1. 1776 November 5
The Hampshire Chronicle extraordinary ... Tuesday November 5 1776 ...
The Public being anxious for the Particulars of the King’s Troops taking New York, the Printers thought it their duty to get the earliest authentic Account and present to their readers immediately. By Express from London from the London Gazette Extraordinary... General Sir William Howe to Lord George Germaine... I have the satisfaction to inform your Lordship of his Majesty’s troops being in possession of the city of New York... three ships of war passed up the north river as far as Bloomingdale, to draw the enemy’s attention to that side... and landed about noon on New York Island, three miles from the town, at a place called Kepp’s Bay...

Southampton: Linden and Hodson, 1776
[4] p. ; 32 cm x 20 cm
Report of the taking of New York by the King’s Troops
General Sir William Howe
Politics/American War of Independence

2. 1788 December 8
Amyatt, James, 1734-1813
To the Mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton: Gentlemen ... Mr Fleming having signified his intention to retire and another gentleman having declared his purpose to be a candidate ... at the next General Election, I should think myself deficient ... if I omitted ... to solicit the very flattering honour ... to be again chosen to represent you ...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1788
1 sheet [1] p. ; 24 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: James Amyatt, December 8th 1788
Appeal by James Amyatt for continued support in future Parliamentary elections.
Fleming, John
Southampton (Hampshire): General Elections

3. 1789 December 9
Cato
To the freeholders of the town of Southampton: Sir Wm. Heathcote has been soliciting your votes to represent ye in the next Parliament in my opinion at too early a period ...
[Southampton]: A. Cunningham, printer, 1789
1 sheet [1] p.; 23 cm x 15 cm
Signed and dated at end: Cato, December 9th 1789
On Sir William Heathcote’s appeal for support in the forthcoming Parliamentary election.
Heathcote, William, Sir
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

4. 1790 January 6
To the burgesses and inhabitants of the town of Southampton: The Mayor has ... appointed? a meeting to be held at the audit house on the 11th instant ... to take into consideration the alarming resolutions entered into by the Dissenters at their meeting on the 23rd December last ...
[S.l.]: [s.n], 1790
5.
1790?
Basingstoke. It is said Mrs Martin objected to Sir William Heathcote and Mr Chute erecting the standard against the maidenhead in this town, not so much from fear of any damage being done to her property as from this step not being supposed to be particularly agreeable to the Minister!
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 23 cm x 19 cm
Martin, Mrs
Heathcote, William, Sir
Chute, William John
Political flyer
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

6.
1790 January?
To the freeholders of the county of Southampton. My friends, I am a freeholder of 40s per annum only for which I pay the Land Tax and am therefore entitled to a vote... I shall vote for Lord John Russell and be at Winchester ... on the 14th January, 1790 to support his nomination...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [1790?]
1 sheet [1] p. 22 cm x 16 cm
Political flyer
Bedford, John Russell, Duke of, 1766-1839
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

7.
1790?
The Funds in Mourning! After all Mr Pitt’s pompous and false declarations as to the finances of this Kingdom --- Do the Stocks rise, or Do they fall? Let Heathcote and Chute answer those Questions. Stockholders, this is worthy your attention. They say that Pitt loves his Bottle. Quere is he particularly partial to the Ladies?
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 17 cm x 13 cm
Advertisement promoting Chute and Heathcote
Heathcote, William, Sir
Chute, William John
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

8.
1790 April 6
The Worshipful the Mayor, having been please to request a general meeting of the burgesses, and inhabitants of this town, at the Town-Hall, on to-morrow at twelve o’clock, to consider of proper persons to represent them in Parliament – Mr. Amyatt having been please to solicit that high honor, presumes earnestly to request the countenance and support of his friends at the above meeting
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 April 6
1 sheet [1] p. 19 cm x 15 cm
Notification for a general meeting to discuss the candidacy of Amyatt for MP
Amyatt, James, 1734-1813
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
9. 1790 April 8
A meeting of the gentlemen, tradesmen, and other inhabitants of the town of Southampton, will be held at the *Dolphins Inn*, this evening at 7 o’clock, to resolve on further measures for the effectual support of its trade and independence.
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 April 8
1 sheet [1] p. 9 cm x 15 cm
Notification of a political discussion on Southampton’s trade
Southampton (Hampshire): Politics

10. 1790 April 9
At a numerous and respectable meeting of gentlemen, tradesmen and inhabitants, of the town of Southampton, held at the Dolphin Inn... resolved unanimously... to pledge themselves to Colonel Woodford, and to each other... they will support him in his election... that these resolutions be inserted in the public papers.
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 April 9
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 19 cm
Notice of a political meeting endorsing the candidacy of Colonel Woodford
Woodford, Colonel
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

11. 1790?
What opinion can the freeholders of Hampshire entertain of the administration, under whose direction we see Parliament suddenly dissolved, to increase their power. Public defaulters screened from justice. The old system of increasing taxes revived. Beware! Freeholders of Hants. waver not. As you so lately stood foremost to support, do not now desert, the dignity and honour attached to the character of an Englishman and free elector.
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 27 cm x 22 cm
Anti-government flyer
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

12. 1790 April 22
Dawkins, George Hay
To the electors of the town of Southampton... being absolutely obliged to leave this town for a short time, I beg leave to return you my warmest acknowledgement for the very great encouragement you have given me... the generous support I have been honored with leaves in my mind no doubt of success on the day of poll...
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 April 22
1 sheet [1] p. 23 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: Geo. Hay Dawkins
Political flyer thanking electorate for their support prior to polling day
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

13. 1790 April 24
To James Amyatt Esq. Member in Parliament for the town of Southampton. Sir, several of the electors for the town of Southampton (who are your friends) having been informed that you have
received an appointment or promise of an appointment to some office under government, to induce you to decline standing a poll at the next election for the town, request that you will be pleased publicly to declare whether the report is founded in fact or not. Your wellwishers
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 April 22
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 16 cm
Letter to James Amyatt on his possible role in government
Amyatt, James 1734-1813
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

14.
1790 June 12
Russell, John, Lord
To the gentlemen, clergy and freeholders of the county of Southampton... the Sheriff of Hants. having appointed the election for the county on the 22d instance, we earnestly solicit the favour of your early attendance on that and the subsequent days, at Winchester, where the continuance of your support at the poll, will insure the success, which your great encouragement on the canvas has given us every reason to expect... PS the agents in the several districts have received directions to provide horses and carriage, to conduct the freeholders to the poll
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790
1 sheet [1] p. 22 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated: John Russell and J.C. Jervoise 1790 June 12
Political flyer
Jervoise, J.C.
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

15.
1790 June 16
It is circulated with a degree of authority by the friends of Mr Comptroller Martin that that gentleman has been joined by Mr Amyatt. Mr Amyatt is publicly called on to confirm or contradict this report
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790 June 16
1 sheet [1] p. 15 cm x 20 cm
Political flyer
James Amyatt,
Martin, Henry
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

16.
1790?
To the freeholders of the County of Southampton, Gentlemen, remember that you are Englishmen! What have your ancestors done? Struggled hard for liberty? Will you not persist in their measures? Or, will you tamely submit to become the dupes of those whose only wish is to serve your country so far as it will serve their own interest – and no farther. Be cautious! No Heathcote. No Chute. Do, be on your guard, I request you: a staunch Englishman.
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 18 cm x 14 cm
Political flyer
Heathcote, William, Sir
Chute, William John
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
17. 1790?
“A Peep behind the Curtain –
Spite of a shuffling mongrel few,
Who rule a certain band sir,
Three hundred Britons, brave and true,
‘Round Jackson take their stand sir,
What powers of language can describe
The disappointed crew sir,
A hundred pounds who did subscribe,
Like Mordecai the Jew sir...

The man that’s open, generous, brave
We all will rally round sir,
Spurn with contempt a party’s slave,
And scorn their hundred pounds sir,
Southampton’s loyal volunteers,
Distinguish good from bad sir,
To Jackson give three hearty cheers,
And hiss the Jersey Squad sir”
Southampton: T. Baker & Sons Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 10 cm
Political poem commending supporters of Jackson and denigrating the corrupt ‘Jersey crew’
Jackson, Josias
Local Elections
Politics

18. 1790 June 17
To the electors, of the town of Southampton... If we consult the evidence of our senses, we shall perceive that Mr Dawkins is the popular candidate... support the independence of the town by giving Mr Dawkins Plumpers
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1790
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 21 cm
Political flyer in support of candidate Dawkins
Dawkins, George Hay
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

19. 1790 June 17
Amyatt, James
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town of Southampton... I presume to make you my most grateful acknowledgements... of such of my friends who have been pleased to favour me with their good opinion, and who are yet un-polled, at the place of polling on tomorrow morning...
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790
1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: James Amyatt, 17 June 1790
Political flyer thanking supporters of James Amyatt
James Amyatt 1734-1813
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
20.
1790 June 17
Dawkins, George Hay
To the worthy electors of the town of Southampton... notwithstanding the majority obtained by Mr Martin, on this day’s poll, I despair not when I consider the very extraordinary measures used by his friends to obtain it... I hope you will come forward tomorrow and support that independence which you so nobly fought for and obtained at the last election... I beg leave to inform you that Mr Martin has now polled nearly all the burgesses in his interest...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1790
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: George Hay Dawkins, June 17 1790
Political flyer canvassing support for Dawkins
Martin, Henry
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

21.
1790 June 18
Dawkins, George Hay
To the worthy and independent electors of the town of Southampton... though the event of this day has not been what I had reason to expect... I shall be happy in any opportunity of showing my real attention to the trade and commercial interests of the town of Southampton
Southampton: [s.n.], 1790
1 sheet [1] p. 23 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: George Hay Dawkins, June 18 1790
Acknowledgement of electoral defeat from Dawkins
Martin, Henry
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

22.
1793 October 5
Ridding, T.
Sir, by the direction of a general meeting of the subscribers of the intended canal from Southampton to Salisbury... one-sixth part of the subscription money intended to be raised, is reserved for the land-owners; and I am to request the favour of knowing, whether you shall be disposed to take such proportion of that sixth part as will be appointed to you, according to the quantity of land which now belongs to you and will necessarily be made use of in cutting the canal?
Southampton: T. Ridding, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Signed and dated at end: T. Ridding, solicitor, October 5 1793
Letter asking for the support of land-owners affected by the cutting of the Southampton-Salisbury canal
Southampton-Salisbury canal

23.
1794 April 21
D'Oyly, J.H.
At a committee holden under the appointment of the General Committee of the County of Hampshire in their resolution of 10th April 1794... that it is the opinion of this committee that a general meeting of the inhabitants of this town [Lymington], Milford, Keyhaven... be requested at the Angel Inn on Saturday 26th April... militia of the County of Hampshire... plan for the defence [of Hampshire]... subscription money to form volunteer companies, in particular towns on or near the
sea coast for the purpose of their local defence... we do hereby request the favour of such military gentlemen as may be residents in our neighbourhood to attend our meetings... that we may have the advantage of their professional knowledge... That it is expedient for this committee to act in concert with that of Christchurch in the formation of a plan for the defence of a line of coast...

Southampton: T. Baker Printers, April 21 1794
1 sheet [1] p. 40 cm x 25 cm

Notification of a meeting to be held in Lymington for the preparation and funding of coastal defences
D'Oyly, J.H.
Walter, John
Robbins, Thomas
Cleaveland, Samuel
Hampshire: Military History
New Forest
French Revolutionary Wars

24.
1795, April 1
Parish of Boldre... The persons chosen by the said parish to form the quarterly committees, for the ensuing twelve months, are appointed to serve in the order following...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 20 cm
Listing of parish of Boldre quarterly committee members
Boldre, New Forest (Hampshire): Local Government

25.
1795 October 28
At a meeting of the magistrates, acting in and for the east part of the New Forest division, in the County of Southampton, and also the mayor, corporation and principal inhabitants of the borough and town of Lymington... assembled at the Angel Inn, in Lymington... for the purpose of taking into consideration the practice of the butchers in selling out their meat, and the cause of the present high price thereof... it was resolved unanimously, that the butchers of this town demand a higher price than those of Ringwood, Christchurch, Poole, or any of the neighbouring towns; and that the manner of obliging their customers to take a considerable quantity of what is called rough meat, to be weighed in with the prime, is peculiar only to the butchers of Lymington... Resolved - that temporary stalls be erected every Saturday in the town, for the accommodation of all butchers, not resident therein, who may be desirous of attending the above market... the resolutions being subscribed to by all present, the butchers of Lymington were desired to attend – and on being asked what prices they were willing to sell the different classes of meat at, separate, they all agreed not to sell any of the prime meat separate: the meeting therefore was prevented from coming to any terms with them...
Lymington: [s.n.], 1795 October 28
1 sheet [1] p. 39 cm x 23 cm
Notice of a town meeting condemning the trading practices of Lymington butchers
Robbins Esq., Thomas
New Forest (Hampshire): Trade and Commerce

26.
1796 August 24
At the Southampton Long Rooms... the celebrated Chevaliere D’eon will make a grand assault d’armes or a true representation of an attack and defence, in single combat, sword in hand, with an
English gentleman, a professor in the art of fencing... Mademoiselle D’eon... served as Captain of Dragoons, and Aid-de-Camp to Mareschal Duc de Broglio... admittance three shillings... But not being able since the Revolution in France, and during the epoch of this [Napoleonic] War, to draw the pensions which had been granted to her by the late kings of France... she lost her estate and fortune with cool and philosophic resignation... thus circumstanced, at the age of sixty-eight, embraces the resource of her skill and long experience in the science of arms, to cut her bread with her sword, to gain a comfortable existence without being a burden to anybody... she relies on the liberality of Britons at large, to protect an unfortunate woman of nobility from the ‘stings and arrows of outrageous fortune’ in a foreign country and in the ‘vale of years’. N.B. music will attend Southampton: [s.n.], 1796 August 24
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Advertisement for a theatrical fencing performance
D’eon, Charlotte Genevieve Louis
Mareschal Duc de Broglio
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

27.
1796 October 6
Winchester - We hear that it is in the contemplation to make some addition to the clergy of this Diocese, as it does not appear there is at present a sufficient number to do the common duty of the Cathedral. On Sunday morning last, which was the first time of our worthy mayor going to church in form, there was neither sermon gospel nor sacrament... the above circumstances have furnished matter of conversation in every circle this week; and a beautiful and elegant church-going young lady has written on the occasion the following song or ditty...
Winchester: [s.n.], 1796 October 6
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Signed and dated at end: Constantia, Oct. 6 1796
Commentary and poem on the understaffing of the Cathedral of Winchester
Winchester (Hampshire): Clergy
Winchester Cathedral

28.
1797 October
A list of subscribers in Southampton and its neighbourhood for the relief of the wounded seamen, and for the widows and orphans of those brave men who were killed in the action under Admiral Lord Viscount Duncan, on the 11th October 1797...Total of £232, 2 shillings 0 pence... the mayor has remitted the above balance to the committee at Lloyd’s coffee house,
Southampton: Skelton/Baker Printers, 1797
1 sheet [1] p. ; 34 cm x 21 cm
Signed at end: A. Atherley, Mayor
List of subscribers to a fund for the relief of seamen wounded at the battle of Camperdown
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities
Battle of Camperdown
French Revolutionary Wars

29.
1797 December 27
Audit House, Southampton... At a very numerous and respectable meeting of the inhabitants of this town and county... Resolved: That it is the opinion of this meeting, that the Bill now depending in parliament, for an enormous augmentation of the assessed taxes, is partial and unjust, and if passed into a law will be found insupportably oppressive, and generally ruinous...an inquisitorial system of
taxation, novel in its principle, destructive of all property, dangerous to the freedom of the subject, and utterly repugnant to the spirit of the British constitution...

