

Title:	Crowland Municipality : an act for regulating and governing auctioneers, and other persons putting up for sale, goods, wares, and merchandise to the highest or best bidder., 1854		
Creator:	Leonard M. Matthews, Township Reeve		
Dates of Material:	1854	Record Group Number:	RG 355
Summary of Contents:	1 39 cm. x 28 cm. page, mounted		
Physical Description / Condition:	1 page which is brittle and darkened around the edges from age and moisture. It is mounted on a foam board and sealed.		
Administrative/ Biographical Sketch	<p>On February 1st, 1854 an act was passed in order to regulate the sale of goods, wares and merchandise. Section I pertained to the fact that any merchant would first obtain a license. Section II deemed that no merchant should sell any wine or spirituous liquors, beer or ale within the municipality of Crowland in any less quantity than 5 gallons or less than 12 bottles in any place other than a House of Public Entertainment without having obtained a license. Section III was in regard to licensing any person who would use a billiard table which was set up for hire or gain. Section IV stated that all sums of money paid by the keepers of Houses of Public Entertainment plus the imperial duty of 2 pound would be payable to the Treasurer of the Municipality of Crowland. Section V was written regarding the continuance of the act to regulate inns, taverns, temperance houses and other Houses of Public Entertainment. Section VI specified that all recesses (not authorized to sell liquor) would pay the sum of 2 pounds. Section VII declared that Peter Benedict was appointed Revenue Inspector of the township and section VIII stated that recess-keepers who took out liquor licenses would be required to pay 6 pounds 5 shillings and for violating this they would pay a penalty. This document was written by Leonard M. Matthews, Township reeve and Alex Reid, clerk.</p>		

	Crowland municipality is located in Welland County. It is an area of 18,871 acres which was organized in 1788 and named after an ancient town in Lincolnshire. The first settlers here were Butler's Rangers.		
Location:	Brock University Archives		
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	650	Bills, Legislative zCanada	
	651	Crowland (Ont. : Township) xHistory	
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Related material held at other repositories:	York University Library has a copy of this act on microfiche The Township of Crowland fonds is available on the Ontario Ministry of Government Services site.		
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