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SECTION A

PITMAN FAMILY MEMBERS

A.1-A.519

This section contains biographical material relating to various members of the Pitman family. The largest collection of material in the section relates to Sir Isaac Pitman (1813-1897). It includes family correspondence, financial records, personal papers, and photographs. Sir Isaac Pitman was one of eleven children born to Samuel and Maria Pitman. Biographical material relating to some of his brothers and sisters is also presented here. The section contains a smaller amount of material relating to Sir Isaac Pitman's sons, Alfred and Ernest, and his grandson, Sir (Isaac) James Pitman (1901-1985).

Supplemental material received from Pitman family members after cataloguing of the section was complete has been inserted where appropriate to facilitate ease of access. All supplemental items have an alphabetical suffix, e.g., A.20a, A.105a, A.105b, etc.

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A.1-A.142 SIR ISAAC PITMAN (1813-1897) 1832-2001

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Sir Isaac Pitman.

The second son of Samuel and Maria Pitman, Isaac Pitman was born on 4 January 1813 in Trowbridge, Wiltshire. After a rudimentary school education and a period of employment as a clerk in the cloth-manufacturers at which his father worked as overseer, he underwent five months' training as a teacher at the Borough Road Training College of the British and Foreign School Society, London.

Pitman's first teaching appointment, in January 1832, was as Master of the British School in Barton on Humber, Lincolnshire. Four years later he moved to Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire on the invitation of the local Education Committee. At the end of 1836 he was dismissed from his position of Master of the new British School when he made public his conversion to the religious ideas of Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772) of whom he remained a devoted disciple for the rest of his life.

In early 1837 Pitman founded his own private school in Wotton under Edge where, in addition to the usual subjects, he taught Taylor's system of shorthand. Pitman submitted an instruction manual he had compiled to his friend Samuel Bagster for publication. Bagster declared that if Pitman devised a completely new shorthand system he would be willing to publish it. Consequently, during the summer of 1837, he began to construct a method of shorthand writing that he based on the sounds rather than the spelling of words. *Stenographic Sound-Hand* was published in November 1837.

In June 1839 Isaac Pitman and his wife, Mary (née Brown), took up residence at 5 Nelson Place, Bath. Shortly afterwards Pitman opened a 'school for young gentlemen' where phonographic writing was taught along with other subjects. By 1843 stenographic sound-hand, or phonography, was becoming increasingly popular. Pitman found it necessary to give up his school and to abandon the promotional travelling and lecturing he had undertaken in order to concentrate on the full-time production of instruction manuals and other phonographic literature. In December he established his first printing press at 5 Nelson Place. By 1873 over 80,000 phonographic works a year were being published from the third Phonetic Institute in Parsonage Lane, Bath.

Pitman's wife died in August 1857. In April 1861 he married his second wife, Isabella (née Masters). They had two sons, Alfred and Ernest, both of whom joined their father in the phonographic business in 1886. In 1894 Isaac Pitman received a knighthood for his services to stenography and shortly afterwards retired from partnership with his sons.

Pitman was an energetic advocate of spelling reform and a keen supporter of New Church doctrines. He was interested in a wide range of causes from liberal politics to vegetarianism. He served as President of the Bath Temperance Society and played an active part in the movement for providing Bath with a Free Library.

Sir Isaac Pitman died in Bath on 22 January 1897.

- A.1-A.20 Commemorative tributes
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A.1-A.20 Commemorative tributes 1897-1988

Sir Isaac Pitman's life and work was celebrated and remembered long after his death. Material relating to the various ways in which his achievements were commemorated is presented here.

The presentation is chronological.

- A.1 24pp printed booklet entitled 'The Late Sir Isaac Pitman: Personal Tributes, Memorial Addresses and Funeral Proceedings', February 1897.
See also A.86, A.132, A.133.
- A.2-A.5 Correspondence and papers *re* the commission, execution, and exhibition of a memorial portrait of Sir Isaac Pitman painted by A. S. Cope, 1897-1908.
See also A.134, A.135.
Four folders.
- A.6 Programme card for the unveiling of a City of Bath Corporation mural tablet to Sir Isaac Pitman at 17 Royal Crescent, Bath, 15 July 1901.
See also A.139.
- A.6a Order of service for the unveiling of a memorial window to Sir Isaac Pitman, New Church, Henry Street, Bath, 5 September 1909.
- A.7 Correspondence *re* a proposed memorial to Sir Isaac Pitman to be erected in the crypt of St Paul's, London, February-March 1910.

- A.8 2pp printed booklet with illustrations entitled 'The Isaac Pitman Memorial Window in the New Church, Henry Street, Bath', presented by William Harbutt to delegates at the International Swedenborg Congress, London, 5-8 July 1910.
See also A.9, A.76, A.130, A.133.
- A.9 11pp printed booklet with illustrations entitled 'Memorial Windows in the New Church, Henry Street, Bath dedicated to the memory of the late Sir Isaac Pitman and of the Founders, Ministers and Presidents of the Society of Bath', May 1911.
See also A.8, A.76, A.130, A.133.
- A.10-A.12 Celebrations to mark the centenary of the birth of Sir Isaac Pitman, 1913.
- A.10 Commemorative dinner, Bath, 11 January 1913.
Souvenir brochure and plan of table.
- A.11 Programme of celebrations, London and Bath, 23, 24 May 1913.
- A.12 Programme of celebrations, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, 20 November 1913.
- A.13 Brochure, Pitman Centenary Commemoration Dinner, Merchant Taylor's Hall, London, 22 July 1937.
- A.14-A.15 Pitman Centenary Commemoration Dinners, London, Edinburgh, Bath, Trowbridge and Wootton under Edge, 20 November 1937.
- A.14 Programmes, guest list and published text of a speech given by I. J. Pitman.
- A.15 Souvenir brochure.

- A.16 1p typescript note re a proclamation in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the invention of phonographic shorthand by the Governor of the State of New York, 1937.
- A.17 19th Annual Pitman Fellowship Dinner to Commemorate the 134th Anniversary of the Birth of Sir Isaac Pitman, Grosvenor House, London, 10 January 1947.
Speeches and list of guests.
- A.18 29th Annual Pitman Fellowship Dinner to Commemorate the 144th Anniversary of the Birth of Sir Isaac Pitman, Piccadilly Hotel, London, 5 January 1957.
List of guests (annotated).
- A.19 30th Annual Pitman Fellowship Dinner to Commemorate the 145th Anniversary of the Birth of Sir Isaac Pitman, Piccadilly Hotel, London, 4 January 1958.
List of guests.
- A.19a 'One Hundred Years of Phonography' by Peter Pitman, 1972.
- A.20 Presentation booklet containing commemorative stamp and postal cover to mark the 175th anniversary of the birth of Sir Isaac Pitman, Stenographers' Guild, Madras, India, 4 January 1988.
- A.20a 'The Memory of the Late Sir Isaac Pitman', from a speech by Sir James Pitman, President of the Pitman Fellowship, nd.

A.21-A.64 Biographical and bibliographical 1846-2001

This sub-section contains various autobiographical and biographical material relating to Sir Isaac Pitman.

The presentation is chorological.

A.21 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Catalogue' containing a ?list of authors and titles, nd, latest bibliographical reference 1885.

A.21a Hardback notebook entitled 'Pitman Memoranda' containing manuscript notes and recollections relating to Sir Isaac Pitman compiled by his long-standing friend and associate David Chivers, 1899.

A.22-A.24 *The Life of Isaac Pitman*, A. Baker, 1908.

'Notes for proposed biography of Isaac Pitman by Alfred Baker (from Henry Pitman).' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.

Correspondence (longhand and shorthand), notes, newspaper cuttings and journal extracts *re* the life of Sir Isaac Pitman gathered in preparation for the writing of a biography, 1846-1910.

Three folders.

A.25 8pp untitled typescript *re* the origin of phonographic shorthand.

?Transcript of a talk given by Sir Isaac Pitman at a meeting in Manchester, 1868.

A.26-A.40 *Sir Isaac Pitman, His Life and Labours*, B. Pitman, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, 1902.

A.26-A.28 'Benn Pitman to Henry etc *re Life and Labours*.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.

Correspondence (longhand and shorthand) and notes *re* Henry Pitman and the content and publication of Benn Pitman's biography of Sir Isaac Pitman, 1898-1903.

Three folders.

A.29-A.31 'The Firm to Benn Pitman *re Life and Labours*.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.

Correspondence between Benn Pitman, Alfred Pitman and E. B. Tittley, solicitor, *re* the content and publication of Benn Pitman's biography of Sir Isaac Pitman, 1888-1903.

Three folders.

A.32-A.40 'Typescript *Life and Labours* - chapter headings etc by Benn Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into nine for ease of reference.

Typescript drafts, advertising publicity and illustrative figures *re* Benn Pitman's biography of Sir Isaac Pitman, nd *ca* 1902.

A.32 4pp typescript entitled 'Sir Isaac Pitman, His Life and Labors', nd.

A.33 3pp untitled typescript with illustrative design, nd.

A.34 3pp typescript entitled 'Correction of the Comprehensive Bible', nd.

A.35 5pp typescript entitled 'Marriage vs A Mission' with illustrative design, nd.

A.36 5pp typescript entitled 'His Last Effort to Right the Wrong' with illustrative design, nd.

A.37 Two versions of 6pp typescript entitled 'His Last Attempt at Improvement' with illustrative design, nd.

A.38 6pp typescript entitled 'From the Appendix' (annotated), nd.

A.39 Various illustrative designs used throughout the publication, nd.

A.40 Advertising publicity *re Life and Labours* with covering letter (shorthand), 1902.