Southampton: T. Baker, 1797 December 27
1 sheet [1] p.; 32 cm x 21 cm
Signed at end: A. Atherley, chairman
Notice of a meeting condemning the new income tax
Southampton (Hampshire): Politics
French Revolutionary Wars
Income Tax

30.
1798 February 28
Pursuant to the adjournment, the committee appointed for the management of the voluntary contribution, being met this day, have the satisfaction of observing, that... the sum already raised is very respectable... and the committee finding that all ranks of people are becoming sensible of the happy effects that may be expected from a general display of the spirit and energy of the nation, and hoping there are none who would not wish to give some proof, however small the sum, of attachment to their country, at a time when everything that can be dear to a free people, is threatened by an ambitious and unreasonable enemy... Voluntary contributions... Total - £2,271 1s. 6d.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1798
1 sheet [2] p.; 36 cm x 26 cm
Notice of subscription of free gifts to the country
Politics
French Revolutionary Wars
Income tax

31.
1798 March 15
The committee appointed to superintend the voluntary contributions of this town... have great pleasure in announcing the further result of that patriotic spirit... voluntary contributions of free gifts to the country continued... last total - £2,270 6s. 6d... Total £2,750 4s. 6d.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1798
1 sheet [2] p.; 33 cm x 21 cm
Notice of subscription of free gifts to the country
Politics
French Revolutionary Wars
Income tax

32.
1798 April 2
To Arthur Atherley, Esq. Mayor... Sir, the undersigned request that you will call a meeting of the inhabitants of this town and county, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of forming a corps of infantry by voluntary enrolment, to serve in this town and neighbourhood at this moment of national danger...
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1798
1 sheet [1] p.; 23 cm x 17 cm
Signed at end: A. Atherley, Mayor
Notice of meeting to discuss military enrolment
Atherley, Arthur
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History
French Revolutionary Wars

33.
1798 April 4
Southampton... Fellow townsmen, at a time when we have seen an ambitious enemy, by violence or deceitful offers of friendship, subjugate or destroy almost all the lesser states of Europe... let all amongst us who possess personal ability... stand forward voluntarily and embody ourselves, that we may receive that military instruction...
Southampton: T. Skelton Printers, 1798
1 sheet [1] p.; 22 cm x 18 cm
Call for voluntary enrolment in armed forces
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History
French Revolutionary Wars

34.
1798 April 7
Audit House Southampton... At a meeting of the inhabitants held this day... the following resolutions were entered into... that we will be ready to come forward to assist the public force of the kingdom, and serve... whenever an invasion shall actually take place... that in the meantime we will endeavour to acquire such knowledge of the military art, as will fit us to be of effective service to our country... we will clothe ourselves in such an uniform dress... when fifty shall be enrolled we will choose officers from amongst ourselves... we will regularly attend for the purpose of being instructed by exercise... we will cheerfully and thankfully accept such arms... we engage to obey, implicitly, the legal orders of our officers...
Southampton: T. Skelton, 1798
1 sheet [1] p.; 31 cm x 19 cm
Notice of the creation of a voluntary infantry corps
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History
French Revolutionary Wars

35.
1798 July 17
To the friends of evangelical religion... the case of Hythe, in the New Forest... If preaching the gospel of peace in villages be in general an object which draws forth your attention, and has your support, Hythe is a situation which deserves your peculiar encouragement... there is no place of worship within 2 or 3 miles... some Christian friends at Southampton... touched with compassion for the souls of their fellow-creatures “perishing for lack of knowledge”, hired a private house for the purpose of preaching... a large congregation attended... the house can only be occupied to the ensuing midsummer... it has therefore been thought expedient to erect a plain chapel... a spot of ground having been purchased... for building a chapel on, a subscription was entered into... pounds are already subscribed at Southampton, but that not being a sum sufficient...
Southampton: [s.n.], 1798
1 sheet [2] p.; 25 cm x 20 cm
Notice for the subscription of funds for a Christian chapel at Hythe
Kingsbury, Rev. W.
Hythe, New Forest (Hampshire): Religion

36.
1799 March 8
Rules and Regulations of the Charitable Fund of Protestant Dissenters at Southampton... At a meeting held at the vestry of the Meeting House, Above-Bar, Southampton... It was resolved... that
this meeting form itself into a Society, under the name of the Charitable Fund of Protestant Dissenters at Southampton... that every member pay six-pence per week towards the fund... that all questions be decided by a majority... the object of this society is principally the relief of the sick and the poor... whilst preference will be given to those of our own congregation... that, if at any time the fund of the society be sufficient, the propagation of the glorious gospel, in any way, be one of its objects... that every subscriber, if he choose, propose an object, or case... no member be received without the approbation of the majority of the committee... that no member of the society be an object of its relief...

Southampton: Baker Printer, 1799
1 sheet [1] p.; 33 cm x 20 cm

Rules and Regulations of the Charitable Fund of Protestant Dissenters at Southampton
Charitable Fund of Protestant Dissenters at Southampton
Southampton (Hampshire): Dissenters, Religious

37.
1799 June 8
Southampton Audit House... The mayor requests a general meeting of the inhabitants... to take into consideration a bill now just brought into parliament by the commissioners of the water-works; whereby the rate (which is now low) will be advanced many hundred pounds a year... without even having consulted the inhabitants, or laid any plans, estimates or proposals before them... by order of the mayor... Thos. Ridding, town clerk
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1799
1 sheet [1] p.; 23 cm x 18 cm
Notification of a meeting to discuss a new rate for water-works
Ridding, Thomas
Southampton (Hampshire): Water Supply
Southampton (Hampshire): Rates

38.
1799 June 10
Galpine, I. Clerk to the Commissioners of the Water-Works
To the inhabitants of Southampton... the mayor having requested a general meeting... to consider the Bill brought into Parliament by the Commissioners of the Water-Works... it has been thought right, in order to avoid any misconceptions or misrepresentations of such Bill, to submit to your impartial consideration the following facts... the reasons, among others, which ultimately induced the proceeding with the Bill, are that, by the existing Act, passed 52 years ago, when the town was not two thirds of its present magnitude or consequence, the commissioners are empowered to collect the very small rate of sixpence in the pound, according to the Land Tax Assessment, producing annually about £50 for repairing, improving and maintaining... public water works; the fire bells; engines; crooks; buckets... a sum for many years past greatly inadequate to the necessary support of the water works and fire engines... and to keeping up even the present partial and scanty supply of water...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p.; 33 cm x 21 cm
Signed and dated at end: I. Galpine, clerk to the commissioners [of water-works], June 10 1799
Notice to the inhabitants of Southampton describing the Bill for improvements to water-works
Galpine, I.
Southampton (Hampshire): Water Supply
Southampton (Hampshire): Rates

39.
1799 June 11
Thomas Durrell, Mayor of Southampton
Southampton… At a very numerous and respectable meeting of the inhabitants convened at the Audit House… resolved unanimously, that from the explanations given by the commissioners of the water-works, it appears to this meeting that the bill supposed to be prepared by them for altering the old act was not carried into Parliament, or with their knowledge or consent; and that their intentions and instructions to the clerk, were, that their alterations together with their plans, should be submitted to the town in the first instance and previous to any application to Parliament… the blame rests wholly with their clerk and not with them… that instructions be given immediately to our members in Parliament to prevent the further progress of the Bill…
Southampton: [s.n.], 1799
1 sheet [1] p. ; 31 cm x 19 cm
Signed at end: Thomas Durell, Mayor
Notification of the mismanagement of the change in water-works rates
Durell, Thomas
Southampton (Hampshire): Water Supply
Southampton (Hampshire): Rates

1799 December 20
Peyton, Y. Mayor of Southampton
Audit House, Southampton… At a general meeting of the inhabitants of this town and county… to consider of some mode for the relief of the industrious and deserving poor… by furnishing them with soup, or such other nutritious aliment… under the excessive high prices of bread and other necessaries of life, it is expedient to provide immediate relief to the industrious and deserving resident poor… that a liberal subscription be now opened at the two banks in this town… that a shop or shops for the sale of good meat soup at one penny per quart will prove a great benefit to the poor… provide a quantity of potatoes and fuel, to sell at a reduced price… together with the ministers, and church-wardens of the respective parishes, and the Rev. Mr. Kingsbury… that the thanks of this meeting be given to the Rev. Mr. Whitaker and the young gentlemen of his school, for their very laudable exertions in behalf of the industrious poor, in performing a play for their benefit…
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1799
1 sheet [1] p. ; 37 cm x 25 cm
Peyton, Y. Mayor of Southampton
Notice of plans for poor relief
Kingsbury, William
Whitaker, Mr. Rev.
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

41.
1799 June 11
Southampton… We have seen a handbill signed by Mr Galpine, as clerk to the Commissioners of the Water-Works. It certainly very correctly explains the substance of our alterations in the old Act; - alterations which we have long thought, and still think essential: but that handbill was published by Mr. Galpine solely, and without our authority. And we most solemnly declare that the Act, as altered by us, was printed, and brought into Parliament, without our knowledge consent our direction… nothing further should be done, until parochial meetings were called, agreeable to our original intentions…
Southampton: [s.n.], 1799
Letter regarding the mismanagement of the change in water-works rates

Galpine, I.
Southampton (Hampshire): Water Supply
Southampton (Hampshire): Rates

1799 December 21
Peyton, Y. Mayor and President of the Committee for the relief of the poor
Audit House, Southampton... The Committee for the relief of the industrious and deserving poor, having resolved on providing good meat soup to be sold out a one penny per quart, notice is hereby given, that all persons desirous of partaking of the benefit thereof, are required immediately to give in their names, and the number in family to the church-wardens of the parish in which they reside...
Southampton: T. Skelton Printers, 1799

Notice for poor relief
Peyton, Yelverton
Committee for the Relief of the Poor
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

1800 January 18
Southampton – The Committee for the Relief of the Poor, do hereby give notice, that soup will be ready for delivery at the Soup House, in the Sugar House yard, to the respective parishes, at one penny per quart, on the following days, and will continue to be delivered every week until further notice... N.B. Bad half-pence will be refused
Southampton: T. Skelton Printers, 1800

Notification of poor relief provisioning in various parishes
Committee for the Relief of the Poor
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

1800 February 8
To the labouring poor of the parish of Portsea. Notice is hereby given, to the poor, only, of this parish, that they may be supplied with the best wheat, in small quantities, proportioned to their families, either by the bushel or half-bushel, at 20s. per load under the wholesale market price... where they may receive a ticket, to have it immediately ground, free of expense, at either of the mills of Misters Snook, Tollervey, Sibley and Stoneham...
Portsea: W. Woodward Printer, 1800

Notification of poor relief at Portsea
Portsea, Portsmouth (Hampshire): Poor Relief

1800 March 19
Bernard, Thomas
Society for Bettering the Condition of the Poor... My Lord, as some doubt seems to have been entertained with regard to the produce of bread from a bushel of flour being as great as Mr. Haggitt
has stated it, I submit to your lordship the result of my last experiment... the process was as follows... and the produce weighed, when cold, fifty-one pounds twelve ounces of bread... I have had, from the first, very little or no doubt, in my own mind upon the subject of the discovery by Mr. Haggitt. I am now convinced of its utility and importance...

London St. James’s: W. Bulmer & Co., 1800
1 sheet [2] p. ; 25 cm x 19 cm
Letter from Thomas Barnard to the Bishop of Durham detailing a recipe for baking bread
Charities
Religion
Poor relief

46.
1800 May 23
Audit House, Southampton... At a meeting of the Committee for the Relief of the Poor held this day, Sir Yelverton Peyton, Bart. Mayor in the Chair, the Treasurer’s account were examined, when it appeared that the sum of £610 17s. 8d. has been subscribed, and that there remains a balance of nine shillings and five-pence in his hands; there having been delivered to the poor, 27,850 quarts of soup, 10,602 gallons of potatoes, and 1,860 bushels of coals.
Southampton: Skelton Printers, 1800
1 sheet [1] p. ; 23 cm x 17 cm
Signed at end: Y. Peyton, Mayor
Notice describing the success of the Committee for Poor Relief
Peyton, Yelverton
Committee for the Relief of the Poor
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

47.
1800 June
Newport, Isle of Wight... Immediately after the holidays, a gentleman, who has been long in the care and instruction of youth, intends opening a day school... to teach spelling, reading and writing the English language... history, geography, arithmetic, book-keeping and land measuring... dancing; for which no charge is made for those who enter one year certain: - TERMS, only 10s. 6d. per quarter; books, etc., included, for 15s. ... A governess, who has long resided in France, and been in the habit of teaching young ladies the French and English languages... needlework... The advantage of the intercourse of youth of both sexes, at stated hours of education, are too obvious to need any comment... Music. That favourite portable instrument, the guitar, regularly, expeditiously, and correctly taught; and to accompany it with the voice, with taste, elegance, and judgement; after school hours, on reasonable terms... Grown subjects taught to dance.
Southampton: T. Baker Printer, 1800
1 sheet [1] p. ; 31 cm x 20 cm
Advertisement for school instruction
Newport (Isle of Wight): Education: Schools

48.
1800 January 1
Southampton... The Committee for the Relief of the Poor, not being able to deliver soup so soon as they expected, have determined on delivering coals at one shilling per bushel, to such heads of families only as have given in their names to the church wardens. The parishes will be supplied on the following days, in the Sugar House Yard, from eleven to three... Holy Rhood, St. Lawrence, St. John, All Saints, St. Michael, St. Mary’s...
49.
1800 September 18
Audit House, Southampton... The Mayor and magistrates are sorry to observe that spirit of disturbance and riot which has taken place in the public markets, and other parts of the town. As this arises in all probability from persons disposed to take advantage of the present time of scarcity for carrying on their wishes to create confusion and disorder in the town... full security and protection to all lawful dealers... prosecutions will be commenced against every person who shall in any manner whatever disturb the public peace... call on all persons to aid and assist the civil power in preserving the peace and tranquillity of the town.

Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1800
1 sheet [1] p.; 25 cm x 19 cm
Signed at end: By order of the Mayor and Magistrates, Thos. Ridding, Town Clerk
Order against rioting
Ridding, Thomas
Southampton (Hampshire): Riots

50.
1801 January 13
Southampton... The committee for regulating the Dissenters Charity, inform the poor of Southampton, that they have contracted with Mr. Toomer for fifty cauldrons of coals; which are now delivering at the quay, at one shilling per bushel

Southampton: T. Baker Printer, 1801
1 sheet [1] p.; 14 cm x 22 cm
Notice for poor relief
Toomer, Mr
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief
Southampton (Hampshire): Dissenters, Religious

51.
1802 March 10
An Inhabitant
To the inhabitants of Southampton. On the erection of a turnpike gate at the entrance of the town, and which is shortly to be erected, you will under the existing law, enjoy the valuable privileges of passing and re-passing such gate to and from Romsey and Northam Bridge, without paying any toll; but, extraordinary as it must appear to you, a Bill is now carrying through Parliament, by Mr. Amyatt, one of your representatives, for repealing the above law, and making you, on the erection of the intended gate, liable, in all cases, to the payment of tolls... It is now not too late, by a prompt petition to Parliament against the Bill... to avert the intended mischief, calculated to deprive you of your rights, and fraught with evils innumerable...

Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p.; 20 cm x 15 cm
Signed at end: An Inhabitant
Protest notice against a new law revoking local exemption from the turnpike toll
52.  
1802 March 12  
To the inhabitants of Southampton. You are informed by “An Inhabitant” “That consequences expensive and prejudicial in the extreme are to be entailed on you and your posterity by the Bill said to be carrying through parliament by Mr. Amyatt…” Pompous and high sounding words are not sufficient to carry conviction to the mind – there will be no unnecessary expense imposed on you; for all, even the most interested in opposing this measure, must allow the propriety of putting the roads round so respectable a town and neighbourhood in a better state of repair… You are told “it is not now too late by a prompt petition to Parliament against the Bill to avert the intended mischief…” remember, however, that opposition to parliamentary proceedings must ever be attended with a great expense… you will act a much safer and a much wiser part, by reposing confidence in that body of men who are on every occasion desirous of promoting the good of the town… Be not stirred up to opposition - this will most assuredly entail on you expenses which must ultimately fall on your posterity, and the consequences will be “prejudicial in the extreme” to those who have to pay the lawyer’s bill. 
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 25 cm x 18 cm
Signed at end: A.B.
Rebuttal to the protesting of a new turnpike law
Southampton (Hampshire): Turnpikes
Turnpikes Trusts

53.  
1802 March 31  
To the independent electors of the town and county of Southampton. Gentlemen, you are particularly requested not to engage your votes and interest for the ensuing general election, as a gentleman, not unknown to you, intends to offer himself as a candidate. Being sincerely attached to the cause of freedom, and a friend to peace and commerce, he confidently relies on your support; and he trust that the event will prove that the present prevailing opinion, that your respected town is a mere treasury borough, is unjust and ill-founded. 
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 22 cm x 18 cm
Political flyer
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

54.  
1802 April 14  
Sir, at a meeting of the Associated Ministers and Friends of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in Hampshire, held at Christchurch, on the 14th April 1802, a proposition was made by the Rev. James Bennett of Romsey, from Robert Haldane esq. of Edinburgh, - that, in order to send forth more labourers into Christ’s vineyard, and particularly to increase the usefulness of the Rev. Mr Bogue of Gosport, in educating young men for the ministry of the gospel, - if Mr Bogue would take ten students in addition to his present number, Mr Haldane would subscribe ten pounds per annum to each, for three years, making a sum of £300 in the whole… it was resolved that measure should immediately be taken to carry so glorious a plan into execution…
Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [2] p. ; 25 cm x 20 cm
Letter regarding funds for ecclesiastical teaching
55.
1802 April 17
To the inhabitants of the town and county of Southampton. Friends, It having been signified in the House of Commons by one of the party of Mr Pitt, on the debate on Sir Francis Burdett’s motion, that it is his intention to move the thanks of the House to Mr. Pitt for his ministerial services to the country – will it not be wise and honest in us to request the mayor to call a meeting of the town for the purpose of instructing our representatives how to conduct themselves on such a momentous point?... to tell our agents how to act in a case of such importance...
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 22 cm x 17 cm
Flyer requesting a town meeting to discuss political support for the upcoming General Election

56.
1802 June 11
Atherley, Arthur
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of Southampton. Gentlemen, having received the most flattering proffers of unsolicited support, in case I were to offer myself as a candidate to represent you in Parliament, at the ensuing general election; I think it my duty to state to you the reasons, which induce me to decline that distinguished honor on the present occasion... a disinclination to disturb the peace of the town, and to be the cause of the disorders and animosities usually attendant on contested elections, in addition to a late domestic affliction... oblige me to postpone for the present my pretensions to the favour...
Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 25 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: Arthur Atherley Jnr. Southampton, June 11th 1802
Notice of Mayor Atherley’s declination for candidacy in the general election

57.
1802 June 12
Amyatt, James, 1734-1813
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town and county of Southampton. Gentleman, under the certainty of a speedy dissolution of Parliament, and in the strongest hopes that the favour with which you have so eminently distinguished us will not now be withheld, we have again the honour to solicit your countenance and support at the approaching general election...
Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 24 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: James Amyatt and George H. Rose, Southampton, 12th June 1802
Notice of Amyatt’s and Rose’s candidacy in the general election

