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Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia

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Report of Board of Trustees of the
Public Archives
For the Year 1940

To His Honour,

THE HONOURABLE F. F. MATHERS, K. C.

Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia.

May it please Your Honour:

I have the honour to submit herewith the report of the Provincial Archivist to the Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia, for the year 1940, together with a statement of receipts and expenditures for that period.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. MacMILLAN,

Premier.

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Report of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia

FOR THE YEAR 1940.

To The Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia:

Gentlemen:

I have the honour to present my tenth annual report as archivist of Nova Scotia.

Ten years ago, when the Public Archives of Nova Scotia was opened officially, it was practically an empty building with bare walls and glaring windows. Today it is comfortably filled with closely packed book-cases, manuscript cases, and show-cases, while hundreds of pictures, maps and plans adorn the walls for the entertainment and instruction of visitors. In the past nine years a research library of 2500 volumes has been built up by gift and purchase, comprising history and biography, historical periodicals, publications of various archives and historical societies, official publications, almanacs and general literature. This modern library, together with the Akins library previously reported, the original manuscripts of the Archives proper and the pictorial illustrations, place at the disposal of the student unique facilities for the study of the social and political history of the Maritime Provinces.

The librarian reports that 912 people have used 2002 books and 1287 manuscript volumes during the past year. This is somewhat below the average of previous years, but the newspaper files have been in constant demand, particularly those of twenty-five years ago, and the number of inquiries answered by mail has been large.

Though the war has diminished to some extent the number of American visitors to the Archives, it has increased the number from Canada and Great Britain, especially those who are in Halifax, with or without their families, in some branch of the naval, military and air forces. For their convenience, and the convenience of those who could not visit the Archives at any other time, the building was opened one evening a week throughout the winter months of 1940; and, as the experiment proved successful, it will be repeated for the current year at least.

Apart from the services rendered to visitors and students, other branches of our work have been maintained steadily and something

added to the cumulative achievements of previous years. More books, newspapers and magazines have been bound or rebound, manuscripts and maps repaired, pictures framed and hung, sets of papers arranged and catalogued or calendared, and more information disseminated by correspondence, lectures, papers and articles, while material is being accumulated and worked over gradually for definitive accounts of the chief periods of our history. In other words, steady progress has been made towards the threefold goal of the Archives: the collection and preservation of public and private documents; the use of this collection as a bureau of information and an historical laboratory for students; and ultimately the publication of a comprehensive history of Nova Scotia in several volumes.

Since our last meeting Publication number 5, prepared by Miss Ells, and two bulletins, prepared by Dr. Martell, have been issued, bringing the total to twelve volumes of more than 1300 pages, published by the Archives in the past nine years. In the same period, about forty articles or papers have been printed in reputable periodicals as preliminary studies in Nova Scotian history, while sixteen graduate theses have been prepared and filed in the Archives, and twenty-two tablets have been obtained through the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada in commemoration of historic sites and incidents in our history. This year I am glad to be able to report that the Historic Sites and Monuments Board has recognized the national importance of the Archives by placing a tablet on the building in honour of the late W. H. Chase, who presented the building to his native province.

Appendix A contains a list of gifts made to the Archives during the year and shows that the number is quite up to the average, while the gifts themselves are as varied as usual. Special mention should be made of two large scrap-books of the late Sir John George Bourinot (1837-1902), the distinguished Cape Breton author and clerk of the Canadian House of Commons. These books contain many personal letters from distinguished literary and political figures in Canada, the United States and Great Britain, as well as clippings from newspapers and magazines of these three countries dealing with his various publications and the numerous honours national and imperial that were conferred upon him as a result of his work. Many of these letters are merely congratulatory, but some of them give intimate glimpses of the views of his contemporaries on questions of the day, as when Charles Mair suggests in 1890 that the two peoples of Canada and the United States "are destined to become one, not through 'annexation' or the like, but through the development of ideas", or when Edward Blake suggests that he may have to seek new light on a constitutional point from "the infallible, because unappealable, Privy Council." Altogether these letters, reviews and articles should enable some biographer to give a very intimate picture of Sir John's industrious life and of the many friends by whose encouragement and criticism he profited.

Mention should also be made of Miss Redding's reproduction in coloured wool of Poussin's *Holy Family*, as an example of the artistic needlework that was done in Nova Scotia sixty years ago, and as a reminder that the present movement towards the encouragement of domestic art, handicraft and industry is a renaissance of the spacious days of Nova Scotia.

Appendix B is a reprint of the general orders issued by General Howe, during the period when the British army was in Halifax between its withdrawal from Boston in March, 1776, and its departure for New York in June of that year. Its interest at this time is obvious.

A statement of receipts and expenditures for the financial year ended November 30th, 1940, will be found below.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. HARVEY,

Archivist.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

Year ended November 30, 1940.

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand November 30, 1939	\$ 546.29
Government of Nova Scotia	17,000.00
Sale of Publications and Miscellaneous Items	48.75

EXPENDITURES

Maintenance and Expenses of Building	\$ 864.82	
Salaries	12,842.38	
Temporary Salaries	1,378.00	
Office Sundries	167.32	
Transfer and Express	19.32	
Library and Manuscript Room	295.68	
Bindery Materials	77.95	
Purchases, Archival Material	136.97	
Printing Publications	867.15	
Sundry Expenses	35.00	
	16,684.59	
Balance on hand, November 30, 1940	910.45	
	\$17,595.04	\$17,595.04
For and on behalf of		

Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia

D. C. HARVEY,
Archivist

WINIFRED McFATRIDGE,
Secretary.

I have audited the records of receipts and disbursements of the Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia for the year ended November 30, 1940, and certify that the within statement is true and correct, and that the balance \$910.45 shown as on hand and in the bank has been verified.

G. WALLACE DICKSON,

Chartered Accountant.

Halifax, N. S., December 6, 1940.

APPENDIX A
DONORS AND DONATIONS

I.

BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS

ACKHURST, JOHN S., ESQ., HALIFAX.

A Brief History of the Little Dutch Church
1754, by Rev. H. H. Pittman.

ADAMS, MRS. E. D., HALIFAX.

Nova Scotia Gazette, May 4, 1784.

The Nova Scotia Calendar or an Almanack for the Year of
the Christian Aera, 1782.

ALMON, ALBERT, ESQ., GLACE BAY, N. S.

Rochefort Point, A Silent City in Louisbourg, by Albert Almon.

AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY, WORCESTER, MASS.

Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society at the
semi-annual meeting held in Boston, April 19, 1939, Vol. 49,
part 1, new series.

Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society from April
1860 to April 1880.

AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Annual report of the American Historical Association for
the year 1938. Proceedings.

BOURINOT, ARTHUR S., ESQ., OTTAWA.

Discovery, a poem, by Arthur S. Bourinot.

Two large scrap-books of Sir John Bourinot, containing
letters referring to his publications, as well as reviews and
articles on various subjects.

BURNS, STANLEY, ESQ., HALIFAX.

Quotation from address by His Majesty King George VI in
his Christmas broadcast to the Empire, December 25th, 1939.

BURRIS, DR. M. G., DARTMOUTH, N. S.

The Sutherland Family of Six Mile Brook, N. S., also of Gay's
River and Musquodoboit; the Douglas Family of Pictou
County, also of Maitland, N. S.

CAMPBELL, DR. P. S., HALIFAX.

Report of the Royal Commission concerning Mentally Deficient Persons in Nova Scotia, 1927.

CHIPMAN, A. H., ESQ., HAMPTON, N. B.

The Maritime Baptist, November 22nd and 29th, 1939.

CHISHOLM, SIR JOSEPH, HALIFAX.

English, Vol. II, no. 12; Vol. III, nos. 13 and 14.

Canadian Poetry Magazine, Vol. IV, nos. 3 and 4; Vol. V, nos. 1 and 2.

Mark Twain Quarterly, Spring and Summer numbers, 1940.

