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CANADIAN ARCHIVES AND DEPOSITORIES.

The Survey's collection of copies of materials from Canadian archives and depositories has been selected mainly with reference to the study of the fur trade in the Old Northwest and the activities of the French missionaries in Illinois. These materials represent the research interests of both Professor C. W. Alvord and T. C. Pease and those of numerous graduate students over the years. The earliest copies seem to have been obtained in 1907. A few of these items were published in Volumes XVI and XXIII of the Illinois Historical Collections.

Guides and Other Aids

For information regarding the manuscript collections in the Public Archives of the Dominion of Canada, the Annual Reports beginning in 1881 are of primary importance. Though few of the volumes are indexed, calendars and other materials scattered through the series may be located through David W. Parker's A Guide to the Documents in the Manuscript Room at the Public Archives of Canada (Publications of the Archives of Canada No. 10, Ottawa, 1914). The records in the archives have undergone some reorganization, and the Preliminary Inventories of various manuscript and record groups have been published. The Preliminary Inventories are being replaced by the General Inventory, Manuscripts.

Other important guides are: (1) David Parker's Guide to Materials for United States History in Canadian Archives (Carnegie Institution of Washington, 1913) describes depositories of the provinces as well as the Dominion Archives at Ottawa; (2) the very useful Union List of Manuscripts in Canadian Repositories (Public Archives of Canada, 1968) similarly covers the provinces and Dominion Archives, but in addition it presents a fairly modern list of Canadian manuscript holdings; (3) a volume which represents a broad coverage of manuscript materials is L. H. Gipson's A Guide to Manuscripts Relating to the History of the British Empire, 1748-1776, Vol. XV of The British Empire Before the American Revolution (New York, 1970); (4) Andre Beaulieu, Jean Hamelin, and Benoit Bernier, Guide D'Histoire Du Canada (Les Presses de L'Universite Laval, 1969); (5) the article by Arthur Doughty "Sources for the History of the Catholic Church in the Public Archives of Canada," Catholic Historical Review XIX, 148-166, describes the wealth of religious materials in the Dominion Archives.

More selective are two reports compiled by Dr. Wayne E. Stevens of Dartmouth College in the summers of 1923 and 1924. The Survey joined with the Minnesota Historical Society in sponsoring this search for materials for American History in the Canadian libraries and archives, particularly relating to the fur trade in the upper Mississippi Valley in the late 18th century. Dr. Stevens' report for 1923 covered a survey of depositories in Montreal: Redpath Library, McGill University; Bibliotheque St. Sulpice; McCord National Museum; and the Archives, District of Montreal. In 1924, he visited Ottawa and made a report on the Public Archives of Canada. Both are a valuable supplement to Parker's Guide. In addition to the reports, Dr. Stevens prepared a card calendar of important materials of regional interest in Canadian depositories, and had copies made of numerous documents. His reports (in manuscript), calendars, and reproductions of documents are all to be found in the Survey.

Organization

The Survey's copies of materials from Canadian sources are arranged by depository in the following manner: Dominion Archives; Provincial Archives; public library; and others (including religious, university, and museum sources) in alphabetical order. The document arrangement is generally that of the depository from which the copies were obtained. Wherever possible the latest organizational classification is used; this is especially important for the Public Archives of Canada since some of the Survey's materials were obtained prior to the present numbering system.

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Manuscripts

PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CANADA. PAPERS, 1759-1793. 540 items, photocopies and transcripts. 61-1787.

The Public Archives of Canada located in Ottawa constitute the basic Dominion archival depository. Besides Canadian public archives, copies of French and British public documents as well as personal collections are housed within it. Manuscript materials are found in two basic groups, Manuscript Groups and Record Groups. The Survey has copies of manuscripts from Manuscript Groups 8, 11, and 23 and from Record Group 4. This last group contains lists and copies of Indian trade licenses.

The abstracts of Indian trade licenses from the Public Archives of Canada were made under the direction of Dr. Wayne E. Stevens of Dartmouth College in the summer of 1925; the results were typed on form sheets in the Minnesota Historical Society. For illustrative purposes, photocopies of a number of trade licenses were made and are filed with the abstracts. There is also a "Report to accompany abstracts and returns of Indian trade licenses" by Dr. Stevens which includes a description of the licenses and returns, and a historical sketch of the control of the fur trade, 1760-91. This was a joint project in which the Illinois Historical Survey participated with the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library, the State Historical Society of Iowa, the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, and the State Library of Indiana, under the general direction of the Minnesota Historical Society.

