

**J.T. Horne/George A. Graham fonds**

Original, 39 cm of textual records, 1876-1952

**Scope and Content:**

Six series containing a variety of documents relating to the activities of the two men either together or separately.

**Series A 62/1/1-6** - Real estate records - 13 cm. - 1876-1913, 1941, 1952

Files associated with the land dealings of Thomas Marks, John Jacob, Grace Kennedy, the Fort William City Investment Company, and the Ontario Bank. Many deal with lumbering and mining properties. Arranged chronologically within each file:

- 1) Mortgages
- 2) Land deeds
- 3) Agreements
- 4) Abstracts of title
- 5) Grace Kennedy land sale
- 6) Misc.

**Series A 62/2/1** - Acts - 2 cm. - 1909

Acts of the House of Commons and the Province of Ontario concerning Fort William and Port Arthur. Deal primarily with The Creditor's Relief Bill and the Ontario and Michigan Power Company. Arranged chronologically.

**Series A62/3/1** - Reports - 5 cm. - 1898-1907

Reports of timber stands and the pulp and paper industry in British Columbia. Relates to the Pacific Coast Paper Mills and the possibility of developing power from the Powell River. All relate to properties held by Graham and Horne. Arranged chronologically.

**Series A 62/4/1** - Correspondence - 5 cm. - 1903-1915, 1937

Business correspondence of Graham, Horne Ltd., dealing mostly with land and timber resources. Mostly incoming. Arranged chronologically.

**Series A 62/5/1** - Accounts - 4 cm. - 1903-1908

Accounts of the Fort William City Investment Co., Fairview Estates, and G.A. Graham. Arranged chronologically.

**Series A 62/6/1** - Miscellaneous - 5 cm. - ca.1904-1913

License for Fort William City Investment Co., report on Grand Trunk Pacific Railway agreement of 1905, clippings and letters relating to the Mt. McKay and Kakabeka Falls Railway, and a trial transcript of Fort William Commercial Chambers vs. Braden, Dean and Perry (1913).

**Biographical Sketch:**

John Thomas Horne (1857-1926) and G.A. Graham (1857-1927) were lumbermen with their own firm Graham, Horne & Co. which began operations in the Thunder Bay District in 1883. Their Fort William sawmill, on the Kaministiquia River, was one of the first in the region. Both men held extensive interests in lumbering, mining, and railways. Both were also involved in real estate in Fort William and Port Arthur and elsewhere, especially as part of the Fort William City Investment Company.

**Additional Information:**

*Custodial History* - Originally donated to the Fort Frances Museum by D. Pettit Baig of the Fort Frances Court House. Those relating to Thunder Bay area were forwarded to the Thunder Bay Museum.

*Related Material* - See map cabinet for accompanying maps.