- A.41 *Morning Light: A New-Church Weekly Journal* **XXXII (1632)**, 10 April 1909 containing editorial on Sir Isaac Pitman.
- A.42 8pp typescript entitled 'Sir Isaac Pitman (1813-1897) from the Dictionary of National Biography' by Thompson Cooper, nd ca 1909.
- A.42a *Pitman's Shorthand: Its Invention, Development & Present Position*, 1917.
- A.43 6pp typescript (copy) entitled 'Isaac Pitman and his Publishers' re the early history of the publication of phonographic works, nd ca 1944.
- A.44 'New Church Worthies - IV: Sir Isaac Pitman', *The New Church Messenger* **CLXVII (11)** 178, 24 May 1947.
- A.45 'Sir Isaac Pitman: A Christian Benefactor', *The English Churchman and St James's Chronicle* **5636** 32, 19 January 1951.
- A.46, A.47 179pp untitled typescript draft entitled 'Typescript B' with amendments by Mary Abercrombie and covering letter re content and completion, 1969.
See also A.48-A.52.
Two folders.
- A.48-A.52 217pp typescript entitled 'Isaac Pitman: A Man of the Nineteenth Century' by Mary Marble [Mary Abercrombie], nd ca 1960s.
See also A.46, A.47.
Five folders.
- A.53-A.60 Copy of 376pp typescript entitled 'Biography of Isaac Pitman' by Mary Abercrombie with annotations by T. D. Triggs and covering letter from Sir James Pitman, 1973.
See also A.61-A.63
Eight folders.

- A.61 9pp typescript entitled 'Isaac Pitman' by Tony D. Triggs prepared for inclusion in the *Dictionary of National Biography*, 1999.
- A.62 5pp typescript entitled 'Isaac and Martha - a Love Revealed', by Tony D. Triggs, February 2001.
- A.63 'A Shorthand Romance' by Tony D. Triggs, *The Bath Chronicle*, 2 October 2001.
- A.64 8pp untitled typescript account of how Samuel Bagster came to be the first publisher of phonographic shorthand, nd.
See also A.67, A.70, A.87.
- A.64a *Sir Isaac Pitman: The Man and His System*, I. J. Pitman, nd.
- A.65-A.90 Professional life and recognition 1832-1897**
- Material relating to Isaac Pitman's career, interests and work is presented here. For material relating specifically to the invention and development of phonographic shorthand see Section B.
The presentation is chronological.
- A.65 Thirteen quarterly tickets for the Wesleyan-Methodist Society, September 1832-September 1835.
Pitman regularly attended Methodist services in Barton upon Humber, Lincolnshire. Three months after his arrival he was admitted on trial into the Wesleyan Methodist Society, Barton Circuit and after nearly three years' membership his name was placed on the plan of circuit preachers for 1835-1836.
See also A.105.
- A.65a 4pp manuscript lectures on temperance delivered by Isaac Pitman at Barton on Humber, Lincolnshire in 1834 and 1835 and subsequently transcribed into phonographic shorthand.

- A.66 11pp typescript entitled 'Minutes of the Wotton under Edge Education Committee, 1835-1838' containing a record of Isaac Pitman's appointment and dismissal as the Master of the British School.
- See also A.73, A.76, A.106.
- A.67 *The Comprehensive Bible* inscribed on the first page and annotated throughout by Isaac Pitman, 1835-1838.
- In October 1835 Pitman wrote to the well-known publisher of *The Comprehensive Bible*, Samuel Bagster, offering to undertake a systematic examination of the references it contained. Bagster readily agreed to this proposition and sent Pitman a copy of *The Comprehensive Bible* upon which to work. Benn Pitman later estimated that his brother spent over 5000 hours on the painstaking revision which resulted in the discovery of at least one error on each page. Pitman completed his amendments in August 1838. *The Comprehensive Bible* was subsequently reprinted by Bagster and Sons incorporating all of Pitman's corrections.
- See also A.64, A.70, A.87.
- A.68 Membership card, Bath Temperance Association, 27 February 1840.
- Pitman became interested in temperance reform during his residence in Barton upon Humber, Lincolnshire where he was involved in the establishment of a Temperance Society. In 1837 he began a total abstinence from alcohol which he maintained throughout his whole life.
- A.69 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Mr I Pitman's School, 5 Nelson Place, Bath, 17 January 1842' containing lists of pupils and accounts, 17 January 1842-20 July 1843.
- A.70 *The Comprehensive Bible* with silver plate inscribed 'Presented to Mr Isaac Pitman as a token of esteem and in remembrance of the friendly diligence with which he laboured to secure the typographical accuracy of this edition of the Sacred Scriptures by Samuel Bagster, March 1843'.
- See also A.64, A.67, A.87.

- A.71 *The Penny Vegetarian Cookery*, 5th edition, 1850.
- Isaac Pitman adopted a vegetarian diet during the period of his residence in Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, 1836-1839. He later attributed his life-long good health to his abstinence from meat and alcohol.
- See also A.79, A.82, A.84.
- A.72 Printed leaflet entitled 'Proposal for the Erection of a Phonetic Institute at Bath as a Testimonial to Mr I. Pitman, Inventor of Phonography', August 1859.
- In early 1859 a committee chaired by C. H. E. Wyche was formed in London to find a way of formally recognising Isaac Pitman's contribution to the promotion of reading and writing reform. On being consulted Pitman declared that he would use a gift of money to build a new Phonetic Institute. The sum of £350 was subsequently collected and presented to Isaac Pitman in June 1862.
- A.72a Printed letter for circulation from Isaac Pitman *re* the publication of lectures on Swedenborg and his religious philosophy, 1870.
- A change in Isaac Pitman's religious convictions took place during a journey by stagecoach between Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire and Birmingham when he entered into a discussion of religious ideas with a fellow traveller, John Kingwell Bragge. The discussion led directly to an exchange of correspondence and shortly afterwards to Pitman's full acceptance of the Swedenborgian doctrines set forth by Bragge.
- See also A.73 and A.76.
- A.73 'Subscriptions to religious works.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
- Correspondence *re* the printing and distribution of various New Church and Swedenborgian works, 1877-1895.
- See also A.72a and A.76.
- A.74 Letter requesting Isaac Pitman's assistance in the local publication of testimonies in support of the abolition of compulsory vaccination, with two copies of testimonies, nd ca 1880.
- A.75 Letter requesting a donation to the Working Men's National League for the Repeal of the Contagious Diseases Acts, 8 February 1882.

- A.75a Hardback album entitled 'Tours in Scotland' containing photographs of various Scottish towns, cities and landscape scenes presented to Pitman by the Scottish Phonographic Association on the occasion of his visit to Edinburgh, 1 October 1884.
- A.76 *Manual for the Kongregation ov the New Church Worshipping at Henry Street, Bath 6*, June 1887.
- On moving to Bath in 1839 Isaac Pitman and his wife joined the local Swedenborgian congregation which had already been in existence for ten years.
- See also A.8, A.9, A.72a, A.73, A.130.
- A.76a Hardback volume inscribed on the front cover 'Donors of a Bust of Mr Isaac Pitman Presented to him in the Guildhall, Bath', 22 February 1889.
- A.77 Hardback album inscribed on the front cover 'The Italian Phonographers to Isaac Pitman on his Phonetic Jubilee, Roma 1887' containing black and white photographs of Rome.
- A.78 Invitation to visit Mr and Mrs Thomas Lang on the occasion of their golden wedding, 29 July 1890.
- A.79 Letter requesting a donation to the Vegetarian Society, 1 August 1890.
- See also A.71, A.82, A.84.
- A.80 Letter *re* subscription to the Peace Society, August 1890.
- A.81 Letter requesting a contribution to the John William Kirton Memorial Fund with circular *re* Kirton's life and work, nd *ca* 1890.
- A.81a *Conjugial Love*, E. Swedenborg, 1891.
- Hardback volume inscribed on the inside cover, 'Prezented tu The Rev. John Martin and hiz Weif on their Maraje, 18 April 1893 bei Eizak Pitman'.

- A.81b Thirteen letters (longhand) sent by friends and well-wishers around the UK congratulating Isaac Pitman on his knighthood, May-June 1894.
- A.82 Hardback presentation certificate inscribed on the front cover 'To Sir Isaac Pitman from The Vegetarian Society' expressing the congratulations of the Executive Committee of the Vegetarian Society on Isaac Pitman's receipt of a knighthood, June 1894.
- On 25 May 1894 the *London Gazette* announced that Isaac Pitman was to receive a knighthood in recognition of his services to stenography. Friends and admirers immediately sent messages of congratulation from all over the world. The knighthood was bestowed by Queen Victoria at a ceremony in Windsor Castle on 18 July 1894.
- See also A.71, A.79, A.83, A.84.
- A.83 Printed response by Isaac Pitman to the signatories of an address of congratulations on the award of his knighthood, 3 July 1894.
- See also A.82.
- A.84 Letter requesting a testimony for inclusion in the Christmas edition of *The Vegetarian*, 4 October 1894.
- See also A.71, A.79, A.82.
- A.85 Printed notice to Bath Town Council from Isaac Pitman *re* the need for a by-law against smoking in the streets, 24 December [1895].
- A.86 Funeral service programme, 27 January 1897.
- See also A.1, A.132, A.133.
- A.87 Printed advertisement *re* biblical works published by Samuel Bagster and Sons Ltd, nd.
- See also A.64, A.67, A.70.
- A.88 Envelope with manuscript notes *re* the 'Anti-Mourning Association', nd.

- A.89 Business card of W. Tennant, Winch-Maker and Fishing Tackle Manufacturer, Preserver of Birds, Beasts, Fish etc, London, endorsed with shorthand notes, nd.
- A.90 Advertisement poster for *Old England: A Pictorial Museum of Regal, Ecclesiastical, Baronial, Municipal and Popular Antiquities*, by Charles Knight with manuscript annotation, endorsed with shorthand note, nd.
- A.91-A.103 Personal finances 1835-1895**
- A small amount of material relating to the personal and household finances of Isaac Pitman is presented here. For business finances and finances relating more specifically to the development and dissemination of phonographic shorthand see Sections B and C.
- The presentation is chronological.
- A.91 Hardback notebook with metal clasp used from the front for household and family accounts and from the back for a register of Isaac Pitman's books issued on loan, 1835-1841.
- A.92-A.98 National Provincial Bank of England, Bath account books, 1845-1896.
- A.92 Hardback notebook with metal clasp (broken) inscribed on the front cover 'Mr Isaac Pitman', October 1845-December 1856.
- A.93 Hardback notebook with metal clasp, January 1857-June 1870.
- A.94 Hardback notebook with metal clasp, June 1870-September 1877.
- A.95 Hardback notebook with metal clasp inscribed on the front cover 'Mr I Pitman', September 1877-July 1882.
- A.96 Hardback notebook with metal clasp inscribed on the front cover 'Isaac Pitman Esq, Bath', July 1882-August 1886.

