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Administrative History:

Alun Owen Hughes was born on May 4th, 1942 in Bridgend, South Wales. He attended Cowbridge Grammar School and graduated from St. John's College, Cambridge in 1965. He received a teaching certificate as well as an MA from Cambridge. He also earned a diploma in cartography from the University College of Swansea.

From 1967-1969 Alun was employed in London, England as a cartographic editor. He joined the faculty of the Department of Geography at Brock University in 1969. He also co-founded and coached the Brock Rugby Club. He retired from Brock in 2012.

Alun was very involved in promoting and teaching the Welsh language in North America. His love of the language began when he was a child raised in a Welsh-speaking home. For the last 20 years of his life, Alun's research focused on local history – primarily the history of Thorold, Ontario. He served on numerous committees, boards and historical societies. He was a very popular speaker, field trip leader and published researcher.

Professor Hughes won numerous awards including: the British Cartographic Society's Design Award in 1988; the Thorold Citizen of the Year in 2003 and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2013. He was also named the Honorary Historian of the City of Thorold.

Alun died at the age of 71 on May 9, 2013 following a lengthy illness.

Scope and Content:

The bulk of the materials consist of speeches and research papers. The original order has been maintained where possible and where no order existed like records were brought together.

Organization:

The records are arranged into 4 series.

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Series I – Speeches and Articles – All speeches and articles were written by Alun Hughes unless otherwise noted. The dates given reflect the dates that the speeches were presented, 1992-2011 n.d. (non-inclusive)

- 1.1 *The Deep Hollow, the White Oak Tree and the Split Rock: The Early Surveys of the Niagara Peninsula, 1992*
- 1.2 *McDonell, Tinling and Frey: The First Surveys of Niagara Township, includes overheads, 1993-1994*
- 1.3 *Shaping the Shoreline: Four Centuries of Mapping in Niagara, 1993*
- 1.4 *The Board of Commissioners got Drunk – The Beginnings of Local Government in Niagara, 1994*
- 1.5 *The Mapping of St. Catharines, includes overheads, 1996*
- 1.6 *John Butler and the Early Settlement on the West Bank of the Niagara River, includes an overhead, 1996*
- 1.7 *Laura Secord’s Walk into History – a speech given by Sheila Wilson, 1999*
- 1.8 *Augustus Jones: The Life and Loves of a Pioneer Surveyor, includes overheads and a picture of Alun Hughes’ wedding as well as information on the Augustus Jones historical plaque, 1999, 2002*
- 1.9 *Municipal Restructuring in Upper Canada or How we got into this Mess, includes overheads, 2000*
- 1.10 *Dueling Jewelers – The Story of O.R. Steadman and Son, Thorold, includes overheads, by Alun Hughes and Roy Steadman, 2000*
- 1.11 *The Early Surveys of Township no. 10, Pelham, includes overheads and Alun Hughes’ wedding invitation, 2000*
- 1.12 *Get the Ring First, and then Hunt up a Girl to Fit it: Thorold Jewellers 1850- 2000, includes overheads, 2000*
- 1.13 *The Welland Canals (and Battlefields, Burying Grounds and More) in Thorold – this is just an outline of the speech, 2000*

- 1.14 *Vanishing Landscapes in Thorold*, includes overheads, 2001
- 1.15 “The Cannon Ball Booms” Jeweller Thomas Jones and the Bicycle Craze in Thorold in the Gay Nineties, includes overheads (2001 speech with Sheldon Armstrong), 2001, 2003-2004, 2006-2007
- 1.16 *History of the Lake Gibson Corridor, from Decew to Beaverdams to Allanburg*, 2002
- 1.17 *Heroes, Traitors and the Johnston Map of 1822; Treason and Duplicity in Upper Canada: The Tangled Tale of Brock University’s Lands*, includes overheads, 2002-2003, 2005-2006, 2008, 2010
- 1.18 *Canals, the Klondike and the Serial Flooding of Thorold; “Water Coming In” Canals, the Klondike and the Serial Flooding of Thorold*, includes overheads, 2002-2004
- 1.19 Rooms with a View: Early Settlement Along the River Bank, includes overheads, 2003
- 1.20 *Captain Dick’s Creek, a Quest for Treasure Trove and Toponymic Truth*, includes overheads, 2003-2006
- 1.21 *Daniel Hazen, Surveyor of Grantham Township*, includes overheads, 2004
- 1.22 *History of Religion in Niagara*, 2004
- 1.23 *Early Settlement in Niagara or, Why were there no Indian Wars when the Loyalists Arrived?*, includes overheads, 2004
- 1.24 *Who is to Blame for the Road System in St. Catharines?*, includes overheads, 2004
- 1.25 Did Laura Secord’s Trek Really Make a Difference?, includes overheads, 2004
- 1.26 *Why is Thorold Thorold and Pelham Pelham? (and other Toponymic Teasers)*, 2004-2005
- 1.27 *The Lincolnshire Link and the Naming of Niagara*, 2005

- 1.28 *Merritt's Survey and the Tunnel to Nowhere – The Beginnings of the Welland Canal and Surveying Merritt's Ditch: Fixing the Line of the First Welland Canal*, includes overheads, 2005
- 1.29 *John Graves Simcoe and the Naming of Upper Canada*, 2005-2006
- 1.30 *Early Methodism in Niagara and the Story of Welland Avenue United Church*, 2006
- 1.31 *Merritton (Otherwise Known as Welland City, Slabtown, Thorold Station & c.) – How it got its Name; The Early History of Merritton, "Certainly a Most Uninteresting Spot"*, includes overheads, 2005-2007
- 1.32 *The 1876 Map of Merritton, and what became of Welland City*, includes overheads, 2006
- 1.33 *Too Many Catharines – The Founding and Naming of the Garden City*, includes overheads, 2006-2007
- 1.34 *The Duryea Motor Wagon Company of Thorold – Why it Never Came to be; The Duryea Motor Wagon and the Police Chief's New Suit*, includes overheads, 2007
- 2.1 *The Origin and Naming of St. Catharines*, includes overheads, 2008
- 2.2 *'Lord' Simcoe, Lady Godiva and the Naming of Niagara's Townships*, includes overheads, 2008
- 2.3 *Evolution of a Ghost Town: The History of Power Glen*, includes overheads, 2008
- 2.4 *When Onguiaahra became Niagara (and the Mountain became the Escarpment)*, includes overheads, 2008
- 2.5 *Maps of "The Great Swivel Link"; Charting the Great Swivel Link: Maps of the Welland Canal*, includes overheads, 2008, 2010
- 2.6 *Laura Secord – Seeking the Truth Beneath the Chocolate Coating*, includes overheads, 2008-2010

- 2.7 *The Meaning of “Niagara”/ On the Meaning of “Niagara”, includes overheads, 2008, 2010-2011*
- 2.8 *Thorold Community Credit Union, 2009*
- 2.9 *Merritt Day, 2009*
- 2.10 *The Artist as Cartographer: Mapping Laura Secord’s Trek, includes overheads, 2010*
- 2.11 *Battle of Beaverdams/Laura Secord Commemoration, Battle of Beaverdams Park, 2010*
- 2.12 *The Quebec Bank for the Quebec Bank designation ceremony, 2010*
- 2.13 *Joshua Pell and the Inception of the Welland Canal, includes overheads, 2011*
- 2.14 *The American Surrender at Beaverdams, includes overheads, 2011*
- 2.15 *George V Slept Here? Unravelling the Tale of a Thorold House and Neighbourhood, includes overheads, 1998, n.d.*
- 2.16 *The Early Surveys and Settlement of Township no. 2, includes overheads, n.d.*
- 2.17 *History of Grantham, n.d.*
- 2.18 *The Curse of Walter Dittrick, includes overheads, n.d.*
- 2.19 *Looking Back... with Alun Hughes including: The American Surrender at Beaverdams, Johann Schiller: Father of Canadian Wine?; Laura Secord’s Key and the Schoolbook Scandal; On the Meaning of “Niagara”; From Duryea to Gove: Making Cars in Thorold; Early Shipping and Shipbuilding on the Twelve; The Feeder Canal and its Communities; Following in Laura’s Footsteps; Laura Secord and the Prince of Wales; Richard Pierpoint and the Naming of Dick’s Creek; Terrorist Attacks on the Welland Canal; The Evolution of St. Catharines as a Municipality; The Opening of the First Welland Canal; The Brock University Campus Map of 1822; The Theal House at Brock University; Who was Junius?; Daniel Hazen, Surveyor of Grantham Township and William Hamilton Merritt and Pell’s Canal; Porter*

Adams and Grape-Growing in Niagara; On the Meaning of “Niagara”; Early Methodism and Welland Avenue United Church; When did Thorold begin?; Thorold’s Ancient Signpost; Rich Treasure at “Thorold Site”; Thorold sold for a song; Lines on the Land; And Jones Created Thorold; Thorold’s First Municipal Election; The Steadman Story; Duty or Else: Our First Councillors; Lady Godiva Rides Again – On Front Street???; *Thurrald – the Lincolnshire Link and Thorold’s Voice Falls Silent*. Also included is *Merritt’s Survey and the Tunnel to Nowhere*, 2004, 2008-2009, n.d.

