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EGERTON RYERSON YOUNG FONDS. – 1838-2006. – 2.22 m of textual records; – 1645 photographs.

Egerton Ryerson Young, a Methodist minister, was born in 1840 in Crosby, Upper Canada, the son of Rev. William Young. He attended the Provincial Normal School in Toronto and then taught school at Madoc in 1862. In the summer of 1863 he started in the service of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Tweed. He was ordained in 1867 and served at First Methodist Church in Hamilton until 1868 when he undertook mission work with Indigenous People in Norway House, Manitoba. He had served for eight years when ill-health forced him to return to Ontario. He then ministered to pastorates in Port Perry, Colborne, Bowmanville, Meaford and Brampton until his retirement in 1888. Thereafter, he became a lecturer and embarked on extensive speaking tours in the United States, Europe and Australia. He also wrote about his missionary work and the history of missions in North America and how the work to Christianize Aboriginal People was undertaken.

He was married to Elizabeth Bingham. He died in Bradford, Ontario in 1909.

Fonds consists of the following series: 1) Correspondence, 1860-1976; 2) Notebooks and diaries, 1838-1940; 3) Miscellaneous material, 1868-1940, 4) Literary manuscripts, 1885-1977; 5) Records of Elizabeth Bingham Young, 1868-2001; 6) Records of Egerton Ryerson Young Jr., 1902-1935; 7) Records of Lilian Young, 1894-1895, 8) Photographs, [18--]-2006.

See also records of Egerton Ryerson Young Jr. in Fonds 3431.

See also F3732 Brown Family fonds for records of Jennifer and Harcourt Brown, relatives of Egerton Ryerson Young, who conducted extensive research on him and related ancestry.

SERIES 1: CORRESPONDENCE. – 1860-1976.

Series consists of correspondence and some notices, leaflets and pamphlets 1860-1976.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
1994.030C	1-1	List of "Correspondence of Egerton R. Young deposited in the Archives of The Province of Ontario"	1976
	1-2	Personal correspondence predominantly with William Young, his wife, James B. Young and Sam Young	1860-1868
	1-3	Personal correspondence predominantly with William Young, his wife, James B. Young and Sam Young	1968-1874
	1-4	Personal correspondence predominantly with William Young, his wife, James B. Young and Sam Young	1874-1915
	1-5	Lecture tours	1894-1909
	1-6	--- – advertising brochures	1904, n.d.
	1-7	History of mission work	1907
	1-8	Published works	1899-1901
	1-9	Correspondence from the Bingham family	1868-1869
1994.094C	TR-1	Correspondence: Frances Nickawa	1925-1930
2020.088C	1-14	Postcards – ERY to Harcourt Brown, and a few other mementos <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/3N-7N for accompanying photographs and negatives</i>	1904-1905
	4-14	Transcribed Letters (father, mother, brother)	1859-1868
	5-2	Correspondence – originals and photocopies	1909-1933
	6-3	Postcard to Mrs. N.H. Brown, with image of Rev.	1906

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SERIES 2: NOTEBOOKS AND DIARIES. – 1838-1940.

Series consists diaries, lecture notes, notebooks and thirty seven small, bound volumes containing notations and observation about activities, biographical and information notes for contemplated articles and draft sermons 1838-1940.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
94.030C	1-10	Notes about James Evans	1838-1847
	1-11	Notebook about the Sir John Franklin Expedition of 1855. [Evidently rough notes made during an interview with an Aboriginal person – seems to have been called Muskegon or Mustegan – who was a member of an expedition to discover the fate of Sir John Franklin in 1855. Notebook was most probably written when Mr. Young was at Norway House in August, 1892]	1892
	1-12	Diary [Earliest record of his ministry, in Hastings County and the Niagara Peninsula. Mr Young was not yet ordained then.]	1864
94.030C	1-13	Diary [Records of circuit preaching in the Niagara district, record of expenses for the trip to Norway House, mixed, undated notes of travels by Mrs. Young in the late 1800s and early 1900s.]	1867
	1-14	Diary [List of members of the party to Norway House; details of the journey from Hamilton to the banks of the Mississippi River at Clearwater; census of the mission village at Rossville, and mission class lists.]	1868
	2-1	Memorandum book [E. R. Young's notes on the Grimsby camp meeting of 1867; and Mrs. Young's diary at Norway house.]	1867-1868
	2-2	Journal, Rossville and Berens river [Compilation put together in later years from notes and reminiscences by E. R. Young and his son Egerton Ryerson Young Jr.]	1868-1876
	2-3	Notebook, Berens River [Miscellaneous descriptive and inspiration notes and clippings, Youngsville Mission, Berens River, Lake Winnipeg and later.]	[187-?]
	2-4	Diary, Colborne Circuit	1879
	2-5	---, Bowmanville	1883
	2-6	Address book	[ca. 1885-1900]
	2-7	Address/memo book	1887
	2-8	Diary, September 11-December 17, 1888	1888
	3-1	---	1889
		[Continuation of lecture tour in the United States;	