- A.97 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Sir Eizak Pitman Esq. N. P. Bank', January 1890-November 1895.
- A.98 Softback notebook, November 1895-December 1896.
- A.99 Draft codicil to the will of Isaac Pitman, 22 March 1894.
See also A.102.
- A.100 Articles of family arrangement between Isaac Pitman, his wife and sons, 12 April 1894.
Isaac Pitman retired from partnership with his sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman, and transferred to them his interests in the works of which he was the author in exchange for an annual sum to be paid by the sons for the maintenance of their parents.
The agreement includes a full schedule of Isaac Pitman's property and financial holdings.
See also A.101, A.292, A.296, A.297, A.300.
- A.101 Typescript copy of articles of family agreement between Isaac Pitman, his wife and sons, 12 April 1894.
See also A.100, A.292, A.296, A.297, A.300.
- A.102 (?Draft) will of Sir Isaac Pitman, 10 August 1894.
See also A.99.
- A.103 Thirteen withdrawal orders, Wilts & Dorset Banking Company Limited by Isaac Pitman, November-December 1895.

A.104-A.142 Photographs and illustrative material 1846-1960

Photographs and a range of other illustrative material depicting Isaac Pitman and various subjects connected to his life and work are presented here.

The presentation is chronological.

A.104 Two black and white photographs endorsed 'The school at which Isaac Pitman taught at Barton', 1913.

Pitman was employed as Master of the British School, Barton upon Humber, Lincolnshire between 1832 and 1835.

A.105 Diagram entitled 'Spiritual Thermometer' drawn by Isaac Pitman and presented by him to his wife, Mary Pitman, 29 December 1835.

Isaac Pitman was married to Mary Holgate, widow of George Holgate, on 5 January 1835. Her late husband, a solicitor in Barton upon Humber, had left her an income for life.

See also A.65.

A.105a Two black and white photographs endorsed 'The Laurels, Whitecross Street, Barton on Humber. Building in which Isaac Pitman lived after his marriage', 1938.

A.105b Black and white photograph endorsed 'No. 13 Queen St., Barton on Humber. Building in which Isaac Pitman conducted a school', 1938.

A.106 Six inches to one mile ordinance survey map of Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, nd.

Pitman resided in Wotton under Edge between 1836 and 1839, initially as the Master of the British School and subsequently as the proprietor of a private school.

See also A.66.

A.107 Two black and white photographs of the house in which Pitman and his wife, Mary, lived on Orchard Street, Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, 1836-1839.

A.108 Two black and white photographs of a building identified as 'The Folly', Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, 1938.

During 1836 Pitman performed his teaching duties as Master of the Wotton under Edge British School at 'The Folly' hired for the purpose by the School Committee.

See also A.66, A.106, A.389.

A.109 Four black and white photographs (mounted) of a building identified by A. Baker in his biography of Isaac Pitman as 'Isaac Pitman's Private School at Wotton under Edge', ca 1905.

In early 1837 Pitman secured suitable premises in Long Street, Wotton under Edge and opened a private school.

See *The Life of Isaac Pitman, Inventor of Phonography*, A. Baker, 1908

A.110 Three black and white photographs endorsed 'the house of Mrs Cook in Bradley Street where Isaac Pitman held his school', Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, February 1938.

A.111 Black and white photograph of portrait in oils executed in 1846 by J. B. Keene.

See also A.112, A.394.

A.112 Black and white steel engraving by W. Dennis from an oil portrait executed by J. B. Keene, 1846.

See also A.111, A.394.

A.113 Black and white photographic portrait (reproduction), nd ca 1860.

A.114 Black and white engraving inscribed 'Isaac Pitman, Erfinder der Phonographie', nd ca 1860.

A.115 Black and white photographic portrait, nd ca 1860s.

- A.116 Three black and white photographic portraits (mounted), ca 1870.
- A.117 Black and white photograph (mounted) of the Fourth Phonetic Institute, Kingston Buildings, Bath, nd.

After six months of building work numbers 6 and 7 Kingston Buildings were ready for occupation as the Fourth Phonetic Institute at the end of 1874.

See also A.122.
- A.118 Three black and white photographic portraits, 1875.
- A.119 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Isaac Pitman with his second wife, Isabella, and two sons, Alfred and Ernest, September 1877.

See also A.289-A.312.
- A.120 Two black and white photographic portraits (mounted), ?ca 1878.

See also A.121.
- A.121 Black and white watercolour portrait, ?ca 1878.

See also A.120.
- A.122 Three black and white photographs showing the construction of the Fifth Phonetic Institute, Lower Bristol Road, Bath, 1887.

See also A.117.
- A.123 Copy (damaged) of a marble bust by Thomas Brock, 1887.
- A.124 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Isaac Pitman and his sons, Alfred and Ernest, at the Phonetic Institute, Bath, 1889.

See also A.289-A.312.

- A.125 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), ca 1880s.
- A.126 Black and white photographic portrait (four copies), ca 1880s.
- A.127 Four black and white informal photographs (mounted) of Isaac Pitman ?at his home, ?ca 1890s.

See also A.128.
- A.128 Black and white photographic portrait (three copies taken from glass negatives), ?ca 1890s.

See also A.127.
- A.129 Portrait in oils on board painted by Joseph Bunker, May 1895.
- A.130 Two black and white photographs of the New Church, Henry Street, Bath, nd.

Pitman became a member of the Bath New Church or Swedenborgian congregation as soon as he moved to the city in June 1839. He occasionally led services at the New Church, Henry Street.

See also A.76, A.132, A.133.
- A.131 Death mask (plaster), 1897.
- A.132 Two black and white photographs (mounted) and black and white photograph (reproduction) showing Sir Isaac Pitman's funeral procession leaving the Royal Crescent, Bath, 27 January 1897.

See also A.1, A.86, A.133.
- A.133 Black and white photograph (mounted) and black and white photograph (reproduction) showing Isaac Pitman's coffin in Henry Street Church, 27 January 1897.

See also A.1, A.86, A.132.

- A.134 Black and white photograph (mounted) and black and white photograph (reproduction) of memorial portrait in oils executed by Arthur S. Cope, 1897-1898.
See also A.2-A.5, A.135.
- A.135 Photographic plate (metal) of memorial portrait in oils executed by Arthur S. Cope, 1897-1989.
See also A.2-A.5, A.134.
- A.136 Correspondence, notes, photographs and proofs *re* a series of illustrations executed by S. Loxton of locations (mainly in Wiltshire and Bath) associated with Sir Isaac Pitman and his family, 1898-*ca*1910.
See also A.137, A.138.
- A.137 Eight black and white illustrations by S. Loxton of buildings and locations in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire and Bath associated with Sir Isaac Pitman and his family, *nd ca* 1910.
See also A.136, A.138.
- A.138 14pp printed booklet entitled 'Notes for Use with the Pitman Centenary Lantern Slides', containing illustrations by S. Loxton of locations associated with Isaac Pitman and his family with commentary, *nd ca* 1913.
See also A.136, A.137.
- A.139 Black and white photograph of mural tablet placed on 17 Royal Crescent, Bath by the City of Bath Corporation in commemoration of Sir Isaac Pitman, 15 July 1901.
See also A.6.
- A.140 Black and white photograph showing I. J. Pitman, C. E. Pitman and S. A. Pitman at the unveiling of a memorial plaque to Sir Isaac Pitman in Bath Abbey, 24 January 1960.
- A.141 Plaque (paper) with bust of Sir Isaac Pitman and quote about shorthand by Lord Rosebery, *nd*.

- A.142 Plaque (ceramic) with bust of Sir Isaac Pitman, Wedgwood, *nd*.
- A.142a Plaque (plaster) with bust of Sir Isaac Pitman, *nd*.

A.143-A.169 **JACOB PITMAN (1810-1890)** **1838-1945**

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Jacob Pitman.

Like his younger brother, Isaac, Jacob Pitman trained as a teacher at the Borough Road Training College of the British and Foreign School Society, London. By 1836 Jacob was married and living with his wife, a former governess who presided over a 'ladies' school', in North Nibley, Gloucestershire. In December 1837 he left London for South Australia and settled in Adelaide where he made his living as a builder, journeyman, and architect.

When he left England Jacob took 100 copies of *Stenographic Sound-Hand* with him. In September 1839 he related to his brother, Isaac, that he had distributed them to those 'in rank and office' who generally considered the system 'ingenious'. He offered shorthand lessons and was later credited with introducing phonographic shorthand to Australia.

In July 1844 having failed to secure the services of a New Church minister from England, Jacob Pitman presided over the first service of the New Church in Australia in his own home. In 1847 he was officially inaugurated as the first minister of the Adelaide Society of the New Church.

See also A.170, A.359-A.362, A.379.

The presentation is chronological.

A.143-A.157 Letters (longhand) written by Jacob Pitman and his wife, Emma, in Adelaide, South Australia to various members of his family in Wiltshire, Gloucestershire, Derbyshire, Bath and London, 1838-1855.

The letters are mainly concerned with family matters. Jacob reports events of his six months' voyage from England to Australia and describes his life and surroundings in Adelaide.

Each of the letters is accompanied by a typescript transcript.

See also A.160-A.164.

A.143 Letter to Isaac Pitman, 10 June 1838.

A.144 Letter to his sister [Melissa], 12 August 1838.

A.145 Letter to Isaac Pitman, 29 September 1839.

