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The collection contains the papers of the politician, soldier and journalist Charles Preston Crewe, including letters, unfinished pages of a memoir, Unionist Party minutes and reminiscences of J.M. Orpen.

The originals are held in the East London Museum.

The calendar of the Crewe Papers was compiled by N. Musiker in 1986, and is listed in chronological order.

COLLECTION

Items 1883

1883-1 22 May Testimonial. Ms. 1p From M. Oak.
Testimonial for Crewe on leaving Kaffrarian Colonial Bank.

Items 1885

1885-1 15 Dec Testimonial. Ms. 2p A.M. Chalmers. Commander of Cape Police District No. 6.
Testimonial for Crewe on leaving Cape Police Force.

Items 1894

1894-1 19 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Houghton to Col. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's condolences on death of an uncle.
1894-2 6 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Houghton.
Congratulations on birth of Crewe's son. Opinions regarding French settlers in Madagascar.

Items 1895

1895-1 18 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges congratulations on Lord Crewe's promotion.

Items 1898

1898-1 25 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Brabant to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-2 25 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Burgess to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-3 25 May Telegram Ms. 1p Alcock to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-4 25 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Smith to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-5 26 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Dr Watson to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-6 26 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Kelly to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-7 26 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Wallace to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-8 31 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Hope to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of Son.
1898-9 9 Jun Telegram. Ms. 1p Cumming and Herbert Branch to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.
1898-10 2 Jun? Telegram. Ms. 1p Orpen to Crewe.
Congratulations. Birth of son.

Items 1899

1899-1 4 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p F.E. Garrett to Crewe.
Writes from Kimberley Sanatorium asking to be excused.
Will arrive in October. Encourages Crewe to go ahead and wife.

- 1899-2 Undated. 1 Nov? Telegram. Ms. copy 1p Crewe to Col. Hanbury-Williams.
Offers assistance to Col. Hanbury-Williams.
- 1899-2a 3 Nov Telegram. Ms. 1p Col. Hanbury-Williams.
Thanks Crewe for offer of assistance. All matters are being considered with Ewart.
- 1899-3 Undated. 6 Nov? Telegram. Ms. copy 1p Crewe to Col. Hanbury-Williams.
Repeats offer of assistance to Col. Hanbury-Williams, wherever Crewe can be of most use.
- 1899-4 7 Nov Telegram. Ms. 1p Col. Hanbury-Williams to Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's offer of help. Reports death of Lieut. Brabant.
- 1899-5 7 Nov Telegram. Ms. copy 1p Crewe.
Expresses sympathy for death of Lieut. Brabant.
- 1899-6 9 Nov Telegram. Ms. 1p Col. Hanbury-Williams to Crewe.
Information regarding Brabant's death sought in Natal.
The information will be imparted to Crewe.
- 1899-7 Undated. Nov? Telegram. Ms. copy 2p Crewe
Asks Station Master of Toise River to break news to Col. Brabant of death of his son.
- 1899-8 Undated. Nov? Telegram. Ms. copy 1p Crewe.
Informs Hanbury-Williams that he has communicated sad news to Col. Brabant.
- 1899-8a 2-18 Oct Inventory Ms. 1p Inventory of Auctioneers Messrs du Tait and de Waal (Graaff-Reinet and Middelburg).

Number of cartridges and guns auctioned.
- 1899-8b [Oct 2] Telegram. Copy (part missing) Ms. 2p? C.P.
Crewe to Imperial Military Secretary (J. Hanbury-Williams.) Cape Town.
Refers to battle of Talana Hill, Northern Natal. Fears that the British defeat will have bad effect on Dutch population. Urges the coming of loyal men on the border and offers his services to the British authorities.
- 1899-8c [Nov?] Report. Ms. 6p D.H. Wessels.
Report about recruitment of Cape Afrikaners to Boer Forces in Oct./Nov. 1899, apparently from region of British Bechuanaland.
- 1899-9 13 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Col. Hanbury-Williams to Crewe.
Reports arrival of the transports and of Sir Redvers Buller.
- 1899-10 8 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Col. Hanbury Williams to Crewe.
Discusses means of punishing rebels and working out damage assessment.
- 1899-11 16 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Col. Hanbury-Williams to Crewe.
A committee of 5 is to be formed to consider compensation. Regrets the effect that the "Stormberg business" will have on the disloyalists. Reports that another division will leave in a week's time. Conveys the congratulations of the governor on Crewe's recruitment work.
- Items 1900
- Jan 00 9 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Col. Hanbury-Williams to Crewe.
Stresses the importance of raising local forces in the Eastern districts to resist a probable Boer invasion.
- 1900-1a 4 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p "J.W. Esquire" to Crewe.
An account of measures taken to obtain evidence against rebels of Barkly East who joined the Boer Forces. Mr Levey of Dordrecht in possession of a list of rebel's names.
- Feb 00 22 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Geo. W. Tyamzashe to H.R. Orpen.
Requests that the League secure information regarding the whereabouts of James Maqubela sent to Bloemfontein as prisoner.
- Mar 00 26 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p James Thiers. Letter to the "Izwi Labantu".
Requests further information regarding fate of James Maqubela.
- Apr 00 30 Mar Letter and Enclosure. Ms. 2p Charles Levey, Resident Magistrate of Dordrecht to Secretary, South African League, East London.
Encloses copies of 2 telegrams showing that James Maqubela was removed to Heilbron by the Boers.
- May 00 3 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p J.W. Thomson.
Requests that Crewe intercede for one, Smith, accused of shooting an African at Jakalsfontein.
- Jun 00 Undated. 4 Jul? Telegram. Ms. 1p J.W. Thomson to Crewe.
Claims that Theunissen de Waal has joined the enemy.
- Jul 00 5 Jul Letter to the "Times". Ms. 2p Nom de plume "One of the sufferers", writing to the Editor of the "Times", London.
Refutes the claim of the Afrikaner Bond that the Barkly East rebels were forced unwillingly to support Commandant Olivier.

Aug 00 6 Jul Telegram. Ms. copy 1p Crewe to Owen Lewis.
Disassociates the League from supporting a document drawn by the Vigilance Committee to be signed by rebels, in support of government policy.

Sep 00 Undated. 6 Jul? Telegram. Ms. 1p Crewe to Sir Gordon Sprigg.
Asks Gordon Sprigg if the Vigilance Committee is organising a petition signed by rebels approving of government policy. Expresses opposition to such a move.

Oct 00 7 Jul Telegram. Ms. 1p Gordon Sprigg to Crewe.
Vigilance Committee to take no action regarding the rebels.

Nov 00 8 Jul Letter. Ts. 4p W.T. Morris to Crewe.
An account of the defection of rebels of Barkly East to Free State forces under Commandant Olivier (22nd Nov. 1899).

1900-11a 9 Jul Letter. Ms. 3p W.F. Kelly to Crewe.
Supports the evidence of W.T. Morris against the Barkly East rebels.

Dec 00 18 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p T.L.P.C. Corns, Field Cornet to Crewe.
List containing names of rebels and of those who remained loyal in Barkly East rebellion.

1900-13 19 Jul Letter. Ts. 5p Reginald Orpen to C.P. Crewe.
Further account of defection of Barkly East rebels to Olivier the Free State Commandant.

1900-14 24 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p T.D. Thomson to Crewe.
Contains information regarding rebel movements in Middelburg area.

1900-14a 25 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p J.N.P. Botha to Crewe.
Requests Crewe to intercede on his behalf and secure release from imprisonment.

1900-14b Sept Report. Ts. 3½p Report of the Working Committee of the Good Hope Society, Cape Town.
The Society suggests to the authorities means of improving facilities for those wounded and disabled by the war.

1900-14c Undated. Probably after June 1900. Letter. Ms. 4p Anonymous writer to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Burghersdorp, after June 1900. Notable rebels, including C. Strydom have been let out on bail. C. Strydom has been assisting the military by making affidavits against certain English residents. Certain storekeepers have been trading with the Commissariat officer 10% commission on all business done.

1900-15 25 Oct Telegram (copy). Ms. 1p Col. Crewe to Col. Smythe.
Is leaving Pretoria to join Colonial Division near Frederickstad.

1900-16 30 Oct Letter and enclosed copy of telegram. Ms. 3p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe conveying text of Col. Crewe's telegram.
Telegram states that Col. Crewe in Kroonstad until end of November.

1900-17 27 Nov Telegram (copy). Ms. 1p Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.
Col. Crewe twenty miles west of Vrederfort Road.

1900-18 20 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Hanbury-Williams to Col. Crewe.
Letter of farewell.

1900-19 30 Dec Letter and enclosure which is missing. Ms. 1p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Col. Crewe wishes Mrs Crewe compliments of the season.

1900-20 28 Dec Copy of telegram. Ms. 1p Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.
Reaches Winburg on 31st December and from there proceeding to Bethlehem.

1900-21 30 Dec Letter. Ms. From H.N. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Conveys context of telegram. Crewe in pursuit of De Wet in region of Bethlehem.

Items 1901

Jan 01 18 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Telegram received that Col. Crewe in pursuit of De Wet.

1901-1a 3 Feb Letter and copy of telegram. Ms. 1p N.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Telegram states that all Crewe's mail should be sent to Bethulie.

Feb 01 8 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p N.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Telegram received from Col. Crewe relating to casualties.

Mar 01 13 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Telegram received from Col. Crewe in Bloemfontein.

Apr 01 15 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p N.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
Col. Crewe wired that he would be in Cradock until Sunday morning.

May 01 30 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.
No news of Col. Crewe. Smythe will be in Queenstown and communicate further with Mrs Crewe.

Jun 01 24 Apr Telegram. Ms. 1p Military Headquarters, Port Elizabeth to Col. Crewe.
Congratulates Crewe on good work and hopes he will drive raiders across the river.

Jul 01 26 Apr Telegram. Ms. 1p Lord Kitchener to Crewe.

Aug 01 Congratulations on C.B.
 6 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Prime Minister to Crewe.

Sep 01 Congratulations on C.B.
 8 May Telegram (copy). Ts. 1p Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.

Oct 01 Engaged Fouche in Kaapokfontein, Burghersdorp District.
 9 May Telegram. Ms. 1p Governor, Cape Town, to Crewe.

Nov 01 Congratulations on C.B.
 16 May Telegram. Ms. 1p H.T. Lukin CO Crewe.

Dec 01 Congratulations on C.B.
 19 May Letter and enclosures. These enclosures have become separated from letter. Possibly they are documents marked 1901 MS 10 & 11. 1p H.H. Smythe to Mrs Crewe.

1901-13 Mentions an enclosed letter to Mrs Crewe. (Enclosure missing).
 6 Jul Telegram. Ms. 1p C.J. Rhodes to Crewe.
 Replies to a letter from Crewe, saying that the matter has been discussed with Cape Town and the end of the year is best. Congratulates Crewe on his good work.

1901-14 24 Jun Letter (copy). Ms. 1p Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.

1901-15 Description of successful engagement against enemy at Ruitze Valley.
 2 Jul Telegram (copy). Ms. 1p Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.

1901-16 Shall be at Berheoa Road on July 3rd. Letters to be sent to Conway.
 16 Jul Letter and enclosure of telegram. Ms. 1p Telegram from Col. Crewe to Commandant, East London.

1901-17 Columns at Doubush on July 15. Private Malcolm Elliott wounded at Camdeboo.
 9 Oct Telegram. Ms. 1p Lord Kitchener to Col. Crewe.

1901-18 Crewe to see Kitchener in Pretoria.
 10 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Milner to Col. Crewe.
 Agrees that Colonial Defence should be reorganised and "flying columns" established. Natives having the property and education qualification should be enfranchised. Confederation should be attempted only when the Transvaal has a large British majority. The Eastern Cape colony cannot be separated from the Western Cape as the Eastern Cape will be too small in area.

1901-19 8 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p John Denton Pinkstone French to C.P. Crewe.
 Unable to see Crewe as French is en route to Middelburg and Matjesfontein. Discusses military arrangements made in order to hand over command to Crewe. Thanks Crewe for his assistance.

Items 1903

Jan 03 1 Feb Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Milner to Crewe.
 Acknowledges Crewe's letter and is pleased that Cape affairs are going better. Is very over-worked and is not leaving South Africa just yet.

Feb 03 5 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
 Request to Fuller to act as Chairman at Col. Smartt's meeting.

Mar 03 Undated. Election results. Ms. 24p
 Some Election results for the Eastern Province.

Items 1904

Jan 04 22 Feb Letter. Ms. 10p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
 An account of the formation of the new Cape ministry and his assumption of the post of Colonial Secretary. States what his own aims will be.

Feb 04 23 Feb Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
 Discusses the financial position of the Colony and how he plans to cut Police and Defence expenditure. Mentions that Fuller is the weak link in the Cabinet.

Mar 04 24 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
 Complains of amount of work and also admits that he is ignorant in certain matters. Is studying Educational Affairs and a Leprosy Bill.

Apr 04 25 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
 J.X. Merriman has replaced Visser. Crewe plans to economise in Defence and spend money on Education. Is at present occupied with the Education Bill and the Immigration question.

May 04 26 Feb Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
 Has been inspecting prisons and comments on improvements in Roeland Street prison. Complains about the incompetence of Arthur Fuller. Is determined to retain the Education portfolio. Is convinced that after the first session the Cabinet will gain in competence.

Jun 04 27 Feb Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

Is arranging the terms on which the Cape Police will be taken over by the Defence Department. Is occupied with Education and the Arms and Ammunition question. Is reviewing red tape and long winded correspondence. Describes Degree Day at the University. Stresses the economic inefficiency of the Sprigg regime.

- Jul 04 29 Feb Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Complains of the tastelessness of Dr Muir in Educational matters. Thinks a Commission should be appointed into Education. WILL demilitarise the Cape Mounted Police. Also means to devote attention to Leprosy.
- Aug 04 29 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Berry to be the new Speaker in Parliament. Crewe has been discussing lunatics and lepers with Dr Wodds. Educational matters also attended to. Is taking over the Cape Police on 1st March. Relates various personal matters to Mrs Crewe.
- Sep 04 1 Mar Letter (incomplete) enclosures missing. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Gives details of the Parliamentary Programme for the year - Amnesty, Estimates, Additional Representation Bill, amendments to Glen Grey Bill, Locations Act and Crewe's own Arms and Ammunitions Act. Has taken a cabin on the "Briton" for June 1st for a family holiday.
- Oct 04 2 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Further details regarding a family voyage on the "Briton", 1st June. Is participating in a caucus meeting.
- Nov 04 2 Mar Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Details of caucus meeting. Is still doing party organisation work, which is being taken over by Hellier. The Additional Representation Bill to be forced through Parliament. Peter Bain to oppose J.X. Merriman.
- Dec 04 2 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
A personal letter.
- 1904-13 4 Mar Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Describes the opening of Parliament. Taxation will not be increased. Number of volunteer forces to be increased and regulars decreased. Additional Representation Bill read. Resolution on Chinese to be read.
- 1904-14 5 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has dealt with deputation of visitors during the morning. Is off to Muizenberg for the week-end. Has been attending to election matters.
- 1904-15 8 Mar Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Made a speech from the House of Lords. Spent a comfortable weekend at Abe Bailey's Muizenberg house. Is having Miss Lowe's case investigated. His mother has assisted him financially in establishing the "Dispatch" and will discuss the matter with Crosby. There is to be no Education Commission. Amnesty has been dropped temporarily. The Bond is unsuccessfully opposing the Additional Representation Bill.
- 1904-16 8 Mar Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Criticises Jagger's handling of the Chinese Question. Crewe has reduced Defence estimates by E82 000 a year. The League Congress to meet on 24th March. Fuller is Improving. Only Jagger is unsatisfactory in the Party.
- 1904-17 9 Mar Letter Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Gives an account of Burton's obstruction regarding the Indemnity Bill. Has given up the idea of an Education Commission, as the Bond might use it as a target for criticism. The Party Caucus refused to agree to amnesty, which Crewe favours.
- 1904-18 10 Mar Letter (incomplete). Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Two pages of the letter missing.
- 1904-19 11 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Molteno is obstructing the Indemnity to the Governor Bill. Crewe is visiting prisons without prior warning in order to inspect conditions there.
- 1904-20 12 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has investigated the assault on Miss Lowe. Brabant and Davies are retiring. Crewe plans to abolish three expensive staff structures leaving one Commissioner of Police, one staff and one depot. Lukin will be Commandant-General of the Cape Mounted Rifles. Amnesty will be introduced after the Additional Representation Bill is passed. Crewe is going on an evening prison round.
- 1904-21 13 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Did a prison round and is very satisfied with Roeland Street prison. Highly dissatisfied with Wale Street, Hanover Street and Sir Lowry Road prisons. Blames the Law Department for the condition of these prisons. Personal news and also gossip about various members of Parliament.
- 1904-22 14 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

The Bond is opposing the Representation Bill. Personal news regarding search for accommodation for his family.

- 1904-23 15 Mar Letter and enclosures (1 page missing). Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Dined with Jameson and the Governor at Newlands. Discussion in Parliament of the jackal problem. Crewe made a statement in the Upper House on the Roeland Street prison. The Indemnity Bill to be discussed during the week. Personal news and gossip about Fuller and Brabant.
- 1904-24 16 Mar Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe. Personal news. Has heard rumours of a petition against Orsmond. Expresses dislike of Jagger. The Governor to have a garden party at Newlands. Crewe to dine at Groote Schuur on Friday, and on Sunday at Kilpin's and thence to the Admiral at Simonstown.
- 1904-25 17 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news regarding bookings on the "Briton" and "Carrisbrook" in June.
- 1904-26 17 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has been attending to hospital deputations, and defence and police work. Denounces Fuller for indolence. Personal news.
- 1904-27 18 Mar Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has pensioned Brabant and arranged for the transfer of the Cape Police to Crewe's own department. Is going to dismiss Southey and Roper. Is worried about trouble emanating from the North Western districts and from German West Africa where bands of rebels are stationed. Personal news regarding accommodation.
- 1904-28 19 Mar Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Is active again in Prisons, Education and Defence Departments. Does not plan to combine the Cape Police and Cape Military Rifles but will make pay allowances and conditions all equal. Promotion will be seniority. Hopes that the Government will straighten out the previous year's financial situation before Easter.
- 1904-29 21 Mar Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Amalgamation of the League to be discussed at the Congress. Discusses reforms of the Cape Police and Cape Military Rifles. Is going to encourage cadet corps. Personal news. Is concerned about the outbreak of plague at Johannesburg.
- 1904-30 22 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1904-31 22 Mar Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news regarding accommodation. Has been questioned in the House regarding the plague situation. Is going to answer questions on Leprosy and Robben Island.
- 1904-32 23 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal letter.
- 1904-33 24 Mar Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Denies the rumour that Sprigg is going as agent general. Has pensioned off Southey.
- 1904-34 21 Aug to 23 Aug Letter. Ms. 23p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
An account of a voyage on H.N.S. "Walmer Castle" from England to Cape. Describes fellow passengers including Princess Christian and Princess Victoria.
- 1904-35 23 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to his son Ralph.
Personal.
- 1904-36 24 Aug to 6 Sep Letter. Ms. 66p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal letter. Further account of the voyage on board H.M.S. "Walmer Castle" covering events from landing at Madeira to arrival at the Cape.
- 1904-37 Undated. Probably Sept 6th. Postcard Ms. 1p C.Y. Crewe.
Souvenir postcard. List of distinguished passengers on board H.M.S. "Walmer Castle".
- 1904-38 6 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal letter.
- 1904-39 6 Sept Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Has returned to Cape Town. H.R.H. Princess Christian installed at Government House where C.P. Crewe is to dine.
- 1904-40 7 Sept Letter. Ms. 12p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Denounces the desecration of Prince Christian Victor's grave. Personal news - efforts at house hunting with sketches.
- 1904-41 17 Sept Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news regarding hire of Lincoln House.
- 1904-42 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- 1904-43 Personal letter. Account of recovery from an illness.
25 Nov Letter (incomplete). Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Criticises the water reservoir at Graaff-Reinet while on a visit of inspection there.
- 1904-44 26 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Experiences at Graaff-Reinet during an inspection of the prisons and schools. Not impressed with conditions there.
Is leaving on the 27th November for Kimberley. Returning to Cape Town.
- 1904-45 29 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Describes visit to Kimberley and unveiling of the memorial. Is also to visit Barkly West schools and hospital, listen to deputations and inspect the Convict Station. Personal news.
- 1904-45a 30 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Describes a successful education meeting in Kimberley. Is leaving for Barkly West.
- 1904-45b 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Describes visit to Barkly West and Aliwal. Has returned to Kimberley and is visiting schools there with the Chairman of the School Committee, Dr Watkins.
- 1904-46 1 Oct Letter. Ts. 1p Edward Loveglove to C.P. Crewe.
Letter enclosing the ribbon of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association with instructions as to how it is to be worn.
- Items 1905
- Jan 05 19 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Letter acknowledging plans received of East London Public Library.
- Feb 05 3 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Letter confirming arrangement to meet Crewe at the Parliamentary lunch.
- Mar 05 4 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Apr 05 29 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to Sunday supper.
- May 05 20 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Request to Crewe to entertain Col. H.W. Fielden.
- Jun 05 25 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written from Kimberley. Personal letter.
- Jul 05 23 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter from Kimberley. Complains of neglect of Modder River cemetery. Personal news.
- Aug 05 24 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has settled the Barkly West School Board question. Personal news.
- Sep 05 2 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written from Barkly East. Has received a deputation. Is leaving for Dordrecht. Personal news.
- Oct 05 4 Nov Letter (with enclosures which are missing). Ms. 16p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written between Dordrecht and Sterkstroom. Well received at Dordrecht. Settled school matters there which were in a bad state. Asked Mrs Rowland to establish the Loyal Women's Guild in Dordrecht. Plans to reduce stock stealing in the Border areas and enforce the Scab Act, and also gives news of German defeats. Personal news.
- Nov 05 7 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written from East London. Is leaving next day for King Williams Town. Has settled matters at Queenstown. Has met acquaintances including Col. Brabant, Zach Bayly and W.H. Fuller.
- Dec 05 7 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Describes warm reception at East London. Attended to educational matters. Provides news of Congress matters. Personal news. Is going on to Alice, Fort Beaufort and Grahamstown.
- 1905-13 9 Nov Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written from King Williams' Town. Is going to Fort Beaufort and Grahamstown. Has persuaded the King William's Town School Board to agree to the fiscal division.
- 1905-14 12 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written from Grahamstown. Inspected the Bacteriological Institute, Chemical Laboratory and Training Institute, Rhodes College and Museum. Personal news of Grahamstown acquaintances. Account of death of Owen Lewis, a member of Upper House of Parliament.
- 1905-15 15 Nov Letter. Ms. 10p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written on train nearing Beaufort West. Account of illness at Grahamstown. Has been successful with all School Boards except Aliwal and Dordrecht. Is worried about educational position in the Transvaal and is writing to Selborne in this respect. Personal news. Describes the Bond's efforts to defeat the Government next Parliamentary session.
- 1905-16 16 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

Written from Beaufort West. Opposes granting Dutch equal rights with English as a medium of instruction in Cape schools as there are insufficient Dutch teachers. Has written to Selborne in this regard.

- 1905-17 17 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Returned to Cape Town. Personal news. Account of German frontier warfare. Preparations for Union Congress.
- 1905-18 18 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Walton and Crewe to attend Congress from 28th November. Personal news. Crewe is worried about the Railway Department under Smartt's retrenchment scheme.
- 1905-19 19 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news concerning a visit to Muizenberg.
- 1905-20 20 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Has settled the site of the chronic Sick Hospital. Hopes to proclaim the remaining 12 school districts by 15th December. 60-100 Boers have deserted the Germans and joined the Boers. Dr Muir has not yet been given an assistant.
- 1905-21 21 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Opposes Smartt's policy of settling poor whites on farms. The Chief Justice of the Cape is unwell. Personal news.
- 1905-22 22 Nov Letter. Ms. 11p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Discusses the possibility of Col. Harris entering the Government. Satisfied that the school boards are predominantly English. Explains the method of bringing servants out from England through the Colonization Society. Personal news.
- 1905-23 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
An account of the trouble with Hanover School Board. Personal news and news about the forthcoming Congress.
- 1905-24 27 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written on train near Beaufort West on way to Conference at Queenstown. 17 Delegates on train. Personal news. News from South West Africa that Witbooi's people have surrendered.
- 1905-25 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Account of the Queenstown Union Party Congress meeting.
- 1905-26 2 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written in the train at Sterkstroom. Personal letter.
- 1905-27 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written at Nelspruit, more news of Union Congress meeting and of delegates who attended. Personal news.
- 1905-28 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written at Beaufort West and describes the failure of the Loyal Women's League at Aliwal North.
- 1905-29 4 Dec Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has returned to Cape Town. Will leave for "Avoca" on 20th December. Revenue and expenditure, railways and customs have improved during the year. The Congress improved party spirit.
- 1905-30 5 Dec Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Has dined with Duke of Westminster. Jameson in better health and returning to Cape Town. News of Balfour's resignation. Germans in South West Africa are getting rid of Boer transport riders.
- 1905-31 6 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1905-32 6 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1905-33 7 Dec Letter. Ms. 9p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Dr Wilhelm has been reinstated as District Surgeon of Barkly East. News of political events and efforts of the opposition to conciliate the Boers. Concern over events in Transvaal. The South African News is attacking Crewe over the matter of the School Board's Bill. Hannon is to organise co-operative societies. Crewe's School Boards policy almost completed.
- 1905-34 8 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1905-35 11 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Concern that the Transvaal may be given full responsible government. Dr Hobbs to address the New England and Barkly farmers. Dissatisfied with the Lisbon agreement over railway rates. Disagreement with De Beers over Indwe Coal Mine. Personal news.
- 1905-36 12 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- Dissatisfaction over railway rates and Smartt's treatment of the matter. Discusses Crosby's proposal that he and Crewe run the newspaper together in East London if the Government is defeated next session. Personal news.
- 1905-37 14 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Loyal Women's Guild to meet at Port Elizabeth in January 1906. Crewe officiating at prize-givings at various Boys' High Schools. Railway rates discussion still in progress. Walton and Crewe are reorganising the Unionist Party. Crewe has informed Jameson about plans to manage the East London Dispatch with Crosby.
- Items 1906
- Jan 06 12 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Sir George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the prejudice of the Cape against the Transvaal and the Transvaal desire for independence from the rest of South Africa. These factors are the difficulties which Crewe has to face, especially as South Africa has as yet no constitution.
- Feb 06 6 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Acceptance of an invitation.
- Mar 06 7 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Is violently disapproving of the Liberal Government in England. Considers Jameson's speech, reported in Hansard, as nonsensical.
- Items 1907
- Jan 07 5 Jan Letter. Ms. 12p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe. Expresses disgust at British official policy in South Africa. Has decided that it is useless to interfere. Is of the opinion that Merriman and Sauer will return to power. Is convinced that within six years of the war Botha, Fischer and Merriman will all be in power.
- 1907-1a 21 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Describes Zietsman's request for money and fear of a swing after election day. Orpen has been transferred to work with Hennessy. Crewe must attempt to win over Willett. Discusses plans regarding the Schreiner issue but has not heard from Milner regarding this policy. Is avoiding the Carey Commission.
- Feb 07 28 Feb Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Merriman has misinterpreted Selborne's action on the University question. The Conference should be allowed to wait until the University Council has opportunity to reconsider its decision.
- Mar 07 11 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
It is better to accomplish federation as quickly as possible to ensure the prosperity of South Africa.
- Apr 07 12 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
The Agricultural Department in conjunction with the Native Affairs Department has arranged to inoculate for lung sickness and not to shoot at present.
- May 07 23 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller
Personal letter concerning dispute over the lease of the pagoda up the river by the Amalinda Village Management Board.
- Jun 07 11 May Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledgement of letter enclosing the speech of Mr Hofmeyr.
- Jul 07 17 May Letter. Ts. 3p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Does not consider the engine-drivers' strike a serious matter. Agrees that Bailey is hopeless. Thinks that Smuts and his government will run into difficulties over the education question, policy towards Britain, and the Chinese labour question. Fitzpatrick won his case at Pretoria.
- Aug 07 3 Jun Letter. Is. 1p N.B. Shawe? (Assistant Under Colonial Secretary) to W.H. Fuller.
Appointment of Fuller, the Resident Magistrate and Col. R.N. Price as a Commission to enquire into re-adjustment of the Wards of Cambridge.
- Sep 07 24 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Financial position in the Transvaal is bad. The Transvaal government is passing a bill which will put too much power in the hands of one man.
- Oct 07 1 Jul Letter. Is. 1p P. Truter to W.H. Fuller.
On Col. Crewe's instructions, copies of correspondence regarding South African freights question are being sent to Fuller.
- Nov 07 18 Jul Telegram. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Asks for information regarding Sister Evelyn who desires funds for an East London Community House.
- Dec 07 17 Sept Telegram. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.

