C. PIESSE & Co


Records received were incomplete as many early records were lost or destroyed when the company's Elizabeth Street office building was renovated some years prior to deposit. The company was started in the late nineteenth century by Charles Augustus James Piesse (1850-1909), who had formerly worked with A.G. Webster and Alex McGregor & Co. He carried on the business of a shipping, forwarding and general agent including wool, skins, hops, fruit etc. His son, Leslie Fraser Piesse (bn 1882) succeeded him as Managing Director.

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1 Passenger lists 1935 - 1936
   Copies of lists of passengers embarking at Hobart (occasionally disembarking, eg. L. Greer from Sydney by Baradine 5.5.1936) on ships sailing to Melbourne, Fremantle, Sydney or London, noting names, ages of children under 12, amount credited to steamer, return tickets, berth number. Ships included Balranald, P & O ships R.M.S. Baradine and Mongolia; Barrabool, Moldavia, Ulysses, Melbourne, Bendigo etc.
   (folder of papers)

2 Stock Book 1935 - 1942
   Stock and transaction book, recording: date, names [personal names], fruit, general, apple wrapping paper, bale fasteners, kerol, naphalene, dip, nails, woodwool, woolpacks, strawboards, labels, sundry purchases, sales tax, freight.
   (large vol. 390mm x 250 mm x 20mm)

3 Apple Export 1936
   Shipping and sales noting totals discharged at Liverpool, Glasgow etc, total shipments of apples, rough note of steamers and space.
   (loose papers in folder)

4 Income Tax papers 1936
   a) Leslie Piesse and Mrs Jean P. Seager state and federal tax receipts; land tax receipts for C. Piesse & Co., Jean Seager, Winnie Ransom.
   b) Ship earnings: certificates of payment of state income tax on earnings of ships: Yaye Maru, Kyokkoh Maru, Taman Maru, P & O Branch Services, China Mutual S.N.Co., Ocean Steamship Co. (Holt's Blue Funnel Line), Nord-Deutscher Lloyd, Deutsch-Australich D.G.
   c) Traveller's tax paid certificates for travellers about to embark (8 certs.)
   (loose papers)

5 Ledgers 1923 - 1950
   (1) Customers' accounts, alphabetical order from C.W. Elliston to L.F. Worsley (loose leaf) 1923 - 1950
   (2) Ledger accounts in loose leaf binder, including: profit & loss, L.F. Piesse, commission, Union Bank, "dumping", fruit charges, interest, rent rate & taxes, salaries, telegrams stationery advertising, wool stacking, apple wrapping paper.
   (bundle of loose leaves; binder vol. 400 mm x 345 mm x 70 mm)
Bills Receivable and payable  Apr. 1958 - Jan. 1961
  Recording: number, date received, from whom, on whom drawn, where payable [name of city eg Adelaide, London, Hamburg], date, amount, due, how disposed of [usually name of ship noted] and similar for bills payable.
  (small bound volume)

Union Bank pass books  1925 - 1946
  Account record.
  (4 quarto vols., leather bound)