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Slater & York Limited fonds. - [textual record]. - 1924-1927. - 2.00 cm of textual records.  
Box V-24

### **Administrative history**

Slater & York Limited was a men's clothing store which was established in 1921 when Ransom L. Slater joined in a partnership with Mervin E. York. Mr. Slater was born in Inkerman, ON, on May 13, 1870. He moved to Moose Jaw in 1890 and went into the tailoring business with Dan McCormack. Later he established his own tailor shop, and in 1913 opened a men's clothing store. Mr. Slater married Florence Annetta Powell in 1895. They had one daughter, Phyllis (Mrs. K.G. Murison). Mr. Slater was a member of Zion United Church, Moose Jaw Lodge No.3, Lodge of Perfection, Rose Croix, the Saskatchewan Consistory, Moose Jaw Shrine Club, Chamber of Commerce and he served as director of the Grant Hall Hotel. He retired from business in 1953. He died in 1962.

Prior to his partnership with R.L. Slater, Mervin E. York was a salesperson, buyer and department manager for various retail businesses in Moose Jaw. He began working as a salesman for R.L. Slater in 1916. Mr. York died in 1953. Slater & York Limited was sold to Geoffrey R. Baskwill and James Stewart Robertson in 1953. They sold the business to Reginald A. Bushell and George Field in 1959, who then sold it to Brian Chadwick in 1987.

### **Custodial history**

Records were transferred to Reginald Bushell with the sale of the business in 1959.

### **Scope and content**

This fonds consists of typewritten customer lists, a ledger of handwritten customer lists and "promotion" form letters that were sent out to the local men in 1925 and 1926. There is also one letter written in 1927 to a company in London, ON.

### **Conservation note**

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004.

### **Note of immediate source of acquisition**

Accession number 38.BA donated to the archives by Reginald Bushell of Slater and York.

### **Restrictions**

None.

### **Accruals**

No further accruals expected.

**Finding aids**

See file list.

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File List

001 - Typewritten customer lists

002 - Ledger of handwritten customer lists. 1924-1925

003 - Promotional form letters that were sent to local men 1925-1926

004 - Correspondence 1927