

Charles Constantine, 1870-1908

Supt. Charles Constantine of the N.W.M.P. (c. 1847-1912) was born in England. At an early age he accompanied his father, Rev. I. Constantine, to Canada. He was educated at Lennoxville, Que., and resided at Stanbridge, Mississquoi County, which he left in 1870 to join the Quebec Rifles. He saw service as a colour sergeant with No. 3 Coy., 2nd Etn., during the Red River Rebellion. He remained with the Permanent Force until 1874, settled in Winnipeg, became deputy sheriff, and in 1880 was appointed Chief of the Manitoba Provincial Police. During the North West Rebellion of 1885 he served with the 91st Winnipeg Light Infantry, with the rank of captain and adjutant. In 1886 he joined the North West Mounted Police as an inspector. In 1887 he was in charge of a detachment from "E" Division (Calgary) at Banff. He took command in 1891 of the Moosomin sub-division of "B" Division (Regina), where his duties lay in a thickly settled area with many cases. He was sent to the Yukon in 1894 to report on conditions, and the same year was appointed representative of the Minister of the Interior and the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs in the Yukon. In 1895, as Superintendent commanding the Yukon District, he established the first Mounted Police post in the Yukon at Fort Constantine near Forty Mile, where, as mining recorder, he recorded George Cormack's discovery on *Bonanza* Creek. In 1898 he returned to the prairies, becoming Superintendent of "G" Division at Fort Saskatchewan. He led a patrol into the Western Arctic in 1903 by way of the Mackenzie River system, establishing at Fort McPherson the first N.W.M.P. detachment north of the Arctic Circle. In 1905 as

Superintendent of Division "N" he was given special duties in charge of the construction of the Peace River - Yukon trail; the project was abandoned in 1907. In 1908 he became Superintendent of "A" Division (Maple Creek). He died on May 5, 1912, at Long Beach, California, while still holding the rank of Superintendent. His only son was Major-General C.F. Constantine.

Correspondence, reports, memoranda and diaries relating to N.W.M.P. activities, ^{Vol. 1, 4 in.} 1870-1908. Only a few items are dated earlier than 1894. Arranged as follows:

1. Fort Saskatchewan, 1901-1905. List. 1 in.

Correspondence, reports, etc., written while Superintendent Commanding "G" Division.

2. Lesser Slave Lake, 1905-1907. List. 1/2 in.

Correspondence, reports, etc. written while Superintendent Commanding "N" Division.

3. Peace River Yukon Trail, 1905-1907. List. 1/2 in.

Correspondence, reports, etc. written while Superintendent Commanding "N" Division, relating to the opening of a route through Canadian territory to the Yukon.

4. Miscellaneous documents, 1870-1908. List. 1/2 in.

Correspondence, reports, etc., written at various times during his career.

5. General correspondence, 1884-1908. 1/2 in.

Includes a report on the Peace River Country, 1908.

1870-1871, 1896, 1906-1907.
6A Diaries, ~~1870-1907~~. 1 in. Vol. 1

- (a) Service with Quebec Rifles, 1870-1871 (includes nominal roll of No. 2 and 3 Cos., 2nd Btn.); Fort Frances on Rainy River 1872; Poplar Point Camp 1874.
- (b) Fort Constantine on the Yukon River, 1896.
- (c) Trip to Fort St. John and Hudson's Hope in an effort to reach Fort Graham, July 25 - August 25, 1906.
- (d) Trip to Fort St. John and Fort Graham, May 1 - June 30, 1907.

7. Letterbook, 1895-1898. Vol. ~~3~~ 4 2 in.

Letterpress copies of letters written while Superintendent commanding Yukon district. Presented in 1938 by Major-General C.F. Constantine.

6B. Diaries, 1894-1894, 1901, 1904, 1906-1907. Vols. 2-3 6 in
Diaries received with RCMP records in 1960.

