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Summary information

Repository: University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special

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Title: Adolphus Lindgren fonds

ID: RBSC-ARC-1683

Date: [ca. 1900-1903] (date of creation)

Physical description: 37 paintings: watercolour; 12.5 x 18 cm and smaller 9 drawings:

pencil; 12.5 x 18 cm

Dates of creation, revision and deletion:

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Adolphus Hardisty Lindgren was born on March 7 1828 at Canonbury Fields, London. An Anglo-Swedish businessman and shipping agent in London, he also had vineyards in Sicily. Near poverty when his wife died in 1899, he and his son, Captain Albert Adolphus Lindgren, emigrated to Vancouver in May 1900. At Vancouver, Adolphus played the organ at St. James's Anglican Church on Gore and Cordova, taught English and French to Chinese students, and worked as bookkeeper to Arthur McEvoy, "barrister-at-law, solicitor & notary", at 19-20, Flack Block, 163, Hastings Street West. In his spare time, he composed music and sketched in pencil and watercolour, both for his own amusement and that he might send pictures of his new homeland to the family he had left behind in Europe. He died of gastroenteritis on 4th October 1908 at 106, 9th Avenue West, Vancouver, the home of his friend and employer Arthur McEvoy.

Custodial history

Purchased from Wayfarers Book Shop in October 2010.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of watercolour paintings and sketches completed by Lindgren, depicting scenes around the Vancouver area shorelines, including Prospect Point, English Bay, Burrard Inlet and the North Shore Mountains. The fonds consists of 1 sketchbook and 12 loose leaves of paintings and drawings, however, it is clear that at least 10 of the leaves (numbered 1-2 through 1-11 in the item list) were at one time part of a sketch book also.

Notes

Title notes

Finding aids

Item list available.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

• **Publication status**: published

Series descriptions

Ref code Title Dates Access status Container RBSC-ARC-1683-1-1 File - Sketchbook. [ca.1900] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-2 File - View of shipyard from water [ca.1900] [recto]; Ship at dock [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-3 File - View of North Shore Mountains [ca. 1903] and dock [recto]; Sketch of Spencer Bold Hesketh's gravestone [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-4 File - View of English Bay [recto]; [ca. 1900] Incomplete view of north shore mountains [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-5 File - View of English Bay past Brockton [ca. 1900] Point [recto]; View of ship dock and North Shore Mountains from shore [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-6 File - View of Burrard Inlet from North [ca. 1900] Shore at sunset [recto]; Sketches of seagulls [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-7 File - View of Burrard Inlet from North [ca. 1900] Shore at sunset [recto]; Sketch of leaves File - View of English Bay and North RBSC-ARC-1683-1-8 [ca. 1900] Shore Mountains [recto]; View of Prospect Point lighthouse [verso] File - View of English Bay and North RBSC-ARC-1683-1-9 [ca. 1900] Shore Mountains [recto]; View of north shore mountains [verso] RBSC-ARC-1683-1-10 File - View of North Shore Mountains [ca. 1900] [recto]; View of waterfront buildings, possibly Coal Harbour [verso]

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RI	BSC-ARC-1683-1-11	File - View of Cates Shipyard [recto]; View of a pagoda from the water [verso]	[ca. 1900]
RI	BSC-ARC-1683-1-12	File - N. Vancouver, the Lion Mountain	[ca. 1900]
RI	BSC-ARC-1683-1-13	File - View of swimmers, possibly at Second Beach.	[ca. 1900]