

CORRESPONDENCE OF JOHN BELL OF GATESHEAD

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Letters to John Bell (1783-1864), bookseller and antiquary of Gateshead, Newcastle, and copies of letters from him.

The correspondence largely concern Bell's interest in collecting coins, and his search for trademen's tokens dating between 1648-1672 issued in the northern counties of England, to help in his preparation of a description of them.

John Bell was born in Newcastle on 7 October 1783, first son of John Bell (1755-1816), a land surveyor and bookseller, and Margaret, the daughter of John Gray of Combfield House, co. Durham. He married Barbara, the daughter of Thomas Pringle of Newcastle, on 22 November 1806; they had nine children. His brother was Thomas Bell (1785-1860), land surveyor and book collector. Thomas Bell had fourteen children with his wife Hannah, among them John Gray Bell, bookseller.

On leaving school John and Thomas worked with their father in his business in Union Street, Newcastle. John left to establish his own business on the Quayside in 1803. He began collecting coins, antiquities and ephemera on a range of subjects, including the book trade, and started a numismatic society in Newcastle which ran for only a short time. He published two undated charts of British silver coinage.

Following the failure of the numismatic society Bell issued *Proposals, for publishing, by subscription, reprints of a rare and curious collection of old English tracts*, but nothing came of this. In 1812 he published *Rhymes of Northern Bards*, a collection of songs and poems from Newcastle, Northumberland, and Durham. Over the next five years Bell published eleven pamphlets of local interest.

In 1817 John Bell's business failed, and he was declared bankrupt. His assignees, who included his brother Thomas, ordered all his possessions to be sold, and his collection of ephemera was widely dispersed. Following his bankruptcy Bell moved to Gateshead to practice as a land surveyor; he occasionally also sold books and continued to collect ephemera.

In 1812 John Bell sent a circular to the leading gentry of Northumberland and Durham, proposing the formation of a society for the study and preservation of antiquities in these two counties. The project received the support of Hugh, second duke of Northumberland, and the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne was formally established on 6 February 1813. Bell was elected treasurer, an office he held until his bankruptcy. He remained the society's librarian until 1849, and published seven papers in its transactions, now *Archaeologica Aeliana*, three of them jointly.

John Bell died on 31 October 1864, aged eighty-one, and was buried in St. John's cemetery, Elswick.

(Taken from Peter Isaac's article on Thomas Bell in the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography* (Oxford, 2004-5)).

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Provenance: John Bell's correspondence, the catalogue of Thomas Bell's Library of 1860, and a number of printed books were presented to Chetham's Library by John Gray Bell, John Bell's nephew [?in 1866] (see above). John Gray Bell was a bookseller who traded at 11 Oxford Street, Manchester prior to his death in 1866. He inherited part of John Bell's collection.

1819-1848.

Archivist's note: the correspondence has been placed into two series as follows:

/1 Letters to John Bell from various correspondents, and copies of letters from him, 1819-1848, (141 items) page 1.

/2 Letters from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead, and copies of Bell's letters to Haigh, 1843-1847, (62 items) page 21.

1 box (203 items).

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<i>A.1.4</i> <i>(A 1-Y 1)</i>	<i>Letters to John Bell from various correspondents, and copies of letters from him</i> <i>141 items</i>	<i>1819-1848</i>
	Arrangement: although the original arrangement into folders labelled A to Y has been maintained, the majority of the letters within the folders have been rearranged chronologically.	
	Archivist's note: the spelling of the name Schive (Schieve or Scheve) is variant in the letters. It has been made uniform in the list unless in quotations.	
A.1.4 (A 1)	Letter from J[ohn] Bell to Mr Adamson. Concerning Mr J. J. Akerman of London who is preparing a second edition of his work "Coins of the Romans Relating to Britain".	24 Aug 1841
A.1.4 (A 2)	Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to John Adamson. Concerning 2 silver coins sent to Adamson by Jonathan Hill, which were sent to Bell for inspection.	15 Dec 1842
A.1.4 (A 3 & A 3a)	Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to John Adamson. Identifying coins sent by Adamson. With separate sheet with drawings of "coins in the collection of John Adamson Esq".	26 Jan 1843
A.1.4 (A 4)	Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to John Adamson. "With this you have the catalogue of your collection of British coins, with what I consider to be their value".	10 Jul 1848
A.1.4 (B 1)	Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to the Librarian of the Bodleian Library, Oxford. Requests a copy of "A Catalogue of Books Purchased for the Bodleian Library...1841...with a list of coins dug up at Cuerdale, near Preston". Query re tradesmen's tokens, 1648-1672.	8 Sep 1842

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- A.1.4 (B 2) Letter to [John Bell] from Bulkely Bandinel. 27 Sep 1842
Reply to letter A.1.4 (B 1): “will send Samuel catalogue which contains the amount of the coins found at Cuerdale...have examined trademens’ tokens...unable to take wax impressions because candlelight not allowed in our building”.
- A.1.4 (B 3) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to Rev Bulkely Bandinal. 31 Feb 1843
Asks for “complete set or general catalogue of the Bodleian Library deposited in the Antiquarian Society of Newcastle”; instructions on how to take an impression of a coin without fire and candles.
- A.1.4 (B 4) Letter from B[ulkely] Bandinal, Bodleian Library, Oxford, to J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead. 8 Feb 1843
Sending catalogue as requested.
3 penny blues attached to the letter.
- A.1.4 (B 5) 2 letters on 1 sheet: from W[illiam] H[ay] B[rockett] to John Bell, and from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to W[illiam] H[ay] B[rockett]. 29 Jul & 2 Aug 1844
1) Footnote “Recd Monday 29 July 1844”. “Unfortunately I did not get my brother’s [?styca] with the animal”.
2) Concerning the identification of “the styca with the animal (a Horse) upon it”.
- A.1.4 (B 6) Letter from W. H. Brockett to J[ohn] Bell. 26 Apr 1847
Request for impression of coin (details given) on next visit to British Museum.
- A.1.4 (B 7) Letter from W. H. Brockett, King James Street, to John Bell. 14 May 1844
“I have written to W. Haigh on the subject of Stycas”. With footnote “+ Mr Daniel Henry Haighs letter of 3 May 1844”.
- A.1.4 (B 8a) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to John Buddle, Wallsend. 16 Sep 1841
Asks if there are any trademen’s tokens amongst “the late Miss Buddle’s Collection”.