List

Series 1. Fort Saskatchewan, 1901-1905

- (1) Table on the strength and distribution of detachments, 1901.
- (2) A Report on the Athabasca and MacKenzie River districts, 1901.
- (3) R.C.M.P. reports to be sent to H.Q. monthly. Irregularities of G.T. Montgomery's reports. See letter of Sept. 6, 1901.
- (4) Report on the understaffed police force at Lesser Slave Lake and the increasing number of prisoners, 1902.
- (5) Annual Report 1902, including returns showing warrants unexecuted, cases entered and convictions made.
- (6) Charles T. Buckell murder case, 1903.
- (7) The case of Sgt. G.H. Aston accused of illegal possession of a robe, 1903.
- (8) Memo of instructions for Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald who will take charge of the Detachment at Ft. McPherson, 1903.
- (9) A report by Sgt. Fitzgerald on placing a Detachment at Herschell Island, 1903.
- (10) Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort McPherson with a view of establishing a N.W.M.P. detachment on the MacKenzie River, 1903.
- (11) General Correspondence, 1903. Suitable Steam boats; flying of tri-colour; expenses; customs; supplies; liquor trade.
- (12) Annual Report 1903, including returns showing warrants unexecuted, cases entered and convictions made.
- (13) Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort St. Johns, 1905. (page 1 missing).
- (14) Instructions to Corporal S.S. Munro, 1905.

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Series 2. Lesser Slave Lake, 1905-1907

- (1) Annual Reports, 1905. (With Peace River Yukon Trail).
- (2) Memo of instructions to the Officer Commanding at Lesser Slave Lake, 1906. Report on the understaffed police force at Lesser Slave Lake and the increasing number of prisoners, 1902. [See Fort Saskatchewan].
- (3) Letter to the Commissioner re conditions at Lesser Slave Lake, 23 June 1906.
- (4) Diary from July 25 to August 25, 1906, on a trip to Fort St.-John & Hudsons Hope in an attempt to reach Fort Graham. Copy.
- (5) Expedition to Fort Graham, 1906.
- (6) Report on provisions, general stores and clothing, 1906.
- (7) Annual Report, 1906.
- (8) Diary from May 1st, to June 21st, 1907, on an expedition to Peace River Crossing en route to St.-Johns and Ft. Graham. Copy.
- (9) Reports on Boards held at Fort Graham regarding disposal of goods, 1907.

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Series 3. Peace River Yukon Trail, 1904-1907. St. John to Teslin Lake.

- (1) A preliminary memorandum and correspondence on the trail from St. John on the Peace River to Teslin Lake, 1904-1905.
- (2) Estimates for opening up Pack Trail between Edmonton and the Yukon (1905).
- (3) The peace Yukon Trail working party, 1905.
- (4) Instructions from H.Q. concerning the Peace River Yukon Trail, 1905.
- (5) Report to Commissioner from Peace River Crossing, 1905
- (6) Suggestions in connection with the work for the Yukon and Peace River Trail, 1905.
- (7) Diary from March 19th to Nov. 30th, 1905 on the Peace River Yukon Trail project.
- (8) The Peace Yukon Trail working party, 1906
- (9) Instructions from H.Q. concerning the Peace River Yukon Trail, 1906 including monthly report by Cpl. R.W. McLeod on the detachment at Fort St. John, 1906.
- (10) Annual Reports, 1906.
- (11) Annual Reports, 1907.
- (12) Provisions & Supplies needed at Peace River Landing for 1908-1909.

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Series 4. Miscellaneous documents, 1870-1908