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94.030C		October lecture tour in the British Isles].	
	3-2	---	1890
		[Continuation of lecture tour in the British Isles, and return to Canada]	
	3-3	---	1893
		[Lecturing in the United States and England.]	
	3-4	Memo book	1894
	3-5	Diary	1894
		[Lecture tours in England, Scotland, Paris, Ireland, and the United States]	
	3-6	---	1895
		[Lecturing in Great Britain, visiting France, Italy, Switzerland, and Great Britain. Visit with Rev. Robert Rundle, Garstang.]	
	3-7	---, France and Switzerland	1895
	3-8	---	1897
		[Visiting and lecturing in the Atlantic and Southern States]	
	3-9	---	1898
		[Visiting and lecturing in the United States]	
	4-1	Notebook, miscellaneous	1898
		[Contains a few entries made in 1898, Cree Hymns, sermons, etc. Mostly blank]	
	4-2	Diary	1899
		[Lecturing in the United States, then a trip to England in September]	
	4-3	---, January-June 1900	1900
		[Lecturing in England and Ireland]	
	4-4	---	1902
		[Lecturing four months in New York, trip across Canada, May to September, then back to England and Scotland in September]	
	4-5	---	1903
		[Continuation of lecture tour to England and Scotland]	
	4-6	---	1904
		[Trip across the United States to California, then to New Zealand and Australia, lecturing]	
	4-7	Address books, 1904, 1905	1904, 1905
	4-8	Diary	1905
		[(Trip from Australia to Great Britain via the Mediterranean]	
	5-1	---	1907
		[Lecturing in Ontario, Montreal, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New York, and Pennsylvania]	
	5-2	---	1908
		[Trips to the United States]	
	5-3	---	1909
		[Trip to New York and New Jersey. Death on October 5]	
	5-4	Book of Sermons I	
	5-5	--- II	
	5-6	--- III	
94.030C	5-7	Notes for Sermons	

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
97.038C	TR-1	Lectures re Mission Work Among Indians	n.d.
2020.088C	1-12	James Evans pamphlets, etc collected by ERY/ERY Jr.	1882, 1940
2020.088C	2-3	Diary – copy	[between 1907 and 1909]
	2-4	--- (Home from Australia)	1905
	2-5	--- (to Australia)	1904
	2-6	---	1903
	2-7	---	1902
	2-8	---	1899
	2-9	---	1895
	2-10	---	1894
	2-11	---	1890
	2-12	---	1889
	2-13	---	1888
	2-14	---	1864
		<i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/9-10 for accompanying photographs</i>	
	3-10	Notes for Lectures, talks – originals	

SERIES 3: MISCELLANEOUS MATERIAL. – 1868-1940.

Series consists of miscellaneous material; pamphlets and clippings, lists, illustrations, albums, notes, 1868-1940.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
1994.030C	6-1	List of Egerton R. Young Collection in Victoria College Library. Handwritten booklet and letter of acknowledgment	1927
	6-2	Pamphlet and clippings about Missions [Mainly American Indian Missions in the South-West]	1902-1907
	6-3	Photos and illustrations	1887-1907, n.d.
	6-4	E. R. Young and family [Includes portraits of E.R. Young in costume, ca. 1888 and 1907]	1888-1907, n.d.
	6-5	Clergymen [Rev. W. Morley Punshon, D.D.; Rev. Thomas Crosby; Rev. Edward Papanekis, Cree Indian Missionary, and one of the Rev. Young's converts, Rev. John McLean, D.D., author of Indian books, etc.; Rev. John Semmons, Missionary to the Cree and Salteaux Indians]	n.d.
	6-6	Indians and Indian Missions [See Series 8 for accompanying photographs: b& w and negatives]	
	6-7	Oklahoma Indian mission [Photographs of students, teachers, buildings, etc. at Goodland Indian Mission, Indian Territory (Oklahoma)]	
	6-8	Dawson City and Mining (See Series 8 for accompanying photographs)	1901
	6-9	Australian trip (See Series 8 for accompanying photographs)	1904
	6-10	4 illustrations	
	6-11	"The Indian Lovers" – 18 watercolour illustrations by J.E. Laughlin for "The Indian Lovers", by	