For a further description of the Public Archives of Canada and its holdings see the General Inventory, Manuscripts, the Preliminary Inventories for Manuscript and Record Groups, both Parker Guides, and Gipson's Guide..., 403-417. Wherever possible, in this section, the old classifications of the manuscript materials will be given in parentheses after the description. Other copies of manuscript materials can be found in the Survey's collection of items from the British Public Record Office, especially under CO 5, CO 42 and 43, and WO 34.

Manuscript Group 8E, No. 4

"Registre du Conseil Militaire de Quebec, Contenant Les ordonnances Reglements, Sentences et arrets de La ditte Cour de Justice Et autres Actes des Notaires Commance Le 4 9bre 1760 et finit Le 13 Juin 1761." (This document was formerly classified M640. The Survey's photocopy covers the dates Nov. 4, 1760 to Dec. 17, 1760.)

Manuscript Group 11

- 1) Amherst's dispatch, with enclosures, on the fall of Quebec, Oct. 4, 1760. (This item, formerly M216, was obtained from what is now P.R.O., CO 5, Vol. 59.)
- 2) Report to the Lords of the Committee for Plantation Affairs, on Several Papers Relative to Ordinances and Constitutions Made by the Governor of Quebec. Sept. 2, 1765.
- 3) "A List of Papers annexed to the Report...."
- 4) Board of Trade to the King, Sept. 2, 1765.
- 5) John Pownall to Charles Lowndes, Sept. 10, 1765. (These four items, formerly classified in Q56 were obtained from what is now P.R.O., CO 42, Vol. 87.)
- 6) Instructions from the King to Gov. Guy Carleton, Jan. 3, 1775. (This item was printed in Canadian Archives Report for 1904, pages 229-242.)
- 7) Extract from a letter from Capt. Doyle to Lt. Gov. Simcoe, July 28, 1793. (This item, formerly classified as Q280:363 was obtained from what is now P.R.O., CO 42 Vol. 318.)

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Manuscript Group 23, G II, Series 1; Murray Papers

- Vol. 1 (2) 1759. Proclamation on coins and a letter from Murray to Amherst.
- Vol. 2 (12) 1763-1765. Letters from Murray to Amherst, Gage, Halifax, Gov. Burton, Lord Gordon and others.
- Vol. 3 (3) 1760-1764. Letter from Murray to Pitt, and letters to Murray from Amherst and George Ross.
(These items were formerly classified as M898A, B, and D respectively. See Canadian Archives Report, 1912).

Record Group 4, B28. Vols. 110-115

- 1) Abstracts of Indian Trade Licenses (487) 1767-1776. Accompanying these items is Wayne Stevens' "Report to Accompany Abstracts and Returns of Indian Trade Licenses."
- 2) Trade Licenses and Bonds (14) 1766-1781. These items are samples of forms of trade licenses and bonds.
- 3) Lists and accounts of Indian Trade Licenses (12) 1777-1779, 1781-1783, 1785-1790.
- 4) "Number of Indians at Detroit and places depending thereon, 1782" (1) 1782.
- 5) "Standing Orders to be observed in future at the several posts in the upper country." (1) April 4, 1787. These orders were issued by Brig. Gen. Henry Hope.

ARCHIVES DE MONTREAL. PALAIS DE JUSTICE. RECORDS. 1679-1704, 1793. 88 items, transcripts. Chronological card file. 61-1539.

This depository contains, among other materials, French and Canadian notarial records. These documents constitute a record of business agreements of the period, including business contracts, marriage agreements, and the hiring of voyageurs and clerks. The notarial records in Canada are arranged first by individual notary and then by year. The Survey has a few transcripts from the notarial records of B. Bosset and C. Mangué; but by far the greatest number are the records of Jacques Adhemar. These notarial acts relate mainly to LaSalle, de la Forest, and Tonty, and concern the organization of their fur trading and exploring expeditions to Illinois between the years 1679 and 1704. The transcript of the 1793 agreement was made by Dr. Wayne Stevens to typify later notarial records; it is an agreement signed by John McDonell to serve five years as a clerk with McTavish, Frobisher, and Co. The Survey has arranged these items in chronological order.

For a description of these records, the preface and introduction of T. C. Pease and R. C. Werner, The French Foundations, (Illinois Historical Collections, Vol. XXIII), should be consulted. Thirty-eight of the documents are printed in French and in English translation in that volume. See also Parker's Guide... (1913), 271-272, and Gipson's Guide..., 423-424; and especially useful is Wayne Stevens' "Report on Canadian Archives, 1923," pages 14-18.

