

A.G.WEBSTER

Alexander George Webster (1830-1914), merchant, arrived in Hobart with his mother in 1840. In 1850 he worked with his uncle C.T.Smith who had a wool and grain store and from 1856 he ran the business with John Tabart, as Tabart and Webster. In 1879 after the retirement of Tabart Webster took his son Charles into the business, which became A.G.Webster & Son^{from 1879}. The firm handled most of the Tasmanian wool business and imported agricultural implements. The company was incorporated in 1910 and two other sons, Edwin & Arthur became directors. Webster was also a shipping agent, insurance agent, in the Fisheries Commissions and was U.S.consul.

CORRESPONDENCELetters from clients 1877

Letters, mainly from clients but including some from suppliers and other agents, relating to sales of wool, wheat, oats, hops, skins (sheep & rabbits) etc., add shipping; also supply of farm machinery, guano, salt, sugar, hay, wool sacks, carbolic, bone dust and other goods.

Clients include:- Lewis Amos, William Anderson, J. Ashton, J. Barwick, William Bedford, J. Bidencope, William Bromby (Shooter's Hill), J. Brown, J. Butler, J.R. and E. Blyth (236 papers)

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Aug. 1857

2 letters from Newhauss Haller of Melbourne to Messrs. Tabart & Webster, Hobart Town, about bales & pieces of wool lagging (2 letters)

R.S.113/237-8

ACCOUNTS

Account Book Mar. 1865 - Feb. 1872 recording date, name, commodity and amount (e.g. '7 hay', '5 hops', '1 wheat', etc.) and total.

(1 folio vol. disbound)

R.S.113/239

EASTERN COAST STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

Eastern Coast Steam Navigation Act 1854

(1 doc.)

R.S.113/240

20 June 1855. Letter from Colonial Secretary to J. Benson Mather, Secretary of E.N. granting permission to occupy lands for offices at Falmouth

(1 letter)

R.S.113/241

7.1.1856 Letter from Joseph Benson Mather Manager E.S.N.C. to Alex Clarke & Robert Robertson, asking them to survey vessel, 'Duncan Hoyle', and also examine machinery & boilers of 'Mimosa'.

(1 letter)

R.S.113/242

28 May 1857 Charter agreement for hire of 'Mimosa' for 3 months between A.G.Webster, manager of E.C.S.N.Co. and

Edward Edmund Luttrell and Frederick Henry Wise. Also
memo relating to charter.
(2 papers)

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243 a,b

244 1858 Cheque book - Bank of Van Diemen's Land
(booklet)

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MISCELLANEOUS

245 20 May 1856. Renewal of grazing licence to John J.
Pilcher of Franklin
(1 paper)

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246 Letter 1856 John J. Pilcher to Messrs. Cleburne - owing to
fall in price of produce and difficulty in getting potatoes dug,
will have to give up land
(1 letter)

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247 1885 Hobart Horticultural Show - complimentary ticket
(1 card)

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