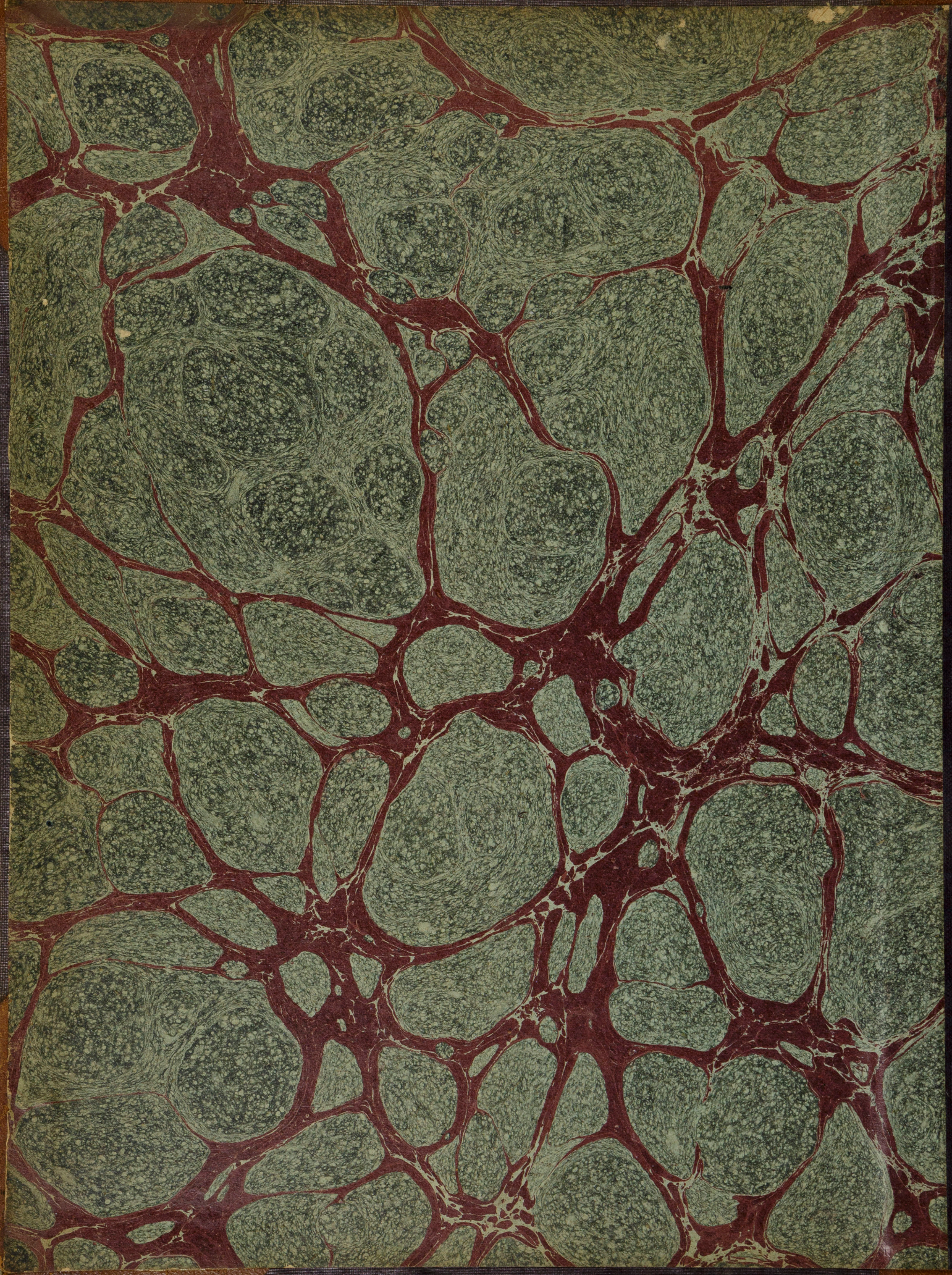

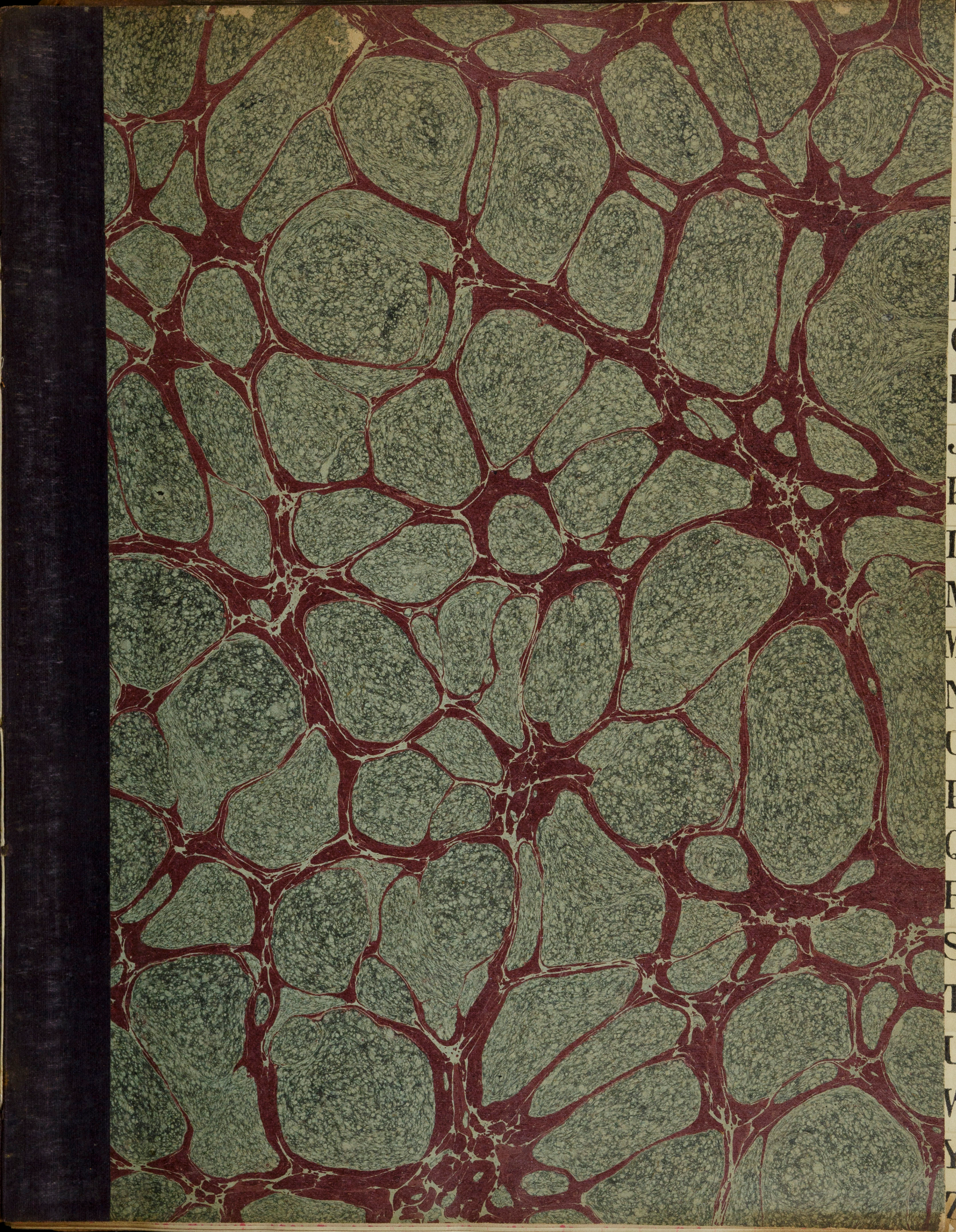

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Col. Denison D.O.C.

Toronto

Dear Sir

The fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Toronto is to be celebrated on Thursday March 6th and it is proposed by the Committee that a salute be fired, and I am instructed to apply to you asking if you will be kind enough to detail a Battery for duty on that day between the hours of 11 and 12. in the morning. The Committee suggest that fifty guns be fired, one for each year of the life of the City. Trusting to be favored with an early reply. I am, dear Sir.

Faithfully Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Mayor &c &c

Feby

John Davy Esq
Secretary Public Library Board
City

Dear Sir

Your communication of the 11th inst. was laid before the Executive Committee, and I have the honor to inform you that Messrs W. H Knowlton and Wm Scully have been added to the General Committee of the Semi Centennial Celebration. Mr Knowlton being posted to the Tableau Committee and Mr Scully to the Street Parade Committee.

Yours very truly

R. D Hamilton
Secy A.C.C.C.

Feby 19

E. R. Stimson Esq
City

Dear Sir,

Your communication of the 11th inst. addressed to Mr McMurrich was laid before the Executive Committee, and I am instructed to say that they cannot see their way clear to extending the patronage of the Committee to your Exposition, as it is not in any way a Civic affair and is to a great extent a private venture - While heartily wishing you every success they feel they would be exceeding their powers as a Citizens Committee in extending their patronage to any undertaking not immediately connected with the Celebration -

I have the honor to remain
Dear Sir
Faithfully Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

Feby 20th 74

Henry Pellatt Esq
Hony Secy Treas. Horticultural Society
Toronto

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 22nd ult. has been submitted to the Executive Committee of the Semi Centennial Celebration and I am instructed to inform you that your offer to rent the Horticultural Pavilion and Gardens during Semi Centennial Week for the sum of $300. providing neither a Ball or Dinner take place, and in case either or both of these event are held then an additional $100. for each - has been accepted

Remain
Sincerely Yours
A.T. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Feby 20th 4

Hon. Sir Maris
Tarour
Toronto

Dear Sir

If convenient will you kindly call at Mr McMurrich's office tomorrow, Thursday, morning as he would like to consult you as to the advisability of purchasing a number of tables used at the University dinner last Friday, which would answer the purposes of the Semi Centennial Celebration Committee for the Commemoration Dinner to be held next June. As you are the Convener of the Dinner Committee Mr McM. would like to see you before closing with the University Authorities.

Yours Truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

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this matter tomorrow so that I may notify Dr Wright -

Yours very truly

R.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Toronto Feby 21st 1884

Hon M.C. Cameron
City

Dear Sir

Owing to press of business Mr McMurrich has not been able to call upon you yet, and as he is called away from the City for some days he has requested Dr Wright and myself to wait upon you - We will be at your office - Osgoode Hall - on Saturday morning at 10. o'clock if that is satisfactory to you - Kindly advise me and

Toronto Feby 26th 1864

Colpo. G. Denison
City

Dear Sir I have the honor to inform you that Lt Col Denison having resigned the Chairmanship of the "Military Display" Committee - you have been elected to fill that position.

I remain
Yours very Truly
A.B. Hamilton
Secy A.C.C.O.

Toronto Feby 26th 1864

Col. Denison
City

Dear Sir I have the honor to inform you that Lt. Col. Gzowski having informed the Committee on Military Display of your desire to resign the Chairmanship, you have been relieved from duty in that respect, and Lt Col G. T. Denison has been appointed Chairman in your place.

Yours very Truly
A.B. Hamilton
Secy A.C.C.O.

Toronto Feby 26th 1884

Wm Edgar Esq
Asst. Genl Passenger Agent G.T.R.
Toronto

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your favor of yesterday asking for particulars as to proposed Celebration next June, and also requesting me to name a day when our Committee will meet the Railway Representatives - I will send you our proposed programme tomorrow, not having any copies on hand at present, and we will be happy to meet you next Monday - 3rd prox - at any place you may name and at any time between 10.30 and 4. o'clock - Please notify me as to particulars in this latter matter —

In regard to our programme it of course is altogether Conditional, as unless we can secure the full amount of $21,000. we cannot carry it out in its entirety - If we collect a larger amount it is our intention to add to the attractions of the week, and especially are we anxious to advertise the Celebration far and wide - With a generous assistance from the Railways we can make a great success of the affair, and I trust you will do your utmost to identify the interests of the Companies with that of the City in this matter -

Yours very Truly
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y T.C.C.

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Toronto Feby 26th 1882

Col. Denison D.A.G.
Toronto

Sir
I am instructed by the "Military Display" Committee to send you the list of Corps which have been invited to participate in the military Review to be held in this City on the 10th June next with the request that you will forward the same to the Minister of Militia for his guidance in any proposed grant for transport or pay. I may mention that we do not anticipate that more than two thirds of the Corps invited will be able to [illegible]

Cavalry

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Regiments and the "Princess Louise Dragoon Guards" -

Field Batteries

London Field Battery - 1st Brigade P.A. Guelph
Hamilton Field Battery - Welland Field Battery
Montreal Field Battery - "B" Battery -
Kingston Field Battery - Gananoque Field Battery
Ottawa Field Battery -

Garrison Artillery

Montreal Garrison Artillery -

Infantry and Rifles

G.G.F. Guards - "Prince of Wales"
Victoria Rifles - 5th Royal Scots
6th Fusiliers - 7th Fusiliers
8th Royal Rifles - 13th Battalions
14th Battalions - Dufferin Rifles
65th Battalions -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obt Servt
P.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

Major Gray to provide the [illegible]
and the necessary ammunition
he will settle all other matters
with him —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy L.C.C.

Records
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Toronto Feby 27th 1884

Col Denison D.A.G.
Toronto

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your
of the 25th inst. and in reply
beg to state that the Semi-
Centennial Committee will
pay all the expenses attending
the firing of fifty guns
on Monday 3rd March —

R B Hamilton
Secy L.C.C.

Feby 20

Dear Sirs

I am in receipt of your printed programmes - and would like you to finish the balance of the thousand in the same style at once - Will you kindly let me have at least one hundred by Friday - and the rest as soon after as possible

Yours truly

R. B. Hannetson
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs Alexander, Clare, Cable

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Toronto March 3rd 1882

Captain Jno. Hood
5th Batt Royal Scots
Montreal

Dear Sir

I duly received your favor of the 1st inst. as also letters from Cols. Campbell & Whitehead in re proposed change of date of 24th June Review. After a very lengthy consideration of the matter the Committee have decided that it would not be advisable to alter the first proposed date. There are so many interests to consider in the celebration that were we to make any propositions as to changes in the main features of the programme it would lead to an endless amount of trouble. Invitations will accordingly be sent to the Montreal Corps for Wednesday 28th June, and I sincerely trust your Batt will be able to make arrangements so as to be present on that day.

I remain
Yours Sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Secy D.C.C.

March 4th 94

R. H. McBride Esq
Captain Toronto Bicycle Club
City

Dear Sir

Mr Bousted informs this Committee that it is the desire of the Wholesmans Association of Canada to arrange for their annual meeting to take place during Semi Centennial week, and asks if arrangements can be made in connection with the Celebration - I am instructed to inform you that this Committee will be pleased to do all in their power to make our arrangements meet those of the association and I will be happy to lay before the Committee any propositions you may have to make on the subject -

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton - Secy &c.

Toronto March 14th 1881

Dear Hodgins

I am in receipt of your favor of yesterday, and in reply beg to state that the Prince in connection with the Queen's Centennial Celebration will be held on Wednesday 18th June. The "Guards" will receive a formal invitation to be present on the occasion in a few days.

Yours very truly

Capt. Hodgins
Ottawa

P. B. Hamilton
Sec. Secy.

March 7th 4

My dear Bousteads

The Private bills Committee has reported in favor of the $10,000. grant by the City and we can now proceed to make arrangements for the proposed musical festival in June - Kindly inform me when you would like to Committee on Music to meet and I will send notices.

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

J. B. Boustead Esqr
Chairman Committee on Music

March 1.

Robert Playter Esq
Secy York Pioneers
Toronto

Dear Sir

I Wm Yorke the Chairman of the Street parade Committee has requested me to ask you if you will be kind enough to inform us at very earliest convenience of the number of members your Society propose to turn out to join in the parade on Monday 16th June next - The Tableaux in connection with the York Pioneers are now being constructed and will be ready for the occasion - We anticipate they will present a fine appearance and will add greatly to the attractiveness of the parade - If you are aware of the existance of any Historical or other Society whose name does not appear in the directory please let me know of it, as we are anxious to have every possible interest represented at our Semi-Centennial Celebration -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton

March 11

Dear Sir

I am directed by the Secretary to correspond with you with the object of drawing your attention to the parade which is to take place on Tuesday the 17th June next in connection with the semi Centennial Celebration - We should like very much if your Society would make a display on that occasion, and I trust you will bring this matter before the notice of your Committee at an early day -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy A.C.C.C.

