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FONDS DESCRIPTION

Dates

1878-1974

Extent

14 volumes of textual records
2 banners

Administrative History

The Orange Order is a Protestant Christian fraternal organization, formed in Ireland in 1795 in honour of William of Orange's 1690 victory at the Battle of the Boyne. The Grand Lodge of British North America was founded in Brockville, Ontario in 1830, although there is evidence that Orangemen were active in Canada during the War of 1812.

According to the constitution of Canada's Loyal Orange Association, an applicant must be an observant Protestant Christian and be loyal to Queen and country. Members are called to be kind to others and to assist in benevolent activities within the community.

In Canada, lodges are organized within individual communities, with local district lodges, county lodges, and regional lodges forming a link to the Grand Lodge of British North America. Members of the Loyal Orange Association often strive to rise in the Biblically-based Degree system, from Orange Degree (initiation) to Blue Degree, Royal Arch Purple Degree, and Scarlet Degree. Degrees are conferred after application and advanced study. Members of the Orange Order celebrate the Battle of the Boyne every July 12, often marching in parades and playing in bands.

London, Ontario's Hackett Loyal Orange Lodge #805 originated in Goderich, Ontario. Founded January 12, 1857, Goderich Loyal Orange Lodge #805 was transferred to London East in May, 1878. The lodge charter was received, and the first meeting held, on May 23 of that year. The lodge was named after Thomas Lett Hackett, a young Orangeman murdered during the annual July 12 celebrations in Montreal in 1877.

The inaugural officers of Hackett Lodge were:

Bro. John Day – Worshipful Master
Bro. Evans – Deputy Master
Bro. James Burns – Secretary
Bro. Lavery – Treasurer

Hackett Loyal Orange Lodge #805 began as a benefit lodge; members were offered health insurance and funeral benefits for additional fees. The lodge changed to a regular Orange

Lodge in December, 1934. Early meetings were held at 402 ½ Richmond Street. Meetings were then held at the London East Hall (on Adelaide Street north of St. James Street) until 1914, when the membership moved to the Orange Hall above the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company (the corner of Dundas Street and Market Lane.) In 1924, meetings were moved to the Ulster Hall above the City Gas Company at the corner of Dundas and Clarence Streets, and in 1928 the Lodge moved to 388 Clarence Street.

Hackett Lodge founded a fife and drum band in 1915, and a brass band was established in 1922. Hackett Loyal Orange Lodge #805 is one of the few London area lodges that is still in operation today.

Scope and Content

This fonds contains minutes of meetings, financial records, membership lists, and promotional banners for Hackett Loyal Orange Lodge #805.

Arrangement

The fonds is arranged into the following series:

- Series 1: Minutes of meetings
- Series 2: Dues records
- Series 3: Membership roster
- Series 4: Banners

Finding Aids

Item lists are available.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Donated by the London Orange Hall Board on July 10, 2001.

Related Material

Copies of annual returns for this lodge are available in the District #1 Loyal Orange Lodge London Ontario fonds. For more information, please see AFC 99.

Note

Material was originally stored in boxes B5617 and B5618.

Conditions Governing Access

No restrictions on access.

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SERIES DESCRIPTIONS and FILE LISTS

Series 1 Minutes of meetings

Dates

1878-1949

Extent

10 volumes of textual records

Scope and Content

This series includes minutes of meetings of the Hackett Loyal Orange Lodge #805. Discussions of monthly lodge activities administrative matters are included. Some include a membership roll, as well as lists of initiations and suspensions.

Item List

Title	Dates	Box/Item
Minutes [vol.]	1878-1879	AFC 80-1-8
Hackett Loyal Orange Benefit Lodge no 805 London East [vol.]	1879-1887	AFC 80-1-2
Minutes [vol.]	1887-1894	AFC 80-1-5
Hackett L.O.B.L. no 805 London, Ont. minutes [vol.]	1894-1899	AFC 80-1-6
Hackett L.O.B.L. no 805 London, Ont. minutes [vol.]	1900-1917	AFC 80-1-7
Minutes [vol.]	1917-1923	AFC 80-1-9
Minute book [vol.]	1924-1939	AFC 80-1-1
Record - minutes [vol.]	1940-1944	AFC 80-1-4
Minute book Hackett L.O.L 805	1944-1947	AFC 80-1-11
Hackett L.O.L. 805 minutes [vol.]	1947-1949	AFC 80-1-3

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Series 2 Dues records

Dates

1880-1885, 1891-1895, 1933-1974

Extent

3 volumes of textual records

Scope and Content

This series contains three books detailing membership dues paid. They are sorted either by member name or the date dues were paid. Some suspensions, deaths, and lodge transfers are also recorded.

Arrangement

This series is arranged in the following sub-series:

Sub-series 1: Dues ledger

Sub-series 2: Dues daybooks

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Sub-series 2.1 Dues ledger

Dates

1933-1974

Extent

1 volume of textual records

Scope and Content

This sub-series contains one ledger, detailing membership dues paid and sorted by member name. Suspensions, deaths, and lodge transfers are also recorded.

Item List

Title	Dates	Box/Item
Hackett L.O.L.B.A. no 805 London, Ont. [vol.]	1933-1974	AFC 80-1-10

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Sub-series 2.2 Dues daybooks

Dates

1880-1885, 1891-1895

Extent

2 volumes of textual records

Scope and Content

This sub-series contains two daybooks, detailing membership dues paid and sorted by date received.

Item List

Title	Dates	Box/Item
Hackett L.O.B.L. no 805 [vol.]	1891-1895	AFC 80-1-12
Roll book [vol.]	1880-1885	AFC 80-1-13

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Series 3 Membership roster

Dates

1953

Extent

1 volume of textual records

Scope and Content

This series contains membership book, sorted alphabetically by surname. Dates of initiation, suspension, and resignation are included, as are notes of advanced degrees conferred.

File and Item List

Title	Dates	Box/File
Membership roster [vol.]	1953	AFC 80-1-14

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Series 4 Banners

Dates

[ca. 1970]

Extent

2 banners

Scope and Content

This series contains two white cloth banners, with letters painted in blue. One banner simply states the name and number of the lodge; the other banner is a short advertisement for new members.

File List

Title	Dates	Box/File
Loyal Orange Lodge no 805 Hackett, London banners	[ca. 1970]	AFC 80-1-15