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Akers transcripts papers (MS1014)

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Reference	Dates	Object title	Scope and content
MS1014/1/1	[1783 August 9 th]	Letter from	Sent from Paris. Recounts Aretas search for advice regarding his cases to procure a redress. Also
		Aretas Akers	a few instructions regarding money matters [Letter number 31].
		to his son	
		Aretas.	
MS1014/1/2	[1783 August 12 ^{th]}	Letter from	A short note continuing the previous letter (dated 1783 August 9th) as it was too late for the
		Aretas Akers	previous post [Letter number 31].
		to his son	
		Aretas.	

MS1014/1/3	[1783 September 15 ^{th]}	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Ostend describing Aretas' travels, with George and Bob, and his impressions of France, Lille and St. Quentins, in particular. Aretas expresses the desire to reside in France for the winter and is awaiting Bell to come and join him. Bell could not bring her maid Nanny with her as "no negroes were allowed to be brought to France". Therefore, Aretas tries to convince his son to allow his two girls to accompany Bell instead and suggests Nanny shouldn't return to the West Indies.
			[Letter number 32].
MS1014/1/4	[1783 September 21 st]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais. Aretas is awaiting his son and company and provides him with information and instructions regarding money issues, what to bring from London, French customs, boats from Dover etc [Letter number 33].
MS1014/1/5	[1783 September 24 th]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais expanding on the previous letter: more arrangements and instructions on what to bring over. Also, Aretas wishing his son a quick recovery from his illness so he could still accompany Bell and mentions that George and Bob will accompany Aretas, the son, on his way back to London [Letter number 34].
MS1014/1/6	[1783 September 24 th]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais expanding on the previous letter, more instructions as follow: 1. How to dispose of his share of a turtle. 2. An order and conditions of Sam's (the servant) freedom. 3. Pass a message to Mrs Stoddart promising her the account will be settled as soon as possible. 4. Requesting Miss Nanny to remain in England, if she cannot make it to France. 5. Requesting a second hand saddle and bridle from England. 6. Pass a message to E.P. Bize that Aretas is not willing to trouble himself any further regarding Mr. Crawford's affairs. [Letter number 35].
MS1014/1/7	[1783 September 26 th]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais. Here Aretas expresses his care for his children and his disappointment of Jennings' breach of confidence. He is also disappointed to learn that Bell will arrive without any female companions and tries to arrange for Miss Douglass to accompany her. Also includes order of £350 for his son, who starts operating as his Paymaster General. The letter also includes a short note regarding Sam Esdaile. [Letter number 36].

MS1014/1/8	[1783 October 2 nd]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais. Includes reflections on personal relations in the family. Aretas notifies his son that a general order was placed and it should now serve everything. Also, some business matters such as debt disputes and a request for chasing payments. Some business correspondence exchanged with Ned, who is based in the West Indies and expresses Ned's will to lease an estate at St. Kitts. Aretas orders his son to supply the allowance of 200 guineas a year to each of his brothers, George and Robin. [Letter number 37]
MS1014/1/9	[1783 October 5 th]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Calais. In the introduction Aretas expresses his melancholy state. Aretas requests his son to take care of the affairs relating Sam and of Robin's (Bob) allowance and tuition fees. Also gives further instructions on how to deal with Captain Thompson and Cotton & Turner. He ends the letter talking about the travel to Lille and provides the new address [Letter number 38].
MS1014/1/10	[1783 October 7 th]	Letter from James Ramsay to Aretas Akers (the son).	Sent from Kent in response to a letter received by James from Aretas' father and provides advice on how to handle the case of Berkley's bill in Wells's Hands. [Letter number 38a]
MS1014/1/11	[1783 October 21 st]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Aretas.	Sent from Lille. Aretas thanks his son for his good methods of communications and continues the correspondence. Aretas recounts in details the dispute with Mr. Turner of Turner & Paul from St. Kitts. Gives instruction on how to respond to Captain Seaton's demand and Mr. Ramsay's letter. Also gives instructions on business to be conducted regarding Henry and with Captain Jack regarding Ensigncy. Also a short note regarding Sam and some personal accounts of life in France and other family matters, including a request for Bob's allowance to be supplied by his college tutor, Mr. Pitt in Oxford. [Letter number 39]