C. Bonnick Esq
Secy Ontario Poultry Association

March

St. St. Mara Esq
Secy Toronto Hunt Club
City

Dear Sir,

During Our Centennial Week next June several parades will take place, at one or more of which we would like the Toronto Hunt Club to take part. Will you kindly bring this matter before your Committee at an early date and let me know their ideas on the matter.

Yours very truly,
R. B. Hamilton
Secy T.C.C.

March 12th 84

R. N. W. Bride Esq
Capt. Toronto Bicycle Club
Toronto

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 10th inst, I will be happy to meet the joint committee and refer to at these rooms say on Friday between 12 and 1.30. If that time will suit kindly let me know and oblige

Yours Truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. T.C.C.C.

March 12th 4

Lt. Col. Denison D.A.G.
Toronto

Dear Sir

Referring to my letter to you of 26th ult. giving list of Corps which have been invited to take part in the Review to be held here on the 18th June next, I beg to state now the number we are led to expect will be actually present on that day. Of course this list is not at all official but in all likelihood will be a close enough estimate upon which to base the cost of transportation etc.

– Oils Batteries –

London, Hamilton & Welland and 1st Brigade P.A. Guelph –

– Garrison Artillery –

– Montreal Garrison Artillery –

– Infantry & Rifles –

G. G. Foot Guards – Victoria Rifles – Prince of Wales –
5th Royal Scots – 6th Fusiliers – 7th Fusiliers –
13th Battalions – 14th Battalion – & Dufferin Rifles –

Yours very truly R. B. Hamilton Secy. S.

Mar

My dear Mitchell

I see by a report in todays news-
papers that you stated at a meeting of the
Exhibition Committee yesterday that the Semi Centennial
Committee were spending money every day, but were not
making a single effort to raise one cent from citizens -
Now Sir, I think before making a statement of this
kind you should make yourself slightly conversant with
the facts of the case so that you would not require to
draw too heavily on your imagination - Not only have
efforts been made to supplement the grant of $100,000.
from the Council but if we chose to commute certain
matters we could gather into our coffers at once con-
siderably more than one half of the amount required
for our purposes. But we propose to raise a larger
sum from the quarter referred to and now simply
bide our time so that our receipts may be larger -
I cannot see any valid reason why you should
continue to endeavor to throw cold water on
the actions of the Semi Centennial Celebration

as the time of said Demonstration. fr.
at a large meeting of Citizens, after a full dis
cussion, by a majority of over ten to one -
Surely after this being the case it is useless for
you to continue to belittle the affair and try to
make Citizens believe the Committee is not acting
properly in the matter - I cannot think that you
represent in any way the Management of the Industrial
Exhibition when you endeavor to disparage the
Celebration, as I feel assured they are composed
of too many business men to allow themselves to
imagine for one moment that a failure of the
June Celebration will conduce to the success of
the September Exhibition -
The Semi Centennial is a fixed fact, and
it is the intention of a large number of
Citizens to do their utmost to make
it a success in every sense of the word -
and if this result is not achieved those

to blame in the matter will be the [illegible]
Citizens who endeavor to belittle it every [illegible]
they get a chance —
As the Demonstration is going to take place
in June had you not better withdraw all
hostility to it and extend a helping hand to
those gentlemen who are devoting time and
energy to advance the interests of Toronto in
this matter — I feel assured you will be better
satisfied yourself after success has been attained
than if the present efforts of yourself and a few
others should cause a failure —

I remain
Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Mr Alderman Mitchell

March 14 4

My dear Dr Camiff

If you have completed any arrangements for the U.E. loyalist celebration during semi Centennial week will you kindly let me know so that any events this Committee may want to bring on may not clash with your programme. I had to day a deputation from the Bicycle Clubs wait on me - They are anxious to have their annual meet here on the day of your celebration and if you have no counter attraction for that afternoon we will likely accept their offer - As we are very anxious to work in harmony with all the interests to be represented I should like to hear from you on the subject at as early a date as possible -

Remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Sec'y A.C.C.

Dr Camiff

Chairman U.E. loyalist Celebration

March 15th 4

John Hallam Esqr
Chairman Public Library Board
City

Dear Sir

The advertising in connection with the Celebration, and opening of Public Library on the 6th inst. amounts to Seventy dollars, as follows, viz-

Globe	100 lines	$ 15.00
Mail	do	15.00
World	do	10 00
News	do	10 00
Telegram	do	10 00
Canadian	do	10 00
		$ 70 00

According to arrangement with Mr McMurrich - your Board is to be charged with half this amount viz $ 35 00 Shall I send an a/c from this Committee for the above amount, or ask the different papers to bill you with your share direct? - Please let me hear from you as soon as possible as we want to get the matter in shape for our Executive Committee meeting next Wednesday - Yours very truly

R.B. Hamilton

March 17th 74

Dear Sirs

In reply to your enquiry of the 13th inst. I beg to enclose a copy of a circular issued last November in re proposed street parade during the Semi Centennial Celebration from which you see the part you are expected to take in the display -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs Gorham & Watts
City

20th March

Dear Sir

The Committee on Music in connection with the Semi Centennial Celebration has finally decided to recommend that the Musical portion of the program shall be as follows viz:-

Thursday - 19th June - "The Creation" by the Choral Society
Friday - 20th do - "The Redemption" . . Philharmonic Society
Saturday - 21st do - Miscellaneous Concert —

Kindly notify me at your earliest convenience whether the this arrangement is satisfactory to your society —

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Wm Selby Esqr
Secy Choral Society
City

20th March 4

Dear Sir,

The Committee on Music in connection with the Semi Centennial Celebration has finally decided to recommend that the musical portion of the program shall be as follows - viz:-

Thursday 9th June - "The Creation" by the Choral Society
Friday 20th do - "The Redemption" " " Philharmonic Soc
Saturday 21st do - Miscellaneous Concert -

Kindly notify me at your earliest convenience whether this arrangement is satisfactory to your Society.

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Thos. E. Aikenhead Esqr
Secy Philharmonic Society
City

March 21st

S. R. G. Penson Esq
City

Dear Sir

I understand Mr Bengough has about completed the Tableaux designs — If so will you kindly get them from him and let me have the estimate of cost at once — I would like to see you on the matter — and if you can conveniently do so please call at this office tomorrow, Saturday, about noon —

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy A.C.C.O.

22nd Mar

My dear Campbell

Referring to the proposed Bicycle meet during the Centennial Week, I submitted to the Executive Committee the substance of the conversation held with your joint Committee last week. I have been instructed to say in reply that while they will be happy to have Bicycle Clubs meet here and join in any of the processions if the members so choose, the Committee think that the advertisement afforded by the wide circulation of your cards and posters - which would announce your Games, is sufficient encouragement - and they cannot see their way clear to making any money grant to aid your undertaking - Kindly let me know at the earliest date possible if you propose to carry out your programme, as we are about ordering a large number of posters and want to have all events announced - Yours truly R B Hamm

22nd March

Wm Edgar Esq
Asst General Passenger Agent G.T.R.
Toronto.

Dear Sir

I have not heard from you since our interview of several weeks ago - Will you kindly drop me a line on the matter of rates, etc. at as early a date as possible as we are now awaiting the decision of the Railway Companies before issuing our posters or definitely arranging our programme. Since seeing you I find we will be able to add to our list of attractions, and from letters received I am assured more than ever that the crowds during Semi-Centennial Week will be even larger than anticipated - As so much of our success depends upon the action of the Railways I trust to hear from you very shortly -

Yours truly,

R. J. Hamilton Secy

24th March 4

Edward Fisher Esqr
City

Dear Sir

Will you kindly drop in a see the Chairman of the Committee on Music - Mr Bonstead - at his office, 12 Adelaide St. tomorrow, Tuesday - any hour except between 12 & 1. o'clock - in re Musical festival -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

25th March 21

John Davy Esq
Secy Public Library Board
Toronto

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find a/c for advertising Anniversary day and opening of the Public Library which please lay before your Board at its next meeting. The full amount of the a/cs have been paid by the Celebration Committee and I will be pleased to receive a ck for the amount due by your Board at as early a date as possible.

Yours very truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy R.C.C.

25th Mo 4

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25th Mar 4

Dear Sir

Will you kindly send me a price list of your fireworks - and any information on the matter which might assist the Semi Centennial Committee in arranging for displays.

Yours Truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Prof. Hand
Hamilton

25th Mar 4

Dear Sir

It is proposed that a Regatta and Grand Harbor parade be held during Semi Centennial Week – Will you kindly confer with some of the rowing and sailing representatives on this matter and let me know what their ideas may be – I write you as Commodore of the R.C. Club and also as President of the Toronto Rowing Club.

Yours very truly

A. B. Hamilton
Sec'y O.C.C.C.

His Worship the Mayor
Toronto

25th Mar 4

Dear Sir

It is proposed that a Regatta and grand Harbor parade be held during Semi-Centennial week — Will you kindly confer with members of your Club and get their ideas on the subject — I have written Mayor Boswell and would like if you would see him and arrange some definite line of action —

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamerton
Sec'y R.C.C.C.

Henry O'Brien Esq
Pres't Argonaut Rowing Club
City

25th Marc

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Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. &c.

T. McGaw Esqr
Commodore Toronto Yacht Club
City

26th March 4

Henry Scadding Esq
Orillia

Dear Sir

In reply to your question as to the best day upon which to organize an excursion to Toronto during the semi bicentennial week, I may state that the attractions during that week will be so varied that it is merely a matter of choice as to what style of demonstration your excursionists may take the greatest interest in. To help you decide in this matter I send you a couple of illustrated programmes, by which you will see that every possible attraction has been arranged for. Trusting to see an immense number from your neighborhood visit us during the Celebration week I remain Yours sincerely

26th March 1

William Selby Esq
Secy Choral Society
City

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of this day I beg to state that it is the intention of this Committee to assume the full financial responsibility of the undertaking but all a/cs must be submitted to the Music Committee and will be paid out of the sum placed to the credit of that Committee - Kindly let me know as soon as possible the expense connected with the hiring of your practice hall and amount paid to pianist and for use of piano so that we can make up estimate of the cost of the proposed entertainment

Yours very truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy R.C.C.C.

27th March 4

My dear Baker

I enclose cheque for £63 5s.
amount of a/c rendered by University College
against the Semi Centennial Committee.
to receipt of which please acknowledge

Sincerely Yours

A. B. Hamilton
Secy C.C.C.

Alfred Baker Esq
City

Toronto 28th March 1884

Dan. A. Rose Esq
Manager Rose Publishing Company
Toronto

Dear Sir,

In reply to your enquiry I beg to state that the Memorial Volume to be issued by your Company is the only work authorized by the Citizens Civic Centennial Committee.

Yours Sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.C.

29th March 84

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find your a/c against this Committee and requisition to the Treasurer to pay the same — Upon presenting these papers to Mr Harman (City Treasurer) you will receive a cheque to square a/c —

Yours Sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

J. Bayley Esq
Bandmaster T.O.R.

31st Mc

Dear Sir

Your communication addressed to Mr McMurrich in re Review during Semi Centennial Week has been submitted to the Committee, and in reply I am directed to state that even if so disposed the Committee would now be powerless to change the date as you suggest from Wednesday to Saturday, as to do so would necessitate a complete rearrangement of our programme, and other matters are too advanced to allow of a great change being made —

The date of the Review has been discussed thoroughly, especially after the visit of Captain Hood of the "Royal Scots" who urged the views now expressed by you very strongly upon the Committee as far back as last January — The Committee was

exceedingly anxious to meet the view
the Montreal Corps as far as possible, but
after mature deliberation the conclusion was
arrived at that a change to either Saturday
or Monday (both of which were suggested) would
under the circumstances tend to lessen the
chances of making the whole Celebration a
grand success —
Invitations to the different Corps were issued
some time ago and already several acceptances
have been received, including one from the
"6th Fusiliers" —
Trusting the "Gazette" will lend us its valuable
aid in making the Review worthy the occasion
I remain
Yours sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y S.C.C.

S. G. Dunlop Esq
Military Editor "Gazette"
Montreal

2nd April 4

F. H. Torrington Esqr
City

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Committee on Music to notify you that your services have been engaged as Conductor in the oratorio of Redemption to be rendered by the Philharmonic Society on Friday Evening June 20th, and that the sum of Two hundred & fifty dollars ($250.) has been voted as remuneration for the same. Should, however, it be found necessary to secure an orchestra outside of Toronto, a reduction will be made in accordance with the smaller number of Rehearsals you will require to attend.

Trusting these terms will be satisfactory,

I remain
Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.

Montreal

2nd April 4

Edward Fisher Esqr
City

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Committee on Music to notify you that your services have been engaged as Conductor in the Oratorio of Creation, to be rendered by the Choral Society on Thursday Evening June 19th, and that the sum of Two hundred & fifty dollars, ($250,) has been voted as remuneration for the same. Should, however, it be found necessary to secure an Orchestra outside of Toronto, a reduction will be made in accordance with the smaller number of Rehearsals you will require to attend.

Trusting these terms will be satisfactory,

I remain
Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

3d April 4

James Barnes Esq. L.S.M.
Canadian Order of Odd Fellows
Toronto

Dear Sir

Owing to an inadvertance the C.O.O.F. was not asked to send representatives to the Semi Centennial Committee, and Law now instructed by the Committee to ask you to be kind enough to send the names of two of your members who will be at once placed on the General Committee — Trusting to hear from you on this matter at earliest possible convenience

Remain Yours Sincerely

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.O.

3rd April 4

H. J. Hill Esq.
Secy Industrial Exhibition Assn,
Toronto.

Dear Sir,

The City Council has granted to the Semi Centennial Committee the use of the Exhibition Bdgs and grounds during the Celebration week next June, but we understand your Assn claims to have exclusive control of certain buildings on the Grounds which will be necessary for our purposes. Our Committee, presuming your claim to be legitimate in this matter, has instructed me to ask your Association if they will be good enough to place at our disposal for the named week the buildings referred to. We anticipate that large crowds will require accomodation during the time of the Celebrations, and earnestly hope your Association will grant our request, so that we may not be cramped for room in our several displays. Trusting to hear from you at earliest convenience I remain

Yours Sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y S.C.C.

4th April 4

Dear Sir,

It is proposed that on Monday 16th June next the Toronto Firemen shall take part in the processions and other displays in connection with the Semi Centennial Celebration; and I am instructed by the Executive Committee to request you to grant the necessary permission to enable the Brigade to participate.

We would also be pleased to add the name of Chief Adagh to our Committee, so as to have the benefit of his advice in making the necessary arrangements. and I presume there will be no objection on the part of your Council to our doing so.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obdt Servt.
R. B. Hamilton
Secy C.C.C.

His Worship the Mayor
Toronto

10th April

My dear Dr Wright

If possible please call at this office on Saturday morning about 10.30. as Mr McMurrich wants to have a talk, with you on some important Semi Customs matters -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy C.C.C.

Dr Geo. Wright

10th April

Dear Sir

I would like to see you on Saturday morning re proposed Railway trains, and will call at your office about 10.30. if I do not hear from you in the meantime.

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y G.T.C.C.

Wm Edgar Esq
Asst General Passenger Agt
Grand Trunk Railway

10th April

My dear McKing,

I have just received the Railway proposals, and am very much disappointed with them - I wrote Mr Cogan that we would interview him at his office on Saturday morning if convenient for him - Mr McMurrich and myself will call for you on our way down, and would like you to have any papers connected with your former arrangements ready so that we can refer to their action on that occasion - Trusting it will not incommode you to be on hand

Yours
Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

J. B. King Esqr
Grand Secy S.O.F.

14th April 4

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of your favor of the 9th inst. containing offers in regard to proposed Firework display during Semi-Centennial Week, and also your colored sketch shewing general appearance of display, for which please accept Thanks - Your letter will be submitted to the Committee at its first meeting and you will hear from me at an early date on the subject -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.C.