Commission of Hon. Joseph Andrew Chisholm as Administrator of the government of Nova Scotia, dated March 29, 1928; also copy of Instructions to the lieutenant governor or other chief executive officer or administrator for the time being carrying on the government of the province of Nova Scotia.

Four commissions of Sir Joseph Chisholm as Administrator of the government of Nova Scotia for various periods between January and June, 1940.

Commission of Hon. Joseph Andrew Chisholm as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, dated June 8th, 1931.

Illuminated address of the Barristers' Society of Nova Scotia, presented January 8th, 1935, to Sir Joseph Chisholm when he was knighted by His Majesty King George V.

Honorary degree LL.D. (Dalhousie) conferred on Sir Joseph Chisholm by Dalhousie University, 1936.

Honorary degree D. C. L. (King's) conferred on Sir Joseph Chisholm by King's College, 1939.

Report of the Canadian Catholic Historical Association for 1938-39.

Centenary number of The Tablet, London, England, May 18th, 1940.

An unpublished poem of the late Most Reverend Cornelius O'Brien, Archbishop of Halifax, in the handwriting of his niece, Miss Cornelia Hughes.

CULTURE, QUEBEC.

Culture, revue trimestrielle, Vol. V.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, HALIFAX.

Annual report of the Superintendent of Education for Nova Scotia for the year ending July 31, 1939.

Journal of Education for 1940.

DOANE, FRANK A., ESQ., TRURO, N. S.

The Barrington Sargents, compiled by Herbert Leander Doane, 1916.

DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS, OTTAWA.

The Canada Year Book, 1940.

EDWARDS, A. W., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Lists of admirals in command of the North Atlantic squadron of His Majesty's ships from 1767 to 1923.

Halifax Fire Insurance Company, 1809-1909.

Rules and By-Laws of the North British Society, 1905 and 1910; also two menu cards.

Constitution and By-Laws of St. George's Society of Halifax, N. S., 1883 and 1911.

Constitution and By-Laws of the Mayflower Company, 63rd Halifax Rifles, 1894.

Newspaper clippings: Earlier Doctors in New Glasgow.

Lists of Nova Scotian newspapers in New York Public Library and in possession of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston.

Two time-tables of the Intercolonial Railway, June 24th and July 15th, 1890.

GODFREY, F. R., ESQ., LIVERPOOL, N. S.

Hobbies, January 1935.

GOVERNMENT OF NOVA SCOTIA, HALIFAX.

The Royal Gazette, 1939.

The Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1940.

HALIFAX CLUB, HALIFAX.

Last issue of the Cornhill Magazine, December 1939, Vol. 160, no. 960.

HALIFAX LADIES' MUSICAL CLUB, HALIFAX.

Minute books of the Halifax Ladies' Musical Club:

Vol. I, October 8, 1908, to December 5, 1912

Vol. II, December 18, 1912, to November 21, 1916

Vol. III, November 22, 1916, to May 2, 1923

Vol. IV, September 21, 1923, to November 18, 1930

Vol. V, November 18, 1930, to February 5, 1936

Constitution and by-laws of the Club, 1909.

Programmes 1906-07.

HARVEY, PROFESSOR D. C., HALIFAX.

The Diary of Alexander James McPhail, edited by H. A. Innis.
Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, America and West Indies, 1733.

International Affairs, Vol. 19.

Canadian Journal of Economics and Political Science, Vol. 6.
A Strange Country in the Waters by Rev. Frederick Woods,
D. D., edited by Rev. Alfred Woods.

HAYTHORNE, GEORGE V., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Reports of the Nova Scotia Economic Council, Vol. IV, 1939.

HENRY, C. M., ESQ., ANTIGONISH, N. S.

Nova Scotia Temperance Almanack for the year of Our Lord 1836.

INSTITUTE OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH, LONDON, ENG.

Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research, Vol. XVII, nos. 50, 51; Vol. XVIII, no. 52.

Supplement number 10.

Theses supplement number 8.

INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE, HALIFAX.

Proceedings of the Institute of Science, Vol. XX, part 2.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION,
NEW YORK. (Per Victor Johns, Esq.)

Contemporary Art of the United States, Vols. I and II.

Contemporary Art of Canada and Newfoundland.

LAMB, DR. KAYE, VICTORIA, B. C.

British Columbia Historical Quarterly, Vol. IV.

LEICESTER MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY, LEICESTER,
ENGLAND.

Leicester Museum Art Gallery and Library Bulletin, nos. 63-66.

LEWIS, REV. GORDON T., YARMOUTH, N. S.

Bound copy of the Presbyterian Witness and Evangelical Advocate (Halifax) for the year 1871.

The Newcastle Chronicle, April 19, 1794.

The Weekly Chronicle, July 9, 1819.

The Yarmouth Telegram, March 9, 1832.

Sandwich Island Gazette, December 31, 1836 (Oahu, Honolulu)

The Conservative, Vol. I, nos. 1, 2, September 12th, 19th, 1839 (Yarmouth, N. S.)

The Yarmouth Courier and Colonial Farmer, Vol. 4, no. 69, August 30, 1847.

The Times and Courier, Halifax, June 9, 1849.

The Yarmouth Tribune, June 11, 1861.

The Yarmouth Herald, June 13, 1861; June 20, 1867; Jubilee number, August 4, 1908.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Magna Carta, The Lincoln Cathedral Copy, exhibited in the Library of Congress.

Annual report of the Librarian of Congress for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1939.

A List of American Dissertations printed in 1938.

LIBRARY OF WESTERN ONTARIO, LONDON, ONT.

Annual Register 1789-93; 1795-96; 1801-06.

Canadian Monthly, 1876.

LOGAN, MAJOR J. W., HALIFAX.

Proceedings of the ninth annual meeting of the Classical Association of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland held at St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N. S., August 11th and 12th, 1939.

LONG ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Long Island Historical Society Quarterly, Vol. II, nos. 1-4.

MCISAAC, HAROLD, ESQ., HALIFAX.

Halifax Evening Mail, July 15th and 16th, 1889.

MCLENNAN, MISS KATHARINE, SYDNEY, N. S.

Commission to Archibald Charles Dodd as Acting Chief Justice of Cape Breton, dated February 18, 1806.

Letters Patent to Robert Graham for a town lot in Sydney, dated June 2nd, 1786.

Memorandum book of Chief Justice Dodd.

Letters Patent to the Hon. Archibald Charles Dodd for a town lot and two water lots in the town of Sydney, August 12, 1790. Quit-claim from I. Ball to A. C. Dodd of two lots in the town of Sydney, dated August 10, 1797.

Deed of Philip Ingouville of lot in Sydney to A. C. Dodd dated July 27, 1809.

Miscellaneous plans of town lots in Sydney.

Commission of Archibald Charles Dodd as Chief Justice of Cape Breton, dated May 28, 1807.

Commission of Edmund Murray Dodd as Acting Attorney General of Cape Breton, July 7, 1819.

License of Occupation of a tract of land on the south-west branch of Sydney River to A. C. Dodd, dated August 15, 1797.

MACNAB, MISS EDITH G., HALIFAX.

Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1882.

Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1900 (2 vols.)

Journals of the Assembly of Nova Scotia, 1873, 1883, 1886.

Collections of the Nova Scotia Historical Society, Vols. 21 and 22.

Annals of the North British Society of Halifax, 1768-1893.

History of Nova Scotia by Duncan Campbell.

Contributions toward the Improvement of Agriculture in Nova Scotia by J. W. Dawson.

History of the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces by Edward M. Saunders.

Ocean to Ocean by Rev. George M. Grant.

Chart showing Birds of Canada in relation to Agriculture, 1908.
Song Book of the 85th Overseas Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Forces.

Constitution, by-laws and list of officers and members of the Wanderers' Amateur Athletic Club of Halifax, N. S., 1902.

Canada, a portfolio of original and photographic views of our country (4 volumes)

The Story of the Fighting 26th, by R. W. Gould and S. K. Smith.

Forest, Stream and Seashore, issued by the Intercolonial Railway of Canada, 1908.

In Summer Land, a guide to the Waterways of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland, Halifax, 1909.

