WESTERN FAIR (PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION) COLLECTION

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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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- 1. Deed between Province of Canada and Council of the District of London for ten acres of land bounded by York, Bathurst, and Horton Streets, September 3, 1845. (to be used for fairgrounds)
- 2. Provincial Exhibition member's badge (yellow ribbon), 1854.
- 3. Article entitled "The Provincial Exhibition" from "The Ontario Farmer", a monthly journal of agriculture, horticulture, country life, emigration and the mechanical arts, Oct. 1869.
- 4. Newspaper articles about the Western Fair and Provincial Exhibitions, 1883-1983. (incomplete)
- 5. Western Fair history, London, Ontario, Canada, 1867-1910 by A.M. Hunt.
- 6. Prize Lists for Western Fair,1880-2001 (not complete)
 a)1880-1968
 b)1976-2001,undated
- Programmes (all incomplete holdings)
 a)Western Fair,1903-c1970
 b)Shows held on fair grounds (craft show,industrial and business show,seed fair), 1916-1981, undated
 - c)Horse Show, 1934, 1939, 1951, 1953
- 8. Statutes, by-law, agreements, etc. relating to the Western Fair Association, 1908.
- 9. a)Record of merit from the Holstein-Freisian Association of Canada, 1927.
 - b) First Prize certificate, 1913.

c) Third Prize card, 1887.

- d)Tickets, 1919.
- 10. Rules and regulations governing the Boy's and Girl's calf feeding competition for 1924 exhibition.
- 11. Envelopes with Western Fair logos/advertising, 1929 and undated.
- 12. Photograph of Western Fair Building and crowd, ca. 1930.
- 13. Newhauser's London hatchery announcement about 1945 price list.

- 14. Press release ca. 1945 on Western Fair stock barn.
- 15. Annual report and financial statement of the Western Fair Association, 1951.
- 16. Fairmont Press advertisement about Western Fair advertising, ca. 1960.
- 17. Correspondence, 1964.
- 18. a) Western Fair raceway pamphlet "Inside Track on Harness Racing", 1980.
 - b) Sport Focus Harness and Thoroughbred Racing, 1983.
 - c) Official program of Western Fair Raceway, Dec. 27, 1986.
- 19. A presentation to the City of London, 1970.