Ordnance Survey, etc.] 3p on 1 leaf
- /1/3 1822 [Lecture card of] George Bidder,
[attending lectures in] Mathematics
[by] William Wallace, Class Third
1822-3 [at] University of Edinburgh
- /1/4 1825 Jan. 31 [Copy] Extract of a letter from Sir
Henry Jardine, Edinburgh, to GPB.

[Watermarked 1872 and blind-stamped
Holmwood Cottage, Holmwood,
(Surrey)] 3p on 1 leaf

/1/5 1836 Nov. 17 [Letter] 32 Baker St. [to] Mrs
Bidder [c/o] Stevensons [sic] Alton
Grange, Ashby de la Zouch,
Leicestershire/W R Vickers, [the
family doctor?, re treatment of a
baby after a fall, probably GPB II]
3p on 1 leaf

/1/6 [1832] [Copy letter of 1873 Mar. 14]
Engineers Office, London Docks [to]
W Bain D.M./GPB, [re celebrations
on Bain's qualifying as
doctor] 6p on 2 leaves

/1/7 1835-1838 [Passbook of GPB with London &
Westminster Bank, for period 29
Jul. 1835 to 11 May 1838]

4/2/1 1836 Nov. 17 [Letter] Exeter [to] Mrs G P
Bidder/Elizabeth M Bidder, [GPB's
mother. Family news; mentions trip
of GPB and wife to Derbyshire; GPB
II a baby] 2p on 1 leaf

/2/2 1837 Dec. 25 [Letter] Exeter [to] Mrs Georgina
Bidder, Lawn Cottage, South Lambeth
Road, London/Wm and E Bidder. [In
GPB's father's hand, he mentions
his wife's recovery, birth of
second grandchild, etc.] 1p

4/3 1837 Sept. 25 [Passport, valid for one year,
issued to GPB by Belgian consulate
in London for trip to Belgium on
pleasure. Stamped in Ostend on
Sept. 26] 1 leaf, printed/ms.

4/4 [Bundle of letters, GPB to his
wife, 1835-38]

/4/1 1835 Oct. 2 Burford Bridge [to] 2 Pekin Place,
East India Road, Poplar [i.e. her
parents' home. Mentions his deposit
'on the 10 Brighton Shares'] 3p on
1 leaf

/4/2 1835 Oct. 15 Burford Bridge [to as /4/1 above,
re work] 2p on 1 leaf

/4/3 1835 Oct. 20 Steyning [to as /4/1 above, re
difficulties of work due to late
rains] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/4 1836 Sept. 4 Manchester [to] 23 Brompton Row,

Knightsbridge, [re his trip to Manchester via Worcester (and boat trip on Severn) and Birmingham; his meeting Mr and Mrs George Stephenson and an invitation to their home Alton Grange; and his having 'to go over the South Union line of Railway' (of which the headquarters are to be at Derby)] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/5 1836 Sept. 6 Londonderry [to as /4/4 above. He has to go to Strabane, Omagh and Enniskillen, returning either via Glasgow or Dublin and Liverpool] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/6 1836 Sept. 20 Macclesfield [to as /4/4 above. He met Mr (George) Stephenson who insists on Mrs Bidder's staying at Alton Grange] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/7 1836 Sept. 27 Congleton [to as /4/4 above. He has to go to Manchester then 'return over the line'. Then, at Leek, he will arrange the work of all the surveyors. He has visited the Stephensons at Alton Grange and Mrs Bidder must leave for there 'on Monday week'. He has inspected the collieries and been to Burton and Uttoxeter, and visited Alton Abbey, the 'Princely Residence' of the Earl of Shrewsbury] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/8 1836 Nov. 14 Crown Inn, Stone [to] Alton Grange, Nr. Ashby de la Zouche, Leicestershire. [He has been very busy; Mr Stephenson has visited and is 'very well & hearty'] 2p on 1 leaf

/4/9 1836 Dec. 15 Hanley [to c/o] T Rammell, 35 Great George Street, Westminster. [Two public meetings in Tamworth and Lichfield have been successfully held. He will be meeting manufacturers in the Potteries before going on to Macclesfield] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/10 1837 Jan. 4 Stafford [to as /4/9 above. He is travelling to London with George Stephenson] 1p

/4/11 1837 Jan. 22 Newcastle under Lyne [to] Lawn Cottage, South Lambeth Road. [Mr Stephenson has been indisposed; he

(GPB) has been 'running up & down the country calling upon people all by myself' and may have to 'fright our enemies by myself' at a public meeting in Stockport if he remains unwell] 3p on 1 leaf

- /4/12 1837 Jan. 25 Manchester [re travelling home] 1p
- /4/13 1837 Aug. 1 Berkhemstead [sic, to c/o] Mrs Taylor, 4 St Andrew Place, Margate. [He is travelling to Stony Stratford and Birmingham, then can travel to Manchester and back in a day on Grand Junction Railway. He hopes later to reach Margate by steamer] 2p on 1 leaf
- /4/14 1838 May 30 [?, to c/o] Jacob Thompson's, Rose Cottage, Hitchin, Herts., [with general news] 3p on 1 leaf
- /4/15 1838 Jun. 22 Exeter [to] opposite the Lawn, South Lambeth. [He is visiting his parents; his mother's proposed visit to London has been postponed] 3p on 1 leaf
- 4/5 [Bundle of letters, GPB to his wife, 1844-50]
- /5/1 1844 Apr. 5 Northampton [to] Rose Hall, 8 Saville Row, Walworth. [He is to catch 'midnight Train for Liverpool', but has reached Thrapston, 'Charles Rammell's Quarters', via Peterborough and Wansford] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/2 1844 Apr. 7 Liverpool [to as /5/1 above. His return home is delayed because 'Samuel's Trial is adjourned'] 1p
- /5/3 1844 Jun. 15 London [to c/o] Mr Stephenson's, Tapton House nr. Chesterfield, Derbyshire. [He must go to Thetford. He expects 'the hardest possible work and knocking about' for the next six months. Sends message to George Stephenson re Gravesend Railway. Adds that Robert Stephenson will explain when he meets his father in Newcastle] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/4 1844 Jun. 17 London [to as /5/3 above. He has visited brother Bartholomew and his wife Harriott, and Robert

Stephenson who is going to Newcastle. He now has to go to Norwich] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/5 1844 Jun. 18 London [to as /5/3 above. Cannot go to Tapton, but hopes to meet her 'at Blisworth or Rugby on your way up'] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/6 1844 Jun. 21 London [to /5/3 as above. Reiterates he cannot go to Tapton, but says 'I will come half way to meet you'] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/7 1844 Jun. 24 London [to as /5/3 above. General news] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/8 1844 Jul. 4 Thrapston [to as /5/3 above] 1p

/5/9 1844 Jul. 11 London [to Dover?] 1p

/5/10 1844 Jul. 16 London [to Dover. He has to go to Thetford. Robert Stephenson has gone to Derby; he will invite his stepmother to London for a few days] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/11 1844 Jul. 22 London. [He can visit on Friday; must attend a meeting of magistrates in Northampton on Monday] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/12 1844 Jul. 24 London. [Visiting and travel arrangements] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/13 1844 Nov. 16 24 Gt. George Street, Westminster, 1p

/5/14 1845 Jun. 17 London [to as /5/16 below. He has finished his 'examination on the North Kent' but is now 'called to the Lords'] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/15 1845 Jun. 18 London [to as /5/16 below. General news; last page wanting] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/16 1845 Jun. 19 London [to] 2 Beech Cottages, Sandgate, Kent. [Reports on 'the Parliamentary fighting'] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/17 1845 Jun. 25 London [to as /5/16 above. Refers to trouble with people called Rusholme and what his wife should do about it] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/18 1845 Jul. 1 London [to as /5/16 above. He is

'retained in the great gauge [sic] contest'. A continental trip is out of the question this year but he suggests she accompanies him to Scotland where he wishes 'to inspect some Railway'. Now he has to go to Brandon and Norwich] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/19 1845 Jul. 2 London [to as /5/16 above. He states 'we have conquered in the North Kent' and, re his interests, he has been 'wonderfully successful this year'. He adds that the 'prospects of business ... for the ensuing sessions are immense'] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/20 1845 Jul. 3 London [to as /5/16 above] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/21 1845 Jul. 4 London [to as /5/16 above. The Brandon (to Norwich railway) opening has been postponed but he still cannot get to Sandgate] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/22 1845 Jul. 5 London [to as /5/16 above. He expects to accompany General Pasley (Inspector-General of Railways) for 'the Norwich & Brandon works are all done'. He despairs of 'any relaxation for the next two years' but 'must fight the battle through'. By then he 'ought to be rich enough to justify ... my entire retirement from business' or, at least, taking on no more than convenient. He is aware how he has neglected her] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/23 1845 Jul. 6 London. [He inspects the Brandon line with General Pasley the following day. He has been preparing himself 'for the Broad Guage [sic] as well as for the London & York Railway Questions'. He is 'stultified' and seems 'as if born for work, work, work all my days'. He is going to Westminster Cathedral for afternoon service then dining with Mr Stephenson] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/24 1845 Jul. 8 London. [He has inspected the Norwich-Brandon line with General Pasley. Mr Till and Mr Peto were with them. Business prospects for

the next year 'very formidable'] 3p
on 1 leaf

- /5/25 1845 Jul. 9 London. [His son (GPB II) has had an accident, but he cannot visit until late on Friday, being 'fast bound in the great Broad Guage [sic] question' and fearing no holiday until parliament is adjourned] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/26 1845 Jul. 15 London. [He hopes 'this long & dreary Sessions of Parliament' will end the following week] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/27 1845 Jul. 16 London [to as /5/16 above. He says 'We have carried our Wymondham & Dereham in the Lords'. He has 'agreed to give evidence in the Broad Guage [sic], the York, the West Cornwall, Wakefield & Goole & in the Portsmouth'] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/28 1845 Jul. 18 London [to as /5/16 above. He is going to Manchester. Then his 'Parliamentary labours' will prevent his getting to Sandgate before weekend] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/29 1845 Jul. 21 London. [He has been to Manchester, Liverpool and Southport. Has surveyed 'country from Southport to Preston'. He has been examined on the Broad Guage [sic] question' and now expects 'to be called into the Wakefield & Goole'. Also 'The Portsmouth commences tomorrow' and it 'rather controls my movements'. He outlines an itinerary for the proposed trip to Scotland] 4p on 1 leaf
- /5/30 1845 Jul. 23 London [to as /5/16 above. He has just 'come out of the Witness Box (on the Erewash Railway)'] 1p
- /5/31 1845 Aug. 9 London [to as /5/16 above. General news] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/32 1846 Aug. 26 Edinburgh [to] Mitcham Hall, Mitcham, Surrey. [He and Mr (Robert) Stephenson are about to sail for Christiania. He has seen son George, who is with the Elliots, and Sir Henry Jardine] 3p on 1 leaf
- /5/33 1846 Aug. 31 Christiania. [Describes voyage to

Norway, difficult arrival in Christiania, the people who 'appear to hail our visit as the Advent of Railway', and other impressions] 8p on 2 leaves

/5/34 1846 Sept. 4 Christiania. [Describes journey to Eidsvold, and further impressions] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/35 1846 Dec. 2 Edinburgh. [Describes difficult rail journey from London to Edinburgh. He visits Sir Henry Jardine, and sees 'the Principal and other College authorities' about the Jardine Bursary] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/36 1846 Dec. 3 Edinburgh [to as /5/32 above. General news] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/37 1846 Dec. 5 Edinburgh. [He will soon be returning - by sea!] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/38 1847 Apr. 11 Birmingham [to as /5/32 above. Will have to attend dinner for Lord Torrington] 1p

/5/39 1847 Sept. 16 Moretonhampstead [to as /5/32 above. General news] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/40 1848 Jul. 30 Grt. Yarmouth [to as /5/32 above. Describes his activities; he is there seemingly on a short recuperative break?] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/41 1848 Aug. 14 Tapton House, Chesterfield. [Robert Stephenson is taking his father's death hard; Bidder is trying to help him keep occupied] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/42 1848 Sept. 27 Southampton. [He has travelled via Brighton and Portsmouth. About to take sea voyage on yacht with Robert Stephenson] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/43 1848 Sept. 27 *Fanny* Yacht, Weymouth. [Describes 'delightful sail' from Southampton to Weymouth] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/44 1848 Sept. 27 Plymouth [to as /5/32 above. Further 'delicious sail' from Dartmouth] 1p