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Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
		Egerton R. Young	
	6-12	Wesleyan liturgy	1868
	7-1	1 album (48 photographs) Muskoka, August 1894 [Taken in the Muskoka area in August, 1894 including Hillside Mission, Muskoka Lakes, and 2 photos taken at Copper Cliff in 1901-1902, one of which is of a performing bear]	1894
	7-2	Scrapbook of articles by Rev. E. R. Young, mainly missionary adventure stories	
	7-3	Posters	
94.030C	7-4	2 boxes of lantern slides used by Rev. E. R. Young to illustrate his lectures about his experiences in Northern Canada [see graphics database]	
	7-5 & 8-1	Clippings album [Contains clippings of letters and articles sent by E. R. Young, Berens River Mission, to the Methodist newspaper, <u>The Wesleyan</u> , for publication; articles, poetry, sermons, etc. Of interest to the Rev. E.R. Young, particularly items about Indian culture and lifestyle in the Canadian West and North-West. Also contains newspaper reports of the Rev. Young's public statements about the problems of the Métis at the time of the second Northwest Rebellion, and clippings about his work and ministry in Meaford. Of particular interest is a letter to Dr. Potts by Sir John A. Macdonald, dated 31 March, 1885, in reply to Mr. Young's offer to go to the Northwest to help settle the Riel Rebellion]	1868-1889
	8-2/OS	Scrapbook [Contains several pages of E. R. young's correspondence, being mainly invitations; poetry, articles, and photographs. The main content of the scrapbook is souvenir photographs from Great Britain and France, with attached commentary. Photos are of famous street scenes, cathedrals, universities, etc. Three of the photos are family portraits – Mrs. E. B. Young in wedding dress and at age 80, and a family portrait. One of the loose items in the scrapbook is a typescript article, "The Naming of the baby", by Florence Young Fitz- Gerald, about the ceremony of adoption of a white baby into the Salteaux Indian Tribe.]	1887-1904
	8-3	Newspaper, Sunday School Advocate for Boys and girls, bound 1 vol.	1914
	8-4	Pamphlet, Thirty-First Annual Conference of the International Missionary Union, 1914, Clifton Springs, New York [Mrs. E.R. Young was one of the delegates in attendance]. 1 vol., 1 item.	1914
2020.088C	1-13	ERY: Miscellaneous (clippings, correspondence, writing)	[1922-1934]
	1-15	Rev. John Semmens: items from ERY file and ERY Jr. [inc. photograph] See Series 8, 2020.088P/8 for accompanying photograph	
	3-12	Copies of Scrapbook pages and related	1877-1907

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Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
		items [part 1]	
	4-1	---[part 2]	
	4-3	typed notes, correspondence, photographs <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/11N-12 for accompanying negative and photograph</i>	[18--]-1956
	4-4	Family clippings <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/13N for accompanying negative</i>	[193-]-1972
	4-10	miscellaneous notes and writings [inc. originals and transcripts/photocopies]	1883-1867
	4-11	Cree Vocabulary, Rossville (1872) and Pentland (1980) [photocopied]	
	5-1	ERY/EBY: Clippings: Memorial service, obituaries, notes on family/genealogy	1909-1929
	5-4	Miscellaneous items: re senate debates, 1885, ferns picked in Rome (where Paul stood before Nero), Railway map (1888), issue of South Simcoe Times, Mar 3, 1864 with poem probably by E. R. Young , include ferns picked by e.r. young and map	
	5-5	---: articles, pictures, letters pertaining to his and Elizabeth Young's trip to Australia, inc. quartz specimen <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/17-24 for accompanying photographs and negatives of the trip</i>	[1904]
	5-6	---: California Christian Advocate (San Francisco, Mar 3 , 1904) re ERY pp 3, 17	1904
	5-7	---: Cards and Mementos (inc. flowers from Nellie's grave, a daughter who died in Norway House)	
	5-8	Methodist Missionaries in Canada – pamphlets	[between 1890 and 1940]
	6-2	Caption lists for photos of Young family photos <i>See 2020.088P/25, 32, 42</i>	
	6-4	Business card	
	6-5	Captions for Egerton Young Jr. Photo Album	
	6-6	Captions for Young Photo Album	
	6-7	When the Blackfeet Went South and Other Stories, by E. Ryerson Young	1936
	6-8	Information on ERY Lantern Slides copied by JB and WB Catalog and Neg to colour4 coding of 354 mm slides	

SERIES 4: LITERARY MANUSCRIPTS. – 1885-1977.

