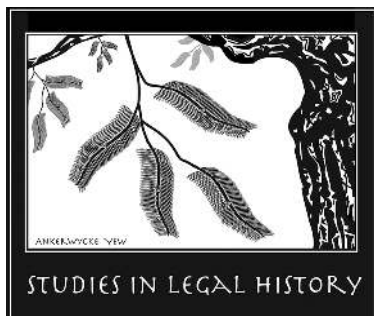


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CO 96	Colonial Office: Gold Coast correspondence
CO 167	Colonial Office: Mauritius correspondence
CO 179	Colonial Office: Natal correspondence
CO 267	Colonial Office: Sierra Leone correspondence
CO 273	Colonial Office: Straits Settlements correspondence
CO 417	Colonial Office: High Commission for South Africa correspondence
CO 427	Colonial Office: Zululand correspondence
CO 879	Colonial Office: Africa Confidential Print
CO 882	Colonial Office: Confidential Print Eastern
CO 885	Colonial Office: Law Officers' Opinions
DO 119	High Commissioner for South Africa correspondence
FO 2	Foreign Office: General Correspondence, Africa
FO 78	Foreign Office: General Correspondence, Ottoman Empire
FO 84	Foreign Office: Slave Trade Department correspondence
FO 141	Foreign Office: Egypt correspondence
FO 403	Foreign Office: Confidential Print Africa
FO 407	Foreign Office: Confidential Print Egypt and Sudan
FO 633	Cromer Papers
PRO 30	Miscellaneous private papers
T 1	Treasury Papers
TS 11	Treasury Solicitor Papers
TS 27	Treasury Solicitor Papers
WO 32	War Office: Registered Files

Western Cape Archives and Records Service (Cape Town)

WCA AG	Attorney General’s files
WCA BK	British Kaffraria files
WCA CCP	Cape Colony Publications
WCA GH	Government House despatches
WCA LG	Lieutenant Governor of the Eastern Province memorials