- Impasse reached over Supply Bill. Both Houses of Parliament dissolved and country appealed to on Constitutional question.
- 1907-13 19 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses political situation in Britain. Is trying to persuade British Museum to send Greek vases to Cape Town Museum.
- Items 1908
- Jan 08 14 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Has arranged a convict labour price with Railway Department for the road to the bridge.
- Feb 08 13 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Advises Crewe how to make political profit out of J.X. Merriman's announcement at Robertson regarding "the dignified manner and quiet composed demeanour inseparable from the land-owner".
- 1908-2a 28 Feb Letter. Ms. Shp Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Comments on the tactics of Sauer, Merriman, Jagger and Ban in the forthcoming 1908 elections. Jameson is going out at the end of the month.
- Mar 08 5 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Severely criticises J.X. Merriman's election speech.
- 1908-3a 16 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Dr Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Is too busy with affairs at De Beers to make election speeches at Alice and Healdtown. Has asked Smartt to campaign at Alice and Reddie.
- Mar 08 21 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Still upset over the events of the last 3 years in South Africa. Will be pleased if the Unionist Party at the Cape is returned to power in the elections. He considers Britain to be in a state of political confusion and Britain should refrain from interference in South African affairs, having "made a mess" in Imperial policy. Will continue to think well of his "fellow-fighters" in the South African struggle.
- May 08 26 Jun Telegram. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Asks Fuller for opinion on Bill to abolish the Harbour Board.
- 1908-5a 26 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Is disappointed that Crewe and Schreiner have not been nominated by Merriman. Has written to Smartt regarding Railway and Finance representation. Urges Crewe to arrange a further Convention. Cannot attend Parliament due to poor health, Chartered Company and De Beers' affairs. Is confident that Crewe and Smartt will be better in Opposition than he, Jameson.
- Jun 08 2 Jul Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Will give Fuller further details regarding the position of the Harbour Boards, as information becomes available.
- Jul 08 7 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
If Harbour works are handed over to Railways, Lowensby is likely to be in charge.
- Aug 08 20 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to W.N. Fuller.
Gives details of the final meeting of the Select Committee on Harbour Boards and of proposed measures for control of Harbour Boards by the Railways. Macintosh, Crewe and Sprigg opposing the Bill.
- Sep 08 22 Aug Telegram. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Griffiths not to be allowed to exchange anything. He must have an order from the pope.
- Oct 08 27 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Opposed to Cheap Wine Licences Bill. Also warned Sauer about the danger of imposing excessive rates on the town and on goods going by bullock wagon. Is leaving Cape Town on the 9th September.
- Nov 08 1 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to N.H. Fuller.
Still opposing the passage of the Harbour Boards Bill. Hopes that the Cheap Wine Licences Bill will be rendered harmless when the principle of local opinion is applied in the Committee stage.
- Dec 08 9 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Harbour Board's Bill is finally passed.
- Items 1909
- Jan 09 22 Jan Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Is hoping to get the "Dispatch" business sorted out. Greatly improved the paper over the last year. Complains about income tax, which falls unfairly on the townfolk.
- Feb 09 23 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- Personal news. Malan administering the agricultural department very badly and is overruled by Du Toit. Crewe has started on the "Dispatch business". The Convention will finish next Wednesday. The draft Constitution will be published.
- Mar 09 23 Jan Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe Co Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- Apr 09 25 Jan Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Convention in danger of breaking up over the capital question. Jameson trying to conciliate the Bond. The Agricultural Department is in chaos. Crewe is trying to settle the registration question and finish the Dispatch business. Parliament will meet in March or April.
- May 09 24 Jan Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Disagrees violently with Jameson's suggestion to have joint committees of Bond and Progressives for registration. Fears that Hofmeyr, who controls the Bond, will oppose Union. The Convention is in trouble over the question of finance and the national capital.
- Jun 09 26 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Details of the floating of the Dispatch Company. Jameson is to retire from politics. The question of the national capital is settled; Pretoria and Cape Town. Personal news. Crewe is getting everything into order for registration.
- Jul 09 23 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe co Mrs Crewe.
Letter written near Rosmead. Personal news. Announces his intention to stand again as Member of Parliament for East London.
- Aug 09 26 Feb? Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written at Naauwpoort. Personal.
- Sep 09 1 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written from Jeppes Town. Expects to complete his business regarding the Dispatch by Friday. Jameson is arriving on Friday.
- Oct 09 2 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Duncan, Farrar, Fitzpatrick, Smartt and Walton all crying to win a place in a government headed by Botha.
- Nov 09 4 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written from Carlton Hotel, Johannesburg, where Crewe is in touch with the "Closer Union" people. Crewe succeeded in defeating resolutions and amendments proposed by the Cape delegates. Crewe is confident Union will go through on the lines of the Draft Act. News about various delegates at the conference.
- 1909-11a 4-8 Mar Report of Proceedings (Press cuttings). Ts. 19p.
Report of Proceedings of 25th Congress of the Afrikaner Bond. Dordrecht, March 4-8, 1909. (From "East London Daily Dispatch" and "Cape Times".) Also Extraordinary Session of the Orangia Unie, Bloemfontein, March 4th, 1909 (from the "Friend").
- Dec 09 5 Mar Letter. Ms. 9p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-13 Undated. Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter commenced on Union Castle Liner "H.M.S. Saxon", off Mossel Bay. Walton is still in favour of coalition, which Crewe thinks the provinces of South Africa will not accept. Letter completed at Groote Schuur. Union is imminent. The Cape Deputation to consist of Merriman, Sauer, Hofmeyr and Jameson. Personal news.
- 1909-14 22 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-15 23 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-16 23 Mar Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written from Mount Nelson Hotel. Personal news. Merriman has gone to Bloemfontein to meet Botha and Moore for joint action in each Parliament. Union will go through unamended.
- 1909-17 24 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-18 25 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-19 26 Mar Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-20 27 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-21 27 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.

- 1909-22 28 Mar Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Criticises the speech of N.P. (Sauer?) on the anniversary of Rhodes' death. Personal news.
- 1909-23 29 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-24 30 Mar Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-25 1 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Hofmeyr opposing Union.
- 1909-26 2 Apr Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The Bond and Hofmeyr are attempting to introduce amendments to the discussions on Union. Personal news.
- 1909-27 3 Apr Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Jameson and Crewe are opposing the Bond resolutions in Parliament. Personal news.
- 1909-27a 3 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-28 4 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-29 4 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-30 6 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-31 7 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-32 7 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Despite the Bond, Crewe hopeful of effecting Union without alterations. The Convention to meet at Bloemfontein on 3rd May.
- 1909-33 8 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Jameson angry at a speech made by Crewe on representation of Non-European interests in Union Parliament.
Personal news.
- 1909-34 9 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Regrets the attack made by the Dispatch on Schreiner.
Crewe thinks that Schreiner is in league with Hofmeyr.
The government is in difficulties over Income Tax and Excise. Malan (agriculture) and De Waal unsatisfactory.

If it were not for Union, the Government would have been defeated next session. Natal government likely to accept the draft Act of Union. Personal news.
- 1909-35 11 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-36 Undated. Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Disgusted over Senate elections because of the duplicity of Independents such as Sprigg, Schreiner and Ross.
Jameson anxious to retire.
- 1909-37 12 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-38 12 Apr Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Condemns Merriman's action in voting for Blaine's amendment to reduce town representation. Sprigg and Schreiner also voted for the amendment. Schreiner hopes to wreck Union and bring about Merriman's downfall.
- 1909-39 13 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-40 14 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Schreiner and Sprigg opposing the passage of the Act of Union. Schreiner championing the rights of the Coloured population. The wine farmers are demanding abolition of the excise by Merriman. De Waal and Burton unpopular over their education policy.
- 1909-41 15 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The Draft Act will be passed on this day and completed in the Upper House by Saturday. Personal news.
- 1909-42 17 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe co Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Has done newspaper reporting during the last Parliamentary session for the "Dispatch". Schreiner is to head a deputation co Britain on native affairs.
The draft Act of Union is completed. On June 1st, Parliament will meet on final acceptance of the Act itself. Crewe may go up to the Transvaal on business in May.

- 1909-43 1 May Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-44 9 May Letter. Ms. 4p P. Fitzpatrick to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from the National Convention, Bloemfontein.
Principle of proportional voting has been abolished and will be used only for Senate elections and elections of executive committees of the Provincial Councils. Sauer and Fischer's attack on equal voting rights failed.
- Chapter IV, paragraphs 31 to 40, i.e. Equal rights clauses are entrenched.
- 1909-45 11 May Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal. Gives details of Fitzpatrick's letter written from Bloemfontein Convention regarding entrenchment of equal voting rights (see entry No. 44).
- 1909-46 1 Jun Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Hofmeyr is now in favour of Union and would like to be a Privy Councillor. Crewe worried about business affairs regarding the "Dispatch". Jameson still favours coalition of South African states though Crewe believes this to be the wrong policy. Merriman refuses to abolish the excise to assist the wine farmer. Crewe decides to remain in politics.
- 1909-47 3 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-48 3 Jun Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Union to go through this week. Hofmeyr will become a Privy Councillor. Jameson is sailing on June 9th. Selborne accused Jameson of not being sufficiently British. Hofmeyr is going to England as delegate.
- Merriman has promised the wine farmers to repeal or reduce the excise. Jameson to retire from politics but promised to help with party organisation. Crewe to raise C10 000 for the "Dispatch" by getting half from Cape Times, half from Rhodes' estate. Personal news.
- 1909-49 4 Jun Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
There are objections to Hofmeyr going as delegate to England. Jameson is to ask Merriman to replace Hofmeyr by someone like Smartt. Walton still arguing for coalition. Crewe has been trying to help Rhodes University College as regards higher grants. The September session will include Income Tax estimates and Education. Language clauses will be discussed and excise.
- 1909-50 5 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The Coddardton business has been stopped. An official letter will go to the Town Council pointing out the need for special allotments for better class of natives.
Personal news. Crewe requests that Crosby keeps for him the Orange River Colony papers with the verbatim report of what he said. Hofmeyr may make trouble on this question.
- 1909-51 6 Jun Letter. Ms. 13p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Requests Mrs Crewe to go to Bloemfontein and keep her ears open regarding the education matter.
Crewe believes that the Orange Free State Dutch are anxious to be rid of British rule. Sauer has become very pro-British. Jameson sails for England and will be back for the September session. Crewe foresees trouble in the next session over the education question and income tax.
There is to be a private dinner in Jameson's honour.
- 1909-52 8 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-53 27 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written between Stormberg and Rosmead. Personal.
- 1909-54 28 Jun Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe has had news of the Transvaal from Bailey. Botha has defeated Wolmarans, leader of the retrogressive Dutch. The Transvaal Education Act and Botha's other legislation has been fair, unlike that of the Orange River Colony. Botha, the Mayor of Bloemfontein and Byron have gone as a deputation to England on the question of the Orange River Colony Education Act. The Act of Union will go through in Britain before the general elections.
- 1909-55 29 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p C.F. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe has acquired a further loan from Bailey for three years for the "Dispatch". There is amusement over the large size of the deputation going to Britain to see the Constitution through. Personal news.
- 1909-55a 30 Jun Letter. Ms. 1/p Abe Bailey to C.P. Crewe.
Terms on which Bailey will grant Crewe and Fuller an extension of time for the liquidation of the debt due to Bailey in the matter of the East London Dispatch Publishing Company.
- 1909-56 Undated. Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- The Bond is angry with Crewe for being the leader of the Progressive Party in the fight in Parliament over matters such as the liquor question. Personal news.
- 1909-57 11 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-58 11 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees with Crewe that a coalition government is impossible. Is disappointed that Botha might collaborate with Fischer and Hofmeyr. Thinks that Selborne will be the new Governor-General. Has seen Farrar and is to discuss matters with him. The Union Bill is to be presented in British Parliament on Monday.
- 1909-59 15 Aug Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter of congratulations.
- 1909-60 Undated. Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written on way back to Cape Town from Johannesburg.
Claims that Farrar made many difficulties on the Rand before he left. Is confident that the Rand will follow Jameson's lead and the party will be stronger. Natal will also "come right". The Wine Commission's Reports if carried into law, will further bring Crewe's party, support from the towns. The Government's education policy will further antagonise the Rand. Selborne might be the new Governor-General.
- 1909-61 9 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-62 9 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-63 17 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to his son Ranulphe.
Personal.
- 1909-64 16 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Letter written from Bloemfontein. Personal news. Had an interview with Gould-Addams who made excuses for not standing by the Inspectors :of Education?]. Crewe also saw Gunn, Director of Education and is to visit schools on Friday.
- 1909-65 18 Sept? Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Is going to visit schools with Gunn, Director of Education. The country schools are teaching through the English medium and the Act is a dead letter. Also met Smuts and Moore on their way to Pretoria. Smuts told Crewe that Hofmeyr would return from Europe in October. Crewe inspected the Government Experiment Farm at Tweespruit.

The Governor-General has been informed by Hopwood, Under-Secretary for Colonies in London, that he might retire when Union was introduced. Personal news.
- 1909-66 20 Sept? Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Written from Johannesburg. Personal news. Boers in Transvaal mock Fitzpatrick's hope for coalition. The organisation in Natal is progressing favourably. Chaplin is organising in Transvaal and is very loyal to Jameson. Jameson is returning to politics. Crewe condemns Farrar as being self-seeking.
- 1909-67 21 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Crewe predicts that the Transvaal elections will have similar results to the previous time. He also gives his own estimates of how many seats the Progressives will gain in each Province, totalling 54 in a house of 121.
- 1909-68 22 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Condemns Moore of Natal for obtaining harbour and railway facilities for Natal and a seat in Botha's cabinet, in return for voting for the Boers. In the Transvaal, affairs are not good politically, owing to Farrar's duplicity.

The Boer party will probably get a majority of 10 in the Transvaal representation of the Union parliament. In the Cape their majority will be 7 or more.
- 1909-69 23 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-70 26 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The Bond in the Cape are trying to get rid of Merriman as leader at the general election. Crewe feels that his visit to Transvaal has drawn the party closer together.
Natal also prepared to accept Jameson as leader. Crewe wishes to employ Long and Stewart to supervise the preparations for the delimitations case. Crewe advises that his party take no part in the ejection of Merriman and substitution of Malan.
- 1909-71 27 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Describes a caucus meeting.
- 1909-72 28 Sept Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

Attacked the Government's agricultural policy in regard to the dismissal of Jack Noble). Personal news.

- 1909-73 29 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-74 30 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Expresses contempt of Merriman's servile and self-seeking policy. Crewe has persuaded his party to oppose any reduction of excise and any language clauses in an Education Bill. Crewe also maintains that there should be no interference in the quarrel between Merriman and his party.
Crewe hopes to profit politically from the dissensions of the opposition party.
- 1909-75 1 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-76 1 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-77 2 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The intrigue against Merriman has come to an end. Personal news.
- 1909-78 2 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe has arranged for Goodchild's return in January to help with party organisation. The Budget is to be presented on Tuesday. Long is proposing the case for delimitation. Sauer did not make a good impression in London.
- 1909-79 3 Oct? Letter. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-80 4 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Considers the question of the cattle guards on the Natal border as serious. Is moving in the House for a select committee in the above matter and wishes to strengthen the Cattle Dipping Act. Personal news.
- 1909-81 5 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Criticises Merriman's budget and Blaine's handling of the Civil Servant's case. Personal news.
- 1909-82 6 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. More criticism of Merriman's budget. Ts engaged in the Electric Lighting Scheme of East London.
- 1909-83 7 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Bond caucus meeting daily regarding the Liquor Act. Crewe criticises the Education Bill in regard to the expenditure provisions. Crewe intends to attack the Bill in Parliament on Friday 15th.
- 1909-84 8 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-85 9 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-86 11 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Crewe is waiting to speak on the budget. Crewe fears that Jagger will spoil matters by anticipating the debate on the Education Bill. This will prevent Crewe from criticising De Waal's Education Bill. Crewe complains of being loaded with East London correspondence.
- 1909-87 12 Oct Letter and enclosure [missing]. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-88 12 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal. Parliament is very dull. The struggle is in the caucus where Merriman is having a bad time.
- 1909-89 12 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-90 13 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe has learned from Nathan that the Home Government will influence the Governor-General to ask Botha to form a provisional government representing the existing governments until the Union Parliament is elected. After Union, Botha can reform his government. Botha opposed to coalition. Selborne probably will be Governor-General.
- 1909-91 14 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Crewe occupied on a speech on East Coast Fever and preparations for the onslaught on the Education Bill.
- 1909-92 15 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe preparing to talk on Education Bill. Is very occupied by committee work. Personal news.
- 1909-93 16 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- Crewe successfully attacked De Waal's Education Bill and proved that the 1905 Education Act has triumphed over all obstacles.
- 1909-94 17 Oct Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Hofmeyr's death will result in political upheaval. Merriman's position will be further weakened in the Bond, as Hofmeyr kept the conflicting sections together. Personal news.
- 1909-95 18 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-96 18 Oct Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Crewe believes that the Bond will be disorganised for the elections owing to the death of Hofmeyr.
- Crewe's party still opposing the liquor legislation.
- 1909-97 20 Oct Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Still hopeful of preventing liquor legislation in favour of wine farmers. Crewe occupied with Cattle Cleansing and East Coast Fever work and also Native Affairs Select Committee.
- 1909-98 21 Oct Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Death of Lady Stockenstrom.
- 1909-99 21 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-100 22 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Crewe moved the adoption of the Report of the Seaman's Institute. Is going to raise the question of railway rates with the General Manager. Very busy with Select Committee work.
- 1909-101 23 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Entertained Bishop Furze and Mrs Furze of Pretoria. Discussed politics on the Rand with Bishop Furze. Crewe also asked the Bishop of Grahamstown to visit Mrs Crewe.
The Cape Parliament is very inactive. Crewe is doubtful of Botha's ability to lead the Union government. Jagger still attacking De Waal's School Bill. Estimates to be discussed the following week.
- 1909-102 23 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-103 24 Oct Letter. Ms. 6p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Has been attempting to do two articles a week for the "Dispatch". Merriman is in an unhappy position and is unlikely to be first Premier. Botha will hold this position. Crewe complains of overwork, as he is on

several Committees and practically all the work of the Constituency falls on him. Crewe also undertakes amendments to Education Bill, Cattle Cleansing Act, Native Affairs and is involved in delimitation work. Also does party work. His colleagues of little help.
- 1909-104 25 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-105 25 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Steyn is likely to be the great Afrikaner leader of the future. Crewe has been busy with delimitation work.
- 1909-106 26 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Jameson is returning to Cape Town to be in time for the Senate elections, but will not stay long. De Waal and Malan extremely poor administrators. Education and agriculture in a chaotic state.
- 1909-107 27 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe had a difference of opinion with Malan in Committee over the Dipping Act. Crewe wishes the Dipping Act to be the responsibility of the Government, not the Divisional Councils. Personal news.
- 1909-108 Undated. Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe states that the House is very busy discussing estimates. He had a difference of opinion with Malan in Committee. Also sent a telegram regarding new railway rates to East London.
- 1909-109 28 Oct Letter. Ms. 10p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Certain members of Upper House in favour of the Light Wine Licences Bill. Parliament to meet in April for election of Senators. Crewe has got Sir Lewis to send in the map of the delimitation that his party is proposing. Selbornes are leaving in May and Selborne is not to be Governor-General.
- 1909-110 29 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Is attending the Women's Industrial Union annual meeting to move adoption of their report.
- Attacked the Government's agricultural policy in Parliament. Angry because Merriman criticised Bain.

- 1909-111 30 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Is still attacking Merriman over Light Wine Licences Bill. Describes the Women's Industrial Union Meeting and how Crewe suggested the members obtain government aid.
- 1909-112 30 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-113 Undated. Letter. Ms. Zip C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Jameson arriving on Tuesday. Crewe criticises Walton for listening to Smuts' talk of co-operation. Johannesburg members cheered by the fight put up by Crewe's party at the Cape. In Natal an attempt is being made to get rid of Moore.
- 1909-114 31 Oct Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe co W.H. Fuller.
Crewe explains why he could not inform the East London Chamber of Commerce of changes in railway rates to the North. Those matters are confidential.
- 1909-115 31 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-116 1 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Sauer is to introduce the Light Wine Bill in the House. Crewe entertained ex-President and Mrs Reitz to tea.
- 1909-117 2 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-118 2 Nov Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Attacked the Government for contentious legislation. Crewe raised the matter in Parliament of the De Wet coach episode. Personal news.
- 1909-119 3 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Confidential letter. Gives actual terms to be proposed by the Transvaal government to Delagoa regarding reduction of existing preference in favour of Delagoa Bay as against Cape and Natal.
- 1909-120 3 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Women's Industrial Union has been promised financial aid from the Government. Crewe is worried about the East London Town Council's obstinacy in not coming to terms with the Government over the electric light question. Jameson is coming out on the 6th November.
- 1909-121 5 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe would like the Women's Industrial Union to have a Board as in Orange River Colony to look after spinning and weaving. Merriman is politically finished and has mismanaged the country. Personal news. Crewe criticizes Hellier and Sprigg for not assisting him in work of the constituency.
- 1909-122 5 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-123 6 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Strong criticism of Merriman's government. Crewe believes that he and other opposition members are united in resisting the bullying tactics of the Merriman government. Crewe believes that it is better for a Dutch government such as Botha's to rule the country. The Dutch will lose their inferiority complex and the English will lose their sense of superiority.
- 1909-124 8 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. More criticism of Merriman's government, especially the liquor Legislation.
- 1909-125 10 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Is preparing an oration for Parliament on liquor legislation and "Merriman's iniquities". Personal news.
- 1909-126 11 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe's party busily engaged in fighting Liquor Bill.
Personal news. Crewe accuses Malan of deceit in regard to certain survey regulations. Crewe considers the Dutch to be poor administrators.
- 1909-127 11 Nov Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Long regrets the death of Hofmeyr and thinks that Botha will be Premier. Long welcomes Jameson's return to politics. Long is distressed about affairs on the Rand.
Sends regards to Mr Garvin. Long hopes that in Britain, when Parliament is dissolved, the Government majority will be reduced in the next election.
- 1909-128 12 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Crewe and his party put up a great fight in the debate on liquor question. Personal news.
- 1909-129 13 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Further account of fight against liquor legislation.
- 1909-130 13 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

- Is hopeful that the Light Wines Bill will meet with such obstruction, that it won't be passed this session. The Government ministers in a nervous state. Crewe thinks the post of Administrator will go to Graaff. Government House will probably be Governor-General's residence.
Macintosh to help Crewe draft amendments to the Wine Bill.
- 1909-131 14 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-132 14 Nov? Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The House still sitting at 8.40 a.m. The Speaker very unfair. The opposition succeeded in amending the Light Wine Bill. Merriman and the Speaker, Molteno, showed themselves up in a bad light.
- 1909-133 15 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Further description of debate on Wine Licences Bill. Botha is unwell in the Transvaal. Description of preparations for Hofmeyr's funeral.
- 1909-134 16 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Commends W.P. Schreiner and Jagger for their speech on the Wines Bill. The Bill should hardly pass second hearing in Parliament before the end of the week. The wine farmer is not very pleased with it in its new form. Crewe is to admit his mistakes in the De Waal Bill.
- 1909-134a 17 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Description of preparation for Hofmeyr's funeral. Crewe has written out a statement for Smartt to make to the House regarding the Wine Bill. Personal news.
- 1909-134b 17 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-135 18 Nov Letter. Ms. 5p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Description of Hofmeyr's funeral. Crewe very satisfied with the unity of his party and his leadership of it. Personal news.
- 1909-136 18 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-137 19 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Description of Hofmeyr's funeral. Further criticism of Merriman and Light Wines Bill.
- 1909-138 20 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Parliament occupied with estimates. Crewe is writing a leader article on the Wines Bill.
- 1909-139 22 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Smartt read out Crewe's statement in Parliament regarding the amended Light Wines Bill to show that the Opposition still condemned the amended version. Personal news.
Crewe to make arrangements for the organisation of the elections.
- 1909-140 23 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Jameson has returned to the Cape.
- 1909-141 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long hopes that Jameson will competently lead the British in South Africa. Lord Selborne will not be sent out again. Gladstone a possibility as Governor-General.
- 1909-142 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. The Prince will open Union Parliament in October. Elections will probably be in August or September.
- 1909-143 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-144 25 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Discusses visit to Elsenburg and how conditions at the school can be improved.
- 1909-145 26 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-146 27 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Jameson very pleased with the party's achievements.
- 1909-147 28 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news. Gladstone is coming out as Governor-General. Crewe hopes that the Liberals, under the leadership of Lloyd George will not come to power in England.
Crewe satisfied with the improvement in the "Dispatch" and will work at further improvements until election time.
- 1909-148 29 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal news.
- 1909-149 30 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-150 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 7p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.

Personal news. Jameson ready to work and fight for the party. Crewe hopes that his party will be able to keep the Boers in check until Rhodesia is ready to come in, possibly during the time of the next generation.

- 1909-151 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
The Excise Debate took place in Parliament. Merriman handled the debate badly.
- 1909-152 3 Dec? Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-153 4 Dec? Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- 1909-154 9 Dec Letter. Is. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his kindness to Mrs McVitie. Long does not think that Botha will embark upon contentious policies which will antagonize the British. Long is pleased that Jameson has accepted leadership of the British in South Africa. Long urges Crewe to overcome the prejudice against the Transvaal mine owners. Gladstone will succeed Selborne. Long is confident that his party has a good chance in the British elections. Agrees that Hofmeyr's death strengthens Botha's position. Long considers Botha the best man for the position.
- Items 1910
- Jan 10 9 Jan Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees with Crewe that if Jameson assumes party leadership there will be greater unity among the British. Feels that Botha is preferable to Merriman as Premier. Agrees that Gladstone should be treated in a friendly way and given every opportunity to know the true feelings of the British in South Africa. Long hopes that in the elections, the Liberal Government majority will be weakened.
- Feb 10 9 Feb Letter. Ts. 5p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long reaffirms his confidence in Jameson's leadership ability. Long considers it unfortunate that Lord Selborne wasn't asked to continue in office another year to assist the first Union Parliament and Government. Hopes that Selborne will advise Gladstone. Is satisfied that the Liberal Party in Britain has been weakened in the elections.
- Mar 10 2 Mar Letter. Ts. 6p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Disagrees with Jameson that a Coalition Government should be formed in South Africa, as this would weaken the Progressive Party. In Britain itself the government is in a chaotic state over policy in regard to the House of Lords.

