

**Donald C. Clark Fonds**

Original, 162 cm of textual records, c. 1867 and 1925-1978

**Scope and Content:** The Donald C. Clark fonds, arranged primarily by record type into 11 series, include minute books, correspondence, maps, certificates, and financial papers spanning the years 1925 to 1978. The contents relate primarily to Donald C. Clark's business interests, and those of his father, Donald A. Clark.

**B 37/1/1-5:** Minute Books, 17cm, 1925-1970 (original).

5 minute books containing minutes of meetings, lists of directors and shareholders, and by-laws of various companies that D.A. Clark and/ or D.C. Clark owned shares in. Organized in a somewhat chronological order by earliest dated entry in each book. Books are in generally good condition, bindings intact.

- 1) Pigeon Timber Company Limited, later Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Ltd. (name change 1947), 1925-1950.
- 2) Black River Timber Company Limited, 1936-1970.
- 3) Nipigon Lake Timber Company Limited, 1936-1970.
- 4) Central Canada Forest Products, 1940-1947 and 1960-1970.
- 5) Purdon Developments Limited, 1953-1970.

**B 37/2/1-28:** Financial Statements, 10cm, 1955-1977 (original)

28 financial statements and audit reports from 4 companies that Donald C. Clark was a shareholder in, spanning the years 1955 to 1977. Organized chronologically by earliest date, but grouped by company as well. All are in good condition.

- 1-14) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, 1955-1968.
- 15-16) Dynasty Corporation Limited, 1968 and 1971.
- 17-25) Nipigon Lake Timber Company, 1968, 1970-1977.
- 26-28) Quebec Transmission Lines Construction Co. Ltd., 1973-1974, 1976.

**B 37/3/1-27:** Income Tax Papers, 29cm, 1934-1978 (original)

27 files of tax papers, forms, and related correspondence pertaining to Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Nipigon Lake Timber and Contracting Limited, Donald A. Clark, and Donald C. Clark. File contents have remained unchanged, though unlabelled files have been labelled. Organized chronologically by earliest date contained in file, but also grouped by organization/ individual. In general, contents are in good condition.

- 1-2) D. A. Clark Income Tax Returns, 1934-1963.
- 3-6) D. C. Clark Income Tax Returns etc., 1950-1970.
- 7-14) Nipigon Lake Timber Company Limited, 1950-1976.
- 15-27) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, 1945-1978.

**B 37/4/1-75:** Maps, 25cm, 1947-1974 (original)

75 maps of different areas of the Province of Ontario, including mining maps, timber limit maps, timber type maps, geological maps, plans, and a few topographic and contour maps. The series is organized alphabetically by title/

area for the most part; order has not been changed. Dates indicated refer to date of map publication (if known). Condition of maps varies significantly, though all are creased and folded.

- 1-6) "A", 1954-1969. (mining, timber limit, and index maps)
- 7-15) "B", 1952-1973. (geological, mining, and timber limit maps)
- 16-17) "C", 1963. (mining)
- 18-19) "D", 1965 and 1973. (mining and timber limit)
- 20) "E", 1961. (mining)
- 21-24) "F", 1965. (mining)
- 25-28) "G", 1960-1971. (timber and mining)
- 29-31) "H", 1962-1974. (mining)
- 32) "I", 1972. (mining)
- 33) "J", no date. (mining)
- 34-35) "K", 1965 and 1973. (mining)
- 36-37) "L", 1963. (mining)
- 38-41) "M", 1964-1965. (geological and mining)
- 42) "Mc", 1962. (mining)
- 43-45) "N", 1964-1971. (plans, timber type, and mining)
- 46-47) "O", 1964. (timber type and mining)
- 48-50) "P", 1958-1964. (topographic, timber limit, and mining)
- 51) "Q", 1964. (mining)
- 52) "R", 1964. (mining)
- 53-67) "S", 1947-1965. (geological, timber type, timber limit, and mining)
- 68-72) "T", 1957-1973. (contour, geological, and mining)
- 73-74) "W", 1962 and 1964. (mining)
- 75) "Z", 1965. (zoning plan)

**B 37/5/1-25:** Maps, 10cm, 1935-1975 (original)

25 maps of various areas, mostly in Ontario, but also in the United States and Quebec. Most are road maps and/ or topographic maps, as well as a few geological, mining, and contour maps. Organized alphabetically by title/ area; order has not been changed. Dates indicated refer to date of map publication. Condition of maps varies significantly, though all are creased and folded.

