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Research notes and drafts of historical studies of the Van Diemen's Land Company, Jorgen Jorgensen, etc. by Archibald Lawrence Meston (1890-1951). See also M.3.

## M.11/1 Correspondence:

- (1) Letters from A. Biggs (astronomical instruments, 1933) and R.L. Dunbabin (change of address 1943).
- (2) Draft of a letter by A.L. Meston on aborigines and the naming of V.D.L. n.d.
- M.11/2 "The history of the V.D.L. Co." Research notes and draft of Meston's book (edited for publication by W.M. Meston 1958).
  - (1) Draft and typescript of chapters 1-5, 7, conclusion and also introduction by K.M. Dallas.
  - (2) Copies of dispatches etc. (6 notebooks and index).
  - (3) Copy of Minutes of Council of V.D.L. Co.
  - (4) Miscellaneous notes re V.D.L. Co. (indexed)
  - (5) Some correspondence re V.D.L. Co. (notebook)
  - (6) Notes on V.D.L. Co. and aborigines (loose leaf notebook)
  - (7) Notes on incident when aboriginal women were killed at Emu Bay. Includes copy of letter from G.A. Robinson to Rev. William Bedford, 1829-1832.
  - (8) Notes compiled by A.L.Meston, mainly relating to economic background in U.K. which affected foundation of V.D.L. Co.

- M.11/3 Jorgen Jorgenson \_
  - (1) Correspondence relating to Jorgen Jorgensen.
  - (2) Copies of diaries of J. Jorgensen, including Journey to Ouse Plateau, Repat of Jorgensen to V.D.L. Co. on route between Hobart and Circular Head, and Journal kept while exploring from Circular Head to the Pieman River, 1826-7.
  - (3) Two articles by A.L. Meston on Jorgensen.
- M.11/4 Press cuttings of articles on V.D.L. Co. published by Advocate 3 Nov. 1925 5 February 1927 and miscellaneous cuttings re birds on Bass Strait Islands. (volume).
- M.11/5 Cradle Mountain:
  - (1) Ms "Cradle Mountain" by R.E. Smith, with notes on wild life and climate by Gustav Weindorfer. 7 Aug. 1937. (Typescript, bound).
  - (2) Miscellaneous papers re Cradle Mountain comprising correspondence re Franz Malcher, translation from Malcher's account of his trip to Tasmania, March 1914, notes on wild animals by G. Weindorfer and copy of his birth certificate, and copy of "Trip to the Summit of Cradle Mountain" by W.D. Weston, published in Examiner, Feb-March 1891 and miscellaneous notes.
- M.11/6 Notes on place names of Tasmania
- M.11/7 Notes on William Clark
- M.11/8 Inscriptions on some graves in Richmond Anglican cemetery copies by A.L. Meston. n.d.
- M.11/9 Notes on stone age man and aborigines. (Notebook).

- M 11/10 Notes by R.L. Parker on the Cressy Co.
  - 11 Notes by R.E. Smith on the discovery of Mt.Bischoff Tin Mine.
  - 12 Notes on Secheron House.
  - Sammy Cox (Samuel Jervis) "A Tasmanian William Buckley" by F.W. Hosken, from "Argus Cameron Supplement" 17. Oct.1931.
  - "Some extracts from Canadian histories concerning Sir George Arthur" brief ms. notes by R.W. Giblin.