Introduction

Mary Kinley Ingraham was the Chief Librarian of the Emmerson Memorial Library and Instructor of Library Science at Acadia University from 1917 to 1944. Upon retirement, Ingraham donated her correspondence and other material related to her teaching, research, and association work which she accumulated during her career. This is an inventory of that accession which was received in 1944 and is now housed in the Esther Clark Wright Archives, Acadia University.

Other accessions related to Mary Kinley Ingraham include the Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA) Archives and the APLA Digital Collection, as well as her brother Earle Kinley’s accession (1984.004). Josephine Kinley Moore was Mrs. Ingraham’s niece and information about her is located in accession (2002.040) and (1980.005).

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I. Correspondence (Incoming: 1915; 1917-1931)

1. From Dr. F. W. Patterson (presumably letters sent to Dr. Patterson but forwarded to Ingraham because of her position as Chief Librarian)
2. From miscellaneous faculty members (forwarded to Ingraham)
3. 1915:1917
4. 1918 (Jan. – Dec.)
5. 1919 (Jan. – Dec.)
6. 1920 (Jan. – Dec.)
7. 1921 (Jan. – Dec.)
8. 1922 (Jan. – Dec.)
9. 1923 (Jan. – Dec.)
10. 1924 (Jan. – Dec.)
11. 1924 (July – Dec.)
12. 1925 (Jan. – Apr.)
13. 1925 (May – Sep.)
14. 1925 (Oct. – Dec.)
15. 1926 (Jan. – Mar.)
16. 1926 (Apr. – Aug.)
17. 1926 (Sep. – Dec.)
18. 1927 (Jan. – Apr.)
19. 1927 (May – Aug.)
20. 1927 (Sep. – Dec.)
21. 1928 (Jan. – Apr.)
22. 1928 (May – Aug.)
23. 1928 (Sep. – Dec.)
24. 1929 (Jan. – Apr.)
25. 1929 (May – Aug.)
26. 1929 (Sep. – Dec.)
27. 1930 (Jan. – Apr.)
28. 1930 (May – Aug.)
29. 1930 (Sept. – Dec.)
30. 1931 (Jan. – Apr.)
31. 1931 (May – Aug.)
32. 1931 (Sep. – Dec.)

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I. Correspondence (Incoming cont.: 1932-1938)

31. 1932 (Jan. – Apr.)
32. 1932 (May – Aug.)
33. 1932 (Sep. – Dec.)
34. 1933 (Jan. – Apr.)
35. 1933 (May – Aug.)
36. 1933 (Sep. – Dec.)
37. 1934 (Jan. – Apr.)
38. 1934 (May – Aug.)
39. 1934 (Sep. – Dec.)
40. 1935 (Jan. – Apr.)
41. 1935 (May – Aug.)
42. 1935 (Sep. – Dec.)
43. 1936 (Jan. – Mar.)
44. 1936 (Apr. – Aug.)
45. 1936 (Sep. – Dec.); incl. 1936 Bookmobile Request Forms
46. 1937 (Jan. – Apr.)
47. 1937 (May – Sep.)
48. 1937 (Oct. – Dec.); incl. 1937 Bookmobile Request Forms
49. 1938 (Jan. – Apr.)
50. 1938 (May – Aug.)
51. 1938 (Sep. – Dec.); incl. 1938 Bookmobile Request Forms

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I. Correspondence (Incoming cont.: 1939-1944)

52. 1939 (Jan. – Apr.)
53. 1939 (May – Sep.)
54. 1939 (Oct. – Dec.)
55. 1940 (Jan. – Apr.)
56. 1940 (May – Sept.)
57. 1940 (Oct. – Dec.)
58. 1941 (Jan. – June)
59. 1941 (July – Dec.)
60. 1942 (Jan. – Apr.)
61. 1942 (May – Aug.)
62. 1942 (Sep. – Dec.)
63. 1943 (Jan. – Apr.)
64. 1943 (May – Sep.)
65. 1943 (Oct. – Dec.)
66. 1944 (Jan. – June)

II. Correspondence (Other: Undated)

67. undated (#1)
68. undated (#2); incl. Bookmobile Request Forms & Correspondence (undated)

Note that the bookmobiles stopped running in 1931. Later, the Acadia travelling library service as a community book mailing program. The bookmobile request forms that had been printed for the mobile service look to have been re-used for this purpose.