A.146 Letter to his parents, Samuel and Maria Pitman, 20 October 1839.

A.147 Transcript of a letter to Joseph Pitman, 22 December 1839.

A.148 Letter to his parents, Samuel and Maria Pitman, Good Friday, 1840.

A.149 Letter to his parents, Samuel and Maria Pitman, 13 July 1840.

A.150 Letter to Rosella Pitman, 21 June 1841.

A.151 Letter to his parents, Samuel and Maria Pitman, 20 February 1842.

A.152 Typescript transcript of letter to Benn Pitman, 30 April 1842.

A.153 Letter to his father, Samuel Pitman, 8 August 1853, with shorthand transcription ?by Rosella Pitman.

A.154 Letter to his father, Samuel Pitman, 13 August 1853.

A.155 Letter to Frederick Pitman, 9 May 1854.

A.156 Letter to his father, Samuel Pitman, 7 November 1854.

See also A.164.

A.157 Letter to Frederick Pitman, 14 October 1855.

- A.158 Correspondence *re* the loan of fourteen of Jacob Pitman's letters to the Historical Society of Victoria for historical research, 1923.
- At some date after their return the letters appear to have been passed on to Ernest Pitman by Lady Clausen, wife of Sir George Clausen and daughter of Mary Webster (née Pitman), sister of Jacob Pitman.
- See also A.143-A.157, A.176.
- A.159 7pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'Mount Gambier in South Australia as Described by Jacob Pitman (reprinted from the *Phonetic Journal*, 1878', nd.
- A.160 'Jacob to his parents.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
- Three letters (shorthand), 1843.
- A.161-A.164 'Family Messenger.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into four for ease of reference.
- The 'Family Messenger' was the first manuscript magazine to be produced in phonographic shorthand. Its circulation was limited to members of the Pitman family. By 1844 the number and readership of this type of phonographic magazine had greatly increased.
- A.161 Bundle of twelve letters (shorthand) with covering sheet inscribed 'The Messenger for Jacob Pitman', 1846-1847.
- A.162 Fifteen letters (shorthand), 1849-1851.
- A.163 Three letters (shorthand), 1854.
- A.164 6pp manuscript booklet (shorthand) entitled 'A Memorial ov mei Muder', by ?Isaac Pitman, 2 July 1854.
- Maria Pitman (née Davis) died on 2 July 1854.
- See also A.156.
- A.165 Newspaper cutting advertising classes in phonographic shorthand taught by J[acob] Pitman, Adelaide, Australia, nd.

- A.166 Two memorial cards, March 1890.
- A.167 Black and white photograph (mounted) of Jacob Pitman's grave stone, Rockwood Cemetery, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, nd *ca* 1890.
- A.168 Printed leaflet *re* the Adelaide Society of the New Church featuring notes on its founder, Jacob Pitman, nd *ca* 1941.
- A.169 'Centenary of the New Church in Australia, *The New Church Magazine* **LXIV (555)** 3-5, January-March 1945.

A.170-A.178 ROSELLA PITMAN (1816-1889) 1836-1955

This sub-section contains a small amount of biographical material relating to Rosella Pitman.

Like her older brother, Isaac, Rosella Pitman attended the Borough Road Training College of the British and Foreign School Society in London. After working as a teacher in Swindon, Wiltshire and Belper, Derbyshire she joined the staff of the Abbey Street School, Bethnal Green, London and subsequently became headmistress. A successful and respected teacher, she continued at the school until 1871. She was an enthusiastic phonographer and a strict teetotaler. She appears to have remained unmarried.

See also A.150, A.382.

The presentation is chronological.

A.170 Letter (longhand) addressed to Rosella Pitman at the British and Foreign School Society, Borough Road, London from her brother, Jacob, 22 July 1836.

A.171 Letter (longhand) addressed to Rosella Pitman at the British and Foreign School Society, Borough Road, London from her brother, Joseph, 27 August 1836.

Includes a geographical account of the town of Swindon, Wiltshire and the surrounding area.

A.172-A.174 Three letters (longhand) from Matthew Arnold, HM Inspector of Schools *re* arrangements for inspection visits to Abbey Street School, Bethnal Green, London, the appointment of teachers and other school business, 1853-1860.

A.172 1 October 1853.

A.173 17 January 1855.

A.174 22 October 1860.

A.175 Schoolmistresses' Certificate, April 1851 inscribed with annual HM Inspector's reports, 1854-1871.

See also A.176.

A.176 Letter *re* the loan of Rosella Pitman's Schoolmistresses' Certificate, 27 July 1933.

The certificate, along with other Pitman family documents, appears to have come into the possession of Lady Clausen, wife of Sir George Clausen and daughter of Mary Webster (née Pitman), sister of Rosella Pitman.

See also A.158, A.175.

A.177 Two black and white photographs of a silver coffee set presented to Rosella Pitman on her leaving the Abbey Street School, Bethnal Green in 1871 with covering correspondence *re* its safe-keeping, 1953.

A.178 Newspaper cutting *re* Rosella Pitman with covering correspondence, 25 July 1955.

A.179-A.203 JOSEPH PITMAN (1818-1895) 1841-1886

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Joseph Pitman.

Like his older brother, Isaac, Joseph Pitman trained as a teacher at the Borough Road Training College of the British and Foreign School Society, London. His first teaching appointment was in Bradford, Yorkshire. He became proficient in phonographic shorthand shortly after its invention and in 1841 he started a career as a travelling lecturer on and teacher of the new system.

He seems to have married in 1839. Some time in the late 1840s he entered the firm of Jonas Brook & Bros, Meltham, Yorkshire as head clerk and cashier and remained there for over thirty years. He appears to have continued to teach and offer advice on phonographic shorthand through the post during his retirement which he spent in Worthing, Sussex.

See also A.147, A.171, A.380.

The presentation is chronological.

A.179-A.182 'JP 1841.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into four for ease of reference.

A.179 Letter (longhand) from David Laverton, 6 May 1841.

David Laverton was a cousin of Joseph Pitman. He was the son of William Laverton who married a sister of Maria Pitman (née Davis).

Laverton tries to discourage his cousin from emigrating to Australia.

A.180 Two letters (shorthand) addressed to S[amuel] Pitman, Bradford [on Avon], Wiltshire, May 1841.

A.181 Letter (longhand) addressed to Benn Pitman, 23 June 1841.

Pitman informs his brother that he plans to embark on a three week lecturing tour of Wales and requests a supply of phonographic publications.

A.182 Letter (shorthand) addressed to Benn Pitman, 21 ?July 1841.

A.183-A.191 'Joseph to Benn, Henry and Fred.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into four for ease of reference.

Eighty-six letters (shorthand) addressed to Joseph, Benn and Frederick Pitman, 1841-1843.

Nine folders.

A.192 Letter (longhand) from Emma Withers, 20 August 1842.

George Withers, a nephew of Isaac Pitman's wife, was engaged like, Joseph Pitman, as a travelling lecturer in and promoter of phonographic shorthand. It is not clear from the letter whether the writer is a member of the same family.

See also A.193.

A.193 Letter (shorthand and longhand) from E[mma] Withers with 1p manuscript transcription of poem entitled 'Home' by Thomas Danville Barry, 23 August 1842.

See also A.192.

A.194-A.203 'Joseph Pitman and Ford: Old Letters.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into ten for ease of reference, 1874-1886.

Correspondence, notes and exercises (shorthand) re lessons and instruction in shorthand offered through the post.

A.194 6pp manuscript (shorthand) entitled 'Suggested Phonographic Improvements' with covering letter (shorthand) from A. Paterson, 2 May 1874.

A.195 Ten letters (shorthand), 1885-1886.

A.196 Ten letters and notes (shorthand), 1886.

A.197 Fourteen letters and notes (shorthand), 1886.

- A.198 Correspondence (longhand and shorthand) *re* postal shorthand lessons offered by Joseph Pitman and Isaac Pitman's opposition to them, 3, 6 February 1886.
- A.199 Letter (longhand) from Amelia Pitman (?wife of Joseph Pitman) to Isaac Pitman *re* Isaac's objections to Joseph's coaching of shorthand students through the post, 7 February 1886.
- A.200 Letter (longhand) and journal cutting *re* the withdrawal at Isaac Pitman's request of an advertisement for postal lessons in shorthand placed by Joseph Pitman, 16 April 1886.
- A.201 Draft letter (longhand) from J. H. Ford to the Editor of the *Phonetic Journal* *re* the judging of a phonographic writing competition by Isaac Pitman, 25 June 1886.
- A.202 Note (longhand) *re* coat links, nd.
- A.203 1p manuscript verses transcribed in phonographic shorthand and phonetic longhand by Joseph Pitman, nd.

A.204-A.254 BENJAMIN (BENN) PITMAN (1822-1910) 1836-1956

This sub-section contains bibliographical material relating to Benjamin (Benn) Pitman.

When his older brother, Isaac, moved to Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, to become Master of the new British School, Benn and his younger brother, Henry, moved from Trowbridge, Wiltshire to live with him and attend his school. At Wotton under Edge during Isaac's invention and development of phonographic shorthand, Benn and Henry learnt to use the system before it was even published. In 1842 Benn became a regular teacher and lecturer in phonography.

In the mid 1840s Bagster and Sons Ltd found that handling the growing number of phonographic publications began to interfere with their main business of Bible publishing. They therefore extended their premises into an adjoining building which was to be used exclusively for the publication of Pitman's phonographic titles. In 1846 Benn Pitman took charge of this 'Phonographic and Phonotypic Depot' assisted by his younger brothers, Henry and Frederick.

Benn Pitman retired from the lecturing circuit in 1852 in order to emigrate to the USA. The following year he founded the Phonographic Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio. He went on to become the father of American phonographic writing. During the American Civil War (1860-1865) Pitman served in the Union Army and then the government employed him as a shorthand reporter. His most important assignment, in 1865, was as the official government reporter at the trial of Abraham Lincoln's assassins.

