

D7982/UL: Peter Crabtree (1937-2003): Research Papers relating to Caving and Mining

The documents in this box are as yet unlisted and un-numbered, the numbers used here simply represent the order they were found in as I opened the box.

- 1: Coalpithole Mines Part 1: PWC's Draft, typescript. Postmark on envelope dated 23 Nov 1967
- 2: Coalpithole Mines Part 1: PWC's Draft, handwritten. Postmark on envelope dated 26 Jne 1966
- 3: Coalpithole Mines Part 1: PWC's Draft, typescript with handwritten annotations, including details of page numbering – possibly by a journal editor?. Postmark on envelope dated 26 Jne ??.

Items 1 to 3 may relate to this publication Crabtree P.W.1967 The Peak Forest Mines - Part I: The Development of Coalpithole Mine. BSA Journal and Proceedings, Vol 6 (42) pp 43-61 (S). In particular the first page of item 3 bears the hand written page number 43.

- 4: Catalogue of the Bagshawe Collection of Lead Mining Records (& Barker Muniments). Bound typescript, first page notes that the collection is "In the Sheffield Central Libraries, Department of Local History." and is annotated "Abstracted by P.W.Crabtree, 1961".
- 5: Three pages of photocopies of unidentified documents from originals in Sheffield City Libraries.
- 6: Card forming a letter apparently to Mr J Hough, Burbage House, dated 12th March and concerning a property at Blackbrook Chapel en le Frith.
- 7: Handwritten transcripts summarising three documents dating from 1766, 1774 and 1837 relating to Pig Tor End Pipe and Sough, and Hill Rake Mine. Final note refers to Milldam Sough and Wortley Mine. Written on the back of an application form for membership of the Peak District Mines Historical Society which has been rather facetiously part completed, and which also bears a very rough sketch of part of a mine survey.
- 8: Poor quality photocopy of an unidentified and undated journal paper entitled "Batham Pot and other Bradwell Moor Solution Cavities" by P. Tottle, one page of text (page 38) plus a sketch survey of "Cavern in a Mine" (page 40) also by P. Tottle.
- 9: Typescript note on Hartledale Caves by P.W.Crabtree dated 11.xi.61. Notes that a survey is completed, to be added to J.Randles part plans. Describes air flow testing between Fissure Cave and Top Cave using 25 grammes (!!!!!) of Ethyl Mercaptan. It notes that "The amount of mercaptan used would have served for a much larger system". (*I would not have wanted to be anywhere in the vicinity of such a smell !!!*)
- 10: Photocopy of an unidentified document from an original in Sheffield City Libraries. Original a handwritten copy of "Beighton's Table of the power of ye Steam Engin"
- 11: Pencilled notes apparently referring to the drafting of items 1 to 3.
- 12: Handwritten notes covering reports on the Coalpithole Mines dating to 1944 and 1945, and extracts from B M Books between 1762 and 1778.
- 13: Photocopies of a Reckoning at Coalpitt Hole dated 1774-1775. Original unidentified.
- 14: Photocopies of documents on Coalpithole dated to 1775 and 1776: Three sets of "Mr Longsdon Notes at Coalpithole" and three reckonings. Originals unidentified.
- 15: Handwritten list of names, possibly a distribution list for a document or publication?
- 16: Photocopy of Bagshawe Collection 587(106), Agreement between Col. Charles Leslie and Mr John Fairburn.
- 17: Photocopy of Bagshawe Collection 739, an Agreement between partners in mines in the Lordship of Hastlebadge dated October 19th 1769.

- 18: Photocopy of a "Copy of Haslebadge Court Verdict June ye 7th 1798" concerning Pigtoend Sough Mine. From an unidentified original in Sheffield City Libraries.
- 19: Photocopy of "Bradwell Lotts Ladyday to Mids[umme]r 1756". From an unidentified original in Sheffield City Libraries.
- 20: Photocopy of an unidentified original in Sheffield City Libraries. *"PS. Should you comply with the above request you'll please to give me credit for 3/16th shares of the stone you have taken from the coal yard as I have only 1/16 of the sough"*. Appears to be the final page of another document...
- 21: Fragmentary Survey (four pieces, much sellotape), hand drawn in ink, of the Oxlow Caverns – Maskhill Mine system, with a rather confusing overlay sheet covering, it would seem, parts of another survey. Perhaps needs some restoration in conjunction with a complete modern survey.
- 22: Fragmentary Survey (three pieces, much sellotape), hand drawn in ink, of Nettle Pot.
- 23: Poor quality photocopy of two further pages (pages 39 and 41) forming further sections of item 8.
- 24: Advertising material for the "Aqueous Works and Diamond Rock-boring Company Limited". Includes testimonials and example sections of boreholes for water and for minerals. n.d., post 1888.
- 25: Handwritten notes entitled "B432 Index: Some Bradwell Entries". Appears to relate to the Bagshaw Collection D7676 Bag.C 432.
- 26: Sheet of pencilled financial calculations on a sheet of paper headed "Peak Forest Mining Company, Offices, Waingate, Sheffield, 187_"
- 27: Some forty pages of typescript and handwritten notes which appear to refer items in D7981, such as "Copy Letter Books", "Day Book", "Letters Received Book", "General Ledger", etc.
- 28: Letter from "Les" dated 12th October 1966 which refers to excavations at the Hazlebadge Barrow, and finds in deed boxes stored in the loft of a barn at Foolow.
- 29: Fragmentary (three pieces) rough plan and section of Fissure Cave on brittle tracing material. Relates to item 9.
- 30: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. One page referring to Rev. Edmund Cartwright's 1798 patent for an improved steam engine. Reference to a mineral court at Hazlebadge 7th June.
- 31: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Four pages of household accounts, recipes, etc. dating from 1784 to 1799, and including some mining references.
- 32: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Thirteen pages of reckonings etc. relating to Bradwell mines c-1784 to c-1792.
- 33: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Fourteen pages of lead mining accounts, etc. relating to the Bradwell area.
- 34: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. One page of a letter (n.d.) to Mr Benj[ami]n Barber from J Morton apparently concerning a legal dispute about Hill Rake Mine. Item 20 is clearly the continuation of this document.
- 35: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Two pages concerning the Duke of Rutland's Mineral Interests in Derbyshire.
- 36: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Twelve pages covering "An Abstract of Mine Accounts 1754". Covers Castleton, Bradwell, Hucklow and possibly Eyam.

- 37: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. One page of financial calculations.
- 37: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Six pages of mine accounts, reckonings etc. 1795 to 1799. Bradwell or Hazlebadge?
- 37: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. One page of notes on Stanton, with Hartle and Haddon etc. dated 1890. May relate to item 35?
- 38: Photocopy of an unidentified document from Sheffield City Libraries. Two pages of abstracted mine accounts in a similar format to item 36, but dated from 1762 to 1773, and covering a wider geographical area of mining.