MS1014/1/12	[1783 November 4 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	In a response to a letter of the 21 st , Aretas explains his position regarding his decision to move
		to [???]	and remain in France and the affair with Mr. Berkeley. Also an interest in buying land in St.
			Vincent is expressed and some other personal accounts.
			[Letter number 40]
MS1014/1/13	[1783 October 26 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	Aretas is commenting on his son's desire to come to France to master the French Language and
		to his son	responds to Mr. Beaver's enquiries regarding the pilot's, Mr. Jones, prize money. Also requests
		George.	for some bottles to be sent from London.
			[Letter number 41]
MS1014/1/14	[1783 October 20 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	Recounts Aretas' choice of a place to settle in France and his success in the French court. Also
		to his son	Aretas requests his son in St. Kitts to send him the Terrible's ship prize list. [Letter number 42]
		Ned.	
MS1014/1/15	1783 November	Letter from	Sent from Paris.
		Aretas Akers	Full detailed accounts between Aretas Akers and Sir Francis Drake.
		to Gilbert	[Letter number 43]
		Heathcote,	
		London.	
MS1014/1/16	[1783 December 2 nd]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	Aretas is responding to a letter from the 25 th about bringing to a settlement all the West India
		to John	businesses of the late Mr. Crichton. Also recounts in detail his various business affairs in the West
		Henderson,	Indies.
		London.	[Letter number 44]
MS1014/1/17	No date	Letter from	This friendly letter recounts personal and business affairs, including the robbery of his estate in
		Aretas Akers	St. Vincent by Mr. Robin, the Frenchman, and letting of the offices to Mr. Morrison in the West
		to Richard	Indies.
		Symons,	[Letter number 45]
		Montserratt.	

MS1014/1/18	No date	Letter from Aretas Akers to Henry Wilmot, London.	Aretas is disputing Mr. Wilmot's demand and reflects on the business conducted between the two. [Letter number 46]
MS1014/1/19	[1784 April 6 th]	Letter from Aretas Akers to his son Ned.	Sent from Lille. In the introduction Aretas is thanking his son for attending to all his affairs and expresses his happiness that his son will now be able to take over in case of his death. He goes on to reply to each individual inquiry made by his son in previous letters- 1. An offer for Miss Nancy to stay in Ned's house. 2. Giving Ned full powers on plantations matters. 3. Commenting on the relationship between his sons and on George going to assist Ned. 4. Commenting on his and Ned's health and its affects on their business and correspondence. 5. Requesting Ned to keep good terms with Mr. Shirley. 6. Commenting on the declining health of Mr. Wharton and asks Ned to be on the look out in case of his death. 7. Prepares for George arrival to the West Indies and asks Ned to fulfil George's requests for rooms and negroes. 8. Expresses his views regarding his son Jack and his plan to marry an unknown English girl. [Letter number 47]

MS1014/1/20	[1783 December 2 nd]	Letter from	Sent from Glasgow.
		Rob	Rob recounts the dispute with regards to Morris' claim to the St. Vincent land.
		Houstoun to	[Letter number 47a (1)]
		Aretas Akers'	
		son Aretas.	
MS1014/1/21	[1783 December 2 nd]	Letter from	A note with reference to letter number 47a (1) about a memorandum of a grant from the grant
		Rob	commissioner Hewitt to Dr. Connor.
		Houstoun to	[Letter number 47a (2)]
		Aretas Akers'	
		son Aretas.	
MS1014/1/22	[1783 December 7 th]	Letter from	Sent from Glasgow.
		Rob	Further details regarding business accounts and disputes at St. Vincent.
		Houstoun to	[Letter number 47b]
		Aretas Akers'	
		son Aretas.	
MS1014/1/23	[1783 October 7 th]	Letter from	Sent St. Kitts.
		Edm. N.	Recounts the situation at St. Vincent regarding Vauga, Robin, the Layou estate etc. Also provides
		Akers to	a detailed updated of some bonds (including an order on Mr. Maude), debt collections &
		Aretas Akers	payments (including Mr. Crawford), the navy accounts etc.
		[???]	Also expresses the desire to tidy up the books and accounts as he struggles to raise the required
			remittances and chase payments. Consequently he provides details on how to improve
			communications and exchange accounts notes.
			[Letter number 48a]

MS1014/1/24	[1783 October 7 th] [???]	Letter from Edm. N. Akers to	Sent St. Kitts. [????] 1. An up to date account of a demand which Mr. Fahir made from a sale of a vessel owned by Mr. Transfield, previously mentioned in a letter from Vauga.
		Aretas Akers [???]	2. An update regarding the settlement with Mr. Somersal for the hospital rent.3. Detailed account of settlements with Mr. Munton through Mr. Kerr.
		,	4. Requesting information regarding the account with Dr. Cliftons and the account of the Sick and
			Wounded Seamen with Dr. Young if the accounts are not yet closed.
			5. Requests an explanation regarding certain receipts, which are transcribed onto the letter.
			6. Short notes regarding Mr. Queely's account and Statia business matters.
			7. Introduction to letter 48c, see below.
			[Letter number 48b]
MS1014/1/25	[1783 October 7 th]	Letter from	Sent St. Kitts. [????]
	[???]	Edm. N.	1. An application to the late Mr. McDougall's attorney, Mr. W Wharton, for the management of
		Akers to	Pensez-y-bien, which will include the College in some measures.
		Aretas Akers	2. Mr. Wharton's reply dated 15 th September 1783.
		[???]	3. The conclusion of the following day meeting between Mr. Wharton and Mr Edmund Akers and its consequences.
			4. Resigning the management of Oliver's to Mr. Yelloly and plans for working the estate.
			5. Inquiring if the prizes for Capt. Duckworth & Brine's are settled and so the accounts with
			Messrs Whitehead and Winter of Antigua.
			6. Deferral of settlement with Strode until Vauga's arrival.
			7. Asking for directions on the remittances from the Estate at Nevis.
			8. The house previously rented to Mr. Murray is now rented by Mr. Thomson to Mr. Quinsey as
			E.N.A is struggling to sell the house for the price requested by Aretas.
			[Letter number 48c & 48d]
MS1014/1/26	[1783 September 30 th]	Letter form	Sent from Antigua, by Daniel who just arrived from Virginia. It is a short brief of his accounts
		Daniel Ross	and inquiring about the accounts of the Akers family.
		to Edm. F.	[Letter number 48e]
		Akers.	