Benn Pitman was a keen and accomplished wood carver, artist, and furniture designer. He spent his later years compiling a biography of his brother, Isaac Pitman.

Benjamin Pitman (1822-1910) is sometimes referred to as Ben but is most frequently called Benn by family and friends. He is referred to as Benn throughout this catalogue.

See also A.26-A.40, A.271, A.374.

- A.204-A.212 Biographical and bibliographical
- A.213-A.239 Professional life and recognition
- A.240-A.248 Finances
- A.249-A.254 Photographs and illustrative material

A.204-A.212	Biographical and bibliographical	1836-1956
A.204	Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Ben Pitman, 1836, 1837' used as a diary, 24 October 1836-26 December 1837. The first part of the diary, 24 October 1836-9 October 1837, is written using Taylor's system of shorthand. The second part of the diary, 8-26 December 1837 is written in phonographic shorthand. See also A.205-A.208.	
A.205, A.206	124pp manuscript transcription (longhand) of Benn Pitman's diary, 24 October 1836-26 December 1837. See also A.204, A.207, A.208. Two folders.	
A.207	Softback notebook containing typescript transcript of Benn Pitman's diary, 24 October 1836-26 December 1837. See also A.204-A.206, A.208.	
A.208	21pp typescript entitled 'Extracts from the Transcript of the Diary of Benjamin Pitman', A. J. Dando, 1937. See also A.204-A.207.	
A.209	Various newspaper cuttings re Benn Pitman, ca 1907.	
A.210	'Pitman on the Trial of Lincoln's Assassins', P. H. Giddens, <i>Tyler's Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine</i> , July 1940. Reprint.	
A.211	5pp typescript entitled 'The Story of Benn Pitman' J. Wellington Beers, <i>Reporters' Magazine</i> , January 1956.	
A.212	4pp manuscript (shorthand) entitled 'Benn Pitman's Books', nd.	

A.213-A.239	Professional life and recognition	1841-1906
A.213	Letter (shorthand) addressed to Benn Pitman, 2 January 1841.	
A.214-A.220	'Martha Watts to Benn Pitman; Miliscent Derby; 'A Friend' (Evercirculator).' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into seven for ease of reference. Letters (shorthand and longhand) ?mainly from Martha Watts to Benn Pitman, 1841-1849.	
A.214	Two letters (shorthand), 1841.	
A.215	Letter (longhand) from Martha Watts to Benn Pitman, 8 September 1842.	
A.216, A.217	Twenty-seven letters (shorthand), 1843. Two folders.	
A.218, A.219	Twenty-three letters (shorthand), 1844. Two folders.	
A.220	Nine letters (shorthand), 1845-1849.	
A.221	Letter (longhand) from Samuel and Maria Pitman to Benn and Henry Pitman, 28 September 1844.	
A.222	Letter (longhand) from Samuel and Maria Pitman to Benn and Henry Pitman, 7 May 1845.	
A.223	Letter (longhand) from Samuel and Maria Pitman to Benn and Henry Pitman, 27 September 1845.	

- A.224 Newspaper cuttings and notice of lectures on phonography delivered by Benn Pitman, nd ca 1845.
- A.225 Letter (longhand) from Samuel and Maria Pitman to Benn and Henry Pitman, 10 May 1846.
- A.226 Letter (longhand) from Thomas W. Hill to Benn Pitman re a possible visit, 23 June 1846.
- A.227 Printed advertisements for lectures and classes in phonography given by Benn and Henry Pitman, ca 1846.
- A.228 Poster advertising two lectures to be given by B[enn] Pitman on 'Writing and Printing Reform', Blackheath Institution, London, 20, 27 January 1848.
- A.229 37pp manuscript (longhand and shorthand) entitled 'United States Cincint. Court Southern District of Ohio: Andrew J. Graham vs Benn Pitman', 1864.

A. J. Graham apparently adopted phonographic shorthand shortly after Benn Pitman's arrival in the USA and subsequently began publishing the Graham system of shorthand. He later brought a suit against Benn Pitman for shorthand piracy. The cause lay before the court with no action for many years before in 1872 it was dismissed and Graham was ordered to pay Pitman his costs.

See also A.230-A.232.
- A.230 Transcript (shorthand) of testimony in case brought against Benn Pitman by Graham and Underhill, New York, USA, 1864.

See also A.229, A.231, A.232.
- A.231, A.232 'Shorthand transcript of the testimony in the case against Benn Pitman and his covering letter to Isaac Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.

See also A.229, A.230.
- A.231 148pp transcript (shorthand), 15 April 1864.

- A.232 Letter (shorthand), 2 September 1864.
- A.233 Letter (shorthand) from Benn Pitman to Isaac Pitman, 30 August 1892.
- A.234 Letter (longhand) with typescript transcript from Benn Pitman to Isaac Pitman re a disagreement over the dissemination of North American phonographic material in England and a possible loan of £100, 5 August 1893.
- A.235 Letter (shorthand) from Benn Pitman, 4 December 1899.
- A.236 Printed material re to the 'Golden Shorthand Jubilee of Mr. Benn Pitman in America', 1903.
- A.237 National Shorthand Reports' Association 7th Annual Convention, Chautauqua, New York, USA, 15-18 August 1905.

Benn Pitman gave a paper entitled 'The Beginnings of Pitmanic Shorthand in England and in the United States as I Know Them'.

Programme.
- A.238 Letter (longhand) from Benn Pitman to A. J. Singer re his biography of Isaac Pitman, 10 March 1906.
- A.239 'Copies of Circular on Printing and Writing Reform by Benn Pitman.' Contents of folder so inscribed.

Ten copies of letter (longhand) sent out with a paper on writing reform as a introduction to phonography, nd.

A.240-A.248	Finances	1844-1850
A.240-A.245	'Accounts - mostly Benn Pitman.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into six for ease of reference. Various personal and business bills, invoices, accounts and receipts, 1844-1848.	
A.240	1844.	
A.241	1845.	
A.242, A.243	1846. Two folders.	
A.244	1847.	
A.245	1848.	
A.246	Accounts and receipts <i>re</i> the sale of phonographic publications, 1845-1850.	
A.247	Various invoices and receipts <i>re</i> the publication of phonographic advertisements in newspapers, magazines and journals, 1846-1847.	
A.248	'Accounts - mostly Benn Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed. Accounts and invoices <i>re</i> the refurbishment of the Phonographic and Phonotypic Depot, London with covering note from Benn Pitman to Bagster and Sons Ltd, January 1847.	

A.249-A.254	Photographs and illustrative material	ca 1855, 1903, nd
A.249	Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), <i>ca</i> 1855.	
A.249a	Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), <i>nd</i> .	
A.250	Three portrait postcards commemorating fifty years of American shorthand, 1903.	
A.251	Black and white photograph (mounted) of Benn Pitman in his garden, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, <i>nd ca</i> ?1903.	
A.252	Black and white photograph (mounted) of the view from Benn Pitman's porch, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, <i>nd ca</i> ?1903.	
A.253	Black and white photograph of Benn Pitman's house, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, <i>nd</i> .	
A.254	Various reproduction photographs and drawings of Benn Pitman extracted from publications, <i>nd</i> .	

A.255-A.274 HENRY PITMAN (1826-1909) 1847-1910

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Henry Pitman.

When his brother, Isaac, moved to Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, to become Master of the new British School, Henry and his older brother, Benn, moved from Trowbridge, Wiltshire to live with him and attend his school. At Wotton under Edge during Isaac's invention and development of phonographic shorthand, Henry and Benn learnt to use the system before it was even published.

In the early 1840s Henry, like his brothers, Benn and Frederick, became a regular teacher and lecturer in phonography. He later combined professional shorthand writing and teaching with newspaper reporting and eventually settled in Manchester where he worked for both the 'Manchester Guardian' and the 'Manchester Courier'.

He was a committed supporter of the co-operative movement and for several years published the *Co-operator* magazine. He served as the official shorthand writer of the Annual Co-operative Congress for over forty years. Like his brother, Isaac, Henry Pitman was a vegetarian and a teetotaler. He was also strongly opposed to vaccination.

The presentation is chronological.

A.255 Letter (longhand) to Henry Pitman from ?his parents, 24 August 1847.

A.256 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Henry Pitman and black and white photographic reproduction, nd ca ?1855.

A.257-A.259 Letters (shorthand) from Henry Pitman re ?Co-operative Society business, 1868-1870.

A.257 Six letters (shorthand) with manuscript transcriptions, 1868.

A.258 Seven letters (shorthand) with manuscript transcriptions, 1869.

A.259 Letter (shorthand) with manuscript transcription, 1870.

A.260 Printed advertisement with shorthand annotation for lectures on phonographic shorthand delivered by Henry Pitman, 1881.

A.261 Black and white photographic portrait of Henry Pitman, nd ca ?1900.

A.262-A.267 'Henry Pitman to his nephews.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into six for ease of reference.

Correspondence (shorthand) with Alfred and Ernest Pitman re family matters and Henry Pitman's financial difficulties, 1897-1910.

A.268-A.270 Correspondence and papers (longhand and shorthand) re Henry Pitman, his appeals to Alfred and Ernest Pitman for financial assistance and their suspicion of his involvement in the publication of Benn Pitman's 'unauthorised' biography of Isaac Pitman, 1897-1910.

See also A.294-A.296.

Three folders.

A.271 Letter (longhand) addressed to Alfred Pitman re grocery debts incurred by Henry Pitman, 18 October 1907.

A.272 Postcard of the parish church, Trowbridge, Wiltshire written in shorthand and addressed to Henry Pitman, 24 September 1908.

A.273 Letter (shorthand) addressed to ?Henry Pitman re the death of Benn Pitman's infant son, nd.

A.274 Letter (shorthand) from Henry Pitman to Mary [Pitman, his sister] re Trowbridge, Wiltshire with typescript transcription, nd.

A.275-A.288 **FREDERICK PITMAN (1828-1886)** **ca 1840-1896**

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Frederick Pitman.

