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[Collection of papers relating to early steam cranes made by J. Taylor and Company, Birkenhead]

- /1 - [Copy drawing of] 10 Ton Steam derrick crane
... made by Mr James Taylor in 1839 for
working stone quarries. [See /7]
Line drawing with wash, 28.5 x 40.5cm
- /2 - [Printed promotional illustrations]
- /1 No.4 Improved Locomotive Steam Crane with
elevating jib. James Taylor & Co, Brit-
annia Works, Birkenhead. [Bears ms.
note (by J Taylor) 'as supplied to Mr
Hulse about 1859 or 60']
14 x 20cm
- /2 No.5 [Steam Crane with elevating jib.
Bears ms. note (by J Taylor) 'as sup-
plied for Newcastle upon Tyne about
1857 or 8']
20 x 13.5cm
- /3 Taylor's patent double-cylinder portable
steam hoist. [Bears description and
particulars of its uses, details of its
earnings, and ms. note (by J Taylor)
'supplied the Admiralty in 1855 ...']
20.5 x 13cm
- /3 - [Touched-up photographs of locomotive steam
cranes]
- /1 No.6, 1861-63
Image 11 x 8cm
- /2 No.7, 1861-63
Image 8 x 11cm
- /3 No.8, 1863-68
Image 8 x 11cm
- /4 ca.1876 [Promotional leaflet for] Taylor's Horizontal
and Diagonal Steam Winches. (Patented by
James Taylor in 1853) Britannia Works,
Birkenhead. [Bears illustrations and ex-
tract from Quarterly Review of 1876 Jan]
1p
- /5 1884 Feb 9 [Ms. note re] Steam Cranes & Travellers/?
[Gives details of the steam crane designed
by Hulse in 1852 when on Whitworth's staff

and made by Taylor of Birkenhead; the first overhead steam traveller designed by him and made by Gadd of Manchester in 1853, etc]
1 slip

- /6 1884 Feb 23 [Letter] James Taylor & Co, Britannia Works, Birkenhead to C J Appleby Esq/J Taylor, [re the first crane he built for Messrs Whitworth (probably after 1852), his patent of 1853, his first steam power cranes built for stone quarries between 1839 and 1841, and enclosing some illustrations (see /2)]
2p ms. on 1 leaf
- /7 1884 Feb 29 [Letter] James Taylor & Co, Britannia Works, Birkenhead [to] C J Appleby Esq, Messrs Appleby Bros, East Greenwich, London/J Taylor, [re early steam cranes he and others made between 1839 and 1842, sending sketch of his first (see /1)]
2p ms. on 1 leaf
- /8 - [Photograph of Appleby Bros, Engineers, Steam Crane and Engine Works. 2 identical photos printed on same sheet]
- /9 1903 Nov 28 [Copy letter] The Hermitage, Station Road, Redhill [to] Messrs Jessop & Appleby Bros. Ltd, Leicester/C J Appleby, [re the independent invention of steam cranes by James Taylor, Alexander Chaplin, Cowans Sheldon and Appleby Bros. but refuting sole credit going to the recently deceased Chaplin. He feels Taylor's was the best, built for Messrs J Whitworth & Co to drawings by W W Hulse ca.1858]
3p ts. on 3 leaves

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