

List of the Miscellaneous Manuscripts

in RG 45, Volume 16

- File 1 Letter dated 6 June 1871 from E. A. Meredith, Under Secretary of State for the Provinces, to Dr. Alfred R. C. Selwyn, Director of the Geological Survey, re the French translation of the Geological Survey Report for 1866-1869. Enclosed is a letter written by the Chief Translator of the House of Commons in reference to the translation of the report and the printing of the French edition.
- File 2 Copy of a letter written by Dr. A. R. C. Selwyn to Sir John A. Macdonald dated 1882 re changes in the Geological Survey.
- File 3
- (a) Memorandum written by Wallace Broad on 6 May 1879 re estimate of expenses for the season's work in New Brunswick, totalling \$260.00.
 - (b) Letter written by Wallace Broad to Dr. A. R. C. Selwyn, 20 December 1881, concerning his dissatisfaction with his present appointment and salary at the Geological Survey.
 - (c) Letter to Dr. Selwyn from Henry S. Vennor of Montreal, dated 10 April 1883, regarding a letter to the editor of the Toronto Mail (signed "Geologist") which is an attack on the Geological Survey and more particularly Dr. Selwyn's directorship of it. A clipping of the letter is enclosed.
 - (d) Letter from G. R. Grant to Dr. Selwyn, 14 April 1883, commenting upon an editorial in the Montreal Witness which is critical of Dr. Selwyn's directorship of the Survey. A clipping of the editorial is enclosed.
 - (e) Copy of a letter from Wallace Broad to Dr. Selwyn, dated 5 April 1883, requesting an additional six months in order to complete the report of his explorations for the previous four seasons and indicating a willingness to supervise two surveyors in New Brunswick during the next season. There is a note written by Dr. Selwyn (17 April 1883) in which he refuses the application because of Mr. Broad's involvement "... with the publication of the letter and article reflecting on the management of this Branch"
- File 4 Letter written by Dr. Selwyn to Senator D. L. Macpherson, Acting Minister of the Interior, on the 17th of April 1883, in which the Senator is informed of the letter

published in the Toronto Mail (6 April 1883) and the article which appeared in the Montreal Witness (13 April 1883) reflecting on the management of the Geological Survey. Dr. Selwyn explains that it is his opinion that Mr. Broad is in great part responsible for these attacks and for this reason is deferring action on Broad's recent promotion.

- File 5 (a) The original letter written by Wallace Broad to Dr. Selwyn on 5 April 1883 which is described above in File 3, item (e)
- (b) Letter dated 3 June 1884 from P. B. Douglas, Assistant Secretary to the Minister of the Interior, to Dr. A. R. C. Selwyn, enclosing a copy of a letter from Wallace Broad to the Minister of the Interior (28 April 1884) in which the former explains his charges of unfair treatment of him by Dr. Selwyn.
- (c) Letter written by P. B. Douglas to Dr. Selwyn on 2 April 1885 requesting a report which had been asked for the previous year.
- File 6 Letter dated 24 February 1886 from P. B. Douglas to George M. Dawson, Assistant Director of the Geological Survey, concerning an order-in-council which provided that Messrs. John Macoun, Frank Adams, and C. Willimott be detailed for the assistance of the Director of the Survey at the forthcoming Indian and Colonial Exhibition in London, England.
- File 7 "Notes on a Skull found near Victoria, British Columbia". Undated and author unknown.
- File 8 Printed speech of N. A. Belcourt, M.P., on the National Museum at Ottawa, delivered in the House of Commons, 17 May 1897.
- File 9 Newspaper clipping from the Ottawa Evening Journal, 15 May 1890, concerning an exhibit in the Geological Survey Museum.
- File 10 "A Plea for the Sunday Opening of the Geological and Natural History Survey Museum." An address delivered by Dr. A.R.C.Selwyn before the Literary and Scientific Society of Ottawa. Undated.
- File 11 "A National and Patriotic Scheme." An undated handwritten article or speech concerning the importance of

history in the schools of the day.

