

List of Company Archives Belonging to Comyn Ching and Co. (London) Limited

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A. Title Deeds

Note: these relate to parts of the premises at Seven Dials; some are in very poor condition.

General

1 and 2

17 and 18 June 1736 Lease and release (copies)

i James Joye gent of Action ii Thomas Phillips gent of Earl Street, SGF.

Premises bounded by St. Andrew Street, White Lyon Street and Castle Street. Release recites 25 original building leases for the whole triangle of ground, and has a schedule of other earlier deeds. Endorsed on the release is a conveyance from (a) Edward Martin, Edward Banister, Osmond Beauvoir and John Moore to (2) Phillips.

3 and 4

16/17 February 1748/9 Lease and release (copies)

(1) John Machin timber merchant of Soho and Ann his wife (2) Thomas Cuthbert gent of Soho and Edward Malin cabinetmaker of Cannon Street. Mortgage for £2000.

5 and 6

6/7 July 1789 Lease and release (copies)

(1) William Boulton esq of Soho and Ann his wife, granddaughter of Thomas Cuthbert (2) Rev. Joseph Phillimore and others, heirs of John Machin. (3) Francis Motley Austen and Rev Stephen Eaton, devisees of John Machin. Release from mortgage of 16 and 17 February 1748/9.

7 Trinity Term, 1789 Fine (copy), Austen and Eaton v. Boulton and others.

Relating to premises in Little St. Andrew Street (now Monmouth Street)

8 and 9 19 and 20 October 1789 Lease and release.

(1) Francis Motley Austen and Rev. Stephen Eaton. (2) Charlotte Machin, Frances Machin, Rev. Joseph Phillimore and Mary his wife and Thomas Wrighte Vaughan, a minor, heirs of John Machin. (3) George Cross butcher of Little St. Andrew Street. For £300, premises occupied by William Parker under a lease for 14 years from Lady Day 1787 at £35 p.a.

Relating to premises in Castle Street (Shelton Street)

10 and 11

9 and 10 September 1789 Lease and release.

- (1) Motley and Austin
- (2) Charlotte Machin and others
- (3) James Lundin of Princes Square

The White Hart P.H. formerly occupied by Kopps and now by Robert Cochran.

12, 13 and 13a.

27 and 28 January 1790 Lease and release, and counterpart release

- (1) James Lundon
- (2) Rev. John Mansfield

Premises as above.

14 28 July 1790 Will (copy) of James Lundin.

15 and 16

25 and 16 February 1791 Lease and release.

- (1) Rev John Mansfield
- (2) David Lundin
- (3) Thomas Skinner alderman of London
- (4) Thomas Lister Forrest gent of Aldersgate.

17 and 18

13 and 14 April 1792 Lease and (copy) release.

- (1) Thomas Skinner, Thomas Lister Forrest and others.
- (2) John Green gent of Red Lyon Brewhouse, Lower East Smithfield.

19 and 20

16 and 17 February 1813 Lease and release.

- (1) Samuel Enderby and Julius Hutchinson
- (2) Thomas Thornton and others
- (3) Thomas Harrison wine merchant
- (4) John Howell

21 and 22

27 and 28 August 1818 Lease and release

- (1) Thomas Harrison
- (2) Henry Harrison

Mortgage. A note endorsed on this deed implies that Thomas Harrison was bankrupt in 1832.

B. Account Books, Ledgers, etc.

- 1. Stock Book, 1817 (valuation agreed by J. E. Huxley pp John Gostling and William Gostling)
- 2. Stock Book, 1851.

These two books may be valuations of stock on changes in the partnership.

3. Customers' Ledger, 1824-1857 Names of customers; goods supplied not usually described; many interesting entries.

- 4. Statements of 6 monthly balances, 1873-1902.
- 5. General Ledger, 1901-1908.
- 6. " " 1908-1917
- 7. " " 1924-1931

These give information on the finances of the company.

- 8. Bills of Exchange Payable and Receivable, 1900-1939. Names of suppliers and customers, including some interior decorators.
- 9. Copies of correspondence (flimsies), 1892-1902. Acquisition of premises, takeover of other businesses, etc.

C. Company Affairs

- 1. Articles of Association, 28 July 1931.
- 2. Debenture, Comyn Ching and Co. (London) Ltd. to Ching Properties Ltd., 31 July 1931.
- 3. Draft Articles of Association, 1945.