Prof. Hand & Co
Hamilton

18th April 4

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly place in writing the arrangement you proposed in regard to the Cabin Contribution towards the Semi Centennial Celebration. As our Executive Committee meets tomorrow Saturday Evening, I would be obliged if you would send me your letter in time to place it before them.

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.

Wm Edgar Esq
Asst Genl Passenger Agt G.T.R.

22nd April 4

Dear Sirs,

It has been decided to change the date of the semi Centennial Celebration to the week beginning June 26th and ending July 6th. This of course necessitates a change on the face of the steel plate programme card which I trust you will have done at once as we are anxious to get them distributed as soon as possible -

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton

Secy. C.C.C.

Messrs Alexander, Clare & Cable

City

April 22nd.

W.C.Price, Esq.

290 King St,e.

C I T Y.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of April 21st received. I regret that your note did not reach me in time to send you notice to be present at the meeting of the General Committee last evening at the City Hall. I have handed your letter to the Secretary Mr R.B.Hamilton who will see to your getting notices in the future.

Yours truly.

April 23d

Dear Sir,

Captain Mead informs me that the Hamilton Field Battery did not receive an invitation to be present at the Review to be held here during Semi Centennial week — I presume the reason of my circular letter not having reached you was on account of it being addressed to Capt. McMahon, whose name appeared in the last "Militia List" as being in command of your Battery — I trust this explanation will be satisfactory, and that you will accept the enclosed as a cordial invitation to be present here with the Hamilton Battery on Dominion Day —

Yours very Truly

R. B. Hamilton

Major VanWagner
Hamilton Field Battery

23rd April

Sir,

I and in receipt of your favor of the 11th inst. and in answer to your questions I beg to state that Review will be over in time to allow your Battalion to by the Evening train — as to your arrival here, the "local" would bring you here before 10. o'clock — but it would necessitate very early rising on the part of your men, so I presume you would come up by the previous night train —

As to quarters, there is nothing definite decided yet, but the Savings Commons will in all probability be set apart for those who choose to camp, while some of the building on the Exhibition Grounds will be placed at the disposal of the Regiments spending only a short time here — I feel assured you need not be at all anxious for the Comfort of your men as our Committee will do all in their power to make the visit a pleasant one, and already preparations are being made for a luncheon after the Review — Trusting I may have the pleasure of seeing your Battalion here,

I remain

Yours Sincerely

A. B. Hanmiker

Secy S.C.C.

Lieut. Col. Lazier
Argyle Light Infantry

23rd April 4

Dear Sir,

In reply to your enquiries as to the amount subscribed by the Citizens towards the Semi Centennial Celebration they beg to say that I am not in a position to state to exact amount at present as the books are still in the hands of the collectors - However I anticipate a report very shortly and purpose publishing the amounts at an early date -

Yours very truly

A. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.C.

Mark St. Leich Esq
Main Street

30th April 4

W. H. Claris Esqr
St Thomas

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of yesterday I beg to state that the Semi Centennial Celebration will extend from Monday 30th June to Saturday 5th July inclusive - and that we intend to make the 4th July specially attractive for American Visitors -

Yours truly
R. B. Hannetory
Secy S.C.C.

24th April 4

Lieut. Col. Denison D.A.G.

Toronto

Sir,

I beg to call your attention to my letter of the 26th Feby last in which I gave you a list of the Corps which had been invited to take part in the Review to be held here during the coming Semi Centennial week, and requested you to forward the same to the Minister of Militia for his guidance in any proposed grant for transport or pay. To this letter I have received no reply as yet and as the time of the proposed Review is rapidly approaching I beg you will give the matter your early consideration. I may mention that the date of the Celebration has been postponed for two weeks and that the Review is now to take place on Dominion Day. As the success of the Military display will to a great extent depend upon the assistance received from the Government I trust they will not be backward in extending a helping hand. Several Corps from a distance have signified their intention of being present providing pay for transport is assured them, and, as we anticipate an immense number of visitors from all parts of the Continent will be present on that

to witness the Military manoeuvres we are exceedingly anxious that
every opportunity should be given them to see the leading
Regiments of the Country so that a favorable impression
may be the result. We certainly think the Government as
much interested as ourselves in this matter and fully entitled
a favorable reply to our application -
Kindly let me hear from you at as early a date as possible
and much oblige -

Yours sincerely

R. B. Hamilton

Secy. A.C.C.C.

24th April 4

Dear Sirs,

I am not yet in a position to say anything positive in regard to the proposed Firework work display - The Committee on arrangements recommended the acceptance of your $1000. tender, but the Executive referred it back for further information in regard to the cost of the Forts etc. and we are now endeavoring to arrive at this latter estimate - If you are likely to be in Toronto shortly please let me know as there are a number of points in connection with the display which could be far more satisfactorily settled by an interview than by letter - Let me hear from you at very earliest convenience and oblige

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Prof. Hand & Co.
Hamilton

24th April 4

Dear Sir,

Owing to the change in the date of the Semi-Centennial Celebration this Committee will not require the use of the Horticultural Pavilion and Grounds until the week beginning Monday 30th June, and, as I understand your Society has made an arrangement for a Concert and Fireworks display on the night of Dominion day, we propose to adopt that arrangement as a portion of our programme and to advertise it as such, but to allow your Society to manage the affair and attend entirely to the financial portion of the business - for the balance of the week - including one night for Ball - we will pay you the sum of $300. and in case a dinner takes place - which is altogether improbable an additional $100. to be allowed - Trusting this will be satisfactory to your Society.

Remain

Yours Sincerely

A. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.

H. Pellatt Esq.

Hon. Secy Dec.

Horticultural Society

April 24th

Robert Pearson, Esq.

68 Esther St.

C I T Y.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 23rd duly received.

I regret very much that your duties and the duties of your fellow [illegible] of the Locomotive Engineers Brotherhood will [illegible] taking such an active part as you wish. I trust however [illegible] date when we can talk the matter over.

Yours truly.

W Hanceny McMurrich

23th April 4

Dear Penson,

Should any person call upon you to get information in regard to the Tableaux being constructed by you - do not let him have it without an order from the Committee -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

S. R. G. Penson Esq

25th April

Dear Sir,

I am instructed to authorize you to secure the necessary permission for the Philharmonic Society to render the oratorio of the "Redemption" in connection with the Semi Centennial Celebration. I understand the fee to be paid for same is $200., and this amount the Committee undertakes to pay when required --

Yours truly
R.B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.

F.H. Torrington Esq
City

25th April 4

My Lord,

I beg to inform you that the date of the Semi Centennial Celebration has been postponed to the week extending from the 30th June to the 5th July - Should you know of any distinguished visitors who are likely to be in Toronto at that time this Committee will be pleased to have their names so that a hearty welcome can be extended to them.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient Servant

R. B. Hannesbury
Secy S.C.C.

Lord Melgund
Ottawa

26th April 4

Dear Sir,

Referring to my letter of the 10th ult. will you kindly inform me if it is the intention of the Toronto Hunt Club to participate in any of the parades during Senn' Centennial Week, as, if so, our Committee would like them to join in the Civic and Historical parade which is to take place on Monday 30th June.

Trusting to hear from you at very earliest convenience

I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.

H. S. Mara Esqr

Secy Toronto Hunt Club

City

26th April 4

Dear Sirs,

I am instructed to inform you that this Committee will grant you the use of the Granite Rink to hold two popular Concerts on the nights of Monday & Tuesday - 30th June and 1st July - for the sum of $100. - and that they will announce these Concerts as part of the official programme in all the advertisements issued which contain notices of the Events to take place during Semi-Centennial Week - Kindly let me hear from you on this matter at earliest convenience -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

Messrs Suckling & Son
City

28th April 4

Dear Madame,

The Philharmonic and Choral Societies have arranged to give two Oratorios, "Redemption" and "Creation" during the week of the Semi Centennial Celebration. If you are not already engaged could your services be secured for the Evenings of Monday and Tuesday, 30th June and 1st July for the Rehearsals and Wednesday and Thursday for the Concerts? – If so will you kindly intimate your terms – including your expenses in full –

The Choruses will number from Three hundred to four hundred and fifty voices and will be conducted by Mr Torrington and Mr Fisher –

Trusting to hear from you at an early date,

I remain

Yours sincerely

A. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.

Mrs Elaine Osgoode
121 North 33rd St.
Philadelphia

28th April 4

Dear Sir

The Philharmonic and Choral Societies have arranged to give two oratorios, "Redemption" and "Creation" during the week of the Semi Centennial Celebration. If you are not already engaged during that week will you kindly intimate to me what your terms will be - including all expenses in full - to sing at the Rehearsals on the Evenings of Monday & Tuesday. 30th June and 1st July - and at the Concerts on Wednesday and Thursday Evenings - The Choruses will number from three hundred to four hundred and fifty voices and will be under the charge of Mr Torrington and Mr Fisher -

Trusting to hear from you at an early date

I remain.

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Secy &c.

Theodore Todd Esq

28th April 4

Dear Sir,

The Philharmonic and Choral Societies have arranged to give two Oratorios, "Redemption" and "Creation" during the week of the Semi Centennial Celebration. If you are not already engaged during that term will you kindly intimate to me what your terms would be - including all expenses in full - to sing at the rehearsals on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday - June 30th and July 1st and at the Concerts on Wednesday and Thursday Evenings - The Chorusses will number from three hundred to four hundred & fifty voices and will be conducted by Mr Torrington and Mr Fisher - Trusting to hear from you at an early date

I remain
Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Frantz Remmertz Esq

29th April 4

To the Worship the Mayor

Dear Sir —

We the undersigned on behalf of the Celebration Semi-Centennial Celebration Committee do hereby guarantee and give this letter of guarantee that there will be expended by the said Committee in the carrying out of the programme as adopted the sum of two thousand dollars over and above the amount subscribed by the City or in other words that the total expenditure of the said Committee will be at least twenty thousand dollars in the carrying out of the said celebration

W. Barclay McMurrich
Chairman Finance Committee

A. B. Hunter
Financial Sec'y C.C.C.

29th April 21

Dear Mr Mayor.

At the request of Mr McMurrick I send you over the proposed letter of guarantee — Please let us know at earliest convenience if same will be sufficient —

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.

His Worship the Mayor

City

April 29 4

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of a tender for fireworks display from James Reid of London and New York in which they specify all the different pieces and works they propose to display. As the amount of their tender is the same as your own I would be obliged if you would send me a list of your proposed exhibits. In addition to the list, kindly furnish me with a description separately, as I suggested to your Mr Bray —

Trusting to hear from you shortly,

I remain Yours Truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.

Prof. Hando & Co
Hamilton

April 30th 4

C. Mackenzie Esq
Supt "Shedden Company"
Toronto

Dear Sir,

Referring to your communications to the Tabbam Committee of the 9th 19th - 23rd & 24th April, in re construction of platforms etc., I beg to notify you that this Committee accepts your tender as therein stated, and hereby authorizes your Company to proceed with the work at once -

Yours Truly
R.B. Hamilton
Sec. Secy.

30th April 4

Public Lby

Dear Sir,

Please let the bearer, Mr Greene have a cheque for the amount due this Committee for advertising and oblige

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

P.S. Your might make it out in favor of Mr S. B. Harmon Treasurer Senn. Centennial Committee. H.

30th April

Wm Bartlett Esq
Secy Granite Building Hall
City

Dear Sir

This Committee is desirous of placing the Granite Land placed at its disposal during the week of the Semi Centennial Celebration, extending from the 30th June to the 5th July. Kindly let me know upon what terms you will rent the Hall during that period - and oblige.

Yours Truly,
R.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

30th April 4

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Executive Committee to request you to place the sum of Two thousand dollars ($2000 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀) in the hands of the City Treasurer to the credit of the Queen's Celebration Committee, as I understand you are authorized to do so under by-law passed by the Corporation of the City of Toronto.

I have the honor to be

Your obdt Servt

R. B. Hamilton
Secy C.C.C.

His Worship the Mayor
Toronto

30th April

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your favor stating that your Company intend adding their quota to the Industrial parade during Semi Centenar week and asking permission to exhibit their wind engines in operation - This Committee will be pleased to see as many novelties in the parade as possible providing there is nothing in them to cause danger in the matter of runaways -

Yours very truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

Mr Alb. Brandon
City

May 1st.

Rt. W. D. Spry Esq.

Rt. W. D. Spry, Esq.

Grand Master A.F. & A.M.

Grand Master A.F. & A.M.

Barrie, Ont.

Barrie, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by the Semi-Centennial Celebration Committee to ask that you will kindly permit the Celebration Committee to ask the [illegible] this district to take part in our Semi-Centennial [illegible] in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the [illegible] at the City of Toronto. The Fourth day of [illegible] has been [illegible] apart as the day for Secret Societies, and [illegible] programme of this day is the laying of the corner [illegible] monument to be erected on the site of Fort Rouillé [illegible] the Committee think that [illegible] by the Masonic Body, an opinion with which [illegible] I heartily concur and [illegible] forward the proposal for your [illegible] consideration. As far as I can learn the City Lodges would gladly take part in such a ceremony and would give a hearty welcome to the members of the Grand Lodge and especially to yourself.

Awaiting your reply

I remain

Yours fraternally.

W. Hardray McMurrie
C.S.C.

W. Hardray McMurrie
C.S.C.

May 2nd 11

G. W. Yarker
Manager Bank of Montreal
Toronto

Dear Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that your name has been added to the Ball Committee of the Semi Centennial Celebration -

I remain
Yours truly
A. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.C.

May 2nd 1

Dear Sirs,

I am instructed by the Committee of Music to ask you to be kind enough to state your terms for furnishing an organ for the use of the Philharmonic and Choral societies for the Concerts to be held on the 2nd and 3rd of July next at the Horticultural Pavilion, said organ to be the same size as furnished by you to the Exhibition Association some time ago —

Hoping to hear from you at earliest convenience

I remain

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton

Secy P.C.C.C.

J. P. Warren & Son

City

5th May

Edward Lye Esqr
City

Dear Sir –

I am instructed to ask you if you would be able to supply an organ suitable for Oratorios at the Pavilion on the nights of Wednesday and Thursday July 2nd & 3rd. If so kindly state the terms upon which you would do so –

Yours truly
P. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

5th May 4

My dear Mr Mayor

Both Mr Hamilton and myself will sign the Bond as prepared by the City Solicitor - I have asked one or two more to sign the bond but they refuse on various grounds As there is not the slightest doubt whatever as to a similar amount being expended and as I am worth more than you ask as a security I should think the above should be satisfactory While willing to assume the responsibility myself I do not care to go round begging for some one to sign

Yours

W Barclay McMurrich

His Worship the Mayor

May 6th 84

Robt Mackenzie Esq
Hon Secy, Committee of Management,
Toronto Athletic Grounds,
City.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 26th ult. in re proposed Lacrosse match and athletic games during Semi-Centennial week, I am instructed to inform you that your offer has been accepted and that Thursday afternoon, 3rd July, has been set apart on our programme for your entertainment - I have further to inform you that should your Committee desire to hold a Lawn Tennis Tournament on the following Saturday, we will be pleased to give it a place on our programme as well, but it is necessary to hear from on this latter point at once as our programmes are almost ready for the printer -

Yours truly
R. S. Hamilton

May 6th 4

Messrs Suckling & Sons
City.

Dear Sirs,

I am instructed by the Committee to accept your offer to provide the Mendelssohn Quintette Club with Mrs. Fanny Kellogg for the two oratorios given by the Philharmonic and Choral societies on the Evenings of Wednesday & Thursday of Semi Centennial week - Mrs Kellogg to attend rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday Evening, June 3d & July 4th for the sum of Two hundred fifty dollars and the use of the Horticultural Pavilion on the following Friday Evening for the purpose of holding a Concert providing you return to this Committee Twenty five % of the proceeds of said Concert over and above Four hundred dollars - This Committee also agrees to announce the said Concert as part of the official programme in all the advertisements issued which contain notices of the Events to take place during Semi Centennial Week - Please state if the above is a correct interpretation of your offer - and oblige - Yours Truly

P. B. Hamilton
Secy & C.C.

7 May 4

Dr Sir

I have to send you herewith the amount of the following subscriptions in

W H Bleasdell & Co	$10.00.
W. I. Gage	10.00
	20.00.