/5/45 1848 Sept. 28 *Fanny*, Dartmouth. [Leaving for Plymouth then Falmouth] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/46	1848 Oct. 1	Falmouth. [Plans to carry on to Milford Haven] 3p on 1 leaf
/5/47	1848 Oct. 4	Milford. [Describes voyage around Land's End. Plans to continue to Holyhead. There Robert (Stephenson) 'goes to Conway to prepare for floating the Tube'. He (Bidder) is returning home] 4p on 1 leaf
/5/48	1849 Jan. 2	Warwick. [He has just been to Kenilworth Castle, unexpectedly, as the opposition has collapsed. A Mr Carter has invited them both to the Birmingham musical festival the following year] 3p on 1 leaf
/5/49	1849 Oct. 14	Granton, [Edinburgh. Has had a long, cold journey; Mr Ricardo is laid up with gout] 4p on 1 leaf
/5/50	1849 Dec. 4	[On Chester and Holyhead Railway notepaper; 'Tube all right'] 1p
/5/51	1850 Sept. [5]	[4/5/51 to /63 addressed as /32 (except for /58-59)] Ostend. [Recounts a bad crossing. Is en route for Liège and Cologne] 2p on 1 leaf
/5/52	1850 Sept. 6	Cologne. [Stayed overnight in Liège, thence travelling by 'a special Engine'. Most impressed with Cologne cathedral] 3p on 1 leaf
/5/53	1850 Sept. 8	Mayence/Mainz. [Describes trip up the Rhine] 4p on 1 leaf
/5/54	1850 Sept. 11	Basle. [He is travelling with Robert (Stephenson) and he describes their journey. He has taken a trip to Frankfurt where he met up with 'the rest of the party' before carrying on via Darmstadt, Heidelberg, Carlsruhe, Rastadt] 4p on 1 leaf
/5/55	1850 Sept. 14	Zurich. [He (and Robert?) have had 'three hard days work examining ... passes through the Jura'; the 'extent of Country & Lines to be examined [is] far beyond what we anticipated'] 3p on 1 leaf
/5/56	1850 Sept. 19	Zurich. [He and Robert Stephenson have had four days hard work. He is about to return home via Strasbourg]

and Paris] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/57 1850 Sept. 23 Paris. [He enjoyed the cathedral in
Strasbourg; he likes travelling
alone] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/58 1850 Oct. 29 24 Great George Street,
Westminster. [Business in
Birkenhead has been concluded
quickly. His wife is apparently
convalescing in Worthing] 3p on 1
leaf

/5/59 1850 Oct. 30 24 Great George Street,
Westminster. [Travel plans] 3p on 1
leaf

/5/60 1850 Nov. 30 Hull, [en route to Norway] 2p on 1
leaf

/5/61 1850 Dec. 3 *Courier* [steam packet. They have
just entered Christiania fjord
after a good crossing. He hopes to
be home by Christmas Eve] 2p on 1
leaf

/5/62 1850 Dec. 6 Christiania. [Describes journey
into Christiania] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/63 1850 Dec. 10 Christiania. [Mentions various
meetings] 3p on 1 leaf
4/6 [Undated letters, GPB to his wife]

4/6/1 Newcastle on Tyne. [He has returned
from Bergen: 'our Trip has realised
all our expectations'. Watermarked
1846] 2p on 1 leaf

/6/2 35½ Gt. George Street,
Westminster. [Balloon ascent has
been postponed. He is to meet 'some
of the Brighton Directors'] 1p

4/7 1841 Dec. 20 [Letter to his brother, Bartholomew
Bidder/GPB. Replying to a letter
from Bartholomew, he refers to
numerous points which have led to
serious differences of opinion
between them, almost to the point
of estrangement. 2 copies (first
and fair drafts?)] Each 11p on 3
leaves

4/8 [1845?] [Letter] Balham, Surrey [to GPB]/E
Palmer, [hoping he can see him re
'Iron Corrugated Bridges'. He is
staying at Mr Field's] 3p on 1 leaf

4/9/1	1846 Jun. 20	[Letter] London [to] George Bidder [GPB II]/GPB, [describing environs of the new family home at Mitcham, etc. GPB II is evidently with the Elliots in Edinburgh] 4p on 1 leaf
4/9/2	1846 Aug. 8	[Letter] London [to] GPB II/GPB. [Mostly family news of life at Mitcham, but mentions trip he is making with Mr Stephenson to Norway. Lucas is painting his portrait] 4p on 1 leaf
4/10	1847 May 4	[Letter] 10 Gt George St [to GPB]/J C Talbot, [re technical points of a particular tunnel and cutting] 4p on 1 leaf
4/11	1848 Jul. 28	[Letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to GPB]/J E Sanderson, [re rotten haunch of venison sent by Sir Morton Peto] 1p
4/12	1846	Reply to "Observations" of the Great Western Railway Company on the report of The Gauge Commissioners. [GPB's copy in limp covers] 75p
4/13		[Bundle of papers re the Jardine Bursary]
/13/1	1846 Dec. 5	Deed of Foundation by George Parker Bidder Esquire of The Jardine Scholarship or Bursary in The University of Edinburgh 9p
/13/2	1846 Dec. 5	Account [of] GPB [with] Messrs. W & J Cook, Edinburgh for preparing Deed of Foundation of Jardine Bursary. [2 copies, one being for too low a sum] 2 leaves
/13/3	1846 Dec. 16	[Letter] Edinburgh [to] GPB/Adam Black, Lord Provost, [expressing thanks for the foundation of the bursary] 1p
/13/4	1846 Dec. 25	[Letter] Goldielands [to] GPB, Mitcham Hall/James Elliot, [re foundation of the bursary and other matters] 4p on 1 leaf
/13/5	1846 Dec. 26	[Letter] Edinburgh [to] GPB/John Lee, [Principal of the University of Edinburgh, thanking him for founding the bursary] 3p on 1 leaf

/13/6	1847 Mar. 27	[Letter] Edin[burg]h [to] GPB/P[hilip] Kelland, [Professor of Mathematics, advising him that the Senators Academicians had resolved to ask him (Bidder) to nominate the first recipient of the Jardine bursary] 2p on 1 leaf
/13/7	1847 Apr. 2	[Letter] Edinburgh [to] GPB/Henry Jardine, [re awarding the first bursary. Mentions also the prospect of Bidder's going to Egypt and the possible linking of Mediterranean with Red Sea] 3p on 1 leaf
4/14	1849 Sept. 3	Appointment [i.e. transfer] of Lands [known as Cross Parks] in the Parish of Moretonhampstead, Devon [from] George Parker Bidder, Mitcham Hall, Surrey [to his brother] Samuel Parker Bidder, Stone, Staffordshire 1 sheet
5		[Papers and letters 1851-]
5/1		[Bundle of letters, GPB to his wife, 1851]
/1/1	1851 Jul. 26	Fredericksvaern [i.e. Frederiksvaerk, Denmark, to] Mitcham Hall, Surrey]. Describes crossing from Lowestoft; George, his son, with him] 2p on 1 leaf
/1/2	1851 Jul. 30	Christiania [to as /1/1 above. Describes solar eclipse. Mentions ceremony, to come, of 'turning the first sod'] 3p on 1 leaf
/1/3	1851 Aug. 4	On Board the?, Lake Myosea [i.e. Lake Mjøsa, Norway, to as /1/1 above. They are returning from Lillehammer. Robert Stephenson is evidently with them] 3p on 1 leaf
/1/4	1851 Dec. 13	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [Mrs Bidder is in Hastings, evidently unwell] 2p on 1 leaf
/1/5	1851 Dec. 15	[--- as above --- Mrs Bidder still unwell in Hastings. Family news] 4p on 1 leaf
/1/6	1851 Dec. 18	[--- as above --- Mrs Bidder about to return home] 2p on 1 leaf
5/2		[Bundle of letters, GPB to his

wife, 1852-1857]

- /2/1 1852 Aug. 31 Christiania [to] Mitcham Hall, Surrey. [They have been on a trip along the line. Evidently son George is with him, and Robert Stephenson. Describes recent purchase of property, the 'Steinsbye Estate'] 3p on 1 leaf
- /2/2 1852 Oct. 17 Hamburg. [On same letter as news from sister-in-law Harriot and daughter Lizzy. George Robert Stephenson is with them] 4p on 1 leaf
- /2/3 1853 Jul. 28 24 Great George Street, Westminster. [Refers to the Sandersons] 2p on 1 leaf
- /2/4 1854 Jun. 27 *May Fly*, Christiania [to as /2/1 above. Describes passage from Lowestoft. Robert Stephenson is with him; they are on railway business] 3p on 1 leaf
- /2/5 1854 Jun. 30 Christiania. [Now on way home. Son George is with him.] 2p on 1 leaf
- /2/6 1854 Aug. 29 *Aguila*, Christiania Fiord. [Arriving in Norway after being in Denmark, but delayed owing to delay to Mr Stephenson's vessel from Dundee] 4p on 1 leaf
- /2/7 1855 Sept. 7 24 Great George Street, Westminster. [Encloses letter, Sept. 6, (present) from GPB II who is at Cambridge. Mrs Bidder has been unwell. GPB is on way to Lowestoft] 2p on 1 leaf + 3p on 1 leaf
- /2/8 1855 Sept. 8 Lowestoft. [Re plans of GPB II, and postponed trip to Paris] 2p on 1 leaf
- /2/9 1855 Sept. 14 Lowestoft. [Has just landed (after trip to Denmark?)] 2p on 1 leaf
- /2/10 1857 Mar. 10 Newcastle. [Is there 'to inspect the Railway the subject of an enquiry'. Elsewhere, he anticipates 'a row with the Board of Trade'] 3p on 1 leaf
- 5/3 [Bundle of letters, GPB to his wife, 1861-1864]

/3/1	1861 Feb. 26	24 Great George Street, Westminster. ['Norfolk meeting all serene' 'reconciled some opponents'] 1p
/3/2	1861 Oct. 16	Macon. [<i>En route</i> to Turin with Manby] 1p
/3/3	1861 Oct. 18	Turin. [Describes journey] 4p on 1 leaf
/3/4	1861 Oct. 21	Spezzia. [Gives views of people and scenery, comparing latter unfavourably with home] 4p on 1 leaf
/3/5	1864 May 15	Edinburgh. [General news] 3p on 1 leaf
/3/6	1864 May 17	Newcastle on Tyne. [General news; at Queensferry went on a 'special steamer for a short excursion on the Forth'. Has here called on the Stantons] 3p on 1 leaf
/3/7	1864 Oct. 20	Tynemouth, 2p on 1 leaf
/3/8	1864 Oct. 20	Tynemouth. [Is there for an arbitration] 3p on 1 leaf
5/4		[Bundle of letters, GPB to his wife, 1867-1877]
/4/1	1867 Jul. 7	<i>May Fly</i> , Antwerp. [Sailed from Deal to Flushing. Has inspected the polders] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/2	1867 Jul. 18	<i>Yacht May Fly</i> , Cowes. [Mentions Fleet Review, and damp weather aggravating his deafness] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/3	1867 Sept. 2	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [News of events and family at Mitcham] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/4	1867 Sept. 25	Dartmouth. [Holiday party includes GPB II and wife Annie, and Bertha and Edyth] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/5	1869 May 2	Hotel de Choiseul, Paris. [He is with Bertha and 'the other girls'. They hope to go to mass at the Tuilleries, and to Versailles] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/6	1869 May 3	Hotel de Choiseul, Rue St. Honoré,

		Paris. [Party has been received by the Emperor; they are to go to the Ball] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/7	1869 May 4	Paris. [Describes the Ball] 3p on 1 leaf
/4/8	1869 May 5	Paris. [Mentions 'charming dinner party' with Emperor and Empress] 2p on 1 leaf
/4/9	1871 Apr. 17	London. [Family news] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/10	1871 Apr. 26	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [He has been examined in committee; is leaving for Dartmouth the following day. He has met Col. Sturt MP and allowed him to bring Lord Coventry (to Mitcham) for fishing. Encloses letter, Apr. 25 (present) from Capt. Gillett of Waltham, Melton Mowbray, re his father's death] 4p on 1 leaf + 3p on 1 leaf
/4/11	1871 Apr. 26	[----- as above ----- McClean is getting better. News of goings-on at Mitcham] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/12	1872 Aug. 16	Yacht <i>May Fly</i> , Banavie, [Scotland. If he left it would break up the party. Perhaps they can meet in Dartmouth. Mentions proving a will (i.e. that of Bessy Harby, his wife's sister) and having copies made] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/13	1872 Sept. 8	Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [General news; has been out in the <i>Edythe</i>] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/14	1872 Sept. 13	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [He is going to Northampton after Holmwood. Further mention of Bessy's estate] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/15	1872 Sept. 22	Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [Purchase of Holmwood Cottage (and the Lodge). General news] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/16	1872 Sept. 25	[----- as above ----- Possession (of Holmwood) imminent. Mention of (Bessy's) probate] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/17	1872 Sept. 29	[----- as above ----- He and the girls have been to service on the <i>Britannia</i> . Other family news] 4p on

1 leaf

/4/18 1872 Oct. 1 24 Great George Street,
Westminster. [Details trouble at
Sam's with George and Alfred] 4p on
1 leaf

