

**James Wilson Robertson**  
(1857-1930)

An Inventory of his fonds

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**Robertson, James Wilson, 1869-1930**

James Wilson Robertson fonds. - 1875-1961

4.4 m of textual records

25 photographs

**Biographical Sketch:**

James Robertson was born November 2, 1857 in Ayrshire, Scotland and in 1875 came to Canada where he joined his father in farming and in the management of cheese factories and food exports to the United Kingdom. In 1896 he married Jennie Mather. Robertson was an educationist and agricultural expert. He participated in many national service organisations and chaired two royal commissions: an investigation into industrial training (1910) and an enquiry into the Sydney labour unrest of 1923. He was Dairy Commissioner for the Dominion from 1890 to 1904. From 1905 to 1910, Robertson served as Principal of Macdonald College. In 1919 he was appointed Canadian Director of Food Supplies and represented Canada on the food section of the Supreme Economic Council in Paris. Robertson received honorary LL.D. degrees from four universities (Toronto, Queen's, New Brunswick, and McGill) and was created a C.M.G. in 1905. Robertson died in 1930.

**Scope and Content:**

The fonds consists of correspondence, addresses, lectures and reports. The fonds also contains pamphlets relating to Robertson's activities and some photographs and memorabilia.

**Notes:**

Title based on contents of the fonds.

The fonds was purchased from Robertson's daughter, Mrs. Ishbel Robertson Currier, through Mr. Neil Sutherland of the Faculty of Education in 1966-67.

No restrictions on access

No further accruals expected

Series and Sub-series Descriptions:

1. Biographical Materials Series. – 1881-1930. – 98 items  
Series consists of biographies, newspaper and speech clippings.
2. Correspondence Series. – 1886-1946. – 440 items.  
Series consists of 15 sub-series: general outgoing, general incoming, private business incoming and outgoing, private business incoming only, mining claims outgoing, mining claims incoming, mining claims stock certificates, mining claims title claims releases and transfers, mining claims bills and receipts, family outgoing, family incoming, letters of thanks to Mrs. Jennie Robertson, Fred Mather's overseas letters to Mrs. Robertson, outgoing letters – Mrs. Muldrew, and miscellaneous incoming.
  - 2A. General Outgoing Correspondence Sub-series. – 1886-1928. – 39 items.  
Sub-series contains letters sent to 29 different entities as well as to unidentified persons.
  - 2B. General Incoming Correspondence Sub-series. – 1881-1930. – 109 items.  
Sub-series contains letters from 71 different entities as well as from unidentified persons.
  - 2C. Private Business Incoming and Outgoing Sub-series. – 1909-1925. – 55 items  
Sub-series contains material concerning the Anthes Furniture Company, Christie Green and Hill, the assignment of patent for improvement in windmills, and barristers and solicitors Saunders, Kingsmill, Mills & Price.
  - 2D. Private Business Incoming only Sub-series. – 1906-1911. – 7 items.  
Sub-series contains invoices from Army & Navy Co-operative Society, and letters from the House of Commons, Hotel Bellevue, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, and the Toronto Imperial Bank Chambers.
  - 2E. Mining Claims Outgoing Sub-series. – 1909-1928. – 31 items  
Sub-series contains letters to five different entities including several to Thomas J. Dillon.
  - 2F. Mining Claims Incoming Sub-series. – 1909-1923. – 36 items  
Sub-series contains letters from four different entities including several from Thomas J. Dillon.
  - 2G. Mining Claims Stock Certificates Sub-series. – 46 items.  
Sub-series contains certificates for nine different companies including several for Wyandoh Silver Mines and The Swastika Mining Co. Ltd.
  - 2H. Mining Claims Title Claims, Releases and Transfers Sub-series. – 12 items.
  - 2I. Mining Claims Bills and Receipts Sub-series. – 18 items.

- 2J. Family Outgoing Sub-series. – 1878-1929. – 54 items.  
Sub-series contains correspondence to family members including Robertson's daughter Ishbel Robertson Currier, his sister Elizabeth Hayward, and his wife Jennie Robertson.
- 2K. Family Incoming Sub-series. – 1876-1927. – 22 items.  
Sub-series contains correspondence from family members including Robertson's wife, his nieces, and his sister.
- 2L. Letters of Thanks to Mrs. Jeannie Robertson Sub-series. – 1930-1932. – 41 items.  
Sub-series contains letters to Robertson's wife from 35 different entities as well as from unidentified persons. These letters are for the book *Conservation of Life in Rural Districts*.
- 2M. Fred Mather's Overseas Letters Sub-series. - 1915-1916. – 15 items.  
Sub-series contains letters to Mrs. Robertson.
- 2N. Outgoing Letters Mrs. Muldrew Sub-series. – 1906-1916. – 34 items.
- 2O. Miscellaneous Incoming Sub-series. – 1880-1946. – 14 items.  
Sub-series contains letters to 10 different entities as well as to unidentified persons.
3. Personal Series. – 7 items.  
Series consists of notes and memos.
4. Family Papers and Certificates Series. – 1875-1881. – 18 items.  
Series consists of certificates, recommendation letters, a scrapbook, funeral notices and obituaries, business items, letters of John Mathers, the patent and will of Allan G. Mathers, and other miscellaneous items.
5. Official Business Series. – 1889-1923. – 69 items.  
Series consists of three sub-series: outgoing and incoming correspondence, and reports and addresses.
- 5A. Outgoing Correspondence Sub-series. – 1903-1910. – 13 items.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence going to nine different entities including W.L. MacKenzie King, Minister of Labour in Ottawa and W. Vaughan, Secretary at McGill University.
- 5B. Incoming Correspondence Sub-series. – 1889-1923. – 21 items.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence coming from 12 different entities including W.L. MacKenzie in the Department of Labour in Ottawa and the Secretary and Bursar's Office at McGill University.