- 1-2) "A", 1947-1969. (road and geological maps)
- 3-4) "C", 1962 and 1971. (road)
- 5-6) "D", 1965 and 1971. ( geological and road/ topographic)
- 7) "E", 1969. (geological)
- 8-10) "H", 1954-1968. (contour and topographic)
- 11) "I", 1938 and 1970. (road)
- 12-13) "K", 1939-1967. (geological, topographic/ road, and road)
- 14-17) "L", 1935-1969. (road, topographic, contour, and geological)
- 18) "O", 1963. (road)
- 19) "P", 1970. (road/ topographic)
- 20) "Q", 1964. (road/ topographic)
- 21) "R", 1967. (geological)
- 22-24) "S", 1936-1939. (topographic and geological)

25) "T", 1947. (road/ topographic)

**B 37/ 6/ 1-57:** Maps, 19cm, 1938-1973 (original)

57 geological or topographic maps of areas in the Province of Ontario spanning the years 1938 to 1973.. Organized alphabetically by title/ area; order is unchanged. Dates indicated refer to date of map publication (if known). Maps are in varying conditions, but all are creased and folded.

1-2) "A", 1960-1961.

3-6) "B", 1960-1963.

7-8) "C", 1961 and 1973.

9-10) "D", 1960-1961.

11) "E", 1962.

12) "F", 1961.

13-15) "G", 1960-1961.

16-18) "H", 1960-1961.

19) "I", 1938.

20-23) "K", 1960-1962.

24-26) "L", 1960.

27-31) "M", 1960-1963.

32) "Mc", 1960.

33) "N", 1960.

34-35) "O", 1960.

36-40) "P", 1960-1962.

41) "R", 1961.

42-50) "S", 1960-1961.

51) "T", 1961.

52) "U", 1961.

53-57) "W", 1960-1963.

**B 37/7/1-7:** Mining papers, 7cm, 1951-1965 (original).

7 files of miscellaneous mining papers, collected by Donald C. Clark, relating to different mining interests across Ontario between 1951 and 1965. Contents include Department of Mines Certificates of Assay, receipts, sketch maps, publications of the Ontario Department of Mines such as The Mining Act, and a small amount of related correspondence addressed to Donald C. Clark and others. File contents and labels have remained unchanged, and they are organized chronologically by earliest date.

1) Jackpine (1951-1965).

2) Maps, Miscellaneous (1956-1959).

3) unlabelled (1962-1963).

4) unlabelled (1963).

5) unlabelled (1964).

6) unlabelled (1964).

7) J. Myslicki Re. Muskrat Lake Dam (1964).

**B 37/ 8/1-8:** Business agreement records, 8cm, 1958-1978 (original).

8 files of various papers relating to business agreements between Donald C. Clark and other individuals and businesses between 1958-1978. Contents include

signed agreements, correspondence, and receipts. File labels and contents are unchanged. Organized chronologically by earliest date.

- 1) Department of Lands and Forests Licence of Occupation NO 4494 (1958-1968).
- 2) La CIE de Construction des Lignes Transmission du Quebec LTEE Agreement etc. (1968-1972).
- 3) R.J. Ball Mortgage - Renewal etc. (1968-1972).
- 4) Agreement re Mining Claims between Donald C. Clark, Cyrill Pettit and Ralph Halverson (1972, 1974).
- 5) Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada Deferred Profit Sharing Plan (1973-1978).
- 6) Agreement between Deep Diving Enterprises Limited, Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, and Nipigon Lake Timber and Contracting Ltd. (1974).
- 7) Agreement between Donald C. Clark, Harry Kamo, and Ralph Halverson (1974).
- 8) Agreement between Nipigon Marina Limited and Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited (1975).

**B 37/9/1-4:** Miscellaneous, 8cm, c. 1867 and 1925-1975 (original).

4 files of miscellaneous books, certificates, and reports dating from 1925 to 1975, and one book from c. 1867 (pre- Confederation). Organized chronologically by earliest date in file contents.

