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SIR ANTHONY MUSGRAVE

Papers, 1862-1916

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Sir Anthony Musgrave (1828-1888) was born in Antigua, the son of the colony's treasurer. He was educated in the West Indies and in 1851 was admitted to the Inner Temple, London. He soon returned to Antigua and was colonial secretary in 1854-60. He was administrator of Nevis in 1860-61 and was lieutenant-governor of St Vincent in 1862-64. He was governor of Newfoundland in 1864-69, British Columbia in 1869-72 and Natal in 1872-73. In 1873 Musgrave was appointed governor of South Australia and two years later he was knighted. In 1877 he became governor of Jamaica and in 1883 he returned to Australia as governor of Queensland. He died suddenly while in office.

Musgrave had a strong interest in economic matters and was the author of *Studies in political economy* (1875). He contributed occasional articles to London journals such as the *Contemporary Review* and the *Westminster Review*.

In 1853 Musgrave married Christiana Byam. She died in 1858, leaving two sons. In 1870 he married Jeanie Lucinda Field (d. 1920), the daughter of the American lawyer and law reformer David Dudley Field (1805-1894). They had three sons and a daughter (who died in an accident in Adelaide in 1874). Musgrave's nephew Captain Anthony Musgrave (1849-1912) was Deputy Commissioner (1884-88) and Government Secretary (1888-1908) of British New Guinea.

The papers of Sir Anthony and Lady Musgrave are now held in the William R. Perkins Library, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, 27708 USA.

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1. Correspondence and newspaper cuttings, 1874-1916

Note: The letters and cuttings are in no particular order.

Major-General Henry Renny (Colombo) to Musgrave, 4 Feb. 1874: Musgrave's visit to Ceylon.

Frederick Locker (London) to Musgrave, 7 April 1874: article by Musgrave passed to J.T. Knowles, editor of *Contemporary Review*.

Frederic Locker (The Hague) to Musgrave, 17 July [1774]: Locker's marriage; Musgrave's contribution to *Contemporary Review*.

H.D. Macleod (London) to Musgrave, 13 Oct. 1874: comments on Musgrave's article 'Mr Mill on capital'; definition of 'capital'.

H.D. Macleod to Musgrave, 17 Feb. 1875: *Principles of economical philosophy*; theory of credit in Byzantine Empire.

Musgrave (Adelaide) to D.D. Field, 25 May 1874: thanks for pencil case; death of his daughter; Musgrave's book and article in *Contemporary Review*; his son William.

Rev. Alexander Russell (Adelaide) to Musgrave, 22 Nov. 1876: Musgrave's appointment as Governor of Jamaica.

Newspaper cutting of a speech by Musgrave delivered on his departure from South Australia, [*South Australian Register*, 27 Jan. 1877].

Musgrave (Kingston) to Edward Norton, 24 Jan. 1883: Newton's health; question of his return to Jamaica; local affairs; loan legislation.

R.J. Boyd to Lady Musgrave, 8 March 1883: thanks for help.

Musgrave to Lord Derby, 27 Dec. 1884: reprieve granted to prisoners Neil McNeil and Bernard Williams under sentences of death; views of Executive Council. (draft)

List of petitions concerning the case of McNeil and Williams.

John Chapman to Musgrave, 31 July 1886: treatment of colonial questions and Imperial Federation in *Westminster Review*; suggests Musgrave write a paper on the Irish in Newfoundland.

John Chapman (London) to Musgrave, Aug.-Oct. 1886: article in *Westminster Review* on currency question. (4 letters)

Musgrave (Whitehaven) to D.D. Field, 28 Sept. 1886: travels in Scotland; financial matters; dinner for Musgrave in London.

Newspaper account of a dinner in London in honour of Musgrave, Oct. 1886.

Musgrave (London) to D.D. Field, 21 Oct. 1886: departure from London; report of banquet.

Musgrave (*SS Rome*) to Edward Newton, 28 Oct. 1886: arrangements made for his sons in England; report of banquet in London; Sir Henry Norman in Jamaica.

Prospectus and report of Westminster Review Company Ltd, March 1887.

John Chapman (London) to Musgrave, 9 April 1887: meeting of Westminster Review Co.

Sir Thomas Brassey to Musgrave, 12 Oct. 1887: death of Lady Brassey on the *Sunbeam*.

Committee of Lady Musgrave Lodge (Brisbane) to Lady Musgrave, Oct. 1888: death of Musgrave; Lady Musgrave's departure from Queensland. (2 letters)

Col. G.A. French (Brisbane) to W.A.B. Musgrave, 27 Oct. 1888: case of Capt. Draper; queries whether Sir Anthony Musgrave made a definite decision on the matter.

W.A.B. Musgrave (Brisbane) to Col. G.A. French, 27 Oct. 1888: recollections of Governor's handling of case of Capt. Draper.

