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**RECORDS OF NORFOLK COUNTY GAOL (Norwich Castle Prison)  
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<i>Microfilm No.</i>	<i>Document</i>
MF 879	Visiting Magistrates to the County Gaol Committee minute book, 22 July 1809-24 Sept. 1814.  (C/S 5/1)  <i>Records of Norfolk County Gaol held by Norwich Castle Museum:</i>
MF 879	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 28 Oct. 1820-30 July 1825. <i>N.B. Minutes of the last meeting are also entered in the succeeding volume.</i>
MF 879	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 2 July 1825 - 27 Aug. 1831.
MF 879	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 27 Aug. 1831-1 Sept. 1838.
MF 879	Paper found loosely inserted in Visiting Justices minute book, 1831-1838.
MF 879	Visiting Justices minute book, 7 Sept. 1838-30 Dec. 1843.
MF 880	Papers found loosely inserted in Visiting Justices minute book, 1838-1843.
MF 880	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 6 Jan. 1844-29 Dec. 1849.
MF 880	Papers found loosely inserted in Visiting Justices minute book, 1844-1849.
MF 880	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 5 Jan. 1850-11 Oct. 1856.
MF 880	Paper found loosely inserted in Visiting Justices minute book, 1850-1856.
MF 880	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol minute book, 3 Sept. 1864-14 Dec. 1872.

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MF 881	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol report book, 24 Jan. 1844 - 24 Dec. 1857. <i>Records observations of individual Justices. Previously their reports were entered in the Visiting Justices minute books.</i>
MF 881	Visiting Justices of the County Gaol report book, 30 Dec. 1857- 29 Oct. 1877. <i>Records observations of individual Justices.</i>
MF 881	List of Visitors [i.e Visiting Justices] of the County Gaol, 1837. Found loosely inserted in Visiting Justices report book, 1857-1877.
MF 881	Visitors' book, 29 Jan.1844-6 June 1856. <i>Contains names, addresses and observations of general visitors [not Visiting Justices] to Norfolk County Gaol.</i>
	<u>Norfolk County Gaol (Norwich Castle) Chapel books:</u>
	<i>Give the names of prisoners classified as debtors, felons, convicts and misdemeanors, names of such as do not attend Chapel, reason, general behaviour, and general observations and dates of discharge.</i>
MF 881	Chapel book, March 1816-Dec. 1818.
MF 882	Chapel book, Jan. 1819-March 1821.
MF 882	Chapel book, March 1821-March 1823.
MF 882	Chapel book, March 1823-Jan. 1829. <i>N.B. Labelled '1823-1824'. At back of volume some pages are blank and some have been cut out.</i>
MF 882	Chapel book, Jan. 1829-April 1836.
MF 882	Chapel book, May 1836-Dec. 1839.
MF 882	Baptisms performed in 'this Chapel' by James Wilkins, Ordinary, 1764 [sic] - 1785. <i>These entries are contained in a Holy Bible, inscribed 'Norwich Castle April 7th 1780' inside front cover.</i>

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MF/RO 576/1	Keeper's daily journal, 1822-1835.
MF/RO 576/1	Surgeon's journal, 1843-1846.
MF/RO 576/1	Surgeon's journal, 1848-1850.
MF/RO 576/1	Diet record book, 1831-1832.
MF/RO 581/7	<p>Account of Paston Herne and Jacob Astley, esqs., Treasurers for the Prisoners in the Castle, Easter 1733-Easter 1734, yielded up at Midsummer Quarter Sessions 1734.</p> <p><i>Lists money charged upon each hundred towards relief of poor prisoners in Castle, giving names of the two Chief Constables of each hundred and amount paid.</i></p> <p><i>Includes payments to: Rev. Jonathan Thornton, [Chaplain]; bakers for bread; carpenter and glazier for work 'about the Castle and Shirehouse'; Edmund Nickalls, late Keeper of Gaol; Thomas Ekins, Surgeon, 'for the Cure of Mary Shepherdson a poor Prisoner'; and John Burnett 'for money laid out by him for the Cleansing of the necessary House upon the Castle Hill'.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1 parchment)</p>
MF/RO 581/8	<p>Account of Sir Edward Ward, bart., and Waller Bacon, esq., Treasurers for the Prisoners in the Castle, Easter 1734-Easter 1735, yielded up at Midsummer Quarter Sessions 1735.</p> <p><i>Lists money charged upon each hundred (as above).</i></p> <p><i>Includes payments to: mason, smith and carpenter for work 'about the Castle and Shirehouse'; Rev. Jonathan Thornton [Chaplain]; bakers for bread; John Burnett, Gaoler; and John Harmer, Surgeon.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(1 parchment)</p>
MF/RO 581/9	<p>Committee [of Norfolk Quarter Sessions] for improving Castle Hill and altering County Gaol and Courts of Justice minute book, 11 Sept. 1822-6 Oct. 1827.</p> <p><i>Labelled on front cover 'Orders &amp; Remarks of the Visiting Justices respecting the Works on or near the Castle Hill'.</i></p> <p>[For further minutes, Jan. 1807-April 1809, Jan. 1821-July 1821, April 1834-Dec. 1839 see Norfolk Record Office C/S 5/2-4.]</p>

