

Clifford Brown Collection/Port Arthur Duluth & Western Railway

1875-1921, 1931, 1978
94 cm of textual records

Biographical Sketch

Clifford Brown, resident of Thunder Bay had a long-time interest in the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway (P.A.D.& W.). He collected this material with the aim of producing a book on the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway. Mr. Brown died in 1991 without the book having been completed.

Scope and Content

Mostly newspaper photocopies from the late nineteenth century, including an index to the clippings and research files on the subject of the railway. Also includes files on the history of the areas traversed by the railway line. Arranged into three series:

Series A 1/1/1-55 - Newspaper clipping files - 47cm. - 1875-1921 (photocopies).

55 file folders containing entries from the *Thunder Bay Sentinel*, the *Fort William Herald*, the *Fort William Weekly Journal and Thunder Bay Mining News*, the *Weekly Herald*, the *Daily Times-Journal*, the *Port Arthur Daily News* and the *News-Chronicle* covering the period from 1875 to 1921. Arranged chronologically. Annotated. Many copies badly faded. Box 1 -1875-89 (22 files); Box 2 -1889-96 (19 files); Box 3 -1896-1904 (9 files); Box 4 -1905-21 (5 files).

Series A 1/2/1 - Index, 27cm. - 1883-1899

Card index to newspaper files and other files of the collection. Files have been rearranged since index was made so locations listed on cards are inaccurate.

Series A 1/3/1-16 - Research files - 20cm. - 1879-1899, 1931, 1978

16 research files all dealing with some aspect of the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway and associated businesses, districts and persons.

1) Capital and revenue account, 1893-1900 and statistical returns of revenue by P.A.D. & W. to the Department of Transport, 1894.

2) Manuscripts, clippings and articles, 19 entries.

3) Railway data, 4 entries.

4) Legal data on the Pawlson mine, 1893, 2 entries.

5) Dept. of Mines report and sessional papers, 1879.

6) Stanley Bottling Works clippings

7) Statutes regarding local railways, list of railway charters, boundary commission report, 1931.

8) Newspaper specials, transcripts, articles and clippings on numerous topics, 20 entries.

9) Correspondence of Clifford Brown, 16 entries.

10) Biographical notes, 12 entries.

11) Misc. correspondence, notes, manuscripts and interviews.

12) Articles of incorporation of the P.A.D.& W. in the state of Minnesota, 1892 and the names of directors, 1890-1899 along with a resolution, 1890; submission, 1890; letter, 1886 and a petition for a subsidy, 1887.

13) Indexes to *Daily Times-Journal*, *Fort William Journal* *Port Arthur Daily News* and the *Sentinel*.

14) Files of notes, correspondence, seniority lists, maps, clippings, transcripts, manuscripts and details on the C.N.R. and the Atikokan Iron Co.

15) Misc. notes and newspaper transcripts.

16) Proposal for dining lounge and museum at the C.N. Station on Water St., 1978.

Additional Information

Associated Material - See TBHMS 988.72.1-44 for maps and 988.72.45-47 for posters in same accession. Also see "Pee Dee" research file.

Copy/Repository - for A 1/3/12 - see National Archives of Canada RG 46 vol. 1007 and RG 12 vol. 1861.