### **Atkins Family Papers**

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Papers 5 boxes

A collection of papers pertaining to the Tinkler, Barnard, and Atkins families of England. The exact relationship between the Tinkler family and the Barnard/Atkins family remains unknown, although the papers related to Tinklers have been preserved together with those of the other families for several generations. The first box includes the military correspondence of Robert Barnard (d. 1854) from Ireland during the great famine year of 1847 as well as his letters from the Crimean War. The second box includes the military correspondence of Sir John Atkins, KCMG, KCVO, FRCS (1875-1963) from his year of service in the Boer War, as well as materials related to his career as a medical officer in the First World War. Boxes 3-5 reflect the life and career of Sir Hedley John Barnard Atkins, KStJ, KBE (1904-1983), first professor of surgery at Guy's Hospital, London and President of the Royal College of Surgeons. He specialised in the scientific treatment of breast cancer and the Hedley Atkins Breast Unit at New Cross Hospital acknowledges his contribution in the field. From 1971 to 1973 he was President of the Royal Society of Medicine.

The gift of David Atkins of Toronto, May 2019.

#### Box 1

- 1.1. Holograph genealogical notes on random families, including Howe, Larwood, and Mottram. On final leaf of Bible dated 1638.
- 1.2. 1 holograph Latin letter written on behalf of Thomas Green, Bishop of Ely, granting Gilbert Negus, vicar of Litlington, permission to live in Steeple Morden.
- 1.3. 1 holograph statement 'the case of Thos. Tinkler' discussing his medical condition and treatments, 1756.
- 1.4. 1 holograph account statement from Thomas Tinkler's doctor, Edward Kitching, dated 7 July 1759.
- 1.5. Printed notice of the particulars of the Angel Inn to be sold at auction, also holograph inventory and appraisal of the furniture and brewing utensils belonging to Mr. Tinkler at the Angel Inn, 1791
- 1.6. Three holograph letters from Dr. [Bluthe] to members of the Tinkler, two with medicinal recipes.

- 1.7. Two holograph account statements for Mr. Tinkler, 1791
- 1.8. Memorandum manuscript written by Elizabeth Tinkler regarding health of family members and family details with some attached notes on family history, 1794
- 1.9. Stamp on paper for Pins made by William Tinkler [17??]
- 1.10. Printed catalogue of the effects of Mrs. Tinkler to be sold at auction, 1816, with prices realized.
- 1.11. Holograph letter from William Smith Haylett to Starling Day, husband of Ann Tinkler, 1816.
- 1.12. Holograph letter from John Tinkler to Mrs. Rodwell, 1820.
- 1.13. Holograph letter from the Misses Gillis to James Bell, 1828.
- 1.14. Holograph letter to James Bell from Christopher Rodwell on the death of Mrs. Tinkler, 1828.
- 1.15. Booklet of cheque stubs, 1826-1827.
- 1.16. Holograph note with the lyrics to The Plough Boy, [17]95
- 1.17. Printed notice of engravings to be sold at auction, 1794
- 1.18. Printed page on the medicinal qualities of Turner's Aether, [17--]
- 1.19. Printed page with useful receipts
- 1.20. Original envelopes for Barnard and Tinker letters explaining family connections.
- 1.21. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 23 March 1847, Ireland.
- 1.22. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 4 May 1847, Ireland.
- 1.23. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 25 October 1847, Ireland.
- 1.24. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 29 December 1847, Veagh Barracks, Co. Tipperary, Ireland.
- 1.25. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 17 Jan. 1849, Portsmouth.
- 1.26. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 15 June 1849, Portsmouth.
- 1.27. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 6 July 1849, Portsmouth.

- 1.28. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 19 Oct. 1849, Portsmouth.
- 1.29. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 10 March 1851, Newport.
- 1.30. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 9 July 1851, Granby Barracks, Devonport.
- 1.31. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 15 August 1852, Weedon.
- 1.32. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 16 March 1853, Weedon Barracks.
- 1.33. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 9 February 1854, Glasgow Barracks.
- 1.34. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 2 March 1854, Preston Barracks.
- 1.35. Holograph letter from Robert Barnard to his parents, 18 June 1854, Camp Aladdin, Turkey.
- 1.36. Holograph letter from Robert Maxwell to his mother, Mrs Browne, undated, Rozel Harbour, Jersey.
- 1.37. Typescript transcriptions of letters from Robert Barnard, 1847-1854 (originals present in collection).
- 1.38. Typescript copy of the last will of Mary Ann Levell (née Barnard), 1892.
- 1.39. Holograph copy of the will of John Barnard, 1896
- 1.40. Holograph manuscript of recipes by Elizabeth Howes of Mattishall, Norfolk.
- 1.41. Poems (with cross writing) signed: R. Barnard.
- 1.42. Scraps of notes pertaining to the Tinkler and Barnard family histories.
- 1.43. Blue folder with photocopied typescript copies of Barnard letters, reproduced photographs, family trees, clippings and letters to Hedley Atkins.
- 1.44. Published book: Mackenzie, Katherine Irvine. *The Irvine Family of Quebec*. Georgeville, 1987.

### Box 2

- 2.1. Note of marriage between William Atkins and Elizabeth Ann Howes, 1815
- 2.2. Printed catalogue of household furniture belonging to Mr William Atkins sold by auction, April 1830, Norwich. Annotated with prices realized.
- 2.3. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, R.M.S. Majestie, 16 Feb. 1900.