- 5C. Reports and Addresses Sub-series. – 35 items.  
Sub-series consists of reports and addresses by J.W.R. and others.
6. Professional Activities and Interests Series. – 1909-1918. – [ca. 1160 items].  
Series consists of correspondence, notes, addresses, papers, and clippings. There are 14 sub-series within this series: the Aberdeen Association, the Agricultural College Commission, the Advisory Committee on Food Control, the Boy Scouts Association, the Canadian Seed Grower's Association, the Canadian Handicrafts Guild, the Canadian Tuberculosis Association, the Civic Improvement League, the Commission of Conservation, the Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying, the Dominion Educational Association, and Growing Competitions.
- 6A. Aberdeen Association Sub-series. – 1909-1914. – 20 items.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence, notes, newspaper clippings, and lists.
- 6B. Agricultural College Commission Sub-series. – 1889-1903. – 7 items.  
Sub-series consists of memoranda, letters, a report and a prospectus.
- 6C. Advisory Committee on Food Control Sub-series. – 1916-1918. – 100 items.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence, addresses, notes, a leaflet, and clippings. The newspaper clippings relate to addresses given by Dr. Robertson on food shortages.
- 6D. Boy Scouts Association Sub-series. – 1914-1932. – 32 items.  
Sub-series consists of letters, accounts of scout life saving incidents, notes and addresses.
- 6E. Canadian Seed Grower's Association Sub-series. – 1905-1961. – 740 items.  
Sub-series consists of annual reports, pamphlets, clippings, notes, and correspondence.
- 6F. Canadian Handicrafts Guild Sub-series. – [ca. 1907-ca.1927]. – 6 items  
Sub-series consists of the guild's constitution, by-laws, and act of incorporation, notes, a memorandum, a petition, a bulletin, and a brochure.
- 6G. Canadian Tuberculosis Association Sub-series. – 1927. – 3 items.  
Sub-series contains a bulletin, an information sheet, and a report.
- 6H. Civic Improvement League Sub-series. – 1915-1917. – 15 items.  
Sub-series consists of programs, reports, letters, and notes for an address to the league by Dr. Robertson.

- 6I. Commission of Conservation Sub-series. – 1909-1947. – 193 items.  
Sub-series consists of photographs and letters as well as clippings, notes, reports, addresses, and pamphlets from the Commission of Conservation Committee on Lands and Illustration Farms.
- 6K. Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying Sub-series. – 1890-1942. – 39 items.  
Sub-series consists of pamphlets on dairying and agriculture as well as correspondence, addresses and bulletins from the Commission of Agriculture and Dairying.
- 6L. Dominion Educational Association Sub-series. – 1892-1917. – 104 items.  
Sub-series consists of copies of legal materials, programmes for annual meetings, correspondence, copies of legislation, and the Dominion Development Policy.
- 6M. Growing Competitions Sub-series. – 1906-1912.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence, scorecards, leaflets, bulletins, and addresses.
- 6N. Macdonald Sub-series. – 1902-1912.  
Sub-series consists of correspondence, pamphlets, financial statements, clippings, business documents, and memorabilia relating to Macdonald College in McGill University.
- 6O. Subject Files Sub-series. – [ca. 1910-ca. 1920].  
Sub-series consists of files on various subjects relating to agriculture and politics.
- 6P. Royal Commissions Sub-series. – 1910-1923.  
Sub-series consists of material relating to the Royal Commission of inquiry into Sydney labour unrest and to the Royal Commission on Industrial Training and Technical Education. Series consists of correspondence, pamphlets, notes, reports, statistics, clippings, and itineraries.
7. World War One Series. – [ca. 1915 - ca.1930].  
Series consists of correspondence, clippings, photographs and press releases, meeting minutes, notes, pamphlets, reports, and memorabilia. Subjects covered in this series include the Agricultural Relief of the Allies Committee, the Canadian Red Cross Society, the Canadian Peace Conference Mission, the League of Nations Society in Canada, and the Military Hospitals Commission.
8. Unsorted Material Series.  
Series consists of a variety of material located at the end of the Robertson fonds. Series contains clippings, papers, speech material, photographs, and memorabilia.

**Inventory List**

<u>Box/fldr No.</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>No. of items</u>
<b>BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIALS SERIES</b>			
1-1	Biographies		
1-2	Newspaper and speech clippings	1899-1914	22
1-3	Newspaper and speech clippings	1914-1930	70
<b>CORRESPONDENCE SERIES</b>			
1-4	General -- Outgoing Sub-series	1886-1928	39
	Aberdeen, Lord [Tolbel]		
	Aourie, Mrs.		
	Bass, [C. L. ?]		
	Brewster, H. C.		
	Bronson, F. P.		
	Chapais, J. C.		
	Clark, W. K.		
	Cockburn, J. A.		
	Cooper, W. A.		
	Fisher, Hon. Sydney		
	Gibson, James		
	Giles, Malcolm.		
	Hayward, Elizabeth (sister)		
	Hoard, Hon. W. D.		
	Langton, [H. St. ?]		
	Lockhead, Mrs.		
	Lynde, C. J.		
	Marker, Christian		
	McKay, George L.		
	Morrison, [N. St. ?]		
	Mulock, Wm.		
	Roberts, Professor		
	Robertson, John (father)		
	Simpson, Louis		
	Toronto. University. Senate.		
	Walker, W. H.		
	Wallace, Henry		
	Williams, Sir Ralph		
	Wilson, Sir Daniel		
	Unidentified		