58.
1802 July 1
Lewis, Percival
To the gentlemen, clergy and freeholders of the county of Radnor. Gentlemen, having received the most flattering offers of support, if I tendered my services as a candidate, upon the present dissolution, to represent you in Parliament; I do not hesitate to declare to you my intentions of so doing, and do solicit the honor of your support…
Southampton: T. Baker and Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [1] p.; 26 cm x 21 cm
Signed and dated at end: Percival Lewis, Downton, July 1, 1802
Notice of Percival Lewis’ candidacy for Radnor in general election
Parliamentary elections
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59.
1802 July 1
Amyatt, James
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, the dissolution of Parliament having now taken place, we again beg leave to solicit the honor of your votes and interest to represent this town in the ensuing Parliament… the day of election is fixed for Monday next
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p.; 24 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: James Amyatt and George H. Rose, Southampton, July 1st 1802
Notice of Amyatt’s and Rose’s candidacy in the general election
Rose, George H.
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

60.
1802 July 31
To the inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, his majesty having now dissolved the Parliament, you are called upon to exercise your most invaluable privilege of electing two members to represent you in the ensuing parliament, a duty that demands the most serious consideration of every rational mind… the state to which the public burthens is now arrived at, together with the consequent increase of all the necessities of life, render the present a most awful period… nine years past, has been kept in the toils of an unjust and disgraceful war, a war not more hostile to the independence of the French nation than to the rights, the property, the peace, the laws, the manners, and security of the people of England; all of which… trodden under foot by Mr. Pitt and his adherents… Our late members have uniformly supported these ruinous measures, refusing to regard… three several petitions of the unbiased part and decided majority of the inhabitants of the town… if they had not engaged you in the wicked combination of despots to destroy the French revolution, that a civil war would have taken place in this country… Mr Pitt stated this as one of the pretexts for involving the country in the war, when Mr. Fox, in the House of Commons, moved that an enquiry should be instituted, that the character of the country might be vindicated… which motion was negatived by the minister’s majority, as they well knew that the assertion was unfounded, and the enquiry would have freed the country from alarm. It was proved to be false in the trials of Hardy, Tooke, and others… the awful situation into which the nation is now placed, with a public debt of 600,000,000… establishing paper to pass for gold or silver… circulating medium is increased three or four fold, which is the true cause of the enormous price which all the necessities of life are now arrived at… the number of the poor and destitute doubled… petitions were presented to Parliament for legislative assistance… the poor rate of England, in 1801,
amounted to the enormous sum of 9,000,00[0] the habeas corpus act... suspended for the course of five or six years... In Ireland, flogging and hanging were had recourse to, for the purpose of extorting confession, a barbarity disclaimed by all nations pretending to civilization... To all these measures our worthy members gave their full countenance and support... in the name of heaven, rouse yourselves and vindicate your dignity as freemen... A man born amongst you, of approved principles... now tenders you his services on constitutional principles, as his letter to Mr. Nicholls fully specifies. If his call is neglected, reproach and shame must be our portion, and the character of the town suffer in the estimation of every virtuous man.

Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1802
1 sheet [2] p. ; 22 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: A Freeman, Southampton, July 31st 1802
Political flyer condemning Pitt’s ministry

Pitt, William, 1759-1806
Hardy, Thomas
Tooke, John Horne
Fox, Charles James, 1749-1806
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
1794 Treason Trials

61.
1802 July 4
Scott, William
To the electors of Southampton, gentlemen, having been called upon by Mr. Nicholls for an explicit declaration of my sentiments upon the subject of offering to you as a candidate on the present election, I did not hesitate to give it in, in a letter which I wrote on him on that occasion... In compliance with the desire of men whose public sentiments I have always admired, I shall attend the meeting tomorrow morning in the Town Hall... I pledge myself to go to a poll with other candidates... I do not know how to give you a better assurance of the course I shall pursue in Parliament, if it shall be your pleasure to find me there, than in giving you most unequivocally my opinion of the last House of Commons; and this I shall do in the words of Mr. Fox to the electors of Westminster... “No tax, however unjust in its principle or tyrannical in its execution, did they ever refuse. No inquiry, however disastrous or disgraceful the occasion, unless called for by the ministers themselves, did they ever institute. No proposed suspension or surrender of the liberty of the subject seemed to cause among them slightest hesitation; and if it happened that, in consequence of such measures, the liberty, character, and means of livelihood were sacrificed to the alleged exigencies of government, - - - not compensation to the sufferers, but indemnity to those who inflicted the suffering, was the first object of their concern. Private misery excite no compassion; torture itself raised no indignation.” Gentlemen, I have the honour to be, with the most cordial attachment to you, and the sincerest wishes for the property and independence of Southampton, very faithfully your servant, William Scott.

Southampton: T. Baker and Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 26 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: William Scott, Wimpson, July 4th 1802
Notice of William Scott’s intended candidacy for the general election

Fox, Charles James, 1749-1806
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

62.
1802 July 5
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants, of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, we beg leave to return to you our most sincere thanks for the truly
honourable and flattering support we have this day received at the Guildhall, on the election of members to represent this town in the ensuing Parliament; and earnestly request your attendance at the same place to-morrow morning at nine o’clock, to which time and place the poll is adjourned. The numbers at the close of this day’s poll were as follows: George Henry Rose, Esq. 114; James Amyat Esq. 110; William Scott, Esq. 12. We are very respectfully, gentlemen, your faithful and obedient humble servants, James Amyatt, George Henry Rose.

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 24 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: James Amyatt, George Henry Rose, Southampton, July 5th, 1802
Notice of gratitude for Amyatt’s and Rose’s electoral success

Amyatt, James, 1734-1813
Rose, George H.
Scott, William
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

63.
1802 July 10
Scott, William
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, it has been suggested to me, that I have omitted sending round any handbills since the election, as the two successful candidates have done. I own... it did not occur to me... I again beg leave to offer you every mark of gratitude in my power; first to those who did me the high honour of voting for me, and next to persons of every description, for their attention, kindness, and good humour... very faithfully, your servant, William Scott.

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 21 cm x 16 cm
Notice of gratitude by William Scott for electoral support

Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

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64.
1802 June 11
To the electors. If the electors of Southampton will withhold their votes for a few days, a gentleman of the neighbourhood intends to offer to undertake their services in Parliament, upon the most pure and constitutional principles; and will pledge himself to go to a poll with the present candidates.

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printer, 1802
1 sheet [1] p. ; 19 cm x 16 cm
Notice of a new candidate for Parliament

Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

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65.
1803 June 23
The Union Society, for Mutual Insurance, at a subscription of one guinea each. To lessen difficulties which individuals must look at with dismay, and to establish a concern which single ability cannot support, is the principle on which the Union Society is founded. The object is an establishment for the assistance of those, who may probably be called upon, at this momentous crisis, to arm or find substitutes for the defence of their country and constitution; but who cannot sacrifice their duties and engagements, without great personal inconvenience. Any persons, being householders, willing to subscribe to this plan, are requested to enter their names with Mr. Bell, at the George Inn, and to
pay their subscriptions to Mr Amor, the Secretary to the Society – no person will be considered a subscriber until his subscription be paid.

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1803
1 sheet [1] p.; 26 cm x 20 cm
Notice of a new insurance society raising subscriptions for the war effort in place of service

Southampton (Hampshire): Insurance Societies
Southampton (Hampshire): Military Service: Conscription
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

66.
1803 July 26
Fellow Britons in arms! I address you, my countrymen, as already in arms, for the time is arriving when not only the legislature will compel, but necessity and duty will enjoin every man to arm... a haughty and execrable despot threatens to desolate our land... He will not attack an armed nation. The idea is absurd. Let us arm, as a body, for our happy constitution, and its gracious guardian, our sovereign; for our boasted liberty, our envied laws, and our tolerant religion... Every interest that is precious to us is now at stake, and urges us to arm. Let one sentiment pervade all ranks. Annihilation is the sentiment of the enemy, and let determination be yours... All classes of my fellow countrymen, and particularly my fellow townsmen, are now called upon to learn the use of the musket... Parliament has decreed for all to arm... Meet then my townsmen, to accelerate the operations of the law; but not to devise new and partial schemes. The division of classes to be trained to arms is a wise and popular measure. Limited volunteering and balloting are received as unpopular; create suspicion, and breed disaffection... They will come forward with their lives, and sacrifice them for their king and country, but not to shelter the indolent and wealthy from exertion... Let us consider the consequences of their [France's armies] successes on this land, by turning our eyes to the cold blooded murdering of 5,000 Turks at Jaffa, by the express command of the Corsican depot himself...

Southampton: T. Baker & Sons Printer, 1803
1 sheet [1] p.; 31 cm x 19 cm
Signed at end: Cincinnatus
Call to arms against Napoleonic France

Southampton (Hampshire): Military Service: Conscription
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

67.
1803 July 29
Awake! Arise! Or be forever fallen! Britons! You have frequently been called upon, by the highest authority, to be aware of your danger, and to be armed at all points against an insidious and implacable foe... But after all we have heard... there are some who still wish to persuade themselves, or affect to believe, that no danger of invasion exists... They urge... that the fear of foul defeat and disgrace will withhold the enemy from the attempt. And, secure in this opinion, they lie down, and leave other to bear the burden and the heat... But, my fellow countrymen, consult the pages of British history, and you will soon find that your shores have often been invaded, and invaded with success... Should he, [Napoleon] as the consequence and punishment of the apathy, the indolence, or the avarice of selfish wretches who have discouraged their inferiors, - at an evil hour accomplish his purpose... Rouse then, my countrymen. Unite, as though animated by one soul. Let all parties, sects, and private interests be forgotten and swallowed up in the common cause... we are all united, all armed, and determined that Britons never will be slaves.

Southampton: T. Baker & Sons Printers, 1803
1 sheet [1] p.; 27 cm x 22 cm
Signed at end: Senex.
Call to arms against Napoleonic France
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

68.
1803 August 8
At a meeting of the principal inhabitants of Fawley, Beaulieu, and Dibden, held at the New Inn, at Fawley, on the 8th day of August 1803, the following resolutions were agreed to: Resolved, That it is expedient, as well for the relief of the aforesaid parishes, as for the advantage of the service, that the people be invited to come forward as volunteers... that a subscription be opened for assisting the government allowance for clothes and accoutrements, so that they may be made as near as possible to the regulation of the army, but, on no account, of a superior quality... that the men willing to come forward as volunteers, be requested to assemble at eight o’clock on Sunday morning the 14th instant, at Ash Down; and that such clauses of the defence act, as relate to their situation, be read to them, and explained... that Admiral Parry’s obliging offer to act as Treasurer be accepted.... That the thanks of this meeting be voted to the Chairman, the Rev. Henry Drummond, for his very polite attention and able assistance this day... And that a general meeting of the parishes of Fawley, Beaulieu and Dibden, be held at Hill Top Gate, on Sunday the 21st Instant, at nine o’clock in the morning

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1803
1 sheet [1] p. ; 33 cm x 21 cm
Signed at end: Henry Roger Drummond, Chairman
Notice of voluntary service and subscriptions for local defences
Drummond, Henry Roger
Parry, Admiral
New Forest (Hampshire): Military History: Volunteer Corps
New Forest (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

69.
1803 August 8
Friends and fellow countrymen! An appeal to you when our country is threatened with invasion buy a tyrant and usurper, is the duty of every Englishman who wishes to preserve his liberty, character and the enviable constitution under which he is protected... Whether shall we continue to be a loyal and free people, faithful to our king and country; or become bondmen and slaves to France?... To awaken the dormant principle of liberty, and a just regard to their true interest, with the lower class of the community, and to stimulate them to become zealous in the cause of freedom and independence, is no trifling consideration, at this moment, to claim the greatest exertions from the rich and affluent... Let them contribute, to the extent of their abilities, towards the exigencies of the state, as becomes their high station; and show themselves worthy of the true character of Britons, by aiding the necessities of the distressed... If we look into the page of history, you find, among the vices which led to the destruction of most nations, luxury stands foremost. It is the parent of effeminacy, and all the debilitating sources that enervate the mind and body... It increases an avidity for money, beyond it genuine purposes, and drives the disposition to every excess unworthy the principles of an intelligent being. By wise men, money has ever been considered as the root of all evil... it becomes an incentive, and spurs to action, the numerous levies of the threatening invader... Remember, it is not in the cottages of the poor, or hamlets of the industrious labourer, that the invader will seek his prey. He will hunt for it in your palaces, in your stately mansions, in your villas and sequestered retreats... the alluring charms of gold will be lost to the possessor, and the present fastidious miser must seek for safety in the habiliments of the poor. He may then envy them their poverty and insignificance, and wish his riches had been converted to better purposes...

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, 1803
1 sheet [1] p. ; 33 cm x 21 cm
Signed at end: Mentor
Calls to arms against Napoleonic France
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

70.
1803 August 15
Southampton, many inconveniencies having arisen in the late meeting of the volunteer corps in the marsh, by the pressure of a number of persons not immediately attached to it, it is requested that all such volunteers as have, or may be inclined, to enrol their names in the corps under the command of Mr. Jackson, will muster in the lawn at Bellevue, this evening at five o’clock precisely. Person having muskets, or other descriptions of guns, are earnestly requested to bring them. N.B. Entrance at the lower gate of Bellevue
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1803
1 sheet [1] p.; 22 cm x 17 cm
Notice of a meeting for Southampton’s volunteer corps
Jackson, Mr.
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History: Volunteer Corps

71.
Atherley, Arthur
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, it was always the ambition of my life to represent my native town; and when you did me the honour of electing me last Autumn, I received that mark of your confidence with exultation... I now reflect with satisfaction on having borne an humble share in the great works of that short but memorable Parliament, in the abolition of an inhuman traffic – in a wide and beneficent plan for relieving the people from the pressure of taxation – in an attempt to correct public abuses – and in a project for the education and improvement of the poor... but I have observed with deep regret, that apprehensions of a measure, which was very limited in its nature, and which had been actually withdrawn before the late ministers were dismissed, had been but too successfully encouraged by calumny and misrepresentation. A detailed explanation or justification of my principles is unnecessary, and would be improper; but I am confident that the independent and honourable men who elected me six months ago, neither wished me to conceal them nor would ask me now to abandon them. It is a disappointment to lose my seat in Parliament... I feel it becoming in me to withdraw from the contest – a contest of a peculiar character in which religious animosity has been unfortunately blended with political discussion... The sudden dissolution, which interrupted so many private Bills in their progress and stifled so many public measures in their infancy, has also prevented for a time the calm and dispassionate investigation of the subject, to which I have alluded.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1804
1 sheet [1] p.; 33 cm x 20 cm
Signed at dated at end: Arthur Atherley Jun., May 4th 1804
Notice of resignation from Arthur Atherley
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

72.
1806 March 15
To the free and independent electors of Southampton. It is obvious that nothing can be more manifestly proper than, when the suffrages of a numerous and respectable body of Englishmen are likely to be appealed to, that those to whom such an appeal must necessarily be addressed should refrain from precipitately committing themselves, at a period when the option not be fairly laid before them, and when they may not even be acquainted with the exact number or description of persons from whom this election must be made... that Parliament will shortly be dissolved.
Notice of the dissolution of Parliament

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73.
1806 March 17
To candidates; and, to whom the cap fits. Had Mr Atherley respected the impudent address of “a Townsman” to him, as it merited, he would have answered it in the very words of the “No partisan” – It is now high time that the people should be more respected, and less imposed upon; and it is to be hoped the conduct, abilities, and respectability of the present administration will most assuredly effect it... Candidates ought now to show that consideration for themselves and their constituents (to be) as to shake off entirely that train of hirelings whom they usually employ to scribble for and advise with. It is obvious that such a step would conduce to their interest – otherwise, it will injure their pretensions, in the opinion of every discreet well-inclined citizen-voter. Why not step forward by themselves, or with a friend, a gentleman, and not an a-gent... to be introduced, on a canvass, by a tribe of mortals, tremendous to behold, headed in general by some professional man, (commonly so-called) whose theory and practice, thus encouraged, are real evils? And who are like all intermediate men, unnecessary, hurtful to the community at large, and generally arrogant, audacious, self-conceited, officious, intrusive, and ignorant to a certainty... The timely application of the friends of Mr Jackson, in his absence, proves their esteem for his person and interest, particularly in promulgating his principles – the highest recommendation that ought to entitle him to that honourable trust...

Southampton: A. Cunningham, 1806

1 sheet [1] p.; 21 cm x 16 cm

Signed and dated at end: An independent voter, March 17th 1806

Political flyer in support of Mr. Jackson condemning Arthur Atherley

Atherley, Arthur

Jackson, Josias

Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

74.
1806 March 20
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. The friends of Mr. Jackson trust to the active exertions of his personal acquaintances for securing his interests; the more generous on this occasion, as his absence in another quarter of the world precludes his immediate application for himself. They are, however, happy to announce, that his arrival in this country is speedily expected. Belle Vue, March 20 1806.

