

**E000****SUPPLEMENT 2673**

Notes and Sketches made from GER Drawings of Locomotives, Carriages and Wagons

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John Gardner served an apprenticeship at Stratford Works from 1946 at the end of which in 1954 he left the railway service and joined the commercial world of contract engineering in the steel industry. Although while at Stratford John obtained copies of various locomotive drawings it was not until the acquisition by the Society of what is now referred to as the Dupen Collection did he prepare most of the sketches listed in this schedule. John played a major role in sorting and listing these drawings for the Society, especially those relating to locomotives, which include a vast number of components and detailed assemblies

**Section One: Sketches and Notes, Locomotives**

Each Item is arranged by the original Drawing Number and gives details of the locomotive class(es) to which the sketch or notes relate, using the GER and equivalent LNER designation where appropriate. The legend 'Std' indicates that the item is a standard fitting, applied to most – if not all – locomotive types. Where a GER locomotive class is followed by a notation in parentheses – 'M15 (O18, P55)', for example – this denotes that the item refers to the O18 and P55 batches of these engines, and those following,

Under the heading 'Type' the relevant wheel arrangement is shown, or 'Tenders', in which case the water capacity of the tender concerned is shown in the LNER Class column.

In the 'Date' column the date of the original drawing is shown where known. Many of the drawings were later re-drawn, either because the original was worn out, the component concerned was updated, and so on. The date indicated is that which appears on the drawing.

Under 'Description' is shown the content of the original drawing, and the details that have been sketched from it. Under 'Notes' are cross-references to other drawings (not necessarily ones that John made notes from), and other comments such as 'Not proceeded with' and so on.

**Section Two: Cross-References**

This section lists drawings that are cross-referenced by other drawings: either those listed in Section One, or others that John had inspected. The column 'Drawing Number' is the drawing referred to, and 'Source Drawing Number' is the drawing that refers to it. The details shown are those of the drawing referred to, shown in the same manner as in Section One.

**Section Three: Drawings Inspected**

This section shows those drawings that John Gardner also inspected, The other details are shown as in previous sections.

**Section Four: Rolling Stock**

This section lists Drawings of Carriages and Wagons and a few other items that John made sketches or notes from.