Another election likely before the end of the summer.
Long hopes the new Governor-General will be well received by the British in South Africa.
- Apr 10 31 Mar Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long has spoken to Gladstone who appreciates the difficulties in South Africa. Gladstone will not come out earlier than he proposes to do. Merriman still has prospects of being the first Premier according to the British newspapers. In Britain, Parliament is engaged in discussion on the Veto Resolutions. Budget not yet passed.
Confusion exists.
- May 10 9 May Letter. Ts. 6p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Britain plunged into gloom at the death of the King. Long hopes that Crewe and Chaplin will not give up the political struggle. Long is disappointed in Jameson's latest political views. Long thinks it best that Botha and his party should rule South Africa. Long hopes that the Orange River Colony's education policy will not be enforced in South Africa. Gladstone left for South Africa full of confidence.

Long urges Crewe not to give up, but to fight to the finish, as he has political experience which few in South Africa possess.
- 1910-5a 23-25 May Pamphlet. Ts. 23p The Unionist Party of South Africa. Constitution and Rules. Bloemfontein Congress.
- Jun 10 17 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Describes Theodore Roosevelt's visit to England. Feels that the Dutch government are supplanting the English interests in South Africa. Condemns the Governor-General's appeal for conciliation with the Dutch. Asks Crewe for more details of political events in South Africa. Gives Crewe a resume of political events in Britain, as recounted to him by Milner.
- Jul 10 8 Jul Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for organising the Progressive Party in Johannesburg and the Transvaal. Finds Crewe's description of the ministers interesting and is curious to see what part Merriman plays. Long feels that in Britain, Asquith's government is very weak. The Conference is being held in secret. An election is possible next January.
- Aug 10 19 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Ranulph Crewe.
Personal.

- Sep 10 8 Sept Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased, from Crewe's account, that the Unionists are being brought into line and that the instability of Botha's policy is becoming apparent. Hopes that the British in Natal will support the Progressive Party. Long supposes that Merriman will continue to be a difficulty. In Britain itself political affairs are in a backwater".
- Oct 10 4 Nov Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long concludes, from Crewe's account, that Botha has "made a mess of things". Merriman's influence is evident in the election of Molteno as Speaker. Botha will be unable to govern with the doubtful support of Merriman and his party.
Jameson's party should therefore be strengthened. Long hopes that Natal will join the Progressive Party and congratulates Crewe on his administrative abilities. Long laments the fact that in Britain the Unionist Party is seriously weakened. In the elections the Radicals will again be victorious and Home Rule is being advocated by them.
- Nov 10 14 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to Ranulphe Crewe.
Personal.
- Dec 10 22 Dec Letter. Ts. Sp Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long gathers from Crewe's letter that Botha is unable to control his party. Botha is too inexperienced. Long suspects that Merriman is attempting to supplant Botha.
Long's party lost the elections in Britain, due to bad party leadership and organisation. The Nationalists are in power. Balfour tardy in effecting party reforms.
- Items 1911
- Jan 11 8 Feb Letter. Ta. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Admits to Crewe that a Party Organiser should be appointed for Long's party. Long considers it a pity that Jameson accepted the honour refused by Botha. Long admires Botha's struggle against adversities. Compliments Crewe on his education scheme and hopes Crewe's health will improve.
Long has studied the history of the Bloemfontein Convention and concludes that the idea of federation was abandoned because it would have left the Central Government with no authority.
- Feb 11 28 Feb Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long concludes, from Crewe's letter, that Botha has a difficult time ahead. Merriman seems to have dropped out of politics. Gladstone made a serious error over the Umtali affair and is not proving a capable Governor-General. Long anticipates difficulties in the British parliament over the Parliament Bill.
- Mar 11 12 Apr Letter. Ts. 5p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is interested in the attitude adopted in South Africa towards the Provincial Councils and would like to use this precedent as an argument in the British Parliament against Home Rule. The appointment of Leuchars as Natal representative has strengthened the Progressive Party. Congratulates Crewe on his handling of the Registration of Seats question.
Feels that the British government majority will be weakened.
Hopes that Balfour will adopt reforms suggested by the Organisation Committee.
- 1911-3a 1 May? Letter. Ms. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Deals with the question of Crewe being able to draw Unionist Party finance.
- Apr 11 22 May Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is dining with Asquith that evening and hopes to meet the South African delegates to the Coronation, including Botha. Due to ill health, Long is going off for a week and will only see the delegates on his return. Long congratulates Crewe on the result of the Education Committee, which Botha seems inclined to accept. Long feels that the South African Government had difficulties in the Parliamentary session due to political inexperience. Long hopes that in Britain, the House of Lords would not be enlarged by 500, as is threatened in the Parliament Bill.
- May 11 29 May Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Letter in connection with the proposed knighting of Lukin. Smuts has been in communication with the provincial authorities over the Education Law. He does not understand fully the relationship of the Central Government to education.
Smuts regrets that Jameson is said to be retiring from politics.
- Jun 11 26 Jun Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Describes Coronation activities. Thanks Crewe for his account of South African politics. Jameson is still unwell. Long is pleased to hear that Crewe is to organize Natal. Long thinks that the Conference in Britain was rather pompous. The most important question has been kept in the background viz., Federation of the Empire upon commercial lines, as a step to some form of real Imperial Federation.

- Jul 11 7 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long spoke to Botha who maintains that if Jameson did not return to South Africa, the Government would break down.
In Britain, as in South Africa, difficulties arise within the ranks of the different parties and Lord Halsbury has had a difference with Balfour and Lansdowne, over the question of the Parliament Bill.
- Aug 11 25 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.F. Crewe.
Acknowledges receipt of Hertzog's speech. Long is certain that Botha will ignore Hertzog. In confidence, Long informs Crewe that he is divulging Crewe's information to Botha without mentioning Crewe's name. In Britain, a general strike has been narrowly averted.
- 1911-8a 4 Dec? Letter. Ms. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Announces his intention of retiring from politics.
- Sep 11 29 Dec Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulates Crewe on his Congress meeting and the manner in which he has organised his party and prepared for future elections. In Britain, the Government is in trouble over the Insurance Act.
- Items 1912
- Jan 12 4 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's critical notes on the Defence Bill.
Attempts are being made to reach a settlement on the question of the Defence Council. The Bill has been well received.
- Feb 12 10 Jan Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter but hasn't time to answer it. There is no change in the unstable condition of the British Government.
- Mar 12 12 Feb Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Recommends that the Unionist Party should stress concentration in party organisation. In reply to questions put by Crewe, Selborne is pessimistic about improved relations with Germany. Germany's territorial ambitions are too great to permit peaceful understanding. Germany is constantly increasing her navy. In Britain itself, the Government is unpopular through contentious legislation. The Government majority should hold together for three more years in Selborne's opinion.
- Apr 12 14 Feb Letter. Ms. 5p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Florence. Expresses concern for Crewe's poor health. Discusses the critical political situation in Britain and also the Coal strike and unemployment. Tries to estimate the effect of this situation on South African politics.
- May 12 6 Mar Letter and enclosure (missing). Ts. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Has resigned from the Central Committee. Encloses article from Cape Times criticising Farrar's conduct and gives this as the reason for his resignation. Is especially incensed by offensive language used by Dr Porter.
- 1912-5a 6 Mar Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets that the Labour vote is gaining momentum in South Africa, too, according to Crewe's description. Regrets the unpopularity of the Gladstones in South Africa. The Government of Britain is losing popularity, as is proved by the South Manchester election, due to bad handling of the strikes. Describes Scobell's funeral. Rejoices in the fact that the suffragettes are facing criminal charges for acts of property destruction.
- Jun 12 14 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Admits to Crewe that the Government has triumphed over his party. Regrets that Jameson is too ill to continue party leadership. Is worried about the effects of the Home Rule Bill, if passed in the British Parliament.
- Jul 12 16 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets that Jameson is in poor health. Is pleased by the lesson learned by the British Labour Party.
- Aug 12 20 Apr Letter and enclosure. Ms. 2p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Selborne has gone into the "Van Aswege" Case which is quoted in the Imperial blue book Col. 1423 of 1903. Very few records of this case exist. Botha makes reference to this case in Whittaker-Roos debate March 11, 1912, but nothing can be done to prove or disprove Botha's assertion of an injustice being done to Van Aswege.
- Sep 12 30 Apr Letter. Ts. 5p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Long believes that the British Government is weakening because of internal dissensions and will not carry out Home Rule or Welsh Disestablishment. Long anticipates a bitter struggle in Parliament over the Insurance Act. Long intends to put in a word for the British people in South Africa in the debate on the Home Rule Bill. Jameson has arrived in Britain to recuperate. Long is surprised at the growth, reported by Crewe, of the Labour Party in South Africa. Recognizes the difficulties faced by Botha in governing South Africa, but is convinced that Botha is loyal to South Africa.

- Oct 12 9 Jun Letter. Ms. 7p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling discusses the difference of opinion between Hull and Sauer over the Bantu question. Jameson is improving in health. Kipling discusses the strike agitation of the Labour Unions in Britain and the effort of the Government to conciliate the Unions.
- Nov 12 10 Jun Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter describing events in the Union Parliament. Concludes that in the Hull vs. Sauer dispute, Hull was correct. Regrets that Botha did not support Hull and that Hull resigned as Treasurer. In Britain, the Government has been discredited over bad handling of the strike.
- Dec 12 21 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe appointed a member of the Defence Council. The duties and functions of the Commandants and Staffs of the 3 Provincial Commands will have to be rearranged. A draft of the Minister's Minute regarding this rearrangement is enclosed for Crewe's approval. Members of the Defence Council will indicate their approval by telegram.
- 1912-12a 6 Jul? Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Asks Crewe's opinion regarding South African politics.
Does not find Smartt very enlightening. Considers Botha has failed hopelessly in choosing a cabinet and will be ousted by Merriman and Sauer. Botha will have to turn to the Unionists for help. Jameson discusses his own health and British politics.
- 1912-13 20 Jul Letter. Ts. Sp Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets that Crewe has had heart trouble. Is interested to hear that the South African government has come through the Parliamentary session badly. Agrees with Crewe that government officials should be bilingual. Hull's retirement was badly managed and South Africa's financial situation is unsatisfactory. Botha's popularity has waned, but the Dutch people will stand by him. In Britain, National and Imperial defence has become the crucial issue. The Committee of National Defence is unwieldy. Describes a meeting with Lionel Phillips who is satisfied.
- 1912-14 7 Aug Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long thinks it evident that Botha is coming to the end of his power and will have to fall back on the British for support. Long will not be sorry if Merriman goes under.
Long expresses surprise at labour unrest in South Africa.
Congratulates Crewe on being on the Defence Council. Personal news.
- 1912-15 26 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Louis Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's congratulatory letter on the distinction awarded Botha by the King. Hopes to meet Crewe in Pretoria on October 17th. Botha states he has often considered carefully the question raised by Mr Borden.

However, Imperial Defence circumstances are different in Canada to what they are in South Africa. Botha will discuss the matter further with Crewe when conditions present themselves.
- 1912-16 6 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Gives Crewe an account of how defence matters are progressing. Beyers is Commandant General of the Citizen Forces. Lukin is in charge of South African Military Rifles. The school at Bloemfontein a great success. British and Boer officers cooperating fully. Smuts feels that the navy is being neglected. Smuts despises the panic apparent in London.
- 1912-17 25 Oct Letter. Ts. 7p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long describes his trip to Canada. Is pessimistic about defeating the Government in the coming British elections. Long is pleased that in South Africa the education policy must develop away from Hertzog's policy, due to opposition by the teachers. Long regrets that Chaplin and his followers still distrust Botha. This distrust can only drive Botha towards the narrow anti-Imperialist section of his followers. The British party in South Africa cannot hope to gain a majority due to the success of the Labour Party. They should therefore support the best elements in Botha's party. In the case of the naval contribution for example, Chaplin and his followers should support Botha.
- 1912-18 1 Nov Letter. Ts. 1p Louis Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Letter concerning Mr J.H. Cowen's claim for compensation from the Transvaal government. This claim refused by Botha.
- 1912-19 12 Nov Letter. Ts. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Letter concerning the appointment of Hirsch as District Staff Officer for No. 3 District.

- 1912-20 27 Nov Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long considers that the South African government has done well in regard to Imperial Defence. It is sufficient if Botha can supply a certain number of ships, to be part of the Imperial Navy, but to be stationed in South African waters. Hertzog seems to have mismanaged the agricultural question. Long regrets that Chaplin underestimates the Labour Party in South Africa. In Britain, parliamentary matters are stagnating.
- 1912-21 16 Dec Letter. Hs. 4p Walter Long Co C.P. Crewe.
Botha has resigned to reconstitute his own government. Long thinks a coalition at this juncture would be a good thing, consisting of Botha and Smartt's parties. Long hopes that Hertzog will not gain power. Long regrets the difficulties created by Duncan and Farrar and cannot understand why an objection is raised to importing mine labour from outside, if the wages are too low for white labour. Long's party is in great difficulties over the Declaration made at the Albert Hall by Lansdowne and Bonar Law.
- 1912-22 20 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Sir L. Mitchell to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees with Crewe that there is going to be strife between the Revolutionaries, led by Hertzog, and the Moderates.
Mitchell thinks that the British party should support Botha against the Extremists.
- 1912-23 21 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts expresses appreciation for Crewe's article which presents impartially the existing political difficulties.

Hertzog's account of cabinet meetings implies that Hertzog is a true South African patriot, whereas Smuts and Botha are Imperialists. Smuts considers that South Africans should choose between unity or division into two white camps.
- 1912-24 22 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal news. Asks Crewe for more details about South African politics. Condemns the British government for its ineptitude.
- 1912-25 30 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts does not wish to borrow money but will finance government requirements from balances and short dated Treasury bills.
- Items 1913
- Jan 13 3 Jan Letter. Ma. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Trouble on the Natal coal mines has been fermented from the Rand. The natives are being subjected to agitation coo. Smuts fears a crisis resulting from a general strike.
Smuts has spoken to Stockenstrom about young Murray.
- 1913-1a 11 Jan? Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Praises an article sent to him by Crewe. Hopes the article will not offend the Extremists in Crewe's party.

Agrees that Botha has pursued the best policy which will not strengthen Hertzog's hand but still achieve the desired goal. Considers Patrick to be loyal to the party.
Urges Crewe to appeal for party unity.
- Feb 13 14 Jan Letter. Is. 8p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Personal news. Long considers it evident that Hertzog means to fight Botha, with the support of the "irreconcilable Dutch". Long gathers that Merriman's attitude is doubtful and may develop hopes for a union of the Moderate and Imperialist forces in South Africa, faithful to Imperialist principles. Long considers it reasonable for South Africa; in making a contribution to the British navy, to stipulate that these ships shall, if possible, form a South African squadron. In Britain Long's party has been through a crisis following Lansdowne and Sonar Law's declarations. Food taxes have been repudiated.
- Mar 13 4 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Recommends coalition of political parties in South Africa. Botha has been made to realise his need for the support of the Moderate Party and the untrustworthiness of Hertzog. Botha still commands a majority in South Africa. In Britain, the question of food taxes has been postponed until after the election.
- Apr 13 3 Mar Letter. Ms. 3p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Describes trip to Egypt and Sudan. Is pleased at Crewe's prediction of Sauer's downfall. Kipling foresees a period of reaction in England, where the Dutch will have fewer supporters.
- May 13 8 Mar Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Long believes that Hertzog recognizes his political defeat. Is pleased that Smuts confides in Crewe and that Smuts is co-operating in Imperial defences. Long hopes for an amalgamation of different parties in South Africa. In Britain, as in South Africa, Long notes indifference among the electorate to both political parties.

- Jun 13 8 Apr Postcard. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Considers that Crewe is being over-optimistic and that the Labour Party will wreck the state. There is a feeling of national shame in Britain and preparations in progress for war.
- Jul 13 30 Jun Letter. Ts. 4p F.D.P. Chaplin and D. Christopherson to Minister of Mines.
Letter written on behalf of Consolidated Gold Fields of South Africa. Complain of a crisis if the strike in the Benoni district spreads to Germiston and Johannesburg area. Asks the government to take steps to prevent the strike from spreading.
- Aug 13 8 Jul Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to Crewe to spend a few days with the Kiplings from the 28th August.
- Sep 13 10 Jul Postcard. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Postponement of Crewe's visiting date to 20th September.
- Oct 13 15 Jul Letter. Ts. 15p F.D.P. Chaplin to J.X. Merriman.
Describes the strike of the miners which commenced at the Kleinfontein Mining Company and spread to Germiston, Randfontein and Johannesburg. Chaplin gives an analysis of the causes of labour unrest and blames the situation on lack of government support in maintaining order. An additional danger is that the natives might be infected with rebelliousness too.
- Nov 13 13 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Crewe accepts C.P. Crewe's offer of a visit to him and states that he will be at Balmoral from 23rd to the 28th.
- Dec 13 10 Sept Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements for Crewe's visit to the Kiplings.
- 1913-13 28 Sept Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements for Lord Crewe to meet C.P. Crewe in London.
- 1913-14 5 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Welcomes Crewe back. Accuses Hertzog of attempting to break up the government merely because he has been expelled from his job. Labour restless and the natives are watching the labour unrest. Defence is satisfactory, apart from some grumbles from the Free State. The Military School a great success.
- 1913-14a Undated. Minute of South African Cabinet. Ts. 1p Minute of South African Cabinet Ministers to Governor-General.
Appointments under the South African Defence Act, 1912.
- 1913-15 25 Nov Letter. Ts. 5p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
There is a serious split in the South African Party. Botha will have to look for support to the Unionist Party. Long hopes that the British party will not support progressive Imperialists in South Africa. Botha might lose a lot of support among Transvaal voters. The Indian question will test the statesmanship of Botha and Smuts. In Britain there is trouble regarding Ulster's demand for exclusion from the Home Rule Bill and also over government expenditure on National defence. There is also labour unrest, the Insurance Act is working badly. However, there is no strong leader to lead the Opposition party and the results of an election would probably be a very small majority either way.
- 1913-16 31 Dec Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
In South Africa, the Indian demand is impossible to tolerate and the Indians must be contented with modifications of their treatment. Botha's majority has been weakened by secessions and death and he will have to turn to the Unionist for support. The Labour Party is not likely to become a great force in South Africa, as it is in Britain. There are rumours in Britain that Asquith will become a peer and Gray, leader in the Lower House.

These rumours unfounded.
- Jan 14 Items 1914
2 Jan Letter. Ts. 3p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Estimates that it will be an anxious year for South Africa. Hertzog will not leave the South African Party, even though he disagrees with Botha. The real seriousness of the Indian question in South Africa is its effect in India itself.
Legitimate grievances of the Indians in South Africa should be removed. The question has not been settled before this, because Gandhi and Smuts attempt to out-manoeuvre each other. In Britain, the Government is in a panic over Ulster.

- Feb 14 5 Feb Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
The Botha Hertzog split is final as is shown by Hertzog's attitude over the Deportation Act. In the next election, Botha will be dependent upon Unionists and Independents for his working majority. This would enable Crewe's party to state their own terms to Botha and result in a government of the "best man". Long is uncertain as to whether there is serious trouble in India. In Britain, there is trouble over Home Rule as Ulster Protestants refuse to recognize the Parliament in Dublin.
- Mar 14 1 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Selborne doubts that the public in South Africa approved of the deportations. The provincial elections on the Rand and in Cape Colony showed that many British voted Labour to mark their disapproval of the government and the official opposition. Selborne is further disturbed by news that Botha was re-opening negotiations with Hertzog. This means that the Unionist party is split over labour troubles and the deportations, while the Boers are re-united over the same events.
- Apr 14 23 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
In Britain there is a feeling that Botha acted wisely to restore order, but that deportation without trial is unjustifiable and unconstitutional. Long believes that Crewe is correct in estimating that Botha will eventually be forced to ally with the Unionist Party.
- May 14 27 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to Mrs Crewe.
Personal.
- Jun 14 10 Jun Letter. Ts. Sp Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
In Britain, the passing of the Amending Bill will lead to trouble in Ulster. Long hopes it will cause the downfall of the government. Long can understand Crewe's approval of the deportations, even though these were unconstitutional, as Civil War was the alternative. Long condemns the Labour Party as being purely destructive and agrees that if white workmen rebel they should be replaced by "black labour".

Long agrees that Britain has erred in accepting "undesirables from all countries" as refugees. Condemns the anarchists and suffragettes and their method of hunger strikes to gain their own ends.
- Jul 14 14 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Deplores the situation in Ulster where complete chaos exists. Has met Jameson who is in good health.
- Aug 14 22 Jul Letter. Ms. 5p Mary E. Chamberlain to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter of condolence on the death of Mr Chamberlain.
- Sep 14 31 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
The position in Ireland is insoluble. European affairs also grave. Austria is repeating her Bosnia tactics of 1901 but Russia and Britain are not willing to allow this and Britain will support France as an ally. Smuts hopes that Germany will induce Austria to stop in time. There is a possibility that a full time adjutant will be appointed for the Kaffrarian and Eastern Rifles instead of two as at present.
- 1914-9a 6 Aug Telegram. Ms. 1p General Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Receives Crewe's offer of assistance with gratitude.
- 1914-9b 6 Aug Telegram. Ms. 1p Acting Governor-General to C.Y. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's offer of assistance.
- Oct 14 21 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin is to command a force of about 3 000 men to proceed via Port Nolloth to the North. Maritz has a force of 1 000 mounted men at Kakamas and Upington. Duncan Mackenzie's force to attempt the occupation of Luderitzbucht and Swakopmund. No volunteer regiment has been organised.
- Nov 14 16 Sept Postcard. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Recruitment of troops proceeding in Britain. Germany appears to have been checked at present.
- Dec 14 21 Oct Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Botha will lose the support of the extreme Boers by entering the war. By the end of the war, Botha will have gained the support of the British elements, moderate Boers and older Unionists. The war in German South West will be strenuous for South Africa. Even if Germany is defeated, there will be no permanent peace. Germany will not attempt war for one generation and might replace the Kaiser and Junkers with a different form of government.
- 1914-13 12 Oct Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long expresses satisfaction at the failure of the movement to oppose Botha and is confident in the leadership qualities of Botha. Long describes the mobilisation of British troops and expresses a fear that the war will be a bloody and costly one. He is confident of the defeat of the Prussian Junta and victory of the allies.
- 1914-13a 8 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.

Letter written from Luderitz. Is interested in the amount of men recruited by Crewe but presumes the details for South West African Infantry are unavailable. Fears that the guerrilla warfare in Orange Free State will hold up the South West African campaign. The South African troops are pushing slowly along the railway in South West Africa but the Germans have blown up a good deal. Farrar complains of

the amount of work he has to do in connection with the Railway and Engineering projects. Complains of the inefficiency of the Quarter Master General and of headquarters in Pretoria.

- 1914-14 16 Nov? Letter. (Copy). Ts. 4p C.P. Crewe to J.C. Smuts.
Writes to Smuts in his capacity as Director of War Recruiting. Points out various difficulties encountered by the Department of Defence. Suggests the formation of a small committee under control of the Minister of Defence to enquire into the workings of the Department of Defence.
- 1914-15 17 Nov Letter. (Copy). Ts. 5p C.P. Crewe to Secretary for Defence.
Crewe's report in capacity of Director of War Recruiting. Report covers recruitment measures for new units and reinforcements for units already in the field when Crewe commenced work.
- 1914-15a [24 Nov] Letter. Ms. 2p George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Apologises for not being able to assist Mrs Largely (?). Describes difficulties of railway construction in the desert of South West Africa and also the difficulty of supplying water to animals used by the army.
- 1914-16 25 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Reply to Crewe's request for an advisory committee. Smuts would prefer not to complicate the administrative machinery with an extra committee but rather to strengthen the existing structure. Government Inspectors have been appointed and also an extra assistant to the Quarter Master General.

The administrative machine will also be improved. British Government to be asked for advice and information.
- 1914-17 3 Dec Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Botha's task has been increased by the rebellion and action of the Orange Free State but Botha will have enough support to win. As a result of the action of the Union Government and the Great War, Rhodesia may come into the Union. Long is pleased that Crewe is nearing the end of his labours and is going home.
- 1914-18 4 Dec Letter. Ts. 3p Sir George Farrar to C.P. Crewe.
Rebellion in Transvaal is crushed and De Wet taken prisoner. Farrar complains about the Quarter Master General's Department. Describes the campaign in German South West Africa and difficulties with railway transport and lines of communication. The plan of campaign should be carefully worked out so that the three columns advancing into South West Africa co-operate. Farrar regrets that Crewe has left Pretoria, as more recruitment is needed.
- 1914-19 16 Dec Letter. Ts. 2p Winchester to C.P. Crewe.
Letter of Introduction to Crewe on behalf of Capt. R. Higgins.
- 1914-19a 17 Dec Letter. Ts. 1p Louis Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his letter and assistance.
- 1914-20 18 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
The rebellion against Botha would have been completely crushed but for the escape of Kemp with 600 men to German South West Africa. The rebels will attempt to return.
Smuts outlines to Crewe military preparations which he has made for the military campaign in German South West Africa.
- 1914-21 30 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton is pleased that the tone of the home letters the past two weeks has been more optimistic. The rebellion in South Africa has been efficiently dealt with.
- Items 1915
- Jan 15 4 Jan Telegram. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Rowlands' enclosure to Crewe was only intended as a warning that some regiments condemn material which is still suitable for use. It was no reflection on Crewe's judgement.
- Feb 15 19 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts hopes to finally crush the labour agitation by a few deportations which will act as a warning. The trouble is over. Most of the commandos are being demobilised. Bourne is being promoted to full Secretary.
- Mar 15 19 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Apr 15 22 Jan Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

- Expresses admiration of Botha's ability. Hopes that Crewe will recover from the burden of overwork. Long is pleased that Smuts realises the gravity of the case in German South West Africa. Long expresses dissatisfaction with the way the British government is handling the war situation.
- May 15 26 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts pessimistic as regards the duration of the war as the Germans seem to be a match for the Russians, French and English. Smuts very pleased with Van Deventer's action at Upington. Railway construction is being given priority in South West Africa. Smuts is seeking the help of the financial experts. Only Smartt is helpful. Smuts finds the others too narrow in their demands for economy and retrenchment. He is anxious to pursue the conquest of South West Africa and considers this a priority over financial questions.
- Jun 15 27 Jan Letter. Ts. lop Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is concerned that the British in South Africa are unable to find employment and cites the case of Mr. Perkins. From Crewe's account, Long realises that Botha has had to employ an "undue number of detachments" in proportion to the population to secure the support of his own people. Long feels that the campaign in German South West Africa will be a difficult one, although he is confident that the Germans will be defeated. Long hopes that if the campaign in South West Africa is successful, Rhodesia will enter the Union. Long praises Beatty's fight in the North Sea and gives news from France. He condemns the attitude of neutrality shown by the Q.S.A. who continues to supply products indirectly to Germany through Italy. Personal news.
- Jul 15 28 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Aug 15 30 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses admiration for the action of Botha and Smuts and feels that the British Ministry of 1905 were correct in their South African policy. British opinion on the rebellion in South Africa is that Maritz should be hanged and De Wet should be spared but interned. The war will be a long and great struggle. The Indian troops have distinguished themselves.
- Sep 15 8 Mar Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is pleased that Hertzog has been discredited in Parliament. He thinks that war news from the Dardanelles and France is improving. The Turks appear to have withdrawn from the war.
- Oct 15 13 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling feels that the war in German South West Africa will do much to strengthen loyalty to the Empire, in South Africa. Kipling gives a description of conditions in Britain and expresses various opinions of the war.
- Nov 15 30 Mar Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long considers that Crewe's description of the South African situation is not pleasant and expresses admiration for Botha's handling of the rebellion and South West Africa campaigns. Long regrets that the British government does not take the people into their confidence.
- Dec 15 6 Apr Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner agrees that Botha has done wonders and deserves every support. Botha alone can maintain order in South Africa. At the same time Milner can understand that Crewe is averse to supporting any Boer government whatsoever, because South Africa will never be a satisfactory member of the Empire. Milner is disillusioned with politics. He feels that when the war is over, the old party struggles will resume in British politics. Germany will be defeated in the war but there will be no permanent peace. The British government's political conduct of the war has been utterly feeble. At the same time, Milner admires the spirit of the British fighting forces.
- 1915-13 9 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is dismayed at the losses suffered at Neuve Chapelle. Long realises that South Africa will incur heavy debts as a result of the war, but he feels that Britain is "in the same boat". It is fortunate for Botha that the Loyalists make allowances for his difficulties. Long is pleased that Buxton is more satisfactory than his predecessor.
- 1915-13a 16 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Has returned from India. Asks Crewe to remain on as a member of Parliament in order to assist in the amalgamation of parties with the "Progressive Dutch". Jameson is kept busy trying to counteract the "hostile intrigues" of the Colonial Secretary. Considers the morale of the British soldiers to be high.
- 1915-13b Undated. Letter. Ms. 4p L.S. Jameson to C.P. Crewe.
Jameson thanks Crewe for his political views. Urges Crewe to make up differences with Smartt and remain with the party. Feels that coalition with Botha's party might strengthen Hertzog and should take place at a later date. Congratulates Crewe on his military success and R.C.M.S.
- 1915-14 19 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements regarding Buxton's visit to Port Elizabeth, Grahamstown and East London.

