

# Crackpot Collection of Antique Legal Documents, 1639-1908

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## Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Crackpot Collection of Antique Legal Documents, 1639-1908  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 048  
**Extent:** 1.5 linear ft. (1 box)  
**Abstract:** Collection of manuscript legal documents and correspondence related to the Garth family of Crackpot, England.  
**Language:** Materials in English and Latin.

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## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

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### Source

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### Processing

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## Collection Description

### Scope and Content Note

The Crackpot Collection was acquired "many years ago" by dealer David Weatherley. He described it as a "rare and historically interesting collection in total of 91 documents from the Garth family, dating from 1639." Tina L. Stark bought it from Weatherley in 2015 and donated

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it to the MacMillan Law Library in 2017. The collection consists primarily of various types of manor court documents from the Swaledale region of Yorkshire and correspondence of members of the Garth family, long-time residents of the village of Crackpot. The documents are a mix of vellum and paper. The earliest dates from 1639/40 and the latest from 1908.

**Arrangement Note**

Organized chronologically.

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## Container List

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1	1	Park, Gennalt; obligation bond, 1639/40
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1	4	Carter, John; admittance, 1680
1	5	Garth, James; admittance, 1693
1	6	Faucet, Henry; surrender and admittance, 1694
1	7	Walker, Leonard; obligation bond, 1695
1	8	Carter, Thomas; admittance, 1705
1	9	Pratt, Sara; admittance, 1706
1	10	Coates, John; surrender and admittance, 1707
1	11	Pratt, Dorothy; admittance, 1707
1	12	Hutchinson, Richard; valuation, 1715
1	13	Benn, James; mortgage by conveyance - copy, 1717
1	14	Manfield, George; quitclaim, 1717
1	15	Raw, James; surrender and admittance, 1717
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1	17	Towers, Peter; assignment of mortgage - copy, 1717/18
1	18	Towers, Peter; surrender and admittance, 1717/18
1	19	Clerkson, Thomas; lease for a year, 1720
1	20	Clerkson, Thomas; release, 1720
1	21	Raw, William; admittance, 1720
1	22	Carter, Joseph; admittance, 1721
1	23	Clarkson, Joseph, Sr.; bargain and sale, 1721
1	24	Benn, James; admittance, 1728
1	25	Benn, James; mortgage by conveyance - copy, 1728
1	26	Benn, James; admittance, 1735
1	27	Carter, Joseph; admittance, 1735
1	28	Carter, Joseph; admittance, 1742
1	29	Alderson, Adam; admittance, 1751
1	30	Alderson, Thomas; admittance, 1751
1	31	Garth, Richard; admittance, 1751
1	32	Forster, John; articles of agreement, 1760
1	33	Forster, Henry; admittance, 1761
1	34	Forster, Thomas; admittance, 1761
1	35	Forster, Thomas; admittance, 1762
1	36	Benn, James; admittance, 1764

- 1 37 Metcalfe, Ann; letter of attorney, 1765
- 1 38 Thorpe, Edward; admittance, 1765
- 1 39 Thorpe, Edward; surrender and admittance, 1765
- 1 40 Alderson, Thomas; admittance, 1766
- 1 41 Garth, Richard; admittance, 1767
- 1 42 Prest, Edward; admittance, 1767
- 1 43 Prest, William; admittance, 1767
- 1 44 Garth, Francis; admittance, 1769
- 1 45 Garth, James; admittance - Francis Garth holdings, 1769
- 1 46 Garth, James; admittance - Richard Garth Holdings, 1769
- 1 47 Mudd, John; admittance, 1772
- 1 48 Clarkson, Joseph, Sr.; bargain and sale - copy, 1773
- 1 49 Garth, E.; correspondence, 1784
- 1 50 Alderson, Adam; admittance, 1788
- 1 51 Garth, Barnard; correspondence, 1793
- 1 52 Garth, Barnard; admittance, 1794
- 1 53 Garth, Barnard; correspondence, 1795
- 1 54 Garth, Francis; correspondence, 1795
- 1 55 Stuart, William; admittance - May 29, 1797
- 1 56 Stuart, William; admittance - May 30, 1797
- 1 57 Cottingham, Christopher; admittance, 1798
- 1 58 Dent, William; certificate of the contract for the redemption of land tax, 1799
- 1 59 Garth, Margaret; memorandum of agreement, 1812
- 1 60 Garth, Barnard; letter of attorney, 1814
- 1 61 Garth, Barnard; memorandum of agreement, 1814
- 1 62 Garth, Richard; notice of new copyholder, 1814
- 1 63 Kearton, John; last will and testament & probate certificate (1816), 1814
- 1 64 Leefe, Octavis; correspondence, 1815
- 1 65 Kearton, William; admittance, 1817
- 1 66 Carter, Edward; promissory note, 1820
- 1 67 Executors of George Hutchinson; receipts, 1820-1840
- 1 68 Atkinson, Elizabeth; last will and testament & probate certificate (1831), 1822
- 1 69 Harker, John; quitclaim, 1822
- 1 70 Kearton, John; auction record, 1822
- 1 71 Kearton, William; last will and testament & probate certificate (1822), 1822
- 1 72 Milner, Edmund; last will and testament & probate certificate (1825), 1822
- 1 73 Harker, William; arbitration report, 1825
- 1 74 Garth, Barnard; correspondence, 1826
- 1 75 Milner, James; surrender, 1827

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1	82	Executors of John Kearton; correspondence, 1832
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1	85	Liddle, John; correspondence, 1832 May 22
1	86	Liddle, John; correspondence, 1832 August 26
1	87	Thompson, George; correspondence, 1832
1	88	Fenton, Samuel Greame; abstract of title, 1843
1	89	Garth, Richard; extract from register, 1844
1	90	Clarke, Margaret; valuation of copyhold property, 1868
1	91	Sharp, Robert; letters of administration, 1879
1	92	Garth, Mary Elizabeth; admittance, 1908

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