The St. Catharines Standard started publication in 1891 under W.B. Burgoyne. It was subsequently purchased by Southam Newspapers, then Canwest Global Communications. Osprey Media took over the publication until June 1, 2007 when Quebecor acquired the company.

The St. Catharines Standard celebrated its centennial in 1991 with mobile displays, a centennial logo and slogan, a Christmas card, an advertising campaign, a video and a centennial theme to regular promotions. As part of the activities, the Standard commissioned Brock University to produce a history of St. Catharines. This book entitled *St. Catharines Canada’s Canal City* is a popular book rather than an academic text. The authors have woven together stories of the past and present to showcase the
character and personality of St. Catharines. The book is full of maps and photographs, many of which had not been seen in print before this time.

Scope and Content: The fonds contains materials relating to the printing museum project and the centennial of the St. Catharines Standard. The materials included are media releases, clippings, correspondence, and promotional materials. Original order was maintained.

Organization: The records are contained in 7 files

Inventory:

1.1 Clippings regarding the history of printing 1970, 1974

1.2 Correspondence and clippings regarding the proposal for a printing museum at Mackenzie House, Queenston, 1988

1.3-1.5 Contains correspondence, a paper on journalism in the Niagara district, information on the Standard’s $500,000 pledge toward Brock University’s Centre for Entrepreneurship, a report to the Commission about the Heritage Printing Museum proposal and a submission to the Niagara Parks Commission regarding the printing museum, 1989

1.6 Preliminary considerations for a major history of St. Catharines; a discussion paper on the 100th anniversary of the Standard; a program for the centennial of the Standard (including proposal); correspondence and clippings. Dr. John Jackson, Sheila Wilson, Henry Burgoyne and Terry White are shown researching the book that was commissioned by the St. Catharines Standard, includes 4 b&w photographs, 1988-1990, n.d.

1.7 Correspondence and press releases regarding the “Wayzgoose” which is a revival of a historic printers’ celebration. Events at the Mackenzie House Printery are advertised. The public is invited to tour a Great Lakes Ship. The Standard holds a plaque unveiling ceremony in honour of the 100th year of the St. Catharines Standard, 1991
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