Yours truly
W. Barclay McMurrich

Hon City Treasurer
City Hall

121½

7th May 4

My dear Yorker

The Finance Committee meets I expect on Friday next. Have you all the Bank Subscriptions in hand so that you can report at that meeting – Mr Grahams success amongst the Merchants has been very far indeed. I hope the Bank of Montreal set a good example which has been well supported by the other Banks

Yours truly

W Barclay McMurrich

G. M. Yorker Esq.

Bank of Montreal

May 7th 4

S. B. Harman Esq
Treas Semi Centennial Committee
City

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find cheques as follows—

subscription of Mr G. B. Smith — $ 25.00
do " Messrs Gillespie, Ansley & Co — 25.00
$ 50.00

Yours Truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

7th May 4

My dear Mr Ex Mayor

I enclose Bond executed by myself & Mr Hamilton to the City. Please have matter arranged with the Mayor today if you can and get the $2000. or transferred to the Credit of the Committee

Yours truly

W Wendlayth Munch
C.C.C.

S A Hannah Esq
Treasurer.

May 7th 4

Dear Sir

I am instructed by the Bank Committee of the Semi Centennial Celebration to accept your tender to provide a temporary Supper Room on the North side of the Horticultural Pavilion for the sum of One hundred and fifty five dollars - on condition that the work will be completed on or before the 25th day of June next -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy Sec.

Thos. F. Gearing Esq.
City

May 7th

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Ball Committee of the semi Centennial Celebration to make you tender to supply Twenty one Musicians for the sum of Seventy dollars - $70.00 - to play at the Ball to be held at the Mechanics Pavilion on the night of Monday June 30th

Yours Truly

A. B. Chamberlain
Secretary

Wm Seager Esq
City

May 7th 4

J. W. Carter Esq
City

Dear Sir -

Mr Penson has submitted two sketches of Tableaux differing somewhat from those adopted by the Committee. Mr McKenrick & Mr Bishop approve of the change, and as you are on the sub Committee to overlook the work etc. it will require your endorsation as well — kindly drop in this office tomorrow morning if possible as Mr Penson is very anxious to have the matter decided so that he can go on with his work —

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May. 8th

Dear Madame,

I duly received your favor of the 3rd inst. and submitted the same to the Committee on Music. They desire me to say that they have been enabled to make fuller arrangements elsewhere than they could have done by accepting your offer, and while they were unanimous in their desire to secure your services for the Oratorios, they felt constrained to adopt the course they have decided upon in order to strengthen their orchestra -

Believe me -

Yours sincerely

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Madame E. A. Osgood
Philadelphia

May 8th

Wm Bartholomew Esq
Secy Granite Curling Club
City

Dear Sir —

In reply to yours of the 2nd inst. offering the Committee the use of the Granite Rink during Vain Centennial week for the purpose of having Concerts and Entertainments of that Class for the sum of $150.00 I am instructed to inform you that we accept the same.

Yours truly
[illegible]
Secy

May 1st 4

James Pain Esq
New York -

Dear Sir -

In reply to your letter addressed to Mr McMurrich offering to supply a Firework display on Toronto Bay during Semi Centennial week for the sum of $1000. I am instructed to inform you that before hearing from you we had just about concluded arrangements with Prof Hand - but since then we have endeavoured to interest the Boating interest here to co-operate with this Committee in arranging for a second display, but so far have not succeeded in our efforts - Under the circumstances therefore we do not see our way clear to entertain your proposal -

Yours Truly
A.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May 8th 4

Dear Sirs,

I am instructed by this Committee to accept your Tender for the display of fireworks on Toronto Bay on the night of Thursday 3d July, as contained in your several letters and in conversation with the writer, for the sum of $1250 00/-, this Committee to supply the scows necessary for the occasion — Should the night set apart for the display be, in the opinion of this Committee, unpropitious the affair will be postponed to a suitable time —

Yours Truly

R.B. Hamilton
Sec'y &c.

P.S. In the matter of additional fireworks, that can be arranged at a later date — R.B.H. —

May 8th 4

Henry Hebb Esq
City.

Dear Sir -

I am instructed by the Ball Committee of the semi Centennial Celebration to accept your tender for the supply of Supper in connection with the Ball to be held on the night of Monday June 30th for the sum of $550 for a band of 500 persons, and 60¢ per head on all over this number -

Yours Truly
A. B. Hamilton
Secy.

May 9th 44

Dear Sir —

Will you kindly call at this office as Mr McMunn would like to see you in regard to collections for semi Centennial Celebration.

Yours Truly
A D Hamilton

John Laidlaw Esq

9th Mar 14

J. G. Bevan Esq
W. W. G. M.
Ally

Dear Sir

I am deemed by the M.W. the Grand Master to place myself in communication with you in regard to the various lodges of the Masonic Body in this Ally Hotel with in our Sacred Centennial Celebration by turning out to lay the foundation stone of a monument to be marked on the site of the ancient Bath Rooms. The W. the Grand Master is anxious to obtain the writer of the Craft. As chairman of the General Committee I am very anxious that the various lodges should take part in an historical event, a landmark in the City's progress for all time to come. As most

of the City Lodges are holding their meetings at present. I presume an early reply could be got from them. I am this morning in receipt of a letter from the G. Secy Ohio & I Mason stating that the Grand Lodge will lay the foundation stone. Under these circumstances it is all important that there should be a large turn out of the City Lodges on the occasion. I need only add that the Gen Committee will do all in their power to cooperate with the City Lodges in the matter

Yours truly

W Hardaway Munnick

May 10th 4

Dear Sir —

In reply to your enquiry to Mr McMurrich, I am instructed to state that this Committee is not in a position to extend any help financially to any of the Societies taking part in the Benevolent Societies Parade, but that a sum of money has been at their disposal to provide prizes for drill of the uniformed encampments —

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y &c &c.

J. D. Williams Esq
City

May 10th 4

Sir -

In reply to yours of yesterday I beg to state that the Semi Centennial Committee propose providing Buildings suitable for quarters for all the Volunteers attending the Review on dominion day - and will have the same lighted for the Corps remaining over night - In regard to washing accomodation the Committee will have basins and water ready for use, but do not undertake to provide soap or towels The Committee has also set apart a sum to be devoted for the purpose of entertaining the men at lunch which will amount to from 30¢ to 50¢ per head according to the number of visitors - This amount will be granted to each Battalion and they must make their own arrangements for subsistence - as this Committee could not undertake to provide Caterers for the number of Corps we trust will be present - However in this matter we will be pleased to give you any information or extend any help which lies in our power - It is the intention of this Committee

to make our visitors, both Military and Civil, as comfortable as possible, and no pains will be spared to further this object -
I may also mention that the officers of the Toronto Garrison have arranged to entertain all the visiting officers at a luncheon immediately after the Review - Trusting we may have the pleasure of seeing the P.W.O. Rifles at our Celebration. -

I remain
Yours sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

James Galloway Jr.
Capt & adj. 14th P.W.O. Rifles

12th Mary 4

Hon Frank Smith
Prest. Street Railway Company
Dpr

I am requested in behalf of the Citizens Committee to ask from you a subscription from your Company in behalf of the funds required for the carrying out of our programme during the Semi Centennial week. The Railway and Steamboat lines - have given us very liberal contributions, acknowledging in this way their appreciation of the efforts of the Committee to draw a large number of people to the City at that time. We have spent several hundreds of dollars in advertising and we have every reason to believe that Smith will be filled with people for the whole week. Your Company will largely benefit by the numbers so arriving & continuing with us and we hurt you will

second the wishes of the committee by responding liberally to this appeal. We publish our list of subscriptions on Saturday next in all the papers and trust to see your subscription occupying an honored position

Yours truly

W Barclay McMurtrie

Chairman S. C. C.

May 12th

Dear Sir —

In reply to yours of the 9th inst. I
to state that in accepting your offer of
Fireworks display during Semi Centennial week
specially mentioned your several letters and your
Conversation with the writer was to avoid the necessity
of going over the matter of details. as in them the
shore of the work to be done by this Committee was
laid down. I never so turned like the agreement
drawn up from proper forward at an early date, and
would be kind when you are likely to be in the
Cities that we may have everything in shape
[illegible] —

Yours truly
[illegible] Hamilton
Mayor &c &c

Professor
Hamilton

May 12th

My dear Hodgins.

I owe you an apology for not
replying to your kind letter of 20th ult. by
this, but I have been waiting until the Commis
came to some decision on the matter of quarters
before writing - Thank you very much for your
Congratulations and kind wishes -
In regard to your enquiries as to quarters etc.
I may say that it is the intention of this Commis
to provide buildings suitable for quarters at the
Exhibition Grounds for all the visiting Corps - an
also to light the buildings during the Evenings, a
provide water and basins for washing - A sum
will be placed to the credit of each Battalion. amount
to from 30d to 50d per man, according to the number yo
to procure dinner after the Review - Owing to the
large number of visitors which we anticipate i
would be impossible to this [illegible]

the Catering - but whatever assistance we are
enabled to give will be cheerfully extended —
I may also mention that the officers of the Toronto
Garrison purpose inviting all visiting officers to
a luncheon immediately after the Review —
I am pleased to hear that the "Guards" purpose coming
up, and you may depend upon the Committee placing
at your disposal as comfortable quarters as can be
found at the Exhibition Grounds —
Of course this letter like your own is "unofficial"
but to all intents and purposes it will give you
a full idea of what we propose to do in the way
of entertaining our military guests —
With kind regard I remain
Sincerely Yours
[illegible] A B Hamilton

Capt. Hodgins —
Attawa

May 13th 4

Sir -

In reply to your letter of Enquiry of the 9th inst - in re semi Centennial Review. I beg to inform you that we are not yet in receipt of any reply from the Government in answer to our application for a grant to defray cost of transport -

This Committee will set apart buildings at the Exhibition Grounds suitable for quarters for all the Volunteers attending the Review on Dominion day and will have the same lighted for those Corps remaining over night, - In regard to washing accomodation, basins and water will be provided but not soap or towels - The Committee has also set apart a sum to be avoted for the purpose of entertaining the men at lunch which will amount to from 30¢ to 50¢ per man according to the number of visitors - This amount will be granted to Gact Battalion, and they must make their own arrangements for subsistence as this Committee could not undertake to provide caterers for the number of Corps we trust will be present - However in this matter we will be pleased to give you any information or extend any help which lies in our power - I may also mention that the Officers of the Toronto Garrison have arranged to entertain the visiting Officers at a luncheon immediately after the Review -

I remain

Yours Sincerely

R. B. [illegible]

Secy [illegible]

Major Blaiklock
acting Adjt. Co. Fusiliers

May 14th 44

Mr Penson.

Will please let the bearer Mr Corrie have the use of the Tableaux sketches for insertion in the Illustrated paper which he is publishing

And oblige
Yours Truly
R.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

S.R.G. Penson Esq
City.

May 14th 4

E. O'Keefe Esqr
City

Dear Sir -

Will you kindly call and see Mr McMurrich re Senn Centennial business the first time you can make it convenient -

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.D.

May 14th 4

Jno. Cosgrave Esq
City

Dear Sir -

Will you kindly call and see Mr McMurrich re semi Centennial business the first time you can make it convenient -

Yours truly
A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May 14th

Wm R. Wood Esq
City

Dear Sir — Will you kindly call and see Mr McMurrich re Senior Centennial business the first time you can make it convenient.

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

14th May 4

Dear Sir

Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of this date enclosing cheque for fifty dollars - I am sure you will pardon me when I say that the amount is very disheartening to the Committee. I have spent weeks and months in arranging to have a brilliant success and secure a large crowd at our City and this without fee or reward or expectation thereof - the benefit of which your Company will be the largest recipients - and to find you estimate our labors at so small a figure is not very encouraging - I certainly anticipated that you would have given us at least $500.00.

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Might I ask you to ask the Board to reconsider their decision as I am sure when the amount is published with the other subscriptions on Saturday next it will look sadly out of place. I notice you have placed us on the same footing as the Industrial Exhibition - this is a yearly matter to which you yearly give the amount of our cheque & $50.00 as an historical celebration of this kind comes only once in fifty years - perhaps it is the intention of your company to continue the grant to the Commissioner or their successors each year until the Centennial rolls round. Joking apart I do trust your Company will see their way clear to aid us in some way proportionate to the labour expended in their behalf & oblige the Commissioner Yours truly

W. Barclay McMurrich

May 15th

My dear Sir –

Will you kindly call in at this office at your earliest convenience, as Mr McMurrie would like to see you in connection with the laying of the Corner Stone of the monuments to be erected on the site of the ancient Fort Rouille –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Rev. Dr Scadding
City

May 15th 4

Sir -

Arrangements have been completed by the Semi Centennial Committee for a Grand Review of the Volunteer Force, in Toronto, on Tuesday, July 1st, and they desire to extend to the Battalion under your Command, a cordial invitation to be present on the occasion - Kindly let me hear from you on this Matter at your earliest convenience -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours Sincerely
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Lieut. Col. Cubitt
45th Battalion

May 16th 4

Dear Sir -

I beg to inform you that your name has been transferred from the Committee on Grounds to that on Finance - Trusting this change will be acceptable to you -

I remain
Sincerely Yours
A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

W. C. Matthews Esq
City

May 16th

Dear Sir -

I have much pleasure in informing you that your name has been added to the Committee on Music -

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

J. D. Ward Esq
City -

May 16th 47

Dear Sir -

I have much in informing you that your name has been added to the Committee on Music -

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.

A. Reeve Esq
City

May 16th 4

Dear Mr McIntyre –

I take the liberty of forwarding to your address about 50 of the Semi Centennial two sheet posters and an equal number of programme bills, and asking you to be kind enough to have a bill poster put them up around your City – and have the acc sent up to me. I also send you a couple of our programme cards for your own use –

I think it would be better to have the small bills put up alongside of the posters so that people could get all the necessary information at once –

I am glad to hear you are coming up to Toronto for the Celebration, and trust we may have a large number of your Citizens with us –

With kind regards to Mrs McIntyre –

I remain,

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Secy Sec

John McIntyre Esq
Barrister etc.

May 16th 4

My dear Holt.

I have forwarded to your address 50 of our two sheet posters and an equal number of programme bills. Can I trouble you to get a bill poster to put them up around your City - the programmes alongside of the posters - and have the bill sent up to me -

Harry Murphy tells me you are an awfully good natured young man and will not object to a little extra work, and on his recommendation I decided to trouble you in this matter - I also send you a couple of our programme cards - Trusting we may see a large number of Quebeckers here during Semi Centennial week - yourself among the number - I remain

Sincerely Yours

J. H. Holt Esq
Quebec

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May 16th 4

My dear Cousens —

I have forwarded to your address 50 of our two sheet posters and an equal number of programme bills — Will you kindly engage a bill poster and have them put up in your City — the programmes alongside of the posters — and send me up the account for the same — Trusting I am not imposing on your good nature —

I remain
Sincerely Yours
A. B. Hamilton
Sec'y S.C.C.

N. Cousens Esq M.D.
Ottawa —

May 16th 41

My dear Beckett -

I have forwarded to your address 100 of our two sheet posters and an equal number of programme bills - Will you kindly engage one of your bill posters to have them put up in your City - the programmes alongside of the posters - and send me up the account - We will shortly have some larger posters out and I will forward you some — Trusting I am not imposing on your good nature - I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

H. W. Beckett Esq.

Montreal

19th May 4.

My dear Mr Treasurer

Enclosed please find cheque for Fifty dollars towards the Semi Centennial Funds sub. from the Toronto Street Railway Company. We thought of sending it back to them

Yours truly

W. Barclay McMurrich

E. B. Harman Esq.

20th May 4

My dear Mr Mayor

I am sending up the first of the Platforms to the Carriage building at the Exhibition Grounds. It is the largest and is to be made up in the Transept of that building. It will be necessary to remove the door to admit it. Will you kindly grant Mr Rose the bearer of this on recording Secretary an order to allow of this being done. On behalf of the Committee I hereby undertake at their expense to leave the building in the same shape as we found it.

