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Summary information

Repository:	Dalhousie University Archives
Title:	Freeman F. Tupper fonds
Reference code:	MS-2-201
Date:	1909-[194-?] (date of creation)
Language:	English
Physical description:	15 cm of textual records

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Freeman Tupper was born in Milton, Nova Scotia, c. 1889 to Henry and Teresa Tupper. He married Verta Laura Freeman in 1913. From 1908-1909 he studied engineering at Dalhousie University, working later as a land surveyor in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, where he also served as Justice of the Peace. He had a strong research interest in the history of the Liverpool area and in the broader history of Nova Scotia.

Custodial history

Copies of official deeds, probate records, certificates and documents from the most recent accession were donated by Mrs. Aaron F. Churchill of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, in September 1973. Donors of previous accessions are unknown.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of research notes and materials on the history of Nova Scotia and, more specifically, Liverpool and its prominent families, including family trees and hand-drawn annotated maps. Also included are many manuscripts on a variety of topics relating to Tupper's historical research, ranging from John Cabot and the early explorers to lesser-known local events in the history of Nova Scotia. Also present is a small collection of personal diaries and copies of deeds and legal documents from the Tupper family.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

Files are arranged alphabetically by title.

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.

Accruals

Further accruals are not expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Correspondence (subject)
- Deeds (subject)
- Engineering (subject)
- Manuscripts (subject)
- Personal archives (subject)
- Research notes (subject)
- Dalhousie University--People (subject)
- Liverpool (N.S.) (place)

Collection holdings

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 45 - Certificates and general papers

Title: Certificates and general papers

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 45

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Copies of various official documents from the Tupper family, including land surveyor's certificate and reports, certificates appointments Nathan and Freeman Tupper as Justice of the Peace. Originals date from 1863-1928.

Physical description: 0.5 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 42 - Correspondence: on hockey

Title: Correspondence: on hockey

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 42

Date: 1944 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Draft Letter to the Editor of the Halifax Herald regarding the origins of Hockey and skating in Nova Scotia, and various names the game was once called.

Physical description: 4 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 43 - Photocopies of land deeds

Title: Photocopies of land deeds

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 43

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Copies of deeds of land to the Tupper family, 1783-1912.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 41 - Diaries

Title: Diaries

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 41

Date: 1912-1921 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Includes 4 diary books and personal notebooks, detailing daily activities, the weather, and auto trips throughout Nova Scotia.

Physical description: 3 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 35 - Manuscripts: Barry Riots

Title: Manuscripts: Barry Riots

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 35

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains manuscript regarding Robert Barry, foreman of the Grand Jury in 1812.

Physical description: 13 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 18 - Manuscripts: European discoverers

Title: Manuscripts: European discoverers

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 18

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding the European discoverers such as Columbus who first came to North America.

Physical description: 24 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 23 - Manuscripts: Fort Lomeron and Fort Louis

Title: Manuscripts: Fort Lomeron and Fort Louis

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 23

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

History regarding two forts which were located in Nova Scotia.

Physical description: 33 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 37 - Manuscripts: Freemasonry

Title: Manuscripts: Freemasonry

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 37

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

On the postulated origins of Freemasonry.

Physical description: 20 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 36 - Manuscripts: French and Spanish War

Title: Manuscripts: French and Spanish War

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 36

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains a manuscript regarding war from 1793-1801 and the impact on Nova Scotia and relations with the United States.

Physical description: 4 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 31 - Manuscripts: The Gavin Duel

Title: Manuscripts: The Gavin Duel

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 31

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Account of an 18th Century feud between John Gavin and Joseph Freeman, Liverpool sailors.

Physical description: 8 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 33 - Manuscripts: The Great Bridge

Title: Manuscripts: The Great Bridge

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 33

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding a bridge built in the 18th Century to span the Liverpool river.

Physical description: 7 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 19 - Manuscripts: John Cabot

Title: Manuscripts: John Cabot

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 19

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding John Cabot's discovery of North America.

Physical description: 16 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 26 - Manuscripts: Liverpool Marine History

Title: Manuscripts: Liverpool Marine History

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 26

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

A collection of writing on various topics of Liverpool history, including large amounts of marine history.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 30 - Manuscripts: Miss Ford's Adventures

Title: Manuscripts: Miss Ford's Adventures

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 30

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

A twelve year old girl's encounter with a bear in 1825.

