

W.O. 32, REGISTERED PAPERS, GENERAL SERIES

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These miscellaneous subject files offer a useful source on a number of questions relating to Canada. The files selected for copying by the Public Archives of Canada are concerned with such subjects as defences in Canada, the raising of Canadian troops for imperial service, military lands, the Red River and Nile expeditions, designations and accoutrements of Canadian militia units, the relationship of the Canadian militia to the British army, Royal Military College, Kingston, transportation of troops on the Canadian Pacific Railway, Esquimalt and Halifax bases, royal salutes in Canada, observance of Dominion Day, the service of pensioners at Fort Garry, the settlement of pensioners in New Brunswick, and imperial military expenditure on Canada.

Finding Aid 90, British Records on Microfilm, lists the volumes filmed for the Public Archives of Canada and gives the reel numbers. Finding Aid 575 provides a list of the file titles filmed. In the Public Record Office W.O. 139, Subject Indexes, includes references to W.O. 32 as well as a digest of the chief correspondence of the department between 1826 and 1901.

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