

Ms. Fleming Family
Coll. Papers
290 24 items, 2 metres

Collection of Canadiana; with special emphasis on
Niagara Falls, Owen Sound, Ontario local history,
Northern Business College.
Some graphic work.

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1 Gibson Papers. 1829-1900.

James Gibson was born about 1808 in Scotland, and emigrated to Canada. In the 1830's he was employed as a joiner in Glasgow. By 1841 he was in Toronto, established as a cabinet maker on Elisabeth Street, later moving to Agnes Street in St. Patrick's ward. On the 14th of November 1853 he bought 68 1/2 acres in Sydenham Township from Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Blackshaw for the sum of 85 pounds. He is described as a farmer in the tax assessment notices of the 1860's through to the 1880's. His son John became co-owner of the farm by 1878, and took it over when his father died circa 1899. He had some stature in the community as he was made Justice of the peace in 1859.

Most of the correspondence is addressed to James by his many brothers and sisters. Several letters are addressed to Janet Rae (Mrs. James Gibson).

- 1 Inventory of each letter.
- 2 Unclassified material.
- 3-4 Receipts, bills, 1830-1899.
- 5-17 Correspondence, 1829-1900.
- 18 Furniture designs.

2 Fleming family personal papers. 1881-1938.

Christopher Alexander Fleming was born in Derby, Grey County, Ontario on May 12, 1857, the son of John and Margaret Robertson Fleming. He was educated at the District Public School, the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, and at the Hamilton Collegiate Institute. He was a public school teacher from 1878 to 1880. In 1881 he became Principal of the Northern Business College, being also President of the Winnipeg Business College. He was the author of several textbooks on penmanship, mensuration, bookkeeping and business practices. In 1892 he married Margaret Donald.

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- 2 1 A. Fleming to his sons, correspondence, 1881.
- 2-4 C.A. Fleming chemistry book. Personal
correspondence. Correspondence regarding
W.W. Campbell biography.
- 5 J.R. Fleming essay on War and steel ghost towns.
- 6 Material by and about Jessie Fleming.
- 7 Will of Joseph Fleming (April 1894).
- 8-11 Manuscript and notes for "Ghosts of American
Entrepreneurs" by Stuart Fleming.
- 12 J. Stuart Fleming - book collecting records.
- 13 Fleming ephemera.
- 14-15 Insurance policies, bonds, tax assessments.
- 16 Survey of Leith, 1938.
- 17 Fleming family tree.

Winnipeg Business College.

- 3 Account book, July - December, 1896. Includes
correspondence.

Northern Business College.

- 4 Account/Day book. 1891-1893.
- 5 Account book/Scrapbook. 1880's.

Stationery store. [Owen Sound, Ont.]

- 6 Account book. 1889-1890.
- 7 Cash receipts and disbursements. 1887-1898.

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Scrapbook of penmanship exercises 1880's.

8 Includes business cards and advertisements.

John Robertson's mensuration exercises.

9-10 Done at Kirkton, Dumfries, Scotland.

C.A. Fleming, teacher, Latona.

11 Literature since the revolution of 1688 [and] Craik.

A.B. Cameron, merchant at Leith, Ontario.

12 Journal. 1884-1896.

13 Private account book. 1886-1925.

14 "To work" accounts. 1881-1896.

15 Stock book. 1881-1943.

16 Stock book. 1942-1943.

17 Canadiana.

1-3 Correspondence, 1906-1909, 1912, 1938.

4-12 Typescripts of various authors on pioneers of the Bruce peninsula.

13 Manuscript and printed issues of Owen Sound Daily News (1895).

14 Typescript of Edward T. Williams' "The development of the American Book Sales Company" (1944).

15 Photocopy of typescript essay on "History of the art of making prints" and "Niagara prints".

16 George Donald and Jessie McPhee family tree.

17 Personal symbols.

18 Work/account book from a saw mill (1868).

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- 18 Canadiana.
- 1-2 Deeds - Bruce Peninsula, 1848-1930.
 - 3 Correspondence, 185-, 186-.
 - 4-5 Receipts, loan agreements.
 - 6 Specifications for the Fleming house at Leith (Mathers & Haldenby, 1942).
 - 7 Specifications for General Construction for Residence To Be Built for Mr. & Mrs. Stuart Flemming (Charles F. Obenhack, 1950).
 - 8 Department of Mines and Resources: Manitoulin Island Reports.
 - 9 "Plan of the ground about the great Falls of Niagara, W.V., 1825."
 - 10 Owen Sound Collegiate and Vocational School.
 - 11 Owen Sound YMCA.
 - 12 Owen Sound Plating Co.
 - 13 "Letters of John Talbot." Reprint from Ontario History.
 - 14 Mouth Disease research.
 - 15 Pierre Burton, "The Comfortable Pew." Reaction.
 - 16 Correspondence, 1956-60. Harry Flemming to Stuart Flemming.
 - 17 "Battle Hymn of the Flemmings". Typescript with carbon copies.

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- 19 Photo-album with portraites by Jane Hardcastle. Includes several photos of Flemming family members.
- 20 Honourary Doctorate from Niagra University, J. Stuart Flemming.
- 21 Dunlop Touring Map of the British Isles.
- 22 Holy Bible, with dedication tipped in.
- 23 [American Sales Book Co. Salesman Order Book, 192-.]
- 24 A box of Stereo Graphic cards, including:
 - 26 cards of Canadian, American and European scenery.
 - 33 lithograph cards detailing the operation of the T. Eaton Co., Toronto.
 - 21 glass slides of scenery, predominantly, Niagra Falls.