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- A.1.4 (B 8b) Letter from John Buddle, Wallsend, to John Bell, Gateshead. 30 Sep 1841
- Invitation to “take Pot Luck” [dinner] on 3 Oct and to inspect his late sister’s collection of coins. Footnote: “Dined at Mr Buddles on Sunday 3 October 1841, JW Bell. John Buddle Esq Died at Wallsend on Tuesday the 10th October 1843 in the 70 year of his age-and was burried on Monday Oct 16 at Benwell Chapel”.
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (B 9) Note addressed to Mrs S. Blackett, Summerhill Terrace. [?1840s]
- “One of the coins found in H[?eshaw] Churchyard. See Tyne Mercury of 31st Oct 1832”. 2 wax impressions and 2 rubbings. With footnote “from Mrs Blackett with a styca”.
- A.1.4 (B 10) Letter from G. W. Barnes, auctioneer, Earsdon, Newcastle, to J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead. 26 May 1845
- Request to value enclosed list of coins. On the verso of the letter flap is a newspaper cutting advertising Barnes’s business.
- Attached together with Bell’s reply (B 13).
- A.1.4 (B 13) Letter from J. W. Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to G. W. Barnes, South Shields. 28 May 1845
- Reply to Barnes’s letter dated 26 May 1845 concerning valuation of coins: “your letter of the 26th instant conveying a list of coins (and the unpleasant request of having them valued unseen)”. Explains why it is not possible to value coins unseen.
- Attached to (B 10).
- A.1.4 (B 12) Printed letter from Thomas Reed, High Street, Sunderland. 13 Nov 1844
- Request for recipient’s name as a subscriber “for a valuable Collection of Coins, the Property of an old Friend of mine, who has been reduced...from a state of comfort to one of deepest distress”. “Friend of mine” underlined in pencil with [?P.] W. Barnes written next to it.
- A.1.4 (B 14) Letter from W. H. B[?rockett] to “My dear Sir” [?John Bell]. Jul 1848
- “I send you the coins”.

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- A.1.4 (B 15) Letter from W. H. Brockett to John Bell, [?Peareth Place]. 22 May 184[?
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Asks for volumes or numbers of the “Numismatic Chronicle that have the account of the Cuerdale coins”.
- A.1.4 (B 16) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to John Brunell, Turnham Green, London. 31 Aug 1841
Asks if Brunell has any trademen’s tokens of 1650 to 1667 for Durham or Northumberland.
- A.1.4 (B 17) Letter from John Brunell, Turnham Green, to John Bell, Gateshead. 27 Dec 1841
Send tokens to Bell. Impressions of 4 tokens on the letter. Footnote in Bell’s hand: “Mr John Brunell’s Cabinet of Coins was sold by auction in an eight day sale April 19 to 27 1850 and he died at Durham Green the 29 July 1850, aged 79 years-Gentleman’s Magazine October 1850 page 441”.
- A.1.4 (B 18) Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to Robert Bigsby, Repton near Burton upon Trent, co Staffs. 29 Jan 1844
Sends notice of the anniversary meeting of the Society of Antiquaries; enquires whether any of Bigsley’s “antiquarian friends” have any trademen’s tokens of 1640-1672 issued in Newcastle, Durham or “either of the two northern counties on the northern part of Yorkshire”.
- A.1.4 (B 19) Letter from Robert Bigsby, Repton, Burton on Trent, to John Bell, High Street, Gateshead, Northumberland. Feb 1844
Regrets cannot help; his father’s cabinet sold in 1826 at Christie’s. Note in Bell’s hand “Recd 22 Feby 1844”.
- A.1.4 (B 20) Offprint: On the Crocodile of Egypt by H. G. Potter with copy of a letter from John Bell to Robert Bigsby, Burton on Trent, on the verso. 22 Feb 1844
“I was just correcting a printer’s proof with your name upon it when your letter of Feby came to hand”.
- A.1.4 (B 21) Letter from Robert Bigsby to John Bell, High Street, Gateshead, Newcastle on Tyne. 29 Feb 1844
Thanks Bell for his response to his enquiry.

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| A.1.4 (B 22) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Robert Bigsby, Repton near Burton on Trent, Staffs.

Mentions new society the “Archaeological Association” started in London; discusses the Antiquarian Society. | 20 Mar 1844 |
| A.1.4 (B 23) | Letter from W. H. Brockett, Gateshead, to John Bell.

Sends impressions of “Kings of Northumberland coins for Mr Scheve of Stavanger”. Requests various coins “if they can be procured at a reasonable price”. | 14 Apr 1847 |
| A.1.4 (B 24) | Letter from W. H. B[rockett], [Key Town Street], to John Bell, [Pearett Place].

“Found a fourth plate of coins” which Bell can take impressions of. | 21 Jun 1844 |
| A.1.4 (C 1) | Small printed notice “Unique and hitherto unknown variety of the Gold Ring Money of Ireland in the form of an Ear Ornament”.

Note “Found in a Turf bog in the Neighbourhood of Macropm, County of Cork, October 15th 1843”. | [1840s] |
| A.1.4 (C 2) | Note from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to J. T. Carr.

Sends copper coins; “Mr Carr will take such as he has not and return the duplicates”. | 10 Oct 1830 |
| A.1.4 (C 3) | Note [written by John Bell] concerning W. H. Clarke and “13 Pretenders Medals”. | [1842] |
| A.1.4 (C 4) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to Dr Collingwood

Search for tradesmen’s tokens of 1648-1672. | 21 Oct 1841 |
| A.1.4 (C 5) | Letter from R. G. A. Collingwood, Derwent Street, Sunderland, to John Bell, High Street, Gateshead.

