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## Introduction

Philip Francis Little was born in Prince Edward Island in 1824, and began to practise law in Newfoundland about 1845. He was elected to the Assembly in 1850 as one of the members for St. John's. When responsible government was granted in 1855, he became the first Prime Minister as well as Attorney General. In 1858 he became assistant judge of the Supreme Court, and was acting Chief Justice later in the year. He died in 1897.

The papers are composed of correspondence and other papers of Philip Francis Little relating mainly to responsible government and free trade, 1840-1858, 1890.

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