

Laurason (Lawrason), Ridout, Pennington Family fonds

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In order to improve access to more of the existing holdings of Western Archives copies of a number of preliminary finding aids are being made available. These preliminary finding aids, some of which were prepared many years ago, vary in degrees of completeness, detail and accuracy. Some provide only basic box listings of the contents of a fonds or a collection, while others provide additional background material. All are intended to be the starting point for access to the records and they should not be considered a definitive source of information on the full nature and contents of the fonds or collection. Questions about the information provided in the preliminary finding aids should be directed to archives.services@uwo.ca

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Folder 1: Family Letters & Miscellaneous 1818-1896, 1934

- Letter from father, Lawrence Laurason, Dumfries, July 15, 1818
- Letter from Thos. Laurason, planter in Alabama, to his brother Lawrence in London; 1838
- Original Laurason genealogy and Xerox
- Letters to Louisa Laurason, Toronto, from Lawrence Laurason, London; 1842-1844
- Letter from Lawrence Laurason, Montreal, to his wife in London; January 1845
- Letter to Louisa Laurason, Toronto, from brother Willie, describing the London fire; October 1844
- Letter to Mrs. W.A. Pennington from W. Sherwood Fox, President and Vice Chancellor, U.W.O. on the occasion of the 70th Anniversary of Huron College; 1934

Folder 2: Ridout Family Photographs 1849-1880, 1941; undated

Folder 3: Laurence Laurason Family Photographs; undated

Folder 4: Lee Family Photographs; 1871

Folder 5: Lawrason, William Lawrence Family Photographs; undated

Folder 6: Laurason, Lawrence - Commission to be deputy postmaster of London; March 26 1825

Folder 7: Indenture of Lease, Lionel Ridout and wife to Messrs. Arnold and Ashton, June 1857

Folder 8: The Chronicle of Londonia - The City of Forest; undated

- Satire on the rise and fall of London and its railway development, two photocopies
(Original moved to Archives Ephemera B1131; another copy in Special Collections at PRPR9298.A24C5)

Folder 9: Scrapbook – newspaper clippings, cards and cartoons; undated

Scrapbook – Laurence Lawrason family photographs; undated (if photocopies, the original photographs have been moved to AFC 49 - Western Archives Regional Photograph Collection)

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Folder 10: newspaper clipping; February 20, 1954

Folder 11: Scrapbook - pressed plants, business (calling) cards, banknotes, London theatrical programmes, 1860s, London photographs: Thornwood, Becher's study, group playing crochet, undated and 1883 flood

Folder 12: Scrapbook - pressed plants, greeting cards, photographs, drawings, undated; London ephemera: Hellmuth Ladies College, 1877; Cricket Club; invitations; L. Lawrason obituary article, 1882

Folder 13: Liverpool Seamen's Orphan Institution Program, ca. 1890s; (looks like pages could have come from Scrapbook in Folder 11)

Folder 14: Photographs, 1 portrait lithograph of ? Lowe; other photocopied photographs, undated (original photographs have been moved to AFC 49 - Western Archives Regional Photograph Collection)

Folder 15: Louisa Ridout's Common Prayer Book; undated

Folder 16: Scrapbook - cards, pressed plants, London ephemera: Concert programme for Orphan's Home at Grand Opera House, 1883, photographs; ca. 1872

Folder 17: Paper and Memorandum of Agreement between William James Gordon Pennington and Henry Wright (Guardian) and the Bank of British North America; 1874, 1876 [contract to serve as Clerk with BBNA]

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Scrapbook of current and social events, 1864-1932 (large volume) includes: newspaper clippings, obituary for L. Ridout and other announcements for Lawrason Pennington family, lithograph illustrations, London Theatrical Mrs. Lee & amateurs program advertisement 1866, World War I, Diocese of Huron and London newspaper articles, funeral of Lionel Ridout, South African War London Free Press supplement, October 1899; Toronto Globe March 1, 1886 – feature story on London business, industry, churches, schools, home of Daniel MacFie; Diocese of Huron anniversary programme of Anglican Church, St. Paul's Cathedral, 1932; Canadian Illustrated News, pages from June 1881 re: Victoria Disaster; Ridout obituaries, Chinese characters

Scrapbook of W.J.G. P. – William J. Pennington, undated includes: Chinese cards and calling cards, ephemera related London, Eng. and King Edward VII, 1887; and Laurason/Lawrason related ephemera includes miniature London Free Press issue reprint, Dec. 18, 1888 and cover of Saturday Night issue, photocopies of Bank Notes transferred to Currency Collection, Bank of Canada; and newspaper articles related to Lowe and Napoleon