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Letters of William Grainger, 1895-1901

A unique collection of 174 love letters written by Chief Stoker William Grainger to his fiancé, and later wife, **Edith Townsend**. They principally cover the years 1895-1899 and Grainger's three year commission with the sloop **HMS Daphne** on the China Station. However, there are also a few letters written before the commission commenced and some after Grainger had returned and the couple had married - though since a large number are undated and have no address the situation is not always clear. The letters contain little of the ship's activities beyond details of its movements on the station and conjecture on possible dates for its return. Their content is highly personal, all of the letters are beautifully illustrated in water-colour and with pressed flowers, and contain frequent biblical quotations and verses of religious poetry. They are preoccupied with Grainger's personal struggles and with the effort of maintaining a relationship over a three year separation, all framed within a strict chapel morality. More detailed individual catalogue entries are available at museum reference, **Document: 92/216 (1-174)**.

'... your next piece of news has fairly staggered me with disgust, that is to hear that all these women are riding a bicycle I do not think there is anything so degrading to women ...'

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Record No. 16037

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 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms scylla , port said ,
 22.3.1895

Record No. 16038

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 CO 5
 KA 2.2
 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
 20.2.1896

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 KA 2.2
 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
 28.2.1896

Record No. 16040

AC 92/216
 CO 7
 KA 2.2
 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
 13.3.1896

Record No. 16041

AC 92/216
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 KA 2.2
 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
 20.3.1896

Record No. 16042

AC 92/216
 CO 10
 KA 2.2
 DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
 hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
 31.3.1896

Record No. 16043

AC 92/216

CO 13

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , hong kong ,
27.4 no year

Record No. 16044

AC 92/216

CO 18

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms royal adelaide , chatham
, 26.9.1895

Record No. 16045

AC 92/216

CO 23

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
5.6.1896

Record No. 16046

AC 92/216

CO 37

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , nagasaki ,
30.9.1896

Record No. 16047

AC 92/216

CO 38

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , chemulpo ,
7.10.1896

Record No. 16048

AC 92/216

CO 52

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , manila ,
14.1.1897

Record No. 16049

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CO 61
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
5.6.1897

Record No. 16050

AC 92/216
CO 66
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
23.7.1897

Record No. 16051

AC 92/216
CO 72
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : 8 napier road , 29.9.1900

Record No. 16052

AC 92/216
CO 87
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , nagasaki ,
13.11.1897

Record No. 16053

AC 92/216
CO 91
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms mersey , belfast or
elsewhere , 20.7.1899

Record No. 16054

AC 92/216
CO 97
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
an interior view of a room with potted plants on the window
sill

Record No. 16055

AC 92/216
CO 101

Record No. 16055

KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
two steam ships with junk visible between the two on horizon

Record No. 16056

AC 92/216
CO 103
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , china ,
7.3.1896

Record No. 16057

AC 92/216
CO 113
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , face has text
inset in an oval floral design with banner at top bearing the
words " darling . edith . my . love "

Record No. 16058

AC 92/216
CO 116
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , chefoo , not
dated , face has text in heartshaped floral design with anchor
and cross at base

Record No. 16059

AC 92/216
CO 128
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
sea view at sunset ; yellow daisies in left margin

Record No. 16060

AC 92/216
CO 136
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
an evening scene of a ship at sea ; red , white and blue
flowers in left margin

Record No. 16061

AC 92/216

CO 138

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
scene of ship entering harbour , fortification at left
foreground

Record No. 16062

AC 92/216

CO 145

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms grafton , chatham , not
dated , illustrated with view of ship at sea , lighthouse to
right , surmounted by " mizpah " in blue

Record No. 16063

AC 92/216

CO 159

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , singapore , not
dated ; quote from ps.xx.5

Record No. 16064

AC 92/216

CO 164

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
two blue birds bearing letters and floral triangle design
containing anchor

Record No. 16065

AC 92/216

CO 166

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
view of ships off rocky coast surmounted by banner of blue
flowers holding two red hearts and supported by a cross and an
anchor

