Sir Wilfrid Laurier Collection

Extent: 18 cm of textual records
9 photographs: b&w
2 audio cassettes

Date: 1878-1999, predominant 1889-1900

1 Correspondence

1.1 Date: January 3, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Sending information requested.

1.2 Date: November 14, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Agrees to publication of speeches, provided he can edit manuscripts before publication.

1.3 Date: December 6, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Questions a quote used in a speech, and asks that the source be checked.

1.4 Date: December 9, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Asks that a speech delivered in House of Commons 1874 be deleted; asks that Barthe send plans for introducing speeches.

1.5 Date: December 16, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Has been ill with bronchitis, sending manuscript of speech at Frechette banquet.

1.6 Date: December 19, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Recovering slowly from illness; criticizes reviews as too detailed for English readers.

1.7 Date: December 26, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Too sick to work seriously; warns Mr. Barthe to use only the simplest portrait in volume.

1.8 Date: December 27, 1889
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Made changes in speech on expulsion of Riel in 1874 because it was poorly written; makes suggestions for introductory note.

1.9 Date: January 3, 1890
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Recovered; disappointed in translations of his speeches in text; must be "minutely reviewed."

1.10 Date: January 4, 1890
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Stenographers from Hansard incorrect; must try to redo speeches from memory. 1877- more interested in his profession than politics

1.11 Date: January 7, 1890
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
More complaints about stenographers - "Protect me from translation."

1.12 Date: January 8, 1890
To: Ulric Barthe
From: Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed
Don't publish two speeches previously mailed - sending three more; be careful of translation.
1.13  Date: January 11, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Has not received promised manuscripts; advises Barthe to simply admit mistake made by Laurier regarding the author of quote.

1.14  Date: January 13, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Book will be larger than expected; advises Barthe to "prune the inferior productions"; complains again about the translation of his speeches, specifically of April 1885.

1.15  Date: January 14, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Leaves checking of some speeches to Mr. Barthe; some are OK, others are not; advises Barthe to print translation at the head of each speech delivered in English.

1.16  Date: January 29, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed; English  
Speech of November, 1885 "... so outrageously reported... you had better give it up."

1.17  Date: March 3, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Portrait well done; sends Barthe the works of Carrel as a reference book (to be returned); will revise and send a speech made in Toronto, 1889. "You persist in publishing an English edition; I think you are wrong."

1.18  Date: March 3, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
If possible, delete "laudatory" introduction from book. "It is always dangerous to judge a contemporary."

1.19  Date: March 18, 1890
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  

Toronto speech needs corrections.

1.20 Date: April 18, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Introduction still too indulgent; Barthe seems confident of financial success, but Laurier is still worried; sends a cheque to buy four copies of book.

1.21 Date: August 6, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Introduction to English version of book should be "more sparing of praise... I believe that will go over better with the English population"; more translating problems - omit "applause" from English book and stick with text; asks for a copy of the English edition.

1.22 Date: August 11, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Will not promise to reread speeches; expects to be very busy; endorses note.

1.23 Date: September 18, 1890  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Instruction on how to assure rights of authorship.

1.24 Date: January 14, 1891  
To: Ulric Barthe  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed  
Regrets that he cannot "advertise" himself by asking friends in politics to buy the book.

1.25 Date: September 18, 1916  
To: Mrs. David McLean, London, Ont.  
From: Laurier  
Format: Handwritten and signed, English
Acceptance of Mrs. McLean's invitation during his visit to London, Ontario.

1.26 Date : May 26, 1915
To : Mr. John Russell, New York City
From : Laurier
Format : Typed and signed, English
Letter regarding the painting of a portrait of Wilfrid Laurier.

1.27 Date : October 29, 1908
To : L.J. Breithaupt, Berlin, Ont.
From : Laurier
Format : Typed and signed, English. Photocopy.
Laurier congratulating Breithaupt on the Liberal victory in North Waterloo.

1.28 Date : September 17, 1913
To : Editor of News Record, Fergus, Ont.
From : Laurier
Format : Typed and signed, English
Laurier to the editor of "News Record" regarding the Canadian Liberal Monthly "to receive approval and commendation."

1.29 Date : November 3, 1892
To : F.R. Latchford, Esq., Ottawa
From : Laurier
Format : Typed and signed, English
Regretting that he will be unable to give Abraham Lincoln lecture to St. Patrick Asylum of Ottawa.