MS1014/1/27	[1783 September 24 th]	Letter form	Sent from Antigua Yard.
		Anthony	Settlements of various accounts with Mr. Akers.
		Munton	[Letter number 48e]
		presumably	
		to Edm. F.	
		Akers.	
MS1014/1/28	[1783 September 9 th]	Letter form	Sent from Sandy point [???].
		John Fahie	The letter disputing the accounts sent against Mr. Fahie and Mr. Mercer by Edm. Akers on behalf
		presumably	of his father.
		to Edm. F.	[Letter number 48e]
		Akers.	
MS1014/1/29	Undated	Letter form	A short polite note stating that he will not be able to repay the debt at present.
		Stedman	[Letter number 48e]
		Rawlins	
		presumably	
		to Edm. F.	
		Akers.	
MS1014/1/30	[1783 August 13 th]	Extract of a	Sent from St. Pierre welcoming Edmund F. Akers on his arrival to St. Vincent, commenting on
		letter from	his bad state and arranging for the shipping of 16 Negroes to St. Vincent.
		Mr. Vouga to	[Letter number 48f]
		E.F.A.	
MS1014/1/31	[1783 August 28 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Vincent.
		Mr. R Paul,	A short note regarding the Mr. Vouga, his shipment of Negroes and the Coubaimarou Estate.
		presumably	[Letter number 48f]
		to Edm. F.	
		Akers.	

MS1014/1/32	[1783 November 14 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F	1. Recounts the Bill & Philips remittance.
		Akers to his	2. Requesting instructions on St. Peters Church repairs (Sick and Hurt Office).
		father Aretas	3. Expresses concern for his father's health.
		Akers.	4. Suggesting investigating money seized by the French.
			5. Invitation to come to St. Kitts for health reasons and assurance that business is taken care of as
			per his directions.
			6. Comments about communication with the family.
			[Letter number 49]
MS1014/1/33	[1783 November 7 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Vincent.
		Mr. R Paul to	Provides information about the current state and works at Coubaimarou Estate and requesting
		Edmund F.	further directions. Also details accounts between Daniel Ross and Turner & Paul and a Bill drawn
		Akers.	by Charles Doile on Wm. Crichton. Concludes with the notification of the death of Mr. Laborde,
			the former manager of the estate.
	41-		[Letter number 50]
MS1014/1/34	[1783 November 15 th]	Letter form	Sent from Antigua.
		Daniel Ross	Responds to letter dated 6 th November and offers assistance regarding St. Eustatices.
		to Edmund F.	Informs of a bill paid to Mr. A. Akers on the account of Mr. Crichton.
		Akers.	Expresses a will to travel around the West Indies.
			[Letter number 51]

MS1014/1/35	[1783 November 24 th]	Edmund F.	Sent from St. Kitts. 1. Commenting on his father's health and move to France.
		Akers to his father Aretas Akers.	2. Updates regarding the Estate at St. Vincent, which by order has been put into the hands of the Trustees, Jeffries Paget and Neale. Robin imprisonment at Martinique and the return of 16
		AKCIS.	Negroes. 3. News and comments on Vauga's recent death.
			4. A note on Barrow unsettled account.
			5. A note on an attached letter from Paul & Co.
			6. Explanation on the need to sell part of the expected 200Hhds at St. Vincent to restock Coubamarou.
			7. Contemplates on the Robin case, the loss it created and the need for a representative at Martinique.
			8. Details of the action entered against the Captors, and Ross's letter about the subject is enclosed.9. Encourage his father to make an application in respect to the money paid to the Governor at St.
			Kitts. 10. Requesting information regarding any business with Mr. Proudfoot.
			11. Berkeley gives up the Marshall's office and the intention of requesting Mr. Harlow to replace him.
			12. Expected profit from the sugar plantation and required investments to keep it going. 13. Requesting full details of agreed rent to be paid and a price for the house to be sold. 14. Personal notes on Aretas' health, relations and communication with other members of the family and the expected arrival of Miss Nanny. Also reminds his father of the affair resulting Mr.
			McDouglas' death and provides instructions regarding this case.
			15. Updates on the last assembly, which was revising the public accounts.
			16. Comments on General Shirley expected arrival to the island. [Letter number 52]
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			[Letter number 52]

