The New York and Ontario Power Company Papers center around the attempt to harness the St. Lawrence River for the purpose of producing power. The attempt was made around 1918 when the company applied to the International Joint Commission for approval for "...the obstruction of the waters of the St. Lawrence River at Waddington, N.Y."

The bulk of the collection concerns the attempt of one William S. Connolly to gain control of land in the area in his belief that because this was the narrowest part of the river it was the logical spot for a power dam. For some reason this never happened. When the dams were built they were built six miles up river and twenty six miles down river.

The collection contains plans, maps, charts, reports, studies and correspondence all related to the New York and Ontario Power Company's attempt to build a dam at Waddington.

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NEW YORK AND ONTARIO POWER COMPANY PAPERS

I CORRESPONDENCE

1 1 1911 July 27. t.l.s. Frank Cleaveland to Thomas Spratt. Canton. 2 leaves.
June 24. t.l.s. Fred H. Martin to Mr. Connolly. Waddington.
Also contains a description of the deed mentioned in the letter.
1929 October 25. t.l.s. A.W. Andrews to George E. VanKennen.
December 4. copy (?) to Mr. VanKennen.

December 27. copy. George E. VanKennen to "Jack" [John D. VanKennen.]
Clearwater, Florida. 4 leaves.

1930 February 11. Copy. (?) to John W. VanKennen.
February 11. Copy. (?) to John W. VanKennen.

1932 September 14. Copy. (?) to Mr. Thompson.


August 2. Copy. (?) to Wesley Allison.

August 7. Copy. (?) to County Clerk, Canton.

II. LEGAL PAPERS

A. Abstracts


2a 1894 August 30. Charles F. Whitcher.


5 1905 August 31. Andrew Allison Logan.
5a 1905 September 21. Andrew A. Logan.
6 1912 April 19. Mary Hunter Allison.
6a 1923 August 8. Casper Island Farms.
6b 1923 August 23. W.S. Connolly.
6c 1923 August 25. W.S. Connolly.

B. Deeds

2 6d 1788 June 4. The People of the State of New York to John Taylor.
7 1821 October 5-10. 3 deeds. St. Lawrence Power Company to Frontier Corporation.
7a 1865 February 22. George W. Usborne to Amajiah B. James.
7b 1881 July 1. Thomas Dardis to Henry R. James.
7c 1886 August 17. Harriet F. James to Dolphus S. Lynde.
8 1894 January 8. Martha Price to George C. Sawyer.
8b 1906 August 21. Andrew Allison Logan to J. Wesley Allison. 2 copies
9 1907 July 10. Allison and wife to N.Y. and Ontario Power Company.
9a 1910 August 10. Ellen M. Proctor to J. Wesley Allison.
9b 1910 September 15. J. Wesley Allison to New York and Ontario Power Co.
9e 1911 July 25, Edward L. Fay to J. Wesley Allison. Also contains the Abstract of the Title.
9g 1911 July 28. J. Wesley Allison to New York and Ontario Power Co.
9h 1911 July. Edward L. Fay to J. Wesley Allison.
3 10 1912 February 20. Forsythe heirs to J. W.Allison.
March 4. Forsythe heirs to J.W. Allison

11 1912 March 26. J.W. Allison to W.S. Connolly

12 November 23. John Porteous to W.S. Connolly.


13 "Deeds, Canals Lots”.

C. Applications


15 Applicant's brief.

D. Patents

3 15a 1787 Dec. 17. To Alexander Macomb.

1787 Dec. 17. To Alexander Macomb.

1788 Jun. 4. To John Taylor

1788 Jun. 4. To John Taylor

1788 Jun. 4. To Jeremiah VanRensselaer.

E. Miscellaneous

3 16 1916 May 15. Permit regarding transmission of electricity.

17 1918 Testimony of John E. Churchill.

18 Patent to Jeremia Van Rensselaer.

19 Legal Papers, Miscellany.

Shelved at end International Joint Comission. Hearings and Argument

III BLUEPRINTS