The Presbyterian Message, Vols. 47, 48 and 49 (nos. 1-3)

Fifty Years of Women's Missionary Work, Presbyterian Church of Canada, Eastern section.

Miscellaneous school books.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY, BOSTON, MASS.

Proceedings, October 1932—May 1936, Vol. 65.

MEAGHER, JOHN N., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Report of the Maritime Art Association annual meeting held at Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S., May 23-25, 1940.

MILLAR, DR. ROSS, OTTAWA.

A First Reading Book in the Micmac Language, Halifax, 1875.

A Dictionary of the Language of the Micmac Indians who reside in Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Cape Breton and Newfoundland, by Rev. Silas Tertius Rand, D. D., LL. D., Halifax, 1888.

MORRISON, DR. M. D., HALIFAX.

The Nova Scotia Medical Bulletin, Vol. XIX, no. 4, containing article "Cape Breton Doctors of the Past and Cape Breton Hospitals of the Present" by Dr. M. D. Morrison.

Religion in Old Cape Breton by Dr. M. D. Morrison.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Fifth annual report of the Archivist of the United States, 1938-39.

National Archives Guide.

NEWPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, NEWPORT, R. I.

Bulletin of the Newport Historical Society, no. 101, January 1940: annual reports.

NOVA SCOTIA TEACHERS' UNION, HALIFAX.

Bulletin of the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union, Vol. XV.

ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, TORONTO.

Papers and Records of the Society, Vol. XXXIII.

OWEN, MRS. D. M., HALIFAX.

Belcher's Almanacs for the following years: 1862-3, 1865, 1867, 1870-73, 1875-78, 1880-81, 1892, 1905, 1907, 1916, 1922-24, 1927.

Statutes of Nova Scotia (unbound) 1851-54, 1856-61, 1864, 1868-86, 1889; (bound) 1879-82.

Nova Scotia Statutes at Large, 1827-35.

Revised Statutes, 2nd, 4th and 5th Series.

Canada Statistical Record, 1890.

Debates of the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, 1882.

Debates of the Legislative Council, 1893.

By-Laws of the town of Lunenburg, 1889, 1893, 1895, 1902.

Financial reports of Lunenburg, 1898-1901.

Halifax Memorial Tower by J. A. Chisholm, K. C.

Odd numbers of the Canada Law Journal, 1892-98.

Year Book of the Parish of St. Paul's, 1915-16.

The Windsorian, Vols. 22-25.

Annual report of Superintendent of Education, 1918.

Report of Fruit Growers' Association of Nova Scotia, 1894.

Methodism in Cumberland County by Rev. G. O. Huestis.

Miscellaneous speeches of Nova Scotian statesmen from Hansard.

PATERSON, B. E., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Typewritten copy of the History of Guysboro by Mrs. H. C. Hart.

Nine calling cards of the Admiral and other officers of the French squadron which visited Halifax in March, 1940, and a letter of the Vice Admiral to the Halifax Club.

PATTERSON, F. H., ESQ., K. C., TRURO, N. S.

A Naval Engagement at Tatamagouche, N. S., June, 1745, by F. H. Patterson, K. C.

PATTERSON, PRESIDENT F. W., WOLFVILLE, N. S.

Acadia University, 1838-1938, by R. S. Longley, M. A., Ph.D.

PATTERSON, JUDGE GEORGE, NEW GLASGOW, N. S.

The Newport Mercury, October 27th, 1781.

Letter of Joseph Howe to the people of Nova Scotia, Ottawa, April 20th, 1871.

PIERCE, DR. LORNE, TORONTO.

A Postscript on J. E. H. MacDonald, 1873-1932, by Lorne Pierce.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, QUEBEC.

Statistical Year Book of Quebec, 1936 and 1939.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CANADA, OTTAWA.

The Oakes Collection New Documents by Lahontan concerning Canada and Newfoundland, edited with an introduction by Gustave Lanctot.

Report of the Public Archives of Canada for the year 1939.

RICHARDSON, MISS ANNIE, HALIFAX.

British Battles, being a history of great contests in which the British nation has been engaged from the time of William the Conqueror to the accession of King Edward VII.

The British Colonies, Their History, Extent, Condition and Resources by R. Montgomery Martin, illustrated edition in 12 volumes.

Odd numbers of miscellaneous newspapers of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Great Britain: The Weekly Chronicle, 1826; The Novascotian, 1831; The Halifax Journal, 1850; The St. John City Gazette, 1835 and 1839.

ROY, DR. PIERRE GEORGES, QUEBEC.

Report of the archivist of the province of Quebec for 1938-39.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON, WISCONSIN.

The Wisconsin Magazine of History, Vol. XXIII, nos. 2-4; Vol. XXIV, no. 1.

ST. MATTHEW'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, HALIFAX.

Johnson's Dictionary, Vols. I and II.

Life of John Geddie, D. D.

The following boys' books by J. Macdonald Oxley, B.A., LL.B.

With Rogers on the Frontier (2 copies)

Fife and Drum at Louisbourg

The Chore-Boy of Camp Kippewa and the Wreckers of Sable Island

Baffling the Blockade (2)

In Path of Peril

The Romance of Commerce

Up among the Ice-floes

On the World's Roof (2)

Norman's Nugget

L'hasa at Last

Bert Lloyd's Boyhood

My Strange Rescue

Donald Grant's Development

In the Wilds of the West Coast

Fergus MacTavish or Portage and Prairie

The Good Ship Gryphon

The New Jamaica Almanac and Register for the year of Our Lord 1809.

STUART, H. H., ESQ., FREDERICTON, N. B.

Miscellaneous clippings on historical subjects from various newspapers such as The Acadian Recorder, The Truro Weekly News, The Casket, etc.

VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MONTPELIER,
VERMONT.

Proceedings of the Vermont Historical Society, Vol. V, no. 4,
Vol. VI, no. 2.

WAINWRIGHT, E. P., CAPT., HALIFAX.

Historical charts of the Princess Louise Fusiliers, 1749-1868,
and 1868-1939.

WEBSTER, DR. J. C., SHEDIAC, N. B.

Typewritten copy of "A Short Treatise on the Electric and
Magnetic nature Manifested by Gravitation, which predicates
Polarity of the cosmical Forces" by John Newson, Charlotte-
town, P. E. I., August 15th, 1908.

WHITE, REV. GERALD, WINDSOR, N. S.

The History of King's Collegiate School, Windsor, N. S.,
1788-1938, by Reginald V. Harris.

WILLIAM L. CLEMENTS LIBRARY, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

Reviewers Reviewed by Otto Eisenschiml, 1940.

Report of the William L. Clements Library, reprinted from
the president's report for 1938-39, University of Michigan.

Historic Examples of American Printing and Typography,
a guide to an exhibition in the William L. Clements Library
at the University of Michigan.

The Maumee Valley through Fifty Years, 1763-1813.

II.

PICTURES AND MUNIMENTS

ALMON, COL. W. B., HALIFAX.

Page from the register of Government House with signatures of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth on the occasion of their visit to Halifax on June 15, 1939.

CHASE, DR. LALIA B., PORT WILLIAMS, N. S.

Large framed photograph of the late W. H. Chase, donor of the Public Archives building.

CORNELL, F. C., ESQ., MONTREAL.

Photographic reproduction of Bartlett's "Windsor, N. S., from the residence of Judge Haliburton, author of Sam Slick."

EDWARDS, A. W., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Picture of George Montague Dunk, second Earl of Halifax.

EDWARDS, THE LATE MRS. J. P., HALIFAX.

Certificate of membership in the North British Society, 1823. Notarial and personal seals of Beamish Murdoch.

GATES, H. V., ESQ., SOUTH OHIO, YARMOUTH CO., N. S.

Double-barrelled shot-gun formerly owned by the Hon. Joseph Howe, presented to Mr. B. H. Annis, president of the Nova Scotia Guides' Association by Mr. H. V. Gates, South Ohio, Yarmouth county, for presentation to the government of Nova Scotia, and placed in the Archives by Hon. Angus L. Macdonald.

