

THE REV JOHN BOOKER COLLECTION
C.7.47-49

Papers of the Rev John Booker (1820-1895), curate of Prestwich, 1848-58. Consists mainly of material produced by Booker for his Chetham Society publications on chapelries in the parish of Manchester. See *A History of the Ancient Parish of Denton*, Chetham Miscellanies, o. s. 37 (1855), *A History of the Ancient Chapels of Didsbury and Chorlton*, Chetham Society, o. s. 42 (1857), and *A History of the Ancient Chapel of Birch*, Chetham Society, o. s. 47 (1859).

Provenance: cf Minutes of Local Committee, 19 March 1896, (C/CHL/LC/3, p 17): "A letter was read from Mrs Booker, widow of the late Revd John Booker, Vicar of Elmbridge, Droitwich, in which she stated that her late husband had bequeathed the interleaved copies with MS notes of the several volumes he had written on the topography of Lancashire to the Chetham Library, and she mentioned that it was her husband's wish that if he himself were unable to publish the notes they should be edited and published by the Chetham Society. Mrs Booker further stated that if in the cost, or any other way, she and her family could assist in this they would only be too glad to co-operate in the work".

Archivist's note: the bundles were left in the order in which they were found, but were numbered and catalogued by H. Lofthouse in August 1953. A few copies of the Manchester Mercury for 1770 and 1771, which were in very poor condition, were removed and added to the collection of miscellaneous newspapers.

In order to aid the location of material, two series have been created:

/1 Papers of Rev John Booker, 1830s-1850s (15 files), page 1.

/2 Printed volumes of Rev John Booker, 1852-1859 (5 files), page 3.

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C.7.47 1-5; C.7.48 6-15	<i>Papers of Rev John Booker</i>	1830s-1850s
C.7.47 no 1	Prestwich papers: notes, transcripts, newspaper clippings.	nd [?1850s]
C.7.47 no 2	Draft (in Booker's hand) of part of his <i>Memorials of Prestwich</i> .	nd [?1850s]
C.7.47 no 3	Revisions of and additions to Booker's <i>Memorials of Prestwich</i> . Note from Booker on the parcel directing that these notes and the interleaved printed copy should be sent to Chetham's Library, unless a member of the family undertook to prepare a new edition.	nd [?1850s]
C.7.47 no 4	Material for histories of the chapelries. Notes, letters, transcripts - chiefly transcripts. The transcripts are, for the most part, from Duchy of Lancaster records.	nd [?1850s]
C.7.47 no 5	"Manchester Parish MM": notes, transcripts etc.	nd [?1850s]
C.7.48 no 6	Notes, transcripts, newspaper cuttings: "Chapelry Papers, Manchester parish. Newton, Gorton, Stretford":	nd [?1850s]
C.7.48 no 7	Topography: notes, newspaper cuttings, transcripts and a few original documents [17th century]. Chiefly Manchester area, but a little Cheshire material.	17th century & [?1850s]
C.7.48 no 8	Folio notebook: collections relating to Lancashire. Notes on churches, wills and pedigrees.	nd [?1850s]
C.7.48 no 9 a & b	2 printed abstracts of title of Samuel Brooks of Manchester: a) to a message etc at Moss Side. 1834. MS additions to 1847 b) to land etc in Withington and Chorlton, 1849.	1834-1847 & 1849

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| C.7.48 no 10 (a-e) | <p>Newspapers cuttings and annotations:</p> <p>a) newspaper cuttings: Blackley Chapel etc</p> <p>b) newspaper cuttings: family biography (Lancashire)</p> <p>c) newspaper cuttings: Manchester topography</p> <p>d) newspaper cuttings: Lancashire topography (not Manchester)</p> <p>e) "Annotations of Mr Wm Langton on Holland & Tonge families".</p> <p>5 bundles</p> | nd [?1850s] |
| C.7.48 no 11 | <p>Annual reports of institutions connected with Christ Church, Harpurhey and Moston. With printed programme of lectures, nd.</p> <p>12 items</p> | 1842-1853 |
| C.7.48 no 12 | <p>Documents concerning Prestwich Parish Church and Heaton Park:</p> <p>Annual reports of charities, societies etc connected with Prestwich Parish Church, 1847-1859. Printed. 9 items.</p> <p>Hymn sheet, Prestwich Parish Church, 1854.</p> <p>Farewell sermon, Prestwich Parish Church, 1859.</p> <p>Hon and Rev F. E. C. Byng.</p> <p>Sections relating to Prestwich and Oldham from Baines's <i>History of Lancashire</i>, vol 2 1836.</p> <p>Newspaper clippings - Wilson of Heaton Park.</p> | 1836-1859 |
| C.7.48 no 14 | <p>Quarto notebook containing transcripts and summaries: "Inquisitiones Post Mortem temp Henry 7". Duchy of Lancaster IPM (Henry VII-James I).</p> | nd [?1850s] |
| C.7.48 no 15 | <p>4 quarto notebooks containing extracts from Manchester Collegiate Church registers. Transcribed in the 1850s:</p> <p>1) Baptisms, 1573-1728</p> <p>Marriages, 1573-1728</p> <p>Many sequences, and at one stage a note that</p> | (1573-1729) |

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continued from a second inspection of the registers by the Rev G. J. Piccope.

2) Burials, 1573-1721.

3) Burials, 1653-1729

4) Burials, 1694-1711

Transcripts of Platt deeds.

Marriage licences (from the Act Books, Chester), 27 Jul 1606-28 Oct 1643 & 13 Jul 1661-26 Jun 1700.

Archivist's note: item 15 reported to L.P.R.S. 7 August 1953.

C.7.48 no 13	Quarto notebook containing transcripts: "Lancashire & Cheshire Wills from Doctors' Commons".	nd [?1850s]
C.7.49 nos 16-20	<i>Printed volumes of Rev John Booker</i>	1852-1859
C.7.49 no 16	<i>Memorials of the Church in Prestwich</i> Author's signature on title-page. Interleaved, annotated and grangerized copy.	1852
C.7.49 no 17	<i>A History of the Ancient Chapel of Blackley</i> Author's signature on title-page. Interleaved, annotated and grangerized copy.	1854
C.7.49 no 18	<i>A History of the Ancient Chapel of Denton,</i> Chetham Society, o. s. 37; Chetham Misc vol II. Author's signature on title-page. Interleaved, annotated and grangerized copy. Contains photograph of W. P. Greswell.	1855
C.7.49 no 19	<i>A History of the Ancient Chapel of Chorlton,</i> Chetham Society, o. s. 42. Title-page wanting. Author's signature on half-title. Interleaved, annotated and grangerized copy.	1857
C.7.49 no 20	<i>A History of the Ancient Chapel of Birch,</i> Chetham Society, o. s. 47. Author's signature on title-page. Interleaved, annotated and grangerized copy.	1859