- (1) Diary. Second Battalion Quebec Rifles. From April 30th to Aug. 15, 1870. From Montreal as far as Rainy River. Typed.
- (2) Instructions to Insp. Constantine re Governor General's visit to Saltcoats, 1889.
- (3) Report on a trip to the Yukon, 1894. Forty Miles Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Cudahy.
- (4) P.C. 1201, May 26, 1894. Authorizing the appointment of an Agent of the Dominion Government at the request of C.H. Hamilton and Rt. Rev. William C. Bompas Bishop of Selkirk (C. of E.) for the Yukon Territories. Appointment of Charles Constantine by the Dept. of Interior. Includes memoranda on state of affairs in the Yukon and need for N.W.M.P. posts, with letters from Rt. Rev. W.C. Bompas, St. John Mission Upper Yukon, regarding the lack of police force and the unrestricted fabrication and sale of liquor, 1893.
- (5) Instructions to Insp. Constantine re arrival at Fort Cudahy, 1895.
- (6) Lease of River Front in Dawson for steamboat landings, 1898.
- (7) Complaints sent in against constable John Parr said to have criticised Government policy re settlers, 1902-1903.
- (8) Diary of Sgt. Y.J. Fitzgerald's journey to Herschel Island and back to Fort McPherson and a few monthly reports, 1903.
- (9) Instructions to Inspector J.C. Richards, officer in charge of the wintering party at Fort St. John, B.C., 1905.
- (10) Contract for provisions for Fort St. John with Bredin-Cornwall Co., of Edmonton, 1905.
- (11) Provisions for canoes for Athabasca Landing, 1905.

- (12) Notice of instruction to those who have not laid in a winter's supply to leave the remote areas for Fort Yukon or other points that are well stocked with provisions.
- (13) Annual Report for Maple Creek, "A Division", 1908.

C. Constantine Papers

Date	Name		Folder
1903	Aston, Sgt. G.H.	Charged with illegal possession of a robe.	1.
1901	Athabasca	Reports on the Athabasca and MacKenzie River Districts.	1
1905	Athabasca Landing	Provisions for canoes for Athabasca Landing.	4.
	Athabasca River	Letter of G.P. Phillips recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for this district and part of the Athabasca River.	1.
1905	Boats	Provisions for canoes for Athabasca Landing.	4.
1893	Bompas, Rev. W.C.	Letters from W.C. Bompas Bishop of Selkirk, St. John Mission, (C. of E.) Upper Yukon regarding the lack of police force and the unrestricted fabrication and sale of intoxicating liquor.	4.
1894	Bompas, Rev. William C.	At the request of C.H. Hamilton and Bishop William C. Bompas of Selkirk, an agent was appointed for the Yukon Territories by P.C. 1201 of May 26.	4.
1905	Bredin-Cornwall Co.	Contract for provisions for Fort St. John with the Bredin-Cornwall Co. of Edmonton.	4.
1905	Bredin, Cornwall and Revillon Bros.	Favoured by authorities and backed by influential friends for supplying the North Country. See letters of Feb. 20 & 27, 1905.	5.
1903	Buckell, Charles T.	Murder case.	1.
1898	Bulyea, G.H.V.	Qu'Apelle member of the Regina Legislature. - Trip with a view of issuing liquor permit.	5.
	Chipewyan District	Letter of Geo. F. Phillips recommending a Clyde model side wheel	

Date	Names		Folders
		paddle boat for this district and part of the Athabasca River.	1
1894-1896.	Claims	Regulations concerning mine claims. (see letter of Jan. 5, 1896) and of Dec. 24, 1894.	5.
1896	Claims	Copy of a claim on mine discovery.	5.
1872-1907	Constantine, Charles	Four diaries. 1872-74 Fort Frances - Poplar Point Camp. 1896 Fort Constantine & Yukon River. 1906 Fort Graham, St. John, Hudson's Hope Athabasca Landing, Lesser Slave Lake. 1907 Fort St. John & Fort Graham.	6.
1895-98	Constantine, Charles.	Letter Book.	7.
1896-1902	Constantine, Charles.	Application for the purchase of coal lands and mining claims (see letters of Apr. 17, 1896 and Apr. 10, 1902.	5.
1898	Dawson	Lease of River Front in Dawson for Steamboat landings.	4.
1870	Diary	Second battalion Quebec Rifles - From Apr. 30 to Aug. 15 - From Montreal as far as Rainy River.	4.
1872-1907	Diaries	Constantine's Diaries.	6.
1872-1907	Diaries	Four diaries from Charles Constantine 1872-74. Fort Frances - Poplar Point Camp. 1896. Fort Constantine & Yukon River. 1906 Fort Graham, St. John, Hudson's Hope Athabasca Landing, Lesser Slave Lake. 1907. Fort St. John & Fort Graham.	6.