Record No. 16066

AC 92/216

CO 171

KA 2.2

CR 2.3

DE undated manuscript letter addressed from hms edgar 1890 at
colombo, ceylon but undated . addressed by walter t. grainger
to his sweetheart edith townsend . hand decorated with a
watercolour illustration of a spray of holly and mistletoe .
the letter

Record No. 16066

DE , which is primarily a love letter , starts with a quotation
from isiah xii 2 " i will trust and not be afraid "

Record No. 16067

AC 92/216

CO 173

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
a moonlit scene of a ship at sea , full moon and many stars

Record No. 16068

AC 92/216

CO 174

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : not dated , illustrated with
a moonlit scene of a ship at sea , crescent moon

Record No. 17217

AC 92/216

CO 1

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
31.1.1896 . final page missing .

IN ... the ship is all right but we have tyrants of officers ...

Record No. 17218

AC 92/216

CO 2

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
1.5.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17219

AC 92/216

CO 4

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
15.2.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17220

AC 92/216

CO 8

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
17.3.1896 . final page missing .

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Record No. 17221

AC 92/216

CO 11

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
16.4.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17222

AC 92/216

CO 12

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
24.4.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17223

AC 92/216

CO 14

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , hong kong ,
6.5. . final page missing .

Record No. 17224

AC 92/216

CO 15

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
8.5.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17225

AC 92/216

CO 16

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger to edith townsend .
hand decorated with watercolour : hms daphne , shanghai ,
15.5.1896 . final page missing .

Record No. 17226

AC 92/216

CO 17

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to e.
townsend hand decorated with watercolour : hms royal adelaide
, chatham 1.7.1895 , final page missing .

Record No. 17227

AC 92/216

CO 19

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , shanghai , 19.5. [1896] , final page missing . also with pressed ferns mounted with wax around the border .

Record No. 17228

AC 92/216

CO 20

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , hong kong , 13.5. [1896] final page missing .

Record No. 17229

AC 92/216

CO 21

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , shanghai , 21.5. 1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17230

AC 92/216

CO 22

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , shanghai , 29.5. 1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17231

AC 92/216

CO 24

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , shanghai , 12.6. 1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17232

AC 92/216

CO 25

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , china , 19.6. 1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17233

AC 92/216

CO 26

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , corea [sic] 27.6. 1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17234

AC 92/216

CO 27

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , manila 13.2.1897 with final page missing written on bark paper .

Record No. 17235

AC 92/216

CO 28

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , corea [sic] 3.7.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17236

AC 92/216

CO 29

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , corea [sic] 10.7.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17237

AC 92/216

CO 30

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , korea 24.7.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17238

AC 92/216

CO 31

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , korea 14.8.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17239

AC 92/216

CO 32

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms' daphne ,
chefoo 22.8.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17240

AC 92/216

CO 33

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
neuchwang 31.8.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17241

AC 92/216

CO 34

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
korea 8.9.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17242

AC 92/216

CO 35

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
korea 15.9.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17243

AC 92/216

CO 36

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
japan 29.9.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17244

AC 92/216

CO 39

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new brompton
kent B.10 .

Record No. 17245

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Record No. 17245

CO 40

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , hong kong 14.10.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17246

AC 92/216

CO 41

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms grafton , portsmouth 5.11.1896 .

IN I saw you standing at the door with the moon shining on your dear face as if to say have a good look for the last time for three long years

Record No. 17247

AC 92/216

CO 42

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , shanghai 10.4.1896 .

Record No. 17248

AC 92/216

CO 43

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , manila 2.11.1896 , final page missing . decorated with pressed leaves around the border mounted in wax .

Record No. 17249

AC 92/216

CO 44

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , hong kong 21.10.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17250

AC 92/216

CO 45

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , manila 9.11.1896 , final page missing .

Record No. 17251

AC 92/216

CO 46

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 20.11.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17252

AC 92/216

CO 47

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 29.11.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17253

AC 92/216

CO 48

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 28.11.1896 final page missing .