1-5	General -- Incoming Sub-series	(109)
	Aberdeen, [Lord] Tolbel	1905-1925 3
	Alberta. Dept. of Agriculture. Office of the Dairy Commissioner	1927 1
	The Allan Line Steamship Co. Ltd.	1911 2
	Auckland. University College	[?] 1
	(A.L.B.)	1925 2
	(J.B.)	1925 1
	British Columbia. Prime Minister	1917 1
	Canada. Assistant Deputy Minister of Labour	1923 1
	Canada. Board of Pension Commissioners	1917 1
	Canada. Dept. of Agriculture. Central Experimental Farm.	1906 1
	Canada. Dept. of Agriculture. Central Experimental Farm. Cereal Div.	1924 1
	Canada. Dept. of Agriculture. Minister's Office	1903 1
	Canada. Dept. of Trade and Commerce. Board of Grain Commissioners	1930 1
	Canada. Deputy Minister of Labour. (MacKenzie King)	1906 1
	Canada. House of Common.	1927 1
	Canada. Senate.	1917 1
	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	1912 2
	Carnegie, Andrew	1911-1917 3
	Carnegie, David	1922 1
	Cecil, Robert	1919 1
	[Clye?]	1925 1
	[Cowker?] James	1918 1
	Davy, F.	1923 1
	Devonshire, Earl?]	1923-1925 3
	[Du Himond?], Julia	1923 1
1-6	Gordon, Alex M.	1916 1
	Gordon, R. [Wolugo?]	1924 1
	Grenfell Association of America	[?] 1
	Grey, Earl of [Albert]	1905-1916 6
	Grey, Lady Alice	1909-1924 5
	Guelph. Out. Ag. College	1890 1
	Hayward, Walter	1912 2
	Heath & Finnemore	1881 1
	Henderson, Harold	1918 2
	Hes, George	1918 1
	Hoard Memorial Fund	1921 1
	Howard, [Game?]	1926 1
	Intercolonial Club	1917 2

	Leonard, R. W.	1923	1
	MacKenzie King, W. L.	1916-1925	2
	Madras. Government House (Pentland)	1915	1
	Mather, [E?]	1923	1
	Mather, John	1903	1
	[Midarfrey], J.	1917	3
1-7	New York. Columbia University. Teachers College. Office of the Dean.	1912	1
	New Zealand. University. Massey Agricultural College.	1929	1
	North Cliffe.	[?]	1
	[Noyse?], Chas E.	1905	1
	[Nuicig?], Mary	1925	2
	Ontario. Queen's University.	1916	1
	Ottawa. Government House	1917-1920	3
	Ottawa. Women's Canadian Club.	1912	1
	[Plunkett], Horace	1910-1912	3
	Pinchot, Gifford	1909-1912	3
	Quebec. MacDonald College. Physics Dept.	1921	1
	Quebec. MacDonald College. School for Teachers	1909	1
	Rockefeller, John D. Jr.	1909-1910	2
	Spencer, [C. Martyns?]	1912	1
	St. Andrew's Church (Ontario)	1917	2
	St. Andrew's House	1905	1
	St. John's Newfoundland. Government House	1912	1
1-8	Toronto, Ont. National Club	1919-1920	2
	Toronto. University. (Professor R. M. MacIver)	1917	1
	Tweedie, Alec	[?]	1
	Vancouver Club	1921	1
	Wallaces' Farmer	1909	1
	Washington. American Association of Creamery Butter Manufacturers	1928	1
	Washington, D. C. Cosmos Club	1907	1
	Washington, D. C. Dept. of Agriculture. Office of the Secretary.	1909	1
	Wherry, Eugene	1928	1
	Wisconsin. University. Superintendent's Office.	1889	1
	Unidentified	1903-1916	4
	Private Business -- Incoming & Outgoing Sub-series	1909-1925	(55)
1-9	Anthes Furniture Company	1912	16
	Christie Greene & Hill (Barristers and Solicitors) (With Mrs. Jenny Robertson)	1909	2
	Grier, E. Wylly	1912	14

1-10	Hayward, Walter (Regarding assignment of patent for improvement in wind mills)	1912	7
	Saunders, Kingsmill, Mills & Price (Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries & c.)	1925	16
1-11	Private Business -- Incoming only Sub-series	1906-1911	(7)
	Army & Navy Co-operative Society, Ltd. (Invoices)	1910	3
	Canada. House of Commons.	1906	1
	Hotel Bellevue	1909	1
	The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders.		
	Motor Vehicle Dept.	1911	1
	Toronto. Imperial Bank Chambers	1910	1
1-12	Mining Claims -- Outgoing Sub-series	1909-1928	(31)
	Dillon, Thomas J.	1909-1911	25
	Hersey, Milton	1909	1
	John Stark & Co.	1928	2
	Mickle, G. R.	1920	2
	Skill, Albert	1912	1
1-13	Mining Claims -- Incoming Sub-series	1909-1923	(36)
	Dillon, Thomas J.	1909-1919	28
	John Stark & Co.	1928	4
	Ontario. Dept. of Lands, Forests & Mines.		
	Mine Assessor's Office (G. R. Mickle)	1920	3
	Temiskaming. Land Titles Office	1923	1
1-14	Mining Claims -- Stock Certificates Sub-series		(46)
	Beaver Auxiliary Mines, Ltd.		1
	The Granite Creek Mining Co. Ltd		1
	Little Nipissing Silver Cobalt Mining Co. Ltd.		1
	Nova Scotia Silver Cobalt Mining Co. Ltd.		2
	Robertson, Eorris & Co., Ltd.		2
	The Rural Publishing Co, Ltd.		1
	The Swastika Mining Co. Ltd.		17
	White Lake Mines Ltd.		1
	Wyandoh Silver Mines, Ltd.		20
1-15	Mining Claims -- Title Claims, Releases & Transfers Sub-series		12
1-16	Mining Claims -- Bills and Receipts Sub-series		18