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1903	Diary	Diary of Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald of his journey to Herschel Island and back to Fort McPherson and a few monthly reports.	4.
1905	Diary	On the Peace-River Tukon Trail project.	3.
1905	Diary	Of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort St. John.	1.
1906	Diary	Of a trip to Fort St. John & Hudsons Hope in an attempt to reach Fort Graham.	2.
1907	Diary	Diary of an expedition to the Peace River crossing en route to St. Johns and Fort Graham.	2.
1902	Drugs	Policy regarding the use, purchase and dispensing of drugs.	1.
1903	Fitzgerald, Sgt.	P.J. Instructions to the above who is going to take charge of the Detachment at Fort McPherson.	1.
1903	"	" Appointed temporarily a Preventive Officer of Customs at Fort McPherson.	1.
1903	"	" Report on the placing of a detachment at Herschell Island.	1.
1903	Fitzgerald, Sgt. F.J.	Diary of Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald of his journey to Herschel Island and back to Fort McPherson and a few monthly reports.	4.
1903	Flag	Flag incident - Roman Catholic Missions flying French Tri-colour.	1.
1894	Fort Cudahy	Report on a trip covering Forty Miles Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Cudahy.	4.

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1895	Fort Cudahy	Instructions to Insr. Constantine upon arrival at Fort Cudahy.	4.
1906	Fort Graham	Expedition to Fort Graham.	2.
1906	"	Diary of a trip to Fort St. John & Hudsons Hope in an attempt to reach Fort Graham.	2.
1906	"	Constantine unable to reach Fort Graham. See letter of Aug. 27, 1906.	2.
1907	"	Reports on Boards held at Fort Graham regarding disposal of goods.	2.
1894	Fort St. John	Report on a trip covering Forty Miles Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Cudahy.	4.
1905	Fort St. John	Instructions to Inspector J.C. Richards officer in charge of the wintering party at Fort St. John, B.C.	4.
1905	"	Contract for provisions for Fort St. John with the Bredin-Cornwall Co. of Edmonton.	4.
1906	"	Diary of a trip to Fort St. John & Hudsons Hope in an attempt to reach Fort Graham.	2.
1906	"	Monthly report by Cpl. R.N. McLeod on the detachment there.	3.
1903	Fort McPherson.	Diary of Sgt. V.J. Fitzgerald of his journey to Herschel Island and back to Fort McPherson and a few monthly reports.	4.
1903	Fort McPherson	Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort McPherson with a view of establishing a F.W.L.P. detachment on the McKenzie River, 1903.	1.

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1903	Fort McPherson	Instructions to Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald who is going to be placed in charge of the detachment there. 1.
1901-5	Fort Saskatchewan	Charles Constantine papers - R.C.M.F. 1.
1902	Fort Saskatchewan	Drug Store. An itemized invoice for medical supplies. 1.
1902-5	Fort Saskatchewan	Annual Reports. 1.
1903	Fort Saskatchewan	Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort McPherson with a view of establishing a F.W.M.P. detachment on the McKenzie River, 1903. 1.
1894	Forty Miles Creek	Report on a trip covering Forty Miles Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Cudahy. 4.
1885	Carneau,	(Secretary of the Provisional Government under Louis Riel). Constantine's letter <u>re</u> his arrest. 5.
1844-1905	General	Charles Constantine papers - Correspondence. R.C.M.F. 5.
1889	Governor General	Visits to Saltcoats. - See Saltcoats. 4.
1894	Hamilton, C.H.	At the request of C.H. Hamilton, Secretary and Assistant Manager of the North American Transportation and Trading Co., and Bishop William C. Bompas of Selkirk, an agent was appointed for the Yukon Territories by P.C.1201 May 26, 1894. 4.
1896-1902	Hamilton, C.H.	Application for the purchase of coal lands and mining claims (see letters of Apr. 17, 1896 and Apr. 10, 1902. 5.