File 12 F.A. Bather, "The Functions of Museums: A Re-Survey",
Popular Science Monthly, Vol. LXIV, January, 1904, pp. 210-218.

File 13 (a) Copy of a letter from George M. Dawson to the
Curator of the Museum at the Ontario Agricultural College in
Guelph, dated 6 November 1896, requesting information on the
collections under his charge.

(b) Letter from H. M. Ami to G.M. Dawson, dated 1 June 1897,
concerning the tabulated List and Notes on the State of Museums
in Canada.

(c) A "List of Public Geological and Mineralogical
Collections in Canada."

File 14 A list of some of the museums and private collections
in Canada prepared for G. M. Dawson's "Report on the State of
Museums in Canada".

File 15 Notes on museums in Canada and Newfoundland, on government aid
to museums, and on the types of buildings housing some of the
collections.

File 16 A description of some of the museums in Canada.

File 17 (a) A chart providing information on the principal museums
in Canada and Newfoundland.

(b) A memorandum showing the composition of the National
Museum's palaeontological collection.

(c) A draft of the introduction to the "Report on the State
of the Principal Museums in Canada."

(d) Newspaper clipping from the Montreal Gazette, October 1897,
concerning the attendance record at the British Museum.

(e) A brief description of the contents of the National
Museum herbarium.

(f) Letters addressed to G. M. Dawson concerning collections
in various Canadian museums:

James P. Howley, Director of the Geological Survey of
Newfoundland, 23 November 1896, re the Survey Museum;

E. Gilpin, Inspector of Mines for the Province of Nova
Scotia, 28 November 1896, re the Provincial Museum;

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E. MacKay, Professor of Chemistry, Dalhousie College,
12 March 1897, re the College Museum;

F. W. Vroom, Acting-Curator of the King's College Museum
in Windsor, Nova Scotia, 11 March 1897;

A. E. Coldwell, Curator of the Acadia University
Museum in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, 13 November 1896;

G. U. Hay, managing editor of The Educational Review,
11 November 1896, re collections in the New Brunswick
Natural History Society Museum;

L. W. Bailey, curator of the University of New Brunswick
Museum, 10 November 1896;

Notes on collections in the Muséum de l'Université Laval,
Québec;

D. N. Saint-Cyr, Conservateur du Muséum de l'Instruction
Publique, Québec, 8 March 1897;

L. Lepoupon, 31 March 1897, re the collections in the
Muséum du Séminaire de Philosophie, Montréal;

Notes re the Peter Redpath Museum of McGill College;

T. B. Williams, Curator of the Natural History Society
Museum, Montreal, 24 November 1896;

Dr. T. J. W. Burgess, 21 September 1897, re the herbarium
at the Protestant Hospital for the Insane, Montreal;

Notes re the Museum of the Geological Survey of Canada,
Ottawa;

James Fowler, 30 November 1896 and 14 January 1897,
Concerning the Queen's University Museum;

W. G. Miller, 21 December 1896, re the Museum of the
School of Mining, Kingston, Ontario;

R. A. Paterson, 16 November 1896, re the museum at the
Perth Collegiate Institute;

Ramsay Wright, 25 July 1897, concerning the Biological
Museum at the University of Toronto;

A. P. Coleman, 18 November 1896, describing the collection
in the museum of the School of Practical Science, University
of Toronto;

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N. Burwash, 10 November 1896, concerning the Museum of Victoria University, Toronto;

David Boyle, 5 March 1897, re the collections in the Ontario Archaeological Museum, Toronto;

James H. Fleming, 25 February 1897, Curator of the Canadian Institute Museum, Toronto;

S. A. Morgan, 18 March 1897, outlining the contents of the Hamilton Association Museum;

Copy of a letter from G. M. Dawson to the Curator of the Museum at the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph, dated 6 November 1896, requesting information on the collections under his charge;

Catalogue of the Ontario Agricultural College Museum at Guelph.

(g) "Report on the State of the Principal Museums in Canada and Newfoundland", delivered by H. M. Ami of the G. S. C. before the Toronto meeting of the British Association for Advanced Science, 1897.