



MG 227: Carpenter Family fonds

Dates: 1837-1958 (inclusive)

Extent: 60 cm of textual records + 46 cm of pressed plants.

Biography: The Carpenter family had members in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Connecticut, California, and Wisconsin; and were related to the Smith, Lawrence, Richmond, Paul, and Orr families.

Edward Richmond Carpenter was born in Woodstock, Conn., 16 Jun 1838; Jessie Leonora Smith was born in Loydstown, ON, on 17 Jun 1844. They married on 27 Sep 1864. The Collingwood, ON cemetery contains a headstone for Edward Richmond Carpenter (1838-1914), his wife Jessie Leonora Smith Carpenter (1844-1921), and those of their children who predeceased them:

Paul Amasa (1865-1890)

John White (1867-1871)

Mary Richmond (1870-1870)

Jane Lawrence (1876-1912); [also known as "Jennie"]; m. John Rowland Orr; 2 children

Jessie Lenora (1878-1883)

Cyril Richmond (1889-1912)

Three of their children were buried elsewhere:

Edward Michael Carpenter (1871-1943) buried at Oceanside, CA

Henry Stanley Carpenter (1874-1950) buried at Regina, SK

Louise Melville Carpenter Harper (1879-1963); m. Clarence J. Harper; buried at Kingston, ON

[Edward Richmond Carpenter's brother], Ezra C. Carpenter (1832-1891) [was also buried at Collingwood].

Edward Michael Carpenter married Eva Victoria Aylsworth on 17 Jun 1896; they had three children:

Dorothy Winn (1897-1989); m. Arthur Cecil Henzell; one son, Arthur

Louise Aylesworth (1902-1985); m. Rex Edward Fountain; two sons, Wayne and Lloyd

Ruth Richmond (1903-1904)

Henry Stanley Carpenter married Jessie Ross Cameron; they had five children:

Edward Stanley Cameron (1904-1956); [also known as "Jim"]

Paul Hamilton (1905-199?)

John Richmond (?) [also known as "Jack"]

Alison Hamilton (1913-?)

Nancy Ross (1916-1991)

One of Paul Hamilton Carpenter's children was David Cameron Carpenter; one of John Richmond Carpenter's children was Nancy Linforth Carpenter (see below, custodial history).

Custodial History: The family memorabilia was passed to various members of the family until eventually it was divided between two cousins, David C. Carpenter of Saskatoon and Nancy Linville Carpenter of Montreal. Their fathers, Paul Hamilton Carpenter and John Richmond Carpenter (respectively) were the sons of Henry Stanley Carpenter and Jessie Ross Cameron; Henry Stanley Carpenter was the son of Edward Richmond Carpenter and Jessie Leonora Smith. David Carpenter donated the documents in his possession to the University Archives in 1996; and Nancy Carpenter donated this material to the University Archives in 1999.

Scope and Content: This fonds contains diaries, correspondence, photographs, and ephemera created or collected by various members of the Carpenter family.

Arrangement: This fond has been arranged into 7 series:

- I. Diaries and journals
- II. Correspondence
- III. Family - general
- IV. Cards
- V. Photographs
- VI. Published works
- VII. Pressed plants

Restrictions: There are no restrictions.

See also David C. Carpenter fonds, MG 163, Series I. Family Materials.

I. Diaries and journals. - 1872-1911. - 26cm.

This series is comprised of diaries and daily journals recounting activities, observations, experiences, etc. of the individual recorder, family, friends and acquaintances in the immediate and more distant area.

A) Jessie Lenora (Smith) Carpenter (grandmother Carpenter).

1-1 Diaries. - 1879, 1880, 1883, 1884.

1-2 Diaries. - 1888, 1890, 1892, 1894.

1-3 Diaries. - 1895, 1895, 1897, 1898.

1-4 Diaries. - 1901, 1904.

1-5 Removals from diaries. -1888, 1892, 1895, 1897.

Addresses, clippings, notes, etc.