MS1014/1/36	[1783 December 20 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	1. A brief account of 5 previous letters sent to his son and thanking him for attending to his
		to his son	affairs.
		Ned.	2. A very detailed account of the affairs with Berkeley and disputing Berkeley's statement on the
			matter.
			3. Response and acceptance of Mr. Sutton's proposal to send him a cargoe.
			[Letter number 53a]
MS1014/1/37	[1783 December 20 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	1. Order from His Most Christian Majesty to his Governor General was obtained and sent out.
		to his son	2. Details of due debt to Turner & Paul and a request for Mr. Vouga or to authorize someone else
		Ned.	to represent Aretas at Martinique.
			3. Comments on the estates in the Indies, their sugar productions, profit and payments.
			4. Thoughts on the possibilities of future collaborations with Jonas or taking on his accounts.
			5. Accounts of purchasing and selling several vessels.
			6. Response to the question –is Hobson responsible to the bad debts?
			7. The missing "Terrible" Prize List, the consequences of its unpaid accounts and further
			instructions on the matter.
			[Letter number 53b]

MS1014/1/38	[1783 December 20 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	1. Instruction to destroy or cancel the Bond of Le Juene & Insinger due to receipt of payment.
		to his son	2. Request for information of the account regarding General Shirley in order to keep the books
		Ned.	updated.
			3. Thanking his Ned for the two turtles he sent over.
			4. The possibilities of renting Cotton's Estate for Ned.
			5. A response to Mr. Borrow unsettled accounts.
			6. Requesting his son to send him some of the crop from Mr. A. Thomson, this is to assist him
			with the low cash flow caused by two protested Bills.
			7. Rejecting his sons offer to assist him with money.
			8. Request his son to chase the £50 due from Mr. Lister, the Marshal of Tortola.
			9. Notification of the receipt of the money from the public at St. Kitts for General Shirley, details
			and the settlements of the accounts.
			10. Updates on the latest news and adds personal comments on Ned's female interest.
			11. News of George and his plans of setting of to the West Indies. Aretas requests Ned to assist
			George on his first steps. Short update on Bell, Jack and Robin
			[Letter number 53c]

MS1014/1/39	[1783 December 23 rd]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Apologies for neglecting to send the Prize lists of the "Sandwich", "Terrible" and "Triton".
		Akers to	2. Seamen's powers, Navy orders, Receipts etc. will be sent by the Skelton and other papers have
		Aretas Akers	been sorted.
		[???].	3. The crops are now beginning.
			4. Papers from Dominique arrived and state that a court order to obtain restitution from Robin
			will be of service. Edmund will leave to Windward after the holidays.
			5. Forecast of the produce of Olive's and insurance to be taken.
			6. Manning's ship is doing well.
			7. Requesting information about any business conducted with Proudfoot. Whilst in Winward
			Edmund will deal with Barrow.
			8. Details of raise in taxes by the assembly.
			9. Season greetings and comments on correspondences with other members of the family.
	,		[Letter number 54]
MS1014/1/40	[1784 February 27 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Brief of previous letter [Letter number 54].
		Akers to	2. Reports on the meeting with Barrow and its unresolved outcome. Begs for more information on
		Aretas Akers	this account to be passed to him as soon as possible.
		[???].	3. Impressions of and further plans for the Coubarmairou Estate at St. Vincent and the shipping of
			its sugar.
			4. Update regarding the affairs at Martinique and deferral of the planned trip there.
			5. Observations on the Estate and the adjoining lands at St. Vincent and weighing out the
			possibilities of purchase.
			[Letter number 55a]

MS1014/1/41	[1784 February 27 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
	-	Edmund F.	1. Pleading for Aretas to finish the dispute with Snell and settle with Mrs. Morris as soon as
		Akers to	possible. Also suggesting that Mr. Houstoun can conclude these issues on Aretas behalf.
		Aretas Akers	2. Requesting information and clarifications regarding Proudfoot's accounts.
		[???].	3. A brief account of Captain Cochrane assigned prize money from the Statia etc.
			4. Inviting his father to take a trip to the West Indies and suggests how the plan can be
			prosecuted.
			5. A summery of plantation business and a promise to write in more details.
			[Letter number 55b]
MS1014/1/42	[1784 February 27 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Further summery of plantation business, apologies and explanation of delay in sending over the
		Akers to	detailed accounts.
		Aretas Akers	2. Informing of shipment of sugar of 140 Hhds from Olive's to London.
		[???].	The letter is interrupted and doesn't conclude.
			[Letter number 55c]
MS1014/1/43	[1784 April]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Exact copy of letter number 55c.
		Akers to his	2. Very brief update of few accounts.
		father, Aretas	3. Expressing his appreciation and satisfaction as to the way the affair regarding Mr. Douglas has
		Akers.	been dealt with so far. Particularly thanking his father and Mr. Wharton.
			4. News details and the payment of the demand against Hodge's Estate for about £600.
			[Letter number 56a]