Unable to supply any impressions of the local tokens; mislaid coin collection in Villers Street move.

With 2 penny brown stamps. | 18 Jan 1842 |

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- A.1.4 (C 6) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to R. G. A. Collingwood, Derwent Street, Sunderland. 24 Jan 1842
Thanks for the impression of the medal of Sancroft and the Seven Bishops; also mentions local tradesmen's tokens.
- A.1.4 (C 7) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Richard Cust, Carlisle. 14 Oct 1841
Enquires re tradesmen's tokens.
- A.1.4 (C 8) Letter from Richard Cust, Carlisle, to John Bell, Gateshead, Newcastle. 16 Oct 1841
With wax impressions of tradesmen's tokens dated 1667 and 1669.
With 1 penny brown.
- A.1.4 (C 9) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead, to William Reid Clauncy MD, Bridge Street, Sunderland. 16 May 1843
Re tradesmen's tokens, wishes sight of token mentioned in Mr Goshull's History of Sunderland, and any other Durham tokens, also Sir Cuthbert Sharp's collection.
- A.1.4 (C 10) Letter from W. Reid Clauncy to John Bell, Gateshead. 18 May 1843
"Cannot forward your views in respect to local coins".
With 1 penny brown.
- A.1.4 (D 1) Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Antiquarian Society, Newcastle, to F. Dahl, Higham Place, Newcastle. 29 Jun 1842
Wished he had known sooner Dahl was going to Norway; take one of the Society's publications for a gentleman to look at.
- A.1.4 (D 2) Letter from Alex Deuchar, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead, Newcastle. 17 Jan 1843
Re providing Bell's son with duplicates of provincial coins.
With 1 penny brown stamp.

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- A.1.4 (D 3) Letter from Alex Deuchar, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead, Newcastle. 24 Jan 1843
- Provides names for Bell's son to contact concerning Scottish coins.
- With 1 penny brown.
- A.1.4 (D 4) Letter from Sir Dawes Danvers, Duchy of Lancaster, Waterloo Bridge, London, to John Bell, Gateshead. 24 Jan 1843
- Thanks Bell for 3 woodcut impressions; says he is not acquainted with Rev Richard Dawes.
- A.1.4 (D 5) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Dawes Danvers, Duchy of Lancaster Office. 31 Jan 1843
- Thanks Danvers for "forwarding the two kinds of the Cuerdale Coins awarded me by the Chancellors and Council of the Duchy of Lancaster". Sends copy of the memoir of Rev Richard Dawes.
- A.1.4 (D 6) Letter from Sir Dawes Danvers, Duchy of Lancaster, Waterloo Bridge, to John Bell, Gateshead. 3 Feb 1843
- Thanks Bell for the "account of the life and writings of the celebrated Richard Dawes".
- A.1.4 (E 1) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Mr Tindall, Leigh Sotheby Esq, Wellington Street, Strand, London. 31 May 1843
- Enquires re tradesmen's tokens of 1648-1672. Were tokens in the collection of the late Robert Surtees, whose collection was sold through Mr Sotheby. Would like to know who purchased the collection. Also wants to know the purchaser of late Mr J. T. Brokett's collection.
- A.1.4 (E 2) Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, North Bridge, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. 3 Mar 1845
- Dr Fren[?donthall] is not willing to dispose of Barnard Castle and Darlington tokens; would be prepared to exchange for copper coins.
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (E 3) Proof copy of advertisement for a chart showing British Silver Coins issued since 1660 published by John Bell. [1840s]
- Also advertises a chart of English Silver Coins since 1066.

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| A.1.4 (F 1) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Richard Fell, Winchester Street, South Shields.

Re “Medals for Seagoing Members of the Loyal Standard Associaton of South Shields”. Bell requests 2 medals, 1 for the Antiquarian Society and 1 for himself. Enclosed newspaper cutting from the Tyne Pilot concerning the medals. | 28 Mar 1842 |
| A.1.4 (F 2) | Letter from Richard Fell to John Bell, Gateshead.

Re forwarding to Bell 2 medals.

Dated from the postmark.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | [1 Apr 1842] |
| A.1.4 (G 1) | Letter from Richard Grainger, Leayes Terrace, to John Bell, Gateshead.

“Declines having any medals at present”. Pencil notes on verso: copies from gravestones or parish registers. | 21 Jun 1832 |
| A.1.4 (G 2) | Letter from H. Glynn to Edward Glynn.

Re coins found at Hexam.

Dated by day of receipt by John Bell. | [9 Apr 1833] |
| A.1.4 (G 3) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Jos Garnett.

Enquires about coins and tradesmen’s tokens on behalf of J. Akerman of London. | 30 Aug 1841 |
| A.1.4 (G 4) | Letter from Thomas Gray, Newcastle, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Concerning medals and their identification. | 4 Apr 1844 |
| A.1.4 (H 1) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Edward Hawkins.

