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THE RECORDS OF JOHN POUNDS MEMORIAL CHURCH,
HIGH STREET, PORTSMOUTH.

1772-1968

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Volumes of Minutes of meetings of the
Congregation (committee and annual).

1826-1929

1. 26 March 1826 - 9 March 1851
[Includes at the front of the volume, details of burials, February 1845 - January 1850, and reversed at the rear of the volume, lists of subscribers to the Secretary's Fund, 1826 - 1859.]
2. 9 March 1851 - 18 August 1864
[Includes at the rear of the volume, reversed, lists of subscribers to the Secretary's Fund, 1860 - 1864.]
3. 28 August 1864 - 30 March 1872
[Includes a list of ministers from 1676 (in the minutes of a meeting dated 28 November 1868) and, reversed at the rear of the volume, lists of subscribers to the Secretary's Fund, 1865 - 1871.]
4. 9 April 1872 - 19 March 1893
[Includes, reversed at the rear of the volume, lists of subscribers to the Secretary's Fund, 1872 - 1892, and many circulars of meetings, services and correspondence.]
5. 26 March 1893 - 17 February 1929
[Includes, reversed at the rear of the volume, a copy of the agreement between
1) Robert Stevens Fraser, the Treasurer of the Church
2) Rev. Walter John Barton, Headmaster of the Grammar School
for the use of the Church and buildings during the week, 1927;
and also a list of names and addresses of members of the congregation, 1904.]

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Volumes of Subscribers to the High Street
Chapel Benevolent Society.

1772-1833

1. 25 March 1772 - 25 December 1812
2. 25 March 1813 - 25 March 1833

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Volumes of minutes of meetings of the
High Street Chapel Benevolent Society.

1843-1913

1. 1 January 1843 - 12 August 1855
[Includes in the front of the volume,
a list of Society rules.]
2. 18 October 1855 - 31 October 1870
3. 8 February 1871 - 28 July 1895
4. 3 November 1895 - 2 November 1913

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Records of the Library Committee of
the High Street Chapel.

1816-1889

1. Volume marked "Library 1816 - 1889"
containing library accounts.
[Includes miscellaneous correspondence,
bills, receipts, etc., 13 March 1880 -
21 October 1887.] 15 November 1816 -
29 December 1889
2. Volume containing the minutes of monthly,
quarterly and annual meetings. 26 October 1834 -
30 September 1860
3. Volume containing the minutes of monthly,
quarterly and annual meetings. 28 October 1860 -
27 December 1889

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Records of High Street Chapel Sunday
School.

1845-1898

1. Volume of minutes of Sunday School
Teachers' meetings (monthly and annual). 2 November 1845 -
15 February 1852
2. Volume of minutes of Sunday School
Teachers' meetings (monthly and annual). 11 April 1859 -
3 March 1878
3. Miscellaneous Account Book. 19 September 1851 -
[Includes - 12 March 1898
 - a) General Funds Account, with yearly
audited abstracts, 5 March 1852 -
19 February 1889.
 - b) Children's Savings Account,
November 1864 - 1881.
 - c) General Funds Account (continuation
of section "a"), 1 March 1889 -
12 March 1898.
 - d) John Pounds' Monument and Library
Account, 9 May 1853 - 12 March 1877.
 - e) List of subscribers to Sunday School
with annual subscription - no date.
 - f) Crockery Fund Account, 19 September 1851 -
23 April 1852.]

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Miscellaneous records of John Pounds Church.

1876-1957

1. Volume marked "Unitarian Church Ryde 1876" containing copies of correspondence etc. re Mission Hall, Sholing, and Unitarian Church, Ryde.
[Includes details of trustees, funds, committees etc. of High Street Meeting House, 25 September 1922.]
9 July 1876 -
25 September 1922
2. Minute Book of meetings of Endowment Fund Trustees.
[Includes annual audited balance sheets, 1886 - 1905, and, at the rear of the volume, minutes of meetings, 15 December 1901 - 8 January 1905.]
1 March 1885 -
8 January 1905
3. Minute Book of Women's League meetings.
[Includes a list of names and addresses of members reversed at the rear of the volume, and miscellaneous correspondence, also at the rear of the volume.]
24 February 1942 -
23 July 1957

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Registers.

1837-1940

1. Mixed Register.
[Includes Baptismal Register, 3 September 1837 - 17 May 1857, and, reversed at the rear of the volume, Burial Register, 18 July 1837 - 25 December 1853.]
18 July 1837 -
17 May 1857
2. Mixed Register.
[Includes Baptismal Register, 12 July 1857 - 6 December 1936, with some confusion in the years 1906 - 1922 owing to the records being lost; see Minister's explanatory note dated 24 July 1920.
Reversed at the rear of the volume -
a) Marriage Register, 18 November 1844 - 12 January 1882.
b) Burial Register, 18 October 1884 - 21 July 1886.
c) Marriage Register, 6 December 1883 - 7 September 1940.]
18 November 1844 -
7 September 1940

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Volumes of Treasurer's audited accounts with the Congregation of High Street Chapel.

1862-1939

1. 2 March 1862 - 10 March 1888.
[Marked on the cover "1862 Chapel Account Book for Expenses and Poor Money".]
2. 18 March 1888 - 6 October 1911.

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3. 8 October 1911 - 30 August 1939.
[Includes at the rear of the volume -
 - a) Church Renovation Fund Account,
21 July 1918 - 26 January 1924.
 - b) Thompson Memorial Fund Account,
April 1939 - September 1939.
 - c) Special Fund Account,
3 March 1918 - 30 August 1939.]

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Miscellaneous general church financial records.