1-6 Journals. - 1881-1883, 1884.

1-7 Journals. - 1886 (2 vols.).

1-8 Journals. - 1887, 1888.

1-9 Removals from journals. - 1887, 1888.

Notes and entries.

B) Susan P. Carpenter (sister to J.C. Orr's grandfather, Edward Richmond Carpenter).

1-10 Diaries. - 1872,1875,1876,1877.

1-11 Diaries. - 1879, 1880 pts. 1 and 2, 1884.

1-12 Diaries. - 1886 (2 vols.), 1887, 1888.

1-13 Diaries. - 1889, 1890, 1892.

1-14 Diaries. - 1894, 1897, 1899.

1-15 Removals from diaries. - 1851(1857?), 1876, 1877, 1879, 1887, 1888, 1899.

Pupil schedule, clippings, notes, stamps, photograph, cards, material samples, pressed plant, etc.

2-1 Diaries. - 1905, 1906, 1907.

2-2 Diaries. - 1908, 1909, 1911.

2-3 Removals from diaries. - 1895, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1911.

Notes, clippings, photograph.

C) Edward Richmond Carpenter.

2-4 Journals. - 1883, 1884.

- 2-5 Journals. - 1885.
- 2-6 Removals from journals. - 1884.
 - Notes, invoices, etc.
- 2-7 Diary. - 1891.

II. Correspondence. - nd-1958. - 3cm.

This series consists of communications with family, friends, associates, etc. pertaining to personal and private matters, events and occurrences, business and other matters.

- 2-8 Henry Stanley Carpenter. - 1902, 1958.
 - (Yukon Railway Exploration, 1900)
- 2-9 Jane Lawrence Carpenter. - 1837-1882.
 - ("Personal and Confidential Correspondence")
- 2-10 Various. - nd-1899.
 - (entry cards for Great Northern Exhibition, 1902)
- 2-11 Various. - nd-1915.
 - (postcards of Philadelphia, 1876)
- 2-12 "Child Family Connection". - nd-1892.

III. Family - General. - nd-1913. - 4cm.

This series contains miscellaneous legal documents, lists of belongings, addresses, clippings, etc.

- 2-13 Edward Richmond Carpenter. - 1871-1910.
 - Life insurance policies.
- 2-14 Elmwood Hall. - 1907.
 - Clippings concerning fire. For photograph of home in Connecticut, see Postcards - Jessie L. Carpenter (folder 2-29).
 - Note: The home was renamed "Dundurn Hall" by Brigadier General Richard Rohmer. [source: see accession file].
- 2-15 Lists. -nd-1844.
 - Perhaps property list for probate of Child estate.
- 2-16 Lists, Addresses, Signatures. - nd-1899.
- 2-17 Miss Carpenter.
 - Engraving plate for visitation card.
- 2-18 Westford Estate. - 1912-1913.
 - Susan P. Carpenter will.
 - Note: Westford Connecticut was later renamed Ashford. [source: see accession file]

IV. Cards. -nd-1923. - 14cm.

This series is comprised of various forms of greeting cards sent and received. United

States scenes predominant but Canadian, British, European, Caribbean and South American sights are present. Muskoka, Niagra Falls, Collingwood and a few cities in Ontario are included.

2-19 Christmas Cards.

One from Sir Daniel McMillan, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba.

2-20 Easter Card.

Hanging "Belles" together with *Mizpah*.

2-21 Sympathy Cards.

(envelopes)

2-22 Valentine Cards.

(includes hanging card).

2-23 Postcard - Leather.

2-24 Postcards.

C.R. Carpenter (7) including birthday, Jean Carpenter (2), L.L. Eylan (1).

2-25 Postcards.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richmond Carpenter (36) including Easter.

2-26 Postcards - folders.

Mrs. Edward Richmond Carpenter (2), of Niagra Falls and California.

2-27 Postcards.

Jennie Carpenter (16).

2-28 Postcards - Folder.