[S.l.]: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806

2 sheet [1] p.; 16 cm x 10 cm

Notice of thanks for support given to Mr. Jackson’s campaign and his imminent return to England

Jackson, Josias

Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

75.
1806 March 22
Amyatt, James, 1734-1813
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants, of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, on my arrival here a few days ago, I was very much surprised to find that
a canvass was going forward in the town, to engage your votes for the next general election. After having been the fortunate object of your choice for four successive Parliaments... I shall not relinquish the ambitious hope of continuing to be your representative while I have life and health... I shall once more become a candidate for your favour and suffrages... James Amyatt
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p.; 25 cm x 20 cm
Notice of James Amyatt's candidacy for Parliamentary election
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

76.
1806 March 24
An attempt having been made by certain insidious handbills, and other writings which have been circulated, to divert the attention of the free and independent electors of an ancient and respectable town from the claims of those, who have for so long a period faithfully served them in Parliament, it will not be deemed improper on this occasion, to warn the inhabitants at large against the arts of individuals, who, taking the advantage of a temporary change of circumstances, are anxious to bury in oblivion the true and persevering support which has been given to the cause of their king and of their country, by men, who have never been the dupes of those dangerous principles of false reform and real innovation, which at one time threatened this free and happy country with all the horrors of a Revolution. Let it never cease to be remembered, that to the unshaken firmness and perseverance of those men, we are beholden for the salvation of the state. Whatever calamities accrue to individuals, may the sinking fund never be forgotten or abandoned.
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p.; 23 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: A loyal inhabitant March 24 1806
Political flyer in favour of the incumbent Tory faction and the war against France
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

77.
1806?
A cracker, for the electors of Southampton

No flower that blows
Was like the old rose,
Whilst it bloomed in the Treasury border,
The corporate’s pride
Was the bud at its side:
What beauty, what grace, and what order!

Alas! When removed
From the hotbed so loved,
Late admirers now turn up their noses;
The old rose and its bud
Find a grave in the mud
Like the vilest and stalest of posies.

The loss to supply,
There is young A*****y,
Or J*****n; but if still uneasy,
There’s the lady, so bright,
With her castle knight,
As fresh and fair as a daisy.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. ; 21 cm x 17 cm
Signed at end: Whig
Humorous political poem on the 1806 election
Rose, George H.
Atherley, Arthur
Jackson, Josias
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

78.
1806?
To the electors of Southampton. I am very sorry to observe, that the next election is likely to produce among you heat and animosity. It behoves you to look to yourselves, and not to the candidates. It does appear to me, that the simple question for your consideration is, whether you shall give your support to the late, or present administration, or, rather, to their measures; - to speak more plainly, whether you will avow yourselves the friends of a system maintained and kept up by maxims inimical to liberty and toleration; or, whether you will support those, who from experience we know to be detectors and prosecutors of corruption and abuse.
Southampton: Baker and Fletcher Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. ; 20 cm x 16 cm
Signed at end: A plain man
Political flyer in opposition to the incumbent Tory government
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

79.
1806?
A song. To the tune of “In story we’re told.”
Push about the brisk bowl,
“ Twill enliven the soul...
... And success to Prince Arthur and Jackson. Brave boys...
As to young Georgy Rose,
We wish him repose...
Southampton: Skelton Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. ; 25 cm x 10 cm
Political poem in favour of Arthur Atherley and Josias Jackson
Jackson, Josias
Atherley, Arthur
Rose, George
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary elections

80.
1806 April 18
Jack tar. To be sold for want of gold.
The people surely are mistaken!
These Hampshire folks
May eat their clokes,
And suppose they’re eating bacon!
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p. ; 9 cm x 15 cm
Humorous poem
Hampshire

81.
1806 April 5
The Elector No. 4.
To diligent and attentive observers of the temper of the nation... there is nothing which so much contributes to the preservation of public liberty and prosperity, as the free and uncontrolled privilege of choosing our representatives: it is surely then our duty to pursue those rights with manly firmness... let us pause and reflect, whether in these perilous times it is a matter of trivial concern, to whom we delegate so high and important a trust... The people have suffered enough, the public calamities are grievous, and it is time that their voice was heard. The first of the two candidates whom I have mentioned, may certainly be called an old member... what has been the tenor of his public conduct... we'll faint not, nor desist, till we have achieved the glorious deed, and rid Southampton of him. Clausentius
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [1] p. ; 31 cm x 21 cm
Political piece against the incumbent MPs (Rose or Amyatt)
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

82.
1806 April 12
The Elector No. 5
To the people of Southampton. “The good sense of this nation will in time correct whatever is wrong with the constitution.” Mr. Fox
We have been told by a timber-headed logician, that it is unconstitutional, indecent, irreverent and bare-faced impudence, for to prepare your minds for an event which must inevitably happen... such is the whine of every angry disappointed man... We know, and we avow, that that body (the Corporation of Southampton) has taken a lofty and impregnable position, too high for these impostors to reach, and too well watched for their artifices to undermine... Stabilis
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. ; 31 cm x 21 cm
Anti-Whig political piece in favour of the Tory incumbents (Rose or Amyatt)
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

83.
1806 April 19
The Elector No. 6
To Ambulator. Disguise thyself as thou wilt in Proteus’ shape... what we have to expect by changing ministers – the increase of the property tax, on which he chimes, is necessary to restore the nation to its honor, degraded and debased by a long and dangerous administration... Let us view our country after their government, after one and twenty years... burdens doubled... the poor increased... Clausentius
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. ; 31 cm x 21 cm
Political piece against the incumbent MPs (Rose or Amyatt)
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

84.
1806 April 26
The Elector No. 7
To the elector. Sir, having perused several of your papers, I am much surprised that you have not been alive to the character of a gentleman, who has received abundant scurrility from the pens of certain parasites... In the day of trouble and adversity, to whom shall the nation look up for support; will it not look with confidence to the honest patriot, who was the uniform opposer of all the disastrous measures planned and pursued by the last administration... Manlius...

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. ; 31 cm x 20 cm
Political piece
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary elections

85.
1806 May 3
The Elector No. 8
To the elector. Sir, though my head is covered with grey, and the hand of time begins to lay heavy upon me... I heartily concur with you, that in these perilous times we should be cautious whom we select to be the sentries and guardians of our rights; and I am firmly persuaded that they ought to be chosen from men residing amongst us. The old Whig principles of 1688, which secured to us the constitution we now enjoy, ought never to be lost sight of: at that critical period, liberty was snatched from the grave, to which she was fast approaching. I cannot, sir, reconcile it to myself to place Mr. Rose again at the same post; he appears in my eyes to have been very deficient in his duty, by bolstering up Lord Melville... It is really surprising, sir, that men should hesitate in opposing one who has so long supported a system that has nearly deprived us of our comforts, and brought beggary and ruin on their country; and not give unanimous support to Mr. Atherley and Mr. Jackson, men of professed Whig principles... The Old English Baron.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. ; 31 cm x 20 cm
Political piece in opposition to the incumbent Henry Rose and his support for the government
Rose, Henry
Atherley, Arthur
Jackson, Josias
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

86.
1806 May 10
The Elector No. 9
To the elector. “He is right not to bear freeborn men at his table who can only tell the truth. He will do right to live amongst barbarians and slaves, who will gladly pay their adoration to his Persian girdle and his white robe.” This, Mr. Elector, was the language for which my old namesake received his death, at the hands of the Macedonian hero [Alexander the Great]... If some of our modern statesmen would attend to this story, they would not aspire with so much confidence to honours which their pretensions will not warrant. I do not mean to compare Mr Rose with Alexander... During his toils and labours, he, like Alexander, had many flatterers, and seldom was the truth spoken in his ear; and if we may believe report, he fancied that in this town himself was a little god... His twenty year’s service will not be very soon forgotten: every tap at the door by a tax collector, knocks loudly at the heart; and the distresses of the lower and middle orders speak in thunder the gratitude due to the last administration... Clitus - - - The observations of Clitus would have been much more pointed, had he directed them to the late parliamentary conduct of Mr. Rose, on the slave-restriction bill. Here we saw him stand foremost, the most strenuous oppose of that humane measure... Stabilis

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. 31 cm x 20 cm
Two polemics against the incumbent Henry Rose and his lack of support for the abolition cause
“Every Englishman is the best defender of his own freedom” Bolingbroke. Presuming that another elector will appear this day, and being astonished that no answer has yet been made to his profusion of calumny, I think it very incumbent on some one, more particularly a Burgess of the Place, to apprise the inhabitants of the town of their inherent privileges, without becoming the partisan of any man. What have we to do with Mr. Rose, Mr. Atherley, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Amyatt, or even the Shetland ponies? Our interest is in ourselves... The elector once observed, that, by the constitutional law, every voter should be a resident. If his reasoning was right, this position must be true, that every candidate should be a resident also... At what period of time was the right of voting at elections vested in out-burgesses; upon what principle do they give their votes, and for whose benefit? If the creation of out-burgesses goes on much longer, the scot and lot men of this town will not have a franchise left to exercise... Hortensius

1806 May 17
The Burgess No. 1

“Sunshine opens people’s hearts, and displays cheerfulness round their faces.” Cato’s letters

Whether the elector has been in the sunshine, or in a mist, I know not – he has not chosen to answer my questions; the plain inference is that he can not, or will not; I wish to deal with the elector as an honest man, I want no hocus pocus to carry me through an argument; - there are true principles in politics, as well as in morality; the knave shelters himself in allegory or syllogism... Is it because Mr. Rose, Sen. declared at Lyndhurst, that the elector of this town voted for his son out of pure affection for him, that we are to give up our franchises, and renounce our faculties? – No – no – ... we are determined to choose for ourselves... my family and myself suffered enough under the last twenty years administration, the few guineas I possessed are gone... Hortensius

1806 May 26
The Burgess No. 2
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, on my arrival in England, I receive with gratitude from my friends the assurances of your partiality and support; the more flattering to my feelings, as having been expressed in my absence... I am, and will remain, a stranger to cabal and intrigue; I disclaim all party, local and political... Gentleman, the awful state of public affairs, makes the principles of those you may send to represent you at this time, extremely important... I will not engage, gentlemen, to think on every occasion as you may think; but this I do solemnly engage, that, should I receive it, I will return your trust into your own hands, whenever I cannot conscientiously support your sentiments... By the wisdom of our ancestors, the representative was constructed as a check upon the monarchic and aristocratic energies of our government...

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1806
1 sheet [2] p. 31 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: Josiah Jackson, Bellevue, July 14th 1806
Notice of gratitude for electoral support

Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

90.
1806 October 30
To Josiah Jackson Esq. “Freedom is the English subject’s prerogative.” Dryden
Sir, soon after your return from the West Indies you favoured the public with an exposé of your political creed... I wish to ask you – why those letters from the different offices under government have been sent to several of the electors in this town? Are they not instruments of intimidation? Were they not designed to suppress those fine feelings you pretend to revere, and call your boasted freedom? Let me tell you, sir, not all the waters in the ocean can wipe off so foul a stain as you have dared to inflict on the liberty of the subject by such an unwarrantable proceeding... An elector

Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p. 30 cm x 19 cm
Polemic against Josiah Jackson’s candidacy for parliament
Jackson, Josiah

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91.
1806?
Jackson, Josiah
To the free and independent electors of the town and county of the town of Southampton.
Gentleman, for the zealous support you have given me accept my most sincere and hearty thanks...
When I calculate on the number of those who did vote for me, and upon those friends who finding the present content unavailing, did not vote at all, I feel fully warranted in stating, that a large majority of the inhabitants of the town were in my favour... I have been maliciously accused of an abandonment of those principles I professed to you... this I deny... Once more then give me leave to repeat the substance of my political creed; “I hold it a duty incumbent on every man who enters the Commons House to support those in whom the executive powers are vested, so long as in his opinion those powers are exercised, in promoting the welfare of our king and country and in the maintenance of our glorious constitution:” in doing this the task appeared to me easy from the pledges given by the present administration; for while they acted up to these pledges they were assured of my support, but no longer, if this be party, I am then a party man. If opposition and a systematic plan to impede the measures of government can be called independence the word bears a very different meaning to what I have ever affixed to it. That the present administration have expressed their wishes for my success I am most happy to believe, but these wishes were not obtained by any means that can reflect dishonour on them or me...

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, [n.d.]
Counter-polemical and notice of gratitude from Josiah Jackson
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

92.
1806 November 4
Atherley, Arthur
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of
Southampton. Gentlemen, permit me to offer you my sincere and cordial thanks for the very high
distinction you have just conferred on me, by electing me one of your representatives in Parliament.
Words are inadequate to my feelings – and I shall only say, that the approbation of my
constituents will be the height of my ambition, and, to deserve the continuance of your good
opinion, will be the constant endeavour of... Ar. Atherley Jun.
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p. 24 cm x 19 cm
Notice of thanks from Arthur Atherley for electoral support
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

93.
1806 November 4
Rose, George H.
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of
Southampton. Gentlemen, having been elected this day for the fourth time your representative in
Parliament, I am bound by every feeling of gratitude and respect... It is peculiarly gratifying to me to
see my success connected with the vindication of your independence, and of your dearest rights...
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1806
1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 20 cm
Notice of gratitude from George Henry Rose for electoral success
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

94.
1807 April 6
To the free and independent electors of the town and county of the town of Southampton. A
dissolution of the present Parliament being daily expected, the inhabitants of this ancient and
respectable town are earnestly requested not to engage their votes, as a gentleman of independent
fortune and principles, and a friend to church and state, will certainly offer himself as a candidate on
the day of election.
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 20 cm x 16 cm
Notice of new candidacy upon dissolution of Parliament
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

95.
1807 April 17
Audit-House Southampton. The Corporation having resolved to address his most gracious majesty at
this interesting juncture to express their grateful sense of the manifold blessings enjoyed under his
auspicious government; the mayor requests a meeting of the inhabitants of this town and county... for
the purpose of concurring with the Corporation in such address. By order of the Mayor, Curry.
Town Clerk.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 19 cm
Notice of general meeting at the Audit-House

Local politics

96.
1807 April 28
Rose, George H.
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, as an immediate dissolution of Parliament will take place, allow me to express to you my extreme anxiety to obtain once more the honor of your suffrages...
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 20 cm
Request for continued electoral support from George Henry Rose
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

97.
1807 April 28
Atherley, Arthur
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, a sudden and unexpected dissolution of Parliament having yesterday been announced by a speech from the throne, the trust which you so lately reposed in me has once more fallen into your hands. I beg leave again to offer myself as a candidate to represent you...
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 24 cm x 19 cm
Request for continued electoral support from Arthur Atherley
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

98.
1807 April 29
To the free and independent inhabitants of Southampton. “An honest man’s the noblest work of god.” It is time for honest men to think and act for themselves, in defence of their rights – their laws – their religion – and their liberty – Imposture, like Popery, is getting out of fashion... A dissolution of Parliament has taken place, and Bowing and Cringing have commenced their canvass... That the taxed and oppressed inhabitants of this land have it again in their power to remonstrate, by their votes, that they are no longer to be deluded by professions of patriotism from the hearts that are void of beating consistency and honour... let me have nought to do with your professors of Whiggism who unite themselves, as conveniency dictates, with Tories, Jacobites, Mahomedans, or Hottentots... the man who does most good in the sphere in which he moves is the best member of society... Let us choose good men to represent us, and we shall never be slaves. Z.
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Polemic against incumbent MPs
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

99.
1807 April 30
Atherley, Arthur
To the worthy electors and inhabitants of the town of Southampton. Gentleman, a report having been industriously circulated that I am inimical to the Protestant religion, and that I sanctioned by a vote what has been called the Catholic Bill. I beg leave to assure you, that I am, and ever shall be, a firm friend, not from policy but principle, to the Protestant religion, and that a discussion of the
Catholic measure never having come before the House, it was absolutely impossible for me to have voted for it.

Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: Arthur Atherley Jun. Southampton, April 30 1807
Defensive polemic from Atherley on religion and Catholic emancipation
Southampton (Hampshire): Politics
Catholic emancipation

100.
1807 April 30
Herbert, William
To the gentlemen, clergy and freeholders, of the County of Southampton. Gentlemen, the important trust, which you reposed on me, devolves once more into your hands; and, impressed with the deepest respect and gratitude, I feel myself encouraged by the wishes and approbation of my friends, again to offer myself to your notice, as a candidate... If I have held it unconstitutional, for any minister to give a direct pledge or an indirect and tacit assent, to exclude the prayers of the people from the ear of the sovereign, and withhold from him whatever advice in their own opinion circumstances may render essential; If I have spurned at an open attempt to control by threats the freedom of my vote in Parliament in support of the constitutional rights of the people... I venture once more to solicit humbly the favour of your support.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 37 cm x 25 cm
Signed and dated at end: William Herbert, Winchester, April 30 1807
Notice of candidacy from William Herbert
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

101.
1807 April 30
The friends of Mr. Herbert, are earnestly requested to withhold their second votes from Mr. Chute and Sir H. Mildmay. A gentleman of the first respectability is immediately expected to offer himself as a candidate with Mr. Herbert.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 20 cm x 17 cm
Notification of a new candidate
Herbert, William
Chute, William
Mildmay, Henry
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

102.
1807?
Hants election. Herbert for ever. A canvassing baronet having discovered that the independent voters of the county hold in abhorrence the supporters of the slave trade, and the screeners of public defaulters, has had recourse to the pitiful trick of stating that “Mr. Hubbird has declined the contest,” hoping by the similarity of names, to deceive the friends of Mr. Herbert, but this last shift will not avail Lord Melville’s friend, for Mr. Herbert is determined to continue the contest, and show the county that he will to the utmost of his power prevent the further taxation of the people.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 28 cm x 22 cm
Notice of William Herbert’s continuing candidacy
103.
1807 May 1
Southampton. The mayor having observed last evening with extreme regret, the dangerous practice of letting off fireworks in the public streets; all persons are hereby cautioned and desired to consider how much the property of individuals may thereby be endangered, more particularly so at this dry season: and to take notice that the constables have received instructions to inform against all those concerned in letting off fireworks, against whom the penalties of the law will be enforced. By order of the mayor, Curry, town clerk.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 29 cm x 21 cm
Notice prohibiting fireworks in the streets of Southampton
Southampton (Hampshire): Public Order

104.
1807?
To the free and independent voters of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, I have just received a Bill in circulation, signed Arthur Atherley, junior; who pretends to say that he is a friend of the Protestant church, this gentleman however seems to forget that the least attachment is due from a Member of Parliament to his sovereign. Perhaps he may suppose, that we are not so well aware as himself, of the tendency and direct purport of those discussions which have lately taken place in the House of Commons. And that he was one of those who divided against the king, upon that very question, which imperiously demanded a dissolution of Parliament. You are now gentlemen called upon to show your attachment to your sovereign, and by your votes on the present occasion, will be plainly exhibited the sincerity you profess for the sacred person of our best beloved monarch.
Signed at end: A friend to the protestant church, and house of Brunswick
Polemic accusing Atherley of Catholic sympathies and disloyalty to church and king
Atherley, Arthur
Catholic emancipation

105.
1807 May 1
To Arthur Atherley, Jun. Esq
Sir, although I am by no means surprised at the conscious, but just, alarm which you have taken at the strong impression of the public mind from the recent delinquency of yourself, and those of your party, I yet confess that I am altogether astonished at seeing you reduced to the necessity of attempting to make a public recantation of your late principles, joined with, what might not unjustly be termed, the Jesuitical declaration... Did you not, when the Bill was introduced, this Bill for annihilating the religious privileges of Englishmen, so connected with their political liberty, - - did you not VOTE FOR THE RESOLUTION?...
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807 1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 21 cm
Signed and dated at end: A true protestant, Southampton May 1 1807
Polemic against Atherley and Catholic emancipation
Atherley, Arthur
Catholic emancipation
Sir, attention to merit is at all times due when found in the most humble individuals, and much more if concentrated in a person like yourself, who once filled, (whether propitiously or not, the world must judge), the august situation of representative of this most respectable town... a strong sense of the injustice I did you in my last address... the errors I then committed in the enumeration of your services... your also subsequently voting... on an attempt to bring forward a second time as a trial of skill, that detestable measure, the Catholic Bill, to see if they could not frighten that sovereign into an abandonment or temporary forgetfulness of the high duty of his station. This, sir, was, (do you think it was not) acting a noble part on behalf of the people... Would it not have been pleasant to see those gentlemen, your coadjutors, treading on the heels of their king... In the meantime I seriously recommend to your attentive perusal, and to my townsmen, the history of the Smithfield bonfires; the expulsion of the Hugonots in France; the Massacre of St. Bartholemews, and the intrigues of the Jesuits...