IN every night we leave the ship and go some distance up the /
river in steam boats with pistols / cutlass and rifle .

Record No. 17254

AC 92/216

CO 49

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 24.12.1896 final page missing .

Record No. 17255

AC 92/216

CO 50

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 2.1.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17256

AC 92/216

CO 51

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 7.1.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17257

AC 92/216

CO 53

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 22.1.1897 final page missing .

Record No. 17258

AC 92/216

CO 54

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 23.2.1897 final page missing .

Record No. 17259

AC 92/216

CO 55

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 28.2.1897 final page missing .

Record No. 17260

AC 92/216

CO 56

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new brompton
, kent 16.10.1899 .

Record No. 17261

AC 92/216

CO 57

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; napier road ,
new brompton , kent 21.9.1900

Record No. 17262

AC 92/216

CO 58

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; napier road ,
new brompton , kent 25.9.1900 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17263

AC 92/216

Record No. 17263

CO 59

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
manila 12.4.1897 final page missing .

Record No. 17264

AC 92/216

CO 60

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
hong kong 28.5.1897 , final page missing

Record No. 17265

AC 92/216

CO 62

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
shanghai 17.6.1897 , final page missing

Record No. 17266

AC 92/216

CO 63

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
shanghai 23.6.1897 .

Record No. 17267

AC 92/216

CO 64

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
shanghai 30.6.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17268

AC 92/216

CO 65

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
chemulpo china 14.7.1897 , final page is missing .

IN ... how I long for such happy hours / instead of this dreary
life here / tis enough to drive a fellow melancholy

Record No. 17269

AC 92/216

CO 67

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , japan 28.7.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17270

AC 92/216

CO 68

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , japan 5.8.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17271

AC 92/216

CO 69

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , siberia 13.8.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17272

AC 92/216

CO 70

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , bering sea 22.8.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17273

AC 92/216

CO 71

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne , china 27.8.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17274

AC 92/216

CO 73

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new brompton , kent 18.10 [1900]

Record No. 17275

AC 92/216

Record No. 17275

CO 74

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new, brompton
, kent 5 am 5.11.1900

Record No. 17276

AC 92/216

CO 75

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
china 3.9.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17277

AC 92/216

CO 76

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
china 9.9.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17278

AC 92/216

CO 77

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
yokohama , japan , 25.9.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17279

AC 92/216

CO 78

KA 2.2

DE manuscript ler from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
yokohama , japan , 29.9.1897 , final page missing .

IN now for instance dear we / have biscuit to eat here in this
ship / which is so full of vermin that we / have to put it in
the oven and literally / burn it black ...

Record No. 17280

AC 92/216

CO 79

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with pencil sketch hms daphne ,
yokohama , japan , 8.10.1897 , final page missing .

Record No. 17281

AC 92/216

CO 80

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms' daphne ,
yokohama , japan , 15.10.1897 final page missing .

Record No. 17282

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KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new brompton
, kent 8.11.1900

Record No. 17283

AC 92/216

CO 82

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; new brompton
, kent 22.7.1901 .

Record No. 17284

AC 92/216

CO 83

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
chefoo china station , 21.11.1897

Record No. 17285

AC 92/216

CO 84

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
chefoo china station , 24.10.1897 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17286

AC 92/216

CO 85

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
nagasaki , japan 30.10.1897 , final page is missing .

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CO 86
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
nagasaki , japan 6.11.1897 , final page is missing'.
IN It is terribly cold here now that / I can scarcely hold the
pen and I / have to keep the ink bottle close / to the candle

Record No. 17288

AC 92/216
CO 88
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
chemulpo , china station 30.11. [1897]

Record No. 17289

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CO 89
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
port hamilton , corea [sic] , 14.12.1897 , final page missing
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Record No. 17290

AC 92/216
CO 90
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms daphne ,
port arthur , china station , 21.12.1897 , final page missing
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Record No. 17291

AC 92/216
CO 92
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms mersey ,
belfast , 27.7.1899 .