GODFREY, F. R., ESQ., LIVERPOOL, N. S.

Painting of the sinking of the "Royal Tar", October 24, 1836.

HALIBURTON, A. J., ESQ., HALIFAX.

(President of the Halifax Branch of the Navy League).

Models of the following ships:

R. M. S. P. "Caribbean"

A water boat

"The McLure"

"Susanna", Hamburg

HARPER, W. L., ESQ., HALIFAX.

A. F. Church and Co. maps of the following counties: Colchester, Yarmouth, Inverness, Guysborough, and Annapolis. One Canadian government railway map.

KING, MISS ELINOR M., HALIFAX.

Poussin's "Holy Family" copied in needlework with Berlin wool on cardboard by Sarah Margaret Redding, Kentville (1844-1932).

Tin-type of Miss Redding.

Framed photograph of John Warren King, first mayor of Kentville. He was mayor of Kentville from 1886-88.

MACNAB, MISS EDITH, HALIFAX.

Panoramic view of the North West Arm at the time of the erection of the Memorial Tower.

Badge of the 185th Cape Breton Highlanders.

Dispatch case of Capt. Gladwin, 13th Light Dragoons, on service in India.

Menu card at birthday dinner to the Rt. Hon. W. S. Fielding by the Liberals of Halifax, November 24, 1923.

Devastated Halifax, views of the Halifax Explosion, published by Gerald E. Weir, Halifax.

Also two poems on the Explosion by D. M. Matheson:

"December Sixth, 1917", and "An Elegy written in Richmond."

MATHESON, LT. WM., M. C., NEW GLASGOW, N. S.

Tip of propellor of the aeroplane "Nova Scotia", F. E. 2. B., No. 7007, shot off in action, November 21, 1916.

MILLAR, DR. ROSS, OTTAWA.

Framed map of Canada and Nova Scotia, 1814.

ROBINSON, G. M., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Picture of Lord Russell and officers of the Imperial Garrison in Halifax in 1888.

Photograph of Lord Seymour.

Framed picture of the officers, nursing sisters, N. C. O's. and men of No. 7 Stationary Hospital, C. E. F., Dalhousie unit, Lt. Col. John Stewart, O. C.

RUDOLF, MRS. A. E., LUNENBURG, N. S.

Mahogany clock brought to Lunenburg after 1753 and owned by Christopher Jessen.

SMITH, C. E., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Map of Europe and the Near East, compiled and drawn in the Cartographic section of the National Geographic Society for the National Geographic Magazine, 1940.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HALIFAX.

Snuff-horn which had been the property of "The Bachelors' Club", whose four members occupied the "Bachelors' pew" in the old St. Matthew's Church on Hollis Street, with inscription dated January 10th, 1830. Also snuff ladle.

Two dies which were used in casting the communion tokens of St. Matthew's Church.

WHITMAN, MRS. RUTH H., SOUTH YARMOUTH, MASS.

(Kindness of Dr. G. Lanctot.)

Original letters patent and seal of Queen Victoria creating William Fenwick Williams a baronet.

WHITE, MRS. WALTER, GATES MILLS, OHIO.

Photograph of portrait of Capt. Patrick Heron in Col. Philipps' Regiment, later the 40th, 1730-51.

WILLIAMS, V. T., ESQ., HALIFAX.

Engraving of Lady Harriet Ackland crossing to the American lines to join her husband who had been wounded and made prisoner at the Battle of Saratoga.

APPENDIX B

General Orders of the British Army in Halifax, 1776

During April, May and part of June, 1776, Halifax was the headquarters of the British army in America, between its arrival from Boston and its departure for New York. Though Halifax had been founded as a military stronghold at the urgent request of New England, it had been maintained as an imperial outpost after the danger from the French had been removed and was destined to play an important part in the American Revolution against the very colonies for which it had been built as a barrier. After the Seven Years' War British troops were kept at Halifax, Quebec and New York, as well as in the frontier posts from the St. Lawrence to the Mississippi, and the Imperial government proposed to keep an army of 10,000 men in the American colonies including the West Indies; but there was no British garrison in New England prior to 1768, when fear of riots against the Townshend Acts led the British government to order troops from Halifax to Boston.

From 1768 until 1774 British troops were kept in Boston merely to aid the regular magistrates and officials to maintain order; but with the apparent breakdown of local authority as manifested in the Boston Tea Party and the demonstrations against the coercive legislation of the Imperial Parliament, General Gage, the Commander-in-chief of the British forces in America, was ordered to Boston as military governor of Massachusetts. He arrived on May 13, 1774, and, from that date until March, 1776, the headquarters of the British army in America was at Boston, where troops were concentrated from Quebec, Halifax and New York and, after the engagement at Lexington, from Great Britain and Ireland. Generals Howe, Burgoyne and Clinton brought reinforcements in May, 1775, and still more arrived in the autumn of that year. But, after the battle of Bunker's Hill, Gage wrote the British government that Boston was a disadvantageous base for operations against the colonists and, in August, he definitely urged its evacuation. In September, Gage was recalled and succeeded in command on the Atlantic seaboard by General William Howe, who was authorized to remove his army before the winter should set in; but, as he could not assemble a sufficient number of transports at the time, he decided to await a more convenient season. Finally, on March 17, 1776, Boston was evacuated and the British army, horse, foot, and marines embarked for Halifax, accompanied by more than two thousand camp-followers, women and children, as well as a large number of refugees.

The transcripts of **general orders** printed below reveal some thing of the problem of accommodation and administration of an army in Halifax at that date, as also of the problem of transport and supply. Incidentally, they show what efforts were made and donations sent by the friends of the army in Great Britain for the encouragement and comfort of the troops on active service here; also, what arrangements were made by General Howe for the defence

of Nova Scotia against threats of invasion by troops of the Continental Congress: the Royal Fencible Americans being sent to man and repair Ft. Cumberland, and part of the 2nd Battalion of Royal Highland Emigrants to Ft. Edward at Windsor. The volume from which these orders were copied was presented to the Archives last year by Dr. William Inglis Morse of Cambridge, Mass.

Head Quarters Halifax 4th April 1776

The two Companies of the 14th & the 3 Companies of the 65th to do duty as one Corps till further orders

Quarters being providing in Town for the Troops, when ready as many men as they will contain will be brought on shore in the mean time Commandg Officers of Corps will air their men when the Weather permits on George's Island, or on the Dartmouth side of the Harbour taking care that the Soldiers do not commit any depredations.

They will take their Arms for Exercise or to fire at Marks as they shall think proper—

A proportion of Officers to remain always on board the Transports till they are Evacuated.

When the Commandg Officers of Transports want a Boat they will apply to their respective Masters of Transports for them & the Officers are not to detain the Boats without an absolute occasion.

All reports within the Garrison to be made to Major Genl. Earl Percy, & he will regulate the duty which is to be done by the Corps now on shore till further orders.

Halifax 6th April 1776

None of Lt. Colo. Goreham's Corps are to be employed in the Publick Works till they are dismissed from the drill.

After Orders 6 oClock

One Sub. & 24 Rank & File of the Royal Fencible Americans to be employed in Catching Fish for the use of the Troops, they are to go on board such Vessells as the D: Q: M: General shall direct.

It is recommended to the Officer who has Voluntarily undertaken to Superintend this necessary piece of Service for the good of the Whole Army to pay every attention to it in his power.

Halifax 7th April 1776

The Commanding Officers of Corps to apply to the Barrack Masr. General tomorrow for their respective Districts & to land their men as soon as their Quarters are in a Condition to receive them.

Halifax 8th April 1776

Commanding Officers of Corps to send Reports in Writing to the D: A: General when their men land and the number of men & Officers they bring on shore.

The Commanding Officers of Corps will direct the provisions for their Corps to be taken from their Transports to the 14th Instant.

Halifax 9th April 1776

The 1st Division of Light Dragoons to march tomorrow on their way to Windsor. The 2d Division on Thursday & the 3d on Friday.