Series II – Field Trips and Tours, 1981-2011, n.d. (non-inclusive)

- 2.20 *A Miniature Global Village – Field Trip Guide to the Multi-Ethnic Landscape of St. Catharines, Ontario* by Roberta M. Styran and Robert S. Taylor, 1981
- 2.21 The Battle of Queenston Heights Battlefield Walking Tour by Colin K. Duquemin, 1991
- 2.22 Victoria Lawn Cemetery Tours including: *A Walk through Victoria Lawn Cemetery, Canals and Ships* and *Mayors of St. Catharines*. All tours were led by William J. Stevens, 1994, 2006
- 2.23 *Tour of the Beaverdams Battlefield* with David Webb, 1994
- 2.24 *Walking Tour of the Village of Allanburg* sponsored by Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society, *A Walking Tour of Two Welland Canal Communities, Allanburg and Port Robinson* by the Canadian Canal Society and *Port Colborne* by the Canadian Canal Society, 1995-1996, 1998
- 2.25 An Historical Walking Tour of Lakeview Cemetery by Fred Campbell, 1996
- 2.26 *Vanished Landscapes of Niagara* – field trip leaders: John Burtniak and Alun Hughes; *Niagara’s Vanishing Landscapes* – field trip leaders: John Burtniak, Alun Hughes, Melanie Battell, Colin Duquemin and Dennis Gannon, *Second and Third Welland Canals Exploration* – field trip leaders: John Burtniak and Alun Hughes and *A Glance Back at*

Niagara's History – field trip leaders: John Burtنياك and Alun Hughes, 2000-2001

- 2.27 Thorold walking tours including: *Historical Walking Tour of Downtown Thorold*, *Historical Walking Tour of Thorold Ravine* by Alun Hughes, *A Tour of Historic Thorold* and *Thorold Murals* by Alun Hughes and John Burtنياك, clippings are included, 2001, 2004, 2007
- 2.28 The Welland Canal Walk with Alun Hughes, includes clippings, 2007
- 2.29 *Humboldt University Tour of Niagara* by Alun Hughes, 2008
- 2.30 *Go Laura Go!*, 2009
- 2.31 Brock University Tours including: *St. Catharines, Dick's Creek and the Welland Canals* by Alun Hughes, *Historical Walking Tours of Brock Campus* by Alun Hughes and *Health and Wellness Conference Underground Railway Tour*, 2005, 2011, n.d.
- 2.32 *Historic St. Catharines Walking Tours* sponsored by the Historical Society of St. Catharines and the St. Catharines Downtown Association and *Stones, Saints and Sinners*, walking tours on Niagara-on-the-Lake's large historic cemeteries by Fred Habermehl and Donald L. Combe n.d.

Series III – Brock University, 1822-2009, n.d. (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series A. Memorabilia, 1963-2009, n.d. (non-inclusive)

- 2.33 Old Badgers Rugby Football Club memorabilia including Homecoming information, correspondence, clippings and the Old Badgers Rugby Club 30th Anniversary Commemorative Songbook, 2 col. photos, 1 b&w photo, 1994-1997, 2000-2002
- 2.34 Includes a clipping regarding the Isaac Brock logo, information on the Michael Snow *Timed Images* video installation at Brock University and a *Two Days of Canada, Brock University* button. Also included is a photocopied picture of Alun Hughes, 1973, 1991, 2004, n.d.
- 3.1 Brock University Founders' Committee articles including *A Retrospective Report 1963-1965*, *Statement of the Chairman of the*

Founders' Committee Regarding the Site Selected as the Home of Brock University; The Story of Brock University to Date (1964) and a presentation of the minutes and proceedings of the Joint Committee on Higher Education to the Founders' Committee of Brock University, 1963-1965

- 3.2 Brock University Master Plan, 1964
- 3.3-3.4 Brock University Campus Plan including some correspondence, 2002-2003
- 3.5 Brock University clippings, 1963-2009 (non-inclusive)
- 3.6 Various Brock items including a copy of the official opening, 1964-2002 (non-inclusive)
- 3.7 Photocopied pictures of Brock University including overheads, 1 col. photo

Sub-Series B. Brock University Geography Department, 1968-2002 (non-inclusive)

- 3.8 Correspondence and memos regarding program development, cartography and the first annual progress report, 1968-1969
- 3.9-3.13 Correspondence and documentation regarding space and building needs, 1970-1974
- 3.14 Correspondence and memos regarding cartography and remote sensing in the departmental program, 1975-1976
- 3.15 Correspondence, 1977-1978
- 3.16 Correspondence and memos regarding the Welland Canal 150th Anniversary Observance, 1979
- 3.17 Correspondence regarding space, facilities and programs, 1980-1981
- 3.18-3.25 Correspondence and memos, 1982-1996
- 3.26-3.48 Minutes of departmental meetings, 1968-1995

- 4.1 *Brock University Institute of Land Use Preliminary Statement of Intentions and Objectives as a Basis for Internal Discussion, 1965*
- 4.2 *Academic Brief Proposed Decew Science Complex, 1969*
- 4.3-4.4 *Department of Geography, Brock University Proposal for the Establishment of M.A. Studies, 1970-1976*
- 4.5 *Assessment of the Program and Staff of the Geographic Department, Brock University by Marie Sanderson; Appraisal of the Department of Geography, Brock University with Particular Reference to the Area of Human Geography by Richard I. Ruggles and Undergraduate Assessment of the Geography Department, Brock University by Alfred Hecht and Alan Trenhaile, 1985, 1994, n.d.*
- 4.6 *An Academic Plan for the Faculty of Social Sciences, 1994*
- 4.7 *Brock University and its Department of Geography – The Foundation Years 1965-1969* (a photo album given to Alun Hughes on his 60th birthday from John N. Jackson) also included is a sheet of Geography Department cartoons by Peter Stock (student), 10 col. photos, 1977, 2002
- 4.8 Photographs from the trip to Ottawa and other locations and photo from A. Earp's farewell, 69 col. photos, 1980 [?], 1988

Sub-Series C. History of Brock University's Lands – The site of Brock University was woodland and farmland when construction began in the 1960s. Brock's lands straddle 2 townships – Grantham and Thorold. The 2 Grantham lots that make up the core of the university were originally granted to Loyalist George Turney Jr. who sold them to Thomas Lane in about 1804. When the War of 1812 broke out, Lane turned traitor and fled to the United States. His property was confiscated by the Crown and returned to private hands, but a combination of administrative failure and unscrupulous activity led to confusion over land titles.

Two landowners emerged from this confusion. They were Sir William Johnston and Samuel Theal. Johnston was a British general who fought with Wellington. He commissioned surveyor Claudius Shaw to map his property in 1822 before he

returned to England. There was confusion over the land ownership of Johnston's land with local settlers claiming that some of the land was theirs. A "bogus" Johnston even masqueraded as a direct descendant of Sir William. Samuel Theal was the first of many Theals to farm the university lands. He bought the lands in approximately 1815 but couldn't register them. The stone house which still stands on St. David's Road was probably built by Samuel in 1830. The descendants of Johnston and Theal kept their lands for several decades. The Theals eventually sold their land to David Sewell.