	Family -- Outgoing Sub-series		(54)
1-17	Family -- Outgoing	1878-1911	24
1-18	Family -- Outgoing	1913-1929	30
	Bovyer, Mr.		
	Bovyer, Mrs.		
	Currier, Ishbel Robertson (daughter)		
	Greig, Mrs.		
	Hayward, Elizabeth (sister)		
	Robertson, Jennie (wife)		
	Will [?]		
1-19	Family -- Incoming Sub-series		(22)
	Aunt Eliza	1917	1
	[Burton?], John	1876	1
	Currier, Ishbel Robertson	[?]	1
	Hayward, Elizabeth	1911-1912	4
	Hayward, Mabel (niece)	1911-1912	2
	Hayward, Rita (niece)	1911	1
	Jack [?]	1927	1
	Jackson, Thomas	1877	1
	Lindsay, James	1921	1
	Lindsay, Maggie C.	1921	1
	Lowe, A. W.	1918	1
	Roby [?]	1924-1925	3
	Unidentified	[1875?]-[1878?]	4
1-20	Letters of Thanks to Mrs. Jennie Robertson Sub-series	1930-1932	41
	Abbot, Albert		
	Amann, L.		
	Borden, R. S.		
	Bronson, Mary		
	Browne, Jean		
	[Bunele?], James		
	Clay, H. Alexander		
	[Cleuceuts, N?]		
	Coombs, Frank [E. L.?]		
	Dale, Gladys		
	Dunlop, Ellen T.		
	Dunlop, James		
	[Dunshaw?], Evelyn		

Fowlds, Hon. Sir George  
 Gear, Florence  
 George [?]  
 Grace [?]  
 Gray, P. L.  
 [Haszurd?], F. L.  
 Hliuck, Mary A.  
 [Houlen?], Spencer  
 Howes, E. A.  
 Johnson, Leonard L.  
 Juniper, Anne B.  
 Mather, Beatrice  
 Mather, Jean  
 Mceachern, Jane  
 Muldrew, Grace  
 Pentland, Marjorie  
 Putman, J. H.  
 Roper, [Jolw?] Charles  
 Shutt, Frank S.  
 Stoal, Agnes  
 Tweedie, Alec  
 Ward, Olive  
 Unidentified

1-21	Fred Mather's Overseas Letters to Mrs. Robertson Sub-series	1915-1916	15
1-22	Outgoing Letters -- Mrs. Muldrew Sub-series	1906-1916	34
1-23	Miscellaneous -- Incoming Sub-series		(14)
	Alice [?]	1924	1
	Corbett, H. L.	1923	1
	Currier, Ishbel Robertson (daughter)	1932-1946	5
	Hayward, Mabel	1933	1
	Holmes, Robert S.	1946	1
	Jack [?]	1881	1
	Mather, Allan G.	1910	1
	Muldrew, Mrs. Grace	1910	1
	Robertson, Jennie (wife)	1927	1
	Venus Sabbath School	1880	1
	Unidentified	[?]	1

#### PERSONAL SERIES

1-24	Notes and Memos		7
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## FAMILY PAPERS &amp; CERTIFICATES SERIES

1-25	Certificates		6
1-26	Recommendation Letters		(6)
	Robertson, James W.	1875-11	5
	Robertson, John	1875	1
1-27	Scrapbook		1
1-28	Funeral Notices & Obituaries		21
1-29	Business		21
1-30	Letters of John Mathers	1869-1898	8
1-31	Patent and Will of Allan G. Mathers		2
1-32	Miscellaneous		1

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS SERIES

1-33	Correspondence -- Outgoing Sub-series	1903-1910	(13)
	Halifax. Superintendent of Education (A. H. MacKay)		1
	Hoard, Hon. W. D.		2
	King, Kenneth		1
	MacDonald College. Mr. Savage		1
	MacDonald College. Student Body		1
	McGill University. Secretary (W. Vaughan)		3
	Ottawa. Minister of Labour. (W. L. MacKenzie King)		2
	Toronto. Dept. of Education. Inspector of Continuation Schools (R. H. Cowley)		1
	Washington, D. C. Dept. of Agriculture, U. S. Forestry Dept. (Hon. Gifford Pinchot)		1
1-34	Correspondence -- Incoming Sub-series		(21)
	[A.S]	1905	1
	Canada. Dept. of Labour. (Gerald A. Brown)	1905	1
	Canada. Dept. of Labour (W.L. MacKenzie King)	1910-1923	6
	Halifax Education Office. (A.H. MacKay)	1910	1
	Haord's Dairyman	1909	1
	The MacLean Newspapers	1909	2
	MacDonald College Class of 1911 in Agriculture	1910	1
	McGill . University Secretary and Bursar's Office (W. Vaughan)	1909-1910	3
	Morrison [W.S.F.]	1889	1
	Plunkett, Horace	1910	1
	Toronto. Department of Education. Inspector of		