Record No. 17292

AC 92/216
CO 93
KA 2.2
DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to
edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms pembroke
, chatham , 11.4.1899 .

Record No. 17293

AC 92/216

CO 94

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; [hms mersey , 1899]

Record No. 17294

AC 92/216

CO 95

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; [hms mersey , 1899]

Record No. 17295

AC 92/216

CO 96

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; [hms mersey , 189] illustrated th view of a steam train , final page missing .

Record No. 17296

AC 92/216

CO 98

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour ; hms mersey , sheerness , 8.8.1899 .

Record No. 17297

AC 92/216

CO 99

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated but with illustration in margin of elephant and camel .

Record No. 17298

AC 92/216

CO 100

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms scylla , bombay , india , undated but probably 1896 .

Record No. 17299

AC 92/216

CO 102

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated with portside view of 2 funnel steamer .

Record No. 17300

AC 92/216

CO 104

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , hong kong , undated but with quote from matt. xi 29 .

Record No. 17301

AC 92/216

CO 105

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , hong kong , undated but with quote from isiah xliii 2

Record No. 17302

AC 92/216

CO 106

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , china station , undated but with quote from 1 pat.ii.21 .

Record No. 17303

AC 92/216

CO 107

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , china station , undated but with quote from ps.cxxxix 23 24 .

IN ... we have only a few more / months to go and then the finish and / then the homeward bound ...

Record No. 17304

AC 92/216

CO 108

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , chemulpo , china station , undated but with quote from num vi.24

Record No. 17305

AC 92/216

CO 109

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , chemulpo , china station , undated but with quote " who shall separate us from the love of christ " .

IN I might say dear there is no prospect of ever changing anything for the better in this ship ...

Record No. 17306

AC 92/216

CO 110

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , cheefoo , china station , undated but with quote from john xiii 7 .

Record No. 17307

AC 92/216

CO 111

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , cheefoo , china station , undated but with quote from ps xxxi.15 .

Record No. 17308

AC 92/216

CO 112

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated but with quote from ps.cxviii.8 .

Record No. 17309

AC 92/216

CO 114

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated with illustration of ships in a line with pennants streaming , final page is missing .

Record No. 17310

AC 92/216

CO 115

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated but illustrated by rocky coastline with signal station .

Record No. 17316

AC 92/216

CO 122

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , foochow , china station , undated but with quote from 1.tim.v.4 , final page missing .

Record No. 17317

AC 92/216

CO 123

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quote from ps.cxxi.1 , final page missing .

IN ... there are so few in the navy that I care to associate with ...

Record No. 17318

AC 92/216

CO 124

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quote from john.xiv.15 final page missing .

Record No. 17319

AC 92/216

CO 125

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated , but written from hms scylla and signed yours forever walter .

Record No. 17320

AC 92/216

CO 126

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated , addressed to my beloved in pink and blue colours , final page missing .

Record No. 17321

AC 92/216

CO 127

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated , addressed " to my sweetheart " in blue colour .

Record No. 17321

Record No. 17322

AC 92/216

CO 129

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quotation from sol.song vi .

IN These last few weeks are hanging like leaden weights upon my patience ...

Record No. 17323

AC 92/216

CO 130

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quotation from ps.xxi.3 .

Record No. 17324

AC 92/216

CO 131

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quotation from exod.iii.12 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17325

AC 92/216

CO 132

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , undated but with quotation from prov.iv.23 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17326

AC 92/216

CO 133

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms royal adelaide , chatham , undated .

Record No. 17327

AC 92/216

CO 134

KA 2.2

Record No. 17327

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated , but border decorated with fuchsia blossom .

Record No. 17328

AC 92/216

CO 135

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , batavia , china station , undated but with four biblical quotations , final page missing .

Record No. 17329

AC 92/216

CO 137

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated but decorated with flower border and central scene of fish , boat and bird .