Re tradesmen’s tokens; making impressions in red sealing wax. | 20 Sep 1843 |

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A.1.4 (H 2)	<p>Letter from Edward Hoare to John Bell, Gateshead.</p> <p>Re similarity between Celtic ring and African rings. With lithograph of “unknown variety of the gold ring money of Ireland”.</p> <p>With 2 penny brown stamps.</p>	10 Jan 1844
A.1.4 (H 3)	<p>Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.</p> <p>Notes on Runic rings.</p>	13 Jan 1844
A.1.4 (H 4)	<p>Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell to Edward Hoare, Cork, Ireland.</p> <p>Distribution of prints of a coin amongst collectors; will send impression of “a piece of Ring Money with a Runic Legend”.</p>	29 Jan 1844
A.1.4 (H 5)	<p>Letter from Edward Hoare to John Bell, Gateshead.</p> <p>Requests a drawing and an impression of the gold ring-money.</p> <p>With 1 penny brown stamp.</p>	5 Feb 1844
A.1.4 (H 6)	<p>Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, High Street, Gateshead to Edward Hoare, Cork, Ireland.</p> <p>With sketch of a piece of ring money and an explanation of what it is in the letter.</p>	12 Feb 1844
A.1.4 (H 7)	<p>Letter from Edward Hoare, Cork, Ireland, to John Bell, Gateshead.</p> <p>Enquires about availability of rare Scotch coins for sale.</p>	1 Mar 1844
A.1.4 (H 8)	<p>Letter from J[ohn] Bell to Edward Hoare, Cork, Ireland.</p> <p>Re trademen’s tokens etc.</p>	8 Mar 1844
A.1.4 (H 9)	<p>Letter from Edward Hoare, Cork, Ireland, to John Bell.</p> <p>Wants to know what coins are for sale in Gateshead or Newcastle-on-Tyne; would like to purchase “Elizabeth’s hammered sixpences”.</p> <p>With 1 penny brown stamp.</p>	4 Apr 1844
A.1.4 (H 10)	<p>Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Edward</p>	22 Apr 1844

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Hoare, Cork, Ireland.

Was surprised to find Newcastle dealers in coins had so few coins of worth; notes coins he saw; compliments Hoare's account of Celtic ring money.

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| A.1.4 (H 11) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to John Henderson, Edinburgh. | 15 Jul 1846 |
| | Enquires after small copper coins. | |
| A.1.4 (H 12) | Letter from John Henderson, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. | 20 Jul 1846 |
| | Sends 12 copper coins. | |
| | With 2 penny blue stamps. | |
| A.1.4 (H 13) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to John Henderson, Edinburgh. | 22 Jul 1846 |
| | Thanks Henderson for sending 12 coins. | |
| A.1.4 (I 1) | 2 letters from C. R. Taylor, Covent Garden, to John Bell, Gateshead and 1 letter from Bell to Taylor | 14 & 16 Jan
1843 |
| | Re tradesmen's tokens of 1648-1672. | |
| A.1.4 (I 2) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell to C. R. Taylor, Covent Garden, London, and letter from Taylor to Bell. | 24 & 26 Jan
1843 |
| | Re tradesmen's tokens. | |
| A.1.4 (I 3) | Letter form C. R. Taylor to John Bell, Gateshead. | 13 Feb 1843 |
| | Re tradesmen's tokens. | |
| A.1.4 (I 4) | Letter from John Bell to C. R. Taylor, Covent Garden, London. | 29 May 1843 |
| | Re tradesmen's tokens. | |
| A.1.4 (I 5) | Letter from C. R. Taylor to John Bell, Gateshead. | 31 May 1843 |
| | Assures Bell he has not forgotten his request. | |

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| A.1.4 (I 6) | Letter from [C. Rohenwith], London, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Tells Bell to write to Hearne or Tindall; preparing for the next general meeting of the Num[ismatic] Society.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 30 May 1843 |
| A.1.4 (I 7) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to C. R. Taylor, Covent Garden, London.

Re the sale of the collection of J. T. Brockett of Newcastle; wants catalogue of the sale of Brockett's coins and books; requests various coins. | 2 Jun 1843 |
| A.1.4 (I 8) | Letter from C. R. Taylor to John Bell, Gateshead.

Does not know who purchased the tokens at Mr Brockett's sale; notes which coins he has available and their prices. | 5 Jun 1843 |
| A.1.4 (I 9) | Letter from C. R. Taylor to John Bell, Gateshead.

Has left with Messrs Simkin & Marshall the catalogue of Mr Brockett's sales. | 19 Jun 1843 |
| A.1.4 (I 10) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to James Thompson.

Glad to hear Bell has succeeded in "washing old papers"; tells Bell how to repair them. | 3 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (L 1) | Letter from [?Mrs Leighton], Northallerton, to [John] Bell, Newcastle.

Mrs Leighton "has found the Durham Token", will show it Bell if he calls before 11 o'clock. | Oct 1845 |
| A.1.4 (I/L 1) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Sir George Musgrove, Eden Hall, Penrith, Cumberland.

Asks if he possesses trademen's tokens of c 1660 from Durham or Northumberland, and if he could send wax impressions. | 30 Jul 1841 |

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- A.1.4 (I/L 2) Letter from G[eorge] Musgrove, Tunbridge Wells, to John Bell, Gateshead. 7 Aug 1841
- His cabinets are inaccessible due to repairs being done on his house; unsure whether he has any tradesmen's tokens of the northern counties.
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (I/L 3) Letter from J. W. Bell, Gateshead, to G. Mounsey, Carlisle. 14 Oct 1841
- Asks if he has any ancient British coins or tradesmen's tokens of 1648-1672 issued in the northern counties in his collection, and if he could have wax impressions of them.
- A.1.4 (I/L 4) Letter from G. G. Mounsey, Carlisle, to John Bell, Gateshead. 16 Oct 1841
- "I am no collector of coins" and is unable to help Bell.
- A.1.4 (I/L 5, 6 & 7) 2 letters from John Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay and Chisholm, dealers in coins, Edinburgh, and 1 letter from Mackay and Chisholm to Bell. 23 Feb 1843 & 6 Mar 1843
- Bell enquires if Mackay & Chisholm have any "Scotch Silver Coins of Mary, during her marriage with Francis", and any tradesmen's tokens of 1648-1672 "issued in any town in Northumberland, Durham, or North of York". Mackay & Chisholm will forward impressions of tokens sent to them by collectors; send "festoon of Francis & Mary". Bell thanks Mackay & Chisholm for their help; requests a Scottish copper coin for one of his sons.
- A.1.4 (I/L 8) Letter from Dahl, Newcastle, to John Bell, Gateshead. 29 Nov 18[44]
- Sent "care of Mr R. C. Wilson". "...messages from Mr Schieve at Stavanger" concerning impressions [of coins].
- A.1.4 (I/L 9) Letter from W. H. Brockett to John Bell, Gateshead. 4 Nov 1844
- Encloses translated draft of letter from Mr Schive dated 20 Oct 1844; discusses making impressions of coins.
- A.1.4 (I/L 10) Letter from [W. H. Brockett] to John Bell. [1844]
- Has looked at coins sent to Bell by Mr Schive of Stavanger; gives details of their inscriptions.