MS1014/1/44	[1784 April]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
	_	Edmund F.	1. Cashing accounts information form Mr. Cotton.
		Akers to his	2. Thanking his father for responding to his wish of renting the Estate.
		father, Aretas	3. Introduction to a plan made jointly with William Somersall, details to follow in future letters.
		Akers.	4. Commenting on George's decision to come out to the West Indies.
			5. A short account of the power of Adye & Tucker and the effect of Mr. Shirley recent behaviour
			at Nevis.
			[Letter number 56b]
MS1014/1/45	[1784 June 13 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Updates of various affairs of which some have been adjusted or settled and the copying of the
		Akers to his	book of the Statia accounts.
		father, Aretas	2. Commenting on his fathers improved health.
		Akers.	3. Commenting on Miss Nanny's arrival.
			4. Navy Affairs: The prize list of the Terrible has been sent over and Edmunds suggests how this
			matter could be settled now.
			[Letter number 57]
MS1014/1/46	[1784 June 28 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	Taking responsibility over his affairs with the Navy and promises to settle these accounts upon
		to his son	his return to England in October.
		Aretas.	[Letter number 58]

MS1014/1/47	[1784 July 7 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
	-	Edmund F.	1. Details of the copied papers sent and request for Mr. Thomson's protested Bills.
		Akers to his	2. Update on Mr. Borrow affair.
		father, Aretas	3. Notification of Mr. Grigor's passing.
		Akers [???]	4. Forecast of Olive's production and intention of use.
			5. Commenting on his father stop at Spa, and hoping he is on his way back to England which will
			enable him to close the accounts with the Navy people.
			6. Request for the Somersall's accounts for the Sick and Hurt office to be sent over.
			7. Comment on George and Miss Nanny.
			[Letter number 59]
MS1014/1/48	[1784 July 20 th]	Letter from	Sent from St. Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1. Reporting on George arrival, his settlement and his representation of Aretas in the case of
		Akers to his	Woodley's against Akers & Houstoun.
		father, Aretas	2. Somersall prepared the papers for the Sick and Hurt, which will be forwarded to Aretas.
		Akers.	3. General updates on the life at St. Kitts, including Chief Judge George injury in a duel, rumours
			of Negroes uprising and the people abuse of Parson Ramsay etc.
			[Letter number 60]
MS1014/1/49	[1784 July 9 th]	Letter from	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	1. Strong words in response to a letter sent from Stanley to the Duke and to Aretas (Senior) and
		to his son	instruction to Aretas (Junior) on how to proceed with this smatter.
		Aretas.	2. Mentions that Miss Douglas will not be joining them and inviting his son to join them at Spa.
			3. Response to Mathew's request of £20, instruction to pay him and suggestions on ways the money could be repaid.
			4. Enquires on the receipt of previously sent letter and draft for Mr. Attayns for £42.
			5. Instruct his son to open the sealed letter to Mr. S. Houstouns, read it and reseal it. Also a
			private comment on B. D. affair.
			[Letter number 61]

MS1014/1/50	[1784 August 1 st]	Letter from Edmund F. Akers to his father, Aretas Akers.	Sent from St. Kitts. 1. Further details of all the various copied papers sent to Aretas. 2. Expresses dissatisfaction in the assistance he able to offer Aretas with the navy business. 3. The plan to go to Antigua, St. Vincent and Dominique with George, but only after the courts and business are settled. 4. Brief accounts on Mr. Borrows' debt, replacement for late Mr. Gregor by Mr. Muir, productions, profit calculation and forecast of Coubaimarou produce. 5. Details of the complications with the accounts of Turner & Paul that resulted in the recent cash order sent on Edmund. [Letter number 62]
MS1014/1/51	[1784 September 26 th]	Letter from Edmund F. Akers to his father, Aretas Akers.	Sent from St. Kitts. 1. Reasons for delaying the trip to St. Vincent and communication with Mr. Hobson with regards to Coubaimarou Estate. 2. No news regarding Layon Estate and its expected crops to be sent to R&A 3. Updates regarding Coubaimarou Estate and its low produce. 4. Update regarding the demand against Mr. Borrow. 5. Awaiting updates regarding Robine. 6. Disposal breakdown of 144 "hhds" from Olivers and forecast for next year. 7. A brief report on the Negroes status at Olivers and its implication on the labour and finance of the Estate. 8. [Letter number 63]
MS1014/1/52	[[1784 October]	Letter from Edmund F.Akers to his father, Aretas Akers.	1 Mr Winstone has not sent down the schedule of Barrow's effects. 2. Enclosed is the protested bill and proven copy of his account. 3 Gives advice to arrest him 4. Update on election for Nichola town. 5. George meets tomorrow. [Letter number 64]