Series consists of notes, manuscripts and biographies 1885-1977.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
94.030C	8-5 to 8-7	"The Great Council and the Great Tradition" [Items are the original manuscript by the Rev. James Settee, Anglican missionary among the Cree Indians; accompanying letters, revision of the Settee text by Egerton R. Young; and photocopy of an article about the manuscript by Jennifer S. H. Brown, Tulane University, published in <u>Actes du Huitieme Congres des Algonquinistes</u> , Carleton	1906, 1977

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		University, 1977, 3 files]	
	8-8	Liquor Traffic, 1 file	n.d.
	8-9 to 9-7	History of the Christianizing of the Indians	
	9-8 to 10-2	"Hector, My Dog: His autobiography" [Composed aboard the ship from Fremantle, Australia to the Mediterranean in the early months of 1905. Hand-written draft and photocopy of final copy which was submitted to Hodder and Stroughton for publication. 3 files and 2 vol.]	1905
	10-4	First trip to Oxford Mission (From Norway house), September 1868. Pencil manuscript. Also typescript transcript made by Jennifer Brown, May 1978. 2 items	1868
1994.065C	1-1	Clippings: Articles (Published) By E.R. Young	1939-1946
	1-2	---	1898-1933
	1-3	---	1931-1943
1994.094C/TR	TR-2	Nickawa: From Wigwam to Concert Platform, The Life of Frances Nickawa [Manuscript and research material inc. autobiographical]	
2020.088C	1-16	"Norway House"– copy of original	1962
	1-17	"A Missionary and His Son" original	Ca. 1935
	1-18	"In the Red Man's Country" –copy of original	
	1-19	"How Catlin Got His Pictures" or "George Catlin and the Indians" –miscellaneous pages, drafts	
	2-1	"Nickawa" – copy	
	2-2	---: Manuscript	1932
	3-1	History of Missions – Methodist Church of Canada: Chapter 1	
	3-2	---: Chapter 2	
	3-3	History of Missions – Church of England Missions: Chapter 20	
	3-4	History of Missions – Presbyterian Church in Canada: Chapter 24	
	3-5	History of Missions, Missionaries with transcripts	
	3-6	---: Original draft chapters on "History of Missions"	
	3-7	Eminent Missionaries, James Evans and John MacLean	
	3-8	Settee, "The Great Council", - typescript	
	3-9	"Great Council" + "Great Tradition" – Based on Settee – copies of original	
	3-11	"Courtship and Marriage Among the Red Indians"	
	4-2	Memoir "Norway House" original typescript	1962
	4-5	Writings: "Chief Charles Big Canoe" 1928; "In the Land of Fur and Frost" [inc. some contemporary correspondence by J. Brown] <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/14-15 for accompanying photographs</i>	1928, 1999
	4-6	"Canoe Stories" typescript	[193-]
	4-7	Book notices, reviews, indexes, catalogues prices [inc. notes by Harcourt Brown]	1903-1971
	4-8	Biographies of E.R.Young by E. Ryerson Young	1885-1935
	4-9	---	
	4-12	Tract on Temperance [original manuscript, unpublished]	

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
	4-13	Photocopies of ERY writings ca. 1870-1874 and of items gathered for Mission Life period (HBCA, and Methodist items inc. photograph) <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/16 for accompanying photograph</i>	
	5-3	E. Ryerson Young Jr: memoir, typescript copy with notes by H. Egerton Young	1962
	5-9	ERY: Hector My Dog. His Autobiography by Egerton R. Young [typescript]	
	5-10	Beren's River History: [includes photocopies of ERY Publications re Beren's River and transcripts of other missionaries in the same area]	
	5-11	---: "White Men Who Marry Indian Women" [2 drafts, unpublished typescript]	[1930]
	5-12	---: Memoir [photocopy of original transcript]	Ca. 1935
	6-1	---: "Edward Paupanakis: The Great Cree Tripman and Brigade Leader who became a noted Indian Missionary" research [inc. typed transcript by ERY and JB research materials]	

SERIES 5: RECORDS OF ELIZABETH BINGHAM YOUNG. – 1868-2001.