- 1915-15 26 Apr Letter. Ms. Sp H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for help in organising the First Brigade.
Expresses dissatisfaction that the Secretary for Defence can decide on military promotions without regard for the experience of the officer promoted.
- 1915-16 1 May Letter. Is. 1p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses a desire to stop at King Williamstown on 3rd June, after leaving East London.
- 1915-17 12 May Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Further discussion of arrangements for visiting East London and King Williamstown.
- 1915-18 13 May Letter. Is. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long expresses disappointment that in the South African Parliamentary sessions, Hertzog has been taking advantage of the execution of Fourie and others to attack Botha.
Long agrees with Crewe that the British party should not form a coalition party with Botha. He also agrees that the German South West campaign will be prolonged. Germany will be defeated, but at the cost of much "blood and tears".
- 1915-19 17 May Letter. Is. 1p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton has discussed with the Secretary of State, the possibility of sending a contingent from South Africa

to Europe and possibly East Africa. The Imperial Government would prefer them in Europe, but nothing is finally settled. The question of pay is a complicating factor.
- 1915-20 25 May Letter. Ts. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts expresses regret that Crewe had difficulty with the censor and is sending a summary of Crewe's complaints to Gorges. Smuts feels, however, that the use of censorship is justified. As regards sending forces overseas, Botha is anxious not to deplete South African armies needed in the South West Africa campaign.
- 1915-21 31 May Letter. Ms. 1p Louis Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's congratulations on the capture of Windhoek. Botha is disappointed not to have captured more of the enemy forces. The present delay is due to the necessity of resting and feeding the animals.
- 1915-22 1 Jun Letter and 2 enclosures. Ms. 1p Ernest H. Lane to C.P. Crewe.
Transmits to Crewe General Botha's reply to General Smuts regarding a South African contingent requested by T. Smartt for fighting on the continent. Botha is averse to sending such a contingent and feels that military strength should be concentrated in South West Africa. He also feels that the Dutch South Africans would strongly oppose such a move and vote against Botha in the next election.
- 1915-23 2 Jun Letter. Ts. 1p J. Anderson (Acting Chancellor) to C.P. Crewe.
Letter of Knighthood.
- 1915-24 7 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is surprised that the "Dispatch" is in difficulties. He considers that Crewe treated Bailey roughly. He hopes Crewe will reconsider his decision not to stand again for East London. The future is politically uncertain. Krause has revived racial bitterness which will affect the forthcoming elections.
- 1915-25 16 Jun Letter. Ts. 1p Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton thanks Crewe for hospitality in East London. As regards a contingent for Europe, Botha feels that discontent would result among those who would be left in German South West Africa.
- 1915-26 17 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long admits that it was a difficult step for his party to join the government. Botha should follow Asquith's example. Botha did well in German South West Africa and has offered the British Government assistance.
- 1915-26a 24 Jun Telegram. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Formal offer on the lines of discussion has been made to Britain.
- 1915-27 25 Jun Letter. Ta. 3p Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton has heard from Smuts that Smartt and Crewe are averse to calling Parliament together. Buxton may be able, by means of the Governor-General's fund to give some help to dependents. Buxton will make an appeal to enlarge the Governor-General's fund. Buxton feels that his tour through Orange Free State was of benefit and that there will be no further risings. Dissatisfaction will be resolved through the elections.
- 1915-28 29 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.

The offer made by South Africa has been sent to the Imperial Government. It is on the lines discussed by Crewe, Smartt and Smuts. In East Africa, affairs have been badly mismanaged. Buxton agrees that enquiries should be made privately regarding shortages. In Natal, a section is afraid that if a contingent is sent from South Africa, the Government would not be able to crush further local uprisings. Buxton doubts such an uprising will occur, but agrees that not more than 5 000 should be sent.

- 1915-29 5 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Britain has not yet replied to South Africa's offer of volunteers and heavy batteries for the Dardanelles. W.H. Fuller is too old to be considered for active service in the Dardanelles. Smuts considers Lukin ideal to command the first South African brigade for overseas service.
The Germans in South West Africa are likely to make a stand in the mountains near Grootfontein. Botha has gone to Etosha Pan to release prisoners of war. Smuts is determined to make no concessions to Hertzog's party.
- 1915-30 5 Jul Letter. Ts. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is not in favour of the proposal to send a nursing unit to England, originated by the editor of the South African Nursing Record. Smuts would rather retain a medical unit for any South African contingent which may be sent to Europe.
- 1915-31 21 Jul Letter. Ta. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets the death of Farrar. Expresses admiration for Botha's victory and is amazed that Hertzogism is on the increase. Is also surprised that the Labour Party is growing in strength. In Britain there is great trouble over the coal strike, due to the operations of a small clique, financed by a wealthy man. The war conditions are unchanged. Russia in a serious position.
- 1915-32 10 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is sending a copy of Crewe's letter to Bonar Law.
Long doesn't like to express an opinion but feels that Botha has awakened such tremendous enthusiasm in Britain for his conduct of the South West Africa campaign, that there will be no support for criticism of his actions.
- 1915-33 10 Sept Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes that Crewe has abandoned the idea of retiring from Parliament. Thinks the election in South Africa will be a bitter political struggle. Expresses concern for Crewe's health.
- 1915-34 17 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased that Crewe is standing again. Coalition might frighten some of Botha's supporters. Botha deserves to be supported by the British for his services to the Empire and also in order to defeat the Hertzog and Labour alliance.

In Britain, some form of compulsion will be introduced. Congratulates Crewe on sending so large a force so soon.
- 1915-35 13 Oct Letter. Is. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Botha seems confident of securing a good majority without the Unionist Party support, but Long is convinced that this is only electioneering talk. In reality, Botha needs the British party's support. Long is pleased that Crewe is standing again for Parliament. Long is worried by Germany's success in the Near East.
- 1915-36 11 Nov Letter. Is. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulates Crewe on Botha's election win. Agrees that it will be better for Crewe to support Botha from outside than within, as an example of such support, Long cites the case in Britain between 1886 and 1892 when the Liberal Unionist Party supported Long's party then in power.
- 1915-37 28 Oct Letter. Ms. 5p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Description of arrival in England of South African contingent, and of their training at Bordon barracks.

Lukin is uncertain of their destination - probably France.
- 1915-38 8 Nov Letter. Is. 6p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner is pleased at the election results in South Africa and is glad that Crewe is again representing East London. Milner is interested that Smuts has become an Imperialist of the "new school" which regards the Dominions as "equal partners in the Empire". Regrets the loss of Kipling's son. Milner anxious for Britain to straighten matters in German East Africa. Fears that Britain will be defeated in the Dardanelles. Peace will be secured only by exhaustion of the warring powers and will be inconclusive. The most cheering factor is the way in which the Dominions have been loyal to Britain in the war.
- 1915-38a 19 Nov Letter and enclosure. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has forwarded Crewe's offer to the Secretary of State, via Buxton (see enclosure). Smith-Dorrien has been appointed in East Africa. Hatters are going well on the Rand and everywhere except Cape Town. The Trade

- Union Conference went off well. Certain points should be brought to the attention of employers.
- 1915-39 16 Dec Letter. Ts. 5p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Rejoices in Hertzog's political defeat. Hopes that Hertzog's followers will desert him. Congratulates Crewe on the number of army recruits he has raised for Europe and German East Africa. Smith-Dorrien has been appointed as commander in German East Africa. In Britain, the "Times" and "Morning Post" are attacking Asquith's government.
- 1915-40 18 Dec Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Department of Defence is willing to provide a corps of 300 motor cyclists for use in German East Africa.
- 1915-41 23 Dec Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Smith-Dorrien wishes Crewe to join his staff. The British government started the war entirely unprepared but much reorganisation has taken place in the War Office. The task in East Africa will be difficult but Smith-Dorrien will manage admirably. The campaign will probably start in June.
- 1915-42 31 Dec Telegram. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Announcement of Crewe's appointment to the staff of General Smith-Dorrien.
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- Jan 16 4 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe's appointment has been made so that he ranks after Lukin, Mackenzie and Brits but above the other generals, in order not to offend Brits and Mackenzie.
- Feb 16 23 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Arthur Steel-Maitland to C.P. Crewe.
Letter of congratulations on Crewe's appointment to Smith-Dorrien's staff.
- 1916-2a 25 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin congratulates Crewe on his promotion to Smith-Dorrien's staff. Leish is leaving the army.
- Mar 16 28 Jan Letter and enclosure. Ts. 2p H.B. Bourne to C.P. Crewe.
Letter enclosed, from Lord Buxton expressing gratification on the part of Smith-Dorrien's staff for the efficiency shown in preparations for the East African campaign.
- Apr 16 1 Feb Letter. Ts. 1p P. Horsfau? to C.P. Crewe.
Letter enclosing documents connected with Crewe's investiture.
- May 16 17 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Britain is gradually accepting coalition government under Asquith as the only solution. Regrets Smith-Dorrien's ill-health but expresses confidence in Smuts' ability to conduct the East African campaign. Expresses appreciation of the way in which Crewe has subordinated himself to serve Imperial interests.
- Jun 16 6 Mar? Letter. Is. 3p M.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Eye-witness account of a battle against the Turks and Senussi. (Agagia Battle?).
- Jul 16 24 Mar Letter. Ms. 6p M.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Cairo. Sir Archibald Murray complimented Lukin on the spirit and discipline shown by the South African Brigade. The Brigade to be sent to France in April. The defeat of the Turks and Senussi at Agagia foiled their attempt to attack Egypt. The armed motor car batteries did well at this battle. First Brigade inadequately paid. Congratulates Crewe on his recruiting record. Discusses the case of the officer, Grant, who has been superseded. Judging from Crewe's recruitment figures, Lukin feels that the East African campaign will soon be over.
- Aug 16 29 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
Describes visit to Matruh and a subsequent engagement with the Senussi, including the capture of Solum. Dawson pleased with the fighting spirit of the men, but finds the officers inefficient and inexperienced.
- Sep 16 30 Mar Letter. (extracts). Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to J.C. Smuts.
Letter written from Uganda. Crewe states the position to be unsatisfactory due to problems of portage. Crewe criticises Col. Adys and the inability of the Belgians to understand the problems of the campaign. Recommends that a capable South African officer be sent to control South African army and lines of communication. Bakakata too long a border. Crewe does not think Smuts' campaign in German East Africa will end before he can capture Dar-es-Salem. Crewe is therefore convinced South Africa should assist the Belgians, but no help can be given by Smuts.
After assisting the Belgians, Crewe wishes to be relieved of his responsibilities.
- Oct 16 3 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Half Lukin's brigade still at Solum owing to transport difficulties due to the presence of submarines in the Mediterranean. Hopes to leave for France next week.
Asks Crewe for news about East Africa and requests promotion for certain of his staff members as he fears that the Defence Department will overlook the permanent staff members in promotion matters.

- Nov 16 5 May Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Crewe will make enquiries regarding Harry Fuller. Crewe has finally sent off the Belgian army which should reach Kijali the following week. Compliments Fuller on the way his firm has looked after its employees. Crewe hopes to finish in Uganda about the end of September and thinks the campaign will end in October. There has been much malaria and dysentery.
- Dec 16 6 Jun Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Compliments Crewe on his work. Thinks that Smuts is over-optimistic in his estimation of the time necessary to complete Crewe's work. Thinks that the climate has reduced the efficiency of the government in Uganda. Discusses the battle in the North Sea. Smith-Dorrien has improved in health. The "Hampshire" carrying Kitchener and his staff has been torpedoed.
- 1916-13 14 Jun Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Thinks that Fuller's son may be at Kindoa. Hopes that the campaign in East Africa will soon be over, due to attacks of malaria. Has taken over all the troops on that side and hopes for Belgian co-operation. The campaign might end in October. Is satisfied with the Belgians, Smuts and the South African troops.
- 1916-14 24 Jun Letter. Ms. 5p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from France. Congratulates Crewe on the East African campaign. Resents the fact that the Union government has tried to divert the First Brigade to East Africa, instead of Europe. Describes the trip to Marseilles from Egypt, and the inclusion of the South African Brigade in the 9th Scottish Division. Describes trench warfare and is very satisfied with the performance of his brigade.
- 1916-15 11 Jul Letter. Ts. 4p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased with the progress of the campaign in German East Africa. Hopes the Germans will not resort to guerrilla warfare. Buxton's daughter, Phyllis, is to visit British East Africa, primarily to visit hospitals at Nairobi and other bases. Buxton is pleased the parliamentary session has ended as there was friction with the Nationalists and also between Botha and his party and the Unionists. Buxton describes a visit to Rhodesia.
- 1916-16 24 Jul Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Compliments Crewe on his East African campaign. Considers the war news satisfactory. Trouble in Britain over the Home Rule question. Ireland bitterly divided between Unionists and Nationalists and other internal schisms.
- 1916-17 28 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Is pleased with the defeat of the Germans in German East Africa. Crewe's troops nearing Tabara. Hampered by transport and tsetse fly country. Crewe criticises arrangements for the comforts and parcel supplies of the troops in British East Africa, but is satisfied with the arrangements for his own troops.
- 1916-18 13 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Crewe is suffering from an attack of malaria. Confident the Germans will be defeated by the end of October as the Askaris are deserting them. Crewe is counting on the support of the Wanyamivesi tribe against the Germans. Crewe still struggling with transport and supply problems.
- 1916-19 27 Aug Letter. Ta. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Compliments Crewe on his campaign successes. The British government experienced a difficult parliamentary session. The news from France quite good. Roumania is entering the war. The Greek king will be in an unfavourable position for his lack of support in the war. Is optimistic about the outcome of the war.
- 1916-19a 28 Aug Letter. Ms. 6p J.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
Describes battles in the Montauban area, the northern end of Longueval and the Battle of Delville Wood.
- 1916-20 17 Sept Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
The French have advanced in the Combles and Thiepval regions. Crewe seems to be fulfilling his prophecy to end the German East Africa campaign in October.
- 1916-21 14 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Macaulay to C.P. Crewe.
Describes the transport of sick and wounded troops aboard the Hospital ship "Ebani".
- 1916-22 3 Oct Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long admits that Crewe has played a vital part in the East African campaign. The news from the western front is encouraging. Long has inspected provisions for Belgian refugees in Glasgow. Admires the prosperity and ship building activity on River Clyde. Personal news.
- 1916-23 7 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to N.H. Fuller.

Letter written at Ndala, near Tabora. Crewe will consider the question of harbour rates on his return to South Africa. The enemy has been cleared from the central railway and the northern area. The climate very unhealthy. Many interned Britishers and Indian prisoners have been set free at Tabora.

- 1916-24 15 Nov Letter (and enclosure). Ms. [and enclosure. 3p.]7p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
In strict confidence, Lukin is sending Crewe an account of the movements of the South African Brigade since the first 'Push on the Somme'.
- 1916-25 16 Nov Letter and sketch. Ms. 3p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin is sending Crewe a sketch map to illustrate the account of the 'Push' on the Somme.
- 1916-26 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
The question of the overseas pay will eventually be settled but it will still be a disgraceful matter. Still nothing can be gained by the hotheads in Natal and Johannesburg who denounce Botha. The response to volunteering for overseas service has been poor. Smartt suggests that Coloureds and Zulus be enrolled and asks Crewe's advice in this regard.
Smartt has spoken to Botha and Botha's speech at Volksrust was different in tone.
- 1916-27 13 Dec Letter. Ms. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his message.
- 1916-28 15 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt had a meeting on the Rand on the 12th December and made the position clear as regards overseas pay. Hopes to secure a solution by the time Parliament meets. Personal news.
- 1916-29 23 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt considers that Crewe criticised the Defence Department severely but justifiably at East London. The Defence Department under Smuts is a favourite object of attack by the Nationalists and it is best to improve it by showing up its deficiencies. Smartt again condemns the question of unsatisfactory overseas pay but did not force Botha's resignation over it, because the Unionist party is not strong enough to form a government. Smartt agrees that food supplies, especially wheat and flour should be controlled and a war profits tax imposed. Smartt is against Britain making up the difference in the army pay and has informed Botha of his views. Smartt considers it was the pressure of the Unionist party which led to a South Africa Brigade being sent to Europe. The Brigade is in need of reinforcements but Smartt will not vote against Botha for fear of Nationalists. The Transvaal congress a great success.
- 1916-29a 23 Dec Letter. Ms. 14p W. Merriman to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees that the political situation in South Africa is serious. Sympathises with Botha's vain effort to reconcile hostile factions. Regards the source of deficiencies in defence as the appointment of "political officers" and the lack of army discipline. Advises Crewe to be cautious in advocating reform. A Select Committee of Enquiry should be proposed. A semi-permanent force should be established with a cadre of officers for emergencies. Advises Crewe not to be too depressed by his East African experiences but to remember the gallantry of South African troops fighting in the Imperial army. Discusses the problem of the British Empire and how Britain can best keep her dominions intact.
- 1916-30 28 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Personal letter. Agrees with Crewe in criticising the Defence Department.
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- Jan 17 6 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees that Smuts has done very well. It is possible Smuts might now attend the Conference and leave the campaign to others. Acknowledges Crewe's work for the Empire, hopes that affairs in South Africa will improve and that Botha's government, supported by the Unionist party, will defeat the Hertzog faction. In Britain the Coalition Government under Asquith was unpopular and Lloyd George was the only possible alternative. Long would have preferred to become a private member but Lloyd George and Bonar Law prevailed on him to accept government office.
Long is satisfied with Lloyd George.
- Feb 17 16 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long considers Crewe's view of the South African situation to be very pessimistic. Long will consider Crewe's suggestions and would like Crewe to put them to the Governor-General. Long is under the impression that Botha's supporters are dissatisfied with him and he has to be careful not to strengthen Hertzog's party. Long hopes Crewe will write to him frankly and will treat the matter as confidential. Long promises to further the interests of Captain Swan, whom Crewe has befriended.
- Mar 17 26 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.

- Is pleased that recruits are more numerous. At the moment, the South African Brigade is too weak to carry on and the British government refuses to strengthen it with United Kingdom recruits. Dawson is anxious for the arrival of the Potchefstroom recruits. The South African Brigade, if put behind the line, through insufficient numbers, will have to mend roads and dig trenches.
- Apr 17 30 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin has been promoted to the Command of a Division. Lukin hopes that Crewe's East London speech will induce suitable recruits for the Brigade and not under-age youths. The South African Brigade is 1 000 short and wastage amounts to three per month. Lukin discusses various ways of bringing the Brigade up to strength.
- Lukin is pleased that the men are to receive Union pay but hopes this will be given either on leave in England or on discharge to avoid drunkenness in the regiment. The men don't resent their low pay and are bearing up well under winter hardships.
- May 17 15 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is leaving on the "Donvegan" for the overseas conference. He wishes Crewe a short and useful session and
- thinks there will be considerable talk on the points Crewe has raised about overseas pay and treatment. Smuts is not hopeful of the Conference forcing the Germans to an easy peace.
- Jun 17 7 Mar Letter. Ts. 9p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long has shown Crewe's letter outlining South African events, to Selborne and Jameson, who agreed with the description.
Long realises Botha's political difficulties and his inability to break away from his own party. However, Botha has promoted imperial loyalty as far as he could among his own people. Botha's South African and German East Africa campaigns were successful. Long is pleased that Smuts and not Botha is attending the Conference as Smuts is more of a politician. Botha, too, must handle the critical condition in South Africa. Hughes, of Australia, is unable to attend the Conference. In Britain, the government under Lloyd George, is strong. New departments have been created under Controllers some of whom are not M.P's. The question of Home Rule has again been raised in Parliament. Long is off to France, the following day, to visit the various Colonial Corps. Imports have been cut down owing to the submarine menace.
- Jul 17 19 Mar Letter. Ts. 3p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Has spoken to Smuts who was very reasonable regarding South Africa's domestic situation. Milner feels that this is the weakest part of the British Empire, especially because the war drew off so many loyal British South Africans. Milner hopes that British prestige will be so increased by the end of the war, that the Boers will not break off from the Empire. The only satisfactory solution in South Africa would have been to increase the number of British emigrants, but the 1906 Radical victory in Britain spoiled this chance. Milner fears that the Russian revolution will be a decisive factor in the peace settlement.
- Aug 17 20 Mar Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's condolences on the loss of his son. Thanks Crewe for his account of the situation in South Africa. Has met Smuts and is much impressed by him. Thinks it was foolish of the opponents to fight the Cresswell election.
- Sep 17 12 Apr Descriptive account. Ts. 2p H. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Account of an attack by the 9th Division on the Roux?Gavrelle Road Chemical Works and Roux on the 12th April.
- Oct 17 21 Apr Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Is impressed with Smuts' diplomacy and finds him more optimistic than Crewe about South Africa's political position. Has heard from General Allenby about the South African Brigade's bravery and hopes this commendation will encourage more recruits.
- Nov 17 22 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
The South African Brigade has been so reduced as to be useless for fighting purposes and will probably be withdrawn from the front line. Describes a successful battle operation carried out on 9 April. On the 12th , however, the Brigade suffered heavy casualties due to machine gun fire. Dawson agrees with Crewe that the Union government has no consideration for the Brigade in Europe, because it declined to go to German East Africa.
- Dec 17 7 May Letter. Is. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Considers that matters are improving, despite Crewe's depressing accounts. Believes that the difficulty in South Africa will be solved by a policy of coalition of all parties, broad Imperialism and domestic progress. Smuts has made a good impression in Britain. The Imperial War Cabinets and Imperial War Conferences have gone off well.
- 1917-13 31 May Letter. Ta. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

The Germans are concentrating on submarine attack but the success of such attacks is decreasing. Is confident in the Russian situation improving. Satisfied with the results of the Imperial Conference. The Reform Bill has had a wonderful reception in Parliament and Long is very enthusiastic about its measures.

- 1917-14 23 Jun Letter. Ms. 10p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Description of Battle of Arras on 9th April and further battles on 11th and 12th April and 26th and 27th April.
- The Brigade is in danger of being reduced to two Battalions unless reinforcements of new recruits can be provided. Gives news of his wife's and his own ill?health. Considers that the Germans are still an effective fighting force and the war will be long and bloody. Discusses military tactics used in trench warfare and expresses opinions on the effectiveness of French and American help. Comments on items of information regarding the Defence Department, which have been mentioned in Crewe's letter.
- 1917-15 1 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p F. Heal to C.P. Crewe.
Is sending Crewe a list of all honours and decorations earned by the South African Brigade up to 3rd June which is also being sent to Mayors of Kimberley, Cape Town and Port Elizabeth. The Brigade is waiting for more recruits.
- The officers have been very satisfactory. The junior officers should be retained for the Active Citizen Force after the war and should be officers in the Active Citizen Force.
- 1917-16 Undated Letter. Ms. 4p F.J. Sutton to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1917-17 4 Jul Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is interested in Crewe's comments about East and Central Africa. Long appreciates, more than Crewe, the difficulties of Botha's position with Hertzog constantly attacking him. Long realises that Crewe is correct in desiring emigration from Britain, but emigration to South Africa demands capital. Long disagrees that Smuts' speeches are anything but diplomatic. Long realised that Crewe would disapprove of Van Deventer's appointment in East Africa, but the War Office controls these matters.
- Long wishes South African affairs could be improved.
- 1917-18 26 Jul Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Letter of introduction regarding Capt. Ronald F.R. McNeill.
- 1917-19 10 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
Brigade still under strength. After the next battle, the Brigade will be reduced to 2 Battalions. A report is enclosed regarding the death of Murray. Dawson requests that after the war, the four regiments of the Brigade should be perpetuated, with the battalion Head Quarters in the capitals and companies in certain towns. In any case, some sort of association will be formed to keep records of the brigade and assist its members. Crewe's assistance sought in the above matters.
- 1917-20 30 Jul Letter. Ts. 2p T.A. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
It has been decided not to hold a Party Congress as the Unionist Party desires to support General Botha's government to successfully conclude the war.
- 1917-21 8 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes that Crewe's health will improve. Gives Crewe information regarding German battle tactics. Personal news.
- 1917-22 9 Aug Letter and enclosure dated 4th June. Ts. 1p (enclosure Ms. 4p) George Brebney (Secretary to Botha) to C.P. Crewe.
Botha is returning F.S. Dawson's letter to Crewe. Col. Helbert has been made A.A.G. to secure co-ordination between the military authority in England and the South African units. This request for co-ordination was put forward in Dawson's letter.
- 1917-23 23 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
The campaign in German East Africa is not over according to Hoskins. The political situation in South Africa is difficult but this difficulty is common to all countries at that period.
- 1917-24 28 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Has no information concerning Churchill and Smuts. The Germans seem to be losing the war. The U.S.A. has entered the war. The Canadians are fighting well. Home politics are neglected in the public mind, and all interest is in the war. The war has lasted much longer than either Britain or Germany anticipated.
- 1917-25 31 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p D'Eyncourt C. Chamberlain to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1917-26 31 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
Now the regiment has sufficient reserves and will probably be sent to a more active section of the fighting line. Dawson thanks Crewe for obtaining recruits. Lukin on leave due to his wife's illness.