- 2.4. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, R.M.S. Majestie, 26 Feb. 1900.
- 2.5. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 11 March 1900.
- 2.6. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 2 April 1900.
- 2.7. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 29 April 1900.
- 2.8. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 21 May 1900.
- 2.9. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 28 May 1900.
- 2.10. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 4 June 1900.
- 2.11. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 11 June 1910.
- 2.12. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 18 June 1900.
- 2.13. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 25 June 1900.
- 2.14. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 2 July 1900.
- 2.15. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 9 July 1900.
- 2.16. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 16 July 1900.
- 2.17. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 23 July 1900.
- 2.18. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 5 August [1900].

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- 2.19. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 13 August 1900.
- 2.20. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 20 August 1900.
- 2.21. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 27 August 1900.
- 2.22. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 4 September 1900.
- 2.23. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 10 September 1900.
- 2.24. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 17 September 1900.
- 2.25. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 24 September 1900.
- 2.26. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 1 October 1900.
- 2.27. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Pretoria, Cape Colony, S.A., 8 October 1900.
- 2.28. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Johannesburg, S.A., 18 October 1900.
- 2.29. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 24 October 1900.
- 2.30. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 29 October 1900.
- 2.31. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 5 November 1900.
- 2.32. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 12 November 1900.
- 2.33. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 19 November 1900.

- 2.34. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 26 November 1900.
- 2.35. Holograph letter from John Atkins to his mother, Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Deelfontein, Cape Colony, S.A., 4 December 1900 (the last from S. Africa).
- 2.36. Copies of some of John Atkins' letters from the Boer War.
- 2.37. Two envelopes that previously held Sir John Atkins letters with newspaper clipping with writing.
- 2.38. Holograph speech given about John Atkins on 11 July 1900.
- 2.39. Digital printout of the obituary for Sir John Atkins from the Royal College of Surgeons
- 2.40. Holograph notes on the study of St John's Gospel written by [Sir John Atkins], 1894
- 2.41. Order of Service for Sir John Atkins, 1963.
- 2.42. Two holograph letters from Victoria Eugenie, Queen of Spain to Sir John Atkins, 1926, 1934.
- 2.43. Holograph letter of reference for John Atkins written by Sir Alfred D. Fripp, surgeon, Guy's Hospital, 1903.
- 2.44. Ten letters to John Atkins from various senders, offering congratulations on his knighthood (Order of Knight Commander of St Michael and St George) including Alfred D. Fripp, David Forsyth, Crisp English, Ira Jones, Robert Shaw, Bernie Berens, 1919.
- 2.45. Photographs of John Atkins, 1 photograph with Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, negatives, 1 photograph of Jane Atkins.
- 2.46. One printed promotional on rubber galoshes produced by H.J Atkins, 1908.
- 2.47. Watercolour drawing of the House at Bunwell belonging to Mrs. R. Thomas, [19]23.
- 2.48. Holograph letter from Prince Arthur, the Duke of Connaught to John Atkins, 1924.
- 2.49. Two holograph letters from John French, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Ypres, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to John Atkins, 1918-1919.
- 2.50. Thirteen notes and letters to John Atkins offering congratulations on his appointment as Knight Commander of the Victorian Order, 1937.
- 2.51. Birth certificate and marriage certificate of John Atkins and birth announcement of son of to Mrs John Atkins (Hedley).

- 2.52. Note from J.H Bruce Lockhart, Scottish cricketer and assistant master, Rugby School, to Sir John Atkins about his son Hedley's athletic aptitude, 1925.
- 2.53. Two letters of condolence to Hedley Atkins on the death of John Atkins: one from Lady Ruth Fermoy, Lady in Waiting to the Queen Mother; the second from Robin Bean, Students' Union President, Queen Elizabeth College, 1963.
- 2.54. One holograph letter from Harold Sidney Harmsworth, 1st Viscount Rothermere, a leading British newspaper proprietor, owner of Associated Newspapers Ltd., to John Atkins concerning the need for commissioned officers at the front, and political disquietude in London, 16 June 1915.
- 2.55. One holograph letter from John Atkins to his sister Lucy Atkins from the front in France, 30 Nov. 1915.
- 2.56. Letter from Leonard Eagleton of Eagleton and Sons, concerning documents left at his office for safe keeping during the First World War, 11 Nov. 1919.
- 2.57. Two certificates accompanying medals to be worn to commemorate the silver Jubilee of King George V (1935) and the coronation of King George VI (1937).
- 2.58. Documents related to the appointment of John Atkins a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George, 1916.
- 2.59. Documents related to the appointment of John Atkins a Knight Commander of the Order of St Michael and St George, 1919.
- 2.60. Documents related to the appointment of John Atkins a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 1937.
- 2.61. Despatch notices for John Atkins, 1915.
- 2.62. Bachelor of Medicine degree for John Atkins, 18 Dec. 1901.
- 2.63. Medical registration certificate for John Atkins, 1901.
- 2.64. Registration of additional medical qualifications, 1924
- 2.65. Appointments, commissions, rewards list 16 (27 Feb 1915).
- 2.66. Explanatory letter from the Gladys Atkins (née Jones), widow of Sir Hedley John Barnard Atkins concerning the wax seals in box 4.)
- 2.67. Printed directions to Down House in Kent where Sir Hedley Atkins and his wife were honorary curators of the Charles Darwin museum beginning in 1962

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## Box 3 (oversize)

- 3.1. Certificate admitting Hedley John Barnard Atkins as a fellow of Queen Elizabeth College, 1968
- 3.2. Certificate admitting Hedley John Barnard Atkins as an Ordinary Knight Commander and signed by Queen Elizabeth II, 1967

# Box 4

Wax seals (likely brewery) from 1772

Sir Hedley John Barnard Atkin's appointment diaries 1950-1959

# Box 5

Sir Hedley John Barnard Atkin's appointment diaries 1960-1982