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Summary information

Repository:	Trent University Archives
Title:	Flavelles Limited fonds
Reference code:	92-003
Date:	1889-1980 (creation)
Physical description:	61 cm of textual records

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Flavelles originated in 1860 with the partnership between J.R. Dundas and Mr. Claxton. They operated a general store on Kent Street in Lindsay, Canada West. In 1872 J.D. Flavelle, a nephew of J.R. Dundas, became a partner when Mr. Claxton retired. In 1877 W. Flavelle joined the business and the business became Dundas & Flavelle Brothers. The company expanded under the Flavelle brothers into the grain market. They acquired the controlling interest in the flour mill near Lindsay Street and called it the Flavelle Milling Company until it sold out to the Canadian Cereal Company in 1912. Around the same time a growing produce business handling eggs, butter, cheese and poultry was developed. A warehouse on King Street was built to store products and eventually branch plants in Port Perry, Belleville, Alliston, Chatham and London were established. Later on a coal and builders' supply department was added to the Lindsay business. The merchandise used in the store was purchased from England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. The first export business in eggs, butter, cheese and poultry occurred in 1888 when W. Flavelle, who was a regular member on the British Isles business trips, decided that it was a good idea to ship produce and use the proceeds on future merchandise purchases. In 1895 J.R. Dundas died and his stock was purchased by other partners. In 1900 a provincial charter was obtained under the name of Dundas and Flavelles Ltd. and by 1904, with another charter, the name was changed to Flavelles Ltd. The Victoria Creamery was purchased in 1912. In 1916 the cold storage warehouse on King Street burnt to the ground while it was full of produce. Only the power house, which was in a separate brick building, was saved. A new brick warehouse, which was a cold storage and creamery, was built on the corner of Kent and Victoria Streets in 1917. After 1918 a separate charter in the name of the Lindsay Creamery Limited was obtained and the Flavelle family, who were the controlling shareholders of the business, operated the creamery for a number of years. In 1925 the business was merged with other department stores throughout Ontario and became known as Canadian Department Stores and eventually these stores were taken over by the T. Eaton Company. Flavelles had associations with Hall's Limited of Lindsay and H. R. Scott Limited of Peterborough. (Taken from: Flavelles Limited fonds. 92-003-1.) For photographs of the Sadler, Dundas & Flavelle's Flour Mill, Dundas & Flavelle Bro's store and the Dundas and Flavelle Bro's Egg House see accession 92-010 (Dorothy Choate Herriman fonds) Box 5, Folder 15.

Custodial history

This fonds was created by Flavelles Limited and in the custody of John Flavelle, before it was donated, via the Friends of the Bata Library, to the Trent University Archives.

Scope and content

This fonds consists primarily of business records of Flavelles Limited. It includes the charter, by-laws and minutes, ledgers, account books, audited statements, stock books and journals. There are also brief historical accounts of the family and the enterprises.

Notes

Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on the creator of the fonds.

Immediate source of acquisition

This fonds was donated by John Flavelle via the Friends of the Bata Library.

Restrictions on access

None

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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Access points

- Textual records (documentary form)
 - Business and Industry (subject)
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Series descriptions

Series 1: History of Flavelles Ltd

Date: 1939 (creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Access points:

- Textual records (documentary form)

<u>Publication status:</u> Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
92-003/001(01)	File - History of the business, written in 1939	1939	1 folder of textual records
Series 2: Charters, by-laws and minutes			
<u>Date:</u> 1892-1943 (creation)			
<u>Physical description:</u> 3 volumes of textual records 3 folders of textual records			
<u>Access points:</u>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Textual records (documentary form) 			
<u>Publication status:</u> Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
92-003/001(02)	File - Minutes book of Sadler, Dundas and Flavelle Milling Company Ltd. with copy of charter, by-laws, etc. (1892-1899) and Flavelle milling company Ltd. (1899-1911)	1892-1911	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(03)	File - By-laws and a Letter from Leslie M. Frost		1 folder of textual records
92-003/001(04)	File - Petition for charter and letters patent		1 folder of textual records
92-003/001(05)	File - Record book with copy of company charter, by-laws, and list of Directors, shareholders preferred and common	1904-1940	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(06)	File - Book of Minutes of meetings of Flavelles Limited	1904-1943	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(07)	File - Surrender of letters patent of H.R. Scott		1 folder of textual records
Series 3: Financial records			
<u>Date:</u> 1889-1949 (creation)			
<u>Physical description:</u> 9 volumes of textual records 1 folder of textual records			
<u>Access points:</u>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Textual records (documentary form) 			
<u>Publication status:</u>			

Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
92-003/001(08)	File - Miscellaneous financial papers	1941-1943	1 folder of textual records
92-003/001(09)	File - John D. Flavelle account book	1914-1925	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(10)	File - Household expenses	1932-1942	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(11)	File - Audited Statement by J.R. McNeillie of the Sadler Dundas and Flavelle Milling Company Ltd (1893-1899) and of the Flavelle Milling Co. Ltd. (1899-1910)	1893-1910	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(12)	File - Flavelles Limited storage book	1912-1932	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(13)	File - Flavelles Limited private journal	1905-1943	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(14)	File - Flavelles Limited general ledger	1921-1943	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(15)	File - Flavelles Limited cash book receipts and disbursements, (supplies and expenses journal)	1943-1949	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(16)	File - Flavelles Limited general journal	1932-1943	1 volume of textual records
92-003/001(17)	File - Flavelles Limited private ledger	1906-1943	1 volume of textual records