To add to the confusion, Walter Dittrick convinced George Turney Jr. that Turney still owned lot 19 and that he should grant him a quit claim. Lot 19 had belonged to Johnston and was bequeathed to his son James, 1822-2009 (non-inclusive)

- 4.9 History of Brock University lands
- 4.10 Brock lands maps and charts
- 4.11 Correspondence regarding Theal House, 1969, 2002-2004
- 4.12 Clippings regarding Theal House, 1975, 1982, 2004
- 4.13 Lot 18, Concession 10, Grantham land indentures, 1825-1909 (non-inclusive)
- 4.14 Lot 19, Concession 10, Grantham land indentures, 1822-1850 (non-inclusive)
- 4.15 Lots 20 and 21, Concession 10, Grantham land indentures, 1791-1903 (non-inclusive)
- 4.16 The Turney/Torney Family including land indentures, biographical information and information on the Turney Family burial ground, 2009, n.d.
- 4.17 Major Johnston documentation
- 4.18 Theal Family biographical information and documentation
- 4.19 Dittrick Family biographical information, book excerpts and correspondence, 1996, 2002

Series IV – Alun Hughes’ Research Papers – Most items are photocopies. All land petitions and letters from settlers are photocopies. The letters between Alun Hughes and other researchers are original. Dates given correspond with dates on original correspondence and photocopied clippings, 1797-2011, n.d. (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series A. Upper Canada and Development in Canada, 1794-2003 (non-inclusive)

- 4.20 Upper Canada Chronology
- 4.21 *Constitutional History of Canada 1791-1818*
- 4.22 Maps of the early settlers in the district of Niagara
- 4.23-4.24 Beginnings of settlement in Niagara
- 4.25 Historical narratives of early Canada
- 4.26-4.27 Traveler’s Impressions of Upper Canada
- 4.28-4.29 Farming and agriculture in Upper Canada including clippings, 1793-1931 (non-inclusive)
- 5.1 Surveys, surveyors and chronologies of surveys
- 5.2 Surveys and surveyors in the Niagara Peninsula
- 5.3 Proceedings of the Association of Provincial Land Surveyors
- 5.4 Correspondence regarding surveys, 1794-1905 (non-inclusive)
- 5.5 Districts and counties of Upper Canada – book excerpts
- 5.6 Information on land boards and land petitions – book excerpts. This file also contains more up-to-date land registration information and correspondence, 1994
- 5.7 Copies of land petitions
- 5.8 Statistical account of Upper Canada – book excerpt
- 5.9 Photocopies of land indentures, including some for Secord and Phelps families

- 5.10 *Disaffection in Upper Canada* – book excerpt
- 5.11 Legislators and legislation – book excerpts
- 5.12 Local Government in Upper Canada – book excerpt
- 5.13 Policing and Justice in Upper Canada up until the Ontario Provincial Police includes acts and book excerpts
- 5.14-5.15 Upper Canada religion, temperance and churches – book excerpts, correspondence, clippings and acts also including *The Journal of the Canadian Church Society*, vol. IV no.1: *The Little World of Robert Addison, First Priest of Niagara (1792-1829)* and *The Diocese of Niagara Before 1875* by A.H. Young, 1926, 1960, 1995
- 5.16 Upper Canada education – book excerpts
- 5.17 Currency – book excerpts
- 5.18 Merchants in Upper Canada – book excerpts
- 5.19 Black Canadians – book excerpts, correspondence and clippings, 1924, 1926, 2000, 2003
- 5.20 The search for salt in Upper Canada
- 6.1-6.3 Loyalists – articles and book excerpts
- 6.4 Butler’s Rangers – book excerpts
- 6.5 Butler Bicentenary papers featuring brief biographies of: John Bessey, Robert Bessey, George Jacob Bowman, John Brown (Braun), Abraham Clendennan, George Couke, Jacob Dittrick, Benjamin Fralick, Anna Gesso, Richard Hainer, Albert Hainer, Richard Hainer, Andrew Hansel (Hansler), George Hartsell, Adam Haynes (Haines), George Hoover (Hover), Obediah Hopkins, Peter Hopkins, Adam Hutt, John Kelly, Philip Metler, James Newkirk, Jonathan Nunn, Stephen Seburn (Seaburn), Henry Smith, John Stevens (Stephens), Michael Teeter (Teater), John Turney (Torney), Anthony Upper, Jacob Upper, Cornelius Vollick (Follick), Asa Waterhouse, Francis Weaver, Peter Weaver (Wever) and John Willson (Wilson), 1996

- 6.6 Militia in Upper Canada
- 6.7 Pioneer travel featuring Anna Jameson, an authoress and traveler who stopped at the Mansion House Hotel in 1837 on her way to visit Thomas Talbot – overheads and correspondence included, 1997
- 6.8 Fort Niagara – book excerpts

Sub-series B. Mills, 1821-2011 (non-inclusive)

- 6.9 Mills – book excerpts and clippings
- 6.10 Photocopies of indentures regarding mills, 2009
- 6.11 Niagara Peninsula mills including information on the Morningstar Mill, the Secord Mill and the Servos Mill, textile mills, grist mills, a cotton mill, paper mills and saw mills
- 6.12 Niagara Peninsula mill clippings including some correspondence, 1821 – 2011 (non-inclusive)
- 6.13 Niagara Peninsula mill maps

Sub-series C. Transportation, 1852-2011 (non-inclusive)

Roads

- 6.14 Early road networks including acts, and book excerpts,
- 6.15 *Talbot Road*: a poem by Adam Hood Burwell
- 6.16 Portage Road – book excerpts
- 6.17 The Queen Elizabeth Highway and Ontario’s King’s Highways including clippings, 1940, 1942, 1946

Cars

- 6.18 Cars and the development of the auto industry – book excerpts
- 6.19 Duryea cars, - book excerpts, 1 b&w photo
- 6.20 Gove Motor Cars – book excerpts
- 6.21 Reo Cars – book excerpts

6.22 Ferranti Packard Cars – book excerpts

Bicycles

6.23- 6.24 History of the bicycle – book excerpts, 1 b&w photo

6.25 Manifestations of the 1890s Bicycle Craze in Toronto by Mark A. Cossarin

6.26 Clippings and ads regarding bicycles, 1897-2006 (non-inclusive)

6.27 Correspondence regarding bicycles, 1997-2006 (non-inclusive)

6.28 Welland Vale Manufacturing Company including clippings, 1895-2004 (non-inclusive)

6.29 The Cannon Ball Bicycle including *The Cannon Ball Bicycle Company* by Sheldon Armstrong, 2 col. photos

6.30 Research on the Cannon Ball Bicycles/Black Rock Cycle Works in Titusville, Pennsylvania

Air Travel

6.31 Includes a history of Canadian airports and information on the Niagara District Airport. The grand opening in 1929 was marred by tragedy. Clippings, correspondence and overheads are included, 1921-2011 (non-inclusive)

6.32 St. Catharines Flying Club clippings, 1936-1989 (non-inclusive)

Waterways and Shipping

7.1 Clippings and book excerpts, 1852-1862

Railways

7.2 Railways in Ontario - book excerpts and clipping, 1988

7.3 Desjardins Bridge accident – book excerpts

Sub-series D. Post Offices, n.d.