Yours truly

W Hanlon McMurrich

Chairman C.S.C.C.

His Worship
The Mayor

May 20th 4

Dear Sirs -

I am in receipt of yours of yesterday with enclosure of ck for $25. towards the "Semi Centennial fund" for which please accept thanks -

Faithfully Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs P. W. Ellis & Co
City

May 20th 4

Dear Sir -

I beg to enclose to following cks. being contributions towards the Semi Centennial fund -

Robt Walker & Sons	$ 50.00
Rice Lewis & Son -	50.00
F. W. Ellis & Co -	25.00
	$ 125.00

Yours sincerely
R. B. Hannitony
Secy S.C.C.

S. B. Harman Esq
Treasurer S.C.C.

May 20th 64

J. D. Irwin Esq
Agent Canadian Express Co
City —

Dear Sir —

The Semi Centennial Committee will be sending a number of posters by Express, and want to pay the charges on each parcel — Can you arrange so as to let us have your a/c — say weekly — as it will be considerable trouble to send the amount of Express each time. We have four parcels to send this Evening — Will you kindly send up for them —

Please reply by bearer — —

Yours truly

A. B. Hanneburg
Secy S.C.C.

21 May 4

S. A. Harman Esq
Dpr Sir

Enclosed find Cheque for
One hundred dollars sub of the Canadian
Bank of Commerce

Yours
W. Barclay McMurrich

21st May 4

A. A. Anderson Esq.
Can Bank of Commerce
Dpr

Allow me to thank you very cordially for your subscription of one hundred dollars towards our funds. Cheque for which I have just received

Yours truly
W. Barclay McMurrich

21st May 4.

H. F. Eaves Esq
63 East 12 St.
New York.

Dear

Your of the 17th received. - The Contractor for the 'Tableaux' informs me that he has let out his contracts for the Costumes I have however handed him your card.

The Fancy dress Ball that occurs on the Monday evening - would I think give you plenty to do if you had an agent here the same as you had before.

Yours
W. Barclay McMurrich

May 21st 4

Dear Sir.

I am in receipt of your communication offering your services, professionally, to sing in the "Redemption" during some centennial week — and will submit the same to the Committee at its first meeting —

Yours sincerely

R. B. Hamilton

Signature

E. W. Schultz Esq

Atty.

May 21st 4

Dear Sir.

I am in receipt of your communication offering your services, professionally, to sing in the "Redemption" during semi centennial week - and will submit the same to the Committee at its first meeting -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Sig. S.C.C.

E. W. Schuch Esq
City.

May 22nd 4

Robt. Kerr Esqr
Genl Frt. & Passenger Agt. N.O. N.W.R.—
Toronto—

Dear Sir—
Mr. McMurrich purposes going north in the morning and will take a large quantity of advertising matter with him— If the passes for he and myself are not ready yet— will you kindly send [illegible] pass— Gravenhurst and return— by bearer [illegible] oblige

Yours truly
Rob. Harmetory
Secy. S.C.C.

May 23rd 4

W. H. Claris Esq
St Thomas —

Dear Sir —

In accordance with your letter of the 24th ult. I send you by Express — 50 three sheet bills — 100 two sheet and 200 programme bills. In posting them I think it will be better to put one of the small programmes alongside of the posters —

Should you require any more bills, say for Cincinnati or other places let me know and I will forward them —

Yours truly
R. B. Hannibery
Secy S.C.C.

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May 16th 4

J. D. Hall Esq.
Secy Treas. Separate School Board
Toronto -

Dear Sir:-

As the date of the Semi Centennial Celebration is rapidly approaching this Committee would like to be informed, at as early a date as possible, what part your Board intend to take in the demonstration to be held on "Educational day": Saturday 5th July —

Kindly let me hear from you on this matter —

Yours truly
A. B. Hamilton
Secy &c &c.

May 29th

Dear Sirs -

I am in receipt of yours of the 22nd inst. and also your catalogue of Fireworks - We have completed arrangements for our display on the night of Thursday July 3rd, but should we be in need of any further supply of Fireworks the Committee will be happy to receive a tender from your firm -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. Sec.

Mess. Jas. Palmer & Sons
Rochester N.Y.

May 29th

Messrs Cushing & Co
Montreal

Dear Sirs-

Same in receipt of yours of 23rd inst. and also your price list of Fireworks - We have completes arrangements for our Grand fireworks display to be held on the Bay on the night of Thursday July 3rd - but should we be in need of any further outlay of Fireworks, the Committee will examine your list thoroughly before ordering elsewhere - Yours truly

R B Hamilton
Secy etc.

May 29th

Jas. D. Johns Esqr
Ottawa

Dear Sir -

In reply to yours of the 21st inst. in re advertising in the "Free Press" I may state that the Committee is not at present advertising in any newspapers outside of this City - but have adopted the system of posters and cards, as being the most direct and cheapest means of reaching a large area of country - It is not within our means to advertise in all the Cities of the Dominion and consequently we must keep out of it altogether.

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May 17th

J. W. H. Wood Esq.
Thorold

Dear Sir.

I am in receipt of your favor of the 23rd and desire to thank you for your kind offer to loan the Semi Centennial Committee the old Scarlet Tunics now in your possession. No arrangements have yet been completed for the Exhibition you refer to - but should it be held the Committee will be happy to avail themselves of your offer - and you will hear from me on the matter —

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

May 27th

Dear Sirs.

In reply to your enquiry of Yesterday in re trophy design I may state that the Committee adopted a design at their meeting last Evening.

Yours truly

R. B. Hannitsey
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs J. E. Elliot & Co

May 29th

Dear Sirs.

I am directed by the Semi-Centennial Committee to accept the design of a Mace submitted by you as a prize for competition amongst the Uniformed Encampments - and also your tender to manufacture the same for the sum of one hundred & ten dollars.

Yours truly

R. B. Hainelon
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs. S. H. Ellis & Co.

May 25th

R. Law Esq
Niagara Falls - Ont -

Dear Sir -

Mr Cod Butler tells me that you will not object to having a number of our Semi Centennial posters put up around your town and alongside the river - Accordingly send you a number of both two and three sheet posters and also some programme bills which I think it would be well to put alongside the others - Please send me the a/c for posting and will remit P.O. order for same -

Enclosed please find a programme card - I hope to have a large number of the Frontier people with us during the Celebration week -

Yours very truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy & Treas.

May 28th

Robt Roddy Esq
City Clerk

Dear Sir - Owing to the change in the date of the Semi Centennial Celebration we will require the use of the Exhibition Grounds and Buildings for the week beginning 30th June instead of from the 16th June - Will you kindly send the required permit which I suppose will be given without another application -

Yours very truly
R B Hamilton
Secy P.C.C.C.

May 28th

J. H. Rowland Esq
Secy London Uniformed Degree Camp I.O.F.
London ont—

Dear Sir—

I have awaited to reply to your letter of enquiry of the 19th inst. until I was in a position to give you some definite information on the subject— There are to be three prizes offered for competition among the Uniformed Encampments - as follows

1st prize - $300. Cash - and very handsome emblematic Mace - open to all Comers —
2nd prize $250. Cash - open only to Canadian Encampments
3rd do $150 - do - do do —

As regard to Railway fares there will be cheap rates during the whole week, and special Excursions on several days - one of which no doubt will be made to suit your order As far as accomodation is concerned it would be advisable to secure what you require at once - as we anticipate an immence number will visit us - Trusting your Encampment will present themselves

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton - Secy &c

28 May

My dear Mr Ex-Mayor

Your with receipt received &c on my return to the City this AM.

I enclose you another cheque of $50.00 from the Toronto Street Railway Company making their subscription $100. in all - I send you down also a pool of paper pressed

Yours

W. Barclay McMurrich

P. B. Harman Esq

May 28th

Dear Mr Forbes—

I take the liberty of sending to you address fifty of our Semi Centennial Posters and an equal number of programme bills - Will you Kindly get a bill poster and have them put up around Port Hope and Cobourg and send the a/c up to me - I sent to the Station agent a large framed poster - if you are near the station you might have a look and see if it is put up in a conspicuous place —

I hope we will see you up here during the Celebration as there will be lots of fun — Would be well to post the programme alongside the posters

With Kind regard I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Stamerton

Secys. C.C.C.

Henry Forbes Esq

May 28th

Dear Mr Holland.

I send you by Express fifty of the Semi Centennial posters and an equal number of programme bills - which you will much oblige by having posted around Oshawa and Whitby - and sending the bill stickers of up to your humble servant - I will be better I think to post the programmes alongside the posters wherever there is room — I suppose we will have the pleasure of seeing you here during the Celebration - Trusting I am not imposing on your good nature

I remain Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Secy &c &c.

W. H. Holland Esq

Oshawa

29 May

Dear

Just a line to thank you for your letter of the 26. and to express my regrets that you cannot be with us during our celebration. I trust you will allow me to reciprocate & wish your lady all the good things you have wished us with 100% added on

Yours truly

W Hardy McMurrich

Hon M F King
Portland

May 29th

Dear Sir.

Yours of yesterday on hand and noted - The Agreement on the part of the Railways was considered in Mr McMurrich's office in the presence of Representatives from all the Companies, and reduced to writing by Mr Edgar on behalf of said Companies as stated in his letter - This agreement was laid before our General Committee and accepted by them and is now the existing contract. One of the arguments advanced in favor of a change of date was the fact that the "Ontario & Quebec" would be running at that time and therefore not only would larger Crowds be brought into the City - but, on the percentage basis, the Committee would receive a much larger sum from the new road - The postponement of the Celebration until your new line was in running order was certainly a benefit to the "Canadian Pacific," and, therefore we think that ordinary fairness would call for the carrying out of the agreement in full even if our Committee received a slight advantage in the matter - That you understood the agreement when we last saw you was apparent when you told us we were going to make a good thing on the business done on the new section of the road as there was nothing to deduct for the corresponding week of last year - We trust you will withdraw the claim now raised for the first time, as it would be manifestly unfair to the Committee to press it - We send you the bills and cards as requested - Yours truly

R.B. Hamilton Sec'y Sec'd

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25th May

Deputy Chief Macpherson
T.P.F.

Dear Sir

Would you kindly let me know the number of men that will take part in the Municipal Parade on Monday June 30th in accordance with permission granted by the Board; so that we may make the necessary arrangements - We would like half a dozen mounted to head the procession - Can this be arranged?

Yours truly
W Barclay McMurrich
Chairman S.C.C.

29 May

My dear Chief

Please let Mr Hamilton know the number of men that will take part in the procession on Monday June 30th and the number of Reels, Fire apparatus that will be in line. Can you give me an idea of the length of ground that will be covered by your turn out? Will it reach from York to the market by along King St. I hope you are pushing on your decorations - I am proud of the brigade & expect them to turn out first class in every respect

Yours

Wm Barclay McMurrich
Chairman S.C.C.

Chief Arcadia

29th May

My dear Dr. Scadding -

It is now necessary for us to know - how many of your Society will take part in the Parade on Monday June 30th i.e. the members.
2. Will they come on foot or in carriages
3. What tableaux will you have - number of ox. teams &c. We have to make final arrangements for the parade - your position be in same - hence the request. An early reply will oblige

Yours

W. Barclay McMurrich
Chairman S.C.C.

29 May

H. I. Hall Esq.
Secy Industrial Exhibition

Dear Sir

In accordance with premise made to your board - we now write on behalf of the Citizens Semi-Centennial Committee to say that we undertake to leave the buildings and grounds exactly in as good order and condition as we receive same - Thanking you for your courtesy in the matter we remain

Yours truly

Barclay McMurrich
Chairman S.C.C.

F. Secy S.C.C.

29 May

H. J. Hill Esq
Secy Indust Ex. Board

Dear Sir.

The Orations on Monday afternoon the 30th June will take place from the Pavilion on the Horse Ring in front of the grand Stand. You asked me to let you know if we would require the tank moved - Under the above circumstances you will see this will be necessary - Would you kindly give the matter your attention & oblige

Yours truly

W Hardy Mc Munch
Chairman S.C.C.

29th May

My dear Major Kenneth

I am requested by the Citizens Committee to ask that the members of the 93 Sutherland Regt kindly turn out and take part in the Parade on Monday June 30th as also in the Evening Procession from Fredk Castle for Encampment. On this Triumphal Day it is peculiarly appropriate that your Body should take a prominent part in the same - assembled as you are on the early Birthday of the Queen of England it is appropriate that you

29 May

Hes Worship the Mayor

Dpr.

In the programme adopted by the General Committee - Monday June 30th is reached the Municipal Day and it is expected that yourself as Mayor and the members of your Council - together with all the former Mayors and Ex Ald & Councilmen will take part in the Parade - Allow me on behalf of the Committee to ask you to make the necessary arrangements for this being carried out. - Will the City supply badges or will be supply same to members of Council &c. Will the Members of Council present & past - and yourself and the Ex Mayors walk in procession or go in Cabs? If latter how many Cabs would be required

29 May
29 May

The Executive & members of the Semi Centennial Committee will walk. and I think it would be preferable if all walked. However whatever you decide upon, the Committee will have much pleasure in carrying out. It will be necessary at once to find out how many will take part in the parade. Your clerk has a list of names of the former Mayors - Ex Ald & Committee. Might I ask you to have a notice sent out requesting them to take part in the parade. Let you know of their intention so to do. Your co-operation in making this feature of the parade a success will oblige

Yours [illegible]

29 May

My dear Mr Mayor

I find that no order has passed the Council giving our Committee the use of the Exhibition Grounds during the semi-centennial week. This is doubtless an oversight. Would you please have the necessary permission granted at once. Meantime I am going on making the necessary arrangements on the presumption that permission will be granted.

Yours

W Barclay McMurrich

His Worship
The Mayor

May 29th

Melton Reed Esq
Mayor City of Fall River

Dear Sir -

Mr McMurrich has handed me your letter of the 19th inst. to reply to - In regard to Railway fares the regular rates for the Semi Centennial week on the lines running into Toronto will be one fare for the double journey - but in addition to that Excursions will be run from all points at much lower rates - Accomodation is being secured at the hotels already and intending visitors will do well to speak in time as the numbers attending the Celebration will no doubt be very great - We have several fine hotels - notably the "Queens" - "Rossin" - "Walker" and "American" - but all of them will be crowded to their fullest extent - Trusting we may have the pleasure of seeing you at our Celebration -

I remain
Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy [illegible]

May 29th

Wm Edgar Esq
Asst General Passenger Agt. G. T. R.
Toronto.

Dear Sir.

I am in receipt of your favor of yesterday stating that your Company objects to insure a pass in my favor on Semi Centennial advertising account and offering to extend a trip pass providing I let you know between what points I desire to travel - now in conversation at your office I stated, the the real value of a pass was that I could at any moment proceed to whatever part of your line I was called to without wasting time in hunting up a trip pass and in that manner I could benefit not only our undertaking but also the Railway Companies - as numbers of parties will come here, only on condition they make satisfactory arrangements in every respect

Of course if your company feels that it would not be of any benefit to them to issue a pass under the circumstances, or that an undertaking such as the Texas Centennial is not of sufficient magnitude to deserve a pass for one of its officers ~~of course~~ it is their own business. Perhaps under the circumstances you had better undertake the distribution of our posters etc. along your line, and by that means we may possibly get along without even a trip pass. If you decide to do this please let me know the amount of printed matter you will require and I will forward it to your address. Trusting to hear from a very earliest convenience —

Remaining yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.C.

May 29th

Dear Sirs—

I am instructed by the Semi Centennial Committee to accept the services of Messrs. Morawski and Courtney for the nights of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Since 30th & July 1st 2nd and 3rd, the first two nights at rehearsals and the third and fourth at the Oratorios of Creation and Redemption, for the sum of Two hundred & twenty five dollars ($225.00) each.