Physical description: 6 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 21 - Manuscripts: On Acadia

Title: Manuscripts: On Acadia

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 21

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Includes thoughts regarding Charles La Tour, when and how he came to Acadia.

Physical description: 8 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 22 - Manuscripts: On Acadie

Title: Manuscripts: On Acadie

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 22

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding the history of Acadie/Acadia, where place names were derived from, and so on.

Physical description: 6 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 20 - Manuscripts: On Hakluyt

Title: Manuscripts: On Hakluyt

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 20

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Includes excerpted text from Richard Hakluyt, regarding the West Indies.

Physical description: 4 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 39 - Manuscripts: On Micmac history

Title: Manuscripts: On Micmac history

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 39

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding the history of the Micmac people near the area of Milton, N.S. Includes discussion on the native origin and meaning of many names used for places, rivers, and lakes within Nova Scotia.

Physical description: 13 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 27 - Manuscripts: On Thomas Cochran

Title: Manuscripts: On Thomas Cochran

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 27

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding 18th Century politics and politicians in Liverpool and the Halifax area.

Physical description: 7 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 32 - Manuscripts: The Phantom Jolly Boat

Title: Manuscripts: The Phantom Jolly Boat

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 32

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

A humorous Liverpool story about George Eaton, a 19th Century naval officer, and events which happened with his fiance, Anne, and a stolen boat.

Physical description: 4 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 25 - Manuscripts: Pilgrim Fathers

Title: Manuscripts: Pilgrim Fathers

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 25

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Regarding New England pilgrim settlers' activity in the fur trade.

Physical description: 17 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 24 - Manuscripts: Port Rossignol Incident

Title: Manuscripts: Port Rossignol Incident

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 24

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Incomplete portion of a manuscript about an incident in 17th Century Nova Scotia, regarding the English and French, and who had claims to the land.

Physical description: 2 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 29 - Manuscripts: Press Gangs

Title: Manuscripts: Press Gangs

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 29

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Historical anecdotes partially about press gang warrants in Halifax, and partially about the unfortunate wedding day of Andrew and Mary Mitchell in 1805, who had rotten eggs and vegetables thrown at them, along with dead cats.

Physical description: 10 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 38 - Manuscripts: Untitled Fragments

Title: Manuscripts: Untitled Fragments

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 38

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Various untitled portions of manuscripts. Similar historical themes.

Physical description: 0.5 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 28 - Manuscripts: The Weygobah Spring

Title: Manuscripts: The Weygobah Spring

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 28

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Anecdotes regarding a freshwater spring in the Liverpool region.

Physical description: 6 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 34 - Manuscripts: Ye Ducking Stool

Title: Manuscripts: Ye Ducking Stool

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 34

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Some historical anecdotes regarding 18th and 19th Century Liverpool, including those regarding the judicial process, and Freemasonry in Liverpool.

Physical description: 24 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 17 - Notes: maps

Title: Notes: maps

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 17

Date: [19--]-[ca. 1943?] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Includes hand-drawn maps of Liverpool annotated with information regarding citizens and buildings. Also includes family trees/history and a drafted letter to Emily K Freeman dated 1943.

Physical description: 3 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 44 - Photocopies of probate records

Title: Photocopies of probate records

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 44

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Copies of probate records from the Tupper Family: Nathan, Henry, Edith. Original date from 1829-1925.

Physical description: 0.5 cm of textual records (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 45 - Research material: Liverpool history

Title: Research material: Liverpool history

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 45

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Leaves removed from a book, includes information about prominent Liverpool families, ownership of boats, events in the year 1860.

Physical description: (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 44 - Research material: minutes of Liverpool township 1760

Title: Research material: minutes of Liverpool township 1760

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 44

Date: [19--] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Typed copy of "Minutes of the Proprietors of Liverpool Township – 1760".

Physical description: 26 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 40 - Research notes

Title: Research notes

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 30, Folder 40

Date: [19--]-[after 1942] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Includes vocabulary/translation notes for words in Welsh, Irish and Micmac, family trees, family histories, and a drawn map of Liverpool.

Physical description: 16 pages (1 folder)

File: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 43 - School notebook

Title: School notebook

Reference code: MS-2-201, SF Box 29, Folder 43

Date: 1909 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

A notebook from when Tupper attended Dalhousie College in 1909. Subject is Chemistry, includes general class notes and hand-drawn diagrams.

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records (1 folder)
