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STRATHCONA AND MOUNT ROYAL, Sir Donald Alexander Smith, 1st
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Originals, n.d., 1865-1944. 2.36 m. Photocopies, 1791-1931. 30 cm.
Transcripts, 1852-1869. 2.5 cm. Microfilm, n.d., 1897-1900. 1 reel, A-
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Sir Donald Alexander Smith, first Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal, was born at Forres, Scotland, and entered the service of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1838. After spending three years at Lachine and seven at Tadoussac on the St. Lawrence he was stationed in the Esquimaux Bay district in Labrador. In 1869 he was placed in charge of the Montreal Department. While a fur trader in the Labrador and Montreal districts, Smith acted as a financier for many of his fellow fur traders; he represented the financial interests of these wintering partners in the negotiations preceding the Deed Poll of 1871. In 1869 he was chosen to inquire into the Red River Rebellion, during which time he was imprisoned at Fort Garry by Louis Riel. Following the creation of the new province of Manitoba Smith and several associates, including George Stephen, J.J. Hill and N.W. Kittson, invested successfully in the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway. In 1870 Smith entered politics as a Conservative, representing the constituency of Winnipeg in the Provincial Legislature from 1870-1874, and Selkirk in the House of Commons from 1871-1880. he was instrumental in bringing about the fall of Sir John A. Macdonald's ministry over the Pacific Scandal in 1873. In 1880, Smith and his cousin George Stephen became leading shareholders in the Canadian Pacific Railway. Smith was president of the Bank of Montreal in 1882 and 1887, was knighted in 1886, and in 1887-1896 sat for the riding of Montreal West in the House of Commons. He was elected Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1889 and in 1896 he became Canadian High Commissioner to Great Britain. In 1897 he was raised to the peerage as Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal. He was a patron of a large number of institutions including McGill University, founder of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Lord Rector of the University of Aberdeen and member of the Royal Society and British Privy Council.

The Strathcona Papers (volumes 1-23) were presented by Lord Strathcona in 1965. Photocopies of the Strathcona Fur Trade Collection (volumes 26-28) were made in 1938 from originals in the General Register House, Edinburgh, by the trustees of Lord Strathcona's estate. Strathcona Trust correspondence (volume 24) was copied in 1965 from originals in the Department of National Defence. Hudson's Bay Company correspondence (volume 25) was transcribed from originals in the Hudson's Bay Company Archives in 1915. The general correspondence (volume 25) includes 13 letters, 1865-1900, transferred from the Beckles Willson collection; two letters 1894 and 1902 acquired in 1947, and one letter, 1900, acquired in 1978. The letters, addresses and other papers were microfilmed in 1979 from originals held by Lord Strathcona.

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Strathcona Papers, n.d., 1867-1944. Originals, 2.34 m (volumes 1-23).

Papers pertaining principally to the management of Lord Strathcona's financial affairs by his solicitors Skene, Edwards, and Garson of Edinburgh, Scotland. The papers are arranged in alphabetical and numbered files dealing with specific persons, organizations, or subjects. The files are classified into four categories: Eastern Canada, Western Canada, Canada Generally and Miscellaneous.

Strathcona Trust, 1909-1931. Photocopies, 2.5 cm (volume 24).

Correspondence regarding the Strathcona Trust established to promote physical and military training in public schools. The principal correspondents are Lord Strathcona, Sir Frederick Borden, H.O. Frind, and Lt. Col. C.L. Panet.

Hudson's Bay Company, 1852-1869. Transcripts, 2.5 cm (volume 25).

Correspondence of Donald A. Smith with the Secretary of the Hudson's Bay Company in London concerning his administration of the Labrador district, his promotions and other fur trade matters. The correspondence is in two parts, the first being letters from the Secretary to Donald Smith and the latter being letters from Smith to the Secretary. A chronological descriptive list precedes each part.

General correspondence. Originals, 1865-1913. 53 pages. Photocopies, 1894. 3 pages (volume 25).

Letters written by Lord Strathcona, 1865-1900, to a number of correspondents including his brother, John Stuart Smith, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, concerning such matters as the Manitoba Schools question, Strathcona's South African contingent, General Edward Hutton, the Dominion Lands Act, the 1870 Deed of Settlement and various personal and fur trade matters. Photostatic copy of letter to Robert Prouse, 1894, concerning the railway in Newfoundland, confederation with Canada and annexation by the United States; letter to Peter Mackenzie, 1902. Letter from Strathcona to Sir Arthur Bigge, 1900, concerning a stockbroker named Hansen. Correspondence with Sir Charles Tupper, 1900, 1913, Joseph Chamberlain, 1900, T.G. Shaughnessy, 1907 and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, 1910, concerning Smith's peerage, the death of his wife, the steamboat connection between Great Britain and Canada, Strathcona's proposed resignation from the High Commissionerhip and other topics.

Strathcona Collection of Fur Trade Papers. Photocopies, 1791-1866. 28 cm (volumes 26-28).

Correspondence, accounts and related papers of partners in the North West Company, including McTavish Frobisher & Co., and others, 1791-1816. A few notes and photographs appear to have been added in 1897 by John Horn of Montreal (volumes 26-28).

Various records of the Hudson's Bay Company including: journals of Hudson's Bay Company trappers, McLeod Lake, 1824 (10 pages), Stuart's

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Lake journal, 1840-1842 (68 pages), and records of the Hudson's Bay
Company Columbia District, 1844-1866 (85 pages) (volume 28).

Lectures, addresses and other papers. Microfilm, n.d, 1897-1900. 1 reel,
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An item by item list is found on the microfilm shelf list.

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Public Affairs

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Various lectures, addresses and papers presented by
Lord Strathcona:

- Western Canada, before and since Confederation
read at a meeting of the Royal Colonial
Institute on April 13th, 1897 (pages 1-37)
- Address to the Middlesex Hospital School Students
(pages 38-64)
- Address to the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce
(pages 65-98)
- Imperialism and The Unity of the Empire.
Rectorial address at Aberdeen University,
December 18th, 1900 (pages 99-140)
- Death of Queen Victoria (pages 141-149)
- Lecture at the Imperial Institute.
Canada and The Empire (pages 150-191)
- Presentation of the Freedom of the City of
Aberdeen (pages 192-202)
- The Hudson Bay Company
Some notes and Stray Recollections (pages 203-251)
- The Fur Trade of Canada (pages 252-262).

STRATHCONA PAPERS

Volume 1 Correspondence with Hudson's Bay Company, 1852-1869;
 general correspondence, 1865-1902; correspondence as
 High Commissioner from Tupper, Laurier and Shaughnessy,
 1907-1913.

Volumes 1(a) - 7 I Eastern Series

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