Notarial Records

- 1) Adhemar Notarial Records (79) 1683-1704.
- 2) Bosset Notarial Records (5) 1684-1689.
- 3) Lukin Notarial Records (1) May 10, 1793.
- 4) Mangué Notarial Records (3) 1679-1687.

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TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY. BUSINESS AGREEMENT, April 6, 1778. 1 item, transcript.

This library's manuscript collections contain extensive documents relative to the fur trade in Canada and the Northern Great Lakes. For a description see Guide to the Manuscript Collection in the Toronto Public Libraries (Toronto Public Libraries, 1954), especially pages 66-67.

William Dummer Power Papers, David McCrae and Company. "Agreement for Indian Trade between William and John Kay, Montreal, and David McCrae, John Kay, Peter Barthe, and Charles Gratiot, Partners under the Firm of David McCrae and Company of Michillimackinac, Montreal, April 6, 1778."

ARCHIVES DE L'ARCHEVECHE DE QUEBEC. PAPERS, 1768-1778. 19 items, transcripts. Chronological card file, lists. 61-1499.

This repository is one of the two main ecclesiastical archives in Quebec; the other is the Archives of the Seminary of the University of Laval. The Survey's collection of copies of these manuscripts consists mainly of correspondence and papers relating to missions in Illinois. Some of these items were published in the Illinois Historical Collections, Vol. XVI. For a further description see Parker's Guide... (1913), 224-270. Since the Survey's holdings from this depository are not extensive, they are arranged in chronological order.

Included with this material are two letters from the Abbe Lionel Lindsay, Archivist of the Archbishopric of Quebec, to C. W. Alvord, December 2, 1907 and October 19, 1908, conveying information on materials relating to the mission to the Illinois. Included in these are lists and calendars of letters and documents entitled "Missions des Illinois," 1767-1838 (1907 letter); "Letters from Father Gibault," 1768-1788 (1908 letter); "Letters from Father Meurin, S. J., and others," 1767-1776 (1908 letter); "Other Documents relating to the Illinois," 1786-1792 (1908 letter); "Letters to Father Meurin, S. J. and other documents regarding the Illinois Mission," 1767-1777 (1908 letter); and "Letters addressed to Father Gibault or documents concerning him (exclusive of Meurin Correspondence)", 1768-1775 (1908 letter). Also there are two additional letters from Abbe Lindsay to C. W. Alvord, in 1913, concerning manuscript materials relating to Illinois.

n.d. Memorandum of the Sale of Property of the Missions Etrangeres.

July 28, 1768. Father Gibault to Bishop Briand.
March 22, 1770. Bishop Briand to Father Gibault.
March 22, 1770. Bishop Briand to Father Meurin.
June 11, 1770. Father Meurin to Bishop Briand.
June 15, 1770. Father Gibault to Bishop Briand.
August 16, 1770. Bishop Briand to Father Gibault.
August 19, 1770. Bishop Briand to Father Gibault.
April 24, 1771. Bishop Briand to Father Meurin.
June 20, 1772. Father Gibault to Bishop Briand.
April 30, 1774. Vincennes. Judgment allowing recovery of goods from Father Gibault.
March 29, 1775. Father Meurin to Father Gibault.
August 10, 1775. Bishop Briand to Father Gibault.

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- October 9, 1775. Father Gibault to Bishop Briand.
December 4, 1775. . Father Gibault to Bishop Briand.
May 23, 1776. Father Meurin to Bishop Briand.
April 26, 1777. Bishop Briand to Father Gibault.
April 27, 1777. Bishop Briand to Father Meurin.
August 5, 1778. Dr. Laffont to George Rogers Clark.

ARCHIVES DU SEMINAIRE DE QUEBEC. LAVAL UNIVERSITY. PAPERS, 1680-1768. 24 items, transcripts. Chronological card file. 61-1499.

This second most important ecclesiastical repository in Quebec is housed in Laval University. The Survey's materials consist mainly of papers relative to missions and religious jurisdictional disputes. Included with the collection are two lists entitled "Kaokias, Papiers concernant le mission des Kaokias, de depot aux Archives du Seminaire du Quebec" and "Tamarois et Kaokias" sent by Abbe Gosselin, the Archivist of the Seminary, in 1906 and 1907 respectively. This collection is arranged chronologically for the purposes of the guide.

n.d. "Les Tamarois ou Kaokias." (This document describes the mission and the fertility of the soil in the area.)

n.d. "Memoire au sujet de la Mission des Tamarois."

n.d. "Memoire touchant la mission des Tamarois."

1680[?], 1691. "Titre de concession de terre aux Illinois - 1680? et 1691. Extrait du registre du Conseil d'Etat."

