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Summary information

Repository:	Kingston Peninsula Heritage
Title:	Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company
Reference code:	7.1
Location Identifier [FC-1.3] :	FC-1.3
Date:	1913-1961 (creation)
Physical description:	1 book; 35.5x21.5x3 cm 1 book; 35x21x2 cm 1 photograph; 19.5x24x5 cm 1.4 cm of textual records

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

The Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company was incorporated on April 29, 1913 to meet the demand for telephone service on the Peninsula and was established with 1000 shares with a value of \$5 each. The first annual shareholders' meeting was held on September 10, 1913 and established the directors of the company. The first directors' meeting was also held on September 10, 1913. The Kingston Peninsula Telephone company would exist for 47 years and held 48 shareholders' and 144 directors' meetings. The company was sold to the New Brunswick Telephone Company in 1960 and would surrender its charter in 1961.

Custodial history

The custodial history of most of this fonds is unknown.

Scope and content

This fonds contains items that relate to the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company and its operations in Kings County.

Notes

Note [General]

The Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company was founded in 1911 by brothers Raymond P. Gorham and Adino R. Gorham. Upon his return from Montreal, Raymond Gorham brought two telephones and with his brother installed them to link the house to the outside barn. This soon led to the installation of a line to the neighbouring MacCleery farm which enabled the households to communicate with each other.

The technology interested other residents on the Peninsula and persuaded them to form a company to provide telephone service to the residents of the Kingston Peninsula. On April 29th, 1913, the company was formally established.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Graphic material (documentary form)
- Kings County (place)

Series descriptions

Series 7.1-MS1: Administrative records

Date: 1913-1960 (creation)

Scope and content: This series contains the administrative records of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.

Physical description: 1 volume of textual records ; 35.5x21.5x3 cm
1 volume of textual records ; 35x21x2 cm
0.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

- English

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Business and commerce (subject)
- Communication (subject)
- Kings County (place)
- Kings County (place)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS1-A	Item - Minute book 1913-1945	1913-1945	1 volume of textual records ; 34.5x21.5x3 cm
	<i>Scope and content:</i>		

	A record book containing the meeting minutes for the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company from 1913-1945.		
7.1-MS1-B	Item - Minute book 1947-1960	1937-1960	1 volume of textual records ; 35x21x2 cm
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A records book containing the meeting minutes for the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS1-C	Item - President's Report	1960	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> The President's report read at the 1960 stockholder's meeting.		
7.1-MS1-D	Item - Stockholder's meeting of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company	1960	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> The minutes from the 1960 stockholder's meeting.		
7.1-MS1-E	Item - General statement of the year ending Sept. 1st, 1916	1916	1 leaf of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> Statement of assets and liabilities of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company Ltd.		
7.1-MS1-F	Item - General Statement for the year ending on September 1st, 1915.	1915	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> The year's end statement for 1915.		
7.1-MS1-G	Item - Exchange rates approved by Directors	1959	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A list of the rates of services offered by the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company in 1959.		
7.1-MS1-H	Item - Annual meeting minutes	Oct. 18, 1957	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> The minutes for the annual meeting on October 18, 1957 at the Veteran's Hall in Moss Glen.		
7.1-MS1-I	Item - General statement for the year ending Sep. 1, 1917	September 1, 1917	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A list of assets and liabilities for the year ending on Sept. 1, 1917.		
7.1-MS1-J	Item - Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company calculation of bonus to directors	1960	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> The list of calculated bonuses to the directors.		

Series 7.1-MS2: Histories

Date: [after 1961] (creation)

Scope and content: This series contains written histories of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.

Physical description: 0.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

- English

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Business and commerce (subject)
- Communication (subject)
- Kings County (place)
- Kings County (place)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS2-A	Item - Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company <i>Scope and content:</i> A history of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company and its activities. Written by Richard "Dick" V. Gorham.	[after 1961]	12 leaves of textual records 7-page, coil-bound book
7.1-MS2-B	Item - History of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company <i>Scope and content:</i> A history of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company taken primarily from their minute books.	[after 1961]	16 leaves of textual records

Series 7.1-MS3: Contracts

Scope and content: This series contains contracts for the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.

Physical description: 0.2 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

- English

Access points:

- Business and commerce (subject)
- Kings County (place)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS3-A	Item - Contract between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company (1923) <i>Scope and content:</i>	1923	1 leaf of textual records

	A contract for the operation of the Summerville switchboard between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS3-B	Item - Contract between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company (1925)	1925	1 leaf of textual records
	<p><i>Note [General] :</i></p> <p>There are two copies of this item housed in the Peninsula Heritage Archives.</p> <p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>A contract to operate the Summerville switchboard between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone company.</p>		
7.1-MS3-C	Item - Contract between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company (1927)	1927	2 leaves of textual records
	<p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>A contract to operate the switch board in Summerville between Mrs. R.W. Short and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.</p>		
7.1-MS3-D	Item - Contract between James Gamble and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company	1916	3 leaves of textual records
	<p><i>Note [General] :</i></p> <p>There is the original, as well as two copies of this item housed in the Peninsula Heritage archives.</p> <p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>A contract for the operation of the Summerville switchboard between James Yamble and the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.</p>		

Series 7.1-MS4: Miscellaneous

Date: 1914-1961 (creation)

Scope and content: This series contains information that does not fit into the other series.