/4/19 1872 Oct. 2 [----- as above ----- He is
'awfully busy' but about 'to join
the girls ... at Dartmouth'] 2p on
1 leaf

/4/20 1872 Oct. 4 [----- as above ----- He has
spoken with Alfred. More family and
general news] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/21 1872 Oct. 6 Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [He has been
out on the *Edythe*, 'a grand vessel'
.... 'had a good haul of fish'.
Looks forward to the girls and his
wife coming down] 4p on 1 leaf

/4/22 1872 Oct. 7 [----- as above ----- General
news] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/23 1872 Oct. 9 [----- as above ----- Mrs Bidder
is now in Oxford. He is to dine
with the Torbay Shipping
Commissioners] 4p on 1 leaf

/4/24 1873 Oct. 29 24 Great George Street,
Westminster. ['The girls look after
me so closely ...'] 4p on 1 leaf

/4/25 1874 Oct. 14 [----- as above ----- Family and
general news] 3p on 1 leaf

/4/26 1874 Oct. 16 [----- as above -----] 2p on 1
leaf

/4/27 1874 Dec. 16 [On notepaper of Victoria Graving
Dock Company Limited, 27 Leadenhall
Street, London. 'George & Annie
have determined ... to take me to
Dr Reynolds ... alter the draft']
2p on 1 leaf

/4/28 1874 Dec. 17 24 Great George Street, Westminster
2p on 1 leaf

/4/29 1875 Feb. 24 [----- as above ----- Family news
etc.] 4p on 1 leaf

/4/30 1875? Apr. 9 [On notepaper of Harecastle &
Woodshutts Collieries, Coke & Lime
Works, Stoke upon Trent] 2p on 1
leaf

/4/31	1875 Apr. 18	Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [He has dined with George Elliot at the Castle. Spent previous day at the P[ain]t Works] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/32	1875 Aug. 12	London. [He was at Harecastle two days earlier. First page only present] 1p
/4/33	1875 Sept. 6	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [He has had to attend to the 'Rock Bonus that has to be declared'. He adds 'as usual my colleagues devolve on me the task of manipulating this'. He has been invited to the 'demi century Festival of the opening of the Darlington Railway']] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/34	1875 Sept. 10	[----- as above ----- 'We are a very small but a very devoted party at home'. '... the foot and mouth complaint ... threatens our herd'. 'The Norwegian party left in high spirits ...'. He will shortly be attending the Darlington Railway celebrations and the 'Dock Bonus meeting']] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/35	1875 Sept. 15	[----- as above ----- He will soon be going to Darlington. Chiefly family news. Hopes Mrs Bidder's 'little party had a fair voyage over the North Sea'. He hopes the cattle disease is abating. He is shortly going to Dartmouth] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/36	1875 Nov. 2	Dartmouth. [Lizzy is bringing up her children badly, he feels. 'My dear girls are devoted to me']] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/37	1876 Jul. 21	[From as 5/4/30 above] 2p on 1 leaf
/4/38	1876 Sept. 16	Wadley, Faringdon, Berks. [Family news] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/39	1876 Oct. 6	Dartmouth. [He will be seeing Sir George Elliot, but 'Whether we shall get through all we ought to I doubt']] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/40	1876 Dec. 20	24 Great George Street, Westminster. [General news] 4p on 1 leaf
/4/41	1876 Dec. 21	[----- as above ----- He is

'awfully busy'] 2p on 1 leaf

5/5 [Bundle of letters, GPB to GPB II, 1855-1878]

/5/1 1855 Apr. 21 24 Great George Street, Westminster. [He has heard that Mr Cooper is 'entirely satisfied with your conduct and attention to your studies'. He encourages him 'to maintain the high character of an English gentleman'] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/2 1856 Apr. 7 [----- as above ----- He is pleased with his 'success in the scholarship contest' at Cambridge, but adds that 'One speck on your reputation ... would outweigh the most splendid academical career'] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/3 1856 May 2 [----- as above ----- He sends 'the papers relating to your entering at Lincoln's Inn for the Bar' but urges him to 'select that profession which is really most congenial to your own disposition'] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/4 1869 Nov. 10 Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [Congratulates him on a case] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/5 1875 Jan. 29 [----- as above ----- General and family news] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/6 1875 Aug. 20 Dartmouth. [He apologises for forgetting his son's fortieth birthday] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/7 1875 Aug. 23 Holmwood Cottage, Holmwood. [GPB has evidently been quite ill for several days] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/8 1876 Nov. 13 Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [Refers to being 'compromised in this affair of the Frogmore purchase' which he will take on if GPB II advances him the money. Mentions dispute between Worley and Halpin(?), and the expiration of the Graving Docks lease] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/9 1877 Jan. 18 [----- as above ----- Announces plan to give up Mitcham Hall, which would be 'at your disposal if you and Annie desire it', and taking up 'permanent quarters in this

locality'] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/9a 1877 Mar. 7 [----- as above ----- Re
'Ravensbury Estate' at Mitcham,
Surrey] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/10 1877 Mar. 12 [----- as above ----- GPB feels
he is 'not justified in keeping up
two residences'. He suggests he
will 'either sell or let
Ravensbury'] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/11 1877 Aug. 9 24 Great George Street,
Westminster. [Mention of need for a
board meeting to raise funds. He
has had difficulty breathing; if it
doesn't get better 'it will
necessitate my retiring into very
passive existence'] 4p on 1 leaf

/5/11a 1877 Oct. 28 Ravensbury, Dartmouth. [Re loan to
the Graving Dock. Mention of
success with 'the 'New Pontoons']
4p on 1 leaf

/5/12 1878 Feb. 22 ----- as above ----- [Wishes he
was as 'fully engaged' as his son,
but is 'quite unable to undertake
the slightest exertion physically'.
Minor business and family news] 4p
on 1 leaf

/5/13 1878 Mar. 20 [----- as above ----- Suggests
an arrangement with the dock
companies re Graving Dock. Refers
to 'price of Gas in Denmark'; could
Kingsbury replace Manby on (Gas
Co.?) board? Comments on 'careless
ways and unpunctuality' of GPB III]
6p on 2 leaves

/5/14 1878 Jul. 17 [----- as above ----- Re
valuation of items at Ravensbury,
being taken over by GPB II. Fears
confusion at Stoke (Fleming) when
the packers' vans arrive] 4p on 1
leaf

/5/15 1878 Sept. 7 Dartmouth. [Wishes he could help
him re Graving Dock meeting but is
'very feeble'. His own resignation
GPB II 'may at all times command'.
May require 'a further payment on
account of Ravensbury' if sale of
North Woolwich lands is further
delayed - he is short of £38,000.
Hopes to be in Stoke Fleming by end
of month (he died on Sept. 20).

Encloses geometrical puzzle
(present)] 5p on 2 leaves

5/6 [Letters, GPB to his grandchildren
etc., 1872-1878]

/6/1 1873 Jun. 5 Ravensbury, Dartmouth [to] Annie
Bidder. [General news] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/2 1877 Jan. 22 --- as above --- [to] 'all my
loving Grandchildren'. [A post-
Christmas letter; includes an
arithmetical puzzle] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/3 1877 Mar. 8 --- as above --- [to] Annie Bidder
[et al. Sends tale of a hare and a
hunt] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/4 1877 Dec. 3 --- as above --- [to] Annie Bidder,
[re visit of GPB II and his wife.
Mentions new house at Stoke
Fleming] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/5 1878 Jan. 22 --- as above --- [to] Annie Bidder.
[General news. Writes 'confined as
I am so much to the House'] 4p on 1
leaf

/6/6 1878 Jul. 28 --- as above --- [to] Annie Bidder.
[She and family have moved to
Ravensbury Park, Mitcham] 4p on 1
leaf

/6/7 1878 Aug. 26 [--- as above --- to] Annie
Bidder. [House at Stoke Fleming is
getting on slowly but they have not
moved in yet] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/8 1872 Nov. 6 Dartmouth [to] GPB III. [Will ask
his mother if he can have him
visit. Mentions going out on 'the
new steam trawler *Edyth*'] 4p on 1
leaf

/6/9 1873 Oct. 25 Ravensbury, Dartmouth [to] GPB III.
[Mentions the delights of Holmwood.
GPB II currently visiting] 6p on 2
leaves

/6/10 1874 May 15 --- as above --- [to] GPB III.
[General news] 4p on 1 leaf

/6/11 1875 Jun. 14 24 Great George Street, Westminster
[to] GPB III. [General/family news]
4p on 1 leaf

/6/12 1877 Feb. 15 Ravensbury, Dartmouth [to] GPB III.
[He is pleased GPB III is 'so happy
and pleased with Harrow'] 4p on 1

leaf

/6/13	1877 Jun. 20	24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB III. [He does not like hearing of cribbing and lying at Harrow, but delighted GPB III 'behaves like a true English gentleman'] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/14	1877 Oct. 11	Ravensbury, Dartmouth [to] GPB III. [Advises he keep a memorandum book] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/15	1877 Nov. 6	--- as above --- [to] GPB III. [His grandmother is thinking of hunting out a model of a steam engine for him which he can put in good order in his workshop] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/16	1877 Nov. 13	--- as above --- [to] GPB III. [He will get the model steam engine at Xmas; 'it has been well cared for these many years'] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/17	1878 Apr. 6	--- as above --- [to] GPB III. [General news] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/18	1878 Aug. 2	Dartmouth [to] GPB III. [GPB III is at Harrow. GPB hopes to move into Stoke Fleming soon. Sends geometrical puzzle] 4p on 1 leaf
/6/19	1878 Sept. 5	---- " ---- [to] Bertha Bidder. [General news. GPB III is visiting] 4p on 1 leaf
5/7		[Correspondence, GPB and other family members, 1851 & 1877]
/7/1	1851 Dec. 19	[On notepaper of North Staffordshire Railway, Manager's Office, Stoke, to] GPB/S[amuel] P Bidder, [his brother, thanking him for all his help] 4p on 1 leaf
/7/2	1877 Jul. 12	4 Victoria Park, Bognor [to] GPB/S P Bidder, [i.e. nephew Sam, son of brother Sam, asking for an allowance of £30 a month] 2p on 1 leaf
/7/3	1877 Jul. [13]	[2nd leaf of letterpress copy letter to] Sam'l P Bidder/GPB. [Help will only be forthcoming 'by your consenting to place yourself in an establishment to be approved by us'. He evidently has a drink problem] 2p on 1 leaf

/7/4	1877 Jul. 16	[Letterpress copy letter to] Sam'l P Bidder/GPB. [He reminds him of his promise to enter an appropriate establishment if he could not overcome his 'evil propensity'. There was no guarantee that financial help would not find its way 'to the spirit shop'] 4p on 2 leaves
/7/5	1877 Jul. 19	4 Victoria Park, Bognor [to] GPB/S P Bidder. [He says he remains 'strongly opposed to entering any establishment' for he is in 'the best of health and in possession of all my senses'. Something must be done otherwise he and his wife, Bella, must seek work] 3p on 1 leaf
/7/6	1877 Jul. 20	[Letterpress copy letter to] Sam'l P Bidder/GPB. [He, and GPB II?, 'absolutely decline affording you the means of completing the ruin of yourself both mentally and bodily'] 3p on 2 leaves
5/8		[Correspondence between other Bidder family members]
/8/1	[1878] Nov. 11	Stoke House, Stoke Fleming [to] GPB III/Aunt Bertha [Bidder, giving details of GPB's final days, and the views of some of those with him at that time] 11p on 3 leaves
/8/2	1900 Feb. 8	Stoke House, Stoke Fleming, Dartmouth [to] GPB III/aunt Bertha Bidder. [She is worried about Edyth's health. She believes the name Bidder may have originated in South Wales] 6p on 2 leaves
/8/3	1923 Jun. 25	Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to] Maurice [Bidder]/GPB III, [his brother. Thanks him for photo of loco <i>G.P. Bidder</i> . Gives his interpretation of the professional relationship and friendship between Robert Stephenson and GBP, and details of former's descendants, etc.] 3p ts. on 3 leaves (last page <u>wanting</u>)
/8/4	1924 Nov. 10	--- as above --- [to] Harold [Bidder/GPB III, re letter he has written to Mitcham Advertiser. Having read its article, partly on

GPB, he feels that 'such rubbish demanded a correction'. With reprint of his letter to the Mitcham Advertiser of 13 Nov. (2 copies)] 2p ts. on 1 leaf (last page wanting)

/8/5a 1933 Nov. 22 3 Victoria Street, Westminster [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Maurice [Bidder, introducing Mr Adrian Lumley who is seeking information re the three steam trawlers (*Florence, Bertha, Edyth*) built for a Mr S Lake of Dartmouth in 1863. Apparently GPB 'provided the hull and Robert Stephenson the engine'] 2p ms./ts. on 1 leaf

/8/5b 1933 Dec. 8 Torry Research Station, Aberdeen [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Adrian Lumley, [thanking him for the information supplied and enclosing copy of an address (present) which he gave to the Aberdeen Rotary Club on Dec. 5 on 'The application of Steam to Trawlers - the experiments of George Parker Bidder at Dartmouth in 1867-1872' etc.] 2p ts. on 1 leaf + 15p ts.