- 1) Book on British History - missing introduction, publishing information, and most of chapter one (pages 1-20). (c. 1867.)
- 2) Certificates - from the Province of Ontario Provincial Secretary and various companies. Stock certificates, certificate of letters patent, and certificates authorizing name changes, certificates authorizing the amalgamation of companies, and certificates for supplementary letters patent. Organized chronologically; contents span the years 1925 to 1975.
- 3) Booklets - 4 booklets on various subjects including *Canada Sports Hall of Fame Souvenir Programme 1956*, *Hockey at the Lakehead* (c. 1951), *Japan Today* (c.1960), and *Africa: The Awakening Giant* (c. 1960).
- 4) Reports - 2 copies of Report on Kamo Group, Little Long Lac - Sturgeon River Area, Port Arthur Mining Division (c. 1963).

**B 37/10/1-16:** Financial Papers, 8cm, 1969-1977 (original).

16 files of green copies of purchase orders, and copies of charts of accounts for Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Company Ltd. Contents date from 1969 to 1977, excluding 1970. Some years are duplicated because of additional and different information include in certain files. Organized chronologically.

- 1) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1969.
- 2) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1971.
- 3) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1971.
- 4) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1972.
- 5) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1972.
- 6) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1972.
- 7) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts Clerk's Copy

1972.

- 8) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1973.
- 9) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1974.
- 10) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1974.
- 11) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1974.
- 12) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1974.
- 13) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1975.
- 14) Green Copies of Purchase Orders 1976.
- 15) Green Copies of Purchase Orders 1977.
- 16) Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, Chart of Accounts 1977.

**B 37/11/1-38:** Correspondence, 21cm, 1960-1977 (original).

38 files of mostly correspondence, but also some receipts and catalogues, relating to Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited between 1960 and 1977. Organized alphabetically, but also chronologically if dates are given.

- 1) "Mc", 1976.
- 2-4) "N", 1975-1976.
- 5-8) "O", 1973 and 1976.
- 9-14) "P", 1973-1976.
- 15-16) "Q", 1975.
- 17-19) "R", 1960-1961, 1973, and 1976.
- 20-24) "S", 1975-1976.
- 25-29) "T", 1975-1976.
- 30) "U", 1976.
- 31) "V", 1976.
- 32-37) "W", 1975-1976.
- 38) "X,Y,Z", 1976.

**Biographical Sketch:** Donald C. Clark followed in father Donald A. Clark's footsteps in entering into the lumber business in Northwestern Ontario. D. A. Clark had arrived in the district in the early years of the 20th century, and worked along side his father in the lumber industry. Eventually, he established D.A. Clark and Company, and gained a controlling interest in Nipigon Lake Timber Company. D.C. Clark studied at the University of Toronto, withdrew from the university to serve in World War II, and then resumed his studies in 1945. He graduated with a degree in Forestry in 1947, and joined his father in the family business. Together, D.A. Clark and D.C. Clark bought Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited in 1956, running it as a separate entity from the Nipigon Lake Timber Company Limited. D.A. Clark served as president of both companies until his death in 1964. D.C. Clark took over those positions; he retired in 1980.

Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Limited, formerly known as the Pigeon Timber Company Limited, had been formed in 1925 by E.E. Johnson using much of the assets of the old Pigeon River Timber Company Limited (it ceased to exist in 1919). The Depression Era took a heavy toll on the company, but the beginning of World War II brought an increased American demand for paper and paper products which allowed the company to expand. Johnson consolidated Great Lakes Lumber and Great Lakes Shipping into one entity wholly owned by his Pigeon Timber Co. Ltd. around 1940. He died in 1952; D.A. Clark and D.C. Clark bought the

company from his estate.

**Additional Information:**

*Custodial History:* Donated to the Museum by Catherine C. Clark, wife of Donald C. Clark, in 1997. Organization of the collection has not changed in any significant fashion.

*Related Material:* See TBHMS biography file 'D.A. Clark' for interview with D.C. Clark; information files on Pigeon Timber Company Ltd. and Great Lakes Lumber and Shipping Ltd.; *Timberwolves* by J.B. Bertrand, TBHMS 1997 (uncatalogued); *Thunder Bay from Rivalry to Unity*, eds. Thorold J. Tronrud and A. Ernest Epp, TBHMS 1995 (971.3 TRO 1995).