Physical description: 0.2 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

- English

Access points:

- Communication (subject)
- Kings County (place)
- Kings County (place)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS4-1	File - Newspaper clipping	1960-1961	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i>		

	This file contains newspaper clippings that pertain to the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS4-1-A	Item - Telephone Company Buys Summerville Firm	1960	1 leaf of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> An article concerning the takeover of the Kingston Telephone Company by the New Brunswick Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS4-1-B	Item - New phone service to begin June 1	1961	1 leaf of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A newspaper clipping concerning the takeover of Kingston Peninsula Telephone by New Brunswick Telephone.		
7.1-MS4-2	File - Correspondence	1960-1961	0.1 cm of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> This file contains the correspondence of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS4-2-A	Item - Letter from Geo. W. Andrews to Mr. A.R. Gorham	1930	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A letter from Mr. Andrews to Mr. Gorham concerning the particulars of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.		
7.1-MS4-2-B	Item - Letter from George Bostwick to Mr. T.J. O'Brien	1961	2 leaves of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A letter from the secretary-treasurer of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company to the Provincial Government informing them of the sale of the company to the New Brunswick Telephone Company and the surrender of their charter.		
7.1-MS4-2-B-C	Item - Letter to Mrs. Gamble		1 leaf containing textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A response to a thank you letter from R.G.L. Fairweather, M.P..		
7.1-MS4-3	File - Other information	1914	1 leaf of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> This file contains information prudent to the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company that does not fit into the other files.		
7.1-MS4-3-A	Item - List of personal "rings" for the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company	1914	1 leaf of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A list of long a short rings used by the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company to signify the recipient of a call.		

Series 7.1-MS5: Photographs

Date: [c.1950] (creation)

Scope and content: This series contains photographs concerning the activities of the Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company.

Physical description: 1 photograph; 19.5x24.5 cm

Access points:

- Graphic material (documentary form)
- Communication (subject)
- Kings County (place)
- Kings County (place)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS5-A	Item - Man working on Kingston Peninsula phone system	[c.1950]	1 photograph; 19.5x24.5 cm
	<i>Scope and content:</i> A photograph of a man performing maintenance activities.		

Series 7.1-MS6: NB TelScope and content: Documents concerning NB Tel.Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS6-1	File - Jean E. Gamble		
7.1-MS6-1-A	Item - Jean Gamble Switching Agreement		3 leaves of textual records concerning Jean Gamble's switching agreement in June 1967.
	<i>Scope and content:</i> Jean E. Gamble's Switching Agreement documents, June 1967.		
7.1-MS6-1-A-B	Item - Jean Gamble Switching Agreement (2)		1 leaf containing textual records.
	<i>Scope and content:</i> Contract containing information regarding Jean Gamble's Switching Agreement in December 1967.		
7.1-MS6-1-A-B-C	Item - Letter from NB Tel to Jean Gamble		1 leaf containing a letter.
	<i>Scope and content:</i> Letter to Jean Gamble dated December 1967 regarding her Switching Agreement.		
7.1-MS6-1-A-B-C-D	Item - Letter to Jean Gamble (2)		1 leaf containing textual records.
	<i>Scope and content:</i> Letter from NB. Tel addressed to Jean Gamble regarding her Switching Agreement.		

Series 7.1-MS7: Published MaterialPublication status:

Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS7-1	File - Published works <i>Scope and content:</i> This file contains information that has at one point been published but is no longer available.	[after 1916]	0.1 cm of textual records
7.1-MS7-1-A	Item - How to build rural telephone lines <i>Scope and content:</i> An excerpt from a book that concerns the construction of rural telephone lines.	[after 1916]	4 leaves of textual records
7.1-MS7-1-B	Item - Summerville exchange list <i>Scope and content:</i> A list of exchanges at the Summerville switchboard.	1947	1 leaf of textual records
7.1-MS7-1-C	Item - Do You Know How To Call Someone On Your Line? <i>Scope and content:</i> A poster created by NBTel detailing how to place a call from a rural line.		1 Poster
7.1-MS7-1-C-2	File - Telephone Directories <i>Scope and content:</i> 3 Saint John and District Telephone Directories	1949 - 1956	3 books 23 x 16 cm
7.1-MS7-1-C-2-A	Item - Telephone Directory	1949	
7.1-MS7-1-C-2-B	Item - Telephone Directory	1953	
7.1-MS7-1-C-2-C	Item - Telephone Directory	1956	
Series 7.1-MS8: Miscellaneous			
<u>Publication status:</u>			
Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
7.1-MS8-1	File - Statements and Receipts J. Kimble <i>Scope and content:</i> John Kimble's Kingston Peninsula Telephone Company bills.		4 sheets containing textual records
7.1-MS8-A	Item - Application for Telephone Service	1951	
7.1-MS8-B	Item - Tenth Annual Report	1923	
7.1-MS8-C	Item - Letter regarding stockholder's meeting	1951	