Jennie Carpenter.

2-29 Postcards.

Jessie L. Carpenter (4) including Elmwood Hall, Carrie A. Tyson (2).

2-30 Postcards.

Susan P. Carpenter (6), including Christmas.

2-31 Postcards.

P.A. Carpenter (3), Kasie Stewart (1), Mrs. W.W. Cox (1).

Louise Carpenter.

2-32 Postcards.

nd (3), February 27, 1923 (2).

2-33 Postcards.

nd (2), February 13, 1912 (4).

BOX 3

3-1 Postcards. - 1906-1910.

1906 (1), 1907 (5), 1908 (8), 1909 (12) including Main Street in Vegreville AB, Christmas and New Year, 1910 (14) including Imperial Bank in Edmonton AB, New Year, Easter and Main Street in Viking AB.

3-2 Postcards. - 1911-1919.

1911 (11) including Mission Bridge in Calgary AB, 1912 (14) including Easter, 1913 (8) including residential street in Edmonton AB, birthday, 1914 (3), 1915 (3)

- including views of Wynyard SK, 1918 (1), 1919 (2).
- 3-3 Postcards (7). - nd.
Includes High School in Calgary AB.
- 3-4 Souvenir Letters.
Palm Beach Fla and Carnarvon Wales.
- 3-5 Postcards.
Cyril Harper (9) including Banff Springs Hotel AB, Clarence Harper (2), Miss J.L. Harper (1).
- 3-6 Postcards.
Clarence J. Harper (28) including Dionne quintuplets, Miss Carpenter (7).
- 3-7 Postcards. - August 11 to 16, 1911.
Unidentified (8).
- 3-8 Postcards.
Ontario (8), British Columbia (1), Alberta (1) including Mission Hill in Calgary, Quebec (1), Saskatchewan (1) including hospital under construction in Humboldt, New Brunswick (3).
- 3-9 Postcards.
Rocky Mountains (?) (13).
- 3-10 Postcards.
England (3), unidentified (1).
- 3-11 Postcards. - February, 1912.
Florida set, I-XV.
- 3-12 Postcards.
1912 cyclone damage in Regina SK (3), Victoria BC harbour, Stratford ON, unidentified Asian calligraphy (?).
- 3-13 Postcards.
New York (11), Pennsylvania (3), Michigan (2), Minnesota (1), New Jersey (2), Washington DC (1), New Hampshire (1), Massachusetts (4).
- 3-14 Postcards.
Yellow Stone National Park (26).
- 3-15 Postcards (3).
Ship, canoe, wagon.

V. Photographs. - 5cm.

This series consists mainly of unidentified individuals and groups, scenes and transportation equipment.

- 3-16 Various.
Postcard-size images of people, ships / boats, wagons, etc.
- 3-17 Postcards.
Unidentified people.
- 3-18 Album.
- 3-19 Unidentified man.

- 3-20 Snapshots of Lethbridge AB.
- 3-21 Photocard of Vancouver BC.

VI. Published works. -nd-1908. - 7cm.

- 3-22 Miscellaneous clippings.
- 3-23 *The Philadelphian*. - March 5, 1898.
- 3-24 *Buffalo Express*. - October 9, 1897.
- 3-25 *The Wolverine Citizen*. - August 23, 1879.
- 3-26 *Omnibus*. - March 26, 1858.
 - Clipping included.
- 3-27 *Bristol Illustrated Almanac*. - 1901.
- 3-28 *Morse's Diary*. - 1889.
- 3-29 *Pierce's Memorandum and Account Book*. - 1908.
 - This book may have belonged to Cyril R Carpenter (1889-1912), the youngest son of E.R. Carpenter. It may later have come into the possession of James Orr, prior to being given to Nancy Carpenter. [source: see accession file].
- 3-30 *A Handbook of Iowa*. - 1893.
 - Used to press plants.
- 3-31 *Philadelphia: The Place And The People*. - 1898.

VII. Pressed plants.