Series contains correspondence, writings and biographical material of Elizabeth Bingham Young 1968-2001.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
94.030C	10-5 to 10-7	Correspondence [Items are letters from her husband, Egerton Ryerson Young, and her son, Egerton Ryerson Young, Jr. Includes Autumn 1971 issue of Manitoba Pageant, in which four of Mrs. Young's letters from her husband are printed (preface by Prof. Harcourt Brown)]	1873-1928
	10-8	Biographical material [Includes short biographical sketch by Prof. Harcourt Brown; a carbon copy typescript entitled "Reminiscences of My Missionary life" by Elizabeth Bingham Young; a manuscript, "The Bride of 1868", written by Elizabeth Bingham Young in 1930-1932 to tell about her experiences at Norway House as a young bride; and a printed article torn from The Mission Monthly, August 1934 entitled, Elizabeth Bingham Young by her son, Rev. Egerton Ryerson Young Jr., 1934]	n.d., 1868, 1934
	10-9	Estate [Memorandum and inventory of the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth Bingham Young, December 13, 1935, by Winnifred Watson and Egerton Ryerson Young, executors. Carbon copy. Permission to publish this material must be obtained from the donor]	1935
	10-10	Diary [Diary written while travelling with her husband. The couple visited Milwaukee, St. Paul, and journeyed by rail, steamer and wagon across the western states to the Red River and Fort Gary]	1868

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2020.088C	10-11	Literary [Manuscript article, "The Transformed Indian Woman", by Mrs. Egerton Ryerson Young, 1897 (in Mr. Young's handwriting)]	1897
	10-12	Diary [Written while travelling in New Zealand and Australia]	1904
	11-1	Notebook/Diary [Containing entries of a miscellaneous nature, and including reminiscences of events in her life from 1859]	1909-1927
	11-2	Notebook, Lancaster, England. [Mrs. Young was living with her daughter, Lillian, at that time]	1913
	11-8	Diaries	1910-1929
	11-9	---	1904-1929
	10-3	"Daily Reminiscences of Norway House's Living" manuscript	n.d.
	1-2	Reminiscences and brief writings	1867-1927
	1-1	Writings / Correspondence w/ Harcourt Brown [includes historical documents and contemporary notes]	1930-2001
	1-3	Clippings, Correspondence	1922-1986
	1-4	Accounts (copies, inc. notes by Harcourt Brown)	1922-1923
	1-5	Estate, Will, obituary, correspondence <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/1 for accompanying photograph</i>	1934-1935
	1-6	Diary, notes [photocopy with annotations]	1909
	1-7	Helmes [family in England], Lillian and family letters, photo [original photo, contemporary correspondence] <i>See Series 8, 2020.088P/2 for accompanying photograph</i>	1909, 1998
	1-8	Letters to EBY/ERY [transcript, photocopies]	1868-1869
	1-9	"The Transformed Indian Woman"	1898
	1-10	Prize for 'best good-looking girl in Bradford'	1860
	1-11	Harte, Sandy: EBY's account, etc. [originals and photocopies]	

SERIES 6: RECORDS OF EGERTON RYERSON YOUNG JR. – 1892-1935.

Series consists of correspondence, a notebook with extracts of journals of Rev. James Evans, a diary and reminiscences, 1892-1935.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
94.030C	11-3	Correspondence [Items are letters received from his father and other acquaintances]	n.d., 1902-1906, 1923-1935
	11-4	Notebook containing extracts from the Journals of Rev. James Evans, 1840-1841	n.d.
	11-5	Diary, mostly blank, several pages torn out	1892
	11-6	Reminiscences of his life and times	

SERIES 7: RECORDS OF LILIAN YOUNG. – 1894-1895.

Series consists of correspondence; letters received from her father, 1894-1895.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date
94.030C	11-7	Correspondence [Items are letters received from her father, Rev. Egerton Ryerson Young]	1894-1895

SERIES 8: PHOTOGRAPHS. --[18--]-2006. --813 glass slides.

Series contains photographs of the Egerton Ryerson Young family and their church work, [18--]-2006.

See Archives Catalogue for item level descriptions of photographs.