May 1, 1698. "Lettres patentes de Mgr. de Quebec en faveur du Seminaire de Quebec pour les Tamarois..."

July 14, 1698. "Document relatif aux Lettres patentes du 1^{er} Mai 1698 donnees par Mgr. de Quebec en faveur du Seminaire pour les Tamarois..."

September 25, 1698. Mgr. de Laval and Mgr. de St. Vallier to Madame de Maintenon.

September 25, 1698. Mgr. de Laval and Mgr. de St. Vallier to Pontchartrain.

September 25, 1698. Mgr. de Laval and Mgr. de St. Vallier to Maurepas.

September 25, 1698. Mgr. de Laval and Mgr. de St. Vallier to Mgr. de Paris.

1699-1724. "Memoire sur l'etablissement de la mission des Tamarois de 1699 a 1724."

February, 1700. Father Bergier to the Bishop of Quebec. (Extract).

March, 1700. M. de St. Cosme to Mgr. de Laval. (Extract).

June 14, 1700. Father Bergier to _____. (Extract).

July 17, 1700. "Memoire touchant la mission des Tamarois, la necessite de son union au Seminaire de Quebec, 1700."

April 13, 1701. Father Bergier to _____. (Extract).

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June 7, 1701. "Accord menage par Mgr. l'archeveque de'Auch au sujet de la mission des Tamarois."

June 22, 1722. "Copie du titre de concession d'un terrain donne par M. de Boisbriant pour la mission des Tamarois."

April 12, 1735. "Explication du plan et etablissement de la Seigneurie de la mission des Tamarois."

May 21, 1735. Father Mercier to _____.

October 31, 1763. "Protestation des habitants de Kaokias contre le vente des biens de la mission."

May 3, 1767. Boiret and Pressart to Father Meurin.

June 10, 1771. Father Gibault to the Superior of the Seminary of Quebec.

1849. "Mission du Seminaire de Quebec chez les Tamarois ou Illinois, sur les bords du Mississippi." by E.A.T. Ptre. (Father, later Cardinal, Taschereau). This is a very interesting and important document. Cardinal Taschereau, who had previously been superior of Quebec Seminary and rector of Laval University, was archbishop of Quebec from 1870 until his death in 1898.

MC CORD NATIONAL MUSEUM. RECORDS, 1802-1806. 4 items, photocopies. Calendar. 61-1539.

The museum, located on the campus of McGill University, Montreal, contains some materials relating to the fur trade in the Great Lakes region. Housed with these items in the Survey is a list entitled "Copies and Notes of Manuscripts of the Mackay Papers in the David Ross McCord National Museum, Montreal." For a brief description of this collection, see the Union List of Manuscripts in Canadian Repositories and Wayne Stevens' Report on Canadian Archives, 1923."

May 6, 1802. Bill of Lading for Canoe No. 25.

1804. (2) Engagements of Augustine Roy and Baptiste Réaume.

1806. Bill of Lading for Canoe No. 17.

MC GILL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY. PAPERS, 1787-1808. 21 items, photocopies and transcripts. Calendar, lists. 61-1539.

The Survey contains several important items from this Montreal depository concerning the fur trade in the Great Lakes region. Of particular interest are the journals and diaries relating the travel and explorations in the area. These items are described briefly in the Union List of Manuscripts in Canadian Repositories and more extensively in Wayne Stevens' "Report on Canadian Archives, 1923."

Beaver Club Records (3) 1807.

1. Rules for the Beaver Club, 1807.
2. Members elected since establishment, 1787-1800.
3. List of founding members (1785) with years they first went into the Indian country.

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Frobisher Letterbook (11) April 15, 1787 - August 25, 1788. Selections of letters mainly concerning business matters.

Masson Collection (7) 1794-1808.

Diary of Edward Umfreville, 1784 (describes expedition seeking an alternate route to the Grand Portage in Minnesota).

Diary of John McDonell, 1793 (a partial description of a journey from Montreal to the Northwest by way of Grand Portage in Minnesota).

Diary of Archibald Norman McLeod, 1800-1801 (describes region north of the Minnesota-Canada boundary and relates the life and activities of a Northwest trader).

Lists of the men at the various departments of the Northwest Company for 1805 (the Survey's copies concern the departments in Minnesota).

Roderic Mackenzie's circular and letter to agents of the Northwest Company April 21, 1806 (this letter represents and explains the origin of the Masson Collection).

Dr. McLaughlin. "The Indians from Fort William to the Lake of the Woods," [1807?] (describes Indians and the country north of Minnesota).