- 1917-27 4 Sept Letter. Ta. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
East African campaign dragging on slowly. Medical arrangements unsatisfactory. Long thanks Crewe for Chappell's letter and admits there is cause for anxiety which Chappell and Crewe betray. Affairs in France satisfactory.
- Russian affairs causing anxiety. The Russian army undisciplined. The U Boat campaign has inflicted damage during past fortnight on Britain. U.S.A. intervention might assist the allies.
- 1917-28 25 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p F.S. Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
An account of a victorious battle against the Germans in which South African Brigade distinguished themselves (Ypres-Merlin Road Battle).
- 1917-29 9 Oct Letter and enclosure and map. Ms. (enclosure Ts.) 2p (enclosure 4p). H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Short account of the battle of Ypres-Merlin (20/9/17).
- 1917-29a 4 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p C.P. Crewe to W.H. Fuller.
Letter written from Ndula, near Tabora. The South East and Eastern portions of the Belgian colony have been cleared of German troops. In Europe the news for the allies is likewise good. Beyond preserving order in the occupied territories, there is little for Crewe to do.
- 1917-30 11 Oct Letter. Ts. 4p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Is regretful about the political condition of South Africa. Is fearful of consequences if Botha's health breaks down. Some of Smuts' speeches in England have annoyed British party in South Africa, but Smuts has tried to be helpful and diplomatic. Long will try to further the cause of emigration to South Africa but fears emigrants prefer Canada and Australia. The war is satisfactory on all Fronts. The air raids have been disagreeable but have not affected the spirit of the British people. Long is determined that Germany should lose her colonies at the end of the war.
- 1917-30a 12 Oct Telegram (copy). Ts. 1p General Sir Hubert Gough to 9th Army.
Commends the 9th Division for its success of September 20th and gallantry in the severe fighting of October 12th.
- 1917-31 17 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p F.J. Sutton to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1917-32 24 Oct Letter. Ms. 5p B. Myers to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1917-33 17 Nov Letter. Is. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
In Britain there is great turmoil. Lloyd George has difficulty in interpreting his wishes to three nations at once. Long considers that Lloyd George should listen to the counsels of his more experienced colleagues. Long is confident all will be well, except in Russia.
- 1917-34 2 Nov Letter and enclosure which is missing. Ms. 4p J. Neal to C.P. Crewe.
Neal encloses a copy of a letter which he has sent to the Brigade. Neal is offering a captured machine gun to East London, Oudtshoorn and King Williamstown. Neal delighted with the latest recruits and with the bravery of the Brigade on the 20th September.
- 1917-35 6 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter of condolence on the death of his son.
- 1917-36 23 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Points out the difficulties of Crewe's proposal to publish in 1910 a Christmas number of the East London Despatch devoted to the work of South Africans in France. Very few press correspondents or photographers are allowed into the operations sector. Crewe's application should be made through the South African Government. The record of the Brigade is being written by John Buchan. Describes battle operations and difficulties experienced in October.
- 1917-37 24 Nov Letter. Ta. 1p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Has drawn up a letter for circulation to the press to clarify the fact that separate funds should not be started for assistance to disabled men. The Governor-General's fund is for this particular use.
- 1917-38 28 Nov Letter (copy). Ts. 4p C.P. Crewe to T.S. Smartt.
Crewe dissatisfied with Smartt's leadership of Unionist party. Smartt has alienated George Blaine, Van der Riet, King, and neglected party organisation. Smartt panders to Jagger, Cape Town and Johannesburg sections and neglects farming and mercantile interests. Jagger favours post-war trade with Germany. Crewe advises Smartt to keep Jagger and Duncan in check and also to visit branches and write to them. If organisation is neglected, the Unionist Party will disintegrate.
- 1917-39 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Walton hopes that Crewe's letter to Smartt will do Smartt good. Smartt has no organisational gifts but he cannot be replaced until after the war. Walton agrees that Jagger's views regarding German trade are a danger to the Party, but Jagger, financially, has the whip hand over Smartt.
- 1917-40 7 Dec Letter. Ms. 12p T.S. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.

Smartt endeavours to refute the accusations made by Crewe in his letter of 28th November. Smartt insists he is adhering to Unionist policy of supporting Botha to end war.

Smartt expresses surprise that in certain correspondence with Botha, Crewe on behalf of the Unionist Party at East London, proposed coalition and only showed the correspondence to Smartt six or seven weeks later. Smartt denies he is guided solely by Jagger and Duncan and insists he is willing to be guided by the Party as a whole. Smartt insists he will abide by party policy until a Party Congress can be held.

Smartt regrets Blaine's defection, but blames Crewe partly, as a leader article in East London Dispatch inflamed public opinion. He hopes Blaine will relent. Smartt is unable to attend to party organisation through lack of funds and asks Crewe to raise subscriptions for Party members. Smartt has neglected his farming interests to devote himself to the party.

1917-41 8 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.

Discusses the war situation and is pessimistic about a prospect of peace in Europe. The British Government is unpopular and the press has unbridled power. Lord Crewe sympathises with Botha's difficulties. Smuts has made a favourable impression in his speeches and would like to return to South Africa to help Botha. Personal news.

1917-42 18 Dec Letter (copy). Ts. 3p C.P. Crewe to T.S. Smartt.

Reply to Smartt's letter of 7th December. Crewe justifies his correspondence with Botha, regarding coalition.

Crewe is quite unwilling to accept Blaine back into the Party, but is anxious to retain Blaine's constituency for the Unionist Party. Crewe justifies his leader-article in the East London Dispatch. Crewe still maintains that Smartt has neglected Party organisation.

1917-43 21 Dec Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Crewe is not alone in his political difficulties, as the British government also faces these. Matters should improve after the war. The defection of Russia and breakdown of Italy have increased difficulties.

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Jan 18 10 Jan Letter. Ts. 3p J. Carter for Sir Roy Fitzpatrick to C.P. Crewe.

Letter written on behalf of Hume Pipe Co. asks Crewe for advice regarding East London Municipality's request for pipes, and whether it would be worthwhile for Fitzpatrick to visit the East London Council Engineers and explain to them what the company can do.

Feb 18 8 Feb Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Despite Crewe's reference to difficulties, Long maintains that the Union government has loyally supported the Empire. Smuts has done valuable work. As regards the German Colonies, Long adheres to his previous views and desires support from the Dominions. The Generals who have fought in Africa will be suitably rewarded.

Mar 18 9 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.

Lukin's wife is in poor health. Lukin thanks Crewe for congratulations on the K.C.B. Lukin recounts war difficulties at Cambrai accompanied by bad weather conditions.

Apr 18 17 Mar Letter. Is. ?p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.

Letter explaining to Crewe on what basis awards for war services have been made, to date. Other awards will follow in due course. The mayor of East London will be considered when the next list is drawn up.

1918-4a 30 Mar Letter. Is. 1p H.H. Tudor to C.P. Crewe.

An account of the losses suffered by the South African Brigade near Bouchasvenes.

May 18 27 Mar Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Long does not feel that Crewe is complaining about his own position or that of the Unionist party in South Africa.

Long realises that Crewe will uphold Imperial interests at-all costs. Long feels that Crewe will be forced soon to take action, but must decide on this, for himself. The Germans have begun a terrific onslaught, but will not capture Calais and the coast.

Jun 18 1 Apr Letter. Ms. 8p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.

Lukin has been promoted to command the 64th Division. The South African troops distinguished themselves in recent heavy fighting. The war might be over by the end of the year, as the Germans are making their last stand.

Lukin dismayed by Hertzog's opposition to a message sent to Haig. Smuts and Milner co-operating in the War Cabinet.

Difficulty experienced in obtaining new recruits. Enclosed is Haig's recommendation that Lukin be promoted.

Jul 18 5 Apr Letter and enclosure missing. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.

- Enclosure is Tudor's letter which announces sad disaster to the South African Brigade. The missing include Dawson and Heal. Lukin asks Crewe to publish extracts from Tudor's letter.
- Aug 18 10 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Buxton accepts the invitation to dine with Mayor of East London on the 15th.
- 1918-8a 1 May Letter. Ms. 2p W. Pickering(?) to C.P. Crewe.
Letter in connection with Nurses' Fund.
- 1918-8b Undated. Letter (title page missing). Ms. 3p Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Describes trip to Chobe and Caprivi.
- Sep 18 10 May Letter and enclosures. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long too busy to deal with Crewe's letters at length. He is enclosing the letters which Crewe asked for and also a note from the Foreign Office with reference to letters of introduction to Peking and Tokyo.
- Oct 18 15 May Letter. Ts. 3p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long is anxious to correct Crewe's misapprehension that Long suggested that Crewe and his friends failed to appreciate the value of Botha's services. Long states that it is only the general public in South Africa who support the Unionist Party, who desire to oppose Botha's government and who do not appreciate Botha's difficulties. Long agrees that General Van Deventer has done well. General Northey has been offered the Governorship of the East African Protectorate.
- Items 1919
- Jan 19 2 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Feb 19 28 Jul Letter. Ts. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling hopes to meet Crewe during Crewe's stay in London from 14th to 18th August.
- Mar 19 2 Aug Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Crewe's invitation to C.P. Crewe to visit him in August during C.P. Crewe and Mrs Crewe's visit to England.
- Apr 19 7 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Alters the invitation to C.P. Crewe to 1st September or alternately to October.
- May 19 27 Aug Postcard. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses condolences on the death of Crewe's mother.
Renews the invitation to Crewe to visit in October.
- Jun 19 29 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses condolences on the death of C.P. Crewe's mother.
- Jul 19 30 Oct Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
General Botha's death a great loss to South Africa. Buxton discusses the pros and cons of Smuts' Premiership and hopes Smuts will be able to stir the South African Party to greater activity. Buxton's term of office ends in June.
Buxton fears more industrial trouble in Britain.
- Aug 19 6 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Personal letter.
- Sep 19 8 Nov Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has made a good beginning and favours amalgamation. Long considers that amalgamation is only possible if two parties find that they have a strong common objective. Long draws a parallel between the British Coalition Party and the South African political parties desiring coalition.
- Oct 19 8 Dec Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Invites Crewe to consult him in London. Denies that he is going to South Africa as Governor-General.
- Nov 19 26 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe disapproves of the Irish scheme. However, Long condemns the Irish as being entirely unconstructive in policy and favours a bold policy towards them.
- Dec 19 26 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Is pessimistic about the situation in India. The Kiplings are off to Bath for a month.
- 1919-13 29 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Items 1920
- Jan 20 3 Jan Letter and enclosure (missing). Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Asks Crewe to help a certain immigrant to South Africa. Is enclosing a few extracts from Smuts' recent statements which suggest that Smuts is denying the British government the right to any say in South African affairs.
- Feb 20 10 Jan Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

Thanks Crewe for his kindness to Mr Jones. Would like to make an appointment to see Crewe before he sails.

- Mar 20 15 Mar Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts certain amendments to a proof submitted to Crewe by Buxton.
- Apr 20 25 Mar Letter. Ms. J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees with Crewe that the Unionists ought to disappear but the leaders of that party disagree so nothing will be done at present. Smuts is in political difficulties but does not desire an immediate parliamentary election.
- May 20 27 Mar Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton has agreed to go on until the end of the Session and cannot leave until the beginning of August at the earliest.
- Jun 20 1 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Buxton will interview Mr Cloete. However, he thinks that a Governor-General should not have a local aide-de-camp and will pass on this recommendation to his successor.
- Jul 20 9 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
The South African Party is on the whole opposed to union with the Unionists. Walton insists that the coalition must take the form of a fusion of parties and not simply absorption. The matter must be discussed in all constituencies and a congress held.
- Aug 20 11 Apr Letter. Hs. 2p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Has little to add to Crewe's existing knowledge of events. Smartt has had two conversations with Smuts who will let Smartt know if there are concrete proposals for fusion with the Unionist Party. Smartt believes Hertzog faction will continue anti-British propaganda. Cresswell's position is threatened by Brydell and Kentridge. Smuts is intimidated by some of his own party and is fearful of joining the Unionists.
- Sep 20 15 Apr Letter. Ts. 2p L.S. Amery to C.P. Crewe.
Has passed Crewe's letter regarding election results to Lord Milner. Suggests the Unionist Party should announce that it is to become a wing of the South African Party. The future looks optimistic and the Nationalist Party may have had its last "powerful kick" at this election. If Smuts can embark on a policy of vigorous economic expansion another ten years will set South Africa in a satisfactory course.
- Oct 20 6 May Letter. Ms. l/p Mimie Botha to C.P. Crewe.
Acceptance of position of Vice-President, 1820 Memorial Settlers Association.
- Nov 20 30 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Dec 20 4 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to lunch on 8th July.
- 1920-13 25 Jul Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to lunch on 29 July. Lord Crewe accepts the offer to be one of the Vice-Presidents of the Settlers' Association.
- 1920-14 5 Aug Letter. Ts. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts the offer of Vice-President of 1820 Memorial Settlers Association. Invitation to lunch.
- 1920-15 6 Aug Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Harcourt has refused to become Hon. President of the Settlers' Association.
- 1920-16 17 Aug(?) Letter and enclosure(?). Ms. 2p Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Is returning a personal letter of Crewe's which Buxton found in his own South African papers.
- 1920-16a 17 Aug(?) Letter. Ms. 2p Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Enclosure consists of an undated letter from Crewe to his wife.
- 1920-17 25 Nov Letter. Ts. 2p Lord Buxton to C.P. Crewe.
Buxton feels his work has won public recognition because he dealt with men like Botha and Smuts and had friends like Crewe. Buxton is worried about the delay Smuts shows in reorganising his Cabinet. Gives his opinion on what results will be shown in the elections.
- 1920-18 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
H.R.N. is willing to become President of the Centenary Association and come to Port Elizabeth and Grahamstown on the dates mentioned. Privately, Smuts has heard that the Prince of Wales cannot come next year and desires to know if Crewe will hold the celebration in the absence of the Prince of Wales.
- 1920-19 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Grey Hazelrigg to C.P. Crewe.
H.R.H. the Governor-General is considering the questions of the 1820 Memorial Settlers Association and the centenary celebrations.
- 1920-20 12 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.

Letter written from Salisbury. Edwards may be asked to stay on longer in the administration. Chaplin will keep Col. Burne in mind. Chaplin spoke to Smuts in Pretoria. Smuts optimistic about election results. Chaplin also spoke to Burke. A strike threatening on the mines.

Items 1921

- Jan 21 2 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin disappointed in the Cave award. Chaplin will be unable to carry out his program of public works. Chaplin reckons that Crewe's estimate of four or five as a majority for Smuts is optimistic. The crux of the matter is the attitude of the Dutch in the Cape Province.
- Feb 21 15 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts finds it difficult to form a cabinet. The electorate has made a historic decision against racial segregation and two scream policies. Difficult times ahead - depression, unemployment and restricted export markets.
- Mar 21 21 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Would have liked to see the Nationalist vote diminished in the election. However, Smuts will be able to take a firmer line with his new majority. Chaplin expects soon to be formally appointed Administrator of Southern Rhodesia. The Civil Service in Southern Rhodesia is very inefficient. Chaplin has been asked by the Witwatersrand Agricultural Society to open the Johannesburg show. A strike in progress at Shauva(?).
- Apr 21 16 Kar Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has done his utmost to form a satisfactory cabinet and feels the greatest difficulties are over. He hopes that small issues, particularly personal questions will not cause obstruction. He will do his best to ensure concord and progress over the next four years. Smuts thanks Crewe for all his assistance.
- May 21 18 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin thinks that the Smuts cabinet is on the whole satisfactory. The depression in the Union will affect Rhodesia. Chaplin will therefore add a bit to the amounts for the coming financial year. Chaplin has taken over in Livingstone where a grave deficit exists. Is leaving for Johannesburg the following day and will then return to Livingstone and Salisbury. Maize farmers in Rhodesia agitating over railway rates.
- Jun 21 21 Apr Letter. Ts. 1p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.
Long announces his retirement and congratulates Crewe on his achievements in South Africa.
- Jul 21 24 Apr Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner delighted by Smuts' victory but is not over optimistic regarding it. Nationalism is not dead. British loyalists will continue to do all the work and get few rewards. Milner agrees with Crewe that only the introduction of British emigrants can consolidate the position. However, the Nationalist election cry for secession has been defeated and the Nationalists will be quiet for some time.
- Aug 21 1 May Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Connaughts are possibly visiting Rhodesia in August. Smuts keen to get Rhodesia into the Union in the course of the next two years. Chaplin favours this policy as strengthening the loyalists and it will be financially preferable to establishing responsible government in Rhodesia. Buxton's report on Rhodesian government due this week. Chaplin fears that the report will favour responsible government in Rhodesia which will not be successful financially and will not be acceptable to Smuts. Chaplin discusses the Rhodesian budget and the position of De Beers Company and the stock market in general.
- Sep 21 6 May Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Letter regarding action against certain "Israelites".
- Oct 21 15 May Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin sending Crewe a copy of the Rhodesian budget statement which was well received. Chaplin condemns the Buxton Committee Report as being unfair to the Company. Coghlan and some of his people are going to London to discuss the constitution. Chaplin fears industrial and political upheaval in England.
- Nov 21 18 May Letter. Ms. Shp Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the stock market. Chaplin favours oil shares and also thinks that land bought in Southern Rhodesia will improve within a few years. Chaplin hopes that Coghlan will not obtain responsible government and "make a mess of things" in Rhodesia.
- Dec 21 9 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the progress made by the 1820 Memorial Settlers' Association in getting young emigrants with capital to go out as farmers in South Africa.
- 1921-13 15 Jun Letter. Ts. 2p Walter Long to C.P. Crewe.

- Long has accepted a peerage. Long is convinced that the union of parties in South Africa will result in a strong government and is preferable to a coalition government.
- 1921-14 8 Jul Letter. Ts. 1/p E.N. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Mrs Crane is to be given an additional R24 a year pension. Walton describes the South African dinner given in Smuts' honour. Smuts has made a great impression in London and has mediated in the dispute with Ireland. The Commonwealth Conference proceeding favourably.
- 1921-15 8 Jul Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin questions Crewe about Union finances. Chaplin fairly confident about Rhodesian finance. Coghlin refused to start for London in time to meet Smuts, as suggested by Churchill. Meanwhile Chaplin unable to get money for public works. The Colonial office supplies no information regarding question of land ownership and administrative deficits in Northern Rhodesia. Churchill treats the Company unfairly.
- 1921-16 16 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Has not managed to speak to Smuts or Buxton and will. Write to C.P. Crewe if he hears anything of interest about South Africa. Lord Crewe feeling the burden of heavy taxation. Smuts' intervention in Ireland helpful. Personal news.
- 1921-17 26 Jul Letter. Ms. 12p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin considers Jagger a good minister. Chaplin has heard that Jagger has "bumped up" against Hoy. Chaplin is interested in the Union budget. Churchill has not studied the Rhodesian question properly. Coghlan is asking Malan to arrange a meeting with Smuts, before leaving for England.
In Rhodesia, a section of the population feels that the charter should continue for a year or two until events in the Union become clearer. The Company, however, has nothing to gain from continuing unless the Cave award is properly settled. In Northern Rhodesia, Chaplin obtained all he wanted from the Advisory Council. Northern Rhodesia realises that the Company cannot continue its support, and efforts at self-help, especially as regards the railway to the South, must be made. Preparations going ahead to receive the Prince and Princess.
- 1921-18 21 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Crewe has sent an extract of C.P. Crewe's letter to Churchill. Lord Crewe congratulates C.P. Crewe on the success of the settler movement. Lord Crewe discusses Smuts' mediation in Ireland. Lord Crewe complains of heavy taxation on trade, industry and landowners.
- 1921-18a 28 Aug Letter. Ms. 3½p Sybil A. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for congratulations on Smartt's appointment as Privy Councillor.
- 1921-19 5 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin does not think Crewe should pursue the extension of his Settler Organisation in Southern Rhodesia, as Southern Rhodesia already has a similar scheme.
- 1921-20 7 Sept Letter. Ts. 2p E. Chappell to C.P. Crewe.
Chappell is arranging a meeting between Crewe and Mr Mosenthal at any time between 27th September and 27th October. Chappell discusses Crewe's stock market investments.
- 1921-21 27 Sept Letter. Ms. 1p Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges receipt of Crewe's letter and will see what he can do as regards matters in consultation with Jagger. Smartt will also see Duncan and others at the Kennedy presentation.
- 1921-22 25 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin is hopeful that the movement for responsible government will die down. The Rhodesian delegates meeting Churchill will not be able to find the finance for responsible government. Chaplin asks Crewe how long it would take to effect Rhodesian entry into Union.
- 1921-23 7 Oct Letter and enclosure (missing). Ts. 5p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips reports on progress made in regard to the settler movement. A ladies committee has been formed. Phillips

encloses a speech made at the United Party Club. Attempts at fund raising will be made. Godlonton must be replaced as Organising Secretary. At the Durban Conference on the 24th, Robert Niven, Taberer and Lory Phillips will represent the Johannesburg branch. Phillips discusses future policy to be followed in getting suitable settlers and in looking after their interests once they have arrived, to avoid dissatisfaction.
- 1921-24 10 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin dismayed by Crewe's report of unsatisfactory political and financial situation in the Union. This might make the Rhodesian pro-responsible government party unwilling to enter Union. Chaplin's revenue at the moment is good.
- 1921-24a Undated. Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe's son is to be attached to the mobile section of the S.A.M.R. at Roberts Heights. Discusses Queenstown bye-election caused by the death of Arthur Henry Frost.
- 1921-25 12 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.

- Smuts is investigating the Queenstown bye-election. Smuts is carrying through a stringent campaign of economy regardless of popularity loss.
- 1921-26 14 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Walton describes the League of Nations Congress which he doesn't hold in high regard. The Rhodesian delegation are determined to obtain responsible government as recommended in the Buxton report. The stock exchange in a bad state.
- 1921-27 29 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe. Mrs Phillips delighted with the Congress. Bagot has gone to India for the Prince's visit and might make some useful enquiries on Crewe's behalf. Phillips is to attempt to establish branches in England and will sail on 23rd December for a lecture tour.
- 1921-28 3 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin has heard from others besides Crewe, of the unpopularity of the Union government, due to economy and retrenchment measures. Chaplin has heard that Churchill is willing for Smuts to receive a Rhodesian delegation to discuss Union with South Africa. Chaplin asks Crewe's opinion of affairs in Johannesburg. The price of gold has dropped and the mine owners would like gradual removal of the colour bar. Chaplin is puzzled by the Union government's action in treating all natives north of Latitude 22° as prohibited immigrants. In England and elsewhere the stock exchange in a bad state. There is no market for food produced.
- 1921-29 7 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin sorry to hear that for health reasons, Crewe not visiting Johannesburg and Britstown. The Settlers Association is doing good work. Lukin regrets that Gordon cannot go to India. Lukin wonders if Crewe is sending instead a settler from the Sundays River. Lukin recounts local news and complains about the apathy of the public regarding the South African navy which will be established before the end of the year.
- 1921-30 14 Nov Letter. Ts. 2/p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Much labour restlessness, as the leaders resent the measures necessary to save the low grade mines. Smuts states that more whites will be employed, no reductions in pay and colour bar to be retained. Phillips maintains that the native miners are allowed no promotion even after eight to ten years labour and this leads to grievances on their part. Phillips believes that this policy will change. Whether the change comes by consent of the working classes or is preceded by upheaval depends on whether the government takes a firm line or not. So far, Smuts has shirked the real issue. Phillips approves the idea of recruiting settlers in India, and Col. Gordon would have been admirable in this respect. Phillips will further the movement when he reaches England.
- 1921-31 23 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin expects to head a delegation to Smuts in January or February regarding Union. Nothing can be done until Coghlan and his delegation return from England. Rhodesia has been put off the idea of Union by Smuts' speeches about Dominion status and the Transvaal Provincial Council's actions. Rhodesians pleased by the Union tobacco tax.
Rhodesia, like South Africa, has a tax on merchant profits which has proved unpopular, but which cannot be altered until the Union alters its law. Chaplin does not approve of the labour situation in Johannesburg, where neither white nor native workers will get higher wages, but the natives will be expected to work more. Chaplin hopes the railway management in Rhodesia will effect a settlement.
Chaplin is puzzled by the withdrawal of the special recognition of the Union railway man's organisation of railway wages.
- 1921-32 28 Nov Letter. Ts. 4p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
A strike in progress at Crown Mines. Phillips will take Crewe's letter regarding the Smartt Syndicate to England and discuss it with Hirschhorn and Otto Beit with a view to getting settlers on that property. Phillips agrees that Col. Morris should recruit settlers in India. Phillips expresses concern for Crewe's health.
- 1921-33 28 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the European political situation and the British government policy in Ireland. Expresses sympathy for Crewe's settler scheme.
- 1921-34 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 12p Thomas Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt thinks that Boshoff's attitude must have some reasonable explanation. Smartt considers that prospective settlers to South Africa need not have £1 500 as proposed.

It would be better to have experienced young farmers with £600, prepared to work industriously. The 1820 Committee in London is supposed to be working in harmony with the High Commissioner's office. Smartt fears the London Publicity Office is giving too favourable a picture of South African prospects. Smartt will write to Walton on that subject. Smartt has learned from two California citrus experts attached to the Department of Agriculture, of the possibilities of this type of farming, and is anxious that any interested settlers should be likewise instructed.

- 1921-35 8 Dec Letter. Ms. 5p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Crown Mines strike settled. Price of gold has fallen. The Union government will have to increase taxation next year and this spoils chances for Rhodesian entry into Union. The Coghlan deputation in London is trying to decrease the amount that the Company can claim from the Crown when the Crown takes over public works and administration. Responsible government will be started with the Crown lands "in pawn" and no control over mines, railways or general development - a foolish policy. Chaplin hopes for the failure of the responsible government deputation.
- 1921-36 8 Dec Letter. Ms. J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts expects a difficult parliamentary session due to troublesome times. He hopes the Irish business is finally settled. His insistence on Dominion representation at Washington has been heeded and Balfour is to represent South Africa. Smuts finds the Spilhaus agitation regrettable and will not give way on Spilhaus' appointment.
- 1921-37 13 Dec Letter. Ts. 1p E. Chappell to C.P. Crewe.
Chappell desires to meet Crewe and his son in Port Elizabeth on January 13th.
- 1921-38 29 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1921-39 26 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Cape Times reports that South Africa's deficit is 4 million. Chaplin suspects that the Colonial Office is pacifying Coghlan's delegation at the Company's expense. The Company rule might be extended till 1924.
- Items 1922
- Jan 22 6 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Irish trouble. Lloyd George arranging an election before he commences a retrenchment scheme. The Rhodesian delegates are on their way back. Walton thinks that Coghlan's party will insist on responsible government even if it leads to financial disaster. Walton believes, however, that if Smuts made them reasonable proposals, they might come into Union. Smuts could pay in bonds at pre-war rates of interest. Walton discusses the economic position of wool, mohair and diamonds.
- Feb 22 18 Jan Letter. Ms. 10/p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has postponed the Chaplin delegation to end of March. The draft responsible government constitution to be published. Churchill has reduced the amount payable to the Company and is lending this reduced amount to the new Rhodesian government. Chaplin feels the Company has been unfairly treated. The new Rhodesian government will not be able to make ends meet financially. Coghlan is opposing the Chaplin delegation which is to see Smuts in March. Chaplin hopes the strike on the Rand will be ended.
- Mar 22 28 Jan Letter. Ms. 9p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Johannesburg without electric power due to strikes. It appears that the Chamber of Mines has weakened considerably in its demands on behalf of the workers. Coghlan's party has adopted a resolution approving of the draft letters patent, but Chaplin feels that the public have little enthusiasm for responsible government because of financial implications. Coghlan's party will probably not participate in the delegation to see Smuts. Chaplin fears that Coghlan's party, if given responsible government will not repay the loan given to them by the Colonial Office to pay off the Company.
- Apr 22 11 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p E. Chappell to C.P. Crewe.
Chappell approves Crewe's opposition to the Malcolmess Memorial scheme. The strike on the Rand is proving troublesome. Trade is being affected in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London and Durban. Chappell has written to Crewe's son.
- May 22 19 Feb Letter. Ms. 7½p Florence Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Complains to Crewe about the inefficiency of Col. Morris and the Publicity Sub-Committee of the 1820 Settlers' Association. Certain Scottish settlers have been badly treated on arrival in South Africa.
- Jun 22 20 Feb Letter (copy) and enclosure. Is. 2p Rev. H.H. Flynn to the Resident at Hyderabad.
Letter enclosing a copy of the burial certificate of Capt. Frederick Crewe.
- Jul 22 21 Feb Letter. Ms. 7p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.