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- A.1.4 (I/L 11) Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Mr Dahl. 12 Jun 1845
“The coins Mr Schive writes about, and the Cabinet was dispersed by Public Sale”. Attached is a copy of a “Head of a letter from Schive of Stavanger Norway to Mr T. S. Dahl Newcastle of the 18 May 1845”.
- A.1.4 (I/L 12) Letter from J[ohn] Bell to Mr Schive, Stavanger. 19 Apr 1845
Refers to letters and 3 books sent by Schive; sends publication on the Hexham Stycas.
- A.1.4 (M 1/1) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay and Chisholm, Edinburgh. 29 May 1843
Enquires (again) after tradesmen’s tokens issued between 1648-1672 “at Newcastle, or at places in the county of Durham”.
- A.1.4 (M 1/2) Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. 10 Jun 1843
Been waiting for the arrival of a collector of copper coins (W. Freudenthal) who promised to look over his collection [for trademen’s tokens]; encloses the collector’s note.
With 1 penny brown.
- A.1.4 (M 1/3) Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. 5 Sep 1843
Encloses 2 sulphur casts of tradesmen’s tokens and “a few Scotch coins”. With list of the coins and costs.
- A.1.4 (M 1/4) Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh. 25 Sep 1843
Encloses a post office order as payment for coins.
- A.1.4 (M 1/5) Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. 26 Sep 1843
Acknowledges post office order.
With 1 penny brown stamp.

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| A.1.4 (M 1/6) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh.

Warns Mackay & Chisholm of a man “on his way to Edinburgh” who has fake Anglo Saxon coins for sale or exchange. | 12 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (M 1/7) | Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Offers impressions of tradesmen’s tokens from originals owned by Dr Freudenthal.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 29 Oct 1844 |
| A.1.4 (M 1/8) | Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Forward impressions of tradesmen’s tokens; the owner, Dr Freudenthal, will exchange the tokens if Bell would like them. | 9 Nov 1844 |
| A.1.4 (M 1/9) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh.

Would like the Darlington and Barnard Castle tokens. | 30 Jan 1845 |
| A.1.4 (M 2/1) | 2 lists of the coins of Eric, King of Northumberland, known to exist in English cabinets.

One of the lists is headed “copy”, and has a note requesting “information relative to such coins of this series”. | nd [1840s] |
| A.1.4 (M 2/2) | Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Refers to letter from Bell of 12 Oct 1843 (finding no: A.1.4 (M 1/6)) concerning a man selling fake coins.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 17 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (M 2/3) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh to [John Bell].

Sends “the almanacs”; requests “drawings of some crosses”. | 28 Feb 1844 |

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| A.1.4 (M 2/4) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh. | 29 Feb 1844 |
| | Haigh is wrong to call the animal on the stycas a dog and not a horse. | |
| | See A.1.4 (25) - letter from Haigh to Bell in which he explains why he calls the animal on the stycas a dog and not a horse. | |
| A.1.4 (M 2/5) | Letter from [?] to John Bell, Gateshead. | 16 Jul 1844 |
| | Thanks Bell for an engraving of the gold ring money of Ireland. | |
| A.1.4 (M 2/6) | Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Messrs Mackay & Chisholm. | 31 Oct 1844 |
| | Re impressions of tradesmen's tokens; Bell has sent their address to Edward H[oare] of Cork and asks if he has contacted them. | |
| A.1.4 (M 2/7) | Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. | 30 Nov 1844 |
| | Concern over a token belonging to Dr Freudenthal which was sent to Bell in the post; request its return. | |
| | With 1 penny brown stamp. | |
| A.1.4 (M 2/8) | Letter from [?] to John Bell, Gateshead. | 20 Jan 1845 |
| | Sends Mr Haigh's letter and plates. | |
| | With 2 penny blue stamps. | |
| A.1.4 (M 2/9) | Letter from Mackay & Chisholm, Edinburgh, to John Bell, Gateshead. | 29 Jan 1845 |
| | Mr Freudenthal "much surprised" at not receiving his token from Bell; request its return "by return of post". | |
| | With 1 penny brown stamp. | |
| A.1.4
(M 2/10) | Letter from J. W. Swinburne to John Bell, Gateshead, with copy of Bell's reply.

Encloses a conveyance bearing the name of John Bedford. | 19 Jun 1848 |

CORRESPONDENCE OF JOHN BELL OF GATESHEAD
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| A.1.4 (N 1) | Copy of a letter from J. W. Bell, Gateshead, to Robert Nichol. | 21 Jan 1835 |
| | Enquires if it is possible to obtain medals from “Mr Hodgsons Election Medals”. Note in pencil “sent one medal”. With newspaper cutting re a “public breakfast” to honour John Dixon, late mayor of Carlisle. | |
| A.1.4 (R 1) | Letter from John Robinson, Newcastle, to John Bell. | 2 Sep 1819 |
| | Sends what he promised yesterday afternoon. | |
| A.1.4 (R 2) | Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Geo[rge] Rippon, North Shields. | 15 Sep 1841 |
| | Enquires after coins and lists those wanted (ancient British coins used in Britain before the Saxon era and tradesmen’s tokens issued in the north of England, 1648-1670). | |
| A.1.4 (R 3) | Letter from James Reed, Sunderland, to John Bell, Gateshead. | 26 Oct 1841 |
| | Asks if Bell has any “documents relating to James the 2nd Earl of [?Derwentwater]”. With 2 red sealing wax impressions of coins. | |
| | With 1 penny brown stamp. | |
| A.1.4 (R 4) | Letter from Rev R Butler to John Bell, Gateshead. | 12 Apr 1842 |
| | Having seen Bell’s notice in the Gent[leman’s] Magazine he encloses “the only Durham token in his possession”. With 3 rubbings of a token. | |
| | With 1 penny brown stamp. | |
| A.1.4 (R 5) | Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Rev R. Butler. | 9 May 1842 |
| | Thanks Butler for the token. | |
| A.1.4 (R 6) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to James Reed, Sunderland, and letter from Reed to Bell. | 24 & 28 Feb
1843 |
| | Reed sends impressions of local coins; requests catalogue of the Newcastle Antiquarian Society. Bell sends thanks; requests impressions in red sealing wax. | |

