

been placed in the custody of the Dominion Archivist, but they will not become the property of the Government of Canada until 1975.

2. Specific restrictions have been attached to only a few of the numerous collections received by gift or bequest. Sometimes a donor asks that individuals wishing to consult the papers should be referred to him. In a few instances, donors have asked the Dominion Archivist to interview persons wishing to consult the papers, in order to ascertain that they will be used only for legitimate historical research.

Collections described in Manuscript Groups 26 and 27 to which specific conditions of access are attached are the following:—

Ian Mackenzie Papers

Open only to Col. C. P. Stacey until 1975.

Dandurand Memoirs

May be consulted with the permission of the donor, but no quotations may be made from the manuscript.

Sir Lomer Gouin Papers

Proposed quotations from the diaries must be submitted to the Dominion Archivist.

Paul Gouin Papers

Closed, until an agreement governing access is concluded with the donor.

R. J. Manion Papers

May be consulted with the permission of the Dominion Archivist.

J. J. Morrison Papers

May be consulted only with the permission of C. A. or Robert Morrison.

Mackenzie King Papers

Access is controlled by Mr. King's Literary Executors.

Ralston Papers

May be consulted only with the permission of Mrs. Stuart B. Ralston.

3. Individual letters of public men, and some groups of papers, are purchased frequently and added to the collections. Such purchases have been made over a long period, as the Archives has been in existence for over 80 years, and in some instances surviving financial records are not sufficiently detailed to make it possible to trace every transaction.

Almost all the larger collections of papers of public men have been presented to the Archives. So far as the

Dominion Archivist is aware, the only papers for which a sum exceeding \$500 was paid were the papers of Sir John Macdonald. For these the Baroness Macdonald received \$5,000.

A valuable historical library, a collection of historical pictures and some manuscripts gathered by Sir Arthur Doughty were purchased by the Archives from Lady Doughty for the sum of \$5,000. The manuscripts included a series of letters from Sir John Macdonald to the Marquis of Lorne. As no detailed valuation of the collection is available, it is not possible to state how much of the purchase price was represented by the Macdonald letters.

4. Archivists must perform a number of different duties, and the time that can be devoted to cataloguing may vary greatly, depending upon what other work must be done. No record is kept of these interruptions, and it is therefore impossible to give an accurate estimate of the cost of cataloguing any specific set of papers.

5. All collections described in Manuscript Groups 26 and 27 have been catalogued to a degree sufficient to make it possible to consult them quickly. However, in several instances it is recognized that more detailed cataloguing and indexing is desirable, and this is being undertaken as time and staff permit. For example, a document-by-document finding aid has been prepared for the Laurier Papers, and work on similar catalogues of the Macdonald and Borden Papers is in progress.

6. See (5) above.

7. See (2) above.

8. See (9) below.

9. Two general rules govern the availability of the papers included in Manuscript Groups 26 and 27: (1) Papers less than 25 years old are not made available without the specific consent of the donor, if the papers were presented to the Archives, or of the Dominion Archivist, if any doubt should arise regarding the purpose of the research to be undertaken or the credentials of the person wishing to use the papers; (2) research workers are required to sign an undertaking that they will not quote or publish letters or other documents by living persons without their knowledge and consent.

These rules were made by the Dominion Archivist, with the approval of successive Ministers.