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs Suckling & Sons
City

May 24th

Dear Sirs -

In reply to your communication of yesterday I am instructed to inform you that you may have the use of the Granite Rink on the night of Friday July 3rd for the purpose of holding a Concert for the sum of Fifty dollars -

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Messrs Tuckling & Sons

Mess

29th May

Dear Madam

Yours of the 29th received & I have handed same to the proper Committee who will write you in regard to the matter as soon as necessary arrangements are made. —

Yours truly

W Barclay McMurrich

Mrs B. A. Gardener
115 Victoria St
City

May 30th

J. S. Coleman Esq
Grimsby -

Dear Sir -

In reply to your card of enquiry I beg to state that owing to lack of space none but regular ball tickets will be issued for the Fancy dress ball on the night of Monday June 30th the price of which is for Ladies $2.00 and for Gentlemen $3.00

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.C.

May 30th

Dear Doctor Canniff,

I notice by the "Globe" this morning that the U.C. Loyalists propose holding a Concert on the afternoon of Thursday July 5th - I trust before completing arrangements in this matter you will see our Committee, as a Concert at that time m[illegible] completely upset our musical Calculations -

Yours very truly

A.B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.

Dr Canniff
City

May 30th

Dear Sir.

Mr McMurrich informs me that you had kindly agreed to let this Committee have the use of several of your Scows for the purposes of our Firework display during our Centennial week. Professor Hand is anxious to know the size of the scows so as to make arrangements accordingly. Will you kindly send dimensions accordingly

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.C.

R. L. Cowan Esq
City

30th May

The Mayor of Rochester

My dear Sir -

I would take it as a great favour if you send would kindly send me any programme - notices bills or other documents in connection with your semi Centennial - I expect you have without fail at ours and desire personally to shew you every attention to make your visit pleasant and enjoyable - I have not the pleasure of your personal acquaintance but know you through several mutual friends. Our Executive may request me to visit your semi Centennial - Could you instruct one of your officers to get us the refusal of a double bedded room at the Power House as our Secy Mr Hamilton may accompany me. I shall be happy to send you any of our documents required

Yours

W Barclay M Munich

May 31st

My dear Orchard –

We will require for our Semi Centennial Tableaux about a dozen Indians and two or three Squaws. They would require to be of good appearance and intelligence. The parade takes place on Monday 30th June, and we will pay the expenses and time of each "native" –

Will you kindly let me know if you can procure the required "Reds" and much oblige –

I will send you by Express a number of our posters and programmes, and will be obliged if you will have you bill sticker post them around Brantford, & send the a/c to me – Trusting to hear from you shortly

I remain

Yours truly

R. B. Harmstony
Secy S.C.C.

R. M. Orchard Esq
Brantford

May 31st

Dear Col. Jones.

I am in receipt of your letter of enquiry - and in reply thereto regret to say that the Government have decided not to extend any help in the way of transport to Corps attending the Semi Centennial Review. In regard to our arrangements here each Battalion will be provided with building suitable for quarters and light, water and wash basins - but not soap and towels - In lieu of dinner on the day of Review - which, owing to the great number we anticipate will be present, it would be impossible for us to undertake to provide, each Corps will receive a grant of about 60¢ per man - and we will be glad to extend to you any assistance that lies in our power in helping you to procure caterers etc - I may further add that the Officers of 2nd Toronto Garrison propose entertaining visiting Officers at luncheon immediately after the Review -

I sincerely hope both as Secretary of the Celebration Committee and as a member of the "Queen's Own" that we may have the pleasure of welcoming the "Dufferin Rifles" to Toronto on "Dominion day" - I will be able to give you full particulars as to nature of Review, the time of assembling etc. in a few days - With kind regards -

Yours sincerely

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.O.

Lieut. Col. Jones
Dufferin Rifles

June 2nd

Dear Sir –

Mr McMurrich informs me that you have kindly undertaken to have a number of our Semi Centennial Posters put up around Deseronto and Napanee – I accordingly send you about sixty-two sheet posters and an equal number of programme bills which I think it would be advisable to post alongside each other – Please send me posting a/c – Any further printing matter you may require I will be happy to send you at any time –

Yours truly

F. S. Rathbun Esq
Deseronto

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

June 2nd

My dear Stevenson.

I send you by Express a number of our Semi Centennial posters which I wish you would hand to one of your bill posters and have him put them up around your City on walls and in public places sending the a/c to me - We hope to have a large number of Londoners down during the week and we hope to give them all a "big time" - Trusting I am not imposing too much on your good nature -

Remaining sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy O.C.C.O.

J. Stevenson Esq
London

June 2nd

John H. Smith Esq
Buffalo N.Y.

Dear Sir -

I send you by Express a number of our Semi-Centennial Posters which I wish you would hand to one of your bill posters and have him put them up around your City walls and in other public places - sending the up to me - We trust a large number of your Citizens will visit us during our Celebration and we will try to give them a good time - and be sure and come yourself at any rate - Trusting I am not imposing too much upon your good nature -

Remain
Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

June 3rd

Dear Sir –

In reply to yours of the 27th ult. I am directed by the Committee to accept your offer of 20% of the proceeds over $200. from the Warren Organ Recital to be held in Bond St. Church on the Evening of Friday July 4th and we agree to ~~advertise~~ announce said entertainment in all the programmes issued containing notices of the events to take place during Semi-Centennial week –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

J. G. Lawson Esq
City

June 3rd

Dear Mr Mayor-

I have much pleasure in informing you that at a meeting of the Executive Committee, held last Evening, you were appointed, in company with the Chairman of the General Committee and the Corresponding Secretary, a delegation to visit Rochester N.Y. on the occasion of the Semi Centennial Celebration of that City which takes place on Monday and Tuesday - June 9th and 10th =

Kindly inform me at your earliest convenience if you will be able accompany the delegation.

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton

Sec'y C.C.C.

His Worship the Mayor

City.

June 8th

Dear Sir -

In reply to yours of the 29th ~~inst.~~ ult. I am directed to say that the Committee will be pleased to have you make a display of tents etc. on the Exhibition Grounds during Semi Centennial week providing you agree to do so under their supervision - and to allow the use of said tents to the Committee if required by them -

Yours truly

A. B. Stannitony

Secy S.C.C.

W. J. Unwick Esq
58 Adelaide St

June 3d

W. B. Anderson Esq
City

Dear Sir

June 3rd

My dear Starke.

We have an idea of constructing a "Character arch" such as the one manned by your snow shoers during the Carnival – Can you let me know the cost of your arch and give any particulars in the way of designs or specifications that would be of use to us. I would like to hear from you as soon as possible on this matter as the time is getting awfully close – Hope to see you in Montreal on the 14th inst –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy SCC

Geo. R. Starke Esq
Montreal

June 3rd

Dear Sir –

Enclosed please find ck. for $100. being subscription of Messrs Gooderham & Worts towards the Semi-Centennial fund –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C. –

S. B. Harman Esq
Treasurer S.C.C.C.

June 5th

H. Pellatt Esqr
Chairman Ball Committee
City –

Dear Sir –

The Executive have decided that the following invitations be issued for the Semi Centennial Ball – viz –
His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Lansdowne.
Lord and Lady Melgund –
His Honor the Lieut Governor and Mrs Robinson & party –
Chief Justice Cameron – Dr Daniel Wilson.
Judges of Superior Court –
Members of the Local Government –
The Mayors of Canadian Cities –
The Visiting Mayors of American Cities –
The Commanding Officers of Visiting Corps –
Ex Mayor Thompson – Detroit –

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy

June 4th

To the President and Directors of the Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Company -

Gentlemen -

I am directed by Wm McMurrich to apply to you for a grant of money towards the Semi Centennial fund - The Celebration being a historic event in the life of this City appeals to the General Public on entirely different grounds from that of an ordinary annual entertainment, and we feel that any objections that may be raised to general subscriptions by your Board will not apply in the case. Toronto is now thoroughly committed to the scheme of the Celebration, and every public and private Body as well as each individual Citizen is deeply interested in the success of the undertaking and we consider, in duty bound to do their share

share towards upholding the honor of the City - For these reasons we have appealed to all classes, and, we are pleased to say, with a fair degree of success - The Banks, recognizing the importance of the occasion, have responded to our appeal and several of them have already forwarded their cheques for one hundred dollars, while the others are bringing the matter before their Directors with, we are assured, every probability of success - Under these circumstances we feel assured the "Canada Permanent" will fully consider our request and I trust place an appropriation to the credit of our fund -

I remain

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton

Secy S.C.C.

June 4th

Dear Sir -

I send you by Express about twenty Semi Centennial Posters and a number of programme bills which I want you to cause to have posted around Lindsey, and displayed in the public houses - sending the a/c to me. I am sorry we cannot have any curling about Carnival, but we will do our best to make things agreable for all of your townsfolk who honor us with a visit. Trusting I am not imposing too much on your good nature - I remain

Sincerely Yours
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y S.C.C.C.

J. Howell Esq

June 4th

My dear Stewart—

I send you by Express about twenty of our Semi Centennial Posters and a number of programme bills which I wish you would have displayed in all conspicuous around Uxbridge—sending the a/c to me—

We propose having a "very large time" during the celebration week—and I hope you will come and join us in our rejoicing—

With kind regards to your mother—

I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton

Secy. C.C.C.

W. B. Stewart Esq

Uxbridge—

June 4th

My dear Beckett –

Your favor duly received – thanks for the trouble you have taken in the bill posting matter – I am going to bother you still further, and send you down by Express about two hundred posters of varied kinds and a number of small bills which I wish you would have distributed about as follows – in Montreal say the 100 three sheet posters and the balance to Three Rivers, Sherbrooke, and any other town where you can place them to advantage – distributing the programmes as you think best – Now – my dear fellow – do not go to any more trouble than necessary in this matter – but engage whatever help you require and let me have the a/c, and I will settle at once – I am sorry to hear from Col. Whitehead this morning that the "Vics" will not be up to the Review –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y S.C.C.C. –

H. W. Beckett Esq –

June 5th

Dear Sir.

Mr Matthews informs me that you will not object to ordering one of your bill sticker's to put up a number of our Semi Centennial posters around the walls of your City and in other conspicuous places - so that we may shew upwell during your own Celebration - Please send the a/c to me - or better still, I can get it from you next week if I can manage to get over. We trust to have a large number of your Citizens with us during the Semi Centennial - and we will do our best to give them a good impression of the Queen City -

Yours very truly
R.B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Arthur Robinson Esq
Rochester

June 5

Dear Sir

I am respectfully to inform you of the great delay that has taken place in the Steamboat Richard Varick, owing to the Fitting of the Boilers, which were intended for the occasion, not being finished in time, and the Engineer not having a sufficient number of Men to work the Engine, and keep up the Steam, at the same time, I have a Boat ready to start with the Passengers, at 6 o'clock this Evening, and shall be happy to receive any Gentlemen who may favor me with their company, on board, at that time, and will endeavour to make them as comfortable as possible, and will return to the City, with the Passengers, on Saturday Morning, at 8 o'clock. My Boat is a good Sea Boat, and I have no doubt will perform the Passage in good time, as I have a Light Draft of Water, and can go in shoal Water, where the Steamboat Richmond cannot go, and will not be detained by Head Winds, as I can go outside of Sandy Hook, and return to the City, with the Passengers, in case of a Head Wind, which cannot be the case with the Steamboat Richmond, as she cannot go outside of Sandy Hook, and return to the City, with the Passengers, in case of a Head Wind.

Yours Respectfully

A. B. Stebbins

Master

Wm. H. Hamerton

Henry Hale

June 5th

Sir –

I am in receipt of your favor of the 3rd inst and am pleased to learn that the 14th P.W.O. Rifles will be present at our Review – In reply to your inqu I may state that your quarters will be at the Exhibition Grounds where suitable building will be provided – The route of march has not been definitely fixed yet but will be shortly and I will send you full particular Enclose you the names of the Military Display Committee by which you will see that the arrangements are in good hands – The parties likely to cater for your Corps would

Harry Webb, 447 Yonge St – Tom Webb 302 Yonge St –
Thos. Hoolgrave. 47 Elizabeth St – F.W. Welding, Albert Hall
Jas. Parkinson, St Lawrence Market –

Any of these parties are thoroughly reliable and will ca out what they undertake – Please let me know what hou you expect to arrive in Toronto and dinner in day –

Yours [illegible]

Capt. & Adj. Galloway –
[illegible] Rifles –

[illegible]

June 5th

Dear Sir—

I send you by Express a bark fifty of our Semi Centennial Posters and an equal number of programme bills, which I will be obliged if you hand to one of your bill stickers and have him put up on deadwalls and other conspicuous places — sending the a/c to me —

Shall be see a large number of St Catharines people present during our Celebration, and we will try to make it interesting for them — Trusting I am not imposing too much on your good nature I remain sincerely yours

H. O'Laughlin Esq
St Catharines —

R. B. Hamilton
Secy G.C.C.D. —

June 5th

Dear Sir -

Enclosed please find cheques for Seventy five dollars - subscriptions towards the semi Centennial fund as follows - viz -

Hendrie & Co -	$25.00
J. J. Vickers -	25.00
W. C. Matthews	25.00
	$75.00

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy & Cor.

S. A. Harman Esq

June 7th

Dear Sir –

Enclosed please find cheques amounting to $255.– subscriptions towards the Semi Centennial fund – as follows. viz –

H. & C. Blackford	–	$ 10.
Chas Cluthe	–	10.
U.C. Furniture Co	–	10.
J. McElroy Jr	–	25.
R. Hay & Co	–	25.
H.N. Darling & Co	–	25.
Mason & Risch	–	150.
		$ 255 –

Yours truly

S.B. Harman Esq
Treasurer –

R.B. Hamilton
Secy SCCC

June 7th

My dear Orchard —

Many thanks for your offer to procure the Indians for our Celebration — We will require Fourteen (14) Indian Braves — Three (3) Squaws — and Four (4) Children about ten or twelve years of age — I will rely upon your usual good taste to pick out the very best looking natives you have in the Reservation — and I am sure you will succeed in the three fair maidens — As to costumes, our artist thinks it will be better for him to get the Classes for the Squaws — in regard to the men, you might see if they have good suits — as if not we must get them made up — Please let me hear from you on this matter — When I write you again I will let you know the time we will want them here — With kind regards I remain

Yours Sincerely

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. C.C.

R. M. Orchard Esq
Brantford —

June 7th

My dear Hodgins -

In reply to your letters of the 29th ult. and 3rd inst. I beg to inform you that building suitable for quarters will be provided for the "guards" at the Exhibition Grounds and that light, water and basins will also be supplied by this Committee, and a grant of 50c per man in lieu of a luncheon on the day of the Review - I think we would have sufficient accomodation to allow you to camp near the bldgs but cannot say positively today as I have been too busy to allow of a visit to the grounds this week, but if you will state positively which you would prefer - buildings or tents - I will let you know exactly what we can do - I go to Rochester to attend the Semi-Centennial Celebration in that City on Monday, and expect to return on Wednesday morning and will give you full information at once if you write me in the meantime - I am very glad your Reg't is coming up on Sunday as we will be able to have a splendid Church parade on that day - the "6th Fusiliers" also will be here - they will I think go under canvas but have not fully decided - Will give you route of March and general programme in my next -

Yours very truly R. B. Hamilton Secy &c &c

Mr. Hodgins -

June 7th

Sir—

In reply to your favor of 5th inst. I may state that the Government have refused to grant any sum towards defraying the expenses of Corps resisting Tenth during the Centennial week, and I am afraid it would be useless forward to make any further applications. This Committee will provide building suitable for quarters with light, water and tissue, and in lieu of a luncheon on the day of the Review, will grant a sum to each Corps equal to 100 per man.

Trusting we may have the pleasure of seeing your Regiment in Tenth during the Celebration—

Yours sincerely

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. Cent.