/8/6a [1869] May 1 Hotel Choiseul, Rue St. Honoré, [Paris, to her mother]/Bertha Bidder. [She is with her father, GPB (see 5/4/5-8), who is one of a 'deputation' (to present honorary membership of the ICE to the Emperor). Mr Manby is also there. They are to drive with Mr McClean in the in the Bois de Boulogne] 3p on 1 leaf

/8/6b [1869] May 3 [As above, to her mother]/Edyth [Bidder, daughter of GPB. They are going to a ball that evening at the Tuilleries. Her father is 'becoming a marvellous french scholar'] 4p on 1 leaf

/8/7 [1875] Sept. 7 Ravensbury Park [to her mother]/Bertha Bidder. [Details her father's wellbeing and movements. He may go to 'the Darlington jubilee' but she hopes not] 6p on 2 leaves

5/9 [Lizzie Stanton: Elizabeth Harby

Stanton (née Bidder) 1839-1931, GPB's eldest surviving daughter, and goddaughter of George Stephenson. She married John Stanton, the son of George and Robert Stephenson's Newcastle solicitor, whom she met whilst one of Robert Stephenson's party in the winter of 1858-59]

- /9/1 1859 [Copy of diary kept by Lizzie from 1858 Oct. 13 to 1859 Jan. 30 during trip made by Robert Stephenson, and a small party of friends, on his yacht *Titania* from Southampton to Alexandria, passing some time in Cairo] 123p ts.
- /9/2 [Correspondence between GPB and Lizzie Stanton, 1867]
- /9/2A [1867] Aug. 19 Mitcham Grove [to] GPB/Lizzie Stanton, [apologising sincerely for anything disrespectful she may have said] 3p on 1 leaf
- /9/2b - [GPB's draft reply to above. It seems Lizzie believed GPB 'had wrongfully withheld from you a large sum of money left by Mr Stephenson to me for your sole and immediate use'] 4p on 1 leaf
- /9/2c [1867] Aug. 29 Mitcham Grove [to] GPB/Lizzie Stanton, [again apologising] 2p on 1 leaf
- /9/2d - [To GPB]/Lizzie Stanton, [reiterating her apology] 2p on 1 leaf
- /9/2e 1867 Dec. 23 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Lizzy/GPB. [Draft of letter suggesting they make up the quarrel] 3p on 1 leaf
- /9/2f [1867] Dec. 24 Mitcham Grove. [Lizzie's reply to above, gratefully accepting] 4p on 1 leaf
- /9/3 1925 Jul. Extract from Newcastle Journal, 10th July, [detailing relationship of Lizzie Stanton (unnamed) with the Stephensons. Includes footnote that the extract was sent to M.M. Bidder by Summers Hunter of North Eastern Marine Engineering Co. Ltd., Wallsend-on-Tyne] 1p ts.

5/10 [Camberwell / Edinburgh University]

/10/1a 1929 Sept. 20 [Letter] Wilson's Grammar School, Camberwell [to] Col. H F Bidder/S W St. Cedd, [seeking information on GPB for a history of the school] 2p on 1 leaf

/10/1b 1929 Oct. 3 [Copy letter] Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to] S W St. Cedd/GPB III, [replying to above with relevant information] 3p ts. on 3 leaves

/10/2a - (G.P. Bidder, C.E.) Edinburgh University/GPB III. [Details of GPB's time at Edinburgh, of his teachers and contemporaries. [3 copies, one marked 'Corrected'] 4p ts. on 4 leaves

/10/2b - Extract from "Edinburgh's place in scientific progress" prepared for the Edinburgh Meeting of the British Association by The Local Editorial Committee, [specifically relating to GPB, and mentioning the Jardine Bursary, his friendship with Robert Stephenson, etc.] 2p ts. on 2 leaves

/10/2c - [Note by GPB II, transcribed by GPB III in 1936, detailing extracts from Gentleman's Magazine of 1819 Jul. and Dec. regarding firstly the Duke of Grafton's sponsorship of the young GPB, and secondly the support of GPB's education at Edinburgh University] 1 ms. Slip

10/2/d 1925 [Notes by GPB III re recollections of zoologist Prof. W C McIntosh of Edinburgh University in 1857, regarding naturalists Edward Forbes and Richard Owen] 1 ms. Slip

5/11 [Images of GPB]

/11/1 1864 Feb. 25 [Letter] Chambers, 32 Abercromby Place, Edinburgh [to] GPB/John Cork ... Factor for the University of Edinburgh. [The Senate of the University 'wish to perpetuate the memory of the Benefactors of the College ' and would like an original portrait of him, or a copy to be made from one] 2p on 1 leaf

/11/2	[c1910?]	[Draft letter to] Uncle Henry [Bidder]/GPB III, [thanking him for the 'gift of the picture of Grandpapa' (i.e. GPB) which he has 'brought away with me from Stoke'] 2p on 1 leaf
/11/3	1914 Jan. 21/Feb. 17	[Letters (2)] 77 Marina, S. Leonards-on-Sea [to] GPB III/James Forrest, [former secretary to Institution of Civil Engineers, re oil painting of GPB in the possession of the I.C.E., 'painted by some member of the Nelson family'. (2nd letter fairly illegible)] 4p on 1 leaf + 4p on 1 leaf
/11/4	1924 Nov. 3	[Copy letter] Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to] Cousin Parker/GPB III, [returning 'the portrait of your Uncle' which shows a 'strong likeness to my great uncle Samuel Parker Bidder'. He asks for Bidder family details and enquires after the Treleavens] 2p ts. on 1 leaf
/11/5	1926 Sept. 11	[Letter] Thornbury House, Kidlington, Oxon. [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Sydney D. Kitson, [re John Sell Cotman's portrait of GPB. <u>With</u> envelope] 2p on 1 leaf
/11/6		[Correspondence re Carruthers portrait of GBP I]
/11/6a	1878 Dec. 7	[Letter] Carlisle [to] GPB II/ -- Page, [solicitor?, re Bidder's interest in the Carruthers portrait of GPB I which is with the artist's widow at Eden Grove, part of the trust for their son. He, Page, tells Bidder how he could possibly borrow it. Page adds that he took down the picture's history in shorthand from Carruthers] 4p on 1 leaf
/11/6b	1879 Jun. 4	[--- as above --- He reports that some pictures by Richard Carruthers are to be sold that month in Carlisle; one (called 'The Student') is apparently of GPB I, but 'not so good a picture as the one you have'. He offers to try to buy it for Bidder] 3p on 1 leaf

- /11/6c 1879 Jul. 5 [Letter] Friars Carse, [Dumfries, to] GPB II/Thomas Nelson. [He bought the picture of GPB I which 'is not a Reputed Likeness of your late Father but well authenticated'. He knew Carruthers for over thirty years; he 'often told me the history of the picture'. If he parts with it, it would be to present it to the I.C.E.] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6d 1879 Jul. 10 [--- as above --- He defends the picture's authenticity. He would part with it, but 'on the understanding that you replace it by another'] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6e 1879 Jul. 11 [--- as /6a above --- He returns Nelson's letter. The local newspaper will make it clear that he, Nelson, is mistaken. Mrs Carruthers is 'annoyed at the picture being sold as a rival to the one at Eden Grove' and 'she has written giving clear particulars as to both of them'] 1p
- /11/6f 1880 Jul. 31 [Letter] The Courts, Carlisle [to] GPB II, 3 Paper Buildings, London/C B Hodgson, [solicitor. Mrs Carruthers of Eden Grove is anxious for Bidder to return the picture which he 'some time ago borrowed from her'] 1p
- /11/6g 1880 Aug. 4 [--- as /6a above --- Page has seen Hodgson, 'a most difficult man to deal with'. He told him Bidder was going to Norway and could not send back the picture until after his return. Page suggests Bidder has a copy made in the interim. Mrs Carruthers is angry with the administration of her late husband's estate] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6h 1880 Dec. 20 [Letter] The Courts, Carlisle [to] GPB II, Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey/C B Hodgson. [He understands from Mrs Carruthers that GPB I saw the picture and could have bought it but 'did not seem to care to have it'. Mrs Carruthers cannot sell it for she is answerable for it. She would like it back; GPB II has had it for nearly two years rather than 'a few weeks' as

promised] 4p on 1 leaf

- /11/6i 1881 Jan. 27 Counterpart of Agreement [between] G P Bidder Esq and Mrs C Carruthers. [GPB II will continue to keep the picture until Catherine Carruthers' son is of age, when he will pay £90] 3p on 1 leaf
- /11/6j 1888 Oct. 29 [Letter] Eden Grove, Carlisle [to] GPB II, 3 Paper Buildings, Temple, London/R Carruthers. [He is now articled to Hodgson. His mother, who 'has a life Interest in the Picture, but can sell it at her wish', 'thinks it would be better to postpone the affair about the Picture just now'. He, though, holds out hope of a settlement thereafter. He (Bidder) would be welcome at Eden Grove] 3p on 1 leaf
- /11/6k 1890 Apr. 29 [Letter] The Courts, Carlisle [to] GPB II, 9 Bridge St., Westminster/C B Hodgson, solicitor. [Carruthers, now aged 21, wants the picture back but is also prepared to sell it] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6l 1890 May 3 Copy [letter] Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey [to] C B Hodgson/GPB II, [arguing that, under the agreement of 1881 (see /6i above), he is not bound to return the picture. He offers £10 for the assignment of Richard Carruthers' interest in it] 3p on 1 leaf
- /11/6m 1890 May 5 [--- as /6h above --- He disputes Bidder's interpretation of the 1881 agreement and reiterates Mr Carruthers' request for the picture's return] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6n 1890 May 13 [--- as /6m above --- He requests an answer. Bears draft reply on verso: he disagrees with Hodgson's interpretation and offers £20] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6o 1890 May 19 [--- as /6k above --- He has seen his client, Mr Carruthers, and the picture will not be sold. He restates his interpretation of the 1881 agreement] 2p on 1 leaf
- /11/6p 1890 May 29 [--- as /6h above --- He requests

an answer. Bears draft reply on verso: he will not return the picture without a written request from Mrs Carruthers] 2p on 1 leaf

/11/6q 1890 Jun. 4 [--- as /6h above --- He will provide the written request] 1p

/11/6r 1895 May 15 [Letter] Viewfield, Stanwix, Carlisle [to] GPB II, St James Park, London/George Dove. [He can do nothing at present about 'the portrait at Edengrove' for Mrs Carruthers and her son are staying in Southport] 2p on 1 leaf

5/12 [GPB and Robert Stephenson]

/12/1 1859 Aug. 13 Copy Will of Robert Stephenson Esqre. for Mr G P Bidder, [under the terms of which GPB was to receive £10,000 and a half of all furniture and effects at 24 Great George Street, Westminster; he was also to receive a third as residuary legatee. It appoints his cousin George Robert Stephenson, Charles Parker and GPB as his executors] 6p on 2 leaves

/12/2 1859 Oct. 12 [Letter] 1 Adam St., Adelphi [to] GPB/W Bridges Adams, [re death of Robert Stephenson] 1p

/12/3 1859 Oct. 19/20 [Printed copy letters (2)] St. James's Palace [and] Horse Guards [both to] Charles Manby/J MacDonald, [deputy ranger of Hyde Park. First gives Duke of Cambridge's sanction for funeral possession of Robert Stephenson to pass through Hyde Park on its way to Westminster Abbey; second gives the Queen's sanction] 2p on 1 leaf

/12/4 [Papers re winding up of Trust for Margaret Tomlinson, housekeeper of Robert Stephenson]

/12/4a 1893 Jul. 28 [Letter] 11 Ellison Place, St. Anthonys [to] GPB II, Palace Chambers, 9 Bridge Street, Westminster/Margaret Tomlinson, [enclosing copy of her baptismal certificate (present). With envelope] 2p on 1 leaf + 1 slip

/12/4b 1894 [Statement re income of 'Stephenson

(Trust Account)'] 1 leaf

/12/4c 1894 May 7 (Copy) [letter] Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey [to] Harry Stephenson/GPB II, [re sum payable from trust. With envelope bearing notes re the trust by GPB III] 3p on 1 leaf

/12/5a [1852 Nov] [Letter to] GPB/Rob. Stephenson, [re proposed birthday party at 34 (Gloucester Sq.) being given by the Sandersons. He refers to their relationship as 'a Course of Engineering which can scarcely be said to have had a parallel'. With envelope, and copy of letter on Stoke House, Stoke Fleming notepaper] 4p on 1 leaf + 3p on one leaf