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- A.1.4 (R 7) Copy of a letter from J. W. Bell, Gateshead, to John Richards jun, Reading, co Berks. 29 Jan 1844
- Sends circulars for anniversary meeting and enquires after tradesmen's tokens of the northern counties or the north part of co Yorks of 1648-1672.
- A.1.4 (R 8) Letter form John Richards jun, Reading, to John Bell, Gateshead. 12 Feb 1844
- Advises where Bell might find the tradesmen's tokens he wants. With newspaper cutting of a letter from Richards to the editor of the Tyne Mercury concerning Benefit Building Societies, 26 Oct 1843.
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (S 1) Letter from I. Scriver, Bensham, to John Bell. Feb 1819
- Requests copy of a letter and a paper concerning American money.
- A.1.4 (S 2) Translation of a letter from Mr Schive of Stavanger, Norway, to [?John Bell]. 15 Jul 1844
- Re obtaining a coin from the reign of Eric, king of Northumberland c 950.
- A.1.4 (S 3) Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to T. E. Dahl "for Mr Schive". 7 Aug 1844
- Received translation of Mr Schive's letter; none of the members of the Antiquarian Society had ever seen a coin from Eric's reign.
- A.1.4 (S 4) Letter from [?Johantleyer], Sheriff Hill Pottery, to John Bell, Gateshead. 13 Jan 1846
- "Please send your parcel and letter for Inspector Schive, Stavanger by the bearer hereof".
- A.1.4 (S 5) Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Mr Schive, Stavanger. 15 Jan 1846
- Sends an impression of a coin from the reign of Eric and other impressions; requests acknowledgement of their safe arrival.

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- A.1.4 (S 6) Letter from C. R. Smith, London, to John Bell, Gateshead. 11 Jul 1848
- He requested 6 copies of the Pembroke catalogue “but receive no answer and only one copy”; tells Bell to “write at once direct to Sotheby”. With printed letter from the British Archaeological Association concerning its fifth annual congress.
- A.1.4 (S 7) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to S. Leigh Sotheby, London. 12 Jul 1848
- Requests a copy of the catalogue of the sale of the Pembroke Collection of coins and medals for the council of the Society of Antiquaries, Newcastle upon Tyne.
- A.1.4 (S 8) Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Mr Schive. 28 Sep 1848
- Regrets sale and dispersal of the Earl of Pembroke’s coin collection; does not know whereabouts of Mr Haigh “formerly of Leeds”. With note from C. F. Schive concerning Norwegian coins.
- A.1.4 (UV 1) Letter from [J. M. Boyd] to John Bell. [?1840s]
- Re parcel sent by Bell.
- Nd
- A.1.4 (UV 2) Letter from [W. Boyd], Saville Row, to John Bell. [?1840s]
- Returns the parcel of coins; requests “Byrom’s last poem”.
- Nd
- A.1.4 (W 1) Letter from Robert Taylor, Hartlepool, to John Bell, Gateshead. 23 Sep 1841
- Re silver coins dug up at Hartlepool; sends him 3 to look at and would like to know their value; news concerning the health of his son.
- With 2 penny brown stamps.
- A.1.4 (W 2) Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Rev R. Taylor, Hartlepool. 25 Sep 1841
- The pennies he sends are quite common; sent them to Mr Brockett and includes a copy of his answer; would like to know when and where they were found; wants one of “Roger Dobsons Hartlepool halfpennies of 1662”.

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- A.1.4 (W 3) Letter from John Trotter Brockett, Newcastle, to John Bell. 25 Sep 1841
Would risk paying £1.5.0 for the coins Bell describes.
- A.1.4 (W 4) Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to the curator of the museum of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society. 24 Jan 1842
Enquires whether the curator has any tradesmen's tokens from the northern counties dating from 1648-1672 in his museum.
- A.1.4 (W 5) Letter from C. Wellbeloved, curator of antiquities in the museum of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society, York, to John Bell, Gateshead. 3 Feb 1842
The musuem has no tradesmen's tokens from the places Bell specifies.
With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (W 6) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to John Teesdale, solicitor to the chancellor & council of the duchy of Lancaster. 9 May 1842
Would like to have or see a copy of Teesdale's report on the treasure found in Cuerdale, co Lancs.
- A.1.4 (W 7) Letter from Alfred Burrell, duchy of Lancaster, to John Bell, Gateshead. 11 May 1842
Acknowledges receipt of Bell's letter.
With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (W 8) Letter from John Teesdale, duchy of Lancaster, Waterloo Bridge, to John Bell, Gateshead. 27 May 1842
Unable to send copy of his report on the Cuerden treasure due to department regulations and its length; tells Bell an accurate list of the coins is in the proceedings of the Numismatic Society.
With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (W 9) Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to John Teesdale, duchy of Lancaster office, London. 28 May 1842
Apologises for requesting copy of his report; printed extract from it published at Oxford.

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| A.1.4 (W 10) | Letter from James Thompson, Leicester, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Sends a Winchester Chronicle; “made experiments in cleaning old paper and parchment” but does not know how to dry the parchment; requests copies of “the water marks of paper” made by Bell.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 18 Aug 1845 |
| A.1.4 (W 11) | Letter from Robert Weddell, Berwick, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Cannot read the legend on the seal; will seal letter with impression from a copper seal (attached). | 23 Mar 1846 |
| A.1.4 (W 12) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Robert Weddell, Berwick upon Tweed.

