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THE WILLIAM SPRIGGS RAILWAY COLLECTION

Contents of Box #4552

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1. CORRESPONDENCE: Audet, F.J., with Spriggs, William, 1931.
(Contains letters to Deputy Minister, Dept. of Railways and Canals.)
2. CORRESPONDENCE: Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1931.
3. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1932.
4. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1933.
5. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1934.
6. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1935.
7. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1936.
8. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1937.
9. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1939.
10. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1940.
11. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1941.
12. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1942.
13. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1943.
14. " Baines, W.F., with Spriggs, William, 1944.
15. CORRESPONDENCE: Breithaupt, W.H., with Spriggs, William, 1929-1931, 1940.
16. CORRESPONDENCE: Brown, H.J., with Spriggs, William, 1930.
(File contains letter from W.H. Hurrell, 1933.)
17. CORRESPONDENCE: Burrows, Acton, (President, Canadian Railway and Marine World), 1930.
18. CORRESPONDENCE: Chadwick, F., with Spriggs, William, 1939.

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19. CORRESPONDENCE: Chaney, Charles, with Spriggs, William, 1940.
20. CORRESPONDENCE: Cooper, J.I., with Spriggs, William, 1944.
21. CORRESPONDENCE: Domville, Col. P., with Spriggs, William, 1940.
22. CORRESPONDENCE: Drucker, I., with Spriggs, William, 1937.
23. CORRESPONDENCE: Fisher, Charles E., with Spriggs, William, 1931-1936.
24. " Fisher, Charles E., with Spriggs, William, 1938-1941.
25. " Fisher, Charles E., with Spriggs, William, 1942, re sleeping car.
26. " Fisher, Charles E., with Spriggs, William, 1934, 1941, re steam shovel. Includes related correspondence with Dorothy Huggin, Secretary, Californian Historical Society.
27. CORRESPONDENCE: Grant, W.J., with Spriggs, William, 1930-1933
28. " Grant, W.J., with Spriggs, William, 1934-1936.
29. CORRESPONDENCE: Gray, W.A., (Chief of Tariff Bureau, Grand Trunk-Canadian National Railways) with Spriggs, William, 1945.
30. CORRESPONDENCE: Green, Ernest, with Spriggs, William, 1945-1947. (Includes newspaper clippings.)
31. CORRESPONDENCE: Heyl, Eric, with Spriggs, William, 1947, 1949.
32. CORRESPONDENCE: Hurrall, W.H., with Spriggs, William, 1933.

(Includes copy of letter in File #16.)

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- 33. CORRESPONDENCE: Hymers, Lorne, with Spriggs, William, 1939-1940, 1943-46.
- 34. CORRESPONDENCE: Larmour, W.G., with Spriggs, William, 1929-1931.
- 35. " Larmour, W.G., with Spriggs, William, 1932-40
- 36. CORRESPONDENCE: Longstaff, Alan, N. (assoc. editor C.N.R. magazine), with Spriggs, William, 1936-38.
- 37. CORRESPONDENCE: McCulloch, Charles, with Spriggs, William, 1943. (Includes related corr. with Mr. White.)
- 38. CORRESPONDENCE: Morris, O.J., with Spriggs, William, 1936-45. (Includes post card of LBSCR Cravens no. 253 built 1868, at Portsmouth (England) in 1869. Green with red-brown framing.)
- 39. CORRESPONDENCE: Nicholls, R.V.V., with Spriggs, William, 1936.
- 40. CORRESPONDENCE: Plumbley, S.F., with Spriggs, William, 1936. (Includes copy of letter in File #37.)
- 41. CORRESPONDENCE: Prendergast, W.F., (ed. Imperial Oil Review), with Spriggs, William, 1940. Letters pasted in I.O.R. covers, re request for old photographs.
- 42. CORRESPONDENCE: Reynolds, T., (Picture Features Ltd., Hulton Press) with Spriggs, William, 1939.
- 43. CORRESPONDENCE: Rickard, C.F.F., with Spriggs, William, 1936.