Capt. W. K. Gaithers
Adjt. 7th Fusiliers

Hodgins

R. B. Hamilton Secy. Cent.

June 7th

Dear Sir –

In reply to yours of the 3rd inst. I may state that at present we are not in need of any extra help – but should we require the services of your friend later on I will drop you a line. –

Yours truly

R B Hamilton
Sty Secy

Jas. Grandfield Esq
City

June 7th

Dear Sir -

In reply to your application for privilege to place your tent etc. on the Exhibition Grounds for the purpose of supplying the "6th Fusiliers" with rations during their visit here, I am directed by the Committee to state that permission will be granted as you request on condition of your giving guarantee that you will not supply any refreshments to any parties except the Volunteers -

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy [illegible]

Thos Hoolgrave Esq
City
47 Elizabeth St

Charles Teichler esq
montreal

Dear Sir
your letter dated
June 5 received this
morning & your tender has
been excepted so we
will speak on Monday
June 30th yours truly

12th June

Dr Sir & Bro.

Your letter received and laid before our executive last evening - I am directed by them to say - that this being a Citizens demonstration it is confidently expected that every Citizen will do his very utmost and in the most effective manner towards making it a success - It did not occur to the executive that the Masonic body would refuse to walk with their fellow Citizens in the parade - and knowing the body served not parade except to take part in some public Ceremony - the arrangement in regard to the Corner stone was made a striking object in the programme. and it was thus thought every difficulty

was removed. This new difficulty is so novel that we hardly know how to reply - I may say however that the places for all the other bodies have been fixed so that the Masonic body must now come last - Under these circumstances the distance between the main body and yourselves can be regulated by yourselves if you so wish The executive, if desired will arrange for the procession to open out. allowing your body to pass through in proper form to lay the stone. If the above arrangement not satisfactory - please let me know at once so that I can make other arrangements as we are spending $400.00 on the foundation stone

Yours

W Barclay McMurtry

June 13th

Dear Dr Cannifff.

I enclose a letter received from Chief Beaver, which may possibly be of some interest to the U.E. Loyalists in their demonstration during Senior Centennial week, as Sunde stand to late Chief Johnston was to have taken part in your Celebration — Will you kindly reply to the same and oblige

Yours truly

[illegible]

Dr Cannifff
Cathy

June 12th

Dear Sir.

In reply to yours of 4th inst. inquiring about charges for tent at Exhibition Grounds during Semi Centennial week, I beg to inform you that you may space for your photograph tent, and "Stone Lemma" - opposite the race course. at a spot to be decided upon as soon as we hear positively from you, for the sums of $20 for either one - or $30 - for the two together - Please let me hear from you at once on this matter - as space is being taken up rapidly, and we cannot undertake to hold any portion of the ground for any length of time -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. &c.

J. B. Lawson Esq
Niagara Falls - Ont.

June 15th

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find P.O. order for $13.50 amt. of enclosed a/c — which please receipt and return — I am glad you distributed our posters so thoroughly —

Yours truly
R B Hamilton
Secy Secy

F. Hobbs Esq
Cat Hope

June 12th

My dear Holt.

Pardon my long delay in replying to your favor, but I have been so exceedingly busy that it seems almost impossible to keep up with my correspondence — I am obliged for your attention to the poster matter, and have much pleasure in enclosing $10 for the bill poster. I wish you would send me a receipt for the same, as we have to show vouchers for all expenditures large and small — I was in Rochester on Monday & Tuesday last where they had their Sun's Centennial Celebration — we had a splendid time and were treated like Princes — You must try and come up for our show, and we will try to make it lively for you — With kind regards to all I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

J.H. Holt Esq
Quebec

June 13th

S. B. Harman Esqr
City

Dear Sir —

Enclosed please find $245 being receipts as follows —

R. H. Reid — subs towards Semi Centennial fund —		$ 20.
Alexander Clare & Cable	do — do	25.
Hughes Bros —	do — do	25.
Fitch & Davidson —	do — do	25.
Jolliffe & Co —	do — do	10.
Carswell & Co —	do — do	10
		$ 120.
Suckling & Sons — Rep's from sale of oratorio tickets		125.
		$ 245.

Yours truly

R. B. Harmetony
Secy. &c.

June 13th

Messrs Suckling & Son
City

Dear Sirs —

In reply to yours of this day I am instructed to accept your offer of $175. for the privilege of publishing the authorized books of words of the Oratorios to be held on Wednesday and Thursday of Semi Centennial week — and to agree to your providing a Weber Piano — which will be the only piano used on the occasions referred to, you to supply the Philharmonic and Choral Societies with whatever number of copies of the book of words that they may require at 5d each —

Yours truly
R B Hammeton
Secy S.C.C.

June 13th

Dear Sir –

Enclosed please find cks for $150. as follows –

Subs. Bank B.U.A. –	$ 100 –
do Jas. Campbell & Son	25 –
do Ralph Smith & Co	25 –
	$ 150.

Yours truly,

R. B. Hamilton

Secy Cel

S. B. Harmand Esq

June 13th

Dear Sirs-

An appropriation of $1100. has been made by the Commissioners Committee to lay the foundation for a monument on the site of ancient Fort Roville. Will you kindly proceed with the matter, and advertise for tenders at once, as the time is rapidly approaching - If you see Wm McMurrich you can get any further particulars required -

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton

Secy C.C.C.

Messrs Langley & Burke
Architects &c

June 17

Dear Sir.

Enquiries are being made every day as to whether Excursions are to be run from American Cities to Toronto during the Celebration week - As we know nothing on the matter here I would like you to take the subject into consideration and see what you can do about it —

Our Railways are running very cheap excursions from Canadian points, and I am assured a large number from your vicinity would avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting this City providing arrangements could be made — Enclosed you will find Copies of our programme. Should your Company decide to arrange Excursions kindly let me know so that I can give information to parties enquiring —

Yours truly

A B Hannekin

Secy Secd

June 17th

My dear Consens—

Your favor of the 12th inst. duly received accept my thanks for your trouble in the matter of bill posting. I enclose you $3.00 amt. of bill posting a/c, which please have receipted and return. I am troubling you again in the matter and send you another parcel of bills by express, which kindly hand to Jacques and have posted in Ottawa and Hull and send the a/c as soon as possible — Re Lacrosse matters I am glad to hear you have such a good club in Ottawa and shall rejoice to welcome them into the C.C.C. the charmed Champion Circle — Our match with the Shamrocks on Saturday was a surprise party all around — owing to unfortunate cir — Cumstances we were minus five of our first twelve and the Shams. counted on an easy walk over — what was their surprise to find out that the "chickens" were almost equal to "old veterns" — I was very much pleased with our boys, and for we having the makings of another Champion team —

We expect a big crowd and an exciting match on the 28th — You must try and get up to see it and stop over a few days. I will answer your letter more fully later on and give you the information you ask — but just now I have not a single moment to myself —

Yours faithfully

R. B. Hamilton

D. C. Consens Esq. M.D.
Ottawa

June 18th

Dear Sir -

Mr. A. Muller gave me your address as being one of the Scarboro Militia of 1837/8 - and states that a number of your Veterans would be pleased to turn out at the opening parade of the Celebration to take place on Monday 30th inst. - Sam instructed to say that the Committee will be glad to have your presence on that day - and that by corresponding with Mr. Lea - 172 King St East who is attending to the Joint Rangers demonstration - you will obtain full particulars as to the route and time of the procession -

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy. &c.

A. M. Creight Esq
Cherrywood

A. B. Hamilton

June 18th

Dear Sir –

Enclosed Please find Cks. for $350.00, subscription towards to Semi Centennial Fund – as follows –

Goulding & Sons –	$ 25.00
G. F. Frankland –	25.00
Merchants Bank	100.00
Bank of Montreal	100.00
Consumers Gas Coy	100.00
	$ 350.00

Yours truly

R. B. Harmsbury
Secy. S.C.C.

S. B. Harman Esq
City Treasurer

June 18th

Dear Sir.

In reply to your request to have the Horticultural Hall at the Exhibition Grounds placed at the disposal of the Sons of England Society on Friday 4th ult. I am instructed to say that the use of the Hall will be granted as you desire - but in case you have any refreshments served - it must be done by Caterers having a permit from this Committee.

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

J. W. Carter Esq
Secy S.O.

June 18th

Dear Sir —

In reply to your favor of yesterday I may state that your letter to Mr McMurrich was handed to me and in the hurry of the moment was mislaid, so that the fault lies at my door. I must apologise for my neglect in the matter and trust you will not be inconvenienced thereby. As to Railway rates, the different Companies are now issuing posters with all information, so that you can see in a day or two just what it will cost — But besides these reduced rates there will be two special excursions from Peterboro during the week, and no doubt your society will be able to arrange one of these Excursions to suit themselves —

I enclose a copy of our programme by which you will get a good idea of the events of the week — Trusting to see a large number from your town with us during the Celebration week

Remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hammersley
Secy S.C.C.

R. W. Erreth Esq
Peterboro

June 19th

Dear Sir –

Having submitted the map of Toronto executed by your Father in 1834 to the Semi-Centennial Committee, I have been instructed to state that they will be pleased to have the same reproduced under their auspices, as they consider it will be of interest to our Citizens, being the first map of the City after its incorporation –

Yours truly
R B Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

Philip Todd Esq
City

June 19th

To the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Toronto —

Gentlemen:

I am instructed by the Citizens Semi-Centennial Committee to apply for the use of the St Lawrence Hall for Tuesday, July 1st, for the accomodation of the 11th "P.W.O. Rifles" which Battalion will visit Toronto to attend the Semi Centennial Review —

Yours truly

P. B. Hamilton
Secy & Cd.

19th June

Dr. Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 18th inst. and will duly give contents proper attention

Yours truly

Lt. Col. Robt. Denison Sec. &c.

Toronto

[illegible]
Sec. [illegible]

19th June

Dr Sir

I have your favour of the 17th inst in reference to the Lieut Governors Reception and have handed same to Dr Canniff Chairman of the N. E. Committee, who will no doubt forward you the requisite Cards

Yours Truly

A Land Esq

Hamilton

Ont

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

[illegible]

Dear Sir

Enclosed I beg to hand you [illegible]

from Mr R. E. A. Land [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Wm Cunniff Esq Mr

[illegible]

Chairman [illegible] Committee

[illegible]

R. B. Hasinetzky
Secy. Soc.

R. B. Hasinetzky
Secy. Soc.

I have your favor

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

R. B. Hamilton
Secy. S.C.C.

[illegible]

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[illegible] Amalia. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

R. B. Hannetson
Secy S.C.C.

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[illegible]

[illegible] to your [illegible] of the [illegible] I [illegible]

to say that the [illegible] to all

[illegible] only in the event of

winning one prize are you debarred from [illegible]

for the others. I enclose your circular with full

particulars

Yours truly

R. B. Hanneton

Secy. S.C.D.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

25th June

Robert Brown Esq

Lindsay

Dear Sir

Enclosed I beg to hand you One 65/100 dollars to cover your a/c which I have received duly receipted

Yours truly

P. B. Hamilton
Sergt. C.

30th June

[illegible]

J. R. Kaler Esq
Chairman Band Committee
Dunnville

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 1st inst. in reference to your Band the Committee have engaged all necessary attractive particulars of Band Competition will be mailed you as soon as arranged

Yours truly

A. B. Hammerdy
Sec'y Sec'y

20th Jan

J. C. Johnston Esq
Stratsville
Ont

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find One Dollar to Cover A/c for Posting Bills. we are Exceedingly Obliged for trouble taken

Yours truly

R. D. Hannaberry
Sec. Pres.

20th June

James F Lawson Esq
Secy Wheelmen Assn
Toronto

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 18th ins received in reply
beg to say that Committee granted sum in form of
Guarantee. and if ap's are passing will give
guarantee for sum

Yours truly,

[illegible]
Secy [illegible]

20th Jan

H. T. Laughlin Esq
St Catharines
Ont

Dear Sir

I have your favour of the 18th inst Enclosing a/c for Bell Boxing &c and herewith beg to hand you $4.00 to cover same, kindly have same receipted and returned please accept thanks for trouble taken trusting to see you during our celebration

I Remain yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

10th Jan

Jno Stet Esq
Dunnville
Ont

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find One 5/100 Dollars to Cover a/c for Bill posting Kindly receipt & return

Yours Truly

A B Hamilton
Secy Pres

20th June

Ernest Shultz Esq
Buffalo
N.Y.

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 31st my whence.
In reply beg to say that we accept the offer
of your services on the terms therein named

Yours truly

[illegible]
Secy [illegible]

[illegible] Broadway
Buffalo

20th June

A. Lorentz Esq
Buffalo
N.Y.

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 11th ass to hand. In reply beg to say that we accept the offer of your services together with first Violin Cello & Bass on the Terms therein named, viz Yourself $35.00 and $30.00 Each for the other two Fare included

Yours truly

R. B. Hammersley
Agent

No 21 William St
Buffalo

20th June

W. Statelschmidt Esq
Preston
Ont

Dear Sir

In reply to your favour of the 19th inst I beg to say that the matter refered to has not been as yet fully decided, and is now in the hands of the Committee who will forward you Circular

Yours truly

R B Hannesberry
Secy S.C.C.

20th June

J. H. Rowlands Esq
Lowdham
Ont

Dear Sir

In answer to your favour of the 19th inst I beg to enclose you Rules of order for competition Drill &c which I trust will give required information will be happy to see you when in our Cty

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.C.

20th Jan.

W. Edgar Esq
Toronto

Dear Sir

Enclosed we beg to return you Mr Clark's letter. as we do not see how we can enter into any farther arrangements in the shape of amusements for the celebration week.

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

20th June

Alf Sandham Esq

Shaftesbury Hall

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your favour of the 18th inst. and have laid same before Committee for perusal

Yours truly

R. B. Hannaberry
Secy. C.C.

20th June

R.W. Allen Esq
398 Montreal St East
Kingston

Dear Sir

Herewith find 3 hrs 50/100 dollars to cover

Enclosed office kindly receipt and return

Yours truly

R.B. Hamilton
Bryce Ed

June 20th

Messrs A. Rosmer & Son
8 Union Square
New York

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 9th inst duly to hand and very to reply that the Committee have decided that it would not be advisable to expend so large a sum on Costumes

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

20th June

Arthur Logan Esq
Oil Cooley
P.A.

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 13th inst. with thanks. we have no special arrangement with your Roads but have not doubt that they will issue Excursion tickets to Tremont during the Semi Centennial week - we enclose you programme of same

Yours truly

R B Hannetson
Secy S.C.C.

20th June

Dr Corson
Brantford

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 13th inst duly to hand.

We have no printed lists of outside accommodation but give you below a few of the most desirable localities & parties with whom you might correspond

Yours truly,

R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y C.C.

Mrs Cotterill 394 Church St
Mrs Burt 190 Wilton Avenue
Mrs Campbell 253 Sherbourne St
Mrs Munro 11 Wood St
Mr — 25 Pembroke St

25th June

Dominion Organ and Piano Co

Wm H. Shaddon Esq
Agent

Dear Sir
I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor
of June 11th and accept offer contained therein
the Committee having control of details

Yours truly

R. D. Hamilton
Secy

20th June

Mr Gale Pierce
Bowmanville

Dr Sirs

I have your favour of the 18th inst and beg to reply that Badges are not out.

On your arrival in Toronto will furnish you with the necessary

Yours truly

R B Hamilton
Sec'y Sec'd

June 23d

Dear Sir —

Mr Stecht will be required to play first horn both Creation and Redemption, and need not therefore bring his double bass with him —

Yours truly

R. B. Stanislaw
Secy Sec

Mr Lorentz -
Musician
21 William St -
Buffalo N.Y.

June 23rd

Dear Sir –

In reply to your enquiries in re accomodation for the A.O.O.S. at the Exhibition grounds on Friday July 4th I am instructed to state that the use of a building will be granted, but in case you engage a caterer to provide for your members it must be one who has paid a license fee to this Committee –

Yours truly

R. B. Hannerny
Secy Cy

J. L. Williams Esq

June 13th

To His Worship the Mayor and the Corporation of the City of Toronto –

Gentlemen –

The Citizens Semi Centennial Committee request that you will take such action for the preservation of the lives and safety of the Citizens and the numberless strangers who will no doubt visit this City during the summing week in connection with the parades as may be necessary. In Rochester and other Cities on similar occasions the authorities refuse to allow street cars, Cabs or vehicles of any kind, or any kind of obstruction on the route of the parade – We trust you will take similar steps to have the same rule carried out here – We may say that the Street Railway Coy have expressed themselves as being quite willing to conform with these rules –

In connection with the first days parade a number of Historical Tableaux will be displayed, and to allow these to proceed along the streets it will be necessary that a number of electric light wires

wires, fire alarm wires, telephone and telegraph wires should be raised to a minimum of Twenty seven feet from the ground. The Committee trust this matter will be attended to without loss of time as unless it is done the display of Tableaux will be a failure.