Frederick Pitman's education was undertaken at first by his older brother, Isaac Pitman, in Wotton under Edge. After attending a school in Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire he joined his brother in Bath where he worked in a solicitor's office. In the mid 1840s he became a regular teacher and travelling lecturer in phonography.

From 1847 at the age of nineteen he began superintending business at the Phonographic and Phonotypic Depot in London. In October 1849 he set up his own publishing business based at 20 Paternoster Row and subsequently published all of his brother, Isaac Pitman's phonographic books and journals. In addition, he developed a large and successful music publishing business.

When, in 1864, the Royal Society of Arts held its first annual shorthand examination Frederick Pitman was the examiner. He was the author of several manuals and books on the practical uses of phonographic shorthand. In 1866 he founded the *Shorthand Magazine* and remained its editor until his death. He was also actively involved in the spelling reform movement.

See also A.376.

The presentation is chronological.

A.275 'Miniature portrait of ?Frederick Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.

Small oval framed portrait in ?water colours, nd ca ?1840.

A.276 Softback notebook containing accounts entitled on the first page 'B., H., and F. Pitman in a/c with Mr S. Pitman', 1841-1842.

See also A.204-A.274.

A.277 Letter (longhand) addressed to Frederick Pitman *re* lessons in phonographic shorthand, 14 December 1868.

A.278 Three letters (shorthand) from Frederick Pitman *re* the publication of phonographic works with manuscript transcriptions, 1868, 1875,

A.279 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Fred Pitman'z De Buk' containing accounts, 1868-1874.

A.280 Letter (longhand) from W. Hardcastle *re* phonographic shorthand writing, 27 May 1869.

A.281 Letter (shorthand) from M. Stokes *re* exercises in phonographic shorthand writing with manuscript transcription, 1 September 1869.

A.282 Softback notebook containing accounts entitled on the front page 'Ordered by F. Pitman' 1869-1871. Loose material intercalated.

A.283 Letter (shorthand) from G. Stedham, 14 February 1870.

A.284 Hardback ledger containing accounts, 1873-1896.

A.285 Printed advertisement for private shorthand lessons conducted by Frederick Pitman (annotated), 24 March 1884.

A.286 Hardback notebook containing accounts, 1884-1891. Loose material intercalated.

A.287 *How to Get Speed in Shorthand*, F. Pitman, nd.

A.288 Printed advertisement for shorthand publications by Frederick Pitman, nd.

A.289-A.304 **ALFRED PITMAN (1862-1952)** **1870-1932**

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Alfred Pitman.

Alfred Pitman was educated at Bath College. He joined his father at the Phonetic Institute and in 1886 Isaac Pitman acknowledged his contribution to the business by announcing that in future the title of the firm would be 'Isaac Pitman and Sons'.

See also A.305-A.312.

The presentation is chronological.

A.289 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Alfred Pitman as a child, May 1870.

A.290 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Alfred Pitman (standing) and his younger brother, Ernest Pitman (seated), nd ca early 1870s.

A.291 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), nd ca 1880.

A.292 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), nd ca 1885.

A.293 Copy deed of dissolution of the partnership between Sir Isaac Pitman and his sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman, 10 August 1894.

See also A.100, A.101, A.297, A.298, A.301.

A.294-A.296 'Alfred and Ernest to Henry Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.

Correspondence (longhand and shorthand) and papers from various members of the Pitman family re Henry Pitman, his health, financial situation and possible involvement in the publication of Benn Pitman's biography of Isaac Pitman, 1897-1910.

See also A.268-A.270.

Three folders.

A.297 Articles of family arrangement between Lady (Isabella) Pitman and her sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman, 12 May 1894.

See also A.100, A.101, A.293, A.298, A.301.

A.298 Articles of family arrangement between Lady (Isabella) Pitman and her sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman, 12 May 1899 with supplemental articles annexed, 13 August 1900, 13 November 1908 and 14 January 1913.

See also A.100, A.101, A.293, A.297, A.301.

A.299 Release of Lady (Isabella) Pitman to her sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman re a payment to H. J. Masters at the death of Lady Pitman, 13 August 1900.

A.300 Letter (longhand) addressed to Alfred Pitman re raising funds for the Vegetarian Society, 21 October 1907.

A.301 Copy articles of family arrangement between Lady Isabella Pitman and her sons, Alfred and Ernest Pitman, 14 January 1913.

See also A.100, A.101, A.293, A.297, A.298.

A.302 Jubilee dinner to commemorate Alfred Pitman's fifty years of association with the House of Pitman, Bath, 2 May 1932.

See also A.303.

Menu.

A.303 Jubilee dinner to commemorate Alfred Pitman's fifty years of association with the House of Pitman, London, 24 May 1932.

See also A.302.

Menu.

A.304 *Half a Century of Commercial Education and Publishing*, A. Pitman, nd.

A.305-A.313

ERNEST PITMAN (1864-1948)

ca 1870-1948

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Ernest Pitman.

Ernest Pitman was educated at Bath College. In 1883 he joined his father and older brother, Alfred, at the Phonetic Institute and in 1886 Isaac Pitman acknowledged their contribution to the business by announcing that in future the title of the firm would be 'Isaac Pitman and Sons'.

In 1892 Ernest Pitman and his brother, Alfred, jointly acquired the Metropolitan School of Shorthand subsequently known as Pitman's College. Ernest was largely responsible for the consolidation and development of the College which aimed to equip students for careers in business.

He was keenly interested in mechanical innovation and was among the earliest owners of a typewriter. In early 1899 he became the first owner of a car in the west of England. He was also an enthusiastic early aviator.

See also A.289-A.304.

The presentation is chronological.

- A.305 Two black and white photographic portraits (mounted) of Ernest Pitman as a child, nd ca 1868, 1870.
- A.306 1p manuscript draft entitled 'Objects' signed by Ernest Pitman setting out his main career and life objectives, 25 August 1890.
- A.307 Two black and white photographic portraits (mounted) of Ernest Pitman as a young man, August 1892, nd ca 1900.
- A.308 Off print from the *Morning Leader* entitled 'Aeroplane Smash: Bath Aviator's Narrow Escape on the Heights of Lansdown' re a test flight by Ernest Pitman, 10 August 1910.
- A.309 5pp typescript entitled 'Pitmanite' re the life and interests of Ernest Pitman, nd ca ?1915.
- A.310 Black and white photographic portrait, nd ca 1920.

- A.311 Ticket, luggage label, menu card, off prints, correspondence and two black and white postcards re two Zeppelin flights to the UK on which Ernest Pitman and members of his family were passengers, 1931, 1932.
- A.311a Correspondence, press cuttings and 11pp typescript of speeches re a formal dinner on the occasion of Ernest Pitman's retirement, 18 February 1933.
- A.312 Correspondence (longhand) and hardback notebook re Pitman family history, 1940-1941.
- A.313 8pp typescript entitled 'Ernest Pitman, Esq' re the life and interests of Ernest Pitman, nd ca ?1948.

A.314-A.500 SIR (ISAAC) JAMES PITMAN (1901-1985) 1904-1978

This sub-section contains biographical material relating to Sir (Isaac) James Pitman.

(Isaac) James Pitman was born in London on 14 August 1901, the eldest son of Ernest and Frances Pitman and the grandson of Sir Isaac Pitman. He was educated at Eton and obtained a degree in modern history at Christ Church, Oxford in 1923. He was a keen sportsman and was a member of the Oxford rugby, athletics, and skiing teams. After graduating he joined the family business, Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons, which by then comprised three sections - office training, publishing and printing - and became chairman in 1934.

During World War II, from 1940 to 1943, he served as a squadron leader in RAFVR. In 1941 he became Director of the Bank of England, and in 1943 he was appointed to the Treasury as first Director of Organisation and Methods. He was asked to stand as a Conservative candidate for Bath in the 1945 general election and was elected. Although he never attained ministerial rank, he played a prominent part in politics until his retirement in 1964.

Throughout his career Pitman was a keen advocate of spelling reform. His later years were occupied by his efforts to establish the initial teaching alphabet (ita) as the preferred method of teaching children, especially those with learning difficulties, to read.

James Pitman married Margaret Beaufort Lawson Johnston, daughter of Lord Luke of Pavenham in 1927. In 1961 he was appointed KBE. Between 1966 and 1981 he was charter pro-chancellor of the University of Bath. He received honorary degrees from the universities of Bath and Strathclyde.

See also Section D and Section E.

- A.314-A.390 Education, career, and recognition
- A.391-A.424 Societies and organisations
- A.425-A.453 Pitman family history
- A.454-A.500 Photographs and illustrative material

A.314-A.390 Education, career, and recognition 1906-1982

This sub-section contains material relating to the early life and professional career of Sir James Pitman. It includes school reports

The presentation is chronological.

See also A.356-A.387.

- A.314 Letter from Ernest Pitman to his eldest son on the occasion of his fifth birthday with dried flower enclosure, 12 August 1906.
- A.315 Three reports from Bath High School, 1907-1908.
- A.316 Colour postcard showing Master I. J. Pitman on horseback and in costume as John, son of Sir Bevil Grenville for Bath Historical Pageant, 1909.
- A.317 Five reports from St Christopher's School, Bath, 1980-1910.
- A.318 Midsummer report, St Christopher's School, Bath, 1909.
- A.319 Fifteen mid-term reports, Summer Fields School, Oxford, UK, June 1910-March 1915.
- A.320, A.321 Correspondence between C. E. Williams, Headmaster of Summer Fields School, Oxford, UK, and Mr and Mrs Pitman re the academic progress and achievements of their son, 1910-1915.

Two folders.
- A.322 Five medical reports, Summer Fields School, Oxford, UK, 1910-1915.
- A.323 Five programmes for annual Summer Fields School musical and theatrical events, 1910-1913.