1.30 Date : May 26, 1878
To : Laurier
From : Mr. Fitzpatrick
Format : Handwritten and signed, English
Supervisorship at Quebec - in favour of Mr. Edward Roche.

1.31 Date : November 8, 1900
To : Ulric Barthe
From : Lavergne
Format : Handwritten and signed

1.33 Translation of 1.1 - 1.24, from French to English. Typed and handwritten.

1.33 Photocopies of letters, including English translations.

1.34 Date : December 19, 1916
To: Ms. A. Sanderson, Waterford, Ont.
From: Wilfrid Laurier
Format: Handwritten and signed, English.
Includes stamped envelope and transcript.

1.35 Date: Oct. 15, 189
To: Wilfrid Race, Watford
From: Wilfrid Laurier
Format: Typed, signed, English
Includes stamped envelope. Mounted for display
Accession no: 2011-11
Loc: S715 F20.1

1.36 Date: Oct. 28, 1917
To: Wilfrid Laurier
From: R. Urquhart
Format: Typed, signed, English
Accession no: 13-013

1.37 Date: Oct. 29, 1917
To: R. Urquhart
From: Wilfrid Laurier
Format: Typed, signed, English
Response to letter from R. Urquhart (1.36)
Accession no.: 13-013

2 Articles, publications, lectures, newspaper clippings
2.1 Newspaper clippings regarding the acquisition of letters numbers 1.1 - 1.24, purchased by WLU in 1973
2.2 Newspaper clippings regarding Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the name change of Waterloo Lutheran University to Wilfrid Laurier University.
2.3 "Laurier: The only man." Published by the Royal Bank of Canada, 1985
2.4 Laurier: a collection of articles, vol.I
2.5 Laurier: a collection of articles, vol.II
2.6 A Laurier bibliography / compiled by Wilfrid Laurier University Library, 1973 WLUARCHIV Z8488.6.W5 UA43
2.7 "Wilfrid Laurier as I knew him”. Lecture on audio cassette given by Senator Gratton O’Leary as the first lecture in the Laurier Lecture Series, Nov. 1973
2.8 The Brantford expositor, February 18, 1919. News of Laurier’s death (S67 B1 F1)
2.9 The illustrated London news, Saturday, September 6, 1902. Picture of Laurier on page 367 (S67 B1 F2)
2.10 “Canada mourns her most distinguished son”. Reprint of article on Sir Wilfrid Laurier from The globe and mail, February 18, 1919
2.11 “The nation builder: Sir Wilfrid Laurier dreamed of a united Canada”. The
2.12 Right Honourable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a tribute, 1919  
2.13 “Scenes of splendor mark nuptial event today”. Brantford expositor, Sept. 12, 1907 [photocopy]  
2.14 “Sir Wilfrid ouvre la champagne Liberale”. La [Gaszzet], Montreal, Sept. 21, 1900 (C33 F2)

3. Photographs, paintings  
3.1 Wilfrid Laurier at a rally (photo no. : U57_1187)  
3.2 Laurier in Chatham about 1910 (photo no. : U57_1188)  
3.3 Laurier speaking before a large crowd (photo no. : U57_1189)  
3.4 Wilfrid Laurier portrait : print on canvas  
3.4.1 Copy 1: donated by J. Burtniak of Brock University, 61 cm x 46 cm (U1002)  
3.4.2 Copy 2: donated by Euler family after William Euler’s death in 1961 (L1-123)  
3.5 Sir Wilfrid Laurier's golden wedding, 1918 (photo. no. : U57_40)  
3.6 Unveiling of monument of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Ibeville, Quebec. Pinsonneault, St. Jean, Quebec. (photo no. U57_109.2)  
3.7 Sir Wilfrid Laurier on train platform with group of dignitaries (photo no. C34 F19)  
3.8 The Imperial Conference, 1911 (photo no. : 1481)  
3.9 Portrait, ca. 1875 (L1-109), and partial copy (photo no. U57_3040)  
3.10 Portrait, framed (13-004)  
3.11 Portrait, framed. Accession no. 13-006. (R7)

