

1998.65 – Earl Scarrow Collection – Brantford Cordage Company

Curator's Note: This collection was re-organized in February 2018, after examining how the archival documents were found, organized, and accessioned. The collection originally accessioned things in order that they found things, without attempting to organize it first. At some latter time, another person decided to organize the collection and make a finding wait resulting in the collection being out of order with additional unaccessioned items in these folders as well. The collection also contains four folders of newspaper clippings. It is unclear whether the person was also trying to integrate the clippings into the existing collection. A ledger from the Cordage company existed within the same box, but was not located on the finding aid. After checking the accession register, the original number was located. For that reason, the decision made was to keep the collection as organized, and renumber the entire collection. With the exception of the first 15 numbers, which were mainly photos and some artifacts that were already in PastPerfect.

1. Objects
 1. Framed Plaque with 2 twine samples
2. Ledgers
 2. Minute Book: Canadian Farmers' Cordage Company
3. Photos
 3. Mounted Photo of Brantford Cordage – not found
 4. Mounted Photo of Brantford Cordage – not found
 5. Mounted Photo of Brantford Cordage – not found
 6. Mounted Photo of Brantford Cordage – not found
 7. Preparation Department in #1 Mill, c. 1950s
 8. Brantford Cordage Preparation Department Mill #3, c.1939-1940
 9. Brantford Cordage, c. 1925
 10. Preparation Department In #1 Mill, c. 1955
 11. Brantford Cordage Jenny Spinners Mill #3, c.1939-1940
 12. Brantford Cordage Office, c.1956
 13. Brantford Cordage Sisal and Hanequen Storage, c.1939-1940
 14. Brantford Cordage Company First Breaker #1 Mill, c. 1930s
 15. Inspection Of African Sisal, c. 1950s
4. Advertisements, Brochures, Flyers
 16. Booklet: Brantford Cordage Company Advertising Cards
 17. Brantford Binder Twine Ad. Nd. Copy 1.
 18. Brantford Binder Twine Ad. Nd. Copy 2.
 19. Brantford Binder Twine Ad with stamp. Nd. Copy 3
 20. Brantford Binder Twine Joining Ad. Nd.
 21. Maple Leaf Border Brantford Binder Twine Ad. Nd. Copy 1.
 22. Maple Leaf Border Brantford Binder Twine Ad. Nd. Copy 2.
 23. Keep Your Money in Canada Brantford Binder Twine Ad. Nd.

24. Newspaper Clipping "Binder Twine Made by Firm in Brantford". From Special Education of the Chatham Daily News and opening of D. H. Douglas Hardware, Chatham. September 10, 1948.
 25. Pamphlet – What they say about the 4 Maple Leaf Brands of Binder Twine. Nd.
 26. Booklet – Brantford Binder Twine Book. Nd.
 27. Poster – Binder Twine add from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Nd.
5. Market Researcher Clippings
28. Newspaper Clipping – "United Farmers' Buy Across the Line". January 15, ny.
 29. Pamphlet – Holland Extra Baler Twine. Nd.
 30. Clipping – Cordage Trade Journal. April 20, 1933.
 31. Clipping – Farm Implement News. February 9, 1939.
 32. Clipping – Croix Twine Mill, France. Nd.
 33. Clipping – Farm Implement News. April 13, 1933.
 34. Clipping – Yucatan Sisal Fiber. c. 1934.
 35. Pamphlet – National Cordage Company. Nd.
 36. Clipping – Farm Equipment Dealer. c. 1947.
 37. Booklet – Case Slicer Baler. Nd.
 38. Clipping – Implement and Tractor. Pg. 35-38. October 25, 1952
 39. Clipping – Farm Equipment Dealer. Pg. 31 – 34. August 1949.
 40. Clipping – Farmer Equipment Dealer. August 1949.
 41. Note – Binder and Baler Twine information from US Department of Census between November 1951 and July 1952
 42. Clipping – New Sales Records Set in 1948. Farm Equipment Dealer. Pg. 23, 24, 113, and 114. April 1949.
 43. Clipping – Farm Machinery Ownership in Canada. July 9, 1949.
 44. Pamphlet – Power Farm Machinery Sales in Canada Show Large Increase. Canadian Farm Implements. January 1949.
 45. Clipping – Canada Farm Implements. C. 1948.
 46. Clipping – Searle Grain Company Limited. June 8, 1949.
 47. Clipping – Your Market in Canada is Big. Farm Equipment Dealer. c. 1947.
 48. Clipping – Haying Time is Here. Farm Equipment Dealer. Pg. 17-20. May 1948.
 49. Clipping – The Combine Season in Here! Farm Equipment Dealer. Pg. 20 and 22. Nd.
 50. Clipping – Brown Visits Orient to Study Manila Fibre Industry. Pg. 67-68. Hardware in Canada. April 1949.
 51. Note – Order in Council P.C. 3053 regarding Export Permits. June 20, 1949.
 52. Clipping – The Combines Investigation Debate. The Country Guide. Pg. 50. December 1949.
 53. Clipping – Minnesota Twine Prices. Farm Implement News. Pg. 113 and 114. January 13, 1949.
 54. Clipping – Push Sales of Rope for the Farm. Farm Equipment News. Pg. 19-24. November 1948.
 55. Clipping – Canadian Farm Implements. Pg. 51 and 52. April 1948.