- A.324 Bill for school fees with accompanying invoices for goods and services received, December 1913.
- A.325 Programme of sporting events and competitors (annotated), Summer Fields School, Oxford, UK, 28 March 1914.
- A.326 Summer Fields School Jubilee Commemoration programme, 13 June 1914.
- A.327 Certificate of confirmation and order of service, All Saints Church, Weston, Bath, UK, 29 March 1915.
- A.328-A.333 Correspondence and reports re Pitman's progress as a pupil at Eton College, Windsor, Berkshire, UK, 1915-1920.

Six folders.
- A.334 The Brinton Club Dinner menu, London, 8 July 1920.
- A.335 Hardback notebook containing banking and investment accounts, 1922-1925. Loose material intercalated.
- A.336 Typescript and manuscript (shorthand) reports re a trip to Canada by James Pitman, September 1925.
- A.337 Letters of introduction to various manufacturers of printing machinery in Canada and the USA, 1925.
- A.338-A.341 Letters to Pitman from Margaret 'Beau' Lawson Johnson, 1926-1928.

Four folders.
- A.342 Marriage certificate of Isaac James Pitman and Margaret Beaufort Lawson Johnson, St Thomas, Portman Square, London, 28 April 1927.

- A.343 'Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons Ltd: Centenary Year of Pitman's Shorthand - Mr I. J. Pitman on Secretarial Training', *The Times*, 14 July 1937.
- A.344 Two copperplate invitations re a commemoration dinner to celebrate the centenary of the invention of Pitman shorthand, London, 22 July 1937.
- A.345 'Sir Isaac Pitman: 100 Years of Educational Idealism' by I. J. Pitman, November 1937.

Printed transcripts of a speech broadcast from Wotton under Edge in the West Regional programme on the occasion of the celebration dinner commemorating the centenary of Isaac Pitman's work.
- A.346 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Bath Plan' containing cuttings from the *Bath Chronicle* re a plan for the future development of the city of Bath, 1945.
- A.347-A.358 Press cuttings re politics in Bath, 1945-1950.
- A.347 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(1) Bath - Political', January-April 1945.
- A.348 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(2) Bath - Political: IJP & Conservatives (& General)', March-June 1945.
- A.349 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(3) Bath - Political: Liberal', April-July 1945.
- A.350 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(4) Bath - Political: Labour & Communist', March-July 1945.
- A.351 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(5) Bath - Political: IJP - Conservatives & General', June-July 1945.
- A.352 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(6) Politics: IJP - Conservatives & General', July-November 1945.

- A.353 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(7) Politics: IJP: Conservatives and General', November 1945-March 1946.'
- A.354 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(8) Politics: IJP: Conservatives and General', March-July 1946.
- A.355 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(9) Politics: IJP: Conservatives and General', July 1946-April 1947.
- A.356 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(10) Politics: IJP: Conservatives and General', April 1947-March 1948.
- A.357 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(11) Politics: IJP - Conservatives & General', March 1948-November 1950.
- A.358 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover '(12) The Election 1950', February 1950.
- A.359 Election leaflet for I. J. Pitman, Conservative candidate for Bath, 5 July 1945.
- A.360 Hardback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Game Register' containing a record of game killed, 1948-1971. Loose material intercalated.
- A.361-A.363 Three softback notebooks inscribed on the front cover 'Gas Controversy I-III' containing press cuttings *re* an increase in gas prices in Bath, August 1949-March 1950.
Three folders.
- A.364-A.373 Extracts from Hansard and newspaper cuttings *re* to James Pitman's parliamentary questions and speeches, 1949-1964.
- A.364 1949-1950.

- A.365 1951-1952.
- A.366 1953-1955.
- A.367 1956.
- A.368 1957.
- A.369 1958.
- A.370 1959.
- A.371 1960-1961.
- A.372 1962-1963.
- A.373 1964.
- A.374 'Bath.' Contents of folder so inscribed.
Correspondence and newspaper cuttings *re* the award of the freedom of the City of Bath to Winston Churchill, 20 July 1950.
- A.375-A.377 'Bath Extension Act (1950).' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.
Papers and correspondence *re* the Bath Extension Act which aimed to extend the boundaries of the City of Bath to include parts of the adjoining parishes situated in the rural district of Bathavon in the administrative County of Somerset, 1950.
Three folders.

- A.378, A.379 Two softback notebooks inscribed on the front cover 'General Election 1951 I, II' containing press cuttings, September-November 1951.

Two folders.
- A.380 'Bath Running Track.' Contents of folder so inscribed.

Correspondence, papers and newspapers cuttings *re* the provision of a new athletic running track for Bath, 1960-1965.
- A.381a Box inscribed 'K.B.E' containing the insignia (star, neck badge and ribbon) of a Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

James Pitman was appointed KBE in 1961.
- A.381 'Flooding at Bath.' Contents of folder so inscribed.

Correspondence and newspaper cuttings *re* flooding in Bath, 1963-1964.
- A.382 Invitation to accept an appointment as first Pro-Chancellor of Bath University of Technology with bound copy of *A Technological University: An Experiment in Bath* with an inscription by George H. Moore, Vice-Chancellor, 1965-1966.
- A.383 Certificate of membership of Kappa Delta Pi, Hofstra University, New York, USA, 14 June 1969.
- A.384 Certificate of Doctor of Humane Letters (*honoris causa*) awarded by Hofstra University, New York, USA, 15 June 1969.
- A.385 Certificate of Doctor of Letters (*honoris causa*) awarded by the University of Strathclyde, Scotland, UK, 10 April 1970.
- A.386 '...the startling speed of I. J. Pitman', an interview by Leonard Buckley, *The Times Educational Supplement*, 29 May 1970.

- A.387 Biographical details of Sir James Pitman, KBE, Chairman, ITA Foundation, May 1971.
- A.388 Programme, Union Club of Cleveland dinner in honour of the visit of Sir James Pitman to the Educational Research Council of America, 24 April 1972.
- A.389 Programme, House of Commons dinner in honour of Sir James Pitman, Life President of the United Kingdom ita Federation, 6 November 1982.
- A.390 Order of Service, Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Isaac James Pitman, St Andrews Church, Chelsea Park Gardens, London, UK, 6 September 1985.
- A.391-A.424 Societies and Organisations 1939-1980**
- The presentation is alphabetical by name of society, organisation or institution.
- A.391 Action Committee for Bath Spa Preservation.

Papers *re* the redevelopment of Bath as a spa sent to Pitman for information, 1977.
- A.392 Association of Programmed Learning and Educational Technology (APLET).

Pitman served as president.

Correspondence and papers *re* activities and meetings, 1972-1980.
- A.393-A.399 Boots Company Ltd.

Pitman served was a director of the Boots Company Ltd from March 1951 to October 1972.
- A.393-A.395 Papers and correspondence *re* the Company, 1948-1977.

Three folders.

- A.396-A.399 Papers and correspondence *re* Boots Charitable Trust, 1971-1980.
Pitman serves as a trustee.
Four folders.
- A.400 Bovril Ltd.
Pitman served as a director of Bovril Ltd between 1949 and 1971.
Papers and correspondence *re* the Company and Pitman's resignation, 1954-1971.
- A.401 British Association for Commercial and Industrial Education.
Part-Time Day Education for the Adolescent: Past Experience and Future Development, British Association for Commercial and Industrial Education Conference, Rugby, Warwickshire, UK, 29 September 1942.
James Pitman served as Honorary Treasurer of the British Association for Commercial and Industrial Education.
Report.
- A.402, A.403 'British Council.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.
Correspondence and papers *re* the 7th Annual Conference of the International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language (IATEFL) and the possible organisation of a conference on English as the language of international communication, 1974-1978.
- A.404, A.405 Garnett College (College of Education for Teachers in Further Education), London.
Pitman was a member of the governing body of the College.
Correspondence and papers *re* governors' meetings, 1973-1980.
Two folders.

- A.406, A.407 'Institute of Linguists.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.
Papers and correspondence *re* the Institute and meetings of its Council, 1971-1977.
James Pitman served as a vice-president of the Institute.
Two folders.
- A.408-A.411 'LSE.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into four for ease of reference.
Papers and correspondence *re* an appeal to raise money for the British Library of Political and Economic Science, 1971-1977.
James Pitman served as a member of the Court of Governors of the London School of Economics.
Four folders.
- A.412 'Monkton Combe School.' Contents of folder so inscribed.
Correspondence *re* the constitution of Monkton Combe School, Bath, UK, 1954-1955.
James Pitman was a governor of the school and served on a sub-committee set up to examine possible changes to its constitution.
- A.413, A.414 National Council on Commercial Education.
James Pitman served as a vice-president of the National Council on Commercial Education.
- A.413 5th National Conference on Commercial Education, Folkestone, Kent, 1939.
List of delegates.
- A.414 List of Members, 1942.
- A.415 Parliamentary Group for World Government.
Pitman served as a President.
Correspondence and papers *re* meetings and business, 1975-1976.

- A.416 Prowde's Charity.
Pitman served as a trustee.
Correspondence and papers *re* business, 1974-1976.
- A.417, A.418 University of London Institute of Education.
Pitman was a Council member of the Committee of Management and served on the Publications Committee.
- A.417 Papers and correspondence *re* meetings of the Committee of Management, 1969-1976.
- A.418 Papers and correspondence *re* meetings of the Publications Committee, 1973-1977.
- A.419-A.424 General correspondence *re* Pitman's interests and his membership, patronage and support of various organisations and institutions, 1963-1977.
Sorted alphabetically by name of correspondent.
- A.419 A, B.
- A.420 C-F.
- A.421 G, H.
- A.422 I-O.
- A.423 P-S.
- A.424 T-Z.