4. Historical  
4.1 Admission of Wilfrid Laurier to LL.D at the University of Toronto in 1897  
4.2 1896 medallion, distributed when Laurier became Prime Minister of Canada  
4.3 Postage stamps and presentation folio : Confederation, 1867-1927. Presented to His Excellency, The Right Honourable Viscount Willingdon Governor General of Canada by the Honourable P.J. Veniot Postmaster General of Canada, Ottawa, 1st July, 1927. During the summer of 1927, the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Confederation was fittingly carried out. A committee appointed by the government in connection with the celebrations suggested a special issue of postage stamps to commemorate the occasion. The subjects of these commemorative stamps centered around the statesmen and the events they commemorated. The stamps were bilingual with the words “Postes” and “Post”.  
4.4 Insurance policies  
4.4.1 North British and Mercantile Fire & Life Insurance Company fire insurance policy no. 783217. Issued to Sir Wilfrid Laurier for house in Arthabaska, Quebec. Expiration date: 5 Oct. 1916. Includes attachments.  
4.4.3 North British and Mercantile Fire & Life Insurance Company, fire insurance receipts issued Oct. 5, 1916, and Dec. 1914. Accompanied by Prime Minister’s Office letterhead.
Programs, invitations

5.1 The Mass and funeral service of the late Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, D.C., G.C.M.G. at the Basilica, Ottawa, 22nd February 1919. Accompanied by: Official invitation to G.H. Clark to attend the funeral. RARE BOOK FC551.L3 M35 RB31

5.2 Program for a banquet tendered for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Toronto, October 6, 1897

5.3 Announcement of a solemn requiem highmass for the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier, under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus, February 27, 1919, St. Mary’s Church, Kitchener [photocopy]

6. Broadsides and political pamphlets S720

Acquisition no. 14-001

6.1 The life of Sir Wilfrid Laurier

6.2 Liberal Party of Canada. Political pointers; pledges redeemed

6.3 Facts for the people: pages from the record of the Laurier Administration, from 1896 to 1908

6.4 What the Liberal government has done for the nation since 1896

6.5 Report of the Commissioners appointed to represent the province of Manitoba at the conference held with representatives of the Dominion Government on the school question

6.6 Liberal Party of Canada. Finances of Canada: public debt, capital expenditure, consolidated expenditure, public works, customs, and post office expenditure, railway subsidies. Publication 53

6.7 General attitude and aim of liberalism: some phases of political discussion. July 1917

6.8 National Liberal and Conservative Party. War taxation: illuminating figures

6.9 “Canada for the Canadians”: political pointers for the campaign of 1896

6.10 Records of the Laurier government: a few chapters from the history of the Liberal Administration 1896-1908: it is time for a change

6.11 Union Government. Make no mistake: if Laurier wins

6.12 Great northern railway: extract from a speech made by the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, at a banquet given in his honor at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, on the 28th of October, 1896

6.13 National Liberal and Conservative Party. Do you realize the extent of the employment given by manufacturing? No. 16-100m

6.14 National Liberal and Conservative Party. The facts regarding the Laurier tariff

6.15 Post Card Wilfrid Laurier

6.16 Manifesto of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, addressed to the people of Canada Nov 5, 1917

6.17 Record of the Union Government

6.18 General attitudes and aim of Liberalism July 3 1917 (pamphlet first issued June 1917) Chain Press, Limited, Ottawa

6.19 Central Information Office of the Canadian Liberal Party, Ottawa, Canada. “Liberals
and the Empire”: short history of the beginning and growth of constitutional government in Canada. Address of Mr. N.W. Rowell, K.C, M.L.A Leader of the Ontario Opposition at dinner tendered by Montreal Reform club November 11, 1912 (publication 2) The Dominion Printing and Loose Leaf Co, Ottawa

6.20 Central Liberal Information Office Ottawa, Ont. An administration of extravagance in patronage: sale of lands, purchase of site, camp grounds, starch works, coal, dredging &c., &c., &c., (publication 48)

6.21 Dr. T. A Slocum Limited, Toronto. Advertising souvenir card for Psychine and Oxomulsion


6.23 The Federal Press Agency, Ottawa, Canada. Liberals and the naval emergency. April 1915


6.26 Some reasons why the government of the national liberal and conservative party should be upheld. 1920

6.27 Rodolphe Lemieux, M.P. Wilfrid Laurier: conférence devant le club National de Montréal, 1897


6.29 Liberal first advocated Closure: Their statements then and now 1913?

6.30 Sir Wilfrid Laurier image