Record No. 17330

AC 92/216

CO 139

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms royal adelaide , chatham , undated but with quotation from gen.xv.1 on last page .

Record No. 17331

AC 92/216

CO 140

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms royal adelaide , chatham , undated but with quotation from luke xi.2 .

Record No. 17332

AC 92/216

CO 141

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms bittern , dover , saturday night , undated but with quotation from 1.tim.v.4 .

Record No. 17333

AC 92/216

CO 142

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms bittern , sheerness or elsewhere undated but with quotation from matt.xxvi.39 .

Record No. 17334

AC 92/216

CO 143

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated but with illustration of avenue leading to a church .

Record No. 17335

AC 92/216

CO 144

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms alarm , channel fleet , undated but with first three words " my own little " enlarged in blue and red .

Record No. 17336

AC 92/216

CO 146

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: undated , but with quotation from ps.xvii.15 .

Record No. 17337

AC 92/216

CO 147

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms bittern , sheerness or elsewhere , undated but with quotation from matt.xxviii.20 .

Record No. 17338

AC 92/216

CO 148

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , hong kong , undated but with quotation from ps.xxxii.8 .

IN my own little sweetheart it is the LAST LETTER I shall send from CHINA . HURRAH HURRAH HURRAH .

Record No. 17338

Record No. 17339

AC 92/216

CO 149

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms edgar , plymouth , undated but with quotation from ps.xxv.5 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17340

AC 92/216

CO 150

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms edgar , undated but with quotation from ps.xxxii.4 final page is missing .

Record No. 17341

AC 92/216

CO 151

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , batavia straights settlement , no date but with quotation from rev.iii.12 .

IN ... plenty of drunkenness and other disgraceful doings that will always be especially amongst the British section of the world's population and more especially amongst the sailor branch ...

Record No. 17342

AC 92/216

CO 152

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , no date but with quotation from john.xvi.24 , final page is missing .

Record No. 17343

AC 92/216

CO 153

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but with illustration of a couple sitting beneath a tree .

Record No. 17344

AC 92/216

CO 154

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but rear page blank except for kisses .

Record No. 17345

AC 92/216

CO 155

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustrated with a giant water wheel .

Record No. 17346

AC 92/216

CO 156

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustrated with two birds in left hand margin .

Record No. 17347

AC 92/216

CO 157

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but quotation from mark.x.36 , final page is missing .

IN ... your next piece of news has fairly staggered me with disgust that is to hear that all these women are riding a bicycle I do not think there is anything so degrading to woman ...

Record No. 17348

AC 92/216

CO 158

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but quotation from 1.cor.iii.22.23. , final page is missing .

Record No. 17349

AC 92/216

CO 160

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but picture headed " every cloud has a silver lining " , final page is missing .

Record No. 17349

Record No. 17350

AC 92/216

CO 161

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but quotation from gen.xv.1. .

Record No. 17351

AC 92/216

CO 162

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but quotation from john.xiv.16. , final page missing .

Record No. 17352

AC 92/216

CO 163

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , singapore , no date but quotation from prov.xxiii.26 final page missing .

Record No. 17353

AC 92/216

CO 165

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustrated with 2 swallows holding a blue banner , final page missing .

Record No. 17354

AC 92/216

CO 167

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustration of coastline with minarets , final page missing

Record No. 17355

AC 92/216

CO 168

KA 2.2

Record No. 17355

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustration of white bell flowers in left hand margin .

Record No. 17356

AC 92/216

CO 169

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decated with watercolour: hms daphne , port arthur , china station , no date but with quotation from 2.kings.iv.26 , final page missing .

Record No. 17357

AC 92/216

CO 170

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: hms daphne , port arthur , china station , no date but with quotation from ps.cxix.105 , final page missing .

Record No. 17358

AC 92/216

CO 172

KA 2.2

DE manuscript letter from william t. grainger chief stoker to edith townsend hand decorated with watercolour: no date but illustrated with ribbon joining a cross and an anchor . also contains dried leaf .