/12/5b [1856?] [Letter] 34 Gloucester Sq [to] GPB, Mitcham Hall, Mitcham/Rob. Stephenson. [Hopes to go to Athenaeum that evening and to see GPB the following day ('Bring Hawksley...'). Refers to GPB II as 'no ordinary man'. Watermarked 1856. With envelope] 2p on 1 leaf

/12/5c [1857?] [Letter] 34 Gloucester Sq [to] Mrs Bidder, Mitcham Hall, Mitcham/Rob. Stephenson, [inviting 'you and your worse half and Lizzy to dinner'; Capt. Marshall will be 'master of the ceremonies'. Watermarked 1857. With envelope] 2p on 1 leaf

/12/5d [1857?] [Letter to] GPB/Rob. Stephenson, [noting 'Lord Malmesbury being quite up to the mark'. Watermarked 1857] 1p

/12/5e 1858 Feb. 22 [Letter] 34 Gloucester Sq [to] Mrs Bidder, Mitcham Hall/Rob. Stephenson. [He has attended a meeting of Governors of Dulwich College and finds the post of second master would be 'far below ... Mr Elliott's feelings or ... attainments'] 2p on 1 leaf

/12/5f 1858 Mar. 29 [Letter to] Mrs Bidder/Rob. Stephenson, [re GPB II] 2p on 1 leaf

/12/6a [1854?] Oct. 23 [Letter] 10 Guildford Farm?, Dover [to] Mrs Bidder/Fanny? Sanderson, [see 5/12/5a above. Following the

recent death of her husband she is going to Nice for the winter with her servant and 'dear Mr Stephenson's old Courier whom he kindly lends to me for the journey'] 4p on 1 leaf

- /12/6b [1856?] [Letter] 20 Broad St., London [to] Mrs Bidder/John Gould, [re arrangements for going to the theatre. GPB and Robert Stephenson are dining with him earlier] 3p on 1 leaf
- /12/7a 1925 Jul. 8 [Letter] The Times, Printing House Square, London [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Gordon Robbins, Day Editor. [There is interest in publishing his article on the 'Stephensons as Human Beings' if he can add something on Bidder as the "Calculating Boy"] 1p ts.
- /12/7b 1925 Jul. [Galley proof of The Times article 'The Stephensons. Familiar Reminiscences' by G P Bidder. (4 copies, with covering note of Jul. 17 p.p. Gordon Robbins, and envelope, and cutting of the article of Jul. 17] 4 sheets + 1 slip + cutting
- /12/7c 1925 Jul. 18 [Card] Christ's College Lodge, Cambridge [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Hills Rd., Cambridge/AES [i.e. Sir Arthur Everett Shipley, re Bidder's Times article]
- /12/7d 1925 Jul. 20 [Letter (first page only)] Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to Reginald] Lane Poole, [historian]/GPB III, [re his Times article etc.] 1p ts.
- /12/7e - [Pages 4 to 9 of draft of Times article by GPB III] 6p ts. on 6 leaves
- /12/7f 1925 Aug. 4 [Letter] Stoke House, Stoke Fleming, Dartmouth [to] GPB III/aunt Bertha Bidder, [with family news, but chiefly criticising the several gross inaccuracies in his Times article which have angered herself and his aunt Lizzie] 12p on 3 leaves

/12/7g	1925 Aug. 7	[--- as above --- pointing out another inaccuracy] 3p on 1 leaf
/12/7h	1929 Aug. 16	[Cutting from Daily News featuring article 'George Stephenson's cottage. Memorial to rail pioneer']
/12/8	1856 Nov. 6	[Letter] 34 Gloucester Sq [to] Bertha [Bidder]/Rob. Stephenson, [thanking her for the purse she has knitted for him] 2p on 1 leaf
5/13		[Bidder wills]
/13/1	1878	Copy Will ... dated 26th January 1874 ... and Codicil ... [dated] 29th November 1877 ... of George Parker Bidder Esqre ... Proved ... October 1878/Griffin & Quayle, 24 Great George Street, Westminster 1p on 5 leaves
/13/2	1880 Sept. 2	Copy Will of Mrs Georgina Warren Bidder 2p on 1 leaf
5/14		[J.R. McClean administration (<u>see</u> also BIDD 28)]
/14/1	1876 Jan. 12	[Letter] 23 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB II/Frank M'Clean, [enclosing 'Cash Accounts of Administration to 31st December 1875' (present as copy of ms. original)] 1p + 14 sheets
/14/2	1878 Mar. 16	Admin Accts. for 1878 to March 16th [to] G P Bidder [II] & A Bidder [i.e. Annie, his wife]/Frank M'Clean 1p
5/15		[The property at 24 Great George Street, Westminster]
/15/1	1869 Jan. 5	[Letter] 3 Kings Road, Bedford Row, London [to] G R Stephenson & GPB, 24 Great George Street, Westminster/Shum & Crossman, [solicitors, re 'Premises in the rear of 24 Great George St, Westminster and The Institution of Civil Engineers'] 3p on 1 leaf
/15/2	1876 Dec.	Inventory of Furniture and Pictures &c in Mr Stephenson's Offices - 24 Great George St ['Total Value about £225'] 3p on 1 leaf
/15/3	1878 Jun. 22	[Letter] 8 Old Square, Lincoln's

		Inn [to] R Stephenson/W? Brodrick, [re mortgage interest on the property being due to his late father's estate] 1p
/15/4	1878 Jul. 23	[Letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB/J Spiers, [re Brodrick's 'application for the Mortgage interest on this house', and re books in the library being shared by GPB and Mr Stephenson] 2p on 1 leaf
/15/5	1879 Jan. 6	[Copy? letter] Glen Caladh, Kyles of Bute (via Greenock) [to] GPB II/George Robt. Stephenson, [re title on the property which is apparently 'not good for selling, altho it is good for holding'. Bears also notes by GPB III on the property] 2p on 1 leaf
/15/6	1881 Mar. 10	[Letter] 9 Victoria Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster [to] GPB II/J Spiers, [re his share of water rates due on the property to the Chelsea Water Co.] 2p on 1 leaf
5/16		[Miscellaneous letters etc to GPB or Mrs Bidder]
/16/1	1850 Feb. 4	[Letter] 24 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Mrs Bidder/Geo. Robt. Stephenson, [declining offer to himself and his family to stay at Mitcham] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/2	1850 Apr. 1	[Note to GPB?/Lord] Lonsdale, [seeking his assistance in getting his friend, Mr Baldock, MP for Shrewsbury. elected to 'the Court at the Goldsmiths' Company'] 2p on 1 slip
/16/3	1850 Apr. 22	[Letter] Moretonh[ampstead] [to] GPB, Great George Street, Westminster/Willm. White, [solicitor, re letting some of GPB's land in Moretonhampstead] 3p on 1 leaf
/16/4	1850 Dec. 16	[Letter] 54 Chester Square [to] Mrs G P Bidder/Henry A Hunt, [re death of three of his children in the same week] 4p on 1 leaf
/16/5	1851 Apr. 6	[Letter] Woodbines [to] GPB, Mitcham Hall/Henry Christy, [re

/16/6	1854 Feb. 4	death of his brother] 4p on 1 leaf [Letter] Goscombe Lodge, St John's Wood [to] Mrs Bidder/Lucy Merrett. [Mentions misunderstanding between her own father and GPB] 6p on 2 leaves
/16/7	1854 Mar. 17	[Letter] Edinburgh [to Mrs Bidder]/James Elliot. [General news, and news of GPB II and his studies] 4p on 1 leaf
/16/8	1855 Jun. 13	[Letter] 8 Adelaide Road, St John's Wood [to GPB]/Mary Merrett, [begging financial aid to save her home and family] 7p on 2 leaves
/16/9	1855 Jun. 18	North [to] GPB/Mary Merrett, [re Mr Merrett's financial problems] 4p on 1 leaf
/16/10	1855	[Account of GPB with W Meyrick, solicitor, 'Re Blake, being fees re a land purchase] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/11	1856 Jan. 21/23	[Printed copy letters (2)] 24 Great George Street, to the Editor of the "Morning Herald"/GPB, [correcting misstatements concerning his involvement in the 'Hackneywick Branches of the Eastern Counties Railway'] 3p on 1 leaf
/16/12	1856 Feb. 19	[Letter] 1 Adam St, Adelphi [to] GPB/W Bridges Adams. [He writes to acknowledge there is far more to Bidder than he had realised] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/13	1856 Feb. 18	[Letter] 25 G.G.S. [to] Mrs Bidder/Charles Manby, [sending copies of two (I.C.E.) talks in which GPB was involved] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/14	[1856]	[Account of GPB with W Meyrick, solicitor, 'Re Joys purchase', (i.e. conveyance of property to a railway company, between 1853 Nov. and 1856 Sept] 3p on 2 leaves
/16/15	[1856]	[Account of GPB with W Meyrick, solicitor, 'Re Dempsey'] 8p on 3 leaves
/16/16	1859 Jul. 13	[Letter] Ipswich [to] GPB, 23 Grt. George Street/Geo. Josselyn, [re promotion of railway bill (Epping &

		Ongar line, Mr Bruff engineer?)] 3p on 1 leaf
/16/17	1863 Oct. 13	[Letter] 67 Upper Thames Street, London [to] GPB/Robt. Wm. Kinnard, [re the way Bidder has 'justified every expectation you excited as a boy of grand promise'] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/18	1878 Jul. 26	[Letter] Chelston Cross, Torquay [to] GPB/W Froude, [re the death of his wife] 3p on 1 leaf
/16/19	-	[Note by GPB re substantial, unidentified, land transactions] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/20	-	[Letter to] GPB/Wm Burchell, [solicitor, re or for Earle & Merrett, concerning Ricardo's arbitration deed] 1p
/16/21	-	[Letter] 62 Park Street, [London, to] GPB/Frederic Bird, [doctor, thanking him for cheque for £50] 2p on 1 leaf
/16/22	[1872?]	[Letters (2)] The Old Mill-House, Holmwood [to] GPB/[Frederic Bird?, re properties for sale in Holmwood] 4p on 1 leaf + 4p on 1 leaf
5/17		[Opinions on, and memories of, GPB etc.]
/17/1	1856 Mar. 6	[Letter] 22 Fludyer Street, Whitehall [to] Charles Manby FRS/Alexander Brown, [proposing GPB for honorary membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers] 3p on 1 leaf
/17/2	1878 Sept. 22	[Letter] Chelston Cross, Torquay [to] Miss [Annie?] Bidder/W Froude, [re his presence at GPB's funeral] 2p on 1 leaf
/17/3	1888 Feb. 14/27	[Letters (2)] Hotel Beau Lieu, Cannes [to] G Bidder QC, Mitcham/S Morton Peto, [each bearing numerous recollections of GPB, particularly during his early working life] 8p on 2 leaves + envelope + 3p on 1 leaf
/17/4	1896 Sept. 21	[Letter] The Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB II, Ravensbury

/17/5	1916 May 3/4	Park, Mitcham/J H T Tudsbery, Secretary, [re mathematical error in GPB's memoir] 2p on 1 leaf [Letters (2)] Trinity College, Cambridge [to] GPB III/W W Rouse Ball, [re calculating boys, pamphlets in the Graves Mathematical Library re GPB's feats, Colburn, etc.] 4p ts. on 2 leaves + 1p ts.
/17/6	1916 Jun. 1	[Letter] Elmside, Grange Road, Cambridge [to] GPB III/W W Rouse Ball, [re GPB, ciphers etc.] 2p ts on 1 leaf
/17/7	1937 Jan. 22/27	[Letters (2)] Darien, Stocksfield, Northumberland [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Summers Hunter. [Having seen GPB III's letter to the Times (of 14.1.37), he recounts memories of GPB visiting the 'Bidder and Elliott' colliery at Harecastle, N. Staffs. in c.1871, the support he received from Sir George Elliot, and accounts of other Bidders] 4p ts. on 4 leaves + 3p ts. on 3 leaves
/17/8	-	[Draft biographical notes on GPB by GPB III] 1p
/17/9a	1911 Jan. 11	[Cutting from the Times, being letter to the editor from GPB III pointing out GPB's foresight in his locating of 'the Victoria and Albert Docks']
/17/9b	1914 Sept. 9	[Cutting from The Daily Graphic: 'Our Railways and the War. How the Test of Mobilisation was Splendidly Met'. It was based on plans of the 'Engineer and Railway Staff Corps' dating back to 1865 (and with which GPB was involved; <u>see</u> 1/3/6 above)]
/17/9c	1916 Sept. 8	[Cutting from the Mitcham Advertiser, recalling GPB as a notable former local resident]
/17/10	1940 May 12	[Letter] Reservoir House, Skardon Place, Plymouth [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/E J Allen, [re two recent cuttings from the Western Morning News (both present) concerning GPB, including memorial to him at Stoke Fleming. <u>With</u> envelope] 4p on 1 leaf

