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MALLEN, CHARLES AND COMPANY, Brewers

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Charles Mallen, born in London, arrived in South Australia aboard the S.S. Champion in 1853. Going by his reminiscences published in the Observer of 30 October 1909, his first employment in the brewing industry was at W.H. Clark's brewery in Halifax Street. Subsequently he was brewer and manager for W.K. Simms' and E. Chapman's West End Brewery and in 1874, after being with the firm eighteen years, he was sent to Sydney to set up a brewery at Waverley. However, on failing to secure a partnership in the firm he returned to Adelaide and bought land on West Terrace where he built his own Waverley Brewery and there began brewing in 1875. This business was bought out by Simms the following year.

According to M.H. Ward's Notes on Past and Present Breweries in South Australia (1950, reference D3164T), in 1878 Charles Mallen built the Waverley Brewery at Mitcham and formed the partnership of Haimes, Mallen and Company consisting of himself, John Haimes, Marie M. Mallen a daughter, and Arthur Bean. Arthur Bean retired in 1879 and on the death of John Haimes the firm's name changed to Mallen and Company and c.1891 to Charles Mallen and Company.

Charles Mallen died aged eighty - nine on 26 October 1909.

The letter book and brewing register were donated anonymously through the Reference Library in 1987 together with a few papers of William Bone Junior, Brewery Manager and grandson of Charles Mallen.

Anthony Moore's Breweries of South Australia 1836 - 1936 (Adelaide: University of Adelaide, Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning, 1981) lists Bone's Brewery, Francis Street, Unley, operated by William Bone 1900 - 1901.

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Brewing control register. 1885-1917. 1 vol. Manuscript. [Includes plan of location of the Waverley Brewery at beginning of volume. Daily entries include remarks on types of malt, hops and water used, weather patterns and quality of ferment.]	1
Letter book. 1891-1909. 1 vol. Press copies. [Comprises ledger balances and out-letters of Charles Mallen.]	2
Taxation returns of William Bone Jr., Brewery Manager. 1904, 1915-16. 5 items. Manuscript and printed. [Comprises three loose leaves and two returns.]	3

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- War census returns of William Bone Junior, Brewery Manager. 4  
1915. 3 items + cover. Manuscript and printed.  
[Item 2, With William Bone Jr's reply on Reverse, comprises  
copy of W.M. Hughes' Call to Arms.]