Halifax 10th April 1776

A Return of Volunteers with the dates of their Entering into the service & by whom recommended to be given in immediately.

The Troops on board Ship as well as those that are Landed, to be Victualled according to the Allowance on Shore till further orders.

Lieut. Bristole of the Navy is to have the Care of the Flat bottomed boats till further orders.

The Regiments lately arriv'd from Boston may draw fire & Candles for four rooms for the Officers of each Regt & 4 Rooms for the Noncommissd. officers & private men they land at the rate directed by the Barrack regulation.

The General and Staff Officers will have Allowances agreeable to the former Order.

The 5th 17th 23d & 40th Regts will have axes delivered to them & cut their own Fuel for which they will be paid at the rate of 5/ Per Cord by ye B: M: General.

Halifax 12th April 1776

As the Scarcity of Forrage is so great, the Commander in Chief wishes the Officers would not purchase any horses.

Halifax 14th April 1776

When Regiments are ordered out for Exercise they are not to be joined by their Light Infantry Companies unless particularly ordered.

Halifax 16th April 1776

Soldiers are not to go on shore on the Dartmouth side of the Water with their Arms unless under the Command of a Capt. and are not to be allowed to disband or Fire except by directions of their Officers who will be answerable that no irregularities are Committed for the future.

Halifax 17th April 1776

The 47th Regiment to embark tomorrow.

Halifax 18th April 1776

One Flat boat to remain with each Regiment & the others will be hauled aShore to be repaired under the care of Lieut. Bristole, the Boats in use with the Regiments to have only ten Oars, & the Commandg. officers are to be responsible that no heavy Baggage, Wood, Casks, or any other Article are put into them by which they may receive damage.

Halifax 21st April 1776

Major General Earl Percy will be pleased to give what orders he shall judge proper for the detail of the Garrison duty.

Halifax 22d April 1776

In consequence of the report made by Lt. Colonel Grant of the good order of the Detachmt. late under his Command, the General is pleased to signify his intire Approbation of their conduct and desires his thanks may be given to Lieut. Col. Grant, Major Maitland & all the Officers & men of that detachmt.

The Commanding Officers of Corps are desired not to let their men Straggle into the Country either with or without Arms. All Soldiers & Seamen belonging to the Transports who are found a Mile from Town are ordered to be apprehended & sent to the Provost.

Halifax 26th April 1776

The Commanding Officers of Regiments will be pleased frequently to Visit their Transports and to take Care that their Officers do not improperly interfere with the Masters of Transports either of taking possession of Births that do not regularly belong to them or with respect to the boats or other service of the Ship.

A Field Officer of the Line will every other day visit the Hospital Ships he is to see that they are kept in perfect good order, clean and well aired & report all extraordinaries in writing to the Commander in Chief.

When any Troops are embarked on board of transports intended for Sea & provisions are put on board of them by the King's Commissary they are to be Victualled at two thirds Allowance full weight, which is to be issued by the Master Purser or Steward assisted by the Qr. Master or his Serjeant or other person appointed, & for provisions so delivered, the Troops are to pay two thirds Stoppage money being one penny three farthings, which with necessary money to the master a half penny will together amount to two pence farthing. That on the arrival of the Troops at their destin'd port altho' they

should remain on board the Transports they are to be victualled at full allowance & weight as if on shore & paying for the whole Ration 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ necessary money for the master $\frac{1}{2}$ Total Stoppage P Ration 3d.

No necessary money to be allowed the Masters of Transports unless the Articles they should supply are properly provided; as the masters are not to be allowed the 1/8 by weighing at 14 oz to the pound they are not to be chargeable with Leakage or Wastage unless it should appear there has been an Embazzlement.

The Commissary of Stores will settle with the Masters of Transports for provisions already delivered to them and give such directions as may be most expedient for adjusting their business in future in all cases where they are to be accountable to him.

Halifax 27th April 1776

The Royal Fensible American Regt. to parade on Monday at one oClock on the Genl. Parade in order to be reviewed.

Halifax 29th April 1776

200 Days Ball & Forrage money will be issued to the Troops, the Paymasters of Regiments will immediately give in Returns to the D: Q: M: Genl. accordingly—

A Return of the men of each Corps absolutely unfit for service to be immediately given into the Adj: General.

The Royal Highland Emigrants will be reviewed by Major Genl. Earl Percy at one o'Clock in the new Barrack yard, they will prepare a Return, accounting for the state of the Regiment.

Halifax 30th April 1776

The Commanding Officers will take out their Regiments to exercise when they shall think proper.

It is earnestly recommended to the Officers by the Commander in Chief to lighten their Baggage as much as possible as no heavy baggage of any sort can be allowed to be taken on board a Ship when the Army is put in motion.

Halifax 2d. May 1776

Six Women Pr Company will be allowed to embark with each Regt., the Commg: Officers will be responsible that no more Women are recd. on board, nor any Children.

Halifax 3d May 1776

Major General Earl Percy will be pleased to review the arms & ammunition of the army by Regiments at such times and places as he shall Judge most expedient.

A Return to be given in by each Corps on Sunday noon to the Adjutant General at the Court house of such Women as wish to go to England.

Halifax 4th May 1776

The men return'd unfit for service of the royal Artillery, 4th 5th & 10th Regts. to parade on Monday morning at 8 O'Clock at the Court house to be inspected by the Physicians & Surgeons of the General Hospital; the Surgeons of the Regts. to attend with returns of their mens names.

The Commander in Chief thinks proper to inform the Line, that the Flank Companies are not intended to embark with their respective Regiments.

Halifax 8th May 1776

Major Moncrieffe with 1 Capt. 6 Subs. a Surgs. mate ^{S C D} 6 ^P 6 2 & 186 of the Royal F: Americans, to hold themselves in readiness at the shortest Warning to march to Windsor there to Embark for Fort Cumberland.

^{S S D} Captain McKinnon of the Royal Highland Emigrants with 4 4 1 & 100 R & File to be in readiness to march at the time to Fort Edward there to remain till further orders.

Halifax 11th May 1776

The Flank Compys to be compleated immediately to the late Establishment of 39 R. & File, a particular State of those Compys seperately to be given into the Major of Brigade of the day on monday morning at 10 oClock precisely at the orderly Room and an Embarkation return of the Eight Battn Companies of each Regt. to be given in at the same time.

Halifax 13th May 1776

The Officers appointed to Commissions in the new Corps raising by Lt. Colonels McLean, Goreham, & Legge are immediately to make option between their two Commissions & serve with the Corps which they shall fix upon, they are to give in their determination in Writing to the Adjt. General tomorrow at Orderly hour at the Court house.

Halifax 14th May 1776

The Commander in Chief is pleased to form
the Grenadiers & Light Infantry Companies into four Battalions

Vizt	4th	} To be Commanded by Lt. Col. Meadows and Major Mitchell
	5th	
	10th	
	17th	
	22d	
	23d	
	35th	
	38th	
	40	}

2d Battn. of Grenadier Companies

43d	} To be Commanded by Lt. Col. Monckton & Major Stuart
44th	
45th	
49th	
52d	
55th	
63d	
64th	

1st & 2d Mars.

1st Battn. of Light Infantry Compys.

4th	} To be Commanded by Major Musgrave and Major Dundas
5th	
10th	
17th	
22d	
23d	
27th	
35th	
38th	

2d Battn. of Lt. Infantry Companies

40th	} To be Commanded by Major Maitland & Major Straubenzee
43d	
44th	
45th	
49th	
52d	
55th	
63d	
64	

Halifax 15th May 1776

A Company of the Royal H. Emigrants to be ready to Embark at the shortest warning for St. John's Newfoundland to relieve a Compy. of the 65th Regiment now there.

The Commanding Officer of that Corps will order a Return to be sent to the D. Q. M. General of the strength of the Company he embarks that three Weeks provisions may be put on board the Vessell that carries them.

The Officers Commanding on Board the Horse Ships, are to be responsible that no damage be done to the Stalls, Mangers or Platforms of their respective Ships.