7.4 Post offices in early Canada – book excerpts

7.5 Lists of post offices and post masters

Sub-series E. Various Topics, 1860-2002 (non-inclusive)

7.6 Lists of Canadian and Niagara newspapers

7.7 Canadian business and industry including the paper industry in Ontario – book excerpts

7.8 References to Ontario hurricanes

7.9 Art and lithography – book excerpts

7.10-7.11 Indigenous peoples including information on place names – book excerpts

7.12 Indigenous peoples – maps and clippings, includes overheads, 1966, 2002

7.13 Monuments, graves and historic sites in Canada – book excerpts

7.14 Canadian wine – book excerpts

7.15 Fruit and wine clippings, 1962-2000 (non-inclusive)

7.16 Inns and taverns in Niagara and Ontario – book excerpts

7.17 Power companies and systems including the Cataract Power Company, the Queenston-Chippawa Power Development and the Dominion Power Company – book excerpts

7.18 Theatres and motion pictures in Canada – book excerpts

7.19 Local theatres including clippings, 1907-2000

7.20 English Regnal years

7.21 The Prince of Wales's visit to Canada including clippings, correspondence and book excerpts, 1860

7.22-7.23 Terrorists – articles and book excerpts which focus on German espionage in Canada in World War I as well as other threats, 1 b&w photo

7.24 Terrorists – overheads

- 7.25-7.26 Terrorists – clippings which mainly focus on World War I but include articles on the Fenian faction, 1883, -1864, 1913-1916
- 7.27 Education in St. Catharines, 1959, 1994
- 8.1 Palatines – book excerpts
- 8.2 Freemasonry – book excerpts
- 8.3 Camp Niagara (Butler’s Barracks) – book excerpts and clippings, 1915-1989 (non-inclusive)
- 8.4 The American Civil War – book excerpts

Sub-Series F. Religion, Cemeteries and Local Churches, 1817-2010 (non-inclusive)

- 8.5 Methodism in Canada – book excerpts
- 8.6 Local churches (various) – including book excerpts, clippings, correspondence and overheads with references to: Elm St. United Church; St. James Anglican Church, Merritton; St. Andrew’s Church; Nathaniel Dett Memorial Chapel; First Presbyterian Church of St. Catharines; St. Peter’s Anglican Church; Queenston Methodist Church; Christ Church, McNab; Grantham Methodist Church; Ridley College; Virgil Baptist Church; Our Lady of the Holy Rosary; the German Meeting House, Thorold; New Wesleyan Methodist Church; Memorial United Church; Trinity Lutheran Church; Lundy’s Lane United Church; St. John’s Church, Jordan; Read’s Chapel; First United Church, St. Catharines and St. David’s United Church, 1817, 1860, 1885, 1908, 1918, 1937, 1975, 2001, 2205, 2010
- 8.7 *The History of St. John’s Church, Thorold* by Auldham R. Petrie, 1953
- 8.8 Welland Avenue Methodist/ United Church, St. Catharines, Ont. includes souvenir booklets and clippings, 1909, 1911, 1936, 1971, 2006-2008
- 8.9 St. George’s Anglican Church, St. Catharines includes histories and clippings, 1901, 1967, 1997, 2002

- 8.10 St. George's Anglican Church, Homer includes history and clippings, 1884, 1913, 1937, 1950, 1960-1961
- 8.11 Beaverdams Methodist/United Church includes an indenture (photocopy), a history and clippings, 1832, 1879, 1932, 1965, 1982, 2007-2008
- 8.12 St. Paul Street United Church, St. Catharines includes book excerpts, a history and clippings, 1876, 1936, 1966, 1991, 2002
- 8.13 St. Mark's Church of Niagara-on-the-Lake – book excerpt and document facsimiles
- 8.14 Cemeteries including a list of cemeteries in the Niagara Region, correspondence, clippings, 1986, 2000, 2006, 2009

Sub-series G. War of 1812, 1812-2012 (non-inclusive)

- 8.15-8.18 War of 1812 – book excerpts
- 8.19 War of 1812 articles, flyers and clippings, 1860-1992 (non-inclusive)
- 8.20 War of 1812 correspondence, 2011
- 8.21-8.24 Battle of Queenston Heights – book excerpts
- 9.1 Battle of Queenston Heights articles, clippings, 1812-2012 (non-inclusive)
- 9.2 Battle of Queenston Heights correspondence
- 9.3 Battle of Queenston Heights military art
- 9.4 Battle of Beaverdams – book excerpts
- 9.5 Battle of Beaverdams – bulletins, articles and maps
- 9.6 Battle of Beaverdams – clippings and correspondence, 1813-2011 (non-inclusive)
- 9.7 Battle of Chippewa and Battlefield of Frenchman's Creek – book excerpts
- 9.8 Battle of Stoney Creek – book excerpts

- 9.9 Women and the War of 1812 and doctors in the war of 1812 – book excerpts and correspondence, 2011
- 9.10-9.11 Niagara's involvement in the War of 1812 – book excerpts
- 9.12 War of 1812 losses claims, Thorold
- 9.13 War of 1812 losses claims, Grantham
- 9.14 War of 1812 losses claims, Stamford
- 9.15 War of 1812 losses claims, Saltfleet
- 9.16 War of 1812 losses claims, Niagara
- 9.17 War of 1812 losses claims, various

Sub-series H. Welland Canal, 1827-2010 (non-inclusive)

- 9.18 Survey of lands appropriated to the use of the Welland Canal Company
- 9.19 Photocopies of land indentures appropriated to the use of the Welland Canal
- 9.20 Beginnings of the Welland Canal including surveys, acts, maps and book excerpts
- 9.21 William Hamilton Merritt reviews on the Welland Canal
- 9.22 A bill and reports on the Welland Canal
- 9.23 Engineer and cultural reports on the Welland Canal
- 9.24 Welland Canal notes and shipping notes
- 9.25 The Welland Canal Force – book excerpts
- 9.26 Welland Canal rents for water power leased
- 9.27 Information on locks, inclined planes and sluices
- 9.28 Lock 24 – book excerpt
- 9.29 Construction methods on the Welland Canal and Welland Canal contractors

- 9.30 The Baird-Killaly deviation
- 9.31 Welland Canal chronologies
- 9.32 The first Welland Canal – clippings and book excerpts, 1 b&w postcard, 1923
- 10.1 The Welland Canal clippings, 1827-2010 (non-inclusive)
- 10.2 The Dullman-Nolan-Walsh plot to destroy the Welland Canal which occurred in 1900 – includes correspondence and clippings, 1924
- 10.3-10.4 Welland Canal – book excerpts
- 10.5 Welland Canal maps
- 10.6 Welland Canal historic structures
- 10.7 Welland Canal tourist and travel information including a dvd of the Commemorative Ceremony of the Dedication of the Welland Canal, 2007
- 10.8 Welland Canal flyers and booklets and St. Lawrence Seaway pamphlets, 1926-1973, n.d. (non-inclusive)
- 10.9 *Historic development of the four Welland Canals* by Robert Stanley Taylor, 1950
- 10.10 *Welland Canals Development Study*, n.d.
- 10.11 *The Initial Impact on Urban Development in Relation to Alternative Possibilities of Canal Location* by John N. Jackson and other information on where to build a canal, 1969
- 10.12 Welland Canal water control experiments, 1974
- 10.13 *The Irish on the Welland Canal* by J. Lawrence Runnalls, 1973
- 10.14 Namesakes of canal communities and earlier names associated with canal communities, 2006
- 10.15 *Looking Back, The Welland Canal, a Photo Album* by Erin Julian, 2006

10.16 Images of the Welland Canal including photocopied images, 28 b&w photos, 1 b&w postcard, 1913-1914, 1921

10.17 Welland Canal overheads

10.18 New York canal history – book excerpts

Sub-series I. Townships, Counties, Towns and Villages, 1797-2011 (non-inclusive)

10.19 **Binbrook Township** – book excerpts

10.20 **Haldimand County** – book excerpts

10.21 **Canborough Township** – book excerpts

10.22 **Town of Dunnville** – book excerpts

10.23 **Grand River** including the Grand River Naval Depot – book excerpts

10.24 **Crowland Township** – book excerpts

10.25 **Humberstone Township includes Port Colborne** – book excerpts

10.26 **Wainfleet** – book excerpts

10.27 **Homer** – clippings, articles and correspondence, 1859-2009 (non-inclusive)

10.28 **Niagara Falls** general information

10.29-10.30 Early history of Niagara Falls – book excerpts

11.1-11.2 Physiography and geology of the Niagara Region. Also included is the petrology of Grimsby sandstone and the *Draft Built Heritage Landscape Assessment Report* – book excerpts and clipping, 1979, 2005

11.3-11.5 Niagara daredevils – book excerpts, maps, pictures and articles, 1859-2011 (non-inclusive)

11.6 Niagara Peninsula staff ride of the Royal Military College of Canada in 1899 – book excerpt

11.7 Onomatology and naming of Niagara including street names includes articles, correspondence and clippings, 1974, 1987, 2008