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: An English protestant, Southampton, May 2 1807
Sarcastic polemic against Atherley and Catholic relief
Atherley, Arthur
Catholic emancipation

To the worthy electors of the town of Southampton. Friends, Englishmen, fellow townsmen, the time is arrived at which you are to elect a member to serve you in parliament... Shall we look at Mr. Jackson’s independent, hospitable, manly, and truly English respectability of living; or the close-fisted, narrow, and parsimonious economy and system of his opponent...Colonel Jackson, as you may call him, he who stood forward to head you at a most momentous crisis to the field, and will be equally bold to fight your cause in the senate, ought to be the object of your choice at the election.

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 20 cm
Signed and dated at end: An unbiased observer, Southampton, May 2 1807
Polemic in favour of Josias Jackson
Jackson, Josias
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

To the independent electors of Southampton. Gentlemen, the statements contained in a handbill of this day’s date, signed “A Protestant,” require a distinct answer. The Irish Act of Parliament of 1793 allowed Papists to serve in the army only, not in the navy, and with no higher rank than that of Brigadier General. Lord Grenville’s late Bill would have allowed them to serve in both army and navy, and to attain the highest rank in both, that of commander in chief of the forces and, and admiral of the fleet not excepted. In 1801, Mr Pitt’s administration did not “proceed to bring forward a Bill etc.” for the discussion took place in the cabinet alone, and is understood never even to have been brought to a vote there...

Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 20 cm
Pro-Tory/anti-Whig polemic on Catholic emancipation
Pitt, William
Addington, Henry
Catholic emancipation

109. 1807 May 2
To the independent voters of the town of Southampton. Gentleman, much obloquy having been very undeservedly cast on Mr. Atherley for his support in Parliament of his majesty’s late ministers, a brief comparison between their conduct on a late occasion, and of that their successors when formerly in office, may probably tend to remove it, and may prove the present administration to be far more hostile in their hearts to the Protestant religion, and guilty of the basest hypocrisy, for the furtherance of their political views... In the year 1801, Mr Pitt and several members of the present administration proposed to go much further than Lord Grenville; for they absolutely promised and proceeded to bring forward a Bill completely to emancipate the Catholics in Ireland from every restraint whatever... The following members of the present administration were in office in 1801, and retired from it with Mr. Pitt: The Duke of Portland; Lord Castlereagh; Mr Canning; Mr Rose; Lord Westmoreland; Mr Perceval. Are these gentlemen hostile to Catholic emancipation or are they time-serving hypocrites?
Southampton: Skelton Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Signed at end: ‘A true Protestant’
Pro-Whig/anti-Tory polemic on Catholic emancipation
Atherley, Arthur
Rose, George H.
Catholic emancipation

110. 1807 May 5
To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, permit me, with the strongest feelings of gratitude, to express my sense of the very distinguished honor you have this day conferred on me, by electing me one of your representatives in Parliament...
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, 1807
1 sheet [1] p. 24 cm x 19 cm
Signed and dated at end: Jos. Jackson, Bellevue, May 5, 1807
Notice of gratitude from Josias Jackson upon his election to Parliament
Jackson, Josias
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

111. 1812 November 24
Marett, Charles
To the inhabitant electors of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, I think it right to address you at this season for two purposes: 1st, to disclaim any knowledge of or connexion with the authors of several anonymous publications, respecting out burgesses, lately circulate amongst you; although I cannot omit, at the same time, to assure you that I derive great satisfaction in observing that the subject has continued to be noticed amongst you with reprobation, as it ought to be. 2nd, to report to you what I have done, with the last six years, in furtherance of my avowed determination to resist the votes of those calling themselves out burgesses, who have, at the late elections in this town, most unworthily endeavoured to obstruct your free choice of members...
Southampton: T. Baker & I. Fletcher Printers, 1812
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
112.
1813 August
State Lottery begins 17th September... tickets and shares are selling by Richardson, Goodluck and Co. Contractors, at their London offices and by I. Fletcher, book seller Southampton... I beg leave respectfully to lay before you the scheme of the present State Lottery, consisting of only 12,000 tickets, with a larger proportion of capitals than usual, and no prize less than twenty pounds.
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1813
2 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 16 cm
Advertisement for the State Lottery
Southampton (Hampshire): Lotteries

113.
1815 June 19
Botanical Spa Gardens. The proprietors of the above gardens beg leave respectfully to inform the ladies and gentlemen of Southampton, that in consequence of a misunderstanding having taken place between the proprietors and the band, there will be no performance of music this evening; and they further beg leave to say, that they are in treaty with another band, and will give due notice on what evening they will play.
Southampton: Skelton Printer, 1815
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Notice of entertainments at the Botanical Spa Gardens
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

114.
1815?
Facts. Mr Rose subverted the interest of Mr Hooper in the borough of Christchurch, by holding out to the electors the benefits that might accrue to them by uniting themselves with the friends of that government of which he was a servant. The electors gave their suffrages to Mr Rose as a public man, and every promise of support obtained from them was given to Mr Rose in his public capacity; now when Mr Rose ceases to be a public man, those promises, as far as they relate to him, are void; at the moment of his retiring from office those promises were at an end, and the electors of Christchurch were fully and fairly released from any engagement to Mr Rose as a private individual... Mr Rose’s friends may talk of favours bestowed by him on the town: where are they? The few favours bestowed on individuals were from the generosity of government; old Rose was but the official channel that they flowed through. And now he wants to make the people who enjoyed those favours fly in the face of their benefactors. Where are old George’s public benefits conferred on the town of Christchurch? Is it a benefit to prevent the parish children from being educated, by taking away the salary for that purpose from a man who would have taught them, and conferring it on a creature of his own, who does nothing for it?... If it be urged, that Mr Rose give away some charitable donations every year in Christchurch; be it remembered, that, by the use he makes of his interest in that borough, the old Rose and his buds enjoy at least ten thousand a year from government. So let us hear no more of good old George Rose’s generosity.
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 20 cm
Polemic on political patronage
Rose, George H.
Christchurch (Dorset)
Extract from the Courier, March 14th 1816. Mr Rose got up, amidst general laughter and cries of hear, hear. He said, “that no motion was necessary, for it was not a regular petition that had been stolen... About three weeks ago, a number of persons met, and intended to call a meeting to petition against the property tax; but, after much trouble, they could not hammer out names enough of respectability to induce the mayor to sign the requisition. The petition lay at a public house, where all the rest of the names were absolutely those of paupers; so that when the gentlemen of the place saw it, and observed the names of those paupers, they were actually ashamed of it...”

To the inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. The following requisition having been presented to the mayor this morning... notice, therefore, is hereby given, that a meeting will be held at the town hall, to morrow, Saturday, the 16th of March, 1816, at one o’clock in the afternoon... the question for the continuance of the income, commonly called the property, tax, being about to be again agitated in Parliament, we, the undersigned, deeming it right that every inhabitant of this town should have an opportunity of expressing his sentiments on the subject...

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Southampton and neighbourhood, held the 16th day of March, 1816, at the Townhall, Geo. Atherley esq. in the Chair, the following resolutions were agreed to, nemine dissentiente. 1. That the Property or Income Tax is in its principle arbitrary and unjust, at variance with the spirit and general practice of our constitution, and only to be submitted to in cases of the most urgent necessity...Signed Geo. Atherley Chairman...

Southampton Free School, for boys and girls, on the Royal British System. At a meeting of a committee of subscribers to the British-School Society, held September the 20th, 1816, it appeared, in consequence of a general and very accurate inquiry having been among the lower classes of inhabitants in the town, by a committee appointed for the purpose, that there are upwards of three hundred boys and girls between five and twelve years of age, who are not at present placed at any school, and for whom no means of gratuitous instruction subsist, so that they are consequently
growing up in a state of ignorance and neglect... a remedy to the evil: - That the school established on the British system in this town, in the year 1810, has received seven hundred boys since its foundation; and the benefits which have resulted from it have been acknowledged and manifested, in many instances; but, from the confined state of the funds, and other causes, it has not been able to extend its usefulness so far as would be desirable... the committee have now determined to throw open the school as a free school...

[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1816
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 22 cm
Notice upon the establishment of a free school
British School Society
Southampton (Hampshire): Schools: History
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities

119.
1816 October 4
500 guineas REWARD. A false and malicious report having been circulated relative to the death of the late William Lintott, Esq. A reward of 500 guineas is hereby offered, by his sons, to any person (excepting those with whom the report originated) who will give such information that the parties may be brought to justice.
Southampton: E. Skelton & Co. Printers, 1816
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Offer of reward for information on the source of slander
Lintott, William
Legal affairs

120.
1817 June 23
Southampton Poor House. To the worshipful the mayor of Southampton. Sir, it having been represented to the Court of Guardians, that a considerable number of labourers are employed in this town and neighbourhood, belonging to other parishes, while many of our own poor are unable to obtain work; we respectfully request you to call a meeting of the inhabitant householders, to take into consideration the propriety of giving preference of work to our own parishioners... I do hereby appoint a meeting...
Southampton: E. Skelton & Co. Printers, 1817
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 20 cm
Signed at end: George Atherley, mayor
Notice of a meeting on the unemployment of local labourers
Atherley, George
Southampton (Hampshire): Employment
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

121.
1817 August 30
A list of all the paupers receiving relief, from the united parishes, within the town and county of the town of Southampton, to August 30 1817... total amount of weekly allowances to out-paupers, £54 0s 6d... the Court of Guardians have judged it expedient to publish the above list, with a view to ascertain whether there may be any persons now receiving parochial aid in Southampton, who are not proper objects; the guardians will therefore be much obliged to any of the inhabitants, who will take the trouble to acquaint Mr. Chapman, or the Finance Committee, at the Poor House, with the names of those, who, they have reason to believe, are not entitled to such relief
Southampton: E. Skelton & Company, 1817
It is with much reluctance that Mr. Gibbons, one of the Guardians of the Poor, obtrudes himself on the notice of the public; but Mr Thomas Shaw, in an address to the inhabitants of this town and county, having introduced his name in a manner not correct, he is anxious, (though probably it may not be absolutely necessary,) to refer his fellow townsmen to Mr Shaw’s statement of the circumstance to which he alludes, and his reply thereto. Mr Shaw’s statement is as follows…

Mr Gibbons, in reply, says… Mr Gibbons did then… say that he could not remain any longer, but that Mr Shaw might, if he pleased, take the chair and act as he thought proper, which it appears he accordingly did, and signed for payment several bills, to the amount of £463 2s. 8½d. though the number of guardians present were only five, and seven are necessary to form a court; so that in fact, with Mr. Shaw in the chair, some of the five guardians ordered their own bills to be paid. This statement is confirmed by an impartial person, Mr Chapman, the clerk to the court, who recollects the facts, and to whom this statement has been read…

To the mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, and inhabitants of the town and county of the town of Southampton. Gentlemen, having had the honor of receiving a requisition signed by upwards of two hundred of the gentlemen merchants, traders, and respectable householders of your town and county, requesting I would offer myself as a candidate to represent you in Parliament at the approaching general election… I shall endeavour to justify your partiality…

The committee for conducting the re-election of Mr Chamberlayne, anxious to promote, as much as in them lies, the peace, harmony, and good fellowship, that has long distinguished this town, and its neighbourhood, do most earnestly entreat their friends to abstain altogether from publishing, or replying to, any handbill that can, in the remotest degree, be considered as reflecting on the friends, or the personal character, of any gentleman who may offer himself as a candidate to represent this town. In these sentiments they are happy to say that Mr Chamberlayne most cordially concurs.
125.
1818 April 11
Marett, Charles
To the electors of Southampton. No. 1. Gentlemen, as I have never been concerned directly, or indirectly, with anonymous publications of any kind, so I shall not at this period of my life pursue such a method of making known my sentiments... It is my intention to publish... some remarks and observations upon the duties and conduct of representatives in Parliament; as well regarding the local interest of this place as the general concerns of the country at large...
Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, 1818
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Signed and dated at end: Charles Marett, Southampton April 11, 1818
Election reportage
Marett, Charles
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary elections

126.
1818 June 10
Southampton. The committee for employing the industrious poor beg leave to send you an account of the receipts and disbursements, and to thank you for contribution to a fund which has enabled them to give employment to a large proportion of the poor, during the winter, in a manner satisfactory to them, and they hope at the same time, beneficial to the public at large... £311 5s 0d
Southampton: printed by E. Skelton & Co., 1818
1 sheet [1] p. 40 cm x 25 cm
Yearly accounts of the committee for the employment of the industrious poor
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities

127.
1820 January 8
District Society. For the Deanery of Southampton in aid of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. At a meeting held this day, at Bell’s School-Room, in Southampton... it was resolved – 1. That this society do unanimously agree to co-operate with the Special Committee of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and likewise with the Diocesan Committee, at Winchester, in their endeavours to counteract infidel and blasphemous publications...
Southampton: E. Skelton & Co., 1820
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Notice of a new district branch of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities

128.
1820 March 6
To the electors of Southampton. Gentlemen, to-morrow you will be called upon to execute the highest duty imposed upon you by the constitution of the country – the election of representatives to serve you in Parliament... You have now three candidates for your suffrages... On your votes depend the interests of millions of human beings!... Of the new candidate, little can be said, for little is known of him... Will you, electors of Southampton, sell yourselves – your fellow countrymen – for a mess of pottage?...
Southampton: T. Baker, 1820
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Polemic in favour of the incumbent MPs [Chamberlayne and Atherley]
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
129.  
1820 July 14  
Valuable library of books. To be sold by auction, by Mr Kay, on Friday July 14th 1820, and following 
day, at No. 28 High Street Southampton, a choice and valuable collection of books: amongst which 
will be found the following: Darwin’s *Zoonomia*… Cipriani fine plates… Napoleon medals… Clerk’s 
Hogarth… English Theatre 14 vols. … Johnson’s dictionary…  
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1820  
1 sheet [1] p. 29 cm x 24 cm  
Advertisement for a book sale  
Southampton (Hampshire): Books Auctions

130.  
1821 March 1  
At a numerous and highly respectable meeting of the inhabitants of Southampton and its 
neighbourhood, held at the Audit-House, on Thursday, the 1st of March, 1821… the following 
resolutions were passed unanimously… The humble petition of the mayor and undersigned 
habitants of Southampton and its vicinity, sheweth that your petitioners, assembled at a meeting, 
convoked by public notice by the worshipful the mayor of the town and county of the town of 
Southampton, actuated by no political bias and no party feeling, but anxious solely to prevent the 
recurrence of offences and the frequency of capital punishment, humbly pray your honourable 
house to institute a revision of those parts of the criminal code of this realm, which relate to the 
infliction of the punishment of death… N.B. The petitions are now lying at the Audit-House for 
signatures  
Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, 1821  
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm  
Notice of a petition to Parliament for the reform of capital punishment  
Lintott, Stephen,  
Crime and punishment

131.  
1821 July 14  
The mayor and magistrates request a meeting of the inhabitants of this town and neighbourhood, at 
the Audit-House, on Monday next, the 16th instant, at twelve o’clock at noon, for the purpose of 
considering the best manner of further celebrating the day of his majesty’s coronation in some 
public manner, and to raise a subscription for that purpose. By order of the mayor and magistrates, 
Tho. Ridding, town clerk  
Southampton: E. Skelton & Co., 1821  
1 sheet [1] p. 29 cm x 22 cm  
Notice of a town meeting to organise celebrations for the coronation of George IV  
George IV  
Southampton (Hampshire): Celebrations

