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INTRODUCTION

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The papers of George Townshend, fourth Viscount and first Marquis Townshend (1724-1807) are composed of transcripts, chiefly copied from originals found in a warehouse at Fakenham, originals brought at various times and from different sources and a microfilm copy of documents in the National Army Museum, London, England. Finding aid no. 696 gives a description of the documents contained in this group.

DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF THE TRANSCRIPTS

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These documents relating to the services of George Townshend in British North America were copied prior to the presentation of the Northcliffe collection by Sir Leicester Harmsworth. The copies were made from originals found in a warehouse at Fakenham, Norfolk, about 1916. Therefore the originals of several items are to be found in the Northcliffe collection (MG 18, M, series 2, volume 14). This finding aid includes a conversion list to the Northcliffe Collection calendar where a description of these items can be found. The Northcliffe Collection calendar has been published under the title THE NORTHCLIFFE COLLECTION (Ottawa, 1956) and is available as finding aid no. 265. Papers not included in that volume are described in finding aid no. 6696.

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Documents Not Included in the Northcliffe Collection

<u>Date & Place</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pages</u>
21 July 1759	Letter to George Townshend re delivery of fowl	1
26 August 1758	Letter of George Townshend to Lady Townshend concerning social gossip	15-17
6 September 1759 Camp de Levi	Same to same concerning his brother's death	18-19
20 September 1759 Camp before Quebec	Same to same, reporting the English success in Canada	20-21

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<u>Date & Place</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pages</u>
1759	Letters of congratulations to Lady Townshend concerning the Quebec victory	22-56 59-61
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18 May 1760	A letter to George Townshend from Colonel Hunt Welsh desc describing conditions at Quebec during the winter and the battle of Ste-Foy	62-70
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5 October 1759 Quebec	George Townshend to his wife Lady Charlotte	His children & family; patriotic feelings	120-123
18 November 1759 on board THE SOMERSET	Same to same	Contrary winds; joining Sir Edward Hawke "in search of the French Fleet"; perspective of combat at sea	124-126
9 May 1761 Paderbourn	Same to same	His daughter's illness; poor condition of Germany	127-130
28 July 1761 Camp at Ermitte	George Townshend to Lady Ferrers	Fall of Pondicherry	131-133
2 April 1763 Manour Square	George Townshend to Mr. Birch	Inquires about the Island of St. John	134-135
4 August 1767	Captain Essex Edgeworth to George Townshend	Petition to accompany Townshend to Ireland <small>Townshend's Ireland</small>	136-138
12 August 1767	Same to same	Concerning the loss of his leg at Quebec	139-142
20 Jan. 1770	Letter from Sid Sidney Swinney to George Townshend	Refers to the battle of Quebec	143-146
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1. Manuscript "French account of General Braddock's defeat near Fort Duquesne, July 1755". (In English)
2. Documents relating to the Seven Year War, Quebec campaign, 1759
 - 1 - Manuscript volumes of General Orders by George Townshend
 - 2 - Four leather-bound volumes: notes, manuscript journal of the campaign against Quebec by Townshend
 - 3 - Manuscript instructions for officers commanding battalions in Canada (in French), signed by General Montcalm
- Manuscript letters and notes relating to the campaign