- 11.8 Pictures, correspondence regarding the Niagara crest and maps, 1987
- 11.9 **The Village of Chippawa** – clippings and book excerpts, 1988
- 11.10 **Stamford Township** – book excerpts
- 11.11 **Niagara-on-the-Lake** – book excerpts and acts including *Sketches of Niagara* compiled by Florence LeDoux
- 11.12 *A History of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake* by David Flemming, 1971
- 11.13 *The Gleaner and Niagara Newspaper, 1819-1825* (non-inclusive)
- 11.14 **Queenston** – maps, land petitions and clippings, 1797-1973 (non-inclusive)
- 11.15 Queenston – book excerpts
- 11.16 Queenston Suspension Bridge
- 11.17 **St. David's** – book excerpts, correspondence and clippings, 1967-2003 (non-inclusive)
- 11.18 **Pelham Township** and **Fenwick** – book excerpts
- 11.19 *Tweedsmuir Village History* by the Pelham Women's Institute
- 11.20 **Short Hills** – book excerpts and maps
- 11.21 **Welland County** – book excerpts including the Historical Sketch of the Counties of Lincoln and Welland
- 11.22 **City of Welland** – book excerpts and clippings, 1876-1984 (non-inclusive)
- 11.23 **Grantham Township** – copies of land indentures, book excerpts and maps
- 11.24 **St. Catharines** – Laws, petitions and a public meeting
- 11.25 St. Catharines as Shipman's Corners – clippings, correspondence and book excerpts, 1824-1979 (non-inclusive)

- 11.26 The naming of St. Catharines – book excerpts, clippings and correspondence. Information on street names is included, 1827-1926 (non-inclusive)
- 11.27 St. Catharines graphics and maps including overheads
- 11.28 St. Catharines water works – book excerpts and acts
- 11.29 St. Catharines officials
- 11.30 Excerpts from St. Catharines – directories
- 11.31 Municipal surveys of St. Catharines
- 11.32 J.L. Weller house, St. Catharines
- 11.33 The east end of Yates Street prior to construction of the Burgoyne Bridge
- 11.34 *Inquire Within: a Compendium in the Victorian Manner, comprising a collection of documents celebrating the Centennial of 98* [the original numbers were 103 for what is now 98 and 105 for the present 100] *Queen Street, St. Catharines*. The house was owned by the John Sutcliffe Smith Family. Smith owned a jewelry business.
- 11.35 St. Catharines – book excerpts including information on the Masonic Temple (37-39 Ontario Street, St. Catharines), the St. Catharines War Memorial and a flyer on the May-Clark-Seiler home.
- 11.36 St. Catharines – fires
- 12.1-12.2 St. Catharines – clippings, 1815-2008 (non-inclusive)
- 12.3 Brock University History Department interviews regarding St. Catharines. People who were interviewed include: Mrs. Vera Alexander, Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. Wilf Belton, Mrs. Bingham, Mr. Arthur Brake, Mrs. Branson, Mr. James Bryan Sr., Mr. Ivan Buchanan, Mr. Art Burch, Mr. Frederick Collins, Mr. Frank Colton, Mr. Noble S. Crowe, Mrs. Alice Crowley, Mrs. Gladys Griffiths Cunningham, Mr. Don Devine, Lloyd Dorsey, Mr. Dave Douglas, Mr. Stan Douglas, Miss Duff, Carl Edmunds, Dr. Elderkin, Mr. Bill English, Mrs. F. J. Flynn, Mr. Jack Gatecliff, John Haines, Peter Harris, Mrs. Estelle Cuffe Hawley,

Mr. Frank Hawley, Roy Henderson, Dorothy Hicks (nee Emmitt), Mrs. Katzman, Mrs. Gertrude Griffiths Knapp, Mr. Frank Latcham, Mr. J. J. Lee, Mr. Myles Leeson, Mr. Dan Leo, Mr. Norman Macdonald, Mrs. Laura Macintosh (nee Taylor), Mrs. Marjorie Mackay, Mr. Frank Madsen, Mr. Joseph Mancuso, Mr. and Mrs. McCollum, Ms. Lena McCollum, Mr. Wilf Miller, Rev. Cannon [Canon] Moore, Mr. Harry Nelson, Mr. Henry P. Nicholson, Miss Blanche Scott, Mr. Fred Scott, Mary Shanahan, Miss Sarah Shannon, Harold Stevens, Mrs. Esther Summers, Hygus Torosien, Mr. Tom Trueman and Mrs. Bertha Woodward, 1977

- 12.4 Henry P. Nicholson's essays regarding St. Catharines
- 12.5-12.6 *Canal Intelligencer*, 1826-1830 (non-inclusive)
- 12.7 **Port Dalhousie** – clippings, articles and correspondence, 2007
- 12.8 **Merritton** – Directory excerpts, maps and a copy of *Merritton Matters*. Includes some correspondence, 2008, 2011
- 12.9 Merritton book excerpts
- 12.10 Merritton clippings, 1852-2006 (non-inclusive)
- 12.11 Merritton maps
- 12.12 **Allanburg** clippings, history and maps, 1957, 1964
- 12.13 **Port Robinson** clippings and articles, 1971, 1979
- 12.14 **Thorold** general information and book excerpts includes 1 overhead
- 12.15 Constitution and bylaws
- 12.16 Excerpts from Thorold directories, 1874-1913 (non-inclusive)
- 12.17 Thorold images, sketches, ads and maps
- 12.18 Thorold photographs including: the Post Office and Tivoli Theatre; Keefer Mill on Pine near Albert; Penman's near St. David's Road; the Mansion House in 1905; Brewers Retail Store; MacQuillen's Drug Store; Thorold Community Credit Union; Thorold Post Office; R and D Cleaners; Esso Dealer; Flour mill on Sullivan and Front Streets; Nick's

Cosy Corner [2 photos] on the corner of Clairmont and Front Streets; Crowe's Funeral Home, 1955; Bright Spot Restaurant; Griffiths Cleaners and Dyers & Save Way Food; The Royal Bank of Canada; Seto Brothers Laundry & Thorold Flour and Feed in the Hendershot Building, Thorold on the corner of Ormond and Clairmont; Thorold Public Utilities fire; Fire station; Ohm's Community Dairy truck; Champions White Rose Service Station, 1950-1951; Stedman 5 Cent to \$1 Store on Front Street; IGA; Doing work on the swimming pool; completed swimming pool; Walker Brothers Quarry truck; Interlake Fuel Oils Truck; Municipal Building; Fire Brigade; Summit House and Summit Snack Bar – Remembrance Day; Tivoli Theatre and Thompson Food on Front Street; Store and gas station; First Communion [2 photos]; Boys' Hockey team sponsored by Thorold Ladies Hockey Auxiliary; Boys' Hockey team sponsored by Beaver Wood; Boys' Hockey team sponsored by Legion 17; Boys' Hockey team sponsored by Jaycees; T.A.A.A. soccer team; Boys' football team sponsored by Protection Hose #1; Bottle washer inside dairy on Sullivan Avenue; Thorold Juvenile Minor "A" Finalists, 1960-61; Prince of Wales School grade 3 class, 1955; Prince of Wales School grade 5 class, 1964; Dr. W. H. McMillan (former M.P. and Thorold Mayor), Lester B. Pearson (former Prime Minister) and Cecil Grose (former Thorold Mayor); and a 1964 motorcycle, 1905-1964 (non-inclusive), 61 b&w photos

- 12.19 Three stereo cards of Thorold including: T.E. Simpson store and King Shoe cobbler; J.F. Gamble Ready Made Clothing and Sam Sing Laundry and the Dispensary and the Quebec Bank, n.d.
- 12.20 Thorold events and celebrations including Battle of Beaverdams celebrations, 7 b&w photos
- 12.21 Thorold officials – clippings, 1933, 1950, n.d.
- 12.22 Thorold clippings, 1817-2011 (non-inclusive)
- 12.23 The Steadman jeweler story including clippings and overheads, 1916-1925 (non-inclusive)