	Continuation Schools. (R.H. Cowley)	1910	2
	Van der Leck, J.	1909	1
	Reports and Addresses Sub-series		(35)
1-35	Reports and Addresses (by J.W.R.)		8
1-36	Reports and Addresses (by J.W.R.)		8
1-37	Reports and Addresses (by Others)		4
1-38	Reports and Addresses (by Others)		7
1-39	Reports and Addresses (by Others)		8

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS SERIES

2-1	Aberdeen Association Sub-series	1909-1914	(20)
	- notes for a talk or a letter		1
	- mounted newspaper clippings re. Assoc.		1
	- "		1
	- "		1
	- "		1
	- List of Newspaper scheme (List of post towns by province)	1909 (Dec.)	1
	- List of Minto Library No. 31 (Wilke Sask., List of Authors and Titles)	1910 (Apr.)	1
	- 2 copies of newspaper clipping "Literature you Needy Settlers" (Ottawa Citizen)	Apr.26, 1912	1
	Correspondence:		
	- To Mrs. Scarth from J. Miller McCormick	Nov.11, 1913	1
	- To Mr. Robertson (?) from Katherine Binney	Dec. 6, 1913	1
	- To Lec'y - Aberdeen Society from Mrs.S. Elwood	Aug.11, 1913	1
	- To " " " from A.Z. Drew	Sept.14,1913	1
	- To Mrs. Scarth from Marion Wintle	Jan.19, 1914	1
	- To " " from " "	Jan.19, 1914	1
	- To " " from " "	Jan.27, 1914	1
	- To Mr. Robertson from ? Scarth		
	- To Miss Wintle from ? (Mr. Robertson)	Apr.30, 1914	1
	- Paper outlining objectives and growth of the Aberdeen Society		1
	- notes for above paper		1
	- List of Libraries for approval		1
	- List of Minto Library No.29 (Coleville, Sask.) - (Authors/Titles). Total items & inclusive dates in folder 2-1	Feb.2, 1910	1

2-2	Agricultural College Commission Sub-series	1889-1903	(7)
	- Letter to Hon. L.J. Tweedie from (Mr. Robertson?)	Mar. 14, 1903	1
	- memorandum re: establishment of a College of Agriculture in the province of N.B. ( 2 copies )		2
	- copy of memorandum re. establishment of a College of Agriculture in Manitoba	Jan.24, 1903	1
	- Report of the Agricultural College Commission	1902	1
	- Prospectus of the Eastern Townships College of Agriculture	Oct. 29, 1902	1
	- copy of memorandum re: establishment of a College of Agriculture in the province of Quebec		1
	Advisory Committee on Food Control Sub-series	1916-1918	(100)
2-3	Correspondence, addresses, notes		
	- Letter to Dr. Robertson from T.A. Cierar	Jan.25, 1918	1
	- Letter to Dr. Robertson from Arthur J. Mills	Sept.9, 1918	1
	- copy of telegram to Hon. T.A. Cierar from Robertson	Aug.26, 1918	1
	- memorandum from office of Dept.of External Affairs		1
	- " " " " "		1
	- notes from Dept. of External Affairs		1
	- notes on the War Production Campaign for 1918		1
	- Leaflet " The Crisis " published by the Organization of Resources Committee, Toronto, Ont.	Apr.20, 1916	1
	- copy of an address by C.A. Zavity on "Increased Crop Production "	Mar.26, 1917	1
	- copy of Summary of Address by Dr. Robertson on World Food shortage	1918	1
	- Rough Draft - Summary of Address by Dr. Robertson to people of P.E.I. on food shortages	1918	1
	- Summary of an Address given by Dr. Robertson in the Maritime provinces	Mar. 1918	1
	- Draft for card or sheet to be left at each farm by local Greater Production Committee	1918	1
	- copy of report of Address by Dr. Robertson before the Canadian Club of Montreal	Apr.1, 1918	1
	- copy of Summary of Address by Dr. Robertson to the Chamber of Commerce, Buffalo, N.Y on "Food Control in Canada"	Jan.22, 1918	1
2-(4-6)	Newspaper Clippings:		
	- mounted newspaper clippings or addresses given by Dr. Robertson on food shortages	1917-1918	85

2-7	Boy Scouts Association Sub-series	1914-1932	(32)
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Gerald H. Brown	Jan.25, 1915	1
	- Scouts honoured for Life Saving incidents	1914	1
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Gerald H. Brown	May 12, 1915	1
	- letter to Mr. Brown from Dr. Robertson	May 13, 1915	1
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Gerald H. Brown	Sept.16, 1915	1
	- Accounts of scouts honoured for life saving incidents	1914&1915	6
	letter to Dr. Robertson from Gerald H. Brown	Jan.17, 1916	1
	- accounts of scouts honoured for life saving	1914 & 1915	4
	- letter to Mr. Brown from Dr. Robertson	Jan.21, 1916	1
	- " " " "	June 1, 1916	1
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Gerald H. Brown	June 2, 1916	1
	- copy of letter to Gerald Brown from W.L. Walsh	May 27, 1916	1
	- letter to Mr. Brown from Dr. Robertson	June 6, 1916	1
	- letter to Mr. John Stiles from Frank C. Irwin	Jan.31, 1924	1
	- letter to Mr. Frank Irwin from Dr. Robertson	Feb. 4, 1924	1
	- Address delivered before the National Education Conference in Winnipeg by Dr. Robertson	Oct.20, 1919	1
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from F. Farquhar	Apr.2, 1914	1
	_ notes for an address by Dr. Robertson		1
	_ address by Dr. Robertson to the Dominion Education Association	Jan.31, 1917	1
	- page of notes re: " scouting "		1
	- rough notes for address		1
	- issue of "The Scout Leader" re. death of Dr. Robertson	Apr.1930	1
	- issue of "The Scout Leader" re. Scout memorial to Dr. Robertson	May/ June	1
	Canadian Seed Grower's Association Sub-series		
2-8	Annual Reports	1912-1913	2
2-9	Annual Reports	1929-1943	3
2-10	Annual Reports	1943-1961	3
2-11	Pamphlets		7
2-12	Pamphlets, Clippings, notes		
2-13	Correspondence - Outgoing	1905-1906	75
2-14	Correspondence - Outgoing	1907	66
2-15	Correspondence - Outgoing	1908	47
2-16	Correspondence - Outgoing	1909-1917	74