5/18		[GPB: miscellaneous business etc.]
/18/1	1871 Oct. 16	[Letter] Glen Caladh, Kyles of Bute (via Greenock) [to] GPB/George Robt. Stephenson. [He is 'grieved' to find 'we were drifting into a difference', seemingly over arrangements or payment concerning a colliery engine. <u>With</u> short, undated draft reply (2 copies). In envelope addressed to Messrs G R Stephenson & G P Bidder Exors., 24 Great George Street] 6p on 2 leaves + 2 slips
/18/2	1873 Dec. 17	Estimate [for] G P Bidder/Henry Whitlock, Coach & Harness Maker, Turnham Green, London. [To build a new landau and a new single brougham, £295 in exchange for old coach and barouche] 1 leaf
/18/3	1874 May 6	[Letterpress copy letter] Ravensbury, Dartmouth [to] Jas.? Yeoman/GPB, [advising on the letting of a house] 4p on 2 leaves
/18/3a	1877 Mar. 3	[Letter] 45 Parliament Street, Westminster [to] GPB/Harry Jones [of Hunt, Stephenson & Jones, surveyors, re difficulty in providing accurate valuation of Bidder's 'Property in Morden & Mitcham'. He settles on sum of c.£40,000] 3p on 1 leaf
/18/4	1878	[First class free passes (2), for the year 1878, issued to GPB for travel between all stations on the North Eastern Railway and the London & South Western Railway. In envelope addressed to Mrs Bidder, Stoke House, Dartmouth and stamped 4 Jul. 1879]
/18/5	1878 Jul. 23	[Letter] 67 Lombard St, London [to] S Penreth, Harecastle Colliery Co./Glyn, [Mills, Currie] & Co., [re 'overdraft on the Harecastle Colliery accounts'. Bears on verso GPB's draft reply of Aug. 13 from Dartmouth: he expects 'a large payment from land sold at North Woolwich'; Sir George Elliot is currently on the continent. <u>With</u> copy of GPB's reply of Aug. 13 from Ravensbury, Dartmouth] 2p on 1 leaf

+ 3p on 1 leaf

/18/6	1878 Aug. 10/13	[Letters (2)] Rock Life Assurance Company, 15 New Bridge Street, Blackfriars, London [to] GPB, Ravensbury, Dartmouth, [re 'Mr B P Bidder Mortgage', he being GPB's nephew. With 2 versions of GPB's draft reply of Aug. 14 from Dartmouth to H W Porter, Actuary of Rock Life Assurance Co.] 1p + 1p; 4p on 2 leaves
5/19		[GPB: miscellaneous]
/19/1	[185-?]	[Undated photograph of Robert Stephenson, [John Stanton?], Mrs G P Bidder, Lizzie Stanton, [possibly the last known photo of RS] On SM neg. 108/99
/19/2	-	[Transcription of the memorial tablet to GPB (in Moretonhampstead Church?)] 1p ts.
/19/3	1929 Oct. 21	[Copy letter] Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to] Mrs Cates/GPB III, [she being his second cousin, a granddaughter of GPB's elder brother, John. He answers her query regarding GPB's parents, brothers and sisters, and children] 1p ts.
/19/4	1899 Dec. 4	[Note, signed 'W.H. Duignan', re origin and meaning of the name 'Bidder'] 1p ts.
/19/5	1925 Jan.	[Letter] Ayton House, Great Ayton, Yorks. [to] GPB III/or Jul. 18 Waynman Dixon. [Having seen his article on the Stephensons in the Times, he sends a copy of his own recently published pamphlet. It contains information on John Dixon, the Stephensons et al. 'I was like a son to my Uncle John Dixon' 'It was he who first brought Geo. Stephenson to Darlington & with him made the S[tock]ton & D[arling]ton Railway'. The pamphlet, 'Intimate story of the origin of railways by "W.D."', published Jun. 1925 by North of England Newspaper Co. Ltd., Priestgate, Darlington (22p. illus.) is shelved at ARCH : MS 640] 2p on 1 leaf
/19/6	1931 Jun. 3	[Letter] 89 North Gate, [London,

		to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/Percy Flemming, [re lithograph entitled 'London & Westminster Thames Viaduct Ry. by G.P. Bidder & J. Samuel'] 3p on 1 leaf
/19/7	1937 Jul. 8	[Letter] The Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/E. Graham Clark, Acting Secretary, [gratefully accepting 'the books and engravings which belonged to your grandfather'] 1p ts. [With list of 'Lithographs & Engravings from the Collection of the late G.P. Bidder C.E. (1806-1878)' (2 copies: 1p ts., 2p ms.); list of 'Books [i.e. reports & journals] from the Library of the late G.P. Bidder, C.E., (1806-1878. Pres. Inst. C.E. 1860-61). (2 copies: 1p ts., 1p ms.). With also envelope, addressed to GPB III at Stoke House, Stoke Fleming and stamped 28 Apr. 1937, bearing his details of other books (at Stoke?)]
/19/8	-	[Samples (2 curls) of the hair of GPB. In envelope]
6		[Mental calculation]
6/1		[Printed items, in GPB's lifetime]
/1/1	1817 Mar.	[Notice: 'Master G. Bidder, a native of Devonshire, only ten years of age, [who] Will exhibit his amazing Powers of Mental Calculation ... ' in Oxford on Mar. 10. With letter, 1920 Nov. 15, Broad Street, Oxford, to Rev. H J Bidder, St John's College/B H Blackwell, enclosing same which was found in a book] 1 leaf + 1p
/1/2a	-	[Copy extract from Journal of Science & the Arts (1819), 7, p. 198, being reference to the calculating powers of GPB and of Zerah Colburn] 1p ts.
/1/2b	-	[--- as above --- (1819), 7, p. 346, being 'Some of the [27] questions proposed to George Bidder, the Devonshire boy'] 4p ts.
/1/3	[1820?]	[Pamphlet: 'A short account of

George Bidder, The celebrated Mental Calculator; with A Variety of the Most Difficult Questions Proposed to him at the principal towns in the kingdom and his Surprising Rapid Answers! With Extracts from various newspapers on the subject'. Printed by M. Bryan & Co., Bristol. Covers wanting, but stationery of W Rouse Ball, bearing title details in the hand of GPB III used as wrappers] 34p

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| /1/4 | 1866 | [Pamphlet: 'On Mental Calculation' by GPB, being an excerpt from Minutes of Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers, vol. xv, 1855-56. (Paper delivered on Feb. 19 & 26, 1856). (2 copies, one with letter (stuck in) 1913 Apr. 1, S. Leonards-on-Sea, to GPB III/James Forrest, former secretary of the ICE, enclosing it (2p on 1 leaf)] 33p |
| 6/2 | | [Printed items, after death of GPB] |
| /2/1 | 1878 | [Card upon which are pasted numerous obituary notices of GPB (from The World 25 Sept, The Daily News 21 Sept, The Spectator, the last named including extracts from letters by Prof. Elliot and from GPB II)] |
| /2/2 | 1879 | Excerpt Minutes of Proceedings of The Institution of Civil Engineers. Vol. lvii. Session 1878-79. Part iii. [Two different copies, one bearing ms. note '1st proof - pamphlet'] 16p + 16p |
| /2/3 | 1890 | Mental Calculation. A reminiscence of the late Mr. G.P. Bidder, past president. By W. Pole, F.R.S., Hon. Sec. Inst. C.E. [being] Excerpt Minutes of Proceedings of The Institution of Civil Engineers, Vol. ciii. Session 1889-90. Part i. [2 copies] 9p |
| 6/3 | | [Later newspaper items re GPB] |
| /3/1 | 1922 Jun. | [Advertisement from Strand magazine for Metropolitan College, mentioning Victoria Docks, 'one of the greatest engineering achievements of the 19th Century |

[which] sprang from the brain of George Parker Bidder (1806-1878), whose faculty for rapid, accurate and elaborate calculation was the marvel of his day'] 1 leaf

/3/2 1932 Nov. 18 [Page from Radio Times regarding mental calculators of note, including GPB] 1 leaf

/3/3 1944 Sept. 30 [Page from Everybody's Weekly bearing article '"Miracle Boy"' of Devon" by Arthur Wilde] 1 leaf

/3/4 1957 Mar. 14 [Page from west country newspaper Express & Echo bearing article 'Miracle Boy from Moretonhampstead. How he would have scored in a television quiz!' by Arthur Wilde] 1 leaf

6/4 [Press items re mental calculators]

/4/1 1935 Nov. 15 [Cuttings (2) from the Times re Alfred Phillips who, at 91, claims still to be the 'world's quickest sterling decimalist'. One cutting mentions GPB]

/4/2 1950 Nov. 25 [Pages from Picture Post re 'calculating wonder' 19-year old Shakuntala Devi] 2p

6/5 [Ms./ts. items]

5/1 - [Transcription of poster advertising 'Master Bidder. The Very Wonderful Calculator. Only 11 Years Old!!!'. He is to 'exhibit his surprising and justly celebrated Powers of Mental Calculation' in Tewkesbury on Sept. 1-3. Numerous examples are given of questions previously answered] 3p on 1 leaf

/5/2 - 'The questions being put to George Bidder the "Calculating boy" while Mr Carruthers drew his likeness' [in 1817/1818, one question being put by essayist, Charles Lamb] 2p on 1 leaf

/5/3 1856 Feb. 20 [Letter] 2 Queen Square Place, Westminster [to] Mrs Bidder/John Fowler, [describing GPB's successful presentation of the first part of his paper on mental calculation (delivered on Feb. 19 and 26 at the ICE)] 3p on 1 leaf

- /5/4 1856 [Draft of paper on mental calculation delivered on Feb. 19 and 26 at the ICE. In wrapper bearing explanatory note by GPB III] 36p on 9 leaves
- /5/5 1879 Jan. 27 [Letter] Richmond Terrace, Shelton, Stoke upon Trent [to] GPB III/Charles M Osmond, [sending a pamphlet re GPB which he has kept for many years, 'a testimony to a wonderful power'] 4p on 1 leaf
- /5/6 1879 Nov. 23 [Transcription, by Bertha Bidder, of 6/5/4 above] 110p
- /5/7 1891 Apr. 16 [Letter] Institution of Civil Engineers, 25 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Mrs Bidder, Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey/James Forrest, Secretary, [re typographical errors in Pole's article on 'Mental Calculation' (see 6/2/3 above)] 2p on 1 leaf
- /5/8 - G.P. Bidder, C.E. on "Mental Calculation". Notes on his first MS. draft/G.P. Bidder, Sc.D. [Referred to in list at 6/5/9 below] [2 copies, one bearing ms. amendments] 11p ts.
- /5/9 1929 Jun. 13 [Letter] Cavendish Corner, Cambridge [to Sir Ernest] Rutherford/GPB III, [enclosing various papers, notes etc (as listed) re GPB. With letter, 1929 Jun. 24, Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, to GPB III/p.p. Rutherford, returning same] 1p + 1p ts.
- /5/10 1950 Jun. 3 [Letter] Sunday Times, Kemsley House, London [to] GPB III, Cavendish Corner, Cambridge/p.p. the Editor, [returning his ms. on mental calculation. With draft? letter, 1950 May 18, Cambridge, to the editor, Sunday Times/GPB III, re 'Mental Calculation', explanatory of GPB's powers] 1p ts. + 3p
- 7 'The Case'. [GPB left in his estate a number of business ventures which GPB II carried forward. They became the subject of a protracted case at

law (Owen v. Bidder) in which the sisters of GPB II sued the executors of GPB II because they held that the monies of which he had been trustee on their behalf had been unwisely invested to their detriment, the said monies having been kept in these various ventures because it would have been a great loss to the beneficiaries to realise them. It fell very much to GPB III to bring about what was eventually a compromise settlement.]