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	<i>Records of Norfolk County Gaol held by Norwich Castle Museum:</i>
MF/RO 581/10	Account book relating to building work carried out for Committee [of Norfolk Quarter Sessions] for improving Castle Hill and altering County Gaol and Court of Justice, Oct. 1822-Feb. 1825. <i>Divided into sections for different contractors.</i>  [For additional accounts, 1822-1825, see Norfolk Record Office C/Saa 1/5-8.]
MF/RO 581/11	Papers found loosely inserted in building account book, Feb. 1823-Jan. 1825. <i>Principally copies of Committee's orders, contractors' bills and memoranda of Thomas Merrington, Clerk of Works.</i>
MF/RO 581/12	Volume containing plans, elevations and survey of Norwich Castle by Francis Stone, 1826, with amendments to 1834 and measurements. Draft copy. <i>Apparently based on William Wilkins' plans, printed in his essay in 'Archaeologia' in 1797.</i>  (Manuscript with watercolours)
MF/RO 581/13	Volume containing plans, elevations and survey of Norwich Castle by Francis Stone, 1826 with amendments to 1834. Fair copy of above volume, lacking measurements and some of alterations in draft copy.  (Manuscript with watercolours)
MF/RO 581/14	Volume containing four plans of Norwich Castle by Francis Stone, [1826].  (Manuscript)
MF/RO 581/15	Copies of Papers Showing the Result of Inquiries made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, as to the effect of the Tread Wheel in the Prisons where it has been established. Ordered by the House of Commons, to be Printed, 15 February 1825. <i>Includes reports regarding tread wheels at Swaffham Bridewell, Wymondham Bridewell and Walsingham House of Correction (pp. 13-14)</i>  (1 volume, printed)

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MF/RO 581/16	Report with plan regarding improvement of the tread mill at Norwich Castle presented by W. Cubitt, civil engineer, London, to the Justices forming the Building Committee, 19 June 1827. (1 volume, manuscript)
MF/RO 581/17	Warrant signed by Queen Victoria granting remission of remainder of sentence to David Gooderham and Robert Hudson, prisoners in Norwich Castle, 13 Dec. 1837.
MF/RO 581/18	Death warrants and correspondence between Home Office and High Sheriff of County of Norfolk relating to prisoners sentenced to execution at Norwich Castle: Henry Marsh, sentenced 29 Oct. 1877 [executed 20 Nov. 1877]. Robert Goodale, sentenced 9 Nov. 1885 [executed 30 Nov. 1885]. John Thurston, sentenced [22] Jan. 1886 [executed 10 Feb. 1886]. Elizabeth Hamlington, sentenced 13 Nov. 1886 [sentence respited].
MF/RO 581/19	The Works Of John Howard, Esq., Vol. I: The State Of The Prisons In England and Wales, Fourth Edition, 1792. <i>Extracts only filmed relating to: prisons in Norfolk; hulks on Thames; gaol fever; fees of Clerks of Assize; statistics of persons condemned to death, executed and transported, 1750-1772; and numbers of prisoners in England and Wales, 1779 and 1782</i>
MF/RO 581/20	The Works Of John Howard, Esq., Vol. II: An Account Of The Principal Lazarettos In Europe Together With Further Observations On Some Foreign Prisons And Hospitals And Additional Remarks On The Present State Of Those In Great Britain And Ireland, Second Edition, 1791. <i>Extracts only filmed relating to: prisons and hospitals in Norfolk, hulks on Thames; numbers of prisoners in England and Wales, 1787 and 1788; fees of Clerks of Assize; and statistics of persons condemned to death, executed and transported 1750-1772.</i>