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	Clark, G.H.		
	Eddy, E.D.		
	Hays, W.M.		
	Klick, Prof. L.S		
	Lafontaine, L,		
	Murray, James		
	Newman L.H.		
	Smith Brothers		
2-17	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1905-1906	68
2-18	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1907	49
2-19	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1907	49
2-20	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1908	45
2-21	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1908	30
2-22	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1909	54
2-23	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1909	69
2-24	Correspondence - Incoming (Newman, L.H.)	1905-1916	19
	Canada. Deputy Minister's Office.		
	Clark, G.H.		
	Hays, W.M.		
	Lafontaine, L.		
	McDowell, Thomas		
	Ottawa. Dept. of Agriculture. Office of Seed Commissioner		
	Smith Brothers		
	Unidentified		
2-25	Correspondence to others	1905-1909	(40)
	Klinck, L.S.		26
	Newman, L.H.		6
	O'Halloran, George F.		1
	Wright, W.J.		6
	Zavita, Prof. C.A.		1
2-26	Canadian Handicrafts Guild Sub-series	n.d. [1907-27]	(6)
	- Constitution, By-laws, and act of incorporation of the Canadian Handicraft Guild		1
	- notes for an address by Dr. Robertson on Handicraft Guild	1907?	1
	- memorandum re: application for grant from the Dominion Gov't.	Sept 15, 1927	1
	- copy of petition by Canadian Handicraft Guild for a Gov't. grant		1
	- brochure on the Canadian, Handicraft Guild		1
	- bulletin issued by the Canadian Handicraft Guild		1

3-1	Canadian Tuberculosis Association Sub-series	1927	(3)
	- bulletin of the Canadian Tuberculosis Assoc.	Dec. 1927	1
	- Information sheet re: activities of the C.T.A.	Dec. 1927	1
	- Report on Health Demonstration at Three Rivers		1
3-2	Civic Improvement League Sub-series	1915-1917	(15)
	- Civic Improvement League of Canada (C.I.L.) Program of Conference in Ottawa	Jan.20, 1916	1
	- Abridged Report of Preliminary Conference in Ottawa	Nov.19, 1915	1
	- Form letter to Dr. Robertson from C.I.L. of Ottawa		1
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Thomas Adams	Mar.30, 1915	1
	- letter to Mr. Adams from Dr. Robertson	Apr.3, 1916	1
	- constitution and by-laws of the C.I.L., Ottawa	1916	1
	- form letter to Dr. Robertson from C.I.L., Ottawa	1916	1
	- Dr. Robertson's notes for an address to the Urban and Rural Development Conference, Winnipeg		
	- programming of the Conference on Urban & Rural Development in Canada, Winnipeg	May 28, 29 30, 1917	1
	- copy of Ottawa C.I.L. meeting of Special Agenda Committee		1
	- C.I.L. of Canada - Report on behalf of Sub-Committee to the members of the Provincial Committee	Jan.14, 1916	1
	- form letter from Commission of Conservation re: information of C.I.L. of Canada	Dec.22, 1915	1
	-Dr. Robertson's notes for an address re: C.I.L		1
	- C.I.L. of Canada - Report to Executive Committee		1
	- Pamphlet - Report of Conference of the: C.I.L. of Canada	1916	1
3-3	Commission of Conservation Sub-series	1910-1921	(80)
	- photographs of school gardens in Que., P.E.I. & ON		8
	- letter to Dr. Robertson from Clifford Lifton	Dec.31, 1909	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from L.H. Newman with enclosure letter to L.H. Newman from J.H. Worst	May 22, 1909	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from W.J. Stephen	Jan.31, 1924	1
	- to W.J. Stephen from Dr. Robertson	Feb.11, 1924	1
	- to H.B. Corvan from Dr. Robertson	Dec.31, 1909	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from H.B. Corvan	Dec.30, 1909	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from H.B. Corvan	Jan.5, 1910	1