7/1		[Correspondence of Anna Bidder (AB), chiefly with her son, GPB III]
/1/1	1897 May 19	Ravensbury Park [to] GPB III, Parkers Hotel, Naples/AB
/1/2	1898 Feb. 21	Great Western Railway Hotel, Paddington [to] AB, Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey/GPB III
/1/3	1898 Aug. 24	Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey [to] GPB III/AB
/1/4	1899 Jul. 9	10 Queen's Gate Gardens [to] GPB III/AB
/1/5	1899 Aug. 20	Swan Hotel, Wells, Somerset [to] GPB III/AB
/1/6	1899 Oct. 24	10 Queen's Gate Gardens [to] AB/GPB III
/1/7	1899 Nov. 9	1 Osborne Place, The Hoe, Plymouth [to] AB/GPB III
/1/7a	1899 Dec. 29	10 Queen's Gate Gardens [to] GPB III/AB
/1/8	1900 Mar. 11	--- as above ---
/1/9	1900 Mar. 13	--- as above ---
/1/10	-	Parkhurst, Abinger Common, Dorking [to] Dear Child/AB
/1/11	1896 Aug. 4	[Draft letter] Ravensbury Park, Mitcham, Surrey [to] Bertha [Bidder/AB]
/1/12	1896 Aug. 28	[Draft letter to ?/AB]
/1/13	1897 May 20	[Letter] 36 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Mrs Bidder/F

Waters, accountant and auditor

/1/14	-	[List of points made and questions raised by AB]
7/2		[Correspondence, chiefly with solicitors; legal papers. 'JSB' = James S. Beale of Beale & Co., 28 Great George Street, Westminster; the address of William Sturt & Son was 14 Ironmonger Lane, London]
/2/1	1881 Feb. 5	Extract from Case with counsel's Opinion thereon re The Lawton & Harecastle Company, [opinion being by O. Leigh Clare, Lincoln Inn]
/2/2	1884 May 22	[Letter] 4 Carteret Street, Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster [to] Sir Geo. Elliot MP, 23 Great George Street/Griffin & Quayle
/2/3	1897 May 21	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/4	1897 May 25	Copy [letter to] Mr Beale/Anna Bidder
/2/5	1897 May 26	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/6	1897 Jun. 3	--- as above --- [<u>With</u> copy reply of same date]
/2/7	1897 Jun. 8	[Letter] Standen, East Grinstead [to] Mrs Bidder/ JSB
/2/8	1897 Jun. 9	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/9	1897 Jun. 11	--- as above ---
/2/10	1897 Jun. 14	--- as above ---
/2/11	1897 Jun. 28	--- as above ---
/2/12	1897 Jun. 30	--- as above ---
/2/13	1897 Jul. 5	--- as above ---
/2/14	1897 Jul. 9	--- as above ---
/2/15	1897 Jul. 16	Copy [letter to] Messrs W Sturt & Son/Beale & Co.
/2/16	1897 Jul. 19	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/17	1897 Jul. 23	--- as above ---
/2/18	1897 Jul. 26	--- as above ---

/2/19	1897 Aug. 9	--- as above ---
/2/20	1897 Aug. 21	[Letter] Standen, East Grinstead [to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/21	1897 Aug. 23	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/22	1897 Sept. 12	[Letter] Crown Hotel, Brechin [to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/23	1897 Sept. 19	[Letter] Standen, East Grinstead [to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/24	1897 Nov. 12	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/25	1897 Nov. 18	[Letter to] Messrs Beale & Co./Sturt & Son
/2/26	1897 Nov. 19	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/27	1897 Dec. 16	Opinion/Herbert H. Cozens Hardy [&] Ben B. Swan, Lincolns Inn
/2/28	1897 Dec. 21	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/29	1898 Jan. 3	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/29a	1898 Jan. 27	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/30	1898 Feb. 7	[Copy letter to] Messrs W Sturt & Son/Beale & Co.
/2/31	1898 Feb. 8	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/32	1898 Feb. 15	[Letter to] Messrs Beale & Co./William Sturt & Co.
/2/33	1898 Feb. 16	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/34	1898 Feb. 15/16	[Copy letters, 2/32 & 2/33 above]
/2/35	1898 Feb. 25	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/36	1898 Feb. 25	Copy [letter to] Messrs William Sturt & Son/Beale & Co.
/2/37	1898 Mar. 7	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co. [Bears copy letter, Mar. 4, 57½ Old Broad Street to Beale & Co./Norton, Rose, Norton & Co., on verso]
/2/38	1898 Mar. 21	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/39	1898 May 24	[Copy letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields [to] Messrs Sturt & Son/Crowders & Vizard
/2/40	1898 May 26	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/41	1898 May 30	[Letter] Standen, East Grinstead

		[to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/42	1898 Jun. 6	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/43	1898 Jun. 7	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/44	1898 Jun. 20	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/45	1898 Jun. 28	--- as above ---
/2/45a	1898 Jul.	'Suggested alterations in draft letter to Messrs Sturt re estate late G.P. Bidder C.E.'/GPB III. [2 copies, one bearing draft letter, Jun. 30, to Mr Beale/GPB III]
/2/45b	1898 Jul. 3	[Draft letter] Naples [to] Mr B[eale]/GPB. [2 copies]
/2/46	1898 Jul. 8	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/47	1898 Jul. 8	Copy [letter to Sturt & Son?]/Beale & Co.
/2/48	1898 Jul. 8	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/49	1898 Jul. 8	[Copy letter to] Messrs Sturt & Son/Beale & Co. [2 copies]
/2/50	1898 Jul. 25	[Copy letter to] Beale & Co./William Sturt & Son
/2/51	1898 Jul. 26	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/52	1898 Jul. 27	[Letter] 7 Stone Buildings, Lincolns Inn [to] Mrs Bidder/Edward A Hadley
/2/53	1898 Jul. 29	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/54	1898 Aug. 3	[Copy letter to] Messrs W Sturt & Son/Beale & Co.
/2/55	1898 Aug. 16	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/56	1898 Aug. 22	[Copy letter to] Beale & Co./Bertram Sturt
/2/57	1898 Aug. 23	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/58	1898 Aug. 25	--- as above ---
/2/59	1898 Aug. 27	Copy [letter to] Beale & Co./Bertram Sturt
/2/60	1898 Aug. 29	Copy [letter to] Bertram Sturt/Beale & Co.
/2/61	1898 Sept. 1	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB

/2/62	1898 Sept. 10	[Letter] Drumlamford, Barrhill, Ayrshire [to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/63	1898 Oct. 13	[Copy letter] 5 Milk Street, London [to] Beale & Co./Bertram Sturt
/2/64	1898 Oct. 20	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/65	1898 Nov. 24	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/66	1898 Dec. 12	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/67	1898 Dec. 19	--- as above ---
/2/68	1899 Jan. 2	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/2/69	1899 Feb. 7	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/70	1899 Feb. 8	[Letter] 57½ Old Broad Street [to] J [sic] P Bidder, 1 Osborne Place, The Hoe, Plymouth/Norton, Rose, Norton & Co.
/2/71	1899 Feb. 14	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/72	1899 Feb. 15	[Letter] 7 Stone Buildings, Lincolns Inn [to] GPB III/Edward A Hadley
/2/72a	1899 Feb. 20	[Letter] 11 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB III/Sydney Gedge
/2/73	1899 Mar. 2	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/74	1899 Mar. 2	[letter] 11 Great George Street, Westminster [to] Beale & Co./H J Bidder
/2/75	1899 Mar. 13	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/76	1899 Mar. 28	--- as above ---
/2/77	1899 May 17	--- as above ---
/2/78	1899 Jun. 13	--- as above ---
/2/79	1899 Jun. 26	--- as above ---
/2/80	1899 Jul. 7	--- as above ---
/2/81	1899 Aug. 10	[Copy letter] 57½ Old Broad Street, London [to] C E Hunter, Selaby, Gainford, nr Darlington/Norton, Rose, Norton & Co.
/2/82	1899 Aug. 16	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB

/2/83	1899 Oct. 19	[Copy letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields [to] Beale & Co./Crowders, Vizard & Oldham
/2/84	1899 Oct. 23	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/85	1899 Nov. 7	--- as above ---
/2/86	1899 Nov. 7	[Copy letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields, London [to] Messrs Beale/Crowder Vizard & Oldham
/2/87	1899 Nov. 13	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co
/2/88	1899 Nov. 22	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/89	1899 Nov. 27	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/90	1899 Nov. 30	--- as above --- [Bears also copy reply of Dec. 3]
/2/91	1899 Dec. 4	--- as above ---
/2/92	1899 Dec. 4	[Copy letter to] Messrs Crowder, Vizard & Co./Beale & Co.
/2/93	1899 Dec. 9	[Copy letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields [to] Beale & Co./Crowder Vizard & Oldham
/2/94	1899 Dec. 11	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/95	1899 Dec. 19	--- as above ---
/2/96	1899 Dec. 20	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/96a	1899 Dec. 27	Copy [letter] 11 Gt George St, Westminster [to] JSB/Sydney Gedge
/2/96b	1899 Dec. 29	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/97	1900	Scheme for the specific distribution of parts of the Trust Estate, subject to Trusts of above named ['George Parker Bidder Senior'] Testator's Will/B Sturt, 5 Milk Street. [<u>With</u> copy of same/B Sturt, Milk St.; Beale & Co.]
/2/98	1900 Jan. 3	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/2/99	1900 Jan. 3	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/2/100	1900 Jan. 12	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/101	1900 Jan. 23	--- as above ---

/2/101	1900 Jan. 24	[Draft letter to] Mr Beale/GPB III
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/2/102	1900 Feb. 5	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/103	1900 Feb. 6	--- as above ---
/2/104	1900 Feb. 8	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/105	1900 Feb. 12	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/106	1900 Feb. 23	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/107	1900 Mar. 5	--- as above ---
/2/108	1900 Mar. 7	Copy [letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields [to] Messrs Gedge & Co./Crowders Vizard & Oldham
/2/109	1900 Mar. 10	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/110	1900 Mar. 12	Copy [letter] 55 Lincolns Inn Fields [to] Messrs Beale & Co./Crowders Vizard & Oldham
/2/111	1900 Mar. 12	[Letter] 7 Stone Buildings, Lincolns Inn [to] GPB III/E[dward] A Hadley. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/2/112	1900 Mar. 13	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/112	1900 Mar. 13	[Copy letter] 11 Great George Street, Westminster [to] JSB/Sydney Gedge
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/2/113	1900 Apr. 5	[Letter to] Mrs Bidder/JSB
/2/113	1900 Apr. 30-	[Letters (3) between GPB III and
a	May 5	Messrs Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.]
/2/114	1900 May 4	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/115	1900 Jun. 1	[Letter to] GPB III/J Field Beale
/2/116	1900 Aug. 11	Copy: Messrs Beale & Co. and the Executor of Sir George Elliot deceased in Account with Norton Rose Norton & Co. [statement]
/2/117	1900 Aug. 12	Copy [letter] 57½ Old Broad Street [to] Messrs Beale & Co./Norton Rose & Co.
/2/118	1900 Aug. 15	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/119	1900 Oct.	The Executors of the late G.P. Bidder Q.C. Dr. to Beale & Co. Summary of Professional Charges
/2/120	1900 Oct. 24	[Letter] 7 Stone Buildings,

Lincolns Inn [to] GPB III/Edward A
Hadley

/2/121	1900 Oct. 25	[Letter to] GPB III/J Field Beale
/2/122	1900 Nov. 5	[Letter to] GPB III/J Field Beale
/2/123	1900 Nov. 6	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/124	1900 Nov. 6	The Executors of the late G.P. Bidder QC in account with Messrs Beale & Co. [statement]
/2/125	1900 Dec. 5	Estate of G.P. Bidder Senior deceased. Schedule of Investments
/2/126	1900 Dec. 12	[Copy letter] 5 Milk Street, London [to] Messrs Beale & Co./Bertram Sturt
/2/127	1900 Dec. 13	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/127 a	1901 Jan. 1	Copy [letter] 5 Milk Street [to] Messrs Beale & Co./Bertram Sturt
/2/128	1901 Jan. 2	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/129	1901 Jan. 24	[Letter to] GPB III/J Field Beale
/2/130	1901 Jan. 24	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/131	1901 Aug. 12	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/132	1901 Aug. 19	--- as above ---
/2/133	1901 Oct. 10	--- as above ---
/2/133 a	1901 Nov. 7	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB. [Bears part draft reply on verso]
/2/133 b	1901 Nov. 26	[Letter to] GPB III/JSB
/2/134	1902 Jan. 22	The Executors of the late G.P. Bidder Q.C. Dr. to Beale & Co. [Summary (receipted) of professional charges]
/2/135	1902 Jan. 5	[Letter to] GPB III/Beale & Co.
/2/136	1902 Jan. 5	--- as above ---
/2/137	-	Draft [letter to] Bertram Sturt/[Beale & Co. or JSB?]
/2/138	-	Extract from Opinion of Mr B.B. Swan of Counsel/B Sturt, 5 Milk St.
/2/139	-	G.P. Bidder C.E. deceased.