MS1014/1/53	[1784 November 8 th]	Letter from	Sent from St.Kitts
		Edmund	1 Informs of the appointment of Mr Stanley to office of Inspector Auditor Receiver etc. and his
		F.Akers to	application on the subject of the Tortola Bonds.
		his father,	2. Reasons why Mr Stanley did not inform Edmund sooner of his appointment.
		Aretas Akers	3. Mr Stanley explains why he could not agree to proposition of Mr Douglas's, whereby Aretas
			Akers gave up the bonds on being paid commissions.
			4. Edmund informs Mr Stanley of Aretas Akers' desire to have matter settled.
			5 Edmund gives his opinion on how to settle the matter of the Tortola Bonds.
			6. Information regarding the balance due the Casual Revenue.
			7 Details of attachments to this letter and accounts to be forwarded to recipient.
			8. Desire expressed to finish business at home and request to send any necessary instructions.
			9 News that author will set off for St.Vincent for a few weeks.
			10 Updates on George and Miss Nanny and news to be passed on to Miss Bell.
			[Letter number 65]
MS1014/1/54	[1784 November 8 th]	Anonymous	1. News of the death of Cotton.
		letter	2. Details of the plans of Miss Cotton and the will
			3 Relays Cotton's views of the recipient.
			4 News of Mr Wharton's death and the expectation that many will seek the post of attorneyship.
			5 Expresses his wish that his name be used to support Mr Douglas.
			[Letter number 65]

MS1014/1/55	c1784 November	Anonymous	1. Describes the difference between German and French policy.
		letter	2. Discusses Jack's promotion and his economic situation.
			3. Discusses Jack' character and the need to make him feel the consequences of his actions.
			4. The consequences of Wharton's death. In particular the appointment of Mr D's attorney.
			5. Discusses a letter from Mr D. to author and whether to accept the post of manager.
			6. Describes a visit from Stanley and Julius and his letter to Mr Douglas.
			7. Discusses Cotton's estate and the attorney sent by Parry to Walter Nisbet.
			8. Discusses financial matters and the fact that he has not sent up any new power.
			9. Describes how he has not been to St. Vincent.
			10. Discusses the accounts of the recipient's estate and the need to pay the recipient the balance due.
			11. Expresses surprise at Mr Paul's conduct and states it was against his wishes. Describes
			how he tried to follow the recipient's instructions.
			12. Discusses financial bills.
			13. Why author has not been to St.Vincent and how he has tried to lessen the consequences of this.
			14. Discusses demand on Dr Jackson.
			15. Describes the necessity to go to Fabry to examine recipient's accounts and to let Chollet know a considerable balance is due to recipient.
			16. Stanley and the need for him to call on author to hand over money in recipient's hands as
			casual receiver. Discussion of the money owed by recipient to government.
			17. Discusses the accounts containing relevant details.
			18. Describes visit to see Stanley to discuss financial matters. In
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			particular the need to pay the expense of recovering the Tortola Bonds.
			20. Describes matters relating to payment demanded by Mr Ross.
			[Letter number 66]

MS1014/1/56	[1785 February 24 th]	Letter to	Sent from Lille.
		Aretas Akers	1. Why author has been unable to reply to your several letters and how he intends to deal with the situation.
			2. Describes decision to travel on Monday or Tuesday next.
			3. Discusses the sale of Jack's Ensigncy and Lieutenancy and the fact that papers have been forwarded to recipient for Jack to execute.
			4. Discusses payments due and states that the power of attorney will be forwarded to recipient.
			5. Advises recipient to keep money from agents of 55 th to pay certain bills.
			6. Asks recipient to assist him in convincing Jack that he should not squander money away.
			[Letter number 67]

MS1014/1/57	[1785 March 5 th]	Letter from	Letter from St.Kitts.
		Edmund F.	1 Discusses accounts of the recipient with deputies in the different islands.
		Akers	2 Encloses letter from Mr Stanley in which he discusses money owed by the recipient. Asks
			Edmund to come to Nevis.
			3 Encloses his reply to Mr Stanley. He states he is unable to attend Mr Stanley at Nevis.
			He states he faces difficulties due to lack of information on his father's accounts and that
			he is unable to give the security Mr Stanley requires. He wishes for more time so that he can make a satisfactory settlement
			4 The author returns to his main letter and discusses the consequences of his letter to Mr
			Stanley and the legal action Mr Stanley is taking.
			5 Asks the recipient to write straight away on this business.
			6 Discusses the demand made by Mr Julius for payment of a bond debt of Dr Akers to Mr
			Wharton in relation to the sale of two slaves and the legal action that followed this demand.
			7 Discusses the purchase and ownership of these two slaves and the recipient's financial situation in relation to the bond.
			8 Discusses the bills of Aretas
			9 Discusses the death of Ross and the fact that Ross had drawn on recipient.
			10 Discusses letter from Vincent and encloses extract.
			11 Describes how he wrote to Dr Archbold regarding business recipient directed him to deal with.
			12 Describes why he has not seen Mctair and how he intends to ride over to his house.
			13 Sends his greetings to Miss Bell, the Captain and Chancellor.
			[Letter number 68]
MS1014/1/58	[1785 March 8 th]	Letter from	1 Discusses visit to Mctair to settle Mr Crichton's account and other bills.
		Edmund	2 Describes how he is tired from long ride to Scotch Island
		F.Akers.	[Letter number 69]