3-3 cont'd	- to H.B. Corvan from Dr. Robertson	Dec.31, 1909	1
	- to L.S. Klinck from Dr. Robertson together with Dr. Robertson's rough notes for this letter	Mar.25, 1911	1
	- to Hon. Martin Burrell from D. Marshall	Apr.13, 1912	1
	- to ? from D. Marshall	Aug.28, 1912	1
	- to John Fixter from J.H. Grisdale	July 31, 1912	1
	- to Mr. Dexter from F.J. Wilkinson	July 28, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Clarence W. Gage	July 31, 1912	1
	- to Mr. Clarence W. Gage from Dr. Robertson	Aug.6, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from F.R. Cromwell	July 25, 1912	1
	- to Mr. Cromwell from Dr. Robertson	July 29, 1912	1
	- to L.S. Klinck from Dr. Robertson	Dec.2, 1911	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from L.S. Klinck	Nov.27, 1911	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from F.C. Harrison	Apr.3, 1911	1
	- to F.C. Harrison from Dr. Robertson	Apr.12, 1911	
	- to Dr. Robertson from Theodore W. Dike	Aug.20, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from E.D. Sworder	Aug.21, 1912	1
	- to E.D. Sworder from Dr. Robertson	Aug.28, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from H.H. Augusta	Aug.23, 1912	1
	- to H.H. Augusta from Dr. Robertson	Aug.31, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Samuel G. Haryett	Aug.26, 1912	1
	- to Samuel G. Haryett from Dr. Robertson	Sept.3, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from M.J. Patton with enclosure (letter to ? from M. McCormack)	Aug.30, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from J. Howell Evans	Aug.29, 1912	1
	- to J. Howell Evans from Dr. Robertson	Sept.7, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from G.P. Wastle	Sept.2, 1912	1
	- to G.P. Wastle from Dr. Robertson	Sept.6, 1912	1
	- to Clifford Sifton from Dr. Robertson	Sept.7, 1912	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from M. Burrell	Oct.29, 1912	1
	- to (Dr. Robertson?) from J. Harrison (newspaper clipping attached)	Nov.28, 1912	1
	- to John Fixter from Will C. Barrie	Nov.20, 1913	1
	- to Mr. Nunnick from Adam Brown	Dec.26, 1913	1
	- to (?) from Fred Vautour	Dec.29, 1913	1
	- to Mr. F.C. Nunnick from Albert Schurman	Dec.29, 1913	1
	- to Mr. F.C. Nunnick from C.H. Keith	Dec.30, 1913	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from J.G. Taylor	May 8, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from T. Heall	May 8, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from J.G. Taylor	1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from George R. Barrie	Apr.8, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from " "	Apr. 8 1916	1
	- to Geo. R. Barrie from Dr. Robertson	May 2, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Adam Brown	May 16, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Fred Vautour	May 8, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from " "	May 8, 1916	1

	- to Dr. Robertson from H.M. Lattrie	May 7, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Vernon B. Leonard	May 15, 1916	2
	- to Dr. Robertson from W.T. Hauds (spelling?)	May 3, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from R.E. Husk	May 4, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from W.T. Hauds (spelling?)	May 3, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Whitteker Bros.	May 4, 1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Albert Schurman	1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from Adelaide Boile	1916	1
	- to Dr. Robertson From Chester H. Keith	Apr.6, 1916	1
	- to H.L. French from Dr. Robertson with enclosure memo of pages in reports re:		
	Illustration Farms	Feb.12, 1917	1
	-to H.L. French from Dr. Robertson	Mar.20, 1917	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from H.L. French	Mar.2, 1917	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from " "	Jan. 24, 1917	1
	- to the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Wpg. from Dr. Robertson	Feb.12, 1917	1
	- to Mr. Oliver Master from Dr. Robertson	Feb.12, 1917	1
	- to the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Edmonton from Dr. Robertson	Feb.12, 1917	1
	- to the Right Hon. Earl Grey from Dr. Robertson	Feb.16, 1917	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from W.E. Foster	July 26, 1920	1
	- to W.E. Foster from Dr. Robertson	July 24, 1920	1
	- to Dr. A.A. Curtin from Dr. Robertson	Sept.2, 1921	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from A.A. Curtin	June 22, 1921	1
	- to F.C. Nunnick from H.B. Fetterly	Oct.31, 1921	1
	- to Dr. Robertson from F.C. Nunnick	Nov.10, 1921	1
3-4	Commission of Conservation Committee on Lands, Illustration Farms (notes, clippings, reports)	1912-1919	(101)
	- address to the 5 <sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Commission of Conservation	1914	1
	- magazine clippings re: Illustration and Demonstration Stations	1912?	
	- magazine clippings from "the Farmers Advocate"	Jan.4, 1912	1
	- 3 sets of notes for addresses by Dr. Robertson re. Commission of Conservation		3
	- magazine clipping "Illustration Plots of Alfalfa in Quebec"		1
	-copy of agreement between Experimental Farms Branch & Farmer		1
	- notes for an address by Dr. Robertson	June 1912	1
	- copy of questionnaire for farmers		1
	- memo for Dr. Robertson re. some phases of the illustration work being conducted in Dundas County by the Commission of Conservation	1919	1
	- Report re.illustration Farms, Schools and		1

	Rural homes		1
3-5	Reports	1910-1917	54
	Photographs		14
3-5a	Pamphlets and reports on illustration stations	1909-1947	21
	Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying Sub-series	1890-1942	(39)
3-6	Commission of Agriculture and Dairying (Correspondence, addressees, bulletins) - correspondence to Right Hon. Lord Strathcona from Robertson. Has 9 enclosures consisting of memoranda and statements.	1890-1927	15
3-7	- misc. pamphlets on dairying and agriculture	1896-1942	24
	Dominion Educational Association Sub-series	1892-1917	(104)
3-8	- copies of legal materials, programmes of annual meetings, notes	1892-1917	8
3-9	- correspondence re. proposed scheme of federal-provincial cooperation in Industrial Education. Copy of Vocational Education Bill, copy of Industrial and Technical Instruction and Training Act	1917	83
3-10	Dominion Development Policy	1909-1912	13
3-11	Growing Competitions Sub-series - correspondence, scorecards, leaflets, bulletins, addresses	1906-1912	16
	Macdonald Sub-series	1902-1912	
4-1	The Macdonald Movement - correspondence, 1902-4		
4-2	- manual training fund - reports and financial statements		
4-3	- rural schools fund - reports and financial statements		
4-4	- clippings and pamphlets		
4-5	Macdonald College - correspondence, 1909-12		
4-6	- pamphlets and clippings re the creation of Macdonald College		
4-7	- business documents and financial statements		

