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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	York University Archives & Special Collections (CTASC)
<b>Title:</b>	Consumers' Gas Company fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	F0291
<b>Date:</b>	1847-1928 (creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	5 microfilm reels : positive and negative
<b>Dates of creation, revision and deletion:</b>	2002/04/04 Migrated to EES.2003/04/16 Last updated.2023/11/30 KCP. Migrated to AtoM. Added note about associated material at the City of Toronto Archives.

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Consumers' Gas Company was established in Toronto in October, 1847, as a private company to bring gas to the city for the purpose of illuminating the streets. In 1879 the company's authority was extended to providing gas for indoor uses (heating, cooking, illumination). In 1847 the company served approximately 641 consumers: by 1923 the company was serving two hundred times as many consumers claiming that every house in Toronto made use of gas. In 1887 legislation was passed to regulate the price of gas in Toronto, with the City Auditor inspecting the company's books. Further civic involvement in the gas company commenced in 1904 when the City of Toronto purchased shares in the company and the Mayor became an ex-officio director.

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## Scope and content

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The fonds consists of annual reports of the Consumers' Gas Company (1849-1925) [incomplete], minutes of the Board of Directors' meetings (1947-1925), minutes of special Board meetings, taken from the secretary's and president's notes and agendas; minutes of the Finance Committee (1852-1874), of the Works Committee (1853-1873), and of selected meetings of the Executive Committee (1805-1909). As well, there is a run of 'Street lamps' [publication] (1887-1906).

## Notes

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### Location of originals

The microfilms in this fonds are copies of the original held in the Consumers' Gas Company archives in Toronto, Ontario. Microfilming was conducted by York University Archives in 1976.

### Alternative form available

Access copy available at Scott Microtext (HD 9581 C34 C66).

### Restrictions on access

Preservation copy (microfilm negative) and not available for use.

### Finding aids

Reel list available.

### Related material

The Consumers' Gas Company Audit Committee communications relating to examining the report prepared by the city appointed auditor on the books of the Consumers' Gas Company can be found at the City of Toronto Archives (Fonds 200, Series 928; previously cited as RG228).

### Accruals

The fonds comprises the following accession: 1976-012. Further accruals are not expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Level of detail:** Full
- **Status description:** Final

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## Access points

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- Textual record (documentary form)

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## Collection holdings

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