III. Correspondence (Outgoing: 1917-1928)

69. 1917 – 1923
70. 1924 (Jan. – June)
71. 1924 (July – Dec.)
72. 1925 (Jan. – June)
73. 1925 (July – Dec.)
74. 1926 (Jan. – June)
75. 1926 (July – Dec.)
76. 1927 (Jan. – June)
77. 1927 (July – Dec.)
78. 1928 (Jan. – June)
79. 1928 (July – Dec.)

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I. Correspondence (Outgoing cont.: 1929-1944)

80. 1929 (Jan. – June)
81. 1929 (July – Dec.)
82. 1930 (Jan. – June)
83. 1930 (July – Dec.)
84. 1931 (Jan. – June)
85. 1931 (July – Dec.)
86. 1932 (Jan. – June)
87. 1932 (July – Dec.)
88. 1933 (Jan. – June)
89. 1933 (July – Dec.)
90. 1934 (Jan. – June)
91. 1934 (July – Dec.)
92. 1935 (Jan. – June)
93. 1935 (July – Dec.)
94. 1936 (Jan. – Dec.)
95. 1936 (July – Dec.)
96. 1937 (Jan. – June)
97. 1937 (July – Dec.)
98. 1938 (Jan. – June)
99. 1938 (July – Dec.)
100. 1939 (Jan. – Dec.)
101. 1940 (Jan. – Dec.)
102. 1941 (Jan. – Dec.)
103. 1942 (Jan. – June)
104. 1942 (July – Dec.)
105. 1943 (Jan. – June)
106. 1943 (July – Dec.)
107. 1944 (Jan. – July)

II. Correspondence (Other: undated and various)

108. Undated
109. Book Parlance correspondence
110. Secretary and Custodian of Records, United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces - correspondence and reports, 1918; 1926-1943
111. The Religious Life of Acadia by A. C. Chute and W. B. Bogg – Correspondence, Committee Notes re: Publication; other misc. Information
112. Rev. A. J. Lockhart correspondence

Box also contains library usage statistics cards for the William Inglis Morse collection. Dates range from 1937 to 1945.

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I. Mary Kinley Ingraham – Various publications and manuscripts
Bound copy with clippings of the article ‘The Story of the Associations’, published in the Maritime Baptist July 1, 1936

Manuscript about Isaac Chipman, 1925

Manuscript of ‘The Evolution of the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces’

‘The Hertford-Wallace Collection at Acadia University’ with a hand-written note by Mrs. Ingraham that says Abridgement published in Canadian Bookman, July, 1931

II.  Acadia University Library

Morse Collection folder containing two descriptions of the collection written by Ingraham, a short list of titles and a more extensive document entitled ‘Accessions to the William Inglis Morse Collection since the publication of the catalogue in 1931’.

Misc. annual and statistical reports, 1934 – 1944

Misc. certificates

Misc. invoices

Copy of ‘Cataloguing Rules’ ca. 1930s

Misc. lists of book collections in library (by topic)

Lists of newspapers in Biology building, Acadia

Misc. library forms, classification keys, shipping forms, report forms, travelling library forms, etc.

Misc. general information. Includes a small black membership book for the Wolfville Book Club. The Book Club books were kept in the Emmerson Memorial Library for circulation purposes.

III.  Acadia Travelling Library Service

Correspondence, itineraries, record of books, borrowers, articles, etc.

Record Book, log book and registers

Misc. lists (incl. travelling library for ministers)
Membership cards (43) with names and addresses of people and institutions presumably who used the travelling library.

IV. **Library Science Courses 1 & 2, Acadia University (Mrs. M. K. Ingraham, Instructor)**

Misc. correspondence, notices, class notes, copies of tests and examinations, etc. for Library Science courses 1925-1944

Papers on library work (presumably both by Mrs. Ingraham, herself, and by some of her students); misc. papers submitted for courses in the library science program.: misc. printed articles and drafts of articles.

Notebook of Mrs. Helen B. Lingley, Library Science II, Acadia University, 1925-1926.

Small green box which contains a catalogue prepared by Mrs. B. L. Bishop for the course Library Science I, 1943-1944.