Halifax 16th May 1776

Order of Battle

Commander in Chief
Lt. Genl. Earl Percy
Brigr. Genl. Leslie
Light Infantry
Brigr. Genl. Cleveland

2d Brigade Artilly. 3d Brigd. Artillery 1st. Brigade Artillery

First Line

Major. Genl. Pigot	Brigr. Genl. Agnew	Brigr. Genl. Smith	M: Genl. Robertson
2d Brigade	6th Brigade	5th Brigade	1st Brigade
5th 49th 35th	23d 64th 44th	43d 63d 22d	27th 45th 4th
M B	M B	M B	M B

Second Line

Major Genl. Grant	Major Genl. Jones
4th Brigade	3d Brigade
17th 55th 40th	38th 52d 10th
M B	M B

Corps de Reserve

2d Grenadiers	M: B	1st Grenadiers
The Marines to prepare to disembark immediately.		

Halifax 17th May 1776

The Grenadier Compys of the two Battalions of Marines to be Augmented to 45 Rank & File P Company.

His Majesty has been pleased in Consequence of his Service in America to promote Major Sheriff to the Rank of Lt. Colonel in the Army.

Captain Leslie of the 46th Regt. is appointed Major of Brigade in the room of Major of Brigade Le Maistre on duty in Canada.

Captain McKenzie of the 23d Regt. & Lewis 64th Regt. appointed Majors of Brigade.

Major Small is appointed to do duty in the Adj. General's department.

Posting the Majors of Brigade in Seniority

1st Brigade	Smith
2d do	Disney
3d do	Brown
4th do	Baker
5th do	Leslie
6th do	McKenzie
Light Infantry	Lewis

Major of Brigade Studholme to do duty with the Brigade remaining at Halifax.

Halifax 18th May 1776

The Commr. in Chief desires the Troops may be informed that he is determined to punish with the greatest rigour any soldier who is detected in pulling down houses, Fences, or destroying any thing else belonging to the Inhabitants.

The two Battns. of Marines to land tomorrow at Six O'Clock. These men in the small pox to be sent to the Hospital on George's Island.

The Detachment of Roysl. H. Emigrants for St. John's, to embark on board the Sloop Genl. Gage tomorrow at 12 O'Clock.

Commanding officers of Corps will put their Baggage on board their respective Transports as they are made ready to receive them.

The Troops when embarked will be Victualled upon the Shore allowance untill further orders.

Distribution of Transports

Corps	Ships Names	Tons	Total Tons	Total men
1st Lt. Infantry	James & William	393		
	Grand Dutchess of			
	Russia	308		
	William	238		
		—	939	
20th Lt. Infantry	Ranger	361		
	Polly Stevenson	252		
	do Higgins	266		
		—	879	
1st Grenadiers	Symitry	336		
	Friendship	333		
	Whitby	350		
		—	1019	

Corps	Ships Names	Tons	Total Tons	Total men
2d Grenadiers	Ocean	242		
	Hartfield	404		
	Saville	352		
		—	998	
4th Regimt.	Pacific		676	356
5 Regimt.	Amity's Admonition	410		
	Experiment	202		
		—	612	355
10th Regt.	Isabella	362		
	Three Sisters	213		
		—	575	357
17th	Felicity }			383
	Liberty }			
22d	Empress of Russia		682	361
23d	Eleanor	303		
	Hunter	311		
		—	614	349
27th				
35th	Eagle	344		
	Prince Rupert	260		
		—	604	368
38th	Sea Venture	299		
	Venus	309		
		—	608	344
40th	Spy	223		
	William & Mary	393		
		—	616	368
43d	Grand Dutchess of			
	Russia		672	326
44th	America	305		
	Baltic Merchant	346		
		—	651	369
45th	Argo	332		
	Brilliant	325		
		—	557	375
49th	Favourite	380		
	Rochford	297		
		—	677	369
52d	Neptune	285		
	Peggy	300		
		—	585	347
55th	Royal George	352		
	Resolution	332		
		—	684	402
63d	Resolution White	358		
	Good Intent	353		
		—	711	352
64th	Fathersgood Will	333		
	Stevenson			

Halifax 19th May 1776

The Grenadiers & Light Infantry Companies being formed into Battalions are to do no duty with their Regts. untill further orders.

The following Ships are appointed to carry the Genl. Officers baggage & such Generals as do not go on board the Ships of War will find Accommodations for themselves, Aids-de-Camp & Brigade Majors.

Major General Robertson & Major Genl. Grant on board the Charming Nelly. Major Genl. Pigot & Brigr. Genl. Agnew on board the Earl of Effingham, Major Genl. Jones & Brigr. Genl. Smith on board the Russia Merchant, Brigr. Genl. Leslie on board the Adventure Dalton.

The General Officers are to give in a Return of the Horses they take with them.

Halifax 20th May 1776

The Detachment of the 28th Regiment lately arrived from Ireland on board the Victuallers to be Collected by Ensign Rochford who will remain with them on board the Transports of the 63d Regt., those of the 6th to be put on board the Transpts. of the 52d under the Care of Lt. Piper of the 6th those of the 8th & 47th to be collected by Ensign Eyre of the 47th and go on board the Transports of the 38th Regt. till further orders.

An extensive & Generous Subscription having been Commenced & Continued in Great Britain for the Encouragement & relief of the Troops employed on the present most important service in America, the object and progress of which will be explained by a printed paper which will be delivered to every Corps. The Commander in Chief has thought proper to commit the inspection & distribution of the gifts already arrived to a board of General Officers.

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to present a List as soon as possible to Edward Winslow Esqr Secretary to the Board of General Officers of all such persons in their respective Regiments as they may Judge proper objects for this Bounty.

Brigr. Genl. Cleveland has appointed the 21st at the Armory at Nine O'Clock in the morning to receive Arms from the different Corps returned in sufficient by Lieut. Genl. Earl Percy. A day will be fixed upon for Issuing out Arms to replace them.

It is the Generals orders that the several Regts. do account with and clear off their men to the 30th April last incls, or as near that period as possible taking care they are furnish'd with necessaries requisite for the service of the insuing Campaign, a report of which is to be made in writing to the General by the Commanding Officers of Regiments.

Halifax 21st May 1776

His Majesty having been pleased to order that the private men of the 65th Regt. should be drafted into the Regiments here, the drafts to be settled with to Friday the 24th inst., when the Regt. will be drafted & their Subce & Balances to be paid to the Regts. that receive them to 24th June, the Provision money to the day they are Victualled 24inst. to be paid into the Paymaster General's hands by the Regt. Certificates will be given by the Commanding Officers of Regts. to entitle the Regiment drafted to £5 P man each draft will get Cloathing and a Guinea & a half from the Regt. that receive them.

The Commanding Officers of Regts. & Corps are desired to send Returns immediately to the D.Q.M. Genl of the number of Officers Men & Women that they allot to their respective Transports in order that provisions may be put on board accordingly.

The Commanding Officers of Regiments that served at Boston will order their Quar Masters to attend Quarter Master Graffton of the 64th Regt. on Board the Renown Donation Ship at Eight O'Clock tomorrow morning to receive their several proportions of Shoes & Stockings & Caps sent by the Society for the relief of the soldiers.

Halifax 22d May 1776

The following Corps to remain here under the Command of Major General Massey.

The Detachmt of the 14th Two Battns of Marines—R. H: Emigrants Royal F: Americans & Nova Scotia Volunteers with such men as are returned fit for Garrison duty from the different Corps of the Army.

As the Army will shortly move from hence the Commanding Officers of Corps will give the necessary directions for putting their Baggage on board the Transports allotted to them without loss of time & the Troops to be all embarked by Monday 27th Inst. One flat Boat to be allotted to each Corps & the remainder to be put on board the Ships best able to carry them by the direction of Lieut. Bowmaster.

The Horse Ships not to have flat boats each Ship with Troops to carry fifty Fascines on their Quarters the Commg Officers will give Orders for making them the Length of Six feet with three Pickets three feet six Inches long for each Fascine.