132.  
1821 July 16  
At a meeting of the inhabitants of this town and neighbourhood, held at the Audit-House, on 
Monday, the 16th day of July, 1821.  
Stephen Lintott, Esquire, mayor, in the chair.  
It being the opinion of this meeting, that it is the general wish of the inhabitants of this town and 
neighbourhood, that, instead of an illumination in honor of his majesty’s coronation, on Thursday 
next, the 19th instant, some other mode be adopted for celebrating the same. It is therefore resolved 
unanimously; that a subscription be now entered into, for the purpose of providing such
entertainment for the poor inhabitants of this town... that in order that the day of his majesty’s
 coronation may be a general holiday, it is the desire of this meeting, that all the shops should be
 shut, and no business transacted on that day... the entertainments be had in the marsh...
 Southampton: E. Skelton & Co., 1821
 1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
 George IV
 Southampton (Hampshire): Celebrations

133.
1821 July 17
At a meeting of the committee appointed to collect and manage subscription for celebrating his
majesty’s coronation, held this day, it is resolved, that a good, substantial dinner be provided on the
marsh, for those who may think proper to partake of it on the 19th July instant, at one o’clock
precisely... the inhabitants of the town are earnestly requested to make their subscriptions as soon
as possible, in order that a list may be published.
S. Lintott, chairman.
Southampton: P. Barnfield for W. Skelton, 1821
1 sheet [1] p. 27 cm x 22 cm
Notice of a coronation dinner and request for subscriptions
George IV
Southampton (Hampshire): Celebrations

134.
1821 July 19
Pony and donkey race. To be run for, on the marsh, on Thursday, the 19th of July, 1821, by ponies
not exceeding 13 hands high, a piece of plate, value £5... a bridle and saddle, value £3... a pair of
silver table spoons...
Southampton: P. Barnfield for W. Skelton, 1821
1 sheet [1] p. 28 cm x 22 cm
Notice of races and prizes to be held at the coronation entertainments
Baylis, Mr.
George IV
Southampton (Hampshire): Celebrations
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

135.
1821 July 19
A list of subscribers, for the entertainment given on the marsh, to celebrate his majesty’s coronation.
July the 19th 1821... the further sum of one guinea was subscribed by an individual, but in
consequence of a note accompanying it, disapproving of the approbation, the committee thought
proper to return it... total of the expenditure: £487 11s 5d
Southampton: P. Barnfield for W. Skelton, 1821
2 sheets [4] p. 44 cm x 28 cm
Notice of subscription of funds for the coronation entertainments
Southampton (Hampshire): Celebrations
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

136.
1821 August 22
To the worshipful the mayor of Southampton
We, the undersigned, request you will have the goodness to call an early meeting of the inhabitants of Southampton, to consider the best mode of testifying the gratitude of the town to William Chamberlayne, Esq. for his munificent present of the iron pillars for supporting the public lights...

Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, 1821
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm

Notice of a meeting to organise thanks due William Chamberlayne for his gift of public lighting
Chamberlayne, William
Lintott, S.
Southampton (Hampshire): Gas Lighting

137.
1821 August 28
Southampton. At a very respectable meeting of the inhabitants of this town and county, held at the Audit-House in Southampton, on Tuesday, the 28th day of August 1821, convened by the mayor... to consider the best mode of testifying the gratitude of the town to Wm. Chamberlayne, Esq. for his munificent present of the iron pillars for supporting the public lights... resolved unanimously, that the cordial thanks of this meeting are due... that a handsome column for supporting a gas light, with a suitable inscription at the base, be placed in a public part of the town...

Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, 1821
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm

Notice of thanks due William Chamberlayne for his gift of public lighting
Chamberlayne, William
Lintott, S.
Southampton (Hampshire): Gas Lighting

138.
1821 August 31
The public are respectfully informed, that books are now open at the several banks, to receive contributions for erecting a column to support a gas light, with a suitable inscription at the base, to commemorate the liberality of Wm. Chamberlayne, Esq. in his present to the town of the iron pillars for supporting the public lights.

Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, 1821
1 sheet [1] p. 14 cm x 22 cm

Request for contributions for a memorial to commemorate the instalment of gas lights
Chamberlayne, William
Southampton (Hampshire): Gas Lighting
140.
1824
Spearing, James
A copy of verses for 1824, humbly presented to all my worthy masters and mistresses, in the town of Southampton, by James Spearing, Bellman and Crier... Prologue –
Your Bellman always, Sirs, at your command,
With pleasure takes his yearly pen in hand;
For your diversion strives to use his quill,
And writes to shew his duty, not his skill:
Let then these well-meant lines your favour find,
And spare his numbers for his willing mind;
On your applause his happiness depends,
He fears no foes, if he makes you his friends...
London: C.H. Reynell, 1824 [first printed in 1735]
1 sheet [1] p. 49 cm x 40 cm
Page of religious verse for the town’s bell crier
Southampton (Hampshire): Poetry

141.
1832 July 13
A list of subscribers for the festival, to celebrate the passing of the Reform Bill, in the town and county of Southampton, on the 13th day of July, 1832 William Oke, Esq., Mayor... £627, 5s 0d...
Number of persons provided for at their own houses, 7,500 – in public, 3,200 – total 10,700 –
Quantity of provisions purchased – meat 9,814 lbs - - bread 1,153 gallons - - beer 2,684 gallons - -
pudding 22 Cwt.
Southampton: Thomas King printer, 1832
2 sheet [3] p. 44 cm x 28 cm
List of subscriptions and subscribers to celebrate the Reform Bill of 1832 and the related expenditure
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments
Parliamentary reform

142.
1835 December 28
To the Burgesses of the ward of St. Mary. Gentlemen, we thank you most respectfully for the distinction you have conferred on us, in electing us as councillors for this independent, populous, and honourable ward. The principle of avoiding political partisanship shall govern our conduct... The sincerity of our professions will be put to the test in the election of Aldermen, on Thursday next. We owe our election to the Burgesses, we are unbiased by party, or party spirit, we think that the ancient and honourable office of Alderman should be fulfilled by those whom the people have chosen, and not by the nominees of councillors already elected, and we do not hesitate to declare, that our votes will accord with our united opinion on this most important point. We are, gentlemen, your faithful and obliged servants...
Southampton: N. Hort printer, 1835
1 sheet [1] p. 44 cm x 28 cm
Notice of the election of Burgesses for the ward of St. Mary
Bradby, Thomas
Fox, Charles
Whitchurch, James
Hill, Joseph Jnr.
Coles, Richard
Young, Robert
Brooks, Daniel
Rubie, John
Lankester, Mr.
Southampton (Hampshire): Local Elections

143.
1840 May 25
National Schools in St. Mary’s parish. At a meeting of the clergy of Southampton – the Rev. Dr Wilson in the chair, held at the National School, in St. Michael’s Square on Friday, the 18th day of November 1836, the following statement, shewing the necessity of affording increased means of education for the children of the poorer classes in the parish of St. Mary, was read by the minister of the parish... STATEMENT: In the year 1821, the population of the parish was 4,700, and in 1831 it had increased to 8,520, since which period the increase of the population has been in the same ratio, so that it may now be computed at more than 10,000. Allowing one-sixth of the people to be under education, which is a fair average, there ought to be provision for the education of 1700 children; whereas a statement, drawn up from a personal enquiry into all the Protestant schools for the gratuitous, or nearly gratuitous, education of the poor in the town, shews that there are only 565 children belonging to this parish educated in them... as the various public works now in progress bring into the Town a continually increasing number of labourers with their families... to provide a system of sound religious instruction, so cheap as to be accessible to the very poorest, it is proposed to erect two new school rooms, for boys and girls, on a site central to Kingsland Place and Crabnights... The plans have been laid before the National Society in London, who have signified their assent to them... and by applying to the Lords of the Treasury for a grant in aid... the education of the poor of St. Mary’s parish in the principles of the established church... It is not only to the wealthier inhabitants of the parish that the present appeal is made, but to the numerous proprietors, who though not themselves resident within its limits, are deriving considerable income from the lands or houses which they possess in it... A committee was formed and subscriptions solicited for carrying into effect certain resolutions founded on this statement, but from the want of sufficient funds, the Committee have not hitherto been able to proceed further in their object... At a subsequent meeting... The Committee contemplate the immediate erection and fitting-up of school rooms for the accommodation of 250 boys and 150 girls... the sum required for this purpose... will amount to between £600 and £700... List of donations paid 1836-7: £266 7s 7d...
Southampton: N. Hort Printer, 1840
2 sheet [3] p. 33 cm x 20 cm
Notice of subscriptions toward a plan for the building of church schools in St. Mary’s National Society for Promoting Religious Education
Southampton (Hampshire): Schools: History

144.
Ca. 1880?
To the Burgesses of Southampton. Ladies and gentlemen, owing to the lamented death of Mr. Alderman McCalmont a vacancy has occurred in the Borough Council. To fill this, a miserable section of the council, to gain a political advantage, has petitioned the mayor, (within 12 hours of the sad news) to call a council meeting on Monday next (the day before the ordinary election of mayor, sheriff, aldermen, etc.). Every ratepayer, will, I feel certain, share my feeling of disgust at such a want of respect being shown to the memory of a gentleman held in the highest possible esteem by all members of the community of every shade of politics. It is a most indecent proceeding, and derogatory to the memory of the dead, besides being a deliberate slight to the near and dear friends the deceased gentleman leaves behind. I sincerely hope that the respectable burgesses of the town will bring their influence to bear to induce the mayor to cancel this disgusting notice. It is usual in similar circumstances to allow the dead to be buried before proceeding to elect their successors in...
office. Fellow burgesses, - - - do not allow such a political degradation of our town to be carried out, but raise your voices against the Radical clique, and so prevent contemplated jobbery on that day. Yours truly, A Burgess.

[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 44 cm x 28 cm
Notice to cancel untimely election for alderman, subsequent to the recent death of the incumbent McCalmont, Frederick Haynes
Southampton (Hampshire): Local elections

145.
Ca. 1880
Southampton election – Long life to Butt & Lee – Liberals top of the poll – fall of the Tories – Long live William Gladstone – peace with dishonour is the Tories Motto...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 56 cm x 44 cm
Partisan poster celebrating the 1880 election of Henry Lee and Charles Parker Butt as MPs
Lee, Henry
Butt, Charles Parker
Gladstone, William
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

146.
Ca. 1880?
‘Out of Collar’ – Dizzy – Well I’ll be hanged! Blow me if I thought it was going to come to this – It’s a proper hot un-chucked out so help me ten men – Hunter Thomas St. Manchester
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 49 cm x 38 cm
Political poster
Politics
Poverty

147.
1880 April 3
Borough grounds, Southampton, on Saturday, April the 3rd, 1880. A great eight-hours race, go as you please; for two valuable prizes qualifying winners for a seat in “St. Stephen’s.” The following celebrated athletes have entered: Charley Butt, alias “The lawyer” – Jack Commerell, “The Dardanelles Champion” – Alf. Giles, alias “Docky” – Harry Lee, alias “The Spinner Champion” of Sedgeley... admission by ticket only – conveyances will run continuously – free – refreshments at usual prices – N.B. – Latest betting: 2 to 1 on “The Lawyer” and “Spinner,” coupled ; 3 to 1 against the “Dardanelles champion”; 10 to 1 against “Docky”, as he is reported going lame.
[S.l.]: [s.n.], 1880
1 sheet [1] p. 50 cm x 35 cm
Satirical poster on the forthcoming 1880 general election
Giles, Alfred
Lee, Henry
Butt, Charles Parker
Commerell, John Edmund
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

148.
Ca. 1826?
I has nothink to give you missus – for master would turn me off – and the last man as was here afore me was pen’d up in gaol for not eating stinking beef and because he give’d it to an old beggar woman – CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

[S.l.]: T.H. Skelton Printer, [n.d.]  
1 sheet [1] p. 23 cm x 27 cm  
Satirical cartoon on poverty and charity  
Poverty  
Charities

149.  
Ca. 1826?  
Assiduous Presumption – What business have you up there? – I’m only trying to get Chamberlayne’s old shoes – come down then – they will not fit you – so do not put your foot in it.  
[S.l.]: T.H. Skelton Printer, [n.d.]  
1 sheet [1] p. 30 cm x 24 cm  
Satirical cartoon referencing William Chamberlayne MP and the monument erected in his honor. The cartoon may be referencing the 1826 general election, in which Chamberlayne’s failing health cast doubt on his longevity.  
Chamberlayne, William  
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

150.  
Ca. 1826?  
Committee  
[S.l.]: T.H. Skelton Printer, [n.d.]  
1 sheet [1] p. 23 cm x 29 cm  
Satirical cartoon featuring grotesque caricatures of committee members  
Politics

151.  
Ca. 1826?  
The Premature Canvass – Why you astonish me! Our worthy member Mr. C. has this moment passed my shop – how can you talk of an election whilst he is still living! - - - He cannot live for ever man!  
Mind ye – if ye vote otherwise you won’t have my custom and then your trade will not be of the value of a pin – remember Lady Macbeth - - - Mr Hobbs I hope I shall be honoured with your vote and interest at the ensuing election?  
[S.l.]: T.H. Skelton Printer, [n.d.]  
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 26 cm  
Satirical cartoon which may be referencing the 1826 general election, in which Chamberlayne’s failing health cast doubt on his longevity.  
Chamberlayne, William  
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

152.  
1792  
An oration. Pronounced at the Audit House, in Southampton, August the third MDCCXCII. I present myself before this very respectable audience in order to fulfil my duty as a free-mason – of whom obedience is a strong characteristic. Obedient, therefore, to the commands which I have received, it is my intention to diffuse all explanatory light, not strictly forbidden, respecting this ancient and mysterious society, that such of my hearers are not free-masons and particularly those who form the chief delight of man in every civilised association, may have some idea of the origin from whence,
and of the principles on which, we act. Free-masonry is a speculative science (if I may use the term) issuing from that important, practical, science geometry; the laws of which were observed in creation, and still are manifest in the regulation of the world. And as the grand lodge of the universe, this stupendous globe, excels in magnificence of design, and stability of foundation, demonstrative of its builder... Nature indeed surpasses art, in the boldness, sublimity and immenseness of her works; man can only contemplate in awful amazement, her mightier operations... but of all the works of human art, masonry is certainly the first... architecture has justly been deemed the favourite child of civilization... If we trace our order by the science which gave it birth... we refer it, with confidence, to the building of Solomon's Temple...

[An oration on free-masonry continued...]

The square, which enables the artist to form and fashion his work, teaches us, symbolically, to form and fashion our lives. — It is an emblem of morality, and instructs us in that most important moral obligation, to do as we would be done unto — to live upon the square with all mankind. The level, used in art to make the building plain and even, morally teaches us the equality of our nature... The compass is a mathematical instrument, used to describe circles: this we adopt as an emblem of prudence... Free-masonry, therefore, we have seen, deals in hieroglyphics — symbols — allegories, - and to be qualified to reveal their meaning, a man must know more than a mere nominal mason: the full interpretation of them, like that of the mysteries of old*, is in select hands...

[An oration on free-masonry continued...]

Dunckerley, Thomas (Provincial Grand Master of Free Masons for the County of Southampton)

154.
1793 November 20
Augustus, Edward (Duke of Kent)

Augustus, Edward (Duke of Kent)

Dear Sir, I had the pleasure of being favoured with your kind letter of the 4th of July... my thanks for your communication of the proceedings of the Grand Chapter. I regret much that, from the nature of my situation, there is no likelihood of my removing from hence till June or July, next year; and (even then) it is out of my power to say whether my lot will carry me back to England, or to another foreign nation. I shall think myself particularly fortunate, when circumstances will permit my meeting the Knights, in Grand Chapter, in London: of this, I request, you will assure them... begging them to accept of my most hearty and best wishes for their welfare and prosperity...

[An oration on free-masonry continued...]

Dunckerley, Thomas (Provincial Grand Master of Free Masons for the County of Southampton)

155.
1794 March 11
Dear Brother and Knight Companion, as the nation is preparing to guard against an invasion from our enemies, if they should have the temerity to make an attempt, it is become my duty, at this important crisis, to request and require that such of you as can, without prejudice to your families, do hold yourselves in readiness (as Knights Templars) to unite with and be under the command of the officers of the military corps stationed in your respective countries, as may be most convenient, taking the name of ‘Prince Edward’s Royal Volunteers.’... I shall offer my service in the navy or army... our hearts will be united in the glorious cause, in conformity to the sacred obligations we are under... as Christ’s faithful soldiers and servants we may be enabled to defend the Christian religion, our gracious sovereign, our laws, liberties and properties, against a rapacious enemy... It is my desire that you cause this letter to be read at the next meeting of your chapter...

Signed at end: Your faithful Brother and Knight Companion, Thomas Dunckerley, (G.M.)

A call to arms to free masons in service of the Napoleonic Wars

Dunckerley, Thomas (Provincial Grand Master of Free Masons for the County of Southampton)

Southampton (Hampshire): Freemasons

Southampton (Hampshire): Napoleonic Wars

156.
Ca. 1794?

Twelve Golden Rules – which lead to happiness in this world, and in the next.
The ready penny always gets the best bargain...
The best pennyworth is to be had where most sit together, in the open market...
When times are hard, why should we make them harder...
Time is our estate. It includes our property...
Industry makes a purse, and frugality makes strings for it...
Marriage is honourable...
Drunkenness is one of the most beastly of all vices...
The labourer’s wife has not often meat to dress...
Honesty, we are told, is the best policy...
All wickedness, though it begin in pleasure, will end in mischief...
There is one sin, however, to which we are tempted... swearing...
If to these rules we add religion; which leads us not only to avoid wickedness...

Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.]

157.
Ca. 1794?

Campbell, Henry

On preparation for the sacrament. The best preparation I know of, for worthily receiving the Lord’s Supper, is to be found in the last answer of the Church of England’s catechism. “Q. What is required of them who come to the Lord’s Supper? A. To examine themselves whether they repent them truly of their former sins...” Examine yourself closely.
Are you sensible that every good gift cometh from above?
Do you pray for a lively faith in God’s mercy through Christ?
Have you a thankful remembrance of Christ’s death?
Are you in charity with all men?
... So prays the willing servant of you, and of all for Jesus’ sake.
Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 38 cm x 26 cm
Signed at end: Henry Campbell
Religious catechism
Religion

158.
Ca. 1794?
Friendly advice to the poor. How to make much of a little in times of scarcity. The poor man who roasts or broils his meat – throws it half into the fire... Herbs, such as carrots, celery, turnips... will make a rich feast at a small expense... They that can scarcely keep themselves, or a child, should never keep a dog... Gin is poison... A good man in bad times will live ten times better than a bad man in good times... Let a man reckon whether many are not taxed twice as much by their folly... The poor man's profit is to be found in his time... Industry will make a man's purse, and frugality will give him strings to it... The fear of God will make a man think well, and act well... Remember, sin is the greatest evil; the salvation of Christ the best good...
Southampton: Baker Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 20 cm
Southampton (Hampshire): Poor Relief

159.
Ca. 1794?
"Thou shalt do no murder." I think this text seems to be readily received, and as innocently acknowledged, as any; each person supposing himself at a secure distance from it; otherwise he would be shocked at the very thought; quickly judging, that this consists either in suicide, or immediately destroying the life of another... the baleful abuse of liquor... sometimes taking away from a family all the kind instruction of a parent... We know that Eve ruined the world by an apple... How comfortably might all this be rectified by reformation and amendment, that their sins might be blotted out.
Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 20 cm
Christian tract on moral behaviour
Religion

160.
Ca. 1794?
Gosport Reading Society
Rules of the Gosport Reading Society.
That this Society consist of thirteen members only...
That each member subscribe one guinea in October...
That a meeting of this Society be held quarterly...
That every regulation and proceeding of this Society be determined by ballot...
That the members who constitute a meeting, may order the purchase of books, levy fines, inspect the Secretary's accounts...
That the books be circulated among the several members, and forwarded from one to another every fortnight...
That each member be subject to the following fines...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 32 cm x 21 cm
Rules establishing a new reading society at Gosport
Gosport (Hampshire): Reading Society
161.
Ca. 1790
List of the Southampton Archers, according to priority of admission. His R.H. Duke of Gloucester, patron... Lady De Montalt lady patroness... A.G. Haynes Secretary... J. Fleming President... James Amyatt Vice Pres... H.J. Pye Bard... Rd. Vernon Moody Treasurer... The Dean of Winchester Chaplain... Lord Viscount Palmerston... Candidates to be balloted for on Friday the 22nd January 1790...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.] 1 sheet [1] p. 32 cm x 20 cm
List of members of the Southampton Archers Southampton (Hampshire): Archers

162.
Ca. 1790?
A caution. Whereas certain evil-disposed persons have of late behaved rudely and indecently, so as to disquiet and disturb the congregation, met for public worship, at the chapel at Hythe, in the New Forest, - - This is to give notice - - that should such persons, (who are well known), or any others, again commit the like offences, they will be prosecuted by the Trustees, as the law directs, - which is as follows... If any person shall wittingly, and of purpose, come into any church, chapel or other congregation permitted by the Act of Toleration, and disquiet and disturb the same, or misuse any preacher or teacher... to be bound by recognizance in fifty pounds... This is also to give notice, that, if any person or persons, shall injure or deface and part of the said chapel, he or they will be prosecuted as the law directs, by the said Trustees.
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.] 1 sheet [1] p. 32 cm x 21 cm
Caution against further disturbances of the Christian congregation and chapel at Hythe
Hythe (Hampshire): Public Order
Hythe (Hampshire): Religious Toleration

163.
Ca. 1798
A list of the increased assessed taxes, viz. the different house, and window duties, male servant, horse, carriage, dog duties, etc... persons occupying houses in which there are shops, or which are usually let to lodgers... persons occupying houses not having shops, nor usually letting lodgings... scale respecting income. Persons not passing an annual income of £601 (£68,000+ adjusted to 2014) to be exempted... Times of payment... as will become payable within ten days from April 5 1798
Southampton: T. Skelton, [n.d.] 1 sheet [1] p. 41 cm x 26 cm
Notice of the Income Tax
Income tax

164.
Ca. 1800?
Hymns, sung after the funeral sermon.
The Great Journey - Job xvi. 22...
The vanity of worldly schemes inferred from the uncertainty of life - James iv 13,14,15
Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.] 1 sheet [1] p. 16 cm x 21 cm
Hymn sheet

165.
Ca. 1800?
Southampton Club – The society dine at the Dolphins Inn, on Wednesday the 13th November, precisely at five o’clock. An early attendance is desired, to take into consideration the following propositions, submitted as additional rules for the better government of the club. Resolved, that no person can be eligible as a candidate for this society who occupies a ready-furnished house, or lodgings; but all candidates must be bona fide resident householders, paying scot and lot. That William Tinling Esq. (a late candidate) being within the negative description of the above rule, the society are persuaded, that his exclusion, by a single ball, on a late ballot, could only originate from this cause... Andrew Williams Esq. of the Polygon, having been proposed as a candidate, will be balloted for at the next meeting.

Notice on a ruling of the Southampton Club, excluding non-householders from membership
Williams, Andrew
Tinling, William
Southampton (Hampshire): Societies

166.
Ca. 1800?
Fencing – Mr Guintrand, fencing-master, has the honor to acquaint the gentlemen of Southampton desirous of making themselves perfect in that art, that he lodges at Mrs. Froud’s, All Saints Place, where he will attend on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. His terms are one guinea and a half per month, and a guinea entrance. If any gentleman wish to receive lessons at their own houses, they may fix their own time, and he will attend... The principles practised are such... according to the usage and opinion of the most eminent swordsmen and masters of the Academy at Paris.

Advertisement with colour illustration for instruction in fencing
Guintrand, Mr.
Southampton (Hampshire): Fencing Instruction
Southampton (Hampshire): Sports

167.
Ca. 1800?
The Southampton Electrick & Galvanic Institution, under the auspices of the physicians and surgeons of this town. The public is respectfully informed that this institution will be opened on Tuesday, the second of July, at No. 8 Above the Bar; regularly, from eleven o’clock till five; for the medical application of electricity and galvanism by powerful machines and apparatus, to aid their gratuitous services to the diseased poor, - and for the benefit of the public at large... The old mode of giving violent shocks will be disused, and from a recent discovery, a better system adopted, which will render the action of the electric fluid both mild and pleasurable, though equally efficacious... Ladies will have the advantage of female superintendence, during the operation. The following diseases, as classed by an eminent surgeon electrician, are either perfectly cured, or considerably relieved, in a short time: intermittent fevers or agues... headache... palsy... tetanus... epilepsy...gout...toothache...cataract...deafness...constipation...jaundice...tumours...cancers... refer to the works of the scientific and benevolent authors who have written on electricity and galvanism... Sir Isaac Newton... Dr Franklin...

Advertisement for sessions of electrical therapy
Southampton: T. Baker for I. Fletcher, [n.d.]
168.
Ca. 1800?
The terms of work at the Dissenters Charity School, Southampton.
A fine shirt, frilled, from 1s. 6d. to 1s. 8d...
A frock, from 10d. to 1s. 6d...
Double napkins, per dozen 6d.
Apply at the school, from nine to twelve, or from two to six
Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 19 cm
List of prices for tailored items available at the Dissenters Charity School
Southampton (Hampshire): Schools: History
Southampton (Hampshire): Charities
Southampton (Hampshire): Dissenters, Religious

169.
Ca. 1800?
Prices of blocks, with lignum-vitae shivers and pins, turned; also with lignum-vitae shivers coaked on each side with brass, with a groove left in the pin-hole for grease, and turned iron pins, as sold by Messrs. Taylors...
Southampton: T. Baker and Son Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 21 cm
List of hardware prices at Messrs. Taylors
Southampton (Hampshire): Trade and Commerce

170.
Ca. 1790
Just arrived in this town for the first time, and to be seen for a few days in a commodious room at [...] the celebrated Irish Giant, Mr O’Brien, of the Kingdom of Ireland, indisputably the tallest man ever shown: is a lineal descendant of the old and puissant King Brian Boreau, and has, in person and appearance, all the similitudes of that great and grand potentate... nine feet high. Admittance - Ladies and gentlemen 1s. Servants 6d.
Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 25 cm x 19 cm
Advertisement for an exhibition of a man affected with gigantism: Patrick Cotter O’Brien (d. 1806)
O’Brien, Patrick Cotter
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

171.
Ca. 1780?
Sir William Desse, who now most respectfully solicits your favour, to enable him to publish the interesting memoirs of his life, with an abstract account of the ancient and loyal family of Nicholas of Ryndeway, and Maningford Bruce, in the county of Wilts., is lineally descended (in the female line) from that once elevated and loyal family... Sir William Desse had himself (once) the honor to serve his present most gracious majesty as an officer in his body guard, who was please to confer on him that mark of rank and title he now bears, (in the year 1771)... Since which happy period he has been obliged to part with his parental lands* [* the manor of Maningford Bruce near Pewsey, and Potterne near the Devizes] in the county of Wilts. and is reduced to a state of penury, from his property to the amount of near £40,000... That unlimited years of happiness may attend his kind supporters in this life... The descent and genealogy (from 1673) of his family... accompanies this address... as likewise his proposals for the publishing of the above intended work, to which will be
affixed the names of his noble and generous patrons, with their kind benefactions. “Teach me to feel another’s woe, and hide the fault I see; That mercy I to others shew, that mercy shew to me” Pope.

[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 24 cm x 20 cm
Address from Sir William Desse asking for support in aid of publishing his genealogy
Desse, William Sir
Ryndeway, Edward Nicholas of
Genealogy
Nobility

172.
Ca. 1780?
Doctor Graham, physician, from Edinburgh, formerly of the Temple of Health in London, having for more than seven years past experienced, that planting the naked body long and repeatedly in the earth, most naturally, safely, and effectually cures the foulest, most malignant, and most fatal species and degrees of the scurvy... rheumatic, leprous... and other nervous diseases... in a word, that earth bathing most effectually cleanses the human body and limbs from all impurities... He will, therefore, this day, and to-morrow (being Friday and Saturday), from eleven till two o’clock, himself be buried up to his chin among the sweet fresh earth of Mr Serle’s garden, exactly opposite the Blue Boar, in East Street, to explain to intelligent ladies and gentlemen the nature and operation of earth-bathing, in safely, speedily, and radically curing those diseases which physicians, surgeons, sea-bathing, and the most powerful medicines cannot cure... The admission to defray the various great expenses, will be only one shilling to ladies and gentlemen; and six-pence to the common-people... Dr G. proposes to lecture in Southampton... on health, very long life, and happiness; in which he will exhibit the philosophy and the physic of the four elements... Those persons who wish for as safe, speedy and perfect a cure... should be speedy in their application to Dr G. and not lose this favourable opportunity, which they may with anguish regret when too late, and which they may never more be blessed with.

[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 20 cm x 15 cm
Advertisement for a demonstration and lectures on earth-bathing
Graham, James
Southampton (Hampshire): Medical Treatments

173.
Ca. 1801
Just arrived, and to be seen in a commodious room at [...] the celebrated Miss Wanmer, who is by far the shortest lady ever seen in this or perhaps any other kingdom, being her first appearance in this place. She can walk under the celebrated Lady Morgan’s arm. This astonishing lady, who is 49 years of age, and only thirty inches in stature, is possessed of a lively wit and agreeable conversation, which render her company truly entertaining to the most polite audience... visited by the Duke and Duchess of York at Bath, April 8, 1801, and of conversing with most of the nobility of this kingdom... this astonishing lady has kept a school and worked with her needle for 25 years. Admittance: Ladies and gentlemen 1s. Tradesmen 6d.

Southampton: T. Baker Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 19 cm x 17 cm
Advertisement for an exhibition of a woman affected with dwarfism: Miss Lucy Wanmer (d. 1821)
Wanmer, Lucy
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments
Ca. 1800?
Feet preserved from wet and damp, by Beven's pedesarian liquid for shoes and boots. The peculiar efficacy of this liquid, in preventing wet or damp penetrating through the soles of the shoes in general, and especially such as are fashionably thin and worn by ladies and gentlemen... an infallible security against many disorders caused by the continual changes and humidity of weather to which this country is in all seasons particularly liable... persons subject to the gout have, from wet feet, experienced a succession of the most violent paroxisms, which are frequently attended with a fatal termination, is a forcible argument equally applicable to coughs, colds, consumptions, fevers, and every disease caused by similar circumstances...

[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 22 cm x 17 cm
Southampton (Hampshire): Patent Medicines: Advertisements

175.
Ca. 1800?
The Famous Chiropodist's Corn Salve, invented by Du Verney M.D. – author of several medical and chirurgical publications. This celebrated salve is the most efficacious cure for corns of any preparation of the kind ever yet invented...

[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Southampton (Hampshire): Patent Medicines: Advertisements

176.
Ca. 1800?
The greatest prodigies this kingdom ever produced!!! Two celebrated dwarfs, natives of Devonshire, of the parish of Southleigh, between Honiton and Sidmouth. Just arrived in this town, Mr & Miss Batstone, brother and sister, the shortest man and woman, of English production, (Well proportioned,) that was ever exhibited in this kingdom. Mr Batstone... only 40 inches high... Miss Batstone... 36 inches high. Extraordinary as it may appear, Mr. and Miss Batstone have a brother six feet in height!... two of the most complete and surprising little people in this kingdom... families waited on at their own houses, in the evening, at an hour's notice...

Ringwood: Wheaton Printer, Binder, Stationer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 26 cm x 19 cm
Advertisement for an exhibition of people affected by dwarfism
Batstone, Mr. & Miss
Southampton (Hampshire): Entertainments

177.
Ca. 1799
Affidavit of J. Webster, M.D. sworn before the Right Hon. H.C. Combe, Lord Mayor of the City of London. Joshua Webster M.D. and an old Member of the Corporation of Surgeons, London, maketh oath, and saith “that the medicine by him named cerevisia anglicana, is prepared from vegetables possessing the most salubrious qualities, and was discovered by him after a long and laborious investigation of the medicinal properties of herbs and plants; and that the cerevisia id the greatest corrector and purifier of the blood... and approaches the nearest to Dr. Boerhave's idea of ‘an universal remedy’... proved singularly efficacious in the following disorders, viz. in malignant, putrid, spotted and bilious fevers... scurvy... coughs and colds... indigestion... That the late Dr. B. Franklin, of America, when in London, (many years ago) being afflicted with an obstinate scorbutic complaint... was cured, in about two months...” Sworn at the Mansion House of the City of London, the 13th day of November 1799, before me, H.C. Combe, mayor... Dr Webster’s pamphlet relative to the cerevisia...
Affidavit testifying to the efficacy of a medicine followed by an advertisement for the same
Webster, Joshua
Boerhave, Dr.
Combe, Right Hon. H.C.
Franklin, Benjamin
Southampton (Hampshire): Patent Medicines: Advertisements

178.
Ca. 1800?
Corns extracted without the least pain. Mr Braham, corn extractor and dentist, has a new method of extracting corns, in a few minutes, without giving the least pain. The Rev. Mr. Cole, of Oxford, and Eleazar Davy Esq. and his family connections, have received surprising performances, by the extracting of corns... Mr B. further informs the public, that he has prepared a most curious liquid, that cures the tooth ache instantly... all orders are received at Mr. Braham’s apartments, at Miss Richardson’s, French Street, Southampton
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 17 cm x 10 cm
Advertisement for cures of corns and toothache
Southampton (Hampshire): Medical Treatments

179.
Ca. 1800?
Instructions for the embarkation and management of the horses of the Royal Artillery, on board transports. The ships being allotted for the Corps, each Division is to march to that in which it is to embark... men are then to be arranged in the following manner: two men for the horse’s head, to fix on the shipping collar; four men for the slings... in all this business, the most profound silence must be observed, no person being allowed to speak but he who directs the hauling... the horses should be very well dressed... the horses feet should be frequently examined... if a horse falls down, those on each side of him are to be moved as quick as possible to the spare stalls, so as to give him room to get up... the ventilator... ought to be worked daily till the air is quite sweet... that everything below is perfectly clean...
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 40 cm x 25 cm
Instructions for the embarkation of horses on Royal Artillery corps transports
Royal Artillery
Militaria