Will send a better impression of the old seal; refers to W. Sydney [?Gibon’s] <i>History of Tynemouth</i> . | 3 Apr 1846 |
| A.1.4 (W 13) | Letter from Robert Weddell, Berwick, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Returns the newspapers. | 6 Apr 1846 |
| A.1.4 (W 14) | Letter from J. W. Bell, Gateshead, to Robert Weddell, Berwick.

Sends a review and impressions of seals; would like an impression of the seal found at Holy Island; asks if he has material “relative to the Derwentwater family”. | 11 Apr 1846 |
| A.1.4 (W 15) | Letter from Robert Weddell, Berwick, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Encloses 2 impressions of the seal found in Holy Island; has nothing about the Derwentwater family. | 13 Apr 1846 |
| A.1.4 (Y 1) | Copy of a letter from J. E. Swinburne, Capheaton, to J Adamson.

Rev Mr Foster, rector of Falstone, found gold coin in the church yard (actually found by the sexton when opening a grave); plan of where the coin found enclosed; show impressions of the coin to the Newcastle Society of Antiquaries. | 8 Oct 1844 |

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- A.1.4 (1-62)** ***Letters from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead, and copies of Bell's letters to Haigh*** **1843-1847**
- 62 items**
- Concerning the study of coins and inscriptions.
- Archivist's note: 3 letters from and to Bell and Haigh were placed out of sequence prior to this current listing. They have been kept in their original series. See letters A.1.4 (H 3), (M 2/3) and (M 2/4).
- A.1.4 (1) Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 4 Jan 1843
- Sends the letter he mentioned; encloses 3 impressions of a ring (not present).
- A.1.4 (2) Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 15 Jul 1843
- Preparing a work on Anglo Saxon coinage for publication; does Bell possess any coins etc of this series and could he send impressions?
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (3) Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds. 25 Sep 1843
- Can do little to assist Haigh re Anglo Saxon coins; looking for tradesmen's tokens issued in northern counties, 1648-1672.
- A.1.4 (4) Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 28 Sep 1843
- Requests impression of Bell's Egfrith coin; can not help re tradesmen's tokens but gives the name of someone who might be able to assist Bell.
- A.1.4 (5) Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh. 6 Oct 1843
- Encloses impressions on the Egfrith styca (not present); discusses stycas.

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| A.1.4 (6) | Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Returns Mr Brandreth's pamphlet and criticises its contents; enquires about seals. | 9 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (7) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds.

Will send wax impressions if he encounters any of the coins Haigh requires; has many seals; cautions Haigh against a man selling fake coins. | 12 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (8) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Sends wax impressions from Hexham stycas. | 28 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (9) | Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Will be examining stycas found at York. | 31 Oct 1843 |
| A.1.4 (10) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Enquiry re stycas of Eegfrid and the find at Hartlepool.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 5 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (11) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds.

Busy working on a tithle commutation plan; sends tracings of 2 Saxon and Runic stones. | 12 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (12) | Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Encloses printed note on the gold ring money of Ireland. | 14 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (13) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Presents copy of the account of the Hexham stycas; sketch of the vase in which the Eegfrith stycas were found; sends tracings of the Hartlepool stones. | 15 Dec 1843 |

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| A.1.4 (14) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Sends back the tracings of the Hartlepool stone. | 15 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (15) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Discusses Eegfrith's styca; 2 tracings attached to the letter; drawings of a wheelcross "frequently met with in Cumberland". | 21 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (16) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh.

Sends copy of a description on runic inscriptions. | 23 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (17) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh.

Joseph Fairless, painter, of Hexham has a large collection of the Hexham stycas. | 25 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (18) | Letter from D[aniel] H[enry] H[aigh], Leeds, to [John Bell].

Discusses Saxon crosses and inscriptions. | 26 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (19) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Liverpool, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Forgot to put letter of thanks in the post. | 27 Dec 1843 |
| A.1.4 (20) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Busy attending to the next publication of the Society. | 29 Jan 1844 |
| A.1.4 (21) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Alphabet of Anglo Saxon runes; illustration of an "ancient amulet" dug up in Cork; asks for drawing of the Runic Stone found at Hartlepool in 1838.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 1 Feb 1844 |

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| A.1.4 (22) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

With drawing of the Runic Stone found at Hartlepool in 1838; lists the letters he has received from Haigh; asks his opinion of the New London Archaeological Society. | 19 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (23) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Encloses a styca of Osbercht. | 24 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (24) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Encloses impressions from Mr Adamson's stycas; asks him not to send letters in envelopes because he dislikes them. | 26 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (25) | Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Explains why he calls the animal on the coins a dog and not a horse.

See A.1.4 (M 2/4) - Bell's response. | 27 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (26) | Note on post marked paper.

Note reads: "Monday February 26 1844 the scholars of the Grammar School removed to the F[o]rth House". | 28 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (27) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Apologises for sending his last letter in an envelope: "I will not offend in this respect again". | 29 Feb 1844 |
| A.1.4 (28) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Complains about envelopes and "across written letters"; youngest son has made tracings of crosses which he encloses; will send wax impressions of coins to illustrate the animals on them are horses and not dogs. | 18 Mar 1844 |

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- A.1.4 (29) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 3 Apr 1844
- “we had better say no more about dogs & horses as we shall not be able to convince one another”.
- With 1 penny brown stamp.
- A.1.4 (30) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 1 May 1844
- Letter written on verso of printed letter from Haigh advertising his intention to publish “Illustrations of the Anglo Saxon Coinage”. Sends specimens of stycas of Osbert and Vulfred.
- A.1.4 (31) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds. 7 Jun 1844
- Will send list of members of Newcastle Society of Antiquaries; put name down for a copy of your book; encloses 2 impressions in sealing wax; problems in having Haigh elected as an honorary member of Newcastle Antiquarian Society.
- A.1.4 (32) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 8 Jun 1844
- Re attempt to be elected honorary member of Newcastle Antiquarian Society; discusses the impressions sent by Bell for his “projected essay on Anglo Saxon coins”; refused impressions by the trustees of the Hunter Collection.
- A.1.4 (33) Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds. 10 Jun 1844
- Paper by a man who is “comptroller or second in command in the Custom House at Stavanger in Norway expressing a wish to exchange coins of Ethelred and Canute and also one of [?C?land]...for one of Eric”.
- A.1.4 (34) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 13 Jun 1844
- Encloses list of “all the coins of Eric known to exist in this country”.