1697-1925

1. Ledger of miscellaneous church receipts and expenditure.
[Includes Captain Jan Volkin's account for his ship's expenses whilst delivering timber to the Dockyard, 24 December 1741, in Dutch; but with translation provided 20 May 1889.
Reversed at the rear of the volume, a list of communicants, 7 May 1716.]
7 November 1697 -
1 August 1736
2. Volume marked "Poor's Money 1736 - 1842" on front cover, containing details of receipts and expenditure on the poor, and miscellaneous church expenditure.
[In three sections, out of order -
 - a) 15 August 1736 - 11 February 1745.
 - b) 5 January 1782 - 23 December 1833.
 - c) 5 September 1736 - 31 December 1782.Section "b" following from section "c", see note in the volume.]
15 August 1736 -
23 December 1833
3. Volume marked "General Account Book 1718 - 1840" on front cover, containing miscellaneous receipts and expenditure re church repairs etc.
[Includes at the rear of the volume, copies of receipts, 5 February 1719 - 23 January 1731.]
28 December 1718 -
21 February 1840
4. Treasurer's ledger and audited balance sheet book.
1 February 1886 -
16 December 1925

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Miscellaneous specific church financial records.

1707-1926

1. Receipt book for Briefs.
[Includes reversed at the rear of the volume, Grave and Vault accounts, 31 July 1826 - June 1848.]
10 June 1707 -
June 1848
2. Collector's quarterly cash and voucher book (Landport District).
March 1863 -
September 1890

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| 3. Volume marked "Sunday School Donations of 1892" on front cover, containing monthly subscription lists, 11 December 1870 - 29 October 1887. [Includes -
a) Library borrowers' list,
3 July 1870 - 6 January 1884
3 April 1892 - October 1897.
b) Sunday School attendance register, 16 January 1898 - 10 April 1898.
c) Sunday School conduct marks, 23 January 1898 - 12 June 1898.
d) Sunday School "Tidy Girl" lists, 23 January 1898 - 8 May 1898.
e) Sunday School Bible lesson marks, 16 January 1898 - 5 June 1898.
f) Sunday School attendance register, 17 April 1898 - 26 June 1898.] | 11 December 1870 -
26 June 1898 |
| 4. Offertory and Attendance Book. | 26 February 1911 -
6 June 1926 |

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Miscellaneous account books.

1822-1910

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| 1. "Repairs to Chapel" account book. [Includes High Street Chapel Vestry accounts, 11 November 1822 - 14 February 1823, and Burial Ground accounts, 26 August 1822 - 7 January 1823.] | 5 April 1822 -
14 February 1823 |
| 2. Treasurer's cash account book. [Includes at the rear of the book, lists of subscribers for various projects, 1834 - April 1844.] | 14 July 1833 -
20 November 1850 |
| 3. Miscellaneous account book. [Includes -
a) Minister's payment account, 3 December 1850 - 4 February 1853.
b) Chapel expenses account, March 1850 - 30 July 1851.
c) Chapel poor money account, 5 August 1850 - 5 January 1853.
d) Trustees account, June 1848 - 31 March 1855.
e) High Street Chapel account, 1 August 1851 - March 1861.
Reversed at the rear of the volume, rules of the Congregation, March 1852 - May 1906.] | June 1848 -
May 1906 |
| 4. Volume of accounts of the Treasurer of John Pounds Mission with the High Street Congregation. [Includes, reversed at the rear of the volume, account of Repairs Fund, 9 February 1895 - 13 June 1902, and the results of an appeal for subscriptions, no date. Also miscellaneous correspondence at the rear of the volume, 9 April 1885 - 22 March 1911.] | 1890 -
1 January 1910 |

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Minute Book of the Vestry Meeting
of the General Baptist Church
(21 St. Thomas' Street, Portsmouth).
[Includes miscellaneous papers, accounts,
correspondence, etc., 1896 - 1942;
Balance Sheet of Ladies Sewing Circle,
5 December 1925;
Programme for Chapel's re-opening,
28 November 1897.
At the rear of the volume, a short list
of the roll of members by baptism - 16
entries, undated, c. early 19th Century.]

3 February 1797 -
12 March 1916

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Miscellaneous photographs, leaflets etc.

1859-1968

1. Photograph of Rev. Henry Hawkes, B.A.,
Minister of High Street Chapel, 1833 - 1872. 1859
2. Photograph of the 18th Century Chapel -
exterior - before destruction. [c.1930's?]
3. Photograph of the 18th Century Chapel -
interior - before destruction. [c.1930's?]
4. Photograph of the 18th Century Chapel -
exterior - after destruction (bombed 1941). [post 1941]
5. Photograph of Sir Adrian Boult laying the
foundation stone of the new Chapel [from
"Hampshire Telegraph and Post",
30 September 1955]. 30 September 1955
6. Photograph of the home and workshop of
John Pounds. [c.1900?]
7. Watercolour of St. Thomas Street Baptist
Church [E. Morris]. 1908
8. Memorial Plaque to Rev. G. W. Thompson
[Minister of High Street Chapel, 1911, 1922,
1933, 1938, died 4 September 1938]. [c.1938?]
9. Leaflet re John Pounds Memorial Church
Envelope Scheme. [c.1960?]
10. Leaflet entitled "Three Hundred Years,
1662 - 1962, Unitarians and the 'Great
Ejection'" by F. Kenworthy. 1962
11. Copy of "The S.U.A. Chronicle - Organ of
the Southern Unitarian Association". January 1968
- 12-14. 3 Copies of the Annual Report and Balance
Sheet of 1967, presented at the Annual General
Meeting. February 1968