180.
1794 June 6
Regulations – ordered by the Earl of Moira, to be observed in the supplying of troops under his command, with the several articles to be furnished to them by the contractor, under the direction of the Commissary-General. Bread: Each soldier is to receive, as his allowance for four days, a well-baked loaf of wheat-flour, weighing six pounds, for which the soldier is to be charged five-pence; to be paid by the regimental Quarter-master, at every settlement, to the contractor... Wood: Each soldier is to be allowed three pounds of wood per diem... Straw: straw is to be allowed at the rate of six trusses, each weighing thirty-six pounds... Forage: the ration is to consist of twelve pounds of hay, and ten pounds of oats... List No. I. – Foot: Colonel: 9 horses... List No. II. – Dragoons: Colonel: 11 horses... List No. III. – Staff: Commander in Chief: 30 horses... Articles bad in their kind, or deficient in weight, are not to be received by the troops...
Southampton: [s.n.], 1794
4 sheet [8] p. 22 cm x 14 cm
Signed and dated at end: Moira, Southampton, June 6th 1794
Pamphlet of regulations on rations and horses for the troops, issued by the Earl of Moira (featuring the watermark of ‘G.R.’)
Rawdon-Hastings, Francis [Earl of Moira]
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History
Southampton (Hampshire): French Revolutionary Wars

181.
Ca. 1794
Speedily will be published, an impartial narrative of the facts which have occurred in establishing The Loyal Southampton Volunteer Infantry: to which will be added, a list of the subscribers in aid of the corps; distinguishing those who have paid their subscriptions, from the defaulters. “O England! Model to thy inward greatness, Like little body with a mighty heart... A nest of hollow bosoms... Have for the gilt of France (O guilt indeed!) Confirmed conspiracy with fearful France... and the scene is now transported, gentles, to Southampton.” Shakespeare’s Henry V Act I
Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 20 cm x 12 cm
Notice of pending publication of the subscribers and defaulters of the Southampton Volunteers
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History: Volunteer Corps

182.
Ca. 1794
Army of Reserve. Southampton Self-Insurance Society. It has been fully proved, that a number of persons subscribing among themselves, is the least expensive mode of insuring for the militia. It is now intended to form a society, to assist those who may be drawn for the intended army of reserve, on the following conditions: I. Subscription shares shall be one guinea each... Subscriptions received at T. Baker and Son’s library, where the books will be opened, and at all times subject to the inspection of the subscribers.
[S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Notice of plans to raise subscriptions for an army of reserve
Southampton (Hampshire): French Revolutionary Wars
Southampton (Hampshire): Military History: Militia

183.
Ca. 1818?
To the inhabitants of Southampton. “Well, if ever I saw such another man since my mother bound my head! You a gentleman! Marry come up! I wonder where you were bred! I am sure such words do not become a man of your cloth; I would not give such language to a dog, faith and truth.” Swift. It cannot be mistaken, that the above quotation is applicable to Mr. Chamberlayne, whose conduct, at the hall, on Tuesday last, was infamous and disgraceful... he is a traitor to the constitution of his country!! For it is well known, that his voice is always ready to place the galling yoke of popery on the British nation...the hypocrisy and unprincipled proceedings of Chamberlayne, who would, should he be again elected, take another two year’s nap, and endeavour to make you believe his sleeping visions convinced him he had done his duty, and that he was Southampton’s best friend... An elector. PS. ... Mr Chamberlayne indulged in slander...
Southampton: P. Barnfield Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 20 cm
Polemic against MP William Chamberlayne accusing him of indolence, slander and ‘popery’
184.
Ca. 1818?
To the mayor... town of Southampton. Gentleman, Having perused a bill, signed Wm. Ch. De Crespigny, declaring himself averse to all publications, and that he has not avowed his intention of expending a vast sum of money to insure his success; I must assert this to be an untruth, tho’ not by the direct affirmation of himself, but that of his son, who positively declared that thirty thousand or forty thousand pounds should be no object!... A question was uniformly put by W.C. de C. in his canvass, would you sooner choose an Irishman or an Englishman? Now, I affirm, that neither Ashtown nor De Crespigny are [English?] tho’ the latter was born in England – yet, being of French extraction, he cannot claim your votes... An independent elector.
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 18 cm
Polemic against William Champion De Crespigny’s parliamentary campaign
De Crespigny, William Champion
Trench, Frederick (Baron Ashtown)
Politics
Parliamentary elections

185.
Ca. 1793?
A pitiful ballad, of English defeats and French victories, showing how Englishmen ought to stand still and suffer themselves to be beaten. After the example of their cowardly forefathers.
Would you hear what deeds of wonder
Once by British arms were done;
How the British sons of thunder
Made the Gallic squadrons run...
... Rival of Edward’s fame and power,
Next young Harry [Henry V] show’d them sport;
Long did Frenchmen rue the hour,
When they met at Agincourt...
Price, on common paper, 1d. each, or 9.d per dozen or 50 for 2s. 6d...
Southampton: T. Baker & Son, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 32 cm x 20 cm
Satirical poem on English victories over the French
Southampton (Hampshire): French Revolutionary Wars

186.
Ca. 1807
To all good Protestants. They say the late ministers were friends to Irish papists, and enemies of Protestants. “Mark how a plain tale shall put them down.” The Irish Catholics have now for thirteen years had a right to be ensigns, lieutenants, captains, colonels and generals in the Army. The Irish Protestant Dissenters have for thirty years had a right to hold any office civil or military. The English Catholics can by law be neither ensigns, captains, colonels, nor generals, in the army. The English Protestant Dissenters cannot by law hold any office civil or military... Mr Pitt’s law of 1793 did not mention Protestant dissenters, Lord Howick was told, he must make his English law the same as Mr Pitt’s Irish law, and no more, and then it would not be opposed... These are the ministers who now govern us. Such is Lord Castlereagh, who told the papists not to look to any one but him and his
friends. Such is Mr Perceval, who says, in his speech upon the residence of the clergy, “that a Protestant dissenting minister does more mischief in a month than a parson can cure in nine.”

Southampton: Baker & Fletcher, [n.d.]
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Polemic on Catholic emancipation and dissenters, supporting the Whig administration
Howick, Lord (Charles Gray)
Perceval, Spencer
Pitt, William
Catholic emancipation
Dissenters, Religious

187.
1818
To the electors of Southampton. *Met a fool in the wood* – Shakespeare.
Fellow townsmen, a person designating himself Timothy Quaint has lately addressed to you a hand-bill containing some of the most ridiculous nonsense that ever flowed from a goose quill… I have thought proper to obtrude on you, thinking it a duty I owe to Sir William De Crespigny, as well as the society at large, to disprove falsehoods… “he is an odd fellow, a Smoker [free mason]” “What a sin! To be rank’d in the list” with his Prince! [George IV] – heinous!!! – to belong to a Society whose basis is charity! – shocking!!! Who are ever ready to assist their fellow creatures… “for his son declared *his Papa would buy the town, cost what it would, etc…*” supposing, for argument’s sake, that young De Crespigny did really make this assertion… let me ask you candidly, if this, even his corruptible method of getting returned is not a mere handsome, and I’m sure I may say, a much more independent election, than that of a man’s being forced upon you by a set of domineering people, who vainly imagine they hold you like so many dogs in a slip…let me know any of you that know the nature of an election, if it is not in the power of either of the candidates to put the whole of the voters individually to their oaths, that they have not received a bribe, either directly or indirectly, for their votes, previous to their being admitted to poll? “Then the odd fellows tell you he is an Irishman – what a sin to be rank’d in the list with the hero wrested England and Europe form the power of a tyrant! - - - Wellington is an Irishman, etc.” Now, because an Irishman may make a very good soldier, can that be any reason why he should make a good Member of Parliament to represent an English borough? He may be an Irish Roman Catholic… and a proper member to return for the purpose of supporting the established religion and laws of the land?…

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1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 21 cm

Polemic in support of William De Crespigny against Baron Ashtown
De Crespigny, William Champion
Trench, Frederick (Baron Ashtown)
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

188.
1818
To the electors of Southampton. As a facetious old knight says in the Spectator, “*Much might be said on both sides,*” So I say, with regard to the two present candidates for your suffrages at the ensuing General Election: First, then, what can be said of him whom you call the *popular candidate* – why, he is an odd fellow, a Smoker [free-mason] – one who is odd enough to attempt to impose on the honest electors of our respectable town, by carrying his election at any price; for his son declared to many of us that his Papa would buy the town, cost what it would – say some thirty or forty thousands! …as to the noble lord (the *odd fellow’s* opponent) this much is said of him – First, the *odd fellow* and his friends take much pains to impose upon you, that he is a Catholic (they dare not say a Roman Catholic)... as every Tom Fool knows that a Roman Catholic cannot be a Member of
Parliament; - then the odd fellows tell you that he is an Irishman! ... Wellington is an Irishman, and is he less entitled to the honours due to him, because he is an Irishman! ...

Southampton: A. Cunningham, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 30 cm x 18 cm

General election polemic against William Champion De Crespigny in support of Baron Ashtown
Trench, Frederick (Baron Ashtown)
De Crespigny, William Champion
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

189.
1790
Hampshire County Election [1790]
An election trick. Although Mr Jervoise repeatedly, by his advertisements to the gentlemen, clergy, and freeholders of Hampshire, declared that he was in no shape whatever connected with any other candidate, yet it was strongly suspected that he was acting with duplicity, and that duplicity of conduct has been confirmed by Mr. Jervoise having sanctioned the Secretary of the County Club, (Mr. Green) whom he took for one of his own agents, to canvass in the joint names of Lord John Russell and himself... [S.l.]: [s.n.], [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 31 cm x 19 cm

Polemic against political machinations of Hampshire county candidate Jervoise Clarke Jervoise
Jervoise, Clarke Jervoise
Heathcote, Sir William
Chute, William John
Bedford, John Russell, Duke of, 1766-1839
Thistledthwayte, Thomas
Hampshire: Parliamentary Elections

190.
Ca. 1793?
Association Song
Hark! The nation shouts around!
Mark what loud, indignant sound...
... Tho’ France with baneful poison tries,
With wicked fraud, and treacheries,
Britons to beguile...
Louder raise the vocal strain!
“Rule Britannia, rule the Main!”...
Southampton: T. Baker, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm

Anti-French song
Loyal Association
Southampton (Hampshire): French Revolutionary Wars

191.
Ca. 1793?
Fore warned – fore armed*
Because in a crisis like the present, it is the duty of every good citizen to defend his country: therefore let us arm... Thus united, we may bid defiance to the French invasion, amidst the general convulsion of surrounding nations, stand undismayed, and by guarding our constitution and liberty, transmit to posterity, the freedom gained by our ancestors... free born Britons. * Look to the Swiss nation.
Southampton: T. Skelton, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 30 cm x 20 cm
Call to arms against Revolutionary France
Southampton (Hampshire): French Revolutionary Wars

192.
Ca. 1818?
No popery but much absurdity! Fellow townsmen, remark the absurdity of a man of seventy years of age learning a new trade, and for the first time in his life, soliciting a seat in the imperial parliament, when he ought to be preparing for a seat in another and better world. “O tempora! o Mores!” Then the gross insult offered to our feeling and understanding, by supposing there is not native talent enough in this opulent town and neighbourhood to find a competent man to represent us in parliament, but that we are obliged to send to Ireland for one; and that one is a Lord! Rob. M’kraken.

Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 28 cm x 22 cm
Election polemic, likely from 1818, attacking the Irish lord; likely Baron Ashtown Trench, Frederick (Baron Ashtown)
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

193.
Ca. 1807?
Parody on a parody.
*Is it a negro-driving slave?*
*Is this the man you wish to have?*
*Where’s your liberty? Pray tell us?*
*Sing old Rose, & burn the bellows…*
*Huzza old Rose and burn the bellows.* Old Blue Bottle
Southampton: A. Cunningham Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 17 cm x 10 cm
Political poem, likely from 1807, in support of George Rose and denigrating Josias Jackson
Jackson, Josias
Rose, George Henry
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

194.
Ca. 1799
Inhabitants of Southampton, your inattention to several advertisements announcing intended application to Parliament for the purpose of obtaining enlargement of the powers of the commissioners of the water-works, has brought you on the verge of being saddled with another impost of sixpence in the pound... you will be subjected to the raising a sum nearly equal to £800 per annum... The local taxes of this town amount already to nearly 42 per cent. Of the whole rental... there are more conduits and public pumps than can be found in any other country town of equal extent... X.Y.Z.
Southampton: T. Skelton Printer, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 22 cm x 17 cm
Notice attacking the imposition of a higher water-works rate
Southampton (Hampshire): Water Supply
Southampton (Hampshire): Rates

195.
Ca. 1795
Contrast, on Mr Brothers and Mr P_!!
As I lay musing on my easy bed,
Brothers and P_ came smack into my head;
Bless me, said I, how shall I these combine,
One is so vile, the other so divine?
What were my thoughts on these Moghuls of State,
In black and white I plainly here relate...
Mr Brothers... he says, he is the prime Minister of the King of Heaven...
Mr Brothers said he would be at Constantinople in July 1795 - - - Mr. P_ said he would be at Paris in August, 1793...
31. Mr Brothers’s prophecies are very great bubbles - - - Mr. P_’s policies are very great troubles...
One is a fool, perhaps, that should be bang’d
The other, I am sure, ought to be h___

London: Printed and sold by the Booksellers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 33 cm x 21 cm
Satirical poem comparing the divine prophecies of Richard Brothers with the policies of William Pitt
Brothers, Richard
Pitt, William
French Revolutionary Wars

196.
Ca. 1790?
In the press, and speedily will be published, a poem, entitled, the four candidates; or the adjournment: with a brief illustration of the famous treatise of M.T. Cicero de Oratore... Price 3d. A few copies on fine paper, price 6d.
Southampton: Baker & Fletcher, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 16 cm x 10 cm
Notice of pending publication of a political poem
Politics

197.
Ca. 1802
The Candidate. No. 1
If your ancient spirit is not dead within you, - - - if you have not ceased to love liberty... rouse from your torpor... the invaluable privilege of sending to the National Senate two fit persons to do your business and to speak your sentiments... your representatives in parliament are nothing more than your agents... “Have your present members represented you in thought and deed?” If you want another war, and two millions more of taxes... give your votes to those who have uniformly voted for the war... Can Mr Amyatt and Mr Rose say, - “We have struggled hard against the late “bloody, extended, and expensive war”: We never voted for the Income Tax: We never a laid a sacrilegious hand on Habeas Corpus Act: We never yet supported Mr Pitt in any of his wild schemes: We never gave our votes for substituting paper for guineas?” ... The war whoop still rings in our ears, and we still hear the cries of the dying, and see the ghosts of the dead... (To be continued.)
Southampton: T. Baker & Son, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Polemic against the incumbent MPs Rose and Amyatt, likely dating from the 1802 election
Rose, George Henry
Amyatt, James
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
Income Tax
French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars
198.
Ca. 1802
The Candidate. No. II
The gentlemen who are the present representatives of the town have thought it no dereliction of duty to leave their posts in the House of Commons, although business of the highest importance requires them to be on guard... If their public conduct for the last six years merits your thanks, you surely would be guilty of the grossest ingratitude, not to give them your future favour and support...
In what one instance has either of them made a speech, which was not fraught with eloquence, truth, and sound political reasoning? In what one instance has either of them given a vote, which was not given for the preservation of your liberties, and the peace of nations? Unlettered men may aver the contrary, but those who are deeply learned will appear and give evidence on the day of poll...

Southampton: T. Baker & Son, [n.d.]
1 sheet [2] p. 20 cm x 17 cm
Commentary on the candidates for the 1802 general election
Rose, George Henry
Amyatt, James
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections

199.
Ca. 1802
The Candidate. No. III
...the late destructive war, in which the conduct of your representatives was manifestly in opposition to your wishes, it behoves you to look at home, to see in what manner you have been slighted, tricked, and cajoled: and all for want of having a representative of your own... One of your members is the product of hot-treasury-bed influence, the other of Corporation jealousy... Who carried the first Turnpike Act through Parliament? – Mr Rose. Who carried the amended one? – Mr Amyatt...
Were you consulted? NO: you were not worth consulting... How came your town to be shut up like a bastille, insomuch that neither eggs nor butter can be brought in, but as into a gaol? ... The House of Commons is at this moment voting away millions; and your members are bowing and cringing at your doors, like beggars at your gates, for more favour... To be continued.

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, [n.d.]
1 sheet [1] p. 21 cm x 17 cm
Polemic against the incumbent MPs Rose and Amyatt
Rose, George Henry
Amyatt, James, 1734-1818
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Elections
Turnpike Trusts
French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars

200.
Ca. 1802
The Candidate. No. IV
Cicero somewhere says, - “It is natural for man to err, but fools only persevere in error.” ... He lived in an age when there was a great struggle between tyranny and freedom... Nature has so made, so framed and constituted our machines, and the intellectual wheels that move them, that we can never be truly happy unless we think rightly and act justly... You have felt the pangs of war: you have wanted bread: you want money: but you do not want virtue. The God of heaven hath left you that noble prerogative, though corrupt ministers have deprived you of every other blessing... Be yourselves; and if you are yourselves, and think and judge for yourselves, you will no longer persevere in error, but elect some honest independent soul to represent you. (To be continued.)
201. 
Ca. 1802
The Candidate. No. V
In this town there are eight hundred voters; consequently there are sixteen hundred votes. Two certain men have for three weeks past been soliciting these votes. They have bowed and cringed, and cringed and bowed again, and have not got five hundred between them... thus it is with quacks of every description... the patient repeats the dose till he has not a drop of good blood left in his veins, - and then dies. But the quack is not to blame: he stuffs his pockets with gold, while the poor dupe of a patient ruins himself and his children, because he will not think for himself...

To Britons bear
This closing strain, and with intenser note
Loud let it sound in their awakened ear
On virtue can alone my kingdom stand,
On pubic virtue, every virtue join’d... Thomson

Southampton: T. Baker & Son Printers, [n.d.] 
1 sheet [1] p. 20 cm x 17 cm 
Polemic against the incumbent MPs of Southampton 
Southampton (Hampshire): Parliamentary Election