- Discusses the effects of the strike. The Rhodesian delegation will meet Smuts on 3rd April. Chaplin is not hopeful that Union will be accepted in Rhodesia. One section of public opinion favours continuation of Company rule until the financial position is better, but this section is overruled by the conflicting demands of the parties favouring Union and responsible government respectively.
- Aug 22 9 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Walton worried about the consequences of the strike and thinks the Government should have intervened sooner. Regarding settlers, Walton has been instructed to send them to Crewe's committee and is warning them not to buy land before leaving England from various companies in England. Walton fears that Spilhaus will try to divert orders to Germany. Walton discusses the British ministry. Walton will represent South Africa at the German Congress.
- Sep 22 12 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin's delegation is leaving for Cape Town on 13th March. The strike is under control and Chaplin hopes that Smuts will deal sternly with the ringleaders. The strike will have serious economic results and will prejudice the chances of Rhodesia entering Union. Chaplin feels that responsible government seems certain. Chaplin congratulates Crewe on the success of the settler movement and feels that prospective settlers will be recruited from civil servants in India.
- Oct 22 13 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Rev. H.H. Flynne to Mr Hamilton.
Letter in connection with the grave of Capt. Crewe.
- Nov 22 19 Mar Letter. Ms. 6p T.H. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt agrees that the source of arms supply to the revolutionaries on the Rand should be traced. He feels the police performed splendidly. The farming population were misled at first by the fact that many of the mine workers were Afrikaners. When the Burgers realised they were against "red revolution", they supported the government call to law and order. In the interest of future peace, an example must be made of the ringleaders.
- Dec 22 26 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Kalk Bay during the course of the Conference with Smuts. Chaplin expects the Conference to end by 20th April. Chaplin expects the responsible government party to triumph in Rhodesia. The Nationalists and Labourites in South Africa are obstructing the efforts at Union with Rhodesia. The events on the Rand have strengthened Smuts' position but Buxton's budget will not be popular with the electorate. There is pessimism about trade revival and diamond price.
- 1922-13 27 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
A profound spirit of depression exists on the Rand. In Parliament there is great animosity. South Africa is going through a difficult period of its history.
- 1922-14 31 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Lukin is pleased that the Crewes are arriving in May. Personal news. Reports of an Area Committee meeting of the Settlers Association. The police did well on the Rand. Smuts will have difficulty getting the Indemnity Bill through Parliament. The Chamber of Mines has increased Smuts' difficulties by their manifesto.
- 1922-15 11 Apr Letter. Ms. 8p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
The settlers street collection was a failure. Smuts made a good speech at a concert given by the First Brigade Association to celebrate the Battle of Arras. The debate on the Indemnity Bill is proving tiresome. Lukin congratulates Crewe on the success of his fair. Lukin considers it unjust that dress regulations of the Union Forces give precedence to decorations won during the South African War by Republican Officers over the D.S.O.
- 1922-16 13 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Recounts the death of Lord Crewe's son.
- 1922-17 16 Apr Letter. Ms. 6p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Rhodesian delegation leaving on 22nd or 24th April. The responsible government section is not likely to be impressed with Smuts' offer. Certain points have not been settled e.g. representation numbers in House of Assembly, and money for development. This will wait until Smuts has reached a settlement with the Company according to the Cave award.
Chaplin feels that the scheme will receive favourable support in Rhodesia. However, the responsible government section of the delegation will try to belittle the advantages of Smuts' terms. The Labour Party in Rhodesia will favour responsible government. The Referendum will possibly not be before October. If responsible government wins, they will take over in April or July. If Union wins, the Union Parliament could not take over before January 1924.
- 1922-18 1 May Letter. Ms. 6p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.

- Chaplin is preparing for Salisbury Legislative Council Session which he hopes will be finished by the end of May. He hopes that public opinion in the Referendum will be swayed towards Union when it is realised that Rhodesia is facing financial difficulties in the coming year and that assistance from South Africa will be a great help. Smuts may come up after the session but will make no electioneering speeches. A bad drought in progress, especially in Matabeleland.
- 1922-19 22 May Letter. Ms. 7p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is negotiating with the Company and will probably soon announce the terms on which Rhodesia can enter Union. The success of the Union movement depends on the manner in which the campaign is conducted. People with vested interests in Rhodesia fear responsible government. Rhodesia in for a bad financial year and business and financial affairs in the Union also unsatisfactory. The legislative session ending this week, Chaplin going to the Bulawayo Show and then to Livingstone.
- 1922-20 4 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Personal news. Proposed election of John George Hamilton to C.S. Club.
- 1922-21 7 Jun Letter. Ms. 11p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Discussions still in progress between Smuts, the Company, and Churchill. Matters progressing very slowly because Churchill preoccupied by the Irish troubles. Coghlan's party protesting against the delay. A depression in Rhodesia and the surplus of the previous financial year will be swallowed up.
- Coghlan will be unable to make up the deficit if he introduce responsible government. Chaplin discusses the stock market.
- 1922-22 18 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1922-23 25 Jun Letter. Ms. 10p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Company and Smuts are now in agreement and the issue depends on Churchill's consent to a particular point. The agitation against Provincial Councils will probably die down but the Cape may have to diminish expenditure. Chaplin discusses the report of the annual meeting of the Sundays River Company. Describes the Agricultural Show at Lusaka.
Comments on Newton's speech dealing with the Southern Rhodesia Union question.
- 1922-24 15 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin hopes that the Sundays River settlement will improve with greater future prosperity in South Africa.
- He regrets that Cresswell was elected in Durban. Smuts is coming to Salisbury in August to open the show. The feeling for Union will be apparent when the "town" votes are out.
- 1922-25 24 Jul Letter. Ms. 7p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
From Genoa, Walton learned that a Russian settlement is impossible at the moment. The Irish troubles also continue.
There is a movement towards recovery in diamond trade but European position too unsettled. Lloyd George's cabinet incompetent. Churchill has bungled the Rhodesia issue.
If Rhodesia does not come into Union, the British government will probably have to pay the Cave award to the Company.
Walton has collected £15 000 for the Delville Wood Memorial.
Walton hopes that Spilhaus won't sell produce to the Germans on credit. Walton assures Crewe that Zachariah and Boshoff are sending settlers out under Crewe's scheme.
Many men from the Army and Navy would like to settle in South Africa, but have no capital.
- 1922-26 31 Jul Letter. Ms. 6p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Chartered Company shareholders have approved the provisional management for purchase by the Union of the Company's railway rights, etc. Smuts arrives at Bulawayo on 5th August and comes to Salisbury on 8th August. There has been no further-word from Churchill regarding the Referendum. Few settlers applying for land in Rhodesia.
Chaplin attempting to reduce administrative expenditure at Livingstone.
- 1922-26a Aug Report of Tour. Ts. 9p K.H.R. Stuart of the Independent Order of Good Templars.
Describes tour of Ermelo, Bethal, Wakkerstroom, Johannesburg, Pretoria, Vryburg, Krugersdorp.
- 1922-27 4 Aug Letter. Ms. 8p E. Chappell to C.P. Crewe.
Chappell has succeeded in dissuading the South African government from applying a sales tax, suggested by De Waal.
The extravagance of the Provincial Council has been curbed.
De Waal is influenced by the Labour party. Smuts is occupied with the Rhodesian question regarding Union and the Chartered Company's payments. The Portuguese delegation from Lisbon and Portuguese East Africa is also consulting Smuts regarding railway and harbour of Lourenco Marques.

One clause in the Chartered Company's provisional agreement with Smuts likewise deals with the Beira and Mashonaland Railway Company's rights over the railway and harbour at Beira. The Rhodesian delegate, Malcolm has assured Chappell that Union with South Africa is inevitable. Smuts also is working to include German South West Africa as an integral part of the Union. Smuts defended his Immigration Policy in Parliament and praised the 1820 Settlers' Association. Personal news.

1922-28 30 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe. Phillips hopes the government will not make itself unpopular by an economic policy of reduction of pay and dismissal of redundant people. Phillips hopes that Robert Struben will be a capable Chairman of the Cape Committee of the 1820 Memorial Settler's Association. Phillips has been going through the papers of several desirable settlers.

Phillips thinks that the revised form of guarantee should not have been abolished. Phillips sailing on the 15th or 22nd November. Lady Phillips is trying to organise a subcommittee of ladies to help the London Committee in propaganda work.

1922-29 9 Sep Letter. Ms. 7p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
A point just realized from Churchill's recently published telegram is that he may, if responsible government wins the referendum, hold up the issue of the letters patent until the result of the Company's petition of right is known. This would delay responsible government for two years. Chaplin finds this tiresome, as he will encounter financial difficulties and revenue will be bad in 1923.

If responsible government takes over next year, they will be in an even worse position, with additional expenses.

Chaplin agrees that the diamond trade is still bad. If Rhodesia goes into Union, Chartered Company shares will rise. Rhodesia Railway Debentures will be a good investment. Chaplin is in Bulawayo for various functions and will return to Salisbury.

1922-30 18 Sept Letter. Ms. 2½p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin asks Crewe's help in finding a good woman speaker from South Africa to help in the Unionist campaign.

1922-31 30 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin agrees that the responsible government party is working harder for the referendum than the Unionist Party.
Considers the financial programme of Coghlan's party ridiculous. Anticipates a bad financial period for Rhodesia in 1923. The mines are improving in efficiency as a result of decreased trade union influence. The trade unions will not regain power immediately. Discusses the stock market. Asks Crewe if Smuts really means to create a new harbour.

1922-32 13 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses progress of 1820 Settlers Association Committee In London. Settlers are not going to be given advances from the South African government. The Committee is insisting that settlers do not make land purchases until they have seen the land and acquired experience and they must have E2 000 capital. Walton denounces the "orange plot fraud". Walton feels Rhodesia should accept Union.

South African trade will improve with the restarting of the diamond mines.

1922-33 15 Oct Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin still optimistic about the Union cause being successful in the referendum. Responsible government will not have a large majority, even if it is successful.
Churchill may be daunted by the Company's Petition of Rights. A Mrs Buxton has come from Johannesburg to speak as Unionist representative. Chaplin gives an estimation of the strength of the Unionist and responsible government parties. The results of the referendum will be known by the 6th November and Chaplin will leave Rhodesia on 13th November.

1922-34 3 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Gives reasons for the anticipated victory of responsible government party. Chaplin feels he shall manage Rhodesian finances for 1922. In 1923 Coghlan will have additional expenditure and is in for difficulties. Chaplin will leave for Kalk Bay and then for England. Chaplin doubts whether the British government will be willing to pay the Company £5 000 000 if the Petition of Rights succeeds.

1922-35 18 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p H.T. Lukin to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.

1922-36 19 Nov Letter. Ms. 3½p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The results of the Rhodesian referendum would have been different if postponed for six months. Chaplin blames Churchill for mismanaging the situation and is pleased at

Churchill's election defeat. Chaplin has spoken to Smuts and Malan. Chaplin hopes that the new British government will hold up responsible government. Coghlan's supporters would like a transfer of administration before 1st April but Chaplin believes that transfer could not take place before July or August. There will be less employment in Rhodesia and less money in circulation under the new regime.

- 1922-37 1 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin leaving on 22nd December in answer to the Board's summons. He thinks there will be some discussion before the letters patent are issued. Nobody in South Africa seems to know why De Beers is increasing its capital.
- Chaplin agrees that the Nationalists are very active in the South African Parliament. Chaplin criticises the Solomon-Brece(7) report for shirking the colour bar in analysing the labour problem. Chaplin thinks that only the responsible government extremists are pleased with the referendum results in Rhodesia. Buxton supports it.
- 1922-38 7 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips, on his return, has met the Cape Area Committee and explained London work. He will inspect the work in the Transvaal on his return there. Phillips is not popular with certain elements on the Rand, but is pleased the mining industry has been brought under control.
- 1922-39 14 Dec Letter. Is. 1p J.S. Amery to C.P. Crewe.
Amery thanks Crewe for his letter of congratulations on Amery's appointment to head of the Admiralty. Although no longer Chairman of the Overseas Settlement Committee, Amery retains his interest in the problem.
- 1922-40 20 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p E.H. Walton to C.P. Crewe.
Schlesinger's agents have accused the 1820 Settlers' Committee of pushing Sundays River and Smartt land. Walton feels this is retaliation because the Committee advised prospective settlers not to buy land from agents until they had inspected it in South Africa. Walton predicts improved economic situation in South Africa.
- 1922-41 21 Dec Letter. Ts. 3½p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Wool, mohair, feathers and diamonds improving. Comments on the British political situation.
Milner is pleased that Crewe will be visiting England the following spring and will meet the Settlers' Association in London. Milner expresses interest in South African politics and is hopeful that South Africa will not break away from the Empire. Milner is pleased at the change of government. He feels that Lloyd George was suitable as a war leader, but showed errors of judgement in post-war politics.
- 1922-42 Date unknown. Letter (incomplete). First three pages missing. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses possibility of establishing parties of 100 settler farmers under the guidance of an experienced man, who would be paid by the Association. Describes the case of a settler, Capt. Kelley-Patterson-Inet.
- Items 1923
- Jan 23 8 Jan Letter. Ts. 3p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
At the Cape Town meeting of the 1820 Settlers' Association it was suggested that the London Committee should raise funds to make itself self-supporting. Phillips' son is taking an interest in the Johannesburg branch, but economic situation is bad. Phillips thinks that conditions will improve. Phillips agrees that Tom Mann and Mr Bunting should not be allowed into South Africa to spread Bolshevist doctrines.
- Feb 23 8 May Letter. Ts. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Mar 23 17 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p Haig to C.P. Crewe
Personal.
- Apr 23 30 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Geoffrey Dawson to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the British political situation and feels that Baldwin's position is going to be weakened by the election.
- May 23 30 Nov Letter. Ts. 1p H.A. Jurgens to C.P. Crewe.
Feels confident that Baldwin will win the elections. Does not trust Smuts. Fitzpatrick is speaking throughout the country.
- Jun 23 25 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner feels that the dissolution of the British Parliament was a rash act and the result of the election a disaster. However, he is still confident that Baldwin's party is the stronger one and that the tide will soon turn again in its favour.
- Jul 23 29 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.

Kipling maintains that the Labour government may start a scare in Britain that private savings will be confiscated.

Items 1924

- Jan 24 23 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Letter from Settlers' Association.
- Feb 24 27 Feb Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Mar 24 1 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Apr 24 4 Mar Letter. Ts. 1p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements to meet on March 12th for lunch.
- May 24 23 Mar Letter. Ms. 12p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Milner discusses his proposed tour of South Africa.
- Jun 24 14 May Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts will visit Crewe to assist in the East London elections. Smuts denies that he is giving too much support to the anti-British party in South Africa. He has had to occupy himself with the troubles of the back veld because of the drought. Smuts admits that British support for the government has weakened and that Labour has moved towards Nationalism. This is due more to the depression and the fact that South Africans are a "mixed crowd" rather than to government shortcomings. The crisis has come and the government must fight it to the best of their ability.
- Jul 24 19 Jun Letter. Ts. 1p E.F. Mare? (for Prime Minister Smuts) to C.P. Crewe.
Advises Crewe to frame a Memorandum saying what his ideals are in regard to Land Settlement. This could be kept as a private document and not published, so that the new government could not repudiate it.
- Aug 24 25 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Despite the election defeat, over 48% of the electorate voted for Smuts' party. He hopes the Pact will form a coalition government as this will strengthen his party. Smuts will attempt to maintain intact his non-racial party in the public interest.
- Sep 24 12 Jul Letter. Ms. 12p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Report of the 1820 Settlers Association Branch in London. Financial difficulties. Jealousy between Secretary Handcock and his proposed successor Hazelrigg. Advertising programme. Efforts of Col. Morris to obtain prospective settlers. Leven suggests a scheme of tenant farmers for the Transvaal with £500 or E600 capital.
- Oct 24 2 Aug Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the scheme of sending tenant farmers to South Africa aided by a grant from either the South African or British governments. This would assist farmers of smaller capital. Praises Col. Morris and hopes he will be suitably replaced, asks again for financial assistance (E400).
Hopes to effect an agreement with the Kendrew people in advertising campaign.
- Nov 24 30 Aug Letter. Ts. 2p Governor-General Athlone to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets that Crewe feels the 1820 Settlers Movement has not received sufficient support. Will put forward Crewe's suggestion that a Bill in aid of funds be held during the Prince of Wales' visit to Cape Town, to the Committee in charge of tour arrangements.
- Dec 24 5 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
The government has done badly in the parliamentary session. In the next session, the government will introduce "a programme of wild legislation" to pacify the extremists. Smuts asks Crewe's assistance in finding seats for Malan and Britan, his ex-Ministers.
- 1924-12a Undated. Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Agrees with Crewe's forecast that the "Pact" will have a small majority in the South African election. The shares in the "Pretoria News" are being held by Duncan and Chappell. Duncan wishes to put his and Chappell's shares into trust. Milner requests Crewe's advice in the matter.
Milner is determined to visit South Africa regardless of election results.
- 1924-13 9 Sept Letter. Ms. 12p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses Milner's forthcoming tour of South Africa.
Milner feels there is no sign of political talent in the younger generation in South Africa. He wishes to discuss the political situation on his meeting in East London with Crewe. Milner discusses the "Pretoria News" affair and expresses his aim as being to extricate the Nicholson family from it. The Nicholson family has put in a claim for money invested in the paper, and Milner will raise the money they demand. He wants the paper to remain in existence as a paper of British sympathies and will discuss the matter with Duncan and Chappell the legal owners.
- 1924-14 16 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.

- The London Committee anxious for instructions regarding companies trying to sell South African land in England. The tenant farmer scheme should greatly assist the settler movement in South Africa. Leven will interview Sir Peter Sam in London and also Miller in order to raise money. Hazelrigg is improving in relationship with Handcock. Leven hopes that each year, a representative from the South African side of the association will come to England to interview settlers and spread propaganda.
- 1924-15 20 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips describes measures taken in reply to allegations against the 1820 Settlers' Association, contained in a letter by C.R. Prance in the "Farmer's Weekly" of September 3rd.
- 1924-16 21 Oct Letter. Ms. 2hp Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements to stay with Crewe on Leven's arrival in February at the Cape.
- 1924-17 30 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts apologises for having missed Crewe due to a mountaineering accident. Smuts defends his remarks made regarding recent government appointments. Many South African Party supporters have been weeded out of the civil service, very unfairly. The government is also allowing the bywoners and poor whites to start farming at the tax payer's expense. Smuts also foresees trouble on the Rand in 1924.
- 1924-18 6 Nov Letter. Ms. 10p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Leven has attended the monthly meeting of the London Committee. He considers that Hazelrigg is unsuitable. A South African is needed as advisor and a capable organizing secretary. It was impossible to interview Sir Peter Bam. Money is difficult to raise. Many prospective settlers are being drawn off by Schlesinger for Kendrew. Leven asks Crewe to influence the new Commissioner coming to relieve Edgar Walton to send settlers to 1820 Settlers' Association.
Alistair Miller's land is for sale. He is helping in propaganda work for the Association.
- 1924-19 11 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p Florence Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Mentions that Col. Balston and his two sons and Sir Hugh Levick are anxious to settle in South Africa.
- 1924-20 17 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts accepts an invitation to stay with the Crewes.
The South African Party had a successful meeting at Potchefstroom. Smuts feels that the Nationalist leaders are pursuing a foolish policy in appointing bankrupt rebels. The Pact is weakening and the government is doomed.
Smuts is pleased that the Baxter Report will be adopted.
- 1924-21 19 Nov Letter. Ms. Dip Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
In reply to Mr Lawford's letter, Leven states he cannot find suitable settlers until a full and detailed scheme can be laid before them. He finds difficulty in answering Lawford's questions.
- 1924-22 19 Nov Letter. Ms. 7p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
A further addition to letter No. 21. Leven discusses his itinerary in South Africa. Leven has attended a meeting with Handcock, Col. Weston Jarvis, G. Dawson and Mr MacNoughton. Mr Thompson of the Overseas Settlement Committee is anxious to meet Crewe in Cape Town on 30th December. The matter under discussion would be the Imperial government grant of £300 to settlers. Zachariah is leaving the High Commissioner's office to work for Kendrew. He was the trouble-maker of whom Leven complained previously.
- 1924-23 20 Nov Letter. Ms. 11p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner thanks Crewe for assisting in planning Milner's itinerary. Milner gives details of the proposed tour of South Africa and Rhodesia.
- 1924-24 24 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Milner, working from Kimberley, is unable to go to Rhodesia on tour, due to wife's ill health. He discusses adjustments to be made in his itinerary.
- 1924-25 2 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Johannesburg. Further plans for tour of South Africa.
- 1924-26 4 Dec Letter. Ms. 1½p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Letter announcing Leven's departure for Cape Town.
- 1924-27 10 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips announces his intention of dismissing Hazelrigg. Lord Plumer will take Lionel Phillips' place as Chairman. Phillips discusses ways of raising money and is anxious for Crewe and himself to persuade the Imperial government to buy land in Swaziland. The Cotton Growers' Association could provide funds in Swaziland for an experimental and training farm. The approval of the Union government must be obtained to this scheme.
- 1924-28 13 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.

Describes the Bloemfontein Conference of the South African Party and decisions taken. Smuts entertained the Milners at Irene. The "Pact" government is not doing well.
Tielman Roos is striving for 'Hereeniging'. The Nationalists mean to deceive the Labourites. Smuts aims to attack this Nationalist policy of 'Hereeniging' as he wishes to avoid South Africa returning to racial politics.

- 1924-29 23 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1924-30 25 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Bartle Frere(?) to C.P. Crewe.
Letter expresses pleasure at Crewes' forthcoming visit to England. Frere disgusted by the Labour Party under Lloyd George and by the young academics from Oxford.
- Items 1925
- Jan 25 1 Jan Letter. Ms. 6p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Proposal of a house to rent in England for the Crewe's visit.
- 1925-1a 7 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p E.G. Izod to C.P. Crewe.
Promises to help in the question of finance for the Cape Executive if the 1820 Settlers' Association considers that Bourne's scheme of close settlement is a swindle.
The London office of the 1820 Settlers' Association should stop Bourne's scheme. Will ask Morris to supply the latest news, and will write again to Crewe.
- Feb 25 20 Jan Letter. Ts. 2p E.G. Izod to C.P. Crewe.
Has studied Morris' report on the interview with Oscar Thompson and Lord Leven. As regards Schlesinger's organisation, the London Committee must counter every move describing the settlement question in South Africa.

The Kendrew scheme and Bourne's scheme should also be opposed by the London Committee. Crewe, when visiting England, should convince the responsible government department that intending settlers should only come out under the guidance of the 1820 Association. The Kendrew and Bourne schemes are doomed to failure.
- Mar 25 31 Jan Letter. Ts. 1p L.S. Amery to C.P. Crewe.
Amery looks forward to Crewe's visit in the spring and will discuss the settlement work with him.
- Apr 25 8 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Announces his arrival at Kokstad and describes his proposed tour of Natal. Thanks Crewe for Crewe's hospitality.
- May 25 13 Feb Letter. Ts. 1p Lex Giddy to C.P. Crewe.
Acceptance of Crewe's donation to the Bishopric Endowment Fund.
- Jun 25 11 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter concerning hospitality afforded to the Barry and arrangements made in London for Crewe's visit.
- Jul 25 25 Mar Letter and two enclosures. Ts. 2p (letter) 4p (enclosures) Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangements made for renting a house for Crewe in 30 Montagu Street.
- Aug 25 26 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p J.L. Garvin to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to lunch on May 7th.
- 1925-8a 18 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Welcome letter for the Crewes. Lady Milner has rented 30 Montagu Square for them. Lord Milner unwell.
Invitation to dine with the Milners on 2nd May.
- Sep 25 28 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to dine.
- Oct 25 29 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Announces illness of Alfred Milner.
- Nov 25 29 Apr Postcard. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to dine.
- Dec 25 30 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Clara Smith (for Violet Milner) to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner unable to meet Crewe in London due to illness of Lord Milner.
- 1925-13 1 May Letter. Ms. 1p Clara Smith (for Lady Milner) to C.P. Crewe.
Serious illness of Lord Milner from encephalitis lethargica.
- 1925-14 2 May Letter. Ms. 1p Clara Smith (for Lady Milner) to C.P. Crewe.
Improvement in Lord Milner's condition.
- 1925-15 13 May? Telegram. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Announces death of Lord Milner.
- 1925-15a 18 May Memorial Service Tickets and Program.
Memorial Service to the late Viscount Milner.

- 1925-16 19 May Telegram. Ts. 1p Prince Edward to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses regret at having missed Crewe at East London.
- 1925-17 20 May Letter. Is. 1p A. Edgecombe to C.P. Crewe.
Arrangement for interview with the King at Buckingham Palace on 26th May.
- 1925-18 21 May Letter (copy). Ts. 1p C.P. Crewe to A. Edgecombe.
Acceptance of invitation to be present at interview with the King.
- 1925-19 22 May Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling thanks Crewe for the enclosure and will voice an opinion on it verbally.
- 1925-20 23 May Letter. Ts. 1p A. Edgecombe to C.P. Crewe.
Alteration in time for interview with the King.
- 1925-21 23 May Letter. Ms. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner has drawn up a memorandum incorporating Lord Milner's notes, for Crewe's inspection. She has temporarily left aside the matter of Rhodes University. She is interested in discussing increases in the salaries of the liberal professions in South Africa.
- 1925-22 23 May Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Violet Milner asks Crewe's opinion regarding an appeal from a school "St. Cyprian's, Cape Town". Lord Milner had recommended St. Andrews, Bloemfontein, for a large grant. She asks Crewe to return certain notes on Wednesday.
- 1925-23 28 May Letter. Ts. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Mentions Mr George Eve as being interested in 1820 Settlers' Association. Mr Eve would put Crewe in touch with the Essex Farmer's Union and possible farmer settlers for South Africa. Mr Eve's contact with the farmers is Mr Gill.
- 1925-24 3 Jun Letter. Ma. 2p J.L. Garvin to C.P. Crewe.
Garvin has noted in the Daily Times, the extract from "Our Land". He feels that the time is not yet ripe to take up the subject, but will prepare himself for future action. Milner's death has been a great loss.
- 1925-25 5 Jun Letter and manuscript note. Ts. 1p George Eve to C.P. Crewe.
Appointment for Crewe to visit Eve on 9th June. Crewe's manuscript notes read that at this meeting he and Eve arranged to go to Chalmersford on 26th June to meet Mr Gill.
- 1925-26 14 Jun Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling unable to meet Crewe on the 7th.
- 1925-26a 17 Jun Plan. Ts. 1p Plan of table arrangement at Lord Meath's Tea at the House of Lords.
- 1925-27 29 Jun Letter. Ts. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to the Crewes to dine on Tuesday. Lady Milner anxious to show Crewe the Rhodes Trust files and book containing the signatures.
- 1925-28 4 Jul Letter. Ts. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Phillip Kerr anxious to obtain a competent business manager in South Africa to supervise the spending of money grants. Crewe ought to see Kerr if Crewe is informed by the Rhodes Trust that they want him to act for then in South Africa. Lady Milner has sent Hr Quinn at the 1820 Settlers' Association, a list of further people to invite to the meeting.
- 1925-29 22 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt has visited the Orange Free State and found the Nationalists courteous in attending his meeting. He feels the farmers are suspicious of the government's socialistic legislature and of Tielman Roos. Smartt hopes the training farm at Tarka will be successful.
Praises the work of the farming supervisor Regirt.
Hertzog's Smithfield pronouncement and Madeley's addendum to the Cabinet are bound to have repercussions.
- 1925-30 16 Dec Letter. Ms. 12p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt again expresses admiration for Regirt on Tarka Bridge Training Farm and feels the farm will train prospective farmers to work hard and not rely on servants.
Smartt is anxious to observe the progress of the six men who are being sent to Kendrew. Smartt favours the "Yeoman Class" as settlers rather than the wealthier gentry. Thomas Smartt is in contact with a young highly qualified South African whom he thinks would be suitable for the Association in its settlement at Britstown. The Bloemfontein Congress was a great success.
- 1925-31 18 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
The Bloemfontein Congress a great success but Smuts would like to avoid a premature general election. It was decided to hold a National Convention of the South African Party to deal with Hertzog's Native Policy proposals.
- Items 1926
- Jan 26 1 Jan Letter. Ms. 15p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.