- 12.24 Henderson's Pharmacy including correspondence, ads and clippings, 1939-2007 (non-inclusive)
- 12.25 Thorold banks including clippings, photocopied pictures and correspondence, 1 col. photo, 1875-2010 (non-inclusive)
- 12.26 Thorold Community Credit Union including clippings and minutes, 1948-2009 (non-inclusive)
- 13.1 Thorold Fire Brigade – Protection Hose Company, including clippings and correspondence, 1847-2003 (non-inclusive)
- 13.2 Penmans Company including correspondence, 2001-2002
- 13.3 Thorold Schools
- 13.4 Thorold Waterworks
- 13.5 Thorold Paper Mill (Ontario Paper Company)
- 13.6 Bishop Fuller's house, Thorold
- 13.7 Hill Family and the Moore-Lampman house, Thorold including a program for the designation ceremony, 2011
- 13.8 Thorold land owners and censuses
- 13.9 Thorold –War of 1812 mural and camp
- 13.10 Kiwanis International Community Builders published by Kiwanis Club of Thorold, 1960-1970, n.d.
- 13.11 Thorold overheads
- 13.12 Thorold flyers and booklets
- 13.13 Index created for Thorold's Jubilee, 1897
- 13.14 Appraisal Report of Lockview Park and Lakemount Estates, 1967
- 13.15 Appraisal Report of Thorold Leaseholders, 1968
- 13.16 *The New City of Thorold*, a project funded by Young Canada Works grant, 1978

- 13.17 *Historic Buildings in the City of Thorold: A Study of Thorold's Past and its Buildings*, a project funded by Young Canada Works Grant, 1979
- 13.18 *The Wrong Side of the Canal: Social Connections and Residential Land Use Patterns in Nineteenth-Century Thorold, Ontario* by Patricia Margaret Orr, 1984
- 13.19 Thorold Gateway – a proposal that City Council should not rezone the land east of the Thorold Tunnel as industrial and commercial, 2000
- 13.20 Thorold Trail – Welland Canal Parkway and concerns of residents regarding the trail. Included are clippings, minutes and correspondence, 2000-2005
- 13.21 Thorold's Annual Paper Festival celebrating one of Thorold's founding industries – paper. Includes minutes, and correspondence, 2001
- 13.22 Transformation of former Gallaher Plant and Maplehurst Hospital, 2001-2002
- 13.23 Lake Gibson Corridor Preservation Task Force including recommendations and clippings, 2001-2005
- 13.24 City of Thorold strategic plan including correspondence, 2005, 2007
- 13.25 Presentation to City Council regarding Chestnut Court Seniors Home, Thorold including recommendations, correspondence and clippings, 2005, 2008
- 13.26 Disposition of the former Thorold City Hall, 2007
- 14.1-14.9 Thorold Post, 1875-1920 (non-inclusive)
- 14.10 Thorold newspapers, 1922-1923
- 14.11 **Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society** documents including: constitution and by-laws, membership list, *Our First Year*, 1894, calendar and a history of the society written by Mrs. Roy Summers, 1984, 1996, 2003

- 14.12 Thorold and Beaverdam Historical Society events, 2000, 2003-2006, n.d.
- 14.13 Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society minutes, 1894-2004 (non-inclusive)
- 14.14 Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society correspondence including proposals and grant requests. A report on Chestnut Hall, Thorold, Ontario by Peter John Stokes is also included, 1995-2005 (non-inclusive)
- 14.15 Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society financial records, 1999-2002
- 14.16 *Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society Newsletter*, 1993-1996, 2009-2011
- 14.17-14.20 **Heritage Thorold LACAC (Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committees)** minutes, 2003-2009
- 14.21 LACAC correspondence, 2004-2008
- 14.22 Procedures for property designations, Heritage Thorold LACAC constitution and the Ontario Heritage Act. Included are other documents regarding property designations.
- 14.23 Historic and Architectural Assessment for heritage designation of Welland Mills, Thorold, Ontario, by Nora A. Reid, Peter John Stokes and Chris Turner (revised edition), Sept. 2000
- 14.24 Report on the history of the Thorold Hydraulic Cement Works by Melanie Battell, 2001
- 14.25 Historic designation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thorold, Ontario by Nora Reid, May 5, 2002
- 14.26 LACAC flyers, programs and reports including: Old Beaverdams Burying Ground (Smith's Cemetery), Thorold City Hall, Trinity United Church, The Millar House, Downtown Thorold, Thorold's Carnegie Library, 205 St. David's Road (John Brown's house), Thorold's Post Office, Welland Mills, Maplehurst, the Griffiths House and L.G.

- Lorriman School. Also included are clippings and a membership list, 1998-2010 (non-inclusive)
- 14.27 **Beaverdams** including overheads
- 14.28 **Wentworth County, Hamilton, Stoney Creek and Saltfleet** – book excerpts
- 14.29 **Lincoln County** articles including a poem about Lincoln County and clipping, 1814, 2009
- 14.30 **Toronto and area** – book excerpts
- 14.31 **Long Point** – book excerpts
- 14.32 **Kingston** – book excerpts
- 14.33 **Napanee** – book excerpts
- 14.34 **Shelburne, Nova Scotia** – book excerpt
- 15.1 **Villages and Townships in Canada** – book excerpts
- 15.2 *Past and Present **Twelve Mile Creek, Niagara Peninsula*** by John Woodward and photographs of **St. John's Village** which was a settlement which centred around a sawmill built by Benjamin Canby on Twelve Mile Creek, 11 col. photos, 1992, 2008
- 15.3 ***Jackson's Flat and Hog's Back Hill*** by Brian Calvert, 2007
- 15.4 *The Morphology of the **Decew Gorge*** by George James Brown, 1970
- 15.5 Power companies – book excerpts
- 15.6 Decew Falls and Decew Power – pamphlets, clippings, book excerpts and *History of Decew Falls* by Lorna Robinson, 1898-2008 (non-inclusive)
- 15.7 Decew Power and the Yukon clippings, 1897-1904
- 15.8 Decew Falls and the Summers Family including correspondence and clippings, 1924-1998 (non-inclusive)
- 15.9 **Power Glen** – book excerpts and clippings, 1837-1896 (non-inclusive)

- 15.10 **Yukon** gold rush – book excerpts
- 15.11-15.12 The origin of place names (onomatology) in Canada, Ontario and Niagara including book excerpts, correspondence and clippings, 1965-1988 (non-inclusive)
- Sub-series J. Biographical Material, 1793-2012 (non-inclusive)**
- Sir James Edward Alexander (1803-1885) – Army officer and artist**
- 15.13 Bibliographic material and book excerpts
- Robert Baldwin (1804-1858) – Canadian politician who played a major role in applying the concept of “responsible government”.**
- 15.14 Biographic information and an article on decentralization
- Ball Family – United Empire Loyalists**
- 15.15 Biographic and genealogical information, 1920
- Beatty Family of Parry Sound – William Beatty 1835-1898 was a politician**
- 15.16 Book excerpts and clipping, 1935
- Sir Edward Beatty (1877-1943) President of the Canadian Pacific Railway**
- 15.17 Includes clippings, biographic information and genealogical information, 1943
- Leonard J. Birchall (1915-2004) St. Catharines native who became an Air Commodore and in 1942 gave the warning that prevented the Japanese fleet from surprising the allies. He received the Flying Cross and was known as the “Saviour of Ceylon”. He was a member of the St. Catharines Flying Club in 1932.**
- 15.18 Includes clippings, photocopied pictures and biographical information, 1998-2012, n.d. (non-inclusive)

Joseph Brant-Thayendanegea was a spokesman for Six Nations' people, a Christian missionary and a British military officer during the Revolutionary War

- 15.19 Includes book excerpts and overheads
- Major-General Sir Isaac Brock (1769-1812) – Army officer and colonial administrator who died at the Battle of Queenston Heights.**
- 15.20 Includes bibliographic information and book excerpts including the Brock Family records
- 15.21 *Relics of Brock: An Investigation* by Ludwig Kosche
- 15.22 *Contemporary Portraits of Isaac Brock: An Analysis* by Ludwig Kosche
- 15.23-15.24 The death of Sir Isaac Brock including: clippings, book excerpts, correspondence and a sermon which was given by the Reverend William Smart. Also included is information on the house where Brock died, 1912-2012 (non-inclusive)
- 15.25-15.26 Brock's monument information including maps, book excerpts, photocopied documents and articles regarding the building of the monument, the blowing up of the monument and visitors to the monument
- 15.27 Clippings regarding Brock's monument, 1853-2010 (non-inclusive)
- Fred Campbell (1923-2000) – A Thorold resident**
- 15.28 An autobiographical look at Thorold look at Thorold through Mr. Campbell's eyes.
- Constable Family – John Constable, of Thorold worked as a stonecutter on the Maplehurst Mansion in the 1880s.**
- 15.29 Includes documents, clippings and a memorial record for Mrs. Janet B. Constable. Also included are 6 b&w photos, 1931-1942 (non-inclusive)
- Ernest Alexander "E.A." Cruikshank (1853-1939) - Canadian Brigadier General. He was a historian who specialized in military**

history. He also served as the first Chairman of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada.