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1903	Herschel Island	Diary of Sgt. V.J. Fitzgerald of his journey to Herschel Island and back to Fort McPherson and a few monthly reports.	4.
1903	" "	Report by Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald on the placing of a detachment at Herschell Island.	1.
1906	Hudsons Hope	Diary of a trip to Fort St. John & Hudsons Hope in an attempt to reach Fort Graham.	2.
1903	Justice	Returns showing warrants unexecuted cases entered and convictions made.	1.
1895-98	Letter Book	Charles Constantine. Book No. 7.	
1902	Lesser Slave Lake	Letter from the Commanding Officer as to the Little police force at this point and the increasing number of prisoners.	2.
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1905-7	Lesser Slave Lake	Charles Constantine papers - R.C.M.F.	2.
1906	Lesser Slave Lake	Routine instructions sent to the Commanding Officer at Lesser Slave Lake.	2
1898	Liquor permits	Order of the R.C.M.F.-to liquor permit issued by G.H.V. Bulvea are to be recognized. (see letter of March 5,)	5.
1893	Liquor	Letters from W.C. Bonnas, Bishop of Selkirk, St. John Mission, (C. of E.) Upper Yukon regarding the lack of police force and the unrestricted fabrication and sale of intoxicating liquor.	4.

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	McKenzie River	Letter of G.F. Phillips recommending a Clyde built boat for the McKenzie River District.	1.
1901	McKenzie River	Reports on the Athabasca and McKenzie River Districts.	1.
1906	McLeod, Cpl. R.W.	Monthly report on the detachment at Fort St. John.	3.
1908	Maple Creek	Annual Report.	4.
1870-1908	Miscellaneous Documents.	Charles Constantine papers - R.C.I.F.	4.
1893	Missions	Letters from W.C. Bourpas, Bishop of Selkirk, St. John Mission, (C. of E.) Upper Yukon regarding the lack of police force and the unrestricted fabrication and sale of intoxicating liquor.	4.
1903	Missions	Roman Catholic -Flag incident - The flying of the French Tricolour.	1.
1901	Montgomery, G.T.	Irregularities in sending in his monthly report.	1.
1905	Munro, Corp. S.S.	Instruction to the above re trip to Lesser Slave Lake.	1.
1898	Nielson, T.	Writing about his claim No. 120 on the Dominion Creek.	5.
1896-1902	Ogilvie, William	Application for the purchase of coal lands and mining claims (see letters of Apr. 17, 1896 and Apr. 10, 1902.	5.
1894	P.C.1201 -May 26	Authorizing the appointment of an Agent of the Dominion Government at the request of C.H. Hamilton and Bishop Rt. Rev. William C. Bourpas of Selkirk (C. of E.) for the Yukon Territories. Appointment of Charles Constantine by the Dept. of Interior.	4.

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1905	Pack Trail	Estimates for opening up Pack Trail between Edmonton and the Yukon.	3.
1902-3	Farr, John	Complaints sent in against contable John Farr who it is said criticises Government policy regarding settlers.	4.
	Peace River	Letter of G.F. Phillips recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for the Peace River District.	1.
1905-9	Peace River (Yukon Trail)	Charles Constantine papers-R.C.M.F.	3.
1906-7	Peace River (Yukon Trail)	Annual Reports.	3.
1907	Peace River	Diary of an expedition to the Peace River Crossing en route to St. Johns and Fort Graham.	2.
1908-9	Peace River Landing.	Provisions and supplies needed at this point.	3.
	Phillips, Geo.P.	Letter recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for the Chipewyan District and part of the Athabasca River.	1.
	Phillips, G.F.	Steamboat Inspector - Letter recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for the Peace River District.	1.
	Phillips, G.F.	Steamboat Inspector - Recommending a Clyde built boat for the McKenzie River District.	1.
1870	Rainy River.	A diary from Apr. 30 to Aug.15 from Montreal as far as Rainy River - Second Battalion Quebec Rifles.	4.