56. Clipping - Statistics estimated January 1, 1949. Farm Implement News. Pg. 73-76, 109-110, and 117-120. June 30, 1949.
57. Clipping – “Binder Troubles”. The Country Guide. August 1949.
58. Clipping – “Capital Rearrangement By Brantford Cordage”. Financial Post. September 30, 1944.
6. Death Announcements
 59. Funeral Card – Mr. C. L. Messecar. March 7, 1931.
 60. Funeral Card – Mr. John Norman Neilson. January 7, 1938.
 61. Funeral Card – Mr. Thomas Neilson. May 24, 1938.
 62. Clipping – “He knew not half measures”. The Stratford Beacon Herald. May 25, 1938.
 63. Clipping – “Stratford Loses Splendid Citizen”. The Stratford Beacon Herald. May 25, 1938.
 64. Clipping – Thomas Neilson. The Stratford Beacon Herald. Nd., 1938.
 65. Funeral Card – Mr. Michael Joseph Smith. March 9, 1941.
 66. Letter – Death of William Strickland on Letterhead with clipping attached. July 8, 1944.
7. Wages
 67. Document – Wage Survey. Pg. 1-5. December 10, 1948.
 68. Pamphlet – Canadian Statistical Review. Employment and Earnings by Industry. March 9, 1949.
 69. Document – 1949 Estimated Production. 3 Copies
 70. Document – 1949 Consumption of Hard Fibres. 2 Copies.
 71. Note – guess on 1949 Consumption of Hard Fibres by Country.
8. Order Forms
 72. Booklet – The Dealer’s Order Book for Brantford Binder Twine. C. 1930.
 73. Notes – “Western Twine Orders as compared with Production”. June 6, 1924.
9. Letters to Brantford Cordage
 74. Letter – Copy of Letter from International Harvester Company to Hobbs Hardware Company. September 27, 1917.
 75. Letter – Copy of Letter from International Harvester Company. March 12, 1918.
 76. Letter – Copy of Letter from International Harvester Company. March 25, 1918.
 77. Letter – Copy of Letter from International Harvester Company. April 13, 1918.
 78. Letter – Copy of Letter from International Harvester Company. May 6, 1918.
 79. Letter – Letter from Farmers Weekly. September 11, 1924.
 80. Letter – Marconigram from Woods Sons & Co. December 16, 1925.
 81. Letter – Night Letter. December 17, 1925.
 82. Letter – Maraconigram from Woods Sons & Co. December 19, 1925.
 83. Letter – Maraconigram from Woods Sons & Co. December 21, 1925.
 84. Letter – Maraconigram from Woods Sons & Co. December 23, 1925.
 85. Letter – Letter from Woods, Sons, & Company, London, England. Pg. 1-4. December 23, 1925.
 86. Letter – Letter from Oliver Mills Flax & Cotton Twine about receipt from 1891. February 28, 1939.

87. Receipt – Receipt from the Osborne Harvesting Machinery. June 9, 1881.
10. Letters from Brantford Cordage
88. Envelope – The Brantford Cordage Company return address envelope. 9 ½ X 4 ½ inches.
89. Envelope – The Brantford Cordage Company return address envelope. 10 ⅞ X 4 ¾ inches.
90. Letter – Orders for 1943 affected by the War Measures Act. Nd.
91. Letter – Letter to Mr. G. E. Seeley of Saginaw, Michigan. Pg. 1-3. January 10, 1911.
92. Letter – Letter to the Brantford Factory from the Winnipeg Factory about newspaper article in the Manitoba Free Press. January 31, 1928.
93. Clipping – “The Binder Twine Industry”. Manitoba Free Press. Pg. 1-2. January 30, 1928.
11. Lab Report
94. Lab Report #35 – 2 Page report with 3 Appendices. November 18, 1949.
12. Hearing Notes
95. Business card – Business card of J. M. McIntosh. Nd.
96. Transcription - Comparative Prices of Binder Twine – Mr. Musselman, interviewed by Sir Henry Drayton. Pg. 1-9. Nd.
13. United Grain Growers Limited
97. United Grain Growers Ltd. Ad. Style 1. Nd.
98. United Grain Growers Ltd. Ad. Style 2. Nd.
99. United Grain Growers Ltd. Ad. Style 3. Nd.
100. Binder Twine Tag. 550 ft. Red Ticket.
101. Binder Twine Tag. 600 ft. Green Ticket.
14. Farm Bureau Twine
102. Advertisement – Farmers Binder Twine. November 1907.
103. Advertisement – “Farmers, You’re up against it now – Fight or Die”. Nd.
104. Advertisement – Use Farm Bureau Binder Twine. Copy 1. Nd.
105. Advertisement – Use Farm Bureau Binder Twine. Copy 1. Nd.
106. Booklet – Prospectus! Farmers’ Binder Twine Co. Limited. September 18, 1936.
107. Pamphlet – Farm Bureau Binder Twine. Nd.
15. Newspaper Clippings File # 1
108. Finding Aid for File #1
16. Newspaper Clippings File # 2
109. Finding Aid for File #2
17. Newspaper Clippings File # 3
110. Finding Aid for File #3
18. Newspaper Clippings File # 4
111. Finding Aid for File #4
19. Postcards
112. Alexander Muir Memorial Postcard

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