Memorandum/JSB. [With, appended,
copy letter, 1887 May 20, 1 Park
Street, Park Lane [to] Mr
McGowan/George Elliot]

7/3		[Correspondence of Rev. Henry J Bidder (HJB), The Bursary, St. John's College, Oxford. AB is Anna (Annie) Bidder, his sister-in-law. JSB is James S Beale of Beale & Co., solicitors, Great George St., Westminster]
/3/1	1896 Feb. 2	[Letter to] GPB III/HJB. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/3/2	1896 Jul. 27	[Letter to his sister] Lizzie/HJB
/3/3	1896 Nov. 25	[Letter to] GPB III/HJB. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/3/4	1897 Apr. 12	[Letter to] AB/HJB
/3/5	1897 Apr. 14	Copy [letter to] HJB/[his sisters] Florence Exell, Constance C. Wire, Georgina Crowe, Edith Owen, Bertha Bidder
/3/6	1897 Apr. 15	[Letter to] GPB III/HJB.
/3/7	1897 May 25	Copy [letter] Ravensbury Park, Mitcham [to] HJB/AB
/3/8	[1897] Jun. 4	[Letter to] Annie Bidder/HJB
/3/9	1897 Jun. 14	[Copy letter to] HJB/JSB
/3/10	1897 Jun. 15	Copy [letter] Ravensbury [to] HJB/AB
/3/11	1897 Jun. 17-24	[Letters (3) between HJB and JSB]
/3/12	[1897] Nov. 20	[Letter to] GPB/HJB. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/3/13	1898 Jan. 26	Copy [letter to] William Sturt, 14 Ironmonger Lane/HJB
/3/14	1898 Mar. 12	Copy [letter] Harecastle & Woodshutts Colliery [to] HJB/John McGowan
/3/15	1899 Dec. 22	Copy [letter to] Mr Gedge/HJB
/3/16	1900 Feb. 1	[Letter to] AB/HJB
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/3/18	1900 Feb. 5	Copy [letter to] HJB/AB
/3/19	1900 Feb. 8	Copy [letter to] AB/HJB
/3/20	1901 Aug. 16/19	[Copy letter to] JSB/HJB, [and copy reply]
/3/21	1901 Oct. 28- Nov. 4	[Letters (4) between Beale & Co. and HJB]
/3/22	- Feb. 24	[Letter to] GPB II/HJB
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7/4		['Working documents' of GPB III re 'The Case', chiefly correspondence of GPB II and financial records re administration of estate of GPB I]
7/4/1		Correspondence
/1/1	1878 Dec. 14	[Letter] 67 Lombard St., London [to] GPB II/Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., bankers
/1/2	1878 Dec. 20	[Letter] 15 Old Jewry, London [to] GPB II/Chas. Morgan
/1/3	1879 Jan. 23	[Letter] 2 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB II/Griffin & Quayle
/1/4	1879 Jan. 28	[Letter] Christiania [to] GPB II/O. Pike
/1/5	1879 Jan. 28	[Letter] 1 Old Palace Yard, Westminster [to] GPB II/Sydney Gedge
/1/6	1879 Feb. 1	[Letter] Cromwell House, Dartmouth [to] GPB II/W Smith, solicitor
/1/7	1879 Feb. 7	[Letter] Cromwell House, Dartmouth [to] Mrs [Anna] Bidder/W Smith, solicitor
/1/8	1879 Feb. 11- Mar. 11	[Letters (3)] Cromwell House, Dartmouth [to] GPB II/W Smith, solicitor
/1/9	1879 Apr. 2	Copy [letter to his sister] Lizzie/GPB II, [<u>with</u> note of suggested 'Disposition of Pictures &c' between George, Henry, Bertha, Edith, Connie, Lizzie, Georgina]
/1/10	1879 May 22	[Letter] 1 Poets' Corner, Abbey,

Westminster [to] GPB II/J Beattie,
solicitor. [Bears on verso details
of 'A.R. Hood Esq. in account with
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decd.']

/1/11 1880 Jan. 3 [Letter to] GPB II/Georgina Bidder,
[his mother. Wanting a leaf]

/1/12 1880 Oct. 28 Copy [letter] Rilland,
[Netherlands, to] A J Head/Charles
G Harison [sic]

/1/13 1881 Jun. 27 [Letter] 3 Storey's Gate, St.
James's Park, Westminster [to] GPB
II/F Waters, accountant and auditor

/1/14 1881 Jul. 5 [Letter] Christiania [to] GPB II/H
Homan

/1/15 1881 Dec. 4 [Letter to] GPB II/Georgina Bidder,
[his mother]

/1/16 1883 Feb. [Letter] St. John's College, Oxford
[to] Bertha [Bidder]/Henry [Bidder,
her brother]

/1/17 1884 Feb. 5 [Letter to] GPB II/Georgina Bidder,
[his mother; part torn off]

/1/18 1884 Apr. 7 [Copy letter to] J.B. Coates &
Co./GPB II

/1/19 1884 Apr. 22 Copy [letter to] Rev. H.J.
Bidder/GPB II

/1/20 1884 May 23 [Letter] 4 Carteret Street, Queen
Anne's Gate, Westminster [to] GPB
II/Griffin & Quayle

/1/21 [1884 Oct?] [Letter to] GPB II/Henry [J.
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/1/22 1884 Dec. 24 Copy [letter to his sister]
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/1/23 1886 Jun. 11 [Copy letter to] J McGowan/GPB II

/1/24 1886 Dec. 14 [Letter] Bank Plain, Norwich [to]
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/1/25 1886 Dec. 17 [on verso of 1/23 above: copy
letter to] Messrs. J.B. Coates &
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/1/26 1886 Dec. 18 [Letter] Bank Plain, Norwich [to]
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/1/27- 1887 Oct. [Copy letters (2) to] Charles J

28	19/24	Horner/GPB II, [one being on verso of the other]
/1/29	1890 Aug. 5	[Letter] 4 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB II/A.M. Tapp
/1/30	1890 Nov. 7	[Letter] Norfolk House, Norfolk Street, London [to] GPB II/Talbot & Quayle
/1/31	1894 Nov. 28	[Letterpress copy letter to] Mr Fleming/GPB II
/1/32	1895 Mar. 18	[Letterpress copy letter to Clapper(?)/GPB II
/1/33	1895 Jul. 30	[Letterpress copy letter to] A S Williams/GPB II
/1/34	1896 Jun. 22	[Letter] The City Offices Company Limited, Palmerston Buildings, 34 Old Broad Street, London [to] GPB II/Thos. Freeman, secretary
/1/35	1896 Jul. 7	--- as above ---
/1/36	1896 Jul. 30	[Letter] 36 Great George Street, Westminster [to] GPB II/ F. Waters, accountant and auditor
/1/37	1896 Aug. 17	[Letter] Talbot House, Arundel Street, London [to] GPB II/M.H. Quayle, Talbot & Quayle
/1/38	1896 Aug. 20	[Letter] Victoria Graving Dock Co. Ltd., 27 Leadenhall Street, London [to] GPB II/J. Worley. [<u>With</u> envelope]
7/4/2		Financial statements/accounts
/2/1	1878 Oct.	The Exors of the late G.P. Bidder Esqre. Dr to Robt. H. Fuller & Moon, Croydon & Reigate. [Account re valuation]
/2/2	1878 Oct.-Nov.	The Executors of the late G.P. Bidder Esqre to Messrs Griffin & Quayle ... As to taking out Probate of the Will and Codicil. [Account]
/2/3	1879 Oct.	G.P. Bidder Esqre. Q.C. Dr. to Robt. H. Fuller & Moon, Croydon & Reigate. [Account re valuation. 2 copies]
/2/4	1879 Dec.	Ex'ors of late G P Bidder Esqre Dr. to Thomas S. Lovell & Son, Duke St., Dartmouth. [Received (3 Feb.

		1880) account re valuation of 4 Oct. 1878]
/2/5	1880 Feb. 3	The Ex'ors of the Late G P Bidder Esqre of Mitcham & Dartmouth Dr to Messrs Lovell & May, Appraisers &c. [Receipted account re valuation of Mar. 1879]
/2/6	1878-1883	Purchase of Ravensbury Estate (Mitcham) - Particulars of Interest Credited to Executors [between Sept 1878 & Dec. 1883]
/2/7	1878-1896	Capital Account of the Realization of the Estate of the late George Parker Bidder Esqre, September 20 th 1878 to April 30th 1896/Percy Mason & Co., Chartered Accountants, 64 Gresham Street, London
/2/8	1878-1896	--- as above --- /Beale & Co., 28 Great George Street, Westminster
/2/9	1880 Apr. 22	[Report to Messrs Bidder & Elliot re accounts of Harecastle & Woodshutts Collieries for years 1877-1879]/Deloitte, Dever, Griffiths & Co., 4 Lothbury, London
/2/10	1881 Jan.	Estate of the late G.P. Bidder. Mrs Georgina Warren Bidder's Account for Year ending 31st Decr. 1880
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/2/12	1885 Jan.	--- as above --- [for year ending 31 Dec. 1884]
/2/13	1880-1895	Estate of the late G.P. Bidder. Balance sheet [for each of the years 1880 to 1895 inclusive. There are 2 copies for the year 1884, both with separate 'Explanatory Notes']
/2/14	1888	Exors. of G.P. Bidder, Esq. Income Account for the Year ending 31st December, 1888
/2/15	1896 Apr.	No. 4 Account. G.P. Bidder decd. Schedule of Investments [as at] 30th April 1896
/2/16	1898 May	Estate of G.P. Bidder Senior decd. Schedule of Investments [as at] 1st May 1898/Percy Mason & Co.,

Chartered Accountants, 64 Gresham
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/2/17	1898 Dec.	--- as above --- [as at 31 Dec. 1898]/Percy Mason & Co.
/2/18	1897	G.P. Bidder Senior deceased. Balance Sheet [as at] 31 st December 1897/Percy Mason & Co.
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/2/20	1899 Oct. 24	--- as above --- [as at 31 Dec. 1899]/Percy Mason & Co.
/2/21a		[Form letter] 28 Rowntree Street, Balmain, Sydney [to] Chairman and Directors, Sydney Harbour Collieries Limited, 16 St. Helen's Place, London/J.L.C. Rose, Manager, Sydney Harbour Collieries, Limited, [reporting progress on operations]
/2/21b	1899 Dec. 11	Report of the Directors [of] Sydney Harbour Collieries Limited, [including] Balance sheet as at 30th June 1899
7/4/3		Miscellaneous
/3/1	-	Estate - G.P. Bidder C.E. [Notebook containing notes by GPB III re Harecastle, North Woolwich Land, Colliery Leases, Lawton Lease, etc.]
/3/2	1896 Jul.	Notes on the Trustees accts. Estate of late G.P. Bidder C.E./GPB III
/3/3	-	Notes on the accounts of the late G.P. Bidder C.E./GPB III
/3/4	-	Estate of G.P. Bidder, C.E. Sep.20th 1878 [notes]/GPB III
/3/5	-	Valuation [of estate] at date of death of G.P. Bidder C.E. [rough notes]/GPB III
/3/6	-	[Rough notes re] Harecastle & Woodshutts Colly. & Coke Co.
/3/7	-	[Rough notes re] No. 4 account corrected/GPB III
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7/5		[Letters, chiefly between Bidder brothers & sisters]
/5/1	[1878] Sept. 29	Ravensbury [to] GPB II/Bertha Bidder, [his sister]
/5/2	1878 Oct. 21	[Nanncarrick?] Neath [to] GPB II/B.P. Bidder
/5/3	[c.1882]	Stoke House, Stoke Fleming, Dartmouth [to] GPB II/Bertha Bidder
/5/4	1883 Dec. 14	Stoke House, Stoke Fleming, Dartmouth [to] GPB II/Georgina Crowe, [his sister. <u>With</u> envelope]
/5/5	1885 Aug. 19	The Home Farm, Elford, Near Tamworth, Staffordshire [to] GPB II/Georgina Crowe. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/5/6	1885 Aug. 25	[Draft] Ravensbury Park [to] Georgina/GPB II, [in reply to /5/5 above]
/5/7	1885 Sept. 7	The Home Farm, Elford [to] GPB II/Georgina Crowe. [<u>With</u> envelope, and undated reply]
/5/8	1896 Mar. 11	54 Crooms Hill, Greenwich [to] Annie Bidder/Travers R. Wire. [<u>With</u> envelope]
/5/9	1896 Aug. 9	Yacht " <i>Island Home</i> ", Poole Harbour [to] GPB II/Travers B. Wire
/5/10	1896 Aug. 13	54 Crooms Hill, Greenwich [to] GPB III/Travers B. Wire
/5/11	1896 Aug. 24	54 Crooms Hill, Greenwich [to] Annie Bidder/Travers B. Wire
/5/12	? Aug. 7	Stubb House [to] Annie[Bidder]/E.H. [Lizzie] Stanton
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/6/2	1899 Feb. 7	Statement of Claim re Bidder deceased. Owen v. Bidder/Crowders, Vizard & Oldham, 55 Lincoln's Inn Fields, Plaintiff's Solicitors
/6/3	1899 May 15	Statement of Defence of the defendant the Rev. Henry Jardine Bidder Re Bidder Deceased. Owen v. Bidder/Gedge, Kirby & Millett, 11 Great George Street, Westminster
/6/4	1900 Aug. 13	Copy Release. Mrs E. Owen and Others to Mrs A. Bidder and Others/Beale & Co., 28 Great George Street, Westminster
/6/5	-	George Parker Bidder Esqre. deceased. Copy Case for the Opinion of Mr Cozens Hardy Q.C., M.P./Beale & Co.
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