MS1014/1/59	[1785 March 25 th]	Letter from	Letter from St.Kitts.
	,	Edmund F.	1 Encloses copies of last two letters to recipient.
		Akers.	2 Encloses a copy of Dr Archbold's answer to him.
			3 Discusses Mr Crichton's account and money he owes.
			4 Discusses the action taken by Mr Stanley and the legal proceedings that followed.
			5 Describes his unhappiness at the lack of directions on how to act on this matter.
			6 Describes how receipts for money from recipient have been sent to Retas.
			7 Describes how copies of all casual receivers' accounts have been sent to recipient.
			8 Discusses payment of Ash's bond and advises recipient how to act on this matter.
			9 Sends greetings from Miss Nanny.
			[Letter number 70]
MS1014/1/60	Undated	Remarks	1 Discusses how Mr Akers behaved when appointed agent to the squadron.
		made be the	2 Describes how Mr Akers was made to account for all prize money in his hands and how
		Rev. Mr	Lord Loughborough ordered Mr Akers to account for interest on certain funds.
		Ramsay	3 States W.A never declined the payment of the money on any other necessity than the not
		relative to the	knowing to whom to pay it.
		decision of	4 Describes how W.A behaved regarding the bills he gave to officers.
		the court on	5 Discusses the interest Mr Aker owes and the ill effect it has had on him and his family.
		Cochrane's	6 Discusses the repercussions of the case against Mr Aker and how unjust it is that Mr Aker
		action.	must pay interest.
	,		[Letter number 71]
MS1014/1/61	[1786 April 16 th]	A letter from	1 Complains that he has not received any correspondence from recipient.
		W.Ramsay to	2 Advises his daughter on keeping cheerfulness and an easy temper under restraint.
		his eldest	3 Recommends that his daughter take every opportunity of dancing and engages in morning
		daughter.	walks before breakfast.
			4 Refers to Jane learning Italian.
			5 Passes on his greetings to her mother and the fact that he will be up Monday 24 th .
			[Letter number 72-76]

MS1014/1/62	[1786 May 27 th]	A letter from	Letter from St.Kitts.
	·	Edmund F.	1 Describes the consequences of an act of ejectment being entered against them by Paul.
		Akers	2 Mentions how they have come in possession of Layou Estate.
			3 Describes what will be earned from Olivees.
			4 Describes how he has given something to Jack and George.
			5 Complains of the lack of money in the country.
			6 Discusses the Olivees accounts and the work his father carried out on the estate.
			7 States that copies of the accounts will be sent to recipient along with the copies of the
			author's private account and account of author's father. He also gives instructions on how
			to act on these accounts.
			8 Describes how Stanley has renewed his demands against him relative to the casual
			revenue.
			9 States that as soon as Stanley enters action against us, the author will demand payment of
			all outstanding debts owed to him.
			10 Encloses a letter from "my little woman".
			11 Passes on news of Jack and George.
			12 Describes the death of Mr. H Akers.
			[Letter number 77]
MS1014/1/63	Undated	A letter from	1 Apologises for the delay in replying to letters.
		Edmund F.	2 Discusses the situation of Bob and the agreement to allow him £300 a year from father's
		Akers.	will.
			3 Discusses financial matters in relation to Bob and the agreement of the recipient.
			4 Discusses how to assist Bob financially.
			5 Discusses further the financial concerns of Bob.
			[Letter number 78]

MS1014/1/64	[1789 March 16 th]	A letter to	Sent from London.
		Sarah from	1 States how she has received her letter and how she wishes recipient were in town.
		I.A.	2 Describes the illuminations in town.
			3 Discusses the marriage of Nanny Tomkins to Mr Cuthbert.
			4 Discusses the marriages of acquaintances including Miss Jarvis.
			5 Asks after the recipient's relationships.
			6 Discusses the visit of Sarah's father.
			7 Author expresses her relief that Margaret is better.
			8 Author expresses her wish that Margaret was in possession of that
			piece of tapestry or the large sum of money.
			9 Author thanks the recipient for remembering her when Mrs T. was going to R and hopes it was done in an "artful way".
			10 Expresses her wish that Easter week was here so that she could see them all.
			11 Her brother A intends to visit Aunt Dame, but if he is prevented, he will write to her communicating his desire for Aunt Dame to come to town.
			12 Author expresses her sorrow that Aunt R has been unwell and that little Jane cannot come
			to stay.
			[Letter number 79]