15.30 *Cruikshank's life and work* by David McConnell, 1965

John Bloome DeCou/DeCew (also spelled DeCow and DeCue) (1766-1855) a United Empire Loyalist who became a pioneer farmer, fruit grower and industrialist. He was an officer in the War of 1812, and a founding member of the Welland Canal Company. The family was living in DeCou house when Laura Secord arrived there at sunrise of June 24, 1813 to warn Lieutenant James Fitzgibbon of the American advance prior to the Battle of Beaverdams.

15.31 Includes correspondence, biographical and genealogical material, 1888-2006 (non-inclusive)

15.32 Clippings about the DeCou/DeCew house, 1837-2011 (non-inclusive)

15.33 Information and maps regarding the DeCou/DeCew house including 3 b&w photos

15.34 CeCou/DeCew photocopied land indentures

Edward de Salaberry (1792-1812) – served in the British Army and was killed during an assault on the Santa Maria bastion and Charles de Salaberry (1778-1829) – served as an officer in the British Army in Lower Canada. He is renowned for repelling the American advance on Montreal in the War of 1812,

15.35 Biographical material – book excerpts

William Dickson, 1769-1846

15.36 Biographical material

Donnelly Family (the Black Donnellys) – the family who emigrated from County Tipperary, Ireland to Canada in 1845-1846. A feud in Biddulph Township, Ontario resulted in the Donnelly massacre in which 5 family members were killed.

- 15.37 Biographical materials and clippings as well as items linking some of the Donnelly family members to St. Catharines and Thorold, 1976-2005, n.d. (non-inclusive)
- Colonel James Fitzgibbon (1780-1863) – Soldier and public servant who received the information and warning from Laura Secord.**
- 16.1 Biographical material and book excerpts including service rendered by James Fitzgibbon while serving in Upper Canada
- Philip Rockwell Frey, surveyor**
- 16.2 Book excerpts
- Francis Goring (1755-1842) – a Major in Butlers Ranger’s. He built one of the first public schools in St. David’s**
- 16.3 Includes excerpts from Goring’s journals
- Hainer/Hayner Family – In 1784 John Hainer and Jacob Dittrick were the first to stake land and build houses in what is now St. Catharines**
- 16.4 Information on Hainer lands, correspondence and clippings, 1993, 1997, 2006
- Robert Hamilton (1753-1809) – businessman, politician, judge and official. He was the chief land speculator in early Upper Canada**
- 16.5 Biographical information and book excerpts
- Havens Family – One of the early families who settled in the Niagara Peninsula after the American Revolution.**
- 16.6 Biographical information, information on the memorial in Homer Cemetery and clippings regarding their Welsh heritage. Included is a disc of deeds, memorials, programs and photos, 2007
- Daniel Hazen (1755-1845) – a United Empire Loyalist. He was appointed as a Provincial Land Surveyor in 1788. He performed the original survey of Grantham Township in that year. In 1796, he**

began surveying the Long Point area with a surveyor named Hamlin. He also served in the War of 1812.

- 16.7 Biographical material and Grantham survey documents and maps and some transcriptions of Hazen's letters
- 16.8 *The United Empire Loyalist settlement at Long Point, Lake Erie* by L.H. Tasker, 1900
- 16.9 Long Point survey documents and maps and some transcriptions of Hazen's letters. Also includes some book excerpts
- 16.10 Clippings and correspondence regarding the naming of the Ministry of Transportation Headquarters in St. Catharines. Alun Hughes proposed that the building be named the Daniel Hazen Building, 1996-1998

Major Samuel Holland (1728-1801) – The Surveyor General from 1764-1801. He was vital to the development of Canada.

- 16.11 Biographical material
- Augustus Jones – (1758-1836) Upper Canada surveyor**
- 16.12 Biographical information and information on Jones' surveys including correspondence on Jones' research and book excerpts, 2001, 2007
- 16.13 Transcriptions of letters, field notes and surveys
- 16.14 Augustus Jones public art competition in Stoney Creek, 2004

Keefer Family: George Keefer (1773-1858), Samuel Keefer (1811-1890) and Thomas C. Keefer (1821-1915) – George Keefer and W.H. Merritt along with 3 assistants, made the first survey for the canal. Samuel and Thomas were pioneers of Canadian engineering. They were involved with railways, bridges, and waterways and they were founding members of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers.

- 16.15 Keefer Family biographical information and book excerpts including information on: Samuel, Thomas, George, Jacob, Thomas and Harry Keefer. This file includes *Memoirs of the Keefer Family* by Reverend Robert Keefer, 2 b&w photos, 1914

- 16.16 Jacob Keefer journal, 1846-1854
- 16.17 Keefer land indentures and correspondence, 1827-1914 (non-inclusive)
- 16.18 Keefer clippings including articles about Keefer Mansion (Maplehurst), 1847-2005 (non-inclusive)
- Kerr Family: Robert Kerr (1755-1824) – He was active in the military service as well as being a doctor, Indian Department official, judge and office holder. He was married to Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Sir William Johnson and Mary Brant (Gonwatsijayenni) (1736-1796) who was the Mohawk head of the Six Nations matrons. Robert’s son, William (1787-1845) was an Indian Department officer and politician.**
- 16.19 Contains biographical information on Robert and William Kerr as well as Mary Brant. Some land information is also included
- William Hamilton Merritt (1793-1862) – Soldier, merchant, promoter and politician. Merritt is most well-known for his part in the promotion of the Welland Canal. Material on other members of the Merritt Family is also included.**
- 16.20 Bibliographic material, book excerpts and overheads are included as well as a paper by Alex Ormston entitled *William Hamilton Merritt and the First Welland Canal*.
- 16.21 Correspondence and clippings regarding the Merritt Family. This includes letters written by the Merritt family as well as letters written about them, 1798-2007 (non-inclusive)
- 16.22 *Memoirs of Major Thomas Merritt, U.E.L. (1759-1842)* (excerpts)
- 16.23 War of 1812 journals of William Hamilton Merritt
- Misener Family: The Misener Holding Company grew from a single vessel and largely within the lifetime of Robert Scott Misener (1879-1963)**

- 17.1 Includes ancestral information on the Misener family of New Jersey and Canada and photocopied land indentures, 1951-2003, n.d. (non-inclusive)
- Lieutenant Duncan Murray (1732-1809) - of the first Battalion of his Majesty's 84th Regiment**
- 17.2 Correspondence and photocopied documentation of land rights, 2010
- Lucius Oille (1830-1903) – Second mayor of the City of St. Catharines, Ontario**
- 17.3 Biographical information by the Historical Society of St. Catharines, 2001
- Pell Family – Thomas Pell (1612 or 13–1669) was an English physician who bought the area known as Pelham, New York. He also bought the land that now includes the eastern Bronx and southern Westchester County, New York. He also founded the town of Westchester. His brother was the mathematician John Pell. Other prominent members of the family include U.S. Ambassador Herbert Pell and U.S. Senator Claiborne Pell.**
- 17.4 Biographical and genealogical information on the Pell Family – book excerpts
- 17.5 Photocopied documents including land petitions and wills
- 17.6 Land petitions, maps and photocopied pictures
- 17.7 Other members of the Pell Family – book excerpts
- 17.8 Correspondence regarding the Pell Family, 2010-1011
- 17.9 Pelham and the Pell Family – book excerpts
- 17.10 *Historic Pelham*, 2006-2007, 2010
- Phelps and St. John Families – Oliver Phelps (1779-1851) was one of the contractors who helped to build the first Welland Canal. Phelps named Court and Geneva Streets in a part of St. Catharines where**

he and William H. Merritt owned and leased a great deal of the land to the local Black community. William Hamilton Merritt was quoted as saying “Upper Canada was largely indebted to Oliver Phelps” enterprise and labors”. Abigail St. John (1783-1871) married Oliver Phelps.

