



Dalhousie University Archives

Finding Aid - Dockrill Brothers Ltd. fonds (MS-4-216)

Generated by the Archives Catalogue and Online Collections on January 24, 2017

Dalhousie University Archives
6225 University Avenue, 5th Floor, Killam Memorial Library
Halifax
Nova Scotia
Canada
B3H 4R2
Telephone: 902-494-3615
[Email: archives@dal.ca](mailto:archives@dal.ca)
<http://dal.ca/archives>
<http://findingaids.library.dal.ca/dockrill-brothers-ltd-fonds>

Dockrill Brothers Ltd. fonds

Table of contents

Summary information	3
Administrative history / Biographical sketch	3
Scope and content	3
Notes	4
Access points	4
Collection holdings	4
Correspondence of Dockrill Bros. Limited (1928-1952)	4
Operations (1918-1952)	8

Summary information

Repository:	Dalhousie University Archives
Title:	Dockrill Brothers Ltd. fonds
Reference code:	MS-4-216
Date:	1917-1952 (date of creation)
Language:	English
Physical description:	20 cm of textual records [2 boxes]
Note [generalNote]:	Preferred citation: [Identification of item], Dockrill Bros. Ltd. fonds, MS-4-216, Box [box number], Folder [folder number], Dalhousie University Archives and Special Collections, Halifax Nova Scotia, Canada.

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Dockrill Bros. Ltd. was a general furniture repair shop that started in 1917 on Brunswick Street in Halifax Nova Scotia by Arthur B. Dockrill and his partner/brother, Joseph B. Dockrill. The exact date that Dockrill Bros. Ltd. closed down is unknown; however, it is presumed that 1952 was the company's last year of business.

While in business, Dockrill Bros. Ltd. repaired furniture for business clients and individual clients ranging from cabinets, chairs, mirrors, tables, bed frames, to name a few. As well, Dockrill Bros. Ltd. specialized in repairing anachronistic furniture.

Custodial history

The materials in this collection were received in two accessions. Purchase invoices, sales invoices, and correspondence were donated in 1986 by John and Muriel Bigelow followed by another donation in 1987.

Scope and content

The fonds consists primarily of correspondence. Other materials include records of business activity including payroll records, insurance policies, completed work records, financial records, and lists of furniture and household effects.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

There are no access restrictions on these materials. All materials are open for research.

Conditions governing use

Materials do not circulate and must be used in the Archives and Special Collections Reading Room. Materials may be under copyright. Contact departmental staff for guidance on reproduction.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
-

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
 - Business records (subject)
 - Furniture--Canada--History (subject)
 - Insurance (subject)
 - Shipping--Nova Scotia (subject)
 - Halifax (N.S.) (place)
-

Collection holdings

Series: Correspondence of Dockrill Bros. Limited

Title: Correspondence of Dockrill Bros. Limited

Date: 1928-1952 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

The majority of the documents are business correspondence reanging from 1928 to 1952.

Physical description: 9 cm of textual records

Restrictions on access:

Open.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 1 - "A-B"

Title: "A-B"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 1

Date: 1929-1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 56 pages. - 1 postcard.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 2 - "C-D"

Title: "C-D"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 2

Date: 1929-1952 (date of creation)

Physical description: 33 pages. - 1 postcard.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 3 - "E-G"

Title: "E-G"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 3

Date: 1929-1952 (date of creation)

Physical description: 40 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 4 - "H-L"

Title: "H-L"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 4

Date: 1929-1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 40 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 5 - "M"

Title: "M"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 5

Date: 1934-1952 (date of creation)

Physical description: 22 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 6 - "N-P"

Title: "N-P"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 6

Date: 1934-1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 25 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 7 - "R"

Title: "R"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 7

Date: 1930-1951 (date of creation)

Physical description: 20 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 8 - "S"

Title: "S"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 8

Date: 1929-1951 (date of creation)

Physical description: 51 pages. - 1 postcard.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 9 - "T"

Title: "T"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 9

Date: 1931-1947 (date of creation)

Physical description: 4 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 10 - "U"

Title: "U"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 10

Date: 1946-1952 (date of creation)

Physical description: 15 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 11 - "W"

Title: "W"

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 11

Date: 1940-1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 41 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 12 - Business correspondence

Title: Business correspondence

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 12

Date: 1929-1949 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Outgoing with no name

Physical description: 4 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 13 - Personal

Title: Personal

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 13

Date: 1938 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Letter to grandson.

Physical description: 1 page

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 15 - Cylon Gemming Syndicate

Title: Cylon Gemming Syndicate

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 15

Date: 1928 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 page

Series: Operations

Title: Operations

Date: 1918-1952 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains sales receipts, payroll records, financial statements, stock lists and work related operations. The series also contains a Customs, Canada, Export Entry application.

Physical description: 11 cm of textual records

Restrictions on access:

Open.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 14 - Glass insurance Policy

Title: Glass insurance Policy

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 14

Date: 1921-1922 (date of creation)

Physical description: 3 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 16 - Fire insurance

Title: Fire insurance

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 16

Date: 1947 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Contains fire insurance policies from both Continental Insurance and The Prudential Assurance Company.

Physical description: 2 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 17 - Notes of work done

Title: Notes of work done

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 17

Date: 1945-195- (date of creation)

Physical description: 18 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 18 - Bill of lading

Title: Bill of lading

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 18

Date: 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 2 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 19 - Customs, Canada, Export Entry

Title: Customs, Canada, Export Entry

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 19

Date: 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 page

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 20 ; 2-1 - List of furniture and household effects

Title: List of furniture and household effects

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 20 ; 2-1

Date: n.d. (date of creation)

Physical description: 90 pages

Related material:

Legal size documents are located in box-folder 2-1.

File: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 2 - Income tax T-1 forms

Title: Income tax T-1 forms

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 2

Date: 1918-1921 (date of creation)

Physical description: 4 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 21 - Order book

Title: Order book

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 21

Date: n.d. (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 notebook.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 22 - Photographs

Title: Photographs

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 22

Date: n.d. (date of creation)

Physical description: 5 photographs

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 23 - Promisory notes

Title: Promisory notes

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 23

Date: 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 2 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 24 - Sales book

Title: Sales book

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 24

Date: 1946-1948 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 book.

File: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 3 - Stock list

Title: Stock list

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 3

Date: 1945 (date of creation)

Physical description: 4 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 25 - Tram Passes

Title: Tram Passes

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 25

Date: 1947-1952 (date of creation)

Physical description: 33 cards.

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 26 - Trial balances & sale receipts

Title: Trial balances & sale receipts

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 26

Date: 1948 (date of creation)

Physical description: 124 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 27 - Trial balances & sale receipts

Title: Trial balances & sale receipts

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 27

Date: 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 126 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 28 - Trial balances & sale receipts

Title: Trial balances & sale receipts

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 1, Folder 28

Date: 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 146 pages

File: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 4 - Payroll records

Title: Payroll records

Reference code: MS-4-216, Box 2, Folder 4

Date: 1946-1951 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 book.