Lt Colonel Goreham's Royal Fensible Americans is appointed to the Command of Fort Cumbeiland & to march on Friday the 24th with the Detachment for that Post.

Captn McKinnon of the Royal H: Emigrants to March at the same time with the Detachmt. for Fort Edward.

The 65th Regt. to be on the Genl Parade on Friday at Eleven OClock to be drafted.

The Adjutants of those Corps that receive drafts to attend the D: A: Genl at the Orderly room at Ten the same day, the Drafts to take their Arms with them, All debts not exceeding Ten shillings to be paid by the Regts that receives the draft to the Company he comes from.

A State of each Corps to be given tomorrow at orderly time.

Halifax 23d May 1776

Brigr. Genl. Cleveland has appointed tomorrow morning at Nine O'Clock to Issue Arms to the different Regiments, the Quar. Masters to attend to receive them.

A Return to be given by the Qr. Masrs. of each Regt. to Major of Brigade Studholme of the number of Women and Children intended to be left here.

The Arms recd. by the Serjeants of the 65th Regt. to be returned into the Armory immediately after the Regt. is drafted.

Halifax 24th May 1776

The Paymasters of Regts who have received drafts from the 65th Regt. to call on Captain McKay Paymaster tomorrow morning from ten till twelve to settle the Accounts of their respective Drafts.

The Sick & Wounded Soldiers in the Hospl. at George's Island to be left under the care of Dr. Jeffries from whom Mr. Gouldthwaite & Morehead the two Mates appd. to remain here will receive their directions & one of them reside constantly on the Island.

These men return'd for Garrison duty to parade on Sunday morning at 10 O'Clock in the Street before the Court house. An Hospl. Surgeon with a Surgn. from each Regt. to attend at the same time.

All Reports & returns of the Regimts doing the Duty of the Garrison to be hereafter made to Major Genl. Massey. The Army to be compleated to two flints P man, besides which the Regts will receive one Flint P man for the Battn. Companys & two for the Lt. Infy. & Grenadr. Compys from the D. Q. M. Genl which they are desired to take the greatest care of as they are of a better sort. The Flints will be delivered to the Quarter Masters of Corps at 8 OClock Monday morning those from the Ordnance Office will be delivered at 10 OClock.

A Return to be given to Brigr. Genl. Cleveland by each Corps of the number of Arms in their Ranks with Wooden Ramrods which Arms they will deliver into the Armory on Monday morning at 10 OClock and receive other Arms in lieu of them.

The Quarter Masteis of the several Regts. Vizt. Royal Artillery, 4th, 5th, 10th, 14th 17th, 22d, 23d, 27th, 35th, 38th, 40th, 43d, 44th, 45th, 49th, 52d, 55th, 63d, 64th,—1st & 2d Maines, Royl. F.

Americans & Royal Highld Emigrants are to apply to Qr. Master Gratton 64th Regt. on board the Ship Renown for their proportion of the Donation Tobacco tomorrow between the hours of 9 & 12 O'Clock. The Commanding Officers of the diff't. Regts. will order it to be issued to such men only as use Tobacco, & in small quantities at a time so that this donation of the Society's may serve for the Campaign. The 1st & 2d Battn Marines are to receive 500 lb each the Royal F. Americans & Royal H: Emigrants 300 lb each. The 3 Companies of the 46th Regt. 150 lb, the Company of the 14th, 80 lbs. and all the other Regiments 400 lb each.

Halifax 25th May 1776

Regiments having two Ships allotted them are not to embark till both are ready to receive the Troops of which they will be informed by application to the D. Q. M. General.

Halifax 26th May 1776

The Grenadrs. & Battns. in the Line to form in future in three Ranks with the Files as formerly ordered at 18. Inches Intervals.

The Regts. to take on board Ship the Wheels belonging to their Handcarts & the bodies if they can stow them.

The Qr. Masters of each Corps to report tomorrow to the D. Q. M. Genl, the state of the Provisions ordered to be put on board their respective Transports.

The 2 Companies of Grant & Campbell lately arriv'd from New York to be mustered on the Parade at 11 o'Clock Tuesday next.

The Accts. of the 2d Battn. Royl. Hd. Emigrants to be immediately settled & given to Captain McKenzie Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

The 1st Brigade to parade on Tuesday morning at 10 O'Clock on the Ground under the Citadel Hill where the Grenadiers & Lt. Infany. were inspected.

The Regiments to give Returns to the D.Q.M: Genl. of such Officers as have joined them since the Batt & Forrage Money was Issued to the Troops that they may receive it.

The Officers belonging to Regts not here are not included in this Order.

The Fascines ordered to be made & taken on board the different Transports are to be bound with five withs & made up very tight.

Halifax 27th May 1776

The 1st Brigade being ordered to be under Arms tomorrow the first Battn. Lt. Infy. will furnish the Working party usually given by them for the day.

The Sick & Wounded now in the different Hospl. Ships that are Judged proper to be carried with the Army and the Invalids (till a proper Ship can be allotted them) must be put on board the British King, & such Sick as it is found necessary to remove to an Hospital & are likely soon to recover as well as those that fall ill during the passage must be received on board the Same Ship.

The utmost exertion in the Officers will be required to put a stop to the Scandalous drunkenness which of late has been too prevalent among the soldiers so contrary to their usual behaviour & highly destructive to their health.

Great care to be taken that the men do not get Rum on Board a Ship except the usual allowance.

Commanding Officers of Corps will report to their respective General Officers Commanding Brigades as soon as their Battalions are Embarked.

The Provincial Regt. of Nova Scotia Volunteers to be Mustered to morrow at the same time the Companies from New York are ordered to Parade.

The 2d Brigade to be under Arms on Wednesday Morning (if the Weather permits) upon the Exercising Ground at the same hour the first was ordered yesterday.

The Commr. in Chief in order to remove all doubts in Consequence of promotions that have been made by him in America differing from those transmitted by Lord Barrington Secretary at War, hereby commands that all such Officers as have been Commissd. from Britain & by him, are to take rank from that Commission bearing the Prior Date & to be Obeyed as Such untill His Majesty is pleased to express his Royal Pleasure in Determination of these Differences which will be declared as soon as received.

Whenever it happens that there are Supernumy. Officers in a Corps, they are nevertheless to do Duty in that Corps to which they are last appointed and their Subce will be paid to them by special Warrant on an Abstract sign'd by the Commanding Officer of the Regt.

Halifax 28th May 1776

The Regiments that Embark are to return to Mr. Gouldthwaite all their Barrack Bedding except a Blanket for each man who Embarks, & a Bed Case & Bolster for every two men, this with the Camp Blankets being sufficient for the Troops at this season of the year, when soldiers land they are only to take their Camp Blankets with them, as the Barrack Blanketts are not to be taken out of the Ship but by General Orders.

The Quarter Masters of the diff. Regiments are to apply to Qr. Mr. Grafton on board the Renown Donation Ship tomorrow morning at Eight O'Clock who will deliver them shoes & Hose for the Women & Children according to the Returns delivered this day by the Board of Genl Officers.

A Return to be given to the Board of Genl Officers of the number of men belonging to the 6th Regt. 28th Royal Nova Scotia Volunteers & the two New York Companies now at Halifax.

Quarter Masters of the diff. Regiments are to apply to Qr. Masr. Grafton on board the Renown on Thursday next at Ten O'Clock for their several Proportions of Superfine Cut Tobacco sent by the Society for the use of the Officers.

Halifax 29th May 1776

Those Grenadr Companys who have Short arms are to return them into the Ordnance Store & to receive long arms in their room. Returns to be immediately given to Brigd Genl Cleveland as soon as possible who will fix the time for issuing them.

The third Brigade to parade tomorrow morning at 10 O'Clock for Exercise, if the Weather is fair 1st. Battn Grenadiers to take the working parties for tomorrow.

The two Companies of Grant & Campbell are to hold themselves in readiness to move with the Army, they will receive Arms & Cartridges Boxes from the Ordnance Stores for their Effective numbers & 24 Rounds of Cartridges P man tomorrow at 12 O'Clock.