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	R.C.M.P.	Memorandum on the promising future of the North Country.	1
	R.C.M.P.	A table of distances from Athabasca Landing to Lesser Slave Lake.	1.
	R.C.M.P.	Notice of instruction to those who have not laid in a winter's supply to leave the remote areas for Fort Yukon or other points, that are well stocked with provisions.	4.
1884	R.C.M.P.	Letter advising C. Constantine that he has been appointed chairman of the Board of Licence Commissioners by P.C. of Apr. 30.	5.
1901	R.C.M.P.	Table on the strength and distribution of detachments.	1.
1902	R.C.M.P.	Policy regarding the use, purchase and dispensing of drugs.	1.
1903	R.C.M.P.	Detachment - Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort McPherson with a view of establishing a N.W.M.P. detachment on the McLenzie River.	1.
1903	R.C.M.P.	Flag incident - Roman Catholic Missions flying French Tri-colour.	1.
1903	R.C.M.P.	Travelling expenses of Supt. Constantine to Fort McPherson to establish a Police Detachment there, and return.	1.
1904-5	R.C.M.P.	Estimates.	1.
1870	Regiments	Second Battalion Quebec Rifles - Extract of a diary from Apr. 30 to Aug. 15 from Montreal as far as Rainy River.	4.
1901	Reports	On the Athabasca and Mackenzie River Districts.	1.

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1902-03	Reports	Fort Saskatchewan Annual Reports.	1.
1905-07	Reports	Lesser Slave Lake annual reports.	2.
1906	Report	On provisions, general stores and clothing.	2.
1906	Report	Monthly report by Cpl. R.W. McLeod on the detachment at Fort St. John.	3.
1906-07	Reports	Annual Reports - Peace River Yukon Trail	3.
1906	Reports	Annual Report for Maple Creek.	4.
1906	Richards, Insp. J.C.	Instructions to Inspector J.C. Richards, officer in charge of the wintering party at Fort St. John, B.C.	4.
1889	Saltcoats	Instructions to Insp. Constantine re Governor General's visit to Saltcoats. (Stanley of Preston, Baron Montgomery-Looere).	4.
1889	Stanley of Preston	Baron Montgomery-Looere, Gov. Gen. of Canada visits Saltcoats.	4.
1898	Steamboats	Lease of River Front in Dawson for Steamboat landings.	4.
1904	"	Purchase of a condemned German Tub, see letter of Anderson to Constantine, of Nov. 20, 1904.	5.
	"	Letter of G.F. Phillips recommending a Clyde built boat for the McLenzie River District.	1
	"	Letter of Geo. P. Phillips recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for the Chipewyan District and part of the Athabasca River.	1.

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	Steamboats	Letter of G.F. Phillips recommending a Clyde model side wheel paddle boat for the Peace River District.	1.
1897	Supplies	Two letters on the food situation in the North.	5.
1905	Supplies	Contract for provisions for Fort St. John with the Bredin-Cornwall Co. of Edmonton.	4.
1893	Yukon	Letters from W.C. Bompas, Bishop of Selkirk, St. John Mission, (C. of E.) Upper Yukon regarding the lack of police force and the unrestricted fabrication and sale of intoxicating liquor.	4.
1894	Yukon	A short memo in the state of affairs in the Yukon Country.	4.
1894	Yukon	Report on a trip covering Forty Miles Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Cudahy.	4.
1894	Yukon	At the request of C.H. Hamilton, Secretary and Assistant Manager of the North American Transportation and Trading Co., and Bishop William C. Bompas of Selkirk, an agent was appointed for the Yukon Territories by F.C. 1201 of May 26, 1894.	4.
1905	Yukon	Estimates for opening up Pack Trail between Edmonton and the Yukon.	3.
1905-1909	Yukon	Peace River Yukon Trail (Constantine Papers)	3.
1896	Yukon District	A report by William Ogilvie as to the number of creeks on the Canadian side of the International Boundary Line (see Letter of May 15)	5.

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1904-5	Yukon Trail	A preliminary memorandum and correspondence on the trail from St. John on the Peace River to Teslin Lake.	3.
1905	Yukon Trail	Suggestions in connection with the work for the Yukon and Peace River Trail.	3.
1905	Yukon Trail	Diary from March 19 to Nov. 30th, 1905. on the Peace-River Yukon Trail.	3.
1905-6	Yukon Trail	Working party.	3.
1906	Yukon Trail	Instructions from H.Q. concerning the Peace-River Yukon Trail.	3.
1906-7	Yukon Trail	Peace River Yukon Trail - Annual Reports.	3.
1901	Wagner, Phillip	Letter of Sept. 17 and Sept. 29 to Constantine from the Supreme Court of Prince Albert advising that Wagner was condemned to 3 months imprisonment with hard labour.	5.