- 17.11 Includes book excerpts and documents regarding: The Phelps-Gorham tract, Oliver Phelps (1749-1809), Oliver Phelps’ earth moving machine, biographical information on Noah Phelps (1828-1900), biographical material of Lillian Marietta Phelps (1859-1920), Memoirs of Charlotte Oille (granddaughter of Oliver Phelps). Also included is a lecture given by O.S. Phelps at the Odd Fellows’ Hall in St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 17.12 Phelps documents and land indentures, 1822-1958 (non-inclusive)
- 17.13 Phelps Family correspondence including letters written by the Phelps Family and correspondence from researchers, 1832-2008 (non-inclusive)
- 17.14 Phelps Family clippings, 1989-1981 (non-inclusive)
- 17.15 Junius was the anonymous author of *A Walk Around Town* which was a series of essays that appeared in the *St. Catharines Journal*. Oliver Seymour Phelps was the St. Catharines Junius.
- 17.16 Phelps genealogy
- 17.17 Phelps cemetery records
- 17.18 Clippings and book excerpts of the St. John Family including the diary of Samuel Leonard St. John, 1895

Richard Pierpoint (about 1744-1838) – was born in Senegal, West Africa and was shipped to America where he became the slave of a British officer. At the beginning of the American Revolution he served as a member of Butler’s Rangers. He was given a land grant in 1784 near Fort Niagara. He chose not to settle there, but in 1788 he settled on 200 acres of land along Twelve Mile Creek. To this day, the lot is known as Dick’s Creek. He and 18 other freed blacks

petitioned Major-General Sir John Graves Simcoe for land in order to establish a community for themselves. Simcoe did not support segregated communities and ultimately turned down the petition. At the age of 68, Pierpoint became the driving force behind the establishment of an all-Black military company in Niagara. The all black company became known as the *Coloured Corps*.

17.19 Includes biographical and land information

17.20 Correspondence and clippings regarding Richard Pierpoint, 1856-2003 (non-inclusive)

Prendergast Family – Dr. Jedediah Prendergast was probably the first practitioner of medicine in the Niagara District apart from those in the military service. Jedediah was an early merchant in Mayville, New York. James Prendergast (1764-1846) was the founder of Jamestown which was named after him.

17.21 Biographical information on the Prendergast Family

John Ross Robertson (1841-1918) – Philanthropist and publisher of the Toronto Evening Telegram

17.22 Bibliographical information and information on his Canadiana collection.

Johann Schiller is known as the “father” of the Ontario wine industry. He opened Ontario’s first wine venture in 1811 in the area of Mississauga now known as Cooksville.

17.23 Includes land indentures, clippings and articles, 1919-2010 (non-inclusive)

Laura Ingersoll Secord (1775-1868) Heroine of the War of 1812

17.24-17.26 Biographical information – book excerpts

17.27 Laura Secord literature and art – book excerpts

17.28 Clippings regarding Laura Secord, 1859-2010, n.d. (non-inclusive)

- 17.29 Laura Secord's walk including a Laura Secord Walk Commemoration program, 1961
- 17.30 Laura Secord monument, 1901
- 17.31 Correspondence regarding Laura Secord including copies of letters written by Laura Secord and correspondence between researchers, 1903-2012 (non-inclusive)
- 17.32 *Friends of Laura Secord Newsletter* and items pertaining to Laura Secord from the Women's' Literary Club of St. Catharines, 1912-2011 (non-inclusive)
- 18.1 Laura Secord ancestry – book excerpts
- 18.2 Photocopies of Secord Family land petitions including Upper Canada War of 1812 losses and claims
- The Servos Family – United Empire Loyalists**
- 18.3-18.4 Bibliographic material and photocopied land petitions including information on the Servos house and mill,
- John Graves Simcoe (1752-1806) – Army officer, colonial administrator and first lieutenant governor of Upper Canada.**
- 18.5 Bibliographic material and chronology – book excerpts
- Elizabeth Simcoe – wife of John Graves Simcoe**
- 18.6 Excerpts from Mrs. Simcoe's diary
- Samuel Street (1750-1815) – Businessman, office holder, judge and militia officer**
- 18.7 Bibliographic material
- John H. Thompson was the publisher of the Thorold Post Newspaper. His granddaughter married George Bernard Wakefield Harrison who left an extremely generous legacy to Brock University along with his wife, Bertha.**

- 18.8 Articles and clippings regarding Mr. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, 1961-2003 (non-inclusive)
- Thorold Family - The township of Thorold was named after Sir John Thorold, an English baronet and Member of Parliament.**
- 18.9 Articles and clippings and correspondence regarding the Thorold Family and a visit to Thorold by Reverend Father John Thorold, great, great, great grandson of Sir John Thorold, 1937-2004 (non-inclusive)
- Harriet Tubman was an American abolitionist and humanitarian. She was an armed scout and spy for the United States Army during the American Civil War but is celebrated for her Underground Railroad activity and her fight for freedom.**
- 18.10 Harriet Tubman book excerpts
- Upper/Opfer Family**
- 18.11 Photocopied documents and cemetery information
- Van Every Family – United Empire Loyalists**
- 18.12 Biographical and genealogical information as well as photocopied land petitions and maps
- Warner Family – United Empire Loyalists**
- 18.13 Information on Christian Warner, the Warner Church and the Warner Burying Ground compiled by Robert Ironside Warner with notes and additions by Mabel Warner Brown
- John Laing Weller was a builder who constructed concrete houses in Thorold South (most of these along Lynn Crescent and Hodgkins Avenue). He was the engineer-in-Charge of survey, design and construction of the Welland Ship Canal from 1906-1917. Port Weller is named after him.**
- Weller was also a stagecoach operator and he served in the fight against the Northwest Rebellion of 1885 which was led by Louis Riel in Saskatchewan.**

18.14 This group of items contains correspondence regarding John Weller, 1 piece of film depicting Hurricane Road, letters and ads to Ferguson's Store [it is not clear where Ferguson's Store was located. Letters are addressed to Mrs. G. Ferguson and Mr. George Ferguson. The origin of the letters are Grantham and Thorold. The donor of the letters is from Thorold.]. Also included are 3 square nails from Queen Street North, 3 gable house [possibly Thorold], 1841-1979 (non-inclusive)

Thomas Welch/Walsh/Welsh (1742-1816) was a surveyor, office holder, military officer and judge. He surveyed the front townships of Norfolk County.

18.15 Contains biographical material and excerpts from Welch's diary, 1793-1795

Major General Sir Fenwick Williams (1800-1883) – Led a determined, yet unsuccessful defense of the town of Kars against Russia during the Crimean War.

18.16 Biographical material

Fred Williams (1863-1944) was a historical writer for the Globe and Mail. He also wrote for other Canadian newspapers.

18.17 Included are columns by Fred Williams and clippings, 1942-1944 (non-inclusive)

Various biographies, obituaries or brief information about various people including: historical figures, pioneers, War of 1812 personnel and local figures – in alphabetical order.

18.18 Biographies A

18.19 Biographies B

18.20 Biographies C

18.21 Biographies D-F

18.22 Biographies G-H

- 18.23 Biographies J-K
- 18.24 Biographies L-M
- 18.25 Biographies N-O-P
- 18.26 Biographies R
- 18.27 Biographies S
- 18.28 Biographies T-Z

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- 18.29 Early maps of the Great Lakes
- 18.30 Historical maps of Lincoln and Welland Counties
- 19.1-19.4 Assorted maps
- 19.5 Mapping Upper Canada
- 19.6 Canvassers – book excerpts
- 19.7 Mapping – book excerpts
- 19.8 Nouvelle France and Champlain
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