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44. CORRESPONDENCE: Roberts, Clarence, with Spriggs, William, 1940.
45. CORRESPONDENCE: Rosston, Ed. C., with Spriggs, William, 1938.
46. CORRESPONDENCE: Sealy, W.C., (C.N.R., Office of Supt.) with Spriggs, William, 1937. (copies - originals in File #8.)
47. CORRESPONDENCE: Smith, P.M., (manager and editor The Locomotive Engineers Journal), with Spriggs, William, 1936.
48. CORRESPONDENCE: Stephenson, Robert & Co. Ltd. (locomotive builders), with Spriggs, William, 1929.
49. CORRESPONDENCE: Swift, S.C. to Spriggs, William, 1932.
50. CORRESPONDENCE: Talman, Dr. James (Asst. Librarian, Univ. of Western Ontario, 1944. (Includes letters to London & Middlesex Historical Soc., 1943.)
51. CORRESPONDENCE: Terroux, C.L., with Spriggs, William, 1942, 1944. (Includes letter to Terroux from C.J. Hanratty, Press Services, C.N.R.)
52. CORRESPONDENCE: Thomas, Benjamin (Boston & Maine R.R.), with Spriggs, William, 1932-35.
53. CORRESPONDENCE: Warner, Paul T., with Spriggs, William, 1932, 1940. (Includes copy of original letter in File #78.)
54. CORRESPONDENCE: Walsh, J.G., with Spriggs, William, 1937.
55. CORRESPONDENCE: Weatherston, R.J.S., (Gen. Freight & Passenger Agent, C.N.R.), 1934-35.

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56. CORRESPONDENCE: Weir, Ruth M. (Windsor Daily Star), with Spriggs, William, 1942.
57. CORRESPONDENCE: Witton, Harry F., with Spriggs, William, 1929.
58. CORRESPONDENCE: Wood, W.H., with Spriggs, William, 1938-39.
59. CORRESPONDENCE: Yeager, W.W., with Spriggs, William, 1943.
60. CORRESPONDENCE: Miscellaneous.
61. CORRESPONDENCE: Spriggs, William, to Robb, W.D., (V.P. Canadian Nat. Railways), 1934.
(Includes newsclippings)
62. CORRESPONDENCE: Spriggs, William, to various correspondents.
63. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - ACCIDENTS
(Desjardins Canal Bridge, March 12, 1857.
Includes photos. and newsclippings.)
64. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - ACCIDENTS
illus. - accident on G.W.R. bet. London and Komoka,
Feb. 28, 1874;

illus.- accident at Brantford, Ont., Grand River,
believed end 1877 or early 1878.
65. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - ACCIDENTS -
INVESTIGATIONS
66. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - CANADA/U.S.A.
INTERRELATIONSHIPS
67. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - DIRECTORS

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- 68 .RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - EMPLOYEE RULES
69. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - GAUGES
abolition of the broad gauge and adoption of the
narrow gauge - includes newsclippings.
70. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - FREIGHT BILLS
blank book, 187-.
71. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - HISTORY
(includes: typed transcript of article in
Tackabury's Atlas, by J.M. and E. Trout, 1870-71.);
G.W.R. Growth Chart - series of diagrams 1854-79.
72. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - HISTORY
(includes: transcript of radio broadcast by CKLW
Windsor, Jan. 17, 1954, marking centennial of
opening of G.W.R. connection of Windsor with
Niagara Falls.);
newsclippings.
- 73 .RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - LEGAL
DOCUMENTS
74. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - LOCOMOTIVES
75. " " " " " " - LOCOMOTIVES
76. " " " " " " - LOCOMOTIVES
77. " " " " " " - LOCOMOTIVES
78. RAILWAYS: " " " " " " - LOCOMOTIVES -
CORRESPONDENCE
79. RAILWAYS: " " " " " " - LOCOMOTIVES -
MISC. ITEMS
80. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - OPENING DATES
81. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - PRINTED ITEMS

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82. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA) - REPORTS
83. " " " " " " - REPORTS
84. " " " " " " - REPORTS
85. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA): RIGHT OF WAY
86. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA): TIMETABLES
87. RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (CANADA): MISC ITEMS -
conductor's
u n i f o r m
buttons (2)

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File

- 88 . RAILWAYS: GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY CO. (GT. BRITAIN): FUNDS
RULES (2 pamphlets)
89. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - CANADIAN - MISC. LINES
90. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - CARS - THE "DUMMY"
91. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - CARS - SLEEPING CARS
92. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - CARS - ROYAL TRAINS
93. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - HISTORY
94. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - MISC. ITEMS
95. RAILWAYS: GENERAL - MISC. ITEMS (notes)

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Contents of Box X1501

Folders in this box have been identified and numbered separately, as follows:-

Folder #

1. Coloured print of first locomotive with a steel boiler.
2. Waterous Engine Works - catalogue, 1881.
3. Maps - Tackabury's Atlas.
4. Photographs and Illustrations.
5. Plan showing routes of Great Western Railway of Canada and its rivals.
6. Suspension Bridge - Niagara Falls - Photographs.
7. Suspension Bridge - Niagara Falls - Documents.
8. Great Western Railway - Timetables, 1873.
9. Great Western Railway - Stations.
10. Locomotives - Lists and illustrations.
11. Grand Trunk Railway - Blueprint of locomotive.
12. Grand Trunk Railway - Timetables.
13. Diagram of switch and signal stand.
14. Journal and magazine articles.
15. Newsclippings.

Collection organized June, 1990, by Lorna Brooke