The Committee will be happy to supply all information as to route of each days parade etc. as soon as required.

On behalf of the Citizens Sem Cent. Committee

R. B. Hamilton
Financial Secy

June 14

Dear Sir

I am authorized by the Senior Customs Committee to accept your offer to play on Wednesday parade and to pay you for such service the same & you tender for the day, please advise me that you will be prepared. A more formal memo of your vocation will be sent you

Yours truly

Alf W. Smith
Chair Band Committee

[illegible]

[illegible] Adelaide Bath

June 26th

Dear Sir —

I am in receipt of your communication to Mr McMurrich, offering to supply an orchestra of 25 players for the Childrens Concert to be held at the Horticultural Pavilion on Saturday Evening July 5th, for the sum of One hundred & fifteen dollars —, and am instructed by the Committee to accept the same —

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Sec'y SCCC

Alexton Esq
City

June 25th

Dear Sir—

Enclosed please find $155.00 subscriptions towards the Semi Centennial fund as follows—viz

W. R. Bingham	$50.
Jewell & Clow	25.
McKinnon Proctor &	25.
Central Bank	20.
Wm Warwick & Son	10.
	$130.00
Ald. H. Piper	25.
	$155.00

Yours truly

A. B. Hamilton
Secy SCCC

S. B. Harman Esq
City

June 26th

Dear Sir –

The Royal Grenadier Band is to play all Monday next in the Municipal procession, and the Committee pays them £100. for the afternoon – The Committee is anxious to secure the services of the Queen's own Band on the same occasion, and will pay you the same sum if satisfactory to you – You will require a full Band as you will lead the procession – Please let me hear from you at very earliest moment –

Yours truly
R B Hamilton
Sec'y &c &c

J. Bayley Esq
Bandmaster Q.O.L.

26 June

Mr Goulmin.

Dear Sir

I have much pleasure in informing you that the Executive Committee have retained your Band to play at Monday's parade the consideration to be $100.00

You will please report to the Chief of Division on Monday afternoon. at Wellesley Street - not later than 1.30 P.M. taking position next to the Police

Yours

W Barclay McMurrich

26 June

Chief Ardagh
Fire Brigade

Dear Sir.

You have been assigned to No 2 Division and will please form up on Maitland Street your right resting on Yonge Street. You will report to Chief of Division on Arrival - the Old Fire Brigade of Chey term out & the Volunteer Brigade will similarly form up on your rear under your orders. Every one must be in position to move off sharply at 2 P.M.

Yours
W Barclay McMurrich
Chairman S.C.

26 May

W. C. Wilkinson Esq
Sec P. P. Board

Sir,

The School Board have been assigned to Division No. 1. They are please parade on Wellesley St. not later than 1.30 P.M. on Monday afternoon forming up on Sand Stone to rear of the Meeting of the City Council. – The parade will start [illegible] P.M.

[illegible]

Sir,

You will please parade for [illegible] days procession; on Maitland [illegible] – taking position against Yonge [illegible] – On arrival which should not later than 1.30 please report to Chief of Division who will in [illegible] attendance

Yours

[illegible]

26th June

Dr. Sir. –

I enclose herewith cheque for subscription of Messrs Geo D Dawson & Co towards the semi Centennial fund

Yours

P Barclay McMurrich

No 1823. to Wm Ridgeway
Endorsed as A.A.

E W Hanna Esq
Jr Mayor & Cty Tres

9 July

The Treasurer C. S. C Cornell
L. B. Harman Esq
Dr

Enclosed please find the following subscriptions namely

Suckerey & Sons	$25.00
A & D. J. Darling	25.
J D King & Co.	25.
Charles Brush & Co.	25.
Sloan Jardine & Mason.	25.
Wm Thomson & Co.	25.
Cooper & Smith	25.
Faeton Nichols & Co	25.
Livingston Johnston & Co.	25.
Stewland Sons & Co	25
J O Bragley	25
Sam Stanland	10
Can paper Co	10
	$ 295.00

Yours W. B. McMurtrie Chairman

10th July

Bills —	13.00
[illegible] —	4.20
[illegible] —	[illegible]
Cheques.	127.00
	194.70

S. A. Harman Esq
Aly Treasurer
Rs.

I enclose the following
Additional subscriptions
Bryce Mt Murrell & Co. 30.00
Neuch & Co. 25.00
John B. Riley 25.00
Sheddon Company 25.00
Geo Coleman — 25.00
~~[illegible]~~ Schiller T. — 20.00
Sale of Flags — 29.70

Flags. 179.70
15.00
194.70

W. Hardy Mt Murrell

11 July

S. B. Harman Esq.
Treasurer. S.C.C.

Dr

I send you the following additional cheques —

I L Brodie — Standard Bank	50.00
Bank of Toronto	100.00
Dominion Bank	100.00
Hunter Rose & Co	25.00
I W Lang & Co	25.00
Smith & Keighley	25.00
Gordon McKay & Co	25.00
	$ 350.00

Yrs etc

W Barclay Mitchell

July 15th

S. B. Harman. Esq
Treasurer S. C. C.

Dear Sir.
I send you the following
additional cheques.

Jas Mackie	$ 202.00
E & C. Gurney & Co	100.00
	$ 302.00

yours truly.

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S C C

July 16th

S. B. Harman Esq
Toronto
Treas. S. C. C.

Dear Sir.

Please find enclosed ck for $100.00 being subscription of Imperial R.
also $10. cash. subscription of J. Cleghorn
Total $110

If you will return me J. Mackie ck for $202.00 I will pay his a/c of $48 and obtain his cheque for the full amount of his subscription $250.00

Yours respectfully

R. B. Hannetony
Secy Sec

July 18th

S. B. Harman Esq
Treasurer Semi-Centennial Cel. Committee
Toronto

Dear Sir –
Enclosed please find cheques as follows.
– Subscription from Mr H. Webb — $60 —
Mr H. Pellatt – a/c sale of Ball Tickets — 363 —
$ 473.00

Yours truly
R. B. Harrington
Secy Cc Cd

July 19th

S. B. Harman, Esq
Treasurer S. C. C.

Dear Sir.

I enclose the following additional subscriptions

Elias Rogers & Co	$ 10.00
Keith & Fitzsimons	10.00
C & J. Allen	10.00
	$ 30.00

Yours respectfully
F. J. Laidlaw

July 22nd 4

S. B. Harman Esq

Treasurer S. C. C.

Dear Sir.

I send per F. J. Laidlaw the sum of. Two Hundred and fifty six 05/100 Dollars ($256.05) being proceeds of sales of Oratorio Tickets - as follows, from

Suckling & Sons	$136.95
A & S. Nordheimer	119.10
	$256.05

Yours truly.

A. B. Hamilton
Secy Acc.

July 23rd

My dear Flavelle

I am just in receipt of yours of the 16th inst. enquiring about the $165 for bill posting. and upon looking into the matter I find that the sum was sent to Mr Robt Brown on the 20th of last month and the a/c retained here as it was receipted when sent to me — Please see Mr Brown and ask him if my letter did not come to hand - If it has gone astray let me know by post card and I will forward the amount to you at once and then I must the matter up — Sorry you should have any trouble about it, but with so many small a/cs it is almost impossible to miss overlooking some of them - With kind regards

I remain Sincerely Yours

R. B Hamilton

Secy &c &c

J. D. Flavelle Esq
Lindsay

July 13th

Dear Sirs -

Enclosed please find money order for $8.25 payment in full of enclosed a/c for bill posting which please receipt and return -

Yours truly
R B Hamilton
Secy Sec

Messrs F. C. Bateman & Co
Buffalo N.Y.

July 23rd

Dear Sirs –

Enclosed please find money order for the sum of $10 94 payment in full of enclosed a/c for bill posting – which please receipt and return –

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Secy Sec

Messrs Goodwin & Henry
Detroit

$260 11

July 23rd

S B Harman Esq
Treasurer S C C

Dear Sir

I send per bearer Two Hundred and Sixty 11/100 Dollars being proceeds of sale of Oratorio Tickets

Yours truly

R. B. Hannelson
Secy S C C

July 23rd

Arthur Robinson Esq
Rochester N.Y.

Dear Sir -

Enclosed please find money order for $8.00 payment in full for bill posting a/c which I have retained as it was receipted by the bill posted - You must pardon the long delay in sending this money but for a week before and during the Celebration it was impossible to settle down to any matter of detail and immediately after. I went down to New York where our Lacrosse Club were the guests of Mr Wiman - During this week I have been trying to get matters in shape and today I came across your a/c - I am much obliged for your trouble in this matter and was very sorry you did not visit us during our Celebration - If you had done so I might have given you a chance to make another report. With kind regards I remain sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy Secc

July 24th 4

S. B. Harman, Esq
Treasurer S. C. C

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find cheque for Twelve Hundred and forty nine 50/100 Dollars, $1249 50/100, being proceeds from sale of tickets for Oratorio.

Yours truly.

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C

July 25th 4

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find ck. for $26.00 from Mr R. Marshall in payment for flags sold to him —

I beg to notify you that owing to the absence of Lieut. Col. Geo. T. Denison from the City, Lieut. Col. Grasett has been appointed chairman pro tem of the Military Display Committee and will sign requisitions on behalf of that Committee

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy. SCCC

S. B. Harman Esq
Treas. SCCC

July 25th

My dear Sir –

Enclosed please find Cheque for $127 allowance to 13th Batt. for 255 men present at Review in Toronto on Dominion day. Please acknowledge receipt –

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy SCCO

Major Moore
13th Batt –
Hamilton

July 25th
31st July

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find Cheque for $127.00 Massachusetts

Your letter of the 24th July I rec'd on my return to the City yesterday after an absence of Ten days. The execution must on Monday evening next when I will have your letter submitted & trust to assure at an amicable solution & so arrange payment in accordance with your wishes - I do not understand there is any dispute in regard to the last amount Mem'd in your letter as the $500.00 and $117.50.

Yours

W Barclay M Munich

Mr Fuller Nesbit & Bickwell
Hammersten

Major Frank King
Ft Colborne

2 August. 4

Dear Sir.

Your letter of the 31 July came to hand this morning. Your draft was present yesterday and I had to refuse it unless I had paid some personally out of my own pocket which I feel assured you did not and could not expect me to do. After Mr M Williams had made the arrangement with you - he called and saw me rather I met him at the City Hall when told me what he had done and asked me if I would hold him harmless in the matter. In reply I told him that I would do all in my power to get the grant for him, but that being only the Chairman of the General Committee I had no power in any way to bind them but would see the matter was brought up before the Committee and urge the Committee to pay the amount. I think this is the only conversation I have had with

Mr Williams in the matter. I was so used up after the Centennial that I left for a rest & only got back to my office last Wednesday - During my absence I find the matter was brought up at the Military Committee, and very strong ground taken against the payment, on the ground that it would be manifestly unfair to give your battery more than had been given to the other visiting corps of 50¢ per man - All these corps went to the expense of several hundreds of dollars to assist us in our Review - the car service alone costing ~~each~~ some of the corps over $1200 in which they paid themselves & all their expenses for the time they were in the City. on receiving as I said 50¢ per man from the Committee They also claim you were only here part of the day - leaving at 2 PM - this I know nothing about. However I will lay your letter before the Executive Committee and fulfil my promise to Mr Williams and the Secy will no doubt acquaint you with

Aug. 5th

Dear Sir –

In regard to your a/c rendered to the Semi Centennial Committee for fitting up tables etc. for the 14th P.V.C. Rifles – I am directed by the Committee to state that on enquiry they find the work was not ordered by any of their members, and that it was not originally intended that any more than the allowance of 50¢ per man should be made to each visiting Battalion – Under the circumstances therefore they do not feel called upon to pay your a/c – but should on returns yet to be received from the Railways be satisfactory, and enable us to pay all our ordered a/cs, yours will be settled out of the first surplus – This is the best we can do under the circumstances – In regard to the lumber used in the construction of the tables etc. would that not become our property in case we pay the a/c? Please advise me in the matter –

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy

H. E. Hughes Esq

Aug 5th

Dear Sir –

I have given Prof. Hand & Co. a requisition for $500. and Mr McCormick has drawn a receipt which is attached to the requisition – Please see that the Cheque is not given until the receipt is signed, as there is a dispute as to the correctness of this a/c ——

Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
Secy

S. B. Harman Esq
City Treasurer

Aug 6th 1864

S. B. Harman Esq.
Treas. C. C. C

Dear Sir.

Please find
enclosed cheque for Four
Hundred Dollars being the
subscription of the Queens
Hotel to the Celebration,

Yours truly

R. B. Hamilton
Mayor

August 6th 4

Dear Sir –

I am in receipt of yours of yesterday – as to the amount paid you and other caterers for supplying the different visiting Regiments here on Dominion Day, it was at the rate of 50c per man and was agreed upon some time previous to the Review – This Committee made no provision for supplying any meals whatever, but simply gave a grant as above stated, and accordingly honored the orders from the Regiments up to that amount, but have not paid any other sum, although in the case of the "7th Fusiliers" a like claim is made by Mr Houlgrave – This Committee had not anticipated paying for the fitting up of rooms, and as we cannot more than see our way clear at present we cannot undertake any new liabilities – Should, however, our Railway returns foot up to expectations we will be in a position to pay your account, and I think you had better wait for a short time at least before writing to Capt. Galloway –

Yours truly

R.B. Hamilton
Sec'y SCCC

H. E. Hughes Esq

August 6th 4

My dear Orchard.

I enclose you $14.25 to balance a/c as follows —

Expenses of Indians	$58.50
Bill posting	3.75
Return of Lacrosse Money overpaid to Toronto team	2.00
	$64.25
Cast on a/c	50.00
Balance as above —	$14.25

You must pardon my neglect in this matter but on my return from New York I had so many matters to attend to that you slipped my mind — I am exceedingly obliged for the trouble you took in our affairs and regretted you were not present during the Celebration week, so that we might have had an opportunity of repaying you slightly for your kindness — With best regards to Mrs Orchard.

I remain

Sincerely Yours

R. B. Hamilton
Secy SCCC

R. M. Orchard Esq
Grimsby

Please return enclosed a/c receipted — I have your bill posting a/c all right —
R.B.H.

Aug 7th 1884

S. B. Harman Esq.
Treas S.C.C.C

Dear Sir.
Please find enclosed
Cheque for Four Hundred 00/100
Dollars being the Rossin
House subscription to the
Celebration fund
Yours truly
R. B. Hamilton
per E.D.L

August 7th 1884

Capt. W. D. Andrews

Dear Sir.

You can obtain at the City Treasurers office a cheque on the Dominion Bank in exchange for the enclosed requisition,

This acct was just passed at Executive meeting Tuesday night

Yours faithfully
R. C. Hamilton

Toronto August 7th 1884

Dear Sir -

The a/c of $77.40 rendered by the R.C. Separate School Board against the Semi Centennial Committee has been submitted to the Executive and I am directed to state that as the Public School Board engaged and paid their own Conductor to instruct the children for the Semi Centennial Concert, the Committee cannot adopt any different course with your Board -

The expenses of the Committee in connection with the School Childrens Celebration were very heavy and if they undertook to pay the Conductors' salary we would find [illegible] way behind —

[illegible] P. S. Board it was considered that their contribution towards the Semi Centennial Celebration was the amount paid to the Conductor, and this Committee certainly considered your Board would take the same action -

I accordingly enclose your a/c and trust you will see the justice of our course

I remain

Sincerely Yours

R.B. Hamilton

Secy SCCC

J.G. Hall Esq

Secy