- Incorporation of Macdonald College into McGill University  
 - correspondence, 1905-8  
 4-8 - Protestant Committee reports re the transfer of McGill  
 Normal School to Macdonald College  
 On retirement from Macdonald College  
 - correspondence, 1909-10  
 4-9 - financial reports  
 4-10 - memorabilia

#### Subject Files Sub-series

- 4-11 Mammoth Cheese  
 4-12 Montessori Method - notes and clippings  
 4-13 Poultry fattening - pamphlets and records  
 4-14 Proportional Representation Society of Canada  
       - correspondence, 1916-17  
 4-15 Roll of Honour  
 4-16 Select Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization  
 4-17 Senate Special Committee on Agricultural, Industrial and  
       Trade Development  
 4-18 Victorian Order of Nurses  
 4-19 Macdonald Consolidated School Record Book  
       Hillsboro, P.E.I. ca. 1905-1908

#### Royal Commissions Sub-series 1910-1923

- 5-1 Royal Commission of inquiry into Sydney  
       labour unrest, 1923  
       - correspondence, reports, notes  
 5-2 - pamphlets  
 5-3 Royal Commission on Industrial Training and Technical Education  
       - correspondence, 1910-16  
 5-4 - documents and itineraries  
 5-5 - notes, reports and statistics  
 5-6 - submissions and notes on Ontario  
 5-7 - notes and report on tour of Germany  
 5-8 - notes on England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and United States  
 5-9 - educational finance in Europe  
 5-10 - general notes  
 6-(1-2) - newspaper clippings  
 6-3 - pamphlets and miscellaneous material on industrial training and  
       technical education. Pamphlets on technical education in Germany

## WORLD WAR ONE SERIES

- 7-1            Agricultural Relief of the Allies Committee
  - correspondence, 1916-18
- 7-2            - clippings
- 7-3            - photographs and press releases
- 7-4            - minutes of meetings
- 7-5            - miscellaneous
- 7-6            Canadian Red Cross Society
  - correspondence, 1915-30
- 7-8            - addresses, lecture notes and photographs
- 7-9            - notes
- 7-10          - reports and miscellaneous
- 7-11          - Canadian Peace Conference Mission
- 7-12          - League of Nations Society in Canada
- 7-13          - Military Hospitals Commission
- 7-14          - Newspaper clippings
- 7-15          - Miscellaneous

## UNSORTED MATERIAL SERIES

- 8-1            Unsorted material
  - clippings
- 8-(2-3)       - misc. papers on education and agriculture
- 8-4            - pamphlets
- 9-             Speech material
  - addresses (some unpublished)
  - rough lecture notes
- 10-           - Photographs, snapshots and glass slides
- 11-           Memorabilia
  - appointment books
  - diaries
  - postcard albums
  - awards, honorary degrees
  - dinner invitations, replies

**James Wilson Robertson  
(addendum)**

An inventory of his fonds

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## FILE LIST

The following items are oversize, and are located in Map Cabinet 19, Drawer 13:

### Maps:

1. Reference Map of Minto / Wellington Co. Atlas. – 50 chains=1 inch. – 1877.
2. Reference map of Sunnidale Township, N. Orillia Township, Vespra Township / Illustrated Historical Atlas of the Dominion of Canada, Supplement only, H. Belden & Co. – 100 chains per inch. – 1881.
3. Reference Map of Arthur / Wellington Co. Atlas. – 50 chains=1 inch. – 1877.
4. Reference map of Nottawasaga Township / Illustrated Historical Atlas of the Dominion of Canada, Supplement only, H. Belden & Co. – 100 chains per inch. – 1881.

### Certificates and Honours:

5. Diploma from Universitas Dovi Brunshiri.
6. Supreme Council of the 33<sup>rd</sup> and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, notification from the Supreme Council of the Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, announcing acceptance into the Brotherhood. – 1896.
7. Recognition from Senatus Universitatis et Collegii Reginal Regiodunensis. – 1903.
8. Certificate of leaving from the Builders' Lodge, A.F. & A.M., N.177, G.R.C. – 1905.
9. Certificate of lifelong membership to the Ottawa Lodge of Perfection. – 1906.
10. Honourary Doctoral Degree from McGill University. – 1909.
11. Honourary Degree from Universitas Episcopi Collegii de Lennoxville Canadensis. – 1909.
12. Diploma from Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. – 1909.
13. Recognition from Agricultural Relief of Allies Committee, for services to the fund for the relief of the devastated districts of France, Belgium, Serbia, and Roumania (plus a letter introducing this diploma). – 1915-1921.
14. Medaille commemorative du Comite National, Royaume de Belgique. – 1918.

15. Certificate of appreciation from the Canadian Tuberculosis Association. – 1928.
16. Agricultural Merit Competition opened to the Farmers of the Province of Quebec, Distinguished Merit. – 1928.

Other oversize items:

17. Poster of “Canada’s Tribute, The Great War 1914-1919” / oil painting by E.M.B. Warren, A.R.B.A.
18. Key to above poster/painting, including regimental colours.
19. Photograph (with incomplete key) of Members of Central Council of Canadian Red Cross Society and other Red Cross Workers from all the provinces of the Dominion at Toronto, March 24, 1925. / Photography by [Panoramic Camera] No R1170, Toronto.
20. Souvenir of the New Mace for the House of Commons on the Dominion of Canada. – 1916.