Course of notes of Marion C. Morse, Library School, McGill University, Montreal, 1933 – 1934
  1. ‘History of the Book’
  2. ‘Book Selection’
  3. ‘Cataloguing’

V. **Mary Kinley Ingraham – Organizations**

Canadian Authors Association (Nova Scotia Branch) – Correspondence, Notices of meetings, etc. 1921-1943

Wolfville English Club / N.S. Centre, Poetry Society – Misc. information

Canadian Federation of University Women (C.F.U.W.) (Wolfville Branch) – Copy of Constitution & By-Laws; Correspondence; Notices of meetings; Membership lists, other misc. information

VI. **Mary Kinley Ingraham – Personal**

Misc. sundry items (mainly of a personal nature).

An envelope of photographs and negatives, misc. postcards (belonging mainly to Miss Amy Prescott, who worked at the Acadia University Library ca. 1930 under Mrs. Ingraham) has been moved to the Amy Knight Prescott accession no. 1980.003.
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I. **Maritime Library Association (M.L.A.) Executive Correspondence 1918; 1922-1928; 1934-**

From President, M.L.A. (Dr. W.C. Milner), 1922-1926;

To President, undated.

To President, 1922-1923.

To President, 1924-1925.

To President, 1926-1928; 1932.

To Secretary, M.L.A. 1918-1942 (Mrs. Mary Kinley Ingraham 1918; 1922-1923; 1926-1944, Mrs. Laurence 1923-1926).

From Secretary, 1918-1938

II. **Maritime Library Association (M.L.A.) Miscellaneous information**

Press releases, letters to the Editor, reports, policy statements, misc. printed material, etc.


2 folders of miscellaneous M.L.A. Reports and documents, including Annual Report of Secretary-Treasurer; Reports from various libraries to M.L.A. meeting, newspaper clippings regarding MLI conferences, free library reports and home reading.

III. **Maritime Library Association (M.L.A.) Literary Competition**

Correspondence regarding submissions to the M. L. A Literary Competition, McCurdy and Williams-Taylor Prizes for Historical Essays, 1925-1928.

M.L.A Literary Competition Essays: New Brunswick
“History of the Parish of Kars, Kings County, N.B.” by Mrs. J.A. Clark, Charlottetown, P.E.I., 1925. 1 page, typed.


“Dalhousie” (Restigouch County), by Alma (DeBillois) Colton, Dalhousie and Montreal, 1925. 6 pp., Typed, with one page of handwritten notes.

“History of the Parish of Wakefield, Carleton County, N.B.”, by Mrs. Gaynell E. Burpee, Jacksonville (R.R. #6, Woodstock, N.B.), 1925. 10 pp., Typed.

“History of St. Stephen’s-Milltown”, by Mrs. Maud C. Vesey, St. Stephen, N. B., 1925. 22 pp., Typed “Period From 1784 to 1836 (St. Stephen-Milltown), by Mrs. M. C. Vesey, 1925. 20 pp. (pp. 23-42), Typed. (see also folder labeled ‘Map of St. Stephen – Milltown – St. Croix River Area, N.B.’ to follow this folder of essays).

“The Paris of Sackville”, by Winnifred MacNaughton, Sackville, N. B., 1925. 9pp., Typed

“Some Ancient History of the City of Moncton”, by Wendall Wood, Truro, N. S., 1925. 1 page, Typed.

“McAdam”, by Berla Donohue (Grade IX), 1925. 6 pp., handwritten.

“A Short History of Oak Point”, by R. Arden Clark, Saint John, N. B., 1925. 31 pp., Typed.

“Eastern Chignecto, or Baie Verte and Fort Monckton”, by Emma G. Prescott, Baie Verte, N. B., 1925. 7 pp., Typed.

“McAdam”, by Zaida Nason, 1925. 4 pp., handwritten.

“McAdama”, by Sheldon Brooks (Grade XI), 1925. 4 pp., handwritten.


“History of Westfield, King’s Co., N.B.”, Miss Edith Rowena Nase, Westfield, 1925. 24 pp., Typed.

“A History of St. Martin’s”, by Dorothy F. Smith, Saint John, 1925. 11 pp., Typed.