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- A.1.4 (35) Copy of a letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Adamson, Newcastle-on-Tyne, with a letter from W. H. Brockett, Gateshead to [John Bell] attached. 17 & 20 Jan 1845
- Haigh apologises for keeping the coins Adamson lent him for such a long time; returns the coins etc.
- W. H. Brockett returns the plates; asks if [Bell] has identified the silver coin “the Norwegian sent you”; with a drawing of a coin.
- A.1.4 (36) Letter from Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds, to W. H. Brockett, with a letter from W. H. B[rockett] to [John Bell] attached. 21 & 22 Jan 1845
- Haigh’s plan of publishing his work on Saxon coins “met with so little support” that he has “adopted another”; Brockett enquires who will “take Mr Haigh’s work”.
- A.1.4 (37) Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to W. H. Brockett. 23 Jan 1845
- Printed note on the forthcoming publication of “Essay on the Numismatic History of the Ancient Kingdom of the East-Angles” by Daniel H[enry] Haigh; Bell notes who might subscribe to the work; with drawing of a coin.
- A.1.4 (38) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 24 Feb 1845
- Sends prospectus for Leeds Polytechnic exhibition; asks if Bell will loan a selection from his collection; asks what Bell’s collection comprises.
- A.1.4 (39) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 17 Jun 1845
- Requests impressions and drawings.
- A.1.4 (40) Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead. 20 Jun 1845
- Asks if the Society of Antiquaries would publish his essay on the coins of Northumbria in their transactions.
- A.1.4 (41) Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds. 24 Jun 1845
- Requests impressions of offertory dishes and describes how to make a good impression; will not mention Haigh’s essay to the council of the antiquarian society until he knows its length and cost.

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| A.1.4 (42) | Letter from Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Discusses the Scottish monumental stones. | 28 Jun 1845 |
| A.1.4 (43) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Sends impressions taken off a wood cut. | 2 Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (44) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Sends rubbings of the “two supposed Monkwearmouth stones” and 2 runic stones found at Hartlepool. | 5 Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (45) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Marked “Received Tuesday 8 July 1845”. Explains why he believes the 2 stones are relics of Monkwearmouth. | [7] Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (46) | Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

“Your letter of the 17 July has come so quick that it is here on the 8th”. Thinks the “supposed Monkwearmouth stone” is “a gross forgery of the antique”. | 8 Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (47) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Aware of the mistake with the date “but forgot to correct it”; will not take any more interest in the stones “until their history can be clearly ascertained”; with 4 drawings of crosses and a rubbing. | 9 Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (48) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Sends copies of drawings of stones; mentions tradesmen’s tokens of 1660 “issued in Northumberland, Durham or North Riding of Yorkshire”. | 12 Jul 1845 |
| A.1.4 (49) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Discusses the rubbing of the stone sent by Bell; informs Bell that a “large hoard of coins” have been found at York. | 14 Jul 1845 |

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| A.1.4 (50) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Requests a rubbing of a stone. | 16 Aug 1845 |
| A.1.4 (51) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel Henry Haigh, Leeds.

Will take new rubbing from one of the Hartlepool stones. | 1 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (52) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Sends 2 offertory dishes so Bell can draw them himself. | 12 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (53) | Copy of a letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Just returned from Hartlepool; thanks Haigh for the offertory dishes. | 13 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (54) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead, with a copy of Bell's answer.

Tells Bell to let a modeller take a cast of the bilingual stone and tell him the cost. Bell says the man who makes plaster casts wanted to "oil the stone, which would have turned its brown colour into a black"; will take more rubbings. | 16 & 18 Sep
1845 |
| A.1.4 (55) | Letter from J[ohn] Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Sends back the offertory dishes. With note "enclosed letter from Schieve 20 Oct 1844, 3 March 1845 and 6 Feb 1845 with 2 lists of coins and three small 4to books on coins". | 20 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (56) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Tells Bell how he would like rubbings taken from the stone; "I suppose a loan of the stone for a few days would be out of the question". | 20 Sep 1845 |
| A.1.4 (57) | Copy of a letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to Daniel H[enr]y Haigh, Leeds.

Requests a copy of Haigh's account of the Hartlepool stones; "at last succeeded in procuring a sealing wax impression of a coin of Eric's". | 31 Jan 1846 |

CORRESPONDENCE OF JOHN BELL OF GATESHEAD
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| A.1.4 (58) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Ripon, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Coming to Newcastle; wants to examine the Runic and Saxon inscription. | 27 Apr 1846 |
| A.1.4 (59) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead, with copy of a reply from Bell.

Will pay for the carriage of his bag; home safely. Bell informs him of the cost of the carriage of the bag in his reply. | 7 & 9 May
1846 |
| A.1.4 (60) | Letter from Daniel H[enry] Haigh, Leeds, to John Bell, Gateshead.

Discusses the Saxon and Runic inscriptions.

With 1 penny brown stamp. | 12 May 1846 |
| A.1.4 (61) | Letter from John Bell, Gateshead, to D[aniel] H[enry] Haigh, Leeds.

Re Saxon and runic inscriptions. | 20 May 1846 |
| A.1.4 (62) | 2 newspaper cuttings concerning Daniel Henry Haigh's conversion to Catholicism. | 7 & 16 Jan
1847 |