Discusses the drought and epidemic among the Barkly sheep.
Gives Crewe advice about Crewe's own farm. Advocates the breeding of Red Poll cattle based on personal experience and introduced at Britstown. Smartt wishes to keep the loyalist English and Dutch together in the South African Party in order to defeat Tielman Roos and his party.

Smartt is disturbed at Cresswell's defence proposals and asks Crewe's views on the subject. Smartt is pleased that Crewe is looking for more yeoman farmers. He is in favour of a Convention to obviate the rut of party politics and force the Nationalists to show their hand.

If a segregation policy is to be followed the first crux of the matter is that land will have to be surrendered as Smartt had pointed out already in 1913. Smartt will visit Britstown on the 6th January.

- Feb 26 14 Jan Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt fears that Cresswell's policy will be one of military retrenchment and will leave South Africa without even a reliable nucleus of fighting men. Smartt has visited Britstown and is satisfied with the new engineer.
- Mar 26 Describes certain cattle on the farm at Britstown and the disappointing mealie crop.
24 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discussion on merits of Red Poll cattle.
- Apr 26 9 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Gives Crewe further advice on the advantages of shorthorn herds and the methods of providing drinking troughs for cattle. Smartt foresees trouble from Natives and Indians as a result of the Colour Bar Bill.
- May 26 26 Feb Letter. Ms. 9p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt is confident that Crewe need have no worry about the design of the new flag. Professor Ritchie will be efficient on the Technical Committee. Smartt feels that Hertzog will not offend public opinion over the flag question because of the more pressing issues of the Colour Bar Bill. Smartt again denounces the retrenchment of the Defence Department. Smartt discusses the matter of the Rhodes and Botha statues and possible sites.
- Jun 26 14 May Letter. Ts. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Colour Bar Act and Segregation Bills and considers what action will have to be taken by the South African Party caucus regarding these Bills. Also mentions the question of the new flag and hopes it will not lead to bitterness between the two sections of the European population.
- Jul 26 19 May Letter. Ms. 7p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses Dr Malan's motion for leave to introduce the Flag Bill. Fears that a national flag will be introduced unacceptable to the British section. A meeting is to be held to discuss the Milner Memorial. Smartt thanks Crewe for his donation of E50 for this Memorial.
- Aug 26 22 May Letter. Ts. 1/p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt is hopeful that the government will not attempt to force the Flag Bill through, owing to the storm of protest throughout the country. A letter regarding the Milner Memorial will be sent to various friends - f16 000 has been raised in London.
- Sep 26 30 May Letter. Ms. 7p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe's East London meeting regarding the flag question seems to have been successful. Smartt feels the Labour Party will break away from the Nationalists because of the insult to the Union Jack. The government determined to push the Bill through next session. Smartt agrees that the South African Party must keep the opposition proceedings as moderate as possible so as not to alienate their Dutch supporters. Cresswell has emerged very unfavourably from these proceedings. The South African Party rally on Friday night a great success.
- Oct 26 25 Jun Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his letters and articles which ably express the South African Party position. Agrees that the Nationalists have caused alarm by references to sovereign independence, interference with the civil service, Hertzog's speech at Stellenbosch and flag proposals.
Praises Crewe's thoughtful reference to J.H. Hofmeyr. Is not clear on Crewe's reference to the native vote. Agrees that the Natal section is wrong in wishing to petition the King and so alienate the "loyal Dutch". Is amused by the Labour reference to the idea of two flags instead of one.
- Nov 26 29 Jun Letter. Ms. 6p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.

Thanks Crewe for his articles on government policy. Does not think Crewe's idea of a constitutional league on non-party lines is feasible. Expects that the Pact's blunder regarding the flag question will alienate the non-political moderates. Smuts planning to write a memorandum on Hertzog's Native Bills. Hopes that the motion to delete the existing natives' names from the voters rolls will not gain a two-thirds majority. Has no belief in Hertzog's solution to the native policy but believes it a wise policy to avoid Party aspect and discusses the matter impartially.

- Considers the proposal of having two equal flags for South Africa a ludicrous one.
- Dec 26 9 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's two extra articles. Has seen Lionel Phillips. Will sail with the Parliamentary Delegation to Australia about 3rd September. Congratulations on Hanulphe's engagement.
- 1926-13 14 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulations on Ranulphe's engagement.
- 1926-14 1 Aug Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Britstown. Smartt has been touring Bedford, Somerset East and Sundays River and noted agricultural improvements. His tour through his constituency went off very well. Thinks that Tielman Roos has alienated many supporters. £50 to be added to the Milner Fund. Congratulations on Ranulphe's marriage.
- 1926-15 20 Aug Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes that Niland will be able to take action against Sinclair. Encourages Crewe's farming undertaking. Tielman Roos' speech at Beaufort West has alienated the British section of the Labour Party. Smartt compliments Crewe on his articles about the Native Bills. Discusses the drought in the Eastern Cape and water conservation at Britstown. Criticises the members of the Government Engineering Commission. Is leaving for Australia on the 4th.
- 1926-16 30 Oct Letter. Ms. 6p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulations on Crewe's effort to raise money for the Nels Rust Farm. The Overseas Settlement agreement permits withdrawal of money only after March 31st, 1927. If Crewe can possibly manage without financial aid, Leven would like to retain the money for newspaper propaganda in Britain. An average of 30 settlers a month is being obtained. Economics are being practised in reorganization of the Scottish office. Describes the work of O'Sullivan, Hartigon and Quin in recruiting and interviewing settlers.
- 1926-17 Personal news.
8 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts does not believe anything will come of the rumour concerning the ammunitions importation and asks Crewe not to mention it in the "Dispatch". Smuts feels that the blunders of the government concerning the Flag Question, Native and Asiatic Questions will lead to its downfall.
- 1926-18 22 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
From enquiries, Smuts gathers there is nothing sinister in the recent importation of ammunition. To gain popularity for the forthcoming provincial elections, Hertzog has undergone a "Pauline Conversion".
- Items 1927
- Jan 27 5 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter regarding instructions in use of special code.
- Feb 27 11 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Hartigan leaving for South Africa on 1st February. Cornwall a good worker. Settlers applying in good numbers at the moment. Leven had a long talk with Struben.
- Mar 27 21 Jan Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses concern for Crewe's health. Wishes Ralph every happiness on his marriage. Discusses Crewe's farming prospects. Thanks Crewe for a contribution towards the Milner Memorial. Considers that Hertzog has shown weakness in yielding to extremist pressure in his party over the flag question. He has sacrificed European unity. Smartt impressed by Australian hospitality and agricultural methods.
- Apr 27 22 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is trying to bring pressure to bear on the Rand Daily Mail, but to little avail. Bailly himself advocates acceptance of the government flag. The Transvaal South African Party Executive has decided to co-operate with the Flag Committee. Donovan must not boycott the referendum. The South African Party will have to go all out in order to defeat the government referendum.
- May 27 5 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.F. Crewe.

Expresses concern for Crewe's health. Byron has left for Grahamstown on his own initiative. After the referendum the flag will be fixed. The Pact will become unpopular through this measure. The Native Bills may be sent to Select Committee before Second Reading. The Nationalists are probably playing for time. Smuts has heard that the Pact has surrendered to the Indian government regarding the Indian question.

- Jun 27 18 Feb Letter. Ts. 2p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt congratulates Crewe on East London elections. Cape and Natal election results satisfactory, but not the Transvaal. Stellenbosch has been retained for the South African Party. Smartt hopes the election results will induce Hertzog to withdraw the Flag Bill but he has doubts.
Smartt expresses good wishes for the Natal Training Farm. Mentions Balfour's discussion on the Imperial Conference as reported in the Cape Times. The Government is probably disappointed in the provincial election results. Drought in the Karroo.
- Jul 27 23 Feb Letter. Ts. 1/p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Unsatisfactory response by public to the appeal of the Milner Memorial Fund Committee. Smartt is returning Lady Milner's letter to Crewe in which Sturry is mentioned.
Discusses drought conditions.
- Aug 27 18 Mar Letter. Ts. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts believes redistribution will cause changes in the constituencies and the Pact will try to influence delimitation in their favour and urges Crewe to watch his health and limit his hospitality. Hertzog is causing discontent among the English population over the flag question and disuniting South Africa.
- Sep 27 8 Apr Letter. Ms. 3½p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Doubts whether the Flag Commission has reached a satisfactory compromise. They will meet again on the 12th May. Possibly it will then be too late to put the Flag Bill through Parliament. Praises Smuts' speech on the budget. The younger members of the South African Party have developed the art of harassing government ministers with awkward questions.
- Oct 27 30 Jun Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Describes the 3rd reading of the Flag Bill. Smartt asks Crewe, through the medium of the "Dispatch", to avoid antagonising the moderate Dutch over the flag question.
Smartt discusses the various proposals which have been made for the design of the new flag. The Senate has asserted itself strongly on the Tin and Steel Bill, National Flag and Precious Stones Bills. The House will meet in October.
- Nov 27 18 Jul Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulates Crewe on his successful meeting and his efforts to consolidate the Eastern Province Dutch and English followers of the South African Party. Does not agree with Crewe that consolidation of the South African Party will lead to complete Nationalist defeat. Malan has great influence in the Nationalist Party and Hertzog is overruled by the Extremists. The Labour Party will put on a bold front in a do or die effort. Smartt describes a political meeting in Stellenbosch and in Ban Hoek area. A bad drought in Britstown.
- Dec 27 2 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Donovan has agreed to drop the campaign to boycott the referendum. Pim is active in organising his urban committee in the Transvaal. Amery does not want to appear publicly to take sides, but Smuts hopes that privately he will do his best with the government. Buxton, like thousands of South Africans, has been deceived by Hertzog.
- 1927-12a 5 Aug Letter. Ms. 3hp T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Will speak to Amery on Monday morning. Smartt, like Crewe, is opposed to the handing over of any native territory under existing conditions. Smartt will tour Queenstown, East London and his constituency.
- 1927-13 11 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has spoken to Amery whose sympathies are with the British section on the flag question. Amery, however, does not wish to become publicly embroiled in the matter.
Smuts fears that there will be a lukewarm attitude and abstention from voting in the referendum.
- 1927-14 9 Sept Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt's tour of the farming districts of Eastern Province successful. Smartt interested in Crewe's description of Malan's visit. Amery seems to be getting along favourably.
- 1927-15 15 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's wire regarding the flag organization in Griqualand. Smuts' campaign in Natal and Griqualand a great success and the flag position there satisfactory.
The Rand is at present the weak point.
- 1927-16 26 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.

- Smuts would like to play for time and throw the referendum back as much as possible. Nationalists reaffirm trend to break up Smuts' meeting on Friday.
- 1927-17 27 Sept Letter. Ms. 3½p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe is organizing the Eastern Province section of the South African Party. Hertzog's Pretoria speech will influence public opinion. Smartt discusses this speech.
Amery spoke well at Stellenbosch University and at the Cape Town banquet, but Smartt doubts whether his speech will have any effect on the Nationalists. Smartt hopes the Senate will deal efficiently with Government Bills.
- 1927-18 6 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts is unable to find a parliamentary seat for Buxton.
Smuts finds that many of the English section do not support the South African Party in opposing the Flag Bill, and favours compromise as they have been influenced by Roos' letter. The English on the Rand are Lukewarm in their support of the South African Party.
- 1927-19 31 Oct Letter. Ms. 64 T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt will send Crewe, Fitzpatrick's correspondence with Hertzog on the flag question. A section of the extreme Nationalists are dissatisfied with the settlement regarding the National Flag. A split is developing in the Nationalists Party. Malan and Roos are on opposite poles.
- 1927-20 2 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts feels he has achieved his aim of giving legal recognition of the Union Jack. The Nationalists are very dissatisfied with this settlement. Smuts asks Crewe for assistance from Eastern Cape Committee to pay the Cape Times for the Senate Flag design.
- 1927-21 5 Nov Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt is pleased that Crewe is satisfied with the flag settlement. Smartt doubts whether Malan's section will accept the settlement, as is shown in Malan's "extraordinary interview" and change of face in the Senate. There are troubles within the Cabinet, where friction exists between Roos and Malan. Cresswell has cut a poor figure and sided with Malan against Roos in the pre-compromise period. Smartt is amazed that the Nationalists who wanted to abolish the Union Jack, have now made it one of the flags of the Union by law.
- 1927-22 9 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Tielman Roos at loggerheads with Malan. The Cabinet is not working efficiently and Hertzog not strong enough to control them. Smartt advises Crewe at his meeting of the Flag Delegation not to take any provocative action and rather devote money to some other purpose. The Nationalists cannot raise the flag issue again without breaking up their party.
- 1927-23 18 Nov Letter. Ms. 5p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt approves Crewe's action of holding over funds to await developments. In the Western Cape, it is suggested that remaining funds collected for the flag issue, be divided between drought disasters and local hospital.
- Smartt gives a further account of political intrigues by Roos, Grobler, Kemp and Malan. He deplores Hertzog's negative attitude.
- 1927-24 8 Dec Letter. Ms. Sp T. Smartt to C.F. Crewe.
Has found farming conditions improved in Britstown. Discusses possible candidates for East London and King Williamstown in the next election. The Pact will hold together, despite bitterness among the extreme Nationalists over the Flag Bill. Smartt wonders if Hertzog will capitulate to the Extremists. Smartt discusses the progress made by the settler movement and is still impressed by the "yeoman" settler. Discusses the Louisville Irrigation Scheme on the Orange River.
- 1927-25 20 Dec Letter. Ts. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Flag Bill and the indifference of the people of Britain towards the issue. Considers that a federation of Kenya and the North states would steady the "rabid Dutch" in South Africa. States that only people above a certain income are emigrating. Asks Crewe what the attitude of the Natives was in the flag dispute.
- 1927-26 22 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1927-27 24 Dec Letter. Ms. 1/p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Items 1928
- Jan 28 14 Jan Letter. Ms. 2½p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes Crewe has had good rains. Wishes to discuss important issues regarding the election with Crewe in Cape Town.
Hopes that the Three Rivers seat will be returned by the South African Party. Reitz is going to Port Shepstone.

- Feb 28 Smuts will only go in an emergency.
19 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the severe drought, which has to some extent been broken by rains at Britstown. Is pleased that Crewe
- Mar 28 is satisfied with the delimitation. The alterations in Natal will have repercussions in Parliament.
24 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the effects of the drought on the Eastern Cape.
Finds the sessions of Parliament very trying in the hot weather. Comments on election tumult in Port Elizabeth.
- Apr 28 11 Mar Letter. Ms. 12p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes that the drought in Eastern Cape will be broken.
Considers that a more modern farming system is needed to face drought conditions. Discusses the merit of Red Poll cattle. Is pleased that the debate on the Imperial Conference contributions has passed off without ill feeling, so far.
- May 28 26 Mar Letter. Ms. 1/p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt has had a great influence on the committee stage of the Irrigation Bill. Is looking forward to seeing Crewe in Cape Town on 29th April.
- Jun 28 2 Apr Letter. Ts. L p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Rejoices in the end of the drought in the Eastern Province. Is amused by Hertzog's reply on the neutrality question. Agrees with Crewe that the contributions to the Navy are inadequate.
- Jul 28 14 Jun Letter. Ms. 9p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses regret at Lady Crewe's illness and at not seeing the Crewes on the morning of their departure. Accepts Crewe's invitation to visit the Crewes on Smartt's next tour of his constituency in October. Is visiting Bulawayo and Rhodes' tomb in July, with the opening of the Southern Life Association building in Bulawayo. Will arrange a meeting of the Engineering Association at Graaff Reinet in October to discuss the new Bill. Describes the Syndicate's acquisition of a stud ram and four ewes. Further discussion on the virtues of the Red Poll cattle.
- Aug 28 4 Jul Letter. Ms. 11p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe again for his invitation. Mentions the death of E.J. Niland. Fears of another drought in Eastern Province. Mentions the importation of "Haddon Mig" sheep from Australia. The Labour Party has embarked on a "dog fight". The Smartts leaving for Bulawayo on 18th July.
- Sep 28 10 Jul Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.F. Crewe.
Agrees that the Rand is the deciding factor. The Party has difficulty in selecting candidates there. Is convinced that every Natal seat, except Vryheid, will go to the South African Party. Smuts will hold meetings in September in the Eastern Cape. Smuts not interested in Honey's suggestion that Smuts settle in Palestine.
- Oct 28 23 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Asks Crewe's opinion as to whether Kirkpatrick is a suitable candidate for the East London constituencies.
- Nov 28 16 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Is visiting the Cape where he considers the position more favourable than in the Transvaal. Smartt concerned about Fort Beaufort. Smuts fears a Labour victory on the Rand.
- Dec 28 24 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Fort Beaufort. Thanks Crewe for his hospitality in East London during Smartt's tour of his Eastern Cape constituency. Wishes Crewe better health.
Describes his visits to Peddie, Alice and Seymour. Is going on to visit Bedford and Britstown.
- 1928-13 26 Oct Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased at Crewe's successful Port Elizabeth meeting. Phillips has been made President of Western Province Agricultural Society. Describes the recent rain in Eastern Province and hail storm at Britstown. Crewe is looking for someone to carry on his settler work and Robert Struben appears a good choice. Smartt visited Graaf?Reinet and Kendrew. Praises Lewis' address on the Orange River possibilities.
- 1928-14 14 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt hoping to go to Bloemfontein for the South African Party Congress. Hopes Crewe had a successful trip to the Training Farm in the Transvaal. Discusses the price of wool and unseasonable cold weather. Smartt is disturbed by reports of movements of rodents in Balfour vicinity.
Comments on the political differences between Malan and Roos.
- 1928-15 27 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.Y. Crewe.

Smuts will consider Crewe's recommendation concerning "O", but fears trouble regarding the issue. Asks Crewe to exert influence on behalf of Pitcher of Estcourt, who is applying for the position of Town Clerk of East London.

- 1928-16 28 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt leaving for Britstown and then to the Bloemfontein Conference.
- 1928-17 14 Dec Letter. Ms. 8p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt describes his illness after returning from Bloemfontein. Smartt pleased that the Native Question and Preference Customs were discussed at the Conference, which was a great success. Met Struben at the Bloemfontein Conference.
- 1928-18 23 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the programme of the Bloemfontein Conference.
Describes excessive heat conditions at Britstown.
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- Jan 29 8 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Does not think Struben a good successor to Crewe as Chairman of Settlers' Association. Would prefer Sir Ernest Oppenheimer, Sir William Dalrymple or Patrick Duncan.
- Feb 29 23 Jan Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Is collecting Milner's letters and asks Crewe to send her any he may have. Reports that the number of settlers to South Africa will be small because of the high standard demanded by the Association and because of the reluctance of the British to emigrate.
- Mar 29 24 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt extremely ill. Smuts asks Crewe and Niland to keep an eye on Smartt's constituency. The government is going all out on the Native question and wants to win on the question of a white South Africa.
- Apr 29 8 Feb Letter. Ms. 4p T. Smartt to C.P. Crewe.
Describes his illness and severe drought on his farm.
- May 29 15 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts hopeful of beating the government on the Native Bill, which will become the great issue for the election. The government will try the Railway and Civil Service votes.
- Jun 29 6 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts discusses candidates for Cathcart and East London.
Smuts will go to Fort Beaufort and help Smartt. The government will use their financial surplus in forthcoming budget as a drawcard to attract votes in the elections. The government Native Policy and German Treaty have miscarried.
- Jul 29 13 Mar Letter. Ms. 1½p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Letter written from Cairo. Personal.
- Aug 29 15 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Government budgets which are very favourable for the voters. The South African Party has instructed Cathcart and King Williams Town to support the Party candidates. Smuts to visit Aliwal, Wodehouse and Fort Beaufort and Western Cape.
- Sep 29 25 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smartt is too ill to put up the necessary fight in Fort Beaufort. Smuts will visit Aliwal North, Wodehouse and Fort Beaufort. Smuts discusses prospective candidates for East London North. Chaplin has not been nominated and will not be standing for election.
- Oct 29 27 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p Otto Beit to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Nov 29 15 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts assures Crewe that his East London information is drawn solely from Crewe and Byron.
- Dec 29 22 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Laments the death of Smartt. Smuts wishes Crewe better health. Smuts expects good support from Eastern Province.
Payn has requested Smuts' support against Henning.
- 1929-13 25 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Description of Smartt's last illness.
- 1929-14 6 May Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts pleased with his tour of Natal. Has some trouble with candidates in Eastern Province. Will support Payn in Tembuland. Discusses candidates at Aliwal and Port Elizabeth.
- 1929-15 22 May Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.

Has been on an election tour of Ventersdorp in Western Transvaal. Asks Crewe to publish in his papers a plea of support for England. Smuts hopes that the English speaking supporters will vote for the South African Party.

- Smuts expects a hard fight in Standerton.
- 1929-16 19 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
The South African Party has been defeated in the elections.
Smuts feels the intelligent majority of South Africa is still behind him. He blames his defeat on the work of the Delimitation Committee and the fear of Black Africa, raised by the Nationalists.
- 1929-17 19 Jun Letter. Ms. 5p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Describes her meeting with the Lindberghs, Sir Godfrey Lagden and the Ormsby Cores. Lady Milner discussed the 1820 Settlers' Association with them. She finds Lindbergh too much influenced by Bailey and too pro-Nationalist. Is disappointed in the election results, and is not impressed by Hofmeyr.
- 1929-18 28 Jun Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts disagrees with Crewe that the Party defeat was due to poor organisation. He thinks failure was due to rural areas supporting Government Native Policy. Smuts is calling meetings in the Transvaal and Cape Town of Party candidates to discuss the position.
- 1929-19 10 Jul Letter. Ms. 1/p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts admits there are weaknesses in the party organisation and will discuss these with South African Party candidates and with the party caucus. Enjoyed his Rhodesian trip.
- 1929-20 18 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling agrees that matters have turned out badly in South Africa and Britain. Kipling feels sorry that Bailey has lost politically. He realises that Crewe cannot retire from his work although he needs a rest. Kipling discusses the possible effect of the new American tariff on Britain's trade.
- 1929-21 21 Aug Letter. Ms. 3p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts regrets the loss of East London in the Provincial Council. Smuts does not wish to appoint a locum tenens as the right person has not yet appeared and he does not wish to antagonize his predominantly English party by selecting another Dutch leader. He regrets the Party's heavy losses in the rural areas. A committee of the Party caucus has failed to evolve an alternative Native policy and will continue on the same policy as before.
- 1929-22 10 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p Rudolf Burmester to C.P. Crewe.
Burmester describes his tour of South Africa. He feels that Hertzog will resist drastic left wing influence in his party. He feels that racialism is growing and causing a rift between English and Afrikaners. He does not find Hofmeyr's personality impressive.
- 1929-23 23 Oct Letter. Ms. p Rudolf Burmester to C.P. Crewe.
Crewe will have lunch with the Governor-General on 7th November and perform a presentation ceremony.
- 1929-24 10 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Sympathises on the death of Crewe's daughter-in-law.
- 1929-25 10 Dec Letter. Ms. lkp Athlone to C.P. Crewe.
Letter concerning Mr Dean who is anxious for the 1820 Association to encourage settlers in South West Africa.
- 1929-26 27 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
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- Jan 30 28 Mar Letter. Ms. l/p Lex Giddy to C.P. Crewe.
Regrets that Crewe will not be visiting England to attend to the affairs of the Association. Discusses the Bishopric Endowment Fund Donation which Crewe is organising.
- Feb 30 9 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Otto Beit to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter confirming Crewe's inability to visit England. The Annual Meeting of the Settlers' Association will be held in Beit's house.
- Mar 30 13 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Rudolf Burmester to C.P. Crewe.
Personal. Describes trip from Durban to Madagascar and visit to Victoria Falls and Gobi Game Reserve.
- Apr 30 22 Aug Letter. Ms. 1p E.R. Syfret to C.P. Crewe.
Jagger's will stated that on the death or remarriage of his wife, £140 000 would be given to the 1820 Settlers' Association Fund.
- May 30 27 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Wishes Lady Crewe better health after her attack of neuritis. Asks Crewe what date he has fixed for the Conference of the 1820 Association.

Jun 30 5 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Rudolf Burmester to C.P. Crewe.
Burmester hopes to see Crewe in London but finds the 3rd November an awkward date. Is sailing for England on 27th February.

Jul 30 23 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Otto Beit to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased that Crewe will visit England next year. Sett is in poor health. Bishop Sidwell of George anxious to utilise Jigger's bequest to improve buildings at St. Winifred's school.

Aug 30 25 Sept Letter. Ms. 1½p Rudolf Burmester to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation for Crewe and Miss Newham to visit him from 9th to 11th (November?).

Sep 30 13 Nov Letter. Ms. 1p Arthur Dearle (for Otto Belt) to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges receipt of Crewe's letter. Informs Crewe of Bett's grave illness.

Oct 30 3 Dec Telegram. Ms. 1p C.P. Crewe to Arthur Dearle.
Enquires about Bett's illness.

Nov 30 5 Dec Telegram. Ms. 1p Arthur Dearle to C.P. Crewe.
Bett's condition worse.

Dec 30 8 Dec Telegram. Ms. 1p Lilian Belt to C.P. Crewe.
Announces death of Otto Belt.

1930-13 26 Dec Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.

1930-14 26 Dec Letter and newspaper cutting. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Congratulations on Ranulphe's remarriage. Wishes Lady Crewe better health. Discusses a plan to transfer Crewe Hall to the country.

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Jan 31 10 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Recounts an interview which Lord Leven and Struben had with Messrs Whiskeard and Plant of the Overseas Settlement Department. The Settlers Association will not receive increased grants. Empire Migration Society Grants have been reduced.

Feb 31 5 Feb Letter. Ms. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Due to Birchenough's recovery, Chaplin is not going to London to attend to Chartered Company matters. Financial situation still bad. The only bright spot is the development of Northern Rhodesian copper mines. The diamond trade needs patient waiting. The Government's retrenchment and extra taxation will fall heaviest on the English.

Chaplin agrees with Crewe that Smuts would have done no better than the present government. Clarendon has accepted the Presidency of 1820 Settlers Association. Chaplin doubts that many emigrants will come out from England and those that do would do better as labourers than independent farmers. Chaplin is opposed to the Union Government subsidy to farmers.

Mar 31 17 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.

Apr 31 19 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Wishes Crewe a pleasant trip. The Clarendons are having difficulties as successors to the Athlones. Phillips agrees that the method of granting loans of £1 000 to farmers and mortgaging their assets is undesirable.

May 31 27 May Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation.

Jun 31 31 May Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Postponement of luncheon party.

Jul 31 1 Jun Postcard. Ms. 2p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Gift of two tickets for Oxford-Cambridge match, July 6th, 7th and 8th.

Aug 31 9 Jun Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation for a weekend stay.

Sep 31 10 Jun Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to lunch on 20th June.

1931-9a 11 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to lunch on 23rd June.

Oct 31 15 Jul Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Cancellation of luncheon date, due to Crewe's visit to Sydney Buxton.

Nov 31 19 Aug Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledgement of Crewe's gift of grape fruit.

Dec 31 5 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Athlone to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.

