

## H. Sydney Hancock Jr. fonds

1920

6 fol. of textual records

### *Biographical Sketch*

H. Sydney Hancock Jr. was born in Cornwall, England, on 10 July 1879. He was educated in England at Cambridge and became an engineer. He arrived in United States in 1901 and worked on the Illinois Central and Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroads in heavy construction. From 1906 to 1911 Hancock was Waterworks Engineer for the City of Fort William in which capacity he was mainly responsible for the construction of the Loch Lomond water supply system. He also supervised the construction of street rail lines, paving, sidewalks, fire halls and bridges. He worked from 1911 to 1913 as a consulting engineer in Vancouver in partnership with Mr. John Coates before returning to Fort William in 1913 to develop harbour frontage for Viscount Clifden. He enlisted in the Royal Engineers in England in 1915 and served overseas. When released from service in 1919 Hancock returned to Fort William and continued supervising local construction, including submitting the prize winning design for Fort William's war memorial.

### *Scope and Content*

**Series A 21/1/1** - Job application and resume

The application of H. Sydney Hancock Jr. for the position of City Engineer of Vancouver, B.C., March 1920. Includes a resume and a letter of reference. Also includes a letter to F.W. Peters, General Superintendent, C.P.R., Vancouver regarding the application.

### *Additional Information*

*Custodial History* - Formerly catalogued in museum collection, 980.116.10 a-f