“Baie Verte, N. B.”, by Emma G. Prescott, Baie Vert, 1925. 9 pp., Typed.

“Brief History and Description of the City of Saint John”, by R. E. Armstrong. 4 pp., Typed.


“History of Kingston Village, Kings County, New Brunswick.” By Margaret Sheldrick, Kingston, N.B, 1925. 6 pp., handwritten.

M.L.A Literary Competition Essays: Nova Scotia

“The Township of Barrington”, by Olive Gertrude Smith, Lower Wood’s Harbour, N. S., 1925. 4 pp., Typed

“Annapolis Royal”, by Charlotte Perkins, Annapolis Royal, N. S., 1925 25 pp., handwritten

“Londonderry, N. S.”, by Lewis McDorman, Debert Station, N. S., 1925 5 pp., Typed (also 4 additional typed pages, along with a covering letter to Dr. Milner)


“History of Port Medway”, by Miss Marguerite Letson, Brooklyn, Queens Co., N. S. 11 pp., Typed, plus hand-drawn map.

“The Discovery of America by the Norsemen: the Location of their First Settlement”, by H. L. D’Entremont, Central East Pubnico, N. S., 1926 25 pp., Typed

“Charles La Tour’s Fort at Cape Sable: Where Was It Located?”, by H. L. D’Entremont, Central East Pubnico, N. S., 1926 7 pp., Typed

“A United Empire Loyalist (John Poole)”, by Inez A. RICE, Smith’s
Cove, N. S., 1926  2 pp., handwritten (attached is cheque for $5.00 prize).

“Frigate, Farm, and Fortune” (Samuel Johnson, West River), by Rev. Robert Murray, Hillsborough, Inverness Co., N. S., 1926  14 pp., Typed.

“Cape Breton’s Debt to the Glasgow Colonial Society”, by Mrs. R. J. MacDonald, Saskatoon, Sask.  6 pp., Typed

“Parrsboro, Cumberland Co.”, by Bertha I. Scott, Springhill, N. S. 1926  31 pp., Typed

“A Scottish Leader”, by Miss Jeanette W. Kent, Truro, 1926  12 pp., Typed

“History of New Ross, N. S.”, by Jennie M. Elliott, New Ross, 1926  4 pp., Typed (attached is cheque for $10.00 prize, dated Mar. 7, 1927)

“Castlereagh, Colchester Co.”, by Mrs. K. M. Tait, Truro, N. S., 1926  6 pp., Typed.

“History of Port Williams, Town Plot, Greenwich”, by Miss Lucy Cogswell, Port Williams (written 1923)  18 pp., handwritten

“Thomas Lumley of Southampton”, by Will R. Bird. Amherst N. S., 1926  13 pp., Typed (attached is cheque for $20.00 prize, dated Mar. 7, 1927).

“The Pioneers of Pictou County”, by Mrs. J. Ed. MacDonald, New Glasgow, N. S., 1927  6 pp., Typed


“The First Anglican Services in Canada”, by ‘Ecclesia’  5 pp., Typed

“History of Pictou County”, by Mrs. J. Ed. MacDonald, New Glasgow 1927  6 pp., handwritten

“The Story of Amos (King) Seaman of Minudie”, by Will R. Bird, 1927 (2 pp. printed copy of newspaper)

“Chignecto Dyke Lands” Prospectus. History 3 pp., Typed (author not identified, poss. Mrs. Emma Prescott, due to her other efforts re: the same area)
“The Pioneers of Brier Island”, prize essay, by Margaret Armstrong, [n.d.], (6 pp. typed)

“Ruby Anne (Woodworth) Cox”, prize essay, by Leah Agnes Borden, 1926, (9 pp. typed)

“Historic Notes on Truro Township 1759-1925”, by Ruth McCurdy Byers, [1925], (95 pp. typed, includes maps)

IV. Maritime Library Association (M.L.A) Membership and Meeting

Receipt forms for membership – one (1) completed book, and (1) partially used book

Cash Book, Maritime Library Association 1922-1935

Minute Book No. 1
Minutes of M.L.A. meetings 1918; 1922-1926

Minute & etc. book 1926-1928 (includes draft by-laws, accounts, and membership). Last member recorded in book is dated January 12, 1929.