SUMMARY

Papers of Charles Constantine

Charles Constantine was Superintendent for the North West Mounted Police in the North West Territories. He enlisted on August 15, 1870 and died in 1912.

Four of his diaries are to be found in these papers, dealing chiefly with trips to Fort Graham and Fort St. John.

The remainder of the collection could be divided into five sections, namely:

The Fort Saskatchewan Post - 1901-05

Annual reports, returns and reports of trips to the northern areas, inspections and maintenance of law throughout the country as well as instructions from H.C. to the commanding officer on the general work carried out by the R.C.M.P., are to be found among these papers.

The Lesser Slave Lake area - 1905-07

The documents found are exactly of the same nature as above.

The Peace River - Yukon Trail - 1905-09

This section contains interesting memoranda and suggestions on the opening of the Peace River Yukon-Trail, the opening of the trail itself, the working parties, provisions and supplies needed and reports of the expeditions made on the construction line.

Miscellaneous Documents.

They are important documents which could not be placed under one heading and dealing with the work of the M.P's in the West, such as: intervention asked in the sale of liquor, reports of official trips to the North, general instructions from H.C., equipment needed for the force and the carrying of Justice.

General Correspondence.

A few private letters and official routine letters.

CONSTANTINE PAPERS (Reserved) 1870-1874, 1884-1889, 1894-1908.

Papers of Charles Constantine, Superintendent, North West Mounted Police, who died in 1912.

Note Book 1870-1874, containing, among other entries, a diary 30 (April) - 15 August, 1870, which begins with his enlistment in the second Battalion of Quebec Rifles and a record of the journey westward, as far as Rainy Lake. There is also a roll of Capt. Stercham's Company (No.2.)

Notice of Constantine's appointment as a License Commissioner, Manitoba, 15 May, 1884.

Instructions to accompany the Governor General, Lord Lansdowne on his journey to Saltcoats, Saskatchewan, 1889.

Official Correspondence, 1894-1898.

Diaries, 1896, 1906, 1907.

Annual reports, correspondence, and a few instructions. These refer to : -

Fort Saskatchewan, 1902-1903.

Fort Macpherson, 1903.

Peace Yukon Trail, 1904-1906.

Athabaska Landing, 1905.

Lesser Slave Lake, 1905-1908.

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R.C.M.P.

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FORT SASKATCHEWAN - 1901-1905

Annual Reports 1902, 1903.

A Report on the Athabasca and MacKenzie River districts. - 1901.

Table on the strength and distribution of detachments. - 1901.

Letter from the Commanding Officer as to the little police force at Lesser Slave Lake and the increasing number of prisoners. - 1902. (see Lesser Slave Lake).

Returns showing warrants unexecuted, cases entered and convictions made, 1903.

Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort McPherson with a view of establishing a R.C.M.P. detachment on the MacKenzie River, 1903.

General Correspondence, 1903.
Suitable Steam boats.
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Memo of instructions for Sgt. F.J. Fitzgerald who will take charge of the Detachment at Ft. McPherson, 1903.

A report by Sgt. Fitzgerald on placing a Detachment at Herschell Island, 1903.

Charles T. Buckell murder case. 1903.

The case of Sgt. G.H. Aston accused of illegal possession of a robe - 1903.

Estimates for 1904-05.

Instructions to Corporal S.S. Munro - 1903.

Diary of a trip from Fort Saskatchewan to Fort St. Johns. 1903. (page 1 missing)

Fort Saskatchewan

Memorandum on the promising future of the North Country. - No date.

R.C.M.P. reports to be sent to H.Q. monthly. - Irregularities of
G.T. Montgomery's reports - See letter of Sept. 6, 1901.

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(Papers)

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