Halifax 30th May 1776

Carabines will be delivered tomorrow morning at the Armory to the Officers of the different Regts that have not already received them.

Those Grenadr. Companies that have short arms to deliver them at the Armory tomorrow morning at 10 O'Clock when they will receive Long Arms in Lieu of them.

A Return of such Women & Children in the different Regiments as has not already been given to the Board of Genl. Officers to be sent to the Secretary Mr. Winslow near the Parade tomorrow morning at 10 O'Clock.

Halifax 31st May 1776

The 5th Brigade to parade for exercise tomorrow at 10 O'Clock.

The Army to be in readiness to Sail on Wednesday the 5th June.

Halifax 1st June 1776

The 6th Brigade to parade tomorrow morning at 10 O'Clock for Exercise.

The General Officers & Commanding Officers of Corps are desired to give in Returns as soon as possible to the D.Q.M.G. of what Horses they propose to take with them.

The Commanding Officers of Corps will leave a careful Non-Commissd Officer to take charge of the men left behind for Garrison duty which Non Commissioned Officer will be answerable that the Births left in respective Quarters are not destroy'd or pulled down.

Halifax 2d June 1776

The 6th Brigade to parade tomorrow morning at Ten O'Clock for Exercise if the Weather is fair.

The Paymasters of the different Corps are immediately to pay into the hands of Mr. Townshend A: D: Commissary of Stores the necessary money stoped from their respective Regiments for the Rations recd. on board the Transports to the 24th April 76 inclusive.

Lieut. Clark of the 59th Regt. with 6 Segts & 50 Men from the Nova Scotia Volunteers with Arms are to be ready to embark on the shortest notice. Lieut. Clark will receive his orders from the Barrack Masr. Genl., the men employed to work, will be paid for it.

Two Months pay & Provisions will be sent with them.

The Regts that are not as yet supplied with Sour Krout will immediately apply to the D.Q.M. Genl. to know where and when they may receive it.

Captain Grant ordered to join the Royal F Americans with his Company is detached from that Corps & to proceed with the Army.

The Commanding Officers of the Royal Regimts, of Artillery 4th, 5th, 10th, 14th, 17th, 22d, 23d, 35th, 38th, 40th, 43d, 44th, 45th, 49th, 52d, 55th, 63d & 64 Regts, 1st & 2d Battns of Marines, Light Dragoons, Royal H. Emigrants, & Royal F. Americans, are to apply to Mr. Winslow at Head Quarters precisely at 12 OClock tomorrow for their proportion of the Donation money which is to be distributed by them among the proper objects in their respective Regts.

Halifax 3d June 1776

Lieut. Needham of the 27th Regt. is ordered to remain with the Garrison of Halifax, and Continues to act in the Engineers department he is also to take charge of the men left here for Garrison Duty he will receive exact lists of their names with two months Subsc for them commencing the 8th instant from the respective Corps they belong to.

The Invalids of the different Corps that are to be sent to England are put under the care of Captn Mountain of the 47th Regt to whom their discharges & 2 Months Subce commencing the 8th instant, are to be given with Lists of their names.

The Detachments of the several Regts. that are to go to Canada to be under the care of Captain Montgomery of the 9th Regt.

The Commander in Chief having received several applications from soldiers for leave to serve with the Army that is to move from hence, tho' he highly approves of their spirit he cannot possibly make any Alteration in the Arrangement he has already laid down.

Halifax 4th June 1776

His Majesty has been pleased to direct that the appointment of Barr. Masr. Genl. in North America shall not be held by any Colo. of a Regt.

The Troops to Commence being Victualled at two thirds allowance on Thursday the 6th from the Provision on Board.

The Masters of Transports will apply at the Commissary General's Office for Victualling lists.

As it appears from the different demands made for Ammunition from the differt. regts, in Line that some of the Ammunition delivered out has been greatly neglected, the Commr. in Chief desires that Officers Commanding Regts & Companies will be particularly attentive to this part of their duty.

The Regt. of Loyal Nova Scotia Volunteers to be under arms tomorrow morning at 10 OClock on the Parade for Inspection.

A Return to be given into Mr. Winslow Secy to the Board of Genl. Officers before 12 OClock tomorrow of the Serjeants now present that actually served at Boston.

Halifax 6th June 1776

The Commg. Officers of Corps are directed to have always an Officer or some proper person on deck to observe Signals made, all Signals to be attended to with or without a Gun.

All Ships now in possession of Flat boats who do not carry them to sea are to deliver them to the Ships appointed to receive them.

A Crime of the greatest magnitude Vizt. That of striking an Officer have been committed by John Brewing private soldier in the 23d Regt. And the time & situation of the Army not permitting the holding a Genl Court Martl. It is the Commr in Chief's Orders, that the Prisoner be continued in Irons on board Ship untill he can be tried by a Genl. Court Martial.

The Invalids & men ret'd. for Garrison Duty to be sent on shore this Evening.

The Qr. Masrs. of the Royal Artillery, 4th, 5th, 10th, 14th, 17th, 22d, 23d, 35th, 38th, 40th, 43d, 44th, 45th, 49th, 52d, 55th, 63d, 64th, & 65 Regts, 1st & 2d, Marines & 17th Lt. Dragoons to apply

to Qr. Mr. Grafton at 5 O'Clock this Evening at the Assembly house near the Parade for their proportion of Serjeants Shoes & Stockings as specified in the order to him.

The Qr. Masrs. of the Artillery 4th 27th, 43d & 44th Regts. to apply at the same time & place for the Women's & Childrens Shoes & Stockings appropriated to these Regts.

Halifax 7th June 1776

His Majesty has been pleased to augment the 17th Regt. of Lt Dragoons 1 Cornet, 1 Serjeant, 2 Corporals & 30 private men dismounted to each Troop.

Mr. Davis & others having by direction from the Commr in Chief secured and taken, Invoices of Goods which were stolen from Boston, & Carried on board the Peggy, that these may be preserved for the just owners, Mr. Chamier, Commissary General is to take them into his care & Lodge them in a proper store till he receives further orders, and Whereas it has been intimated that some person who have taken goods & Furniture from Boston imagine that the Crime of stealing is lessened because the Goods were the property of persons ill affected to Government, the Commander in chief thinks proper to declare that this Circumstance in place of an alleviation is an aggravation of the Crime, as it tends to destroy discipline among the Troops & to lose them the Affection of the people, All persons possess'd of such goods are therefore required to send them with Invoices & the names of the owners to the Commissary General, who is to receive the same & report to the Commr. in Chief.

The Quarter Masters of the different Regiments to attend tomorrow morning at 9 O'Clock, at Capt. Spry's Office to receive payment for their Artificers & Pioneers employed to yesterday inclus. the Quarter Masters will at the same time return the different Tools they have received from the Engineers Stores.

Halifax Saturday 8th June 1776

A Return to be given in to Major of Brigade Studholme tomorrow morning at Nine O'Clock of the Number of Women & Children left in Halifax by the Regiments that are embarked.

The Troops on Board to be ready to Sail tomorrow the 9th.

In Case of separation the Transports & other Ships are to repair to Sandy Hook where they will receive fresh orders for their further prosecution of their Voyages.

As it is expected that the Fleet will be under Way by break of Day all Officers are to be on board this Evening.

Halifax 9th June 1776

It is the Commr. in Chief's positive Order that no nonComissd. officer or soldier be allowed to go on shore witht. a written leave signed by the Commanding Officer of the Corps he belongs to.

There having been some misapprehensions with regard to Victualling the Troops on board Ship in Harbour & while doing duty on shore, it is the General's order that the Troops now on board be Victualled according to the Constant practice of the Army and the Regulation established by the Victualling Office.

Halifax 10th June 1776

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There having been some misapprehensions with regard to Victualling the Troops on board Ship in Harbour and while doing duty on shore it is the Genls. orders that the Troops now on board be Victualled according to the constant practice of the army & the regulation Established by the Victualling Office.