- A.425-A.453 Pitman family history 1893-1958**
Material relating to James Pitman's interest in the history of various branches of the Pitman family is presented here.
The presentation is chronological.
- A.425-A.427 'Ben Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into three for ease of reference.
Correspondence and papers *re* James Pitman's research into Ben Pitman (1821-1896) who emigrated to Australia in 1840, and his descendants, 1939-1952.
Three folders.
- A.428-A.431 'Jacob Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into four for ease of reference.
Correspondence and papers *re* James Pitman's research into Jacob Pitman (1810-1890) who emigrated to Australia in 1838, and his descendants, 1947-1953.
Includes black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Jacob Pitman, 1866.
Four folders.
- A.432-A.436 'William Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into five for ease of reference.
Papers, correspondence and photographs *re* James Pitman's research into William Pitman (1799-1859) who emigrated to Australia in 1840, and his descendants, 1949-1953.
Five folders.
- A.437, A.438 'John Pitman.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.
Correspondence and papers *re* James Pitman's research into John Pitman (1820-1907) who emigrated to Australia in 1851, and his descendants, 1950-1952.
Two folders.

- A.439, A.440 'Miscellaneous.' Contents of envelope so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.

Correspondence and papers *re* James Pitman's research into the Australian branch of the Pitman family, 1949-1954.

Two folders.
- A.441 4pp typescript entitled 'Australian Broadcast by Mr I. J. Pitman' *re* the Australian branch of the Pitman family, nd.
- A.442, A.443 'Family Tree.' Contents of folder so inscribed divided into two for ease of reference.

Correspondence, newspaper cuttings, notes and diagrams *re* the history and fortunes of various branches of the Pitman family around the world, 1952-1958.

Two folders.
- A.444-A.451 'Pitman Family.' Contents of folder so inscribed.

Typescript transcripts of biographical journal extracts *re* various members of the Pitman family.
- A.444 Benn Pitman (1822-1910).
- A.445 Frederick Pitman (1828-1886).
- A.446 Henry Pitman (1826-1909).
- A.447 Isaac Pitman (1813-1897).
- A.448 Jacob Pitman (1810-1890).
- A.449 Joseph Pitman (1818-1895).

- A.450 Mary Pitman, Mrs Webster (1824-1912)
- A.451 Rosella Pitman (1816-1898).
- A.452, A.453 Typescript transcripts of various documents and letters *re* Pitman family legal transactions, 1893-1895.

Two folders.
- A.454-A.500 Photographs and illustrative material 1904-ca 1970s**
- Photographs and a range of other illustrative material relating to Sir James Pitman and various subjects connected to his life and work are presented here.

The presentation is chronological.
- A.454 Black and white photograph (mounted) of James Pitman and his brother, Christian, in the bath tub, 1904.
- A.455 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted), nd *ca* 1920.
- A.456 Black and white photographic portrait, nd *ca* 1926.
- A.457-A.483 Series of prints of etchings by Cyril H. Barraud showing Sir Isaac Pitman and locations connected with his life, 1936-1962.

The etchings were commissioned by Sir James Pitman and were used by him and his wife as designs for Christmas cards.
- A.457 (1) A view of the house in which Isaac Pitman was born in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK.
- A.458 (2) A view of St James church, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK. The site of the school attended by Isaac Pitman is shown in the open space in the foreground.

- A.459 (3) Edgell's cloth factory, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK, where Isaac Pitman worked as a clerk after leaving school.
- A.460 (4) A view of the village of Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, UK showing the school (left) at which Isaac Pitman was headmaster.
- A.461 (5) Isaac Pitman aged 32.
- A.462 (6) Isaac Pitman aged 46.
- A.463 (7) Isaac Pitman as painted by Sir Arthur Cope in 1897.
- A.464 (8) First Phonetic Institute, 5 Nelson Place, Bath, UK.
- A.465 (9) Second Phonetic Institute, 1 Albion Place, Bath, uk.
- A.466 (10) Fourth Phonetic Institute, Kingston Buildings, Abbey Churchyard, Bath, UK.
- A.467 (11) Door of Isaac Pitman's house, Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, UK.
- A.468 (12) 3 Darlington Place, Bath, UK., Isaac Pitman's home from 1858 until 1879.
- A.469 (13) Hazelwood, Warminster Road, Bath, UK, constructed by Isaac Pitman in 1879.
- A.470 (14) Royal Crescent, Bath, UK where resided from 1892 until his death in 1897.

- A.471 (15) Isaac Pitman's library.
- A.472 (16) Borough Road Training College, London, UK, at which Isaac Pitman trained as a teacher in 1832.
- A.473 (17) 4 Trowbridge Down, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK, where Isaac Pitman lived with his parents and brothers and sisters from 1826.
- A.474 (19) 44 and 45 Timbrell Street, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK, the Pitman family home during 19825 and 1926.
- A.475 (20) The Folly, Sim Lane, Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire, UK, where Isaac Pitman opened a new British School in 1836.
- A.476 (21) House and factory, Silver Street, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK, location of the Pitman family cloth business.
- A.477 (22) The Mill, Silver Street, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK, where Isaac Pitman worked for his father between 1929 and 1831.
- A.478 (23) 2 Landsdown Terrace, Bath, UK where Isaac Pitman took up residence in 1855.
- A.479 (24) Kingston House, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, UK where Samuel Pitman moved his residence and business in 1836.
- A.480 (25) Zion Chapel, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, UK attended by Isaac's mother, Maria Pitman.
- A.481 (26) New Church, Henry Street, Bath, UK attended by Isaac Pitman.
- A.482 (27) 13 Queen Street, Barton on Humber, Lincolnshire, UK where Isaac Pitman took up his first professional teaching position in 1832.

- A.483 (28) The Laurels, Barton on Humber, Lincolnshire, UK, where Isaac Pitman and his wife lived after their marriage in 1835.
- A.484 Black and white photograph (mounted) endorsed 'Skerry's College Diamond Jubilee' showing a group of attendees, including James Pitman, at a dinner dance, 21 January 1938.
- A.485 Black and white ink portrait drawing, 1948.
- A.486 Black and white photograph of grant of arms, 1955.
- A.487 Colour photograph showing James Pitman on the 'terrace of the House of Commons' with covering note, 6 January 1956.
- A.488 31st Annual Pitman Fellowship Dinner, London, 3 January 1959.
Two black and white photographs.
- A.489 Black and white photograph showing James Pitman with a group of ?colleagues, nd ca 1959.
- A.490 Black and white publicity photograph showing Sir James Pitman holding a chart of the Erhardt Augmented Roman Alphabet, August 1960.
- A.491 Black and white photograph showing Sir James Pitman reading with children in a classroom, St Dominic's School, Stone, Staffordshire, UK, 1962.
See also E.396-E.534.
- A.492 Black and white photograph showing Sir James Pitman reading with children in a classroom, [?Southend on Sea, Essex, UK], 21 January 1963.
See also E.396-E.534.

- A.493 Black and white photograph showing Sir James Pitman reading with children and teachers in a classroom, [Yorkshire, UK], June 1963.
See also E.396-E.534.
- A.494 Black and white photograph (mounted) showing group of ?conference attendees including James Pitman and his wife, nd ca ?1960s.
- A.495 Black and white photograph showing Sir James Pitman addressing a classroom of children, Bethlehem, USA, 15 October 1974.
See also E.396-E.534.
- A.496 Black and white photographic portrait, nd ca 1970s.
- A.497 Miscellaneous black and white publicity photographs of Sir James Pitman, nd ca 1970s.
- A.498 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of John Lawson Johnston, father of George Lawson Johnston, Lord Luke and grandfather of Margaret Beaufort Lawson Johnston, Lady Pitman, nd.
- A.499 Black and white photographic portrait endorsed 'Hugh de B. Lawson Johnston', nd.
- A.500 Six inches to one mile ordinance survey map of Bath inscribed on the front cover 'Bath (showing the boundaries of the constituency)', nd.

A.501-A.519 MISCELLANEOUS 1846-1959

This sub-section contains miscellaneous material that appears to relate to various members of the extended Pitman family.

The presentation is chronological.

A.501 Letter (longhand) from Maria Pitman to her daughter, Mary, 6 June 1846.

A.502-A.504 Three black and white watercolour portraits of ?members of the Pitman family by Abraham Wivell, who exhibited at the Royal Academy, 1822-1854.

A.502 Portrait endorsed '?Miss Pitman, sister to I. P.', 1846.

A.503 Portrait endorsed '?Miss Pitman, sister to I. P.', 1846.

A.504 Portrait endorsed '?Sir Isaac Pitman's father', nd.

A.505 Softback notebook containing notes (shorthand) entitled 'Journey to Paris', 1852.

A.506 Black and white photographic portrait of Samuel Pitman (1787-1863), father of Isaac Pitman, nd ca 1850s.

A.507 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Pansy Pitman, daughter of Benn Pitman, nd ca 1890s.

A.508 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Clarence Pitman, nd ca 1890s.

A.509 Black and white photographic portrait (mounted) of Clarence Pitman and his family, nd ca 1890s.

A.510 Letter (longhand) from Mary Webster (née Pitman) re a biography of Isaac Pitman written by Benn Pitman, 28 January 1903.

A.511 Postcard of the parish church, Trowbridge, Wiltshire addressed to Mary Webster, 23 December 1908.

A.512 Team schedules, boating calendars and two black and white photographs relating to the rowing career of Christian E. Pitman, brother of Isaac James Pitman, at Eton College, Windsor, UK, 1920-1922.

A.513 Black and white photographic portrait of Clarence A. Pitman, September 1921.

A.514 Two black and white photographic portraits (mounted) of Christian E. Pitman, brother of Isaac James Pitman, 1921.

A.515 Black and white photographic portrait (damaged) showing pilot Honor Pitman, granddaughter of Sir Isaac Pitman, with an aeroplane, 1928.

A.516 Correspondence and newspaper cutting re Melrose Pitman, daughter of Benn Pitman, 1937, 1959.

A.517 'Miniature portrait?'. Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Colour portrait of unidentified man in wooden frame, nd.

A.518 Miniature silhouette portrait endorsed '? a member of the Pitman family', nd.

A.519 Two black and white photographs of Captain Peter Pitman-Butler, son of Ernest Pitman, on his polo horse, nd.

A.520 Bible owned by Isabella Pitman (née Masters) inscribed on the inside cover with the names and dates of birth of members of the Masters family, nd.