H.D. Sedgwick (New York) to Lady Musgrave, 11 May 1916: agrees to be her executor in United States.

2. Notes and extracts from writings

Extract from paper by W.S. Jevons, 'The progress of the mathematical theory of political economy', 11 Nov. 1874, containing a reference to Musgrave's writings.

Notes and quotes from articles and books, c. 1870-76.

3. Correspondence of Lady Musgrave concerning memorials in honour of her husband, 1910-13

Late in her life, Lady Musgrave provided funds for various kinds of memorials to Musgrave in colonies in which he had been governor or administrator. They included shields, a lectern, candlesticks and a launch. In addition to photographs, the papers comprise letters from the Governor of Queensland, Sir William MacGregor, the Bishop of Antigua, the rector of St Paul's Church, Nevis, the Bishop of the West Indies, the Bishop of Newfoundland, the Newfoundland Church Lads' Brigade, the Columbia Church Mission, and the British Columbia Church Aid Society.

4. Address to Lady Musgrave, 1883

J.I. Wigham to the Ladies Committee of the Women's Self Help Committee, 16 April 1883: sends signatures (30pp) of ladies of Portland for proposed address to Lady Musgrave on her departure from Jamaica.

5. Will of Sir Anthony Musgrave

Will of Sir Anthony Musgrave, 16 Aug. 1877, and two codicils, 8 Nov. 1879, 8 Aug. 1883.

6. Commissions, 1862-83

Commissions appointing Musgrave as Lieutenant Governor of St Vincent (1862), Governor of Newfoundland (1864), Governor of South Australia (1873), Governor of Jamaica (1877) and Governor of Queensland (1883). There are also letters about his appointment from the Secretary of State for the Colonies: the Duke of Newcastle (1862), Lord Granville (1869) and Lord Kimberley (1871).

7. Letters of Sir Samuel Griffith to Lady Musgrave, 1890-1901.

Fifteen letters from the Queensland politician and judge, Sir Samuel Griffith, to Lady Musgrave following her return to England in 1888. They refer to a photograph of Sir Anthony Musgrave, Griffith's visit to Western Australia, the 1890 Federal Conference in Melbourne, John Macrossan, Sir Henry Parkes, Sir Thomas McIlwraith, the formation of a coalition ministry with McIlwraith, the 1890 maritime strike, the death of Griffith's father (1891), industrial troubles, the 1891 Federal Convention, the separation movement in Queensland, the 1891 shearers' strike, economic depression, Griffith's visits to New Guinea, his decision to move to the Supreme Court (1893), Lord Jersey, Sir Charles Lilley, the death of Lady Musgrave's father, his work as Chief Justice of Queensland, the Federation movement, the disruptive role of George Reid, the 1899 federation poll, Griffith's translations of Dante, Sir William Dickson, Sir Robert Philp, the establishment of the Commonwealth in 1901, the drafting of the Judiciary Bill, the Barton ministry, and the death of Queen Victoria.

8. Diary of Lady Musgrave, 1888

The diary, which has a page for each day, commences on 14 February 1888 and continues to the end of the year. The entries refer to social events, visits to schools and hospitals, exhibitions, music, cruises on the *Lucinda*, a visit by Lord and Lady Carrington (May 1888), a tour visiting Bundaberg, Gympie and Maryborough (May-June 1888), the resignation of Sir William Griffith as Premier (12 June 1888), the Melbourne International Exhibition (Aug. 1888), the death of Sir Anthony Musgrave

(8 Oct. 1888) and Lady Musgrave's departure from Queensland and her journey to England on SS *Juno* (Nov.-Dec. 1888).

9. Album of photographs and tributes to Musgrave, 1888-90

Album of photographs, letters, cables, obituaries and newspaper cuttings compiled following the death of Musgrave in October 1888. There are a large number of photographic portraits of Musgrave, dating from 1869 to 1888, as well as photographs of his grave, inscriptions on the grave, memorials in St John's Church, Brisbane, and the funeral procession in Brisbane. There are a large number of letters and cables from individuals and organisations to Lady Musgrave expressing sympathy on the death of her husband. The correspondents include Lady Carrington, Sir George Baden-Powell, Sir Henry Ayers, Lord Knutsford, William MacGregor, Charles Pearson, Sir Thomas Brassey, Sir Robert Hamilton, Sir Henry Loch and Sir Alfred Stephen. Among the other papers are special editions of the *Queensland Government Gazette* (9 Oct. 1888) and the *Jamaica Gazette* (10 Oct. 1888), the death certificate, Lady Musgrave's written account of Musgrave's death, newspaper reports of the funeral, obituaries, addresses of condolence from the parliaments of Queensland and Tasmania, and newspaper cuttings about memorials to Musgrave erected in Jamaica.