

Plate A: The transcribed port books and brokage books allowed the data to be more easily interpreted and entered into the database.

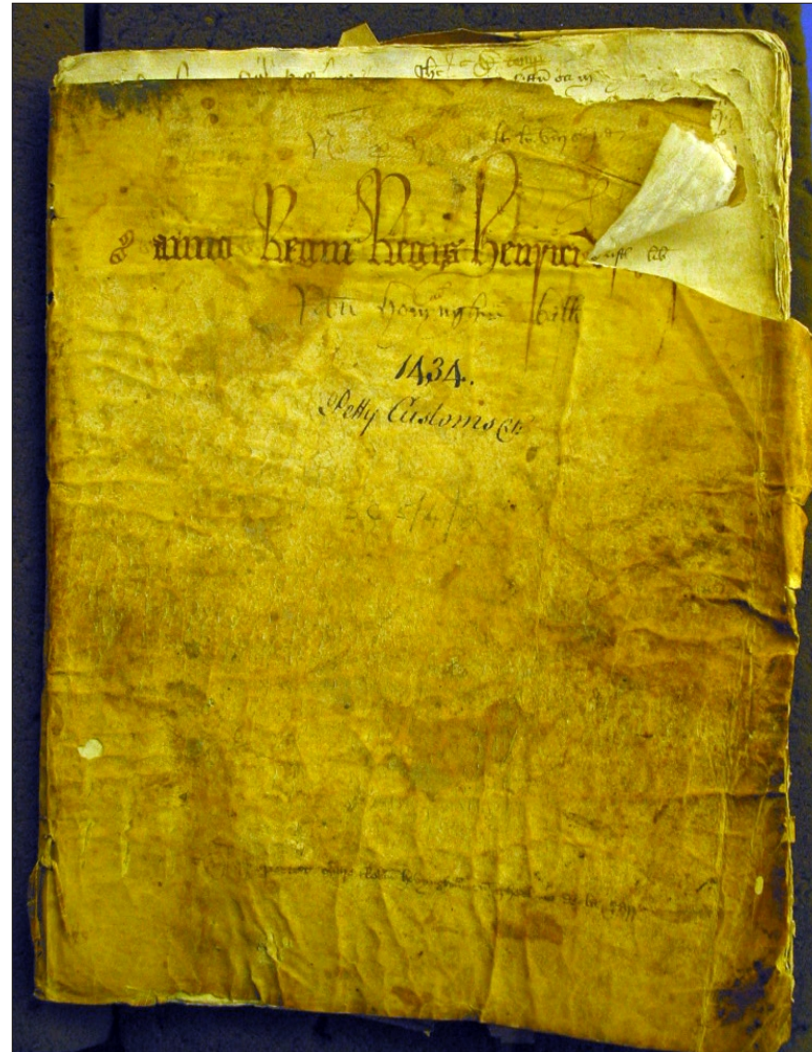


Plate B: The original port book manuscripts often survive in a delicate condition and require continuous curation.

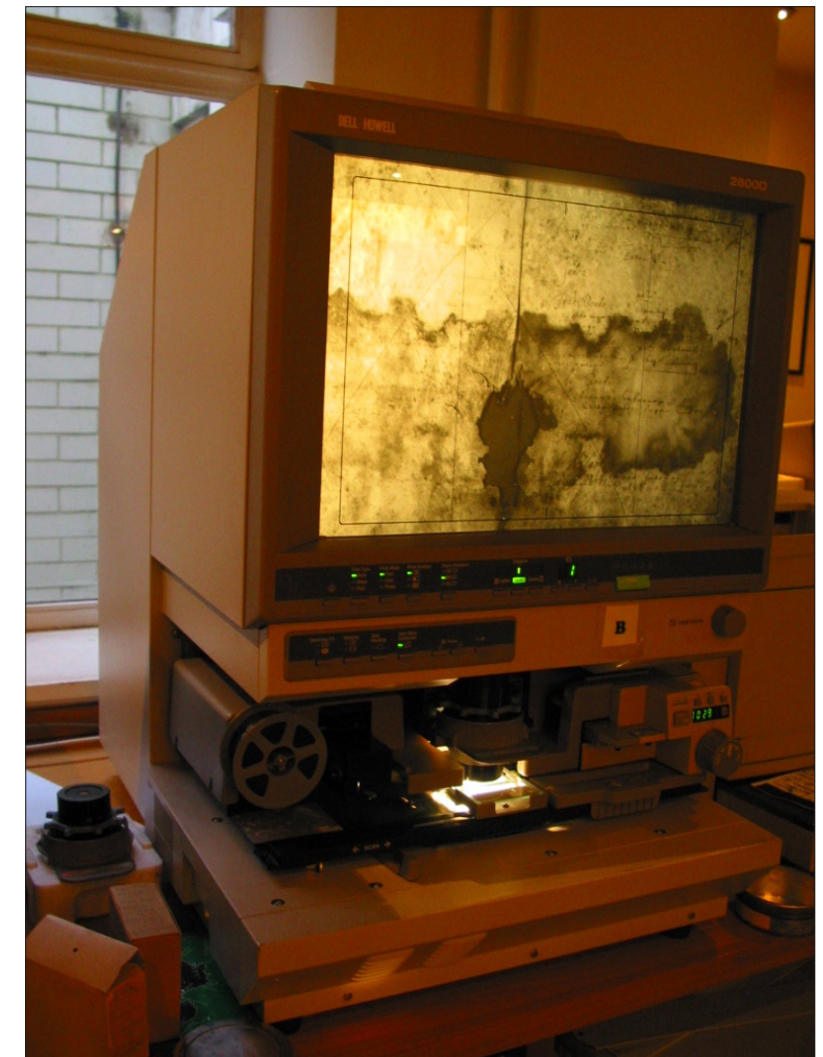


Plate C: Copies of some port books are available on microfiche, however they remain difficult to read and interpret and are slow to record.