MS1014/1/65	[1789 March 31 st]	A letter from	Sent from Teston.
		Sarah	1 Discusses the news that her father has been appointed chaplain to the Prime Minister.
		Ramsay to	2 The author expresses her admiration for the Prime Minister.
		her father.	3 Mr Ward is sorry recipient should consider what he said as an impeachment on either of the persons' characters.
			4 Discusses the character of Mr Parsons and how he will support the church.
			5 Talks of the weather being more tolerable and how they have made use of their feet and the horses' feet.
			6 Talks of illnesses within the family.
			7 Talks of expected visit to Mr Noble.
			8 Talks of death of Mrs Taynton's cousin Stephens.
			[Letter number 80]

MS1014/1/66	[1791 June 11 th]	A letter to Retas from his brother.	Sent from St.Kitts. 1 Updates on the application of Mr Mayhew on the Greenwich hospital affairs. 2 Updates on the action entered against us by Satterthwaithe. 3 Updates on action entered by Queely to recover a balance from father's estate. 4 Updates on the suit with Paul and the want of Houstoun's evidence. Talks of the need for Houstoun's evidence and how to obtain it by filing a bill against him on the ground of
			 fraud. 5 Encloses a copy of his letter of the 7th June in which he states he received the recipient's last letters. 6 In this letter he expresses his sorrow of the recipient's illness. He argues they should write to each other whenever they can. 7 Discusses Mr Houstoun's bond and the best way to send it. 8 Encloses a copy of the Bond and the agreement between Houstoun and author's father. 9 Discusses the Houstoun case and the action taken by the author's father. 10 Discusses the arrival of two pacquets from recipient. 11 Talks about his previous ill health and how he is now returned to good health. 12 States he intends to take a trip to England next year.
			[Letter number 81]
MS1014/1/67	[1791 July 17 th]	A letter from Edmund F. Akers to Retas	Sent from St. Kitts. 1 Discusses how he will send Houstoun's bond with Mr Rawlins who sails for Bristol on the 25 th . 2 Discusses the dealings with Houstoun over Houstoun's accounts. 3 Describes how situation has been left to the arbitration of Mr Stephen. 4 Discusses financial matters relating to Mr Houstoun. 5 Asks for all copies of Houstoun's accounts to be sent to him. 6 Describes news concerning Miss Nanny. 7 Asks for a copy of Bob's will. [Letter number 81]

MS1014/1/68	Undated	A letter	Sent from Tunbridge Wells.
		addressed to Mrs Warde	1 Talks of last letter where the author apologises to Mr Warde for Aretas not appearing at your fete.
		Wits Warde	2 Talks of the christening performed and the absence of Mr Warde
			3 Talks of a dinner party held.
			4 Enquires after god daughter and sends some christening cake.
			5 Expresses thanks for the chair Mr Warde sent Mrs A.
			6 Asks recipient to enquire after a pocket handkerchief Dolly left at recipient's house.
			[Letter number 82]
MS1014/1/69	[1796 February 9 th]	A letter from	Sent from Tunbridge Wells.
		Aretas Akers	1 Tells the recipient he will pay his bill for £400 tomorrow.
			2 Suggests that the recipient gives his bond at 5 per cent next.
			3 Advises that recipient keeps the bill author accepted until they meet again, where it can be destroyed.
			4 Update on news of the bill, which was not paid.
			5 Apologises that he did not see the recipient yesterday.
			[Letter number 82]
MS1014/1/70	[1797 February 17 th]	A letter from	Sent from Boston.
		Jonas Akers	1 Updates on the author's health which is getting worse.
		to Aretas.	2 Updates of a bill drawn on Edmund Fleming Akers in favour of friend Thos. Melvill.
			3 News of an operation author will undergo.
			4 Tells him of a slave he owns, which he will send to recipient.
			[Letter number 83]

MS1014/1/71	[1797 March 6 th]	A letter from	Sent from Boston.
		Thos. Melvill	1 Describes meeting Jonas Akers and the man's poor health.
			2 Describes the death of Jonas Akers and the matter of the will, which will be sent to
			recipient and to James French Esq.
			3 Outlines what Jonas Akers has left behind and the state of his financial affairs.
			4 Discusses a bill on Edmund F Akers and states the accounts and papers relating to this
			business will be forwarded to recipient.
			[Letter number 84]
MS1014/1/72	[1797 July 19 th]	A letter from	Sent from Boston.
		Thos. Melvill	1 Encloses a copy of Jonas Akers' will.
		and Isaac	2 Discusses two bills of exchange given to author by Jonas Akers.
		Rand	3 Discusses the fact that a balance is due to Jonas Akers.
			4 Discusses the death of one of Mr Akers' slaves.
			5 Explains why a slave of Mr Akers was not sent to recipient as Mr Akers advised.
			6 Asks what to do regarding Mr Akers' watch.
			[Letter number 85]
MS1014/2	c1915	Notes on	Typescript notes on Akers, Douglas, Seaton and Gerrald families giving chronological details
		Akers family	of events.
		and others	