- 1931-13 18 Sept Letter. Ms. 1p Athlone to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation to dine on 18th September.
- 1931-14 21 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Invitation for 26th September. Asks Crewe if he wants serial rights for the Cape for the book which will be out in October.
- 1931-15 26 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner very anxious that Crewe should have Cape serial rights on the book.
- 1931-16 7 Oct Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for attending to the Argus business. She is anxious for the facts contained in the book to be published in South Africa, particularly in the Eastern Province. She also is in need of the money from the book.
- 1931-17 1 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Further discussion about the Cape serial rights of the book.
- 1931-18 3 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner has accepted Crewe's offer of 50 guineas and is to approach Argus Company for their two papers for 100 guineas.
- 1931-19 17 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Selborne unable through illness to meet Crewe in London before Crewe's departure.
- 1931-20 24 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
A letter written just before Crewe's journey home. Kipling does not think the British government will get a very high majority in the elections.
- 1931-21 29 Dec Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses regret at Crewe's ill health. Is interested that Crewe had begun serial publication of the book.
- The Cape Times had extracts telegraphed over.
- 1932
- Jan 32 20 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Chaplin does not yet know what steps Lionel Phillips has taken in the unpleasant affair. The Government is determined to maintain its currency policy and has rushed the Treasury Bill. Chaplain fears the Government may try to "plunder" the banks.
- Feb 32 3 Feb Letter. Ms. 1p Lady Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter acknowledging Crewe's condolences.
- Mar 32 4 Feb Letter. Ms. 2½p Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Selborne has heard of the great fraud at Cape Town but reaffirms his faith in the 1820 Settlers Association.
- Apr 32 25 Feb Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- May 32 26 Feb Letter. Ms. 6p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
South African financial and economic position deteriorating. Business men are sending money out of the country.

Co-operative and Building Societies suffering. The Kimberley Mines in a bad way. The South African Party erred in boycotting the Sibet(?) Committee. Chaplin suspects the Government deliberately is attempting to cripple the loyalists financially, and gain support of the rural districts by raising the racial alarm.
- Jun 32 25 Mar Letter. Ms. 8p Lady Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's letter of condolence regarding Leo. Discusses the success which the "Milner Papers" has had Lady Milner fears that Hertzog will do all he can to frustrate economic union at Ottawa. This will not prevent the rest of the Empire joining up together. She has communicated Crewe's views to Baldwin.
- Jul 32 26 Mar Letter. Ms. 5½p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Hobbs is coming to see Crewe. Conditions in South Africa are bad for new settlement. Havenga's budget disastrous - increased in income and super tax. Mines also taxed but Chaplin does not think the mines will cause trouble.
Chaplin considers the South African Party parliamentary members for the Cape ineffective and accuses the Governor-General of pandering to the Nationalist Government. The only good step Havenga has taken is to curtail the power of the Provincial Councils.
- Aug 32 29 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.

Chaplin does not think there will be unemployment riots in Transvaal and Orange Free State. Prolonged Cabinet meetings have been held. The Reserve Bank performance as regards their dividend has been very discreditable but there is little criticism in the House. Matters are worse in Europe and America.

- Sep 32 2 May Letter. Ms. 4p Lady Milner to C.P. Crewe.
The Statute of Westminster has left the Governor-General with no one to whom he is responsible. Deals also with Baden-Powell and the "Voortrekker" C'scouts" movement.
- 1932-9a Undated. Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Wishes Crewe better health. Agrees that Smartt was a steadying influence on Smuts. Refers to the Ottawa Conference. Is contemptuous of the Lausanne Conference and Ramsay Macdonald's efforts. Comments on German military aggression. Personal news.
- Oct 32 26 May Letter. Ms. 3p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- Nov 32 2 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Leven had a meeting on the 1st June with Capt. Charles Struben to explain fully all points on which there had been misunderstanding with the Cape Town Office. Leven hopes that the South African representatives at the Ottawa Conference will discuss Empire migration. The United States Government has agreed to an international Conference to stabilize world prices. The world situation critical. The Annual Meeting of the Settlers' Association will be held on 12th July.
- Dec 32 20 Jun Letter. 3½p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips discusses the critical financial situation of the Association and the means of relieving it. He has studied Struben's report as Area Chairman. He will discuss the situation with Webber and also the control of Tarka Training Farm. The Settlement Office must be in Cape Town.
The Conference will be either in East London or Port Elizabeth.
- 1932-13 14 Jul Letter. 8p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the grievances of the English population of Natal regarding the South African Party's poor leadership and passive attitude towards the Nationalist Government.
Natalians are also dissatisfied with Patrick Duncan. Chaplin advocates a firmer opposition by Smuts to Government policy. He fears the Government will adopt a republican policy.
- 1932-14 10 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p Athlone to C.P. Crewe.
Describes the meeting of the 1820 Settler's Association. The fraudulent culprit got off lightly because the society could not afford to prosecute. Considers Natal's attitude wrong in wishing to secede from Union and in the results of the Colesberg election. At Ottawa, the minister was correct in explaining South Africa's difficulties and had a sensible talk with Athlone. Thomas is not the man to handle delicate situations.
- 1932-15 14 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Florence Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Describes Lionel Phillips' operation.
- 1932-16 18 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Barclays Bank will subscribe 6100 this year (to the Settlers Association?). Prospects of settlement in South Africa very poor and Nationalists extremely anti-English. Wishes that Smuts could be replaced by an Englishman.
Dissatisfied with the Ottawa Conference.
- 1932-17 27 Sept Letter. Ms. 4p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Kipling has stomach trouble. Discusses the Ottawa Conference, European politics and British politics. News of Lady Milner, who is editing the "National Observer".
- 1932-18 30 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The annual meeting of the Cape Branch of the Settlers Association went off all right. Government policy in South Africa does not encourage British settlers. The Cape Provincial Council's demands for power will weaken the Government. Havenga's deficit is due to his adherence to the currency policy. Dissatisfied with Long's article published by Ottawa Conference on 27th inst. No news of Lionel Phillips. Apologises for absence from East London Conference.
- 1932-18a 30 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Is looking forward to Crewe's visit in May and is pleased at his recovery. Describes a visit to Violet Milner.
- 1932-19 16 Oct Letter. Ms. 2p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts has won over the Natal voters by committing the Party to glorify provincial councils. Chaplin is against this move as it will cause rivalry between the Union and Provincial government and lead to increased taxation.

- Chaplin would like to see provincial governments replaced by divisional councils. Chaplin feels the Bar should have protested against Beyer's appointment.
- 1932-19a 10 Nov Letter. Ms. 6p Helen Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses dismay over Crewe's ill health. Agrees with Crewe that a grave threat exists in the form of communism.

Describes the "hunger marchers". Comments on Roosevelt's victory in the Senate and Congress. Family news.
- 1932-19b 14 Nov Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Intends to make a tour of the Eastern Province. Will stop over at Crewe's home. Has paid an encouraging visit to the Midlands. Is pessimistic about the country's economic condition. Thanks Crewe for the help given by the Dispatch. Expresses admiration of Myers.
- 1932-19c 22 Nov Letter. Ms. 1'ip J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Considers Stanley to be the best choice for Hon. President. Discusses Lemont's election.
- 1932-20 23 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Refers Crewe to an article in the November number of "National" by O.K. Webber. Is assisting Jabavu to fight for Native electoral claims. Thinks young people should emigrate to South Africa because land is cheap there. The Milner Papers vol. 2, will be out in the Spring. Recommends that Crewe should meet Lord Lloyd.
- 1932-20a 16 Dec Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Hopes to discuss the finance question and the question of Eastern Province constituencies with Crewe in Cape Town.
Considers the Party stands a good chance in the elections as Labour is "out of the field".
- 1932-21 19 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips recovering from his operation. Hopes to attend the next Conference of the 1820 Association in Port Elizabeth. Is meeting Sibbeth Parry on the 26th December.
They want to sack Brown, the informant of the Morris, Edwards and auditor misdeeds. Phillips is pleased that Crewe is satisfied with Cresswell Smith at Tarka Training Farm. Hopes that Labour and the ruined farmers will desert the Nationalists.
- 1932-22 22 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Asks Crewe's opinion of the Germiston election. Herbert Baker planning reminiscences of Rhodes. Also mentions Pikstone, Sir N. Heyman and Te Water. There has been trouble in the British Cabinet over a leakage in information.
- 1932-23 23 Dec Letter. Ms. 3½p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his deed of gift to the Bishopric Endowment Fund of the Diocese.
- 1933
- Jan 33 2 Jan Letter. Ms. 6p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1933-1a 25 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for messages of support. Expresses a determination to uphold the ideals of the party. Wishes Crewe better health. Following Crewe's request, Smuts has attempted to straighten out matters in Aliwal North regarding electoral candidates.
- Feb 33 4 Feb Letter. Ms. 1½p Francis Robinson Phelps (Archbishop of Cape Town) to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's gift to the Bishoprics Endowment Fund of Grahamstown.
- Mar 33 15 Feb Letter. Ms. 1p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts Crewe's resignation from 1820 Settlers Association with regret.
- Apr 33 21 Feb Letter. Ms. 8p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Lord Selborne is unable to understand the South African Party's anxiety to rescue Hertzog from "the consequences of his blunders". Selborne discusses unemployment in Britain and the political situation. Also discusses political situation in Germany, in the U.S.A. and Britain's economic situation.
- May 33 9 Mar Letter. Ms. 3½p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Advice to Crewe on a tour of France.
- 1933-5a 20 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's telegram regarding Byron and asks Crewe to support Byron. Realises that the "Dispatch" is against coalition, but feels that a racial truce would benefit South Africa and the British cause.
- 1933-5b 20 Mar Telegram and fragment of a letter. Ms. 2p Telegram from J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Smuts anxious for Byron's nomination as candidate.
- 1933-5c 31 Mar Letter (copy). Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to J.C. Smuts

- Crewe disappointed in Smuts' coalition efforts. Angry at Smuts' support of Byron's nomination. Denounces the British representatives in the Cabinet, Stuttaford, Clarkson and Patrick Duncan. Fears that Smuts has destroyed the South African Party.
- 1933-5d 4 Apr Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Attempts to allay Crewe's suspicions. Considers Crewe's opinion of Byron and Patrick Duncan unfair. Explains coalition as an attempt to end racial strife and bankruptcy.
- 1933-5e 10 Apr Letter (copy). Ms. 2p C.P. Crewe to J.C. Smuts.
Is still anxious to retain Smuts' friendship but is doubtful about the success of coalition. Feels that racialism has been manufactured by politicians opposed to Smuts in parliament. Implores Smuts to help the farming community.
- Jun 33 24 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses a successor to Dr Nobbs of the 1820 Settlers' Association.
- Jul 33 26 Apr Letter. Ms. 5p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses regret that Crewe has resigned from the Association and also Dr Nobbs. Chaplin might find a suitable replacement during a six-week London visit. Chaplin discusses the coalition government. Feels the nomination has resulted in the ejection of capable South African Party members. Hopes Cresswell will be defeated in Belville. The Governor-General erred in going to England when the new government is meeting Parliament.
- Aug 33 1 May Letter. Ms. 2p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Surprised at Dr Nobbs' resignation from Settlers' Association. Has just returned from the United States where trade is very bad. Hopes that the World Economic Conference will lead to world trade recovery. Eleven settlers have applied to the 1820 Association office in London, that month.
- Sep 33 4 Jun Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Is discussing the 1820 Association with Robert Struben. Hopes that Woodin will be a success. Personal news.
- Oct 33 28 Jun Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Economic Conference and the uncooperative attitude of the U.S.A.
- Nov 33 11 Jul Letter. Ms. 1/p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Has discussed with Col. Hartigan the £100 000 Fund agreement.
Applications from settlers are continuing. Mr Struben and Lord Clarendon are speaking at the Annual Meeting. The Economic Conference has failed due to President Roosevelt's attempt to control trade from Washington.
- Dec 33 19 Jul Letter. Ms. 4hp Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
The Economic Conference ended in failure due to President Roosevelt's attitude. Trade and unemployment are improving in Britain. Strongly condemns the amalgamation of the South African Party and Nationalists. Selborne does not believe the Protectorates will be handed over at present.
- 1933-13 27 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased that Crewe approves of Woodin as General Manager. Gives reasons for the failure of the World Conference and Roosevelt's attempt to stabilise the internal value of the dollar. Leven gives his impression of the U.S.A.
- 1933-14 28 Jul Letter. Ms. 3hp Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Is sending Crewe a copy of Douglas' report of a visit to some settlers. The farmers round Nylstroom and the Springbok Flats will be assisted financially. Was unable to address 1820 Association meetings in Durban due to the uncooperative attitude of the local Chairman, Mackupton.
In April, Webber discussed with C. Davies and Walter Hudson the matter of Ainsworth's will. A private Bill will be introduced next session to alter the terms of the will so that people from England, already settled in South Africa, can be helped.
- 1933-15 6 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Describes the opening of South Africa House and Smuts' intervention in Ireland with De Valera. Is puzzled by the policy of the South African Government. Comments on the rise of Nazi Germany and on the British political scene.
- 1933-16 21 Aug Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Asks Crewe to refer in the Daily Dispatch to some of the facts contained in the "Milner Papers". Crewe does not need to fear that Britain will peg the pound to the dollar. MacDonald lost prestige over the Economic Conference and Baldwin lost Conservative Party support due to his attitude over India.
- 1933-17 21 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Francis Robinson Phelps (Archbishop of Cape Town) to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the litigation and obstinacy of the opposition. Thanks Crewe for his gift to the see of Grahamstown.
- 1933-18 24 Aug Letter. Ms. Dip Leven to C.P. Crewe.

- Thinks that Roosevelt's experiment might succeed. Discusses affairs in the 1820 Settlers' office. Is delighted by Crewe's plans to visit London next summer.
- 1933-19 24 Aug Letter. Ms. 1½p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts Crewe's offer of hospitality in East London from 18th November to 22nd November.
- 1933-20 31 Aug Letter. Ms. 7Xp Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
The Cape has not yet experienced economic improvement.
Provincial election results show the South African Party to be on the decline. Malan is attempting to destroy the coalition because of the weakness shown by Hertzog and Havenga in dealing with the Malan faction. Smuts and Duncan will acquiesce in the swamping of the English element in the coalition government. Chaplin feels that the Unionist Party should be reconstituted. Recounts a meeting with authoress S.G. Millin on board ship.
- 1933-21 14 Sept Letter. Ms. 3p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Fears that the English section will be duped into supporting the coalition government by believing it to be a "combination of moderate people". Malan's followers, however, have a distinctly anti-British policy. Chaplin wishes to know the policy of the coalition government regarding Malan's viewpoints before the English section give the government their support. Chaplin wonders what the attitude of the English ministers is towards the Italian shipping contract. Considers the situation in Bechuanaland ridiculous.
- 1933-22 21 Sept Letter. Ms. 1p Lord Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Is pleased that Crewe approves of Woodin. Disarmament question acute in Europe. President Roosevelt's Recovery Act is having a difficult passage.
- 1933-23 20 Oct Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1933-24 26 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Doesn't trust the Dutch regarding the "fusion" business.
Feels that Rhodes' intention regarding the Trust has been perverted. Encourages Crewe to write his book.

Kipling's farming has been affected adversely by competition from Argentine beef imports.
- 1933-25 27 Oct Letter. Ms. 14p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's congratulations on his golden wedding.
- 1933-26 12 Nov Letter. Ms. 14p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Announces a visit to East London on 8th February.
- 1933-27 31 Oct Letter. Ms. 24p Drummond Chaplin to C.P. Crewe.
Has had a heart attack. Is not impressed by the Rhodesian government. In South Africa, the English will be swamped in a Coalition Party. Lawn's speech at the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company meeting attacking government mine taxation was criticized unfairly. Smuts' conditions to the formation of the now party will be so vague as to leave the Dutch majority in the party a free hand. Fears that the South African Government might do a deal with the British Government for the transfer of the Protectorates.
- 1933-28 6 Oct Letter. Ms. 1p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Phillips to have an eye operation. Florence Phillips also recovering.
- 1933-29 1 Nov Letter. Ms. 1½p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Due to severe drought Col. Hartigan has limited advertising for settlers. A sub-committee meeting to be held that afternoon. Mr Roosevelt's experiment in U.S.A. gives cause for concern. Struben sails for South Africa on Friday.
- 1933-30 7 Nov Letter. Ms. 2½p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Describes annual meeting of the Transvaal area of the 1820 Association. Praises Mackenzie's activity in collecting subscriptions. Cresswell shows a surplus of over £200 for the year. Is sending Crewe a copy of the Private Bill for the amendment of Ainsworth's will, to include help to British settlers already in South Africa.
- 1933-30a (Dee?) Letter (1.p. missing). Ms. [6p?] Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the political situation in Britain in view of the coming elections. The Conservative Government is unpopular because of the Indian situation, failure to reduce expenditure and unemployment. Selborne considers them to still have a reserve of strength in the House of Commons. Selborne does not have faith in the Economic Conference due to the rise of German militarism.
- 1933-31 22 Nov Letter. Ms. 1p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Will not be able to visit Crewe on his way back from Port Elizabeth. Has had good rains in Transvaal and Orange Free State.
- 1933-32 27 Nov Letter. Ms. 3p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.

- Agrees with Crewe that the General Manager's report, written by Hobbs is unsatisfactory. Hobbs attempted to concentrate all power in his own hands and distorted the facts. Hopes Lionel Phillips will attend the Port Elizabeth meeting. Laments the death of Drummond Chaplin. Miners Union causing trouble. The Cold Producers Committee has weak leadership and is too conciliatory.
- 1933-33 28 Nov Letter. Ms. 1/p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner approves of the South African Party's resistance to Smuts' plans for fusion with Nationalist Party. She compares the British in South Africa to the Conservatives under the British National Government.
- 1933-34 Britain's army and navy totally inadequate, as in 1913.
4 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
The matter of centralizing supervision of the provincial areas and doing without Edmunds was not passed at the Port Elizabeth meeting of 1820 Settlers' Association. Is pleased with Woodin. Is leaving for England on 23rd February.
- 1933-35 5 Dec Letter. Ms. 2½p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Explains Reuter's report regarding Struben's allusion to alien settlers, also explains Struben's meeting with Frank Phillips, Holland and the "Overseas people" and Indian Office officials. The mining strike is practically finished.
- 1933-36 12 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Apologises for not making prearrangements for the report of the Port Elizabeth meeting. The Minister of Mines has agreed to refer the question of the dismissal of miners to the Government Mining Engineer for final decision.
- 1933-37 Webber is opposed to this move as weakening the authority of mining managers.
12 Dec Letter. Ms. 1p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges Crewe's Christmas greetings. Satisfied with the number of settlers applying during November.
- 1933-38 17 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1933-39 20 Dec Letter. Ms. 2½p Walter Webber to C.P. Crewe.
Blames the Minister of Mines, Patrick Duncan, for encouraging the strike by agreeing to make concessions to a miners' deputation. Agrees with Crewe's views regarding Smuts' East London speech. Webber resigning from South African Party. Feels that fusion is a trick to destroy the old Unionist Party.
- 1934
- Jan 34 4 Jan Letter. Ms. 1/p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
Advertising expenditure to be increased by 50% to encourage settlers. Industry improving in Britain. In U.S.A. Roosevelt still popular. Situation in Europe still obscure.
- Feb 34 13 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
The coalition government in South Africa a mistake from the British point of view. Feels that the second volume of the Milner Papers should be more widely known in South Africa.
- Mar 34 14 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Fears British Government intervention in agriculture.
Considers British armed forces and defence measures inadequate in the face of German aggression. Agrees with Crewe in doubting the South African coalition government. Is pleased that Crewe is starting on his memoirs.
- Apr 34 15 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p E.R. Thorpe (George Preparatory School) to C.P. Crewe.
Advises Crewe on the type of English Diocesan schools needed in South Africa.
- 1934-4a 24 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p Francis Robinson Phelps? (Bs.Cape Town
Personal. Wishes Crewe better health and a good trip to England.
- May 34 8 Feb Letter. Ms. 1p Leven to C.P. Crewe.
A firm number of enquiries regarding prospective settlers. International and financial situation is obscure.
- Jun 34 11 Mar Letter (copy). Ms. 2p Helen Crewe to J.C. Smuts.
Explains why Crewe was unable to meet Smuts during Smuts' visit to East London, in December.
- Jul 34 12 Mar Letter. Ms. 1/p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Personal. Discusses health, and issues an invitation to Crewe.
- Aug 34 20 Mar Letter. Ms. 1p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Will not be able to see Crewe before Crewe sails.
- Sep 34 14 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Reaffirms his friendship for Crewe and hopes that political differences will not spoil the friendship.

- Oct 34 25 Jul Letter. Ms. 2hp Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Acknowledges the final payment of the sum of money which Crewe has donated to the see of Grahamstown.
- Nov 34 18 Sept Letter. Ms. 18p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Apologises for not being able to meet Crewe due to ill health.
- Dec 34 3 Nov Letter. Ms. 2p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts Crewe's invitation to visit at East London.
- 1934-13 13 Nov Letter. Ms. 1p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Accepts Crewe's invitation for East London for 26th November.
- 1934-14 28 Nov Letter. Ms. 1p Francis Robinson Phelps (Bs.Cape Town)
Expresses gratitude for Crewe's gift to Bishopric Endowment Fund of Grahamstown.
- 1934-15 3 Dec Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses South African politics regarding Smuts; news of Kipling's farming activities and the situation in Germany.
- 1934-16 6 Dec Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Has discussed world politics with Smuts and found him pessimistic. Smuts fears that Britain is not pursuing a definite policy. Lord Crewe blames this on the fact that Britain has a national government which attempts to be very representative. Also there is no commanding leader at the head of the British government. Hopes that the Separatist Party in South Africa has lost ground.
- 1935
- Jan 35 2 Jan Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter regarding the bust of Lord Milner.
- Feb 35 7 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Lady Milner wishes to take action regarding a box in the Standard Bank of which Crewe is the sole trustee.
- Mar 35 15 Jan Letter. Ms. 4p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Further letter concerning appointment of new trustees for the box deposited in the Standard Bank.
- Apr 35 30 Jan Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.Y. Crewe.
Is off to the South of France. Discusses the German situation, the situation in India and South African politics.
- May 35 7 Feb Letter. Ms. 3p E.E. Astor to C.P. Crewe.
Is unable, as a member of the Imperial Press delegation, to accept Crewe's invitation at East London, as official arrangements have already been made.
- 1935-5a 25 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p J.C. Smuts to C.P. Crewe.
Reaffirms his belief that Crewe has remained loyal to Smuts' party. Feels that Crewe is a die-hard in politics and has not kept pace with constitutional movements in the Empire. Wishes Crewe good health.
- Jun 35 8 Apr Letter. Ms. 1p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Letter concerning the bust of Lord Milner and trusteeship of the box in the Standard Bank.
- Jul 35 10 Apr Letter. Ms. 3p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Indian Empire is dissolving. Selborne can do nothing for the Protectorates. Is confident that Thomas will not give way but will set up a Royal Commission. Considers Ludendorff to be insane.
- 1935-7a 12 Apr Letter. Ms. 6p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
On a visit to France, where she is staying with her cousins the Landons. He is Dutch minister in France and she is going with them to Holland for a week. Will return to England for Easter. Considers the French fear of Germany to be foolish, as the Germans fear Russia.
Approves of England's firm, non-aggressive stand at Stress. Thinks highly of Eden's tactics. Deplores the newspapers' talk of war. Has read a glowing account of Crewe in the 1820 pamphlets. The London Jubilee has greatly stimulated trade. Personal news.
- Aug 35 21 May Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for the copy of his memorandum to Smuts.
Lionel Curtis wrote a communication to the Times urging the transfer of the Protectorates and was answered by Perham. The British Government are not going to do it now. Selborne hopes to find out what happened between Hertzog and Thomas. Selborne does not believe the rumours of war in Europe. Also discusses the Abyssinian situation.
- Sep 35 27 May Letter. Ms. 1/p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Has written an "Episode" about Crewe's victory in East London North. The "Times" under Lord Lothian is pro-Hitler. The cost of a bronze bust of Lord Milner would be £40.
- Oct 35 29 May Letter. Ms. 3½p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.

- Comments on the British political situation. Will try to help Crewe's friend, Mr. Steer. Expresses distrust of Logan, Stuart and Smuts. Is pleased at the enthusiasm shown for the British Royalty during the Jubilee celebrations. Kipling's son-in-law entering the Conservative Party. Personal news.
- Nov 35 11 Jun Letter. Ms. 3p Violet Milner to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his cheque of 850 for the bronze bust.
Is sorry that Crewe dislikes Will Stuart, who made a favourable impression on Thomas. Is impressed by George Steer.
- Dec 35 22 Jul Letter. Ms. 3p Selborne to C.P. Crewe.
Regretfully declines Crewe's invitation for the following winter. Invites Crewe for the following May. Asks Crewe for a copy of the Bluebook with the Report of the Commission on Native Affairs.
- 1935-12a 30 Jul Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the Italian tactics in Abyssinia and trouble in the Balkans. Describes the Buckingham House Garden Party and a meeting with Jagger's former secretary.
Has had visits from Stanley Argyle, ex-Premier of Victoria, Australia; Marwick, Native Commissioner of Swaziland and Sir James Reith of the British Broadcasting Company.
- 1935-12b 15 Jul Letter. Ms. 6p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Has started a Chelsea Depot of the Personal Service League. Discusses the League's achievements. Family news. Has given up projects of travelling to Germany, due to troubled European situation. Refers to the failure of the Disarmament Conference. The unemployment problem in Britain is slightly improved. The government is urging the British population to spend more in order to ease unemployment.
- 1935-13 13 1 Aug Letter. Ms. 4p Lord Crewe to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his daughter's wedding present.
Invites Crewe for a visit in England next May. There is talk of a possible general election in November.

Discusses Mussolini's preparations in North Africa.
- 1935-14 14 11 Aug Letter. Ms. 2p Rudyard Kipling to C.P. Crewe.
Personal.
- 1935-14a 18 Aug Letter. Ms. 8p Helene Annesley to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses concern for Crewe's health. Describes her travels in Holland and Scotland; the canonisation of Thomas More and John Fischer; and visits to Ireland and Pau. Does not intend to visit South Africa.

Thinks the Personal Services League is coming to an end. Fears the war between Italy and Abyssinia inevitable. An outbreak of typhus in Rome.
- 1935-15 6 Sept Letter. Ms. 2p Lionel Phillips to C.P. Crewe.
Personal news. Discusses Mussolini's defiant attitude. Hopes that Evans will stand up against the politicians.

Asks if Crewe will attend the 1820 Conference at Johannesburg.
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- Jan 36 2 Jan Letter. Ms. 6p W.P. Bond to C.P. Crewe.
Thanks Crewe for his gift to the St. Andrews College Fund. Gives report on the progress of Diocesan School for Girls, Kingswood and St. Aidans. Asks Crewe to exert influence in the establishment of a Department of Bantu Studies. Fort Hare would do the linguistic side of the course. Discusses the chances of Mr Stuart winning the election in Port Elizabeth. Personal news.
- Feb 36 29 Feb Letter. Ms. l/p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Expresses concern regarding Crewe's heart attack. Gives a report of his own troublesome ankle joint. Thanks Crewe for a gift of a gold pectoral cross. Has attended a memorial service for Robert Struben.
- Mar 36 16 Mar Letter. Ms. 4p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses Crewe's health and his own family's health.
Advises Crewe on the bequeathing of certain trusts for advancement of religious and educational purposes.
- Apr 36 25 Mar Letter. Ms. 2p N. St. Leger(?) to C.P. Crewe.
Request for financial assistance for Thorpe's establishment in George of a Diocesan School for Boys.
- May 36 26 Mar Letter. Ms. l/p Archibald Cullen (Bishop of Grahamstown) to C.P. Crewe.
Discusses the administration of a fund, bequeathed by Crewe, for the education of the children of clergy. Has written to Lord Halifax regarding the plight of the Diocesan School for Girls.
- Jun 36 2 Apr Letter. Ms. 2p Frank Surthernham (King of Arms) to C.P. Crewe.

Offer to Crewe of a seat in the Chapel of the Order of St. Michael and St. George in St. Paul's Cathedral.

Jul 36

21 May Letter. Ms. 1p Secretary of the Rhodes Trust to C.P. Crewe.

Acknowledges Crewe's reports on the schools in South Africa. Cannot assist a project for establishment of a boys' school at George until the local authorities have raised the greater part of the money.