Description of Falls of the Steep Rocks near Fort William, June 22, 1808 (the description was probably written by Donald McKenzie).

UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL LIBRARY, BABY COLLECTION. PAPERS, 1765-1833. 84 items, photocopies and transcripts. Calendar. 61-1539.

This very important collection on Canadian History was collected by Judge Baby and given to the University of Montreal. It was housed for a period of time in the Bibliotheque St. Sulpice from which place the Survey's copies were obtained on the basis of Dr. Wayne Stevens' report of 1923. There is a very useful guide by Camille Bertrand entitled Catalogue de la Collection Francois - Louis-Georges Baby (Published by the Service des Collection Portionheres, Bibliotheques de l'Universite de Montreal, 1971).

DOCUMENTS DIVERS

G. Commerce et Finance

G 1. Grandes Compagnies-Fourrures

Boite 52. (27) 1766-1778. "Prix des Pelleteries du Canada."

Boite 52. (1) July 5, 1765. Address of the Traders at Michilimackinac to William Howard, Esq^r Captain in His Majesty's 17th Regiment Commanding at Michilimackinac.

Boite 52. (1) [1781?] James Stanley Goddard to _____. A report on Indian accounts and presents extracted at Michilimackinac.

Boite 53. (1 set) 1801-1811. Minutes of the Northwest Company.

Boite 54. (1) Oct. 11, 1833. Agreement as to the disposal of property of Michilimackinac Company, between John Forsythe, Samuel Gerrard, and Toussaint Pothier.

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CORRESPONDANCE GENERALE

1766-1768. (13) Correspondence of Sir William Johnson, Maj. Robert Rogers, Gov. James Murray; petitions of traders; and instructions relative to the fur trade at Michilimackinac and Montreal.

1792-1794. (40) These are "in papers" of the Montreal firm of Grant Campion and Co. They comprise letters from correspondents, chiefly Etienne Campion and Co., Michilimackinac; John Reeve and Nicholas Marcheassaux, traders; receipts and invoices, drafts; wages due men; and other items. They show the method employed in the fur trade about 1794.

CANNON, JOSEPH GURNEY (1836-1926). PHOTO ALBUM, 1898-1908. 1 volume.

This album, formerly belonging to "Uncle Joe" Cannon, is a pictorial study depicting the building, occupants, employees, surrounding grounds, and events of the Veterans' Administration Hospital (formerly a branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers) in Danville, Illinois. Cannon was apparently responsible for bringing the Home, which opened in 1898, to Danville. [The album was purchased in August, 1970, from Mrs. Muriel Libby of Champaign, Illinois.]

CARLTON, DAVID DUDLEY (b. 1841). DIARY, MUSTER-OUT ROLL, PHOTOGRAPH, 1861-1864. 1 item, machine reproduction. 1 item, photocopy. 1 item, photograph.

David Dudley Carlton was born near Mantua, Ohio. He joined the 42nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry, as a teamster, in September, 1861. During the war, he sent sections of the diary to his father, Epahro Carlton, to be re-copied in ink. The diary describes camp life, illnesses, weather conditions, other units, skirmishes and battles (Cumberland Gap, Tazewell, Champion Hill, and Vicksburg), and maneuvers. Also, there is a muster-out roll for Company A of the 42nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry. [The collection was copied by the Illinois Historical Survey Library in 1973, through the generosity of Dean Karl Gardner, grandson of David Carlton.]

CARRIEL, MARY TURNER (1845-1928). PAPERS, 1864-1927. Approximately 125 items. Inventory.

Mary Turner Carriel was the daughter of Jonathan Baldwin Turner (q.v.) and wife of H. F. Carriel, Superintendent of the Jacksonville State Hospital. She served on the University of Illinois Board of Trustees, 1897-1903, being the first woman to do so.

The collection represents the literary and travel interests of Mrs. Carriel. She prepared many essays, especially for a woman's club of Jacksonville. Often these were based on her travel experiences and observations. There are plot synopses of many works Mrs. Carriel read and preparatory notes for lectures on art history and literary figures. There are also several items relating to Mrs. Carriel's organizational activities for the Woman's Columbian Exposition Club in Morgan County during 1892. The collection contains travel diaries for Mrs. Carriel's 1910 trip to Europe and 1912-1913 journey through South America. The major portion of the brief correspondence deals with the preparation and marketing of Mrs. Carriel's biography of her father. The collection contains some geneological information gathered by Mrs. Carriel relating to the families of her father, mother, and husband. Charles A. Carriel, son of Mary T., is represented by a diary for the year 1908. He worked for the YMCA in South Dakota and in Chicago during that year.