

Kamloops Museum and Archives



Stockton Family fonds

1966.020, 1966.187, 1984.051

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Access: Open.

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Textual, Cartographic, Graphic

1903-1971

0.05 meters

Title: Stockton Family fonds

Dates of Creation: 1903-1971

Physical Description: 4 cm of textual records, 10 maps, and 1 b&w photograph

Biographical Sketch:

Elizabeth Stockton (nee Campbell) was born in 1896. She came to Kamloops from Scotland in 1928. In 1936 she qualified as a pharmaceutical chemist, and from 1941-1965 she practised as a pharmacist at Galloway-Ellis Drugs, being the first female practitioner in Kamloops. Stockton married Robert L. Stockton, with whom she had one son (Robert Campbell jr) and two daughters (Betty and Barbara). Elizabeth Stockton died on May 14, 1996 in Kamloops, B.C. at the age of 99.

Robert L. Stockton was born on July 17, 1897 in Eccles, England. After immigrating to Canada and settling in Kamloops, Stockton became involved with the business community, working predominantly in the realms of insurance and marketing. Stockton was elected the chairman of the BC Interior Vegetable Marketing Board, the Wartime Prices and Trades Board, and the Interior Marketing Board. He was married to Elizabeth Campbell, with whom he had one son (Robert Campbell jr) and two daughters (Betty and Barbara). Robert L. Stockton died on October 26, 1959 in Kamloops, B.C. at the age of 62.

James Milne Benzie was born on February 3, 1866 in Fergus, Ontario. Benzie was trained as a tinsmith and plumber, and in his youth plied his trade in Ontario. In 1900 he married Halla Jane Harrington, and shortly thereafter settled in Kamloops, B.C. Here Benzie continued working as a tinsmith and plumber for various enterprises and in 1902 he opened his own hardware store. In 1912 he was appointed the inspector of Dominion Lands, giving him responsibility for overseeing homesteads and grazing applications. Benzie continued to work for the government until his retirement in 1929. After his retirement Benzie began working in real estate, and increased his involvement in civic duties. In 1937 he was appointed Chairman of the Parks Board. Benzie was also very involved in the sporting and Church community in Kamloops, notably the Kamloops Lacrosse Club (where he was President in 1901), the Lawn Bowling Club (President in 1938), and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, and he owned a fishing lodge at Lac Le Jeune. James Milne Benzie died on May 25, 1956 in Kamloops, B.C. at the age of 90.

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Scope and Content:

Fonds consists predominantly of records from the collection of J.M. Benzie, which includes government publications, a train timetable, a cookbook, maps, and a photograph. Other records include a certificate from the Pharmaceutical Association of B.C. issued to Elizabeth Stockton.

Custodial History:

Records were donated to the Kamloops Museum and Archives at various times by Elizabeth Stockton, as follows: accession 1966.020 on February 7, 1966, accession 1966.0187 on September 26, 1966, and accession 1984.051 on July 21, 1984. Records from accession 1966.020.002 are noted to have been found in the home of J.M Benzie (135 Seymour Street). Records were formerly separated and placed in the Vertical Files collection, Map collection, and Photograph collection based on their format. Records were brought together as a distinct collection during reprocessing in 2020.

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Notes:

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of fonds.

Arrangement: Records have been grouped into two series, based on their original owner: Series 1: J.M. Benzie and Series 2: Elizabeth Stockton. Within each series the order that fonds arrived in was maintained by the archivist.

Access restrictions: No restrictions on access. The archivist reserves the right to restrict access to any fragile material for preservation purposes.

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Finding aids: File list is available for this collection.

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

Related material: See Artifact Collection for additional material donated with accession 1966.020.

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Series 1: J.M Benzie

1903-1971 — 4 cm of textual records, 10 maps, and 1 b&w photograph

Scope and Content: Series contains records from the collection of J.M. Benzie. Records include maps, a photograph, government publications, a cookbook, and a timetable for the C.P.R.

Accession	Description	Dates	Box/Folder
1966.020.002.001	Government Publications – File contains government publications including <i>The Canadian</i> (vol. 2, no. 1-4), The Premier Speaks to the People (second, third, fourth, and fifth addresses), House of Commons official report: Speech of Mr. J.A. Fraser on the Budget, Serious Consequences of Municipal Debt, and a Budget Speech by the Hon. John Hart. – 2 cm of textual records	1935-1937	1
1966.020.002.002	Untitled Cookbook – File contains a community cookbook. – 1.5 cm of textual records	[ca. 1900s]	2
1966.020.002.003	Canadian Pacific Railway, British Columbia Division, Time Table 28 – File contains a train time table for the C.P.R., British Columbia Division, no. 28. – 0.25 cm of textual records	1915	3
M-849.1	British Columbia Plan of S.W. ¼ Township 20 Range 17 West of the Sixth Meridian / Department of the Interior, Ottawa; Compiled from official surveys by J. Jane, W.S. Gore, E. Dewdney, J.F. Garden, D.L.S., T. Fawcett, D.T.S., J.E. Ross, D.L.S.	April 17, 1909	Map Collection
M-861	Plan of N.E. Township 22 Range 21 West of the Sixth Meridian / Department of the Interior, Ottawa; Compiled from official surveys by J.E. Ross, D.L.S.	July 31, 1911	Map Collection
M-868	British Columbia Plan of Township 21 Range 17 West of the Sixth Meridian / Department of the Interior, Ottawa; Compiled from official	June 12, 1905	Map Collection

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M-1047	Blue Strip Map No. 8: Kamloops-Salmon Arm-Vernon The Scenic Shuswap Lake Route / Printed in Canada, McBeath-Campbell, Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.	1930	Map Collection
M-1048	Kamloops Lake / Topographical Survey of Canada in co-operation with the Province of British Columbia and the Geological Survey of Canada; Department of the Interior	1928	Map Collection
M-1049	Kamloops / Topographical Survey of Canada, Ottawa; Department of the Interior	1926	Map Collection
M-1050	Merritt, British Columbia / Topographical Survey of Canada in co-operation with the province of British Columbia; Department of the Interior	1930	Map Collection
M-1051	British Columbia, Lytton Sheet / Surveyor General's Office, Ottawa, Canada	March 1, 1971	Map Collection
M-1052	Road Map of the Okanagan, Similkameen and Nicola Valleys British Columbia, Shewing Main Highway Systems and Connections / Compiled and copyrighted by D. McN. Lowe, Penticton, B.C.	[ca. 1900s]	Map Collection
M-1053	1926 Road Map: Okanagan-Cariboo Trail / Published by the Okanagan-Cariboo Trail Association	May 1, 1926	Map Collection
KMA 5863; 1966.187.002	Fish Lake campers in 1903 – Item is a matted photograph of J.M. Benzie, George E. Borthwick, and Harry Todd during a fishing trip to Fish Lake. – 16.8 cm x 11.9 cm – Title based on contents. – See KMA 725 for duplicate photograph.	1903	Edward C.H. Thomas Photograph Collection

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Series 2: Elizabeth Stockton

1936. — 1 textual record

Scope and Content: Series contains the personal records of Elizabeth Stockton, including a certificate from the Pharmaceutical Association of British Columbia.

Accession	Description	Dates	Box/Folder
1984.051	Pharmaceutical Association of the Province of British Columbia certificate for Elizabeth Stockton – File contains a certificate qualifying Elizabeth Stockton as a pharmaceutical chemist, issued by the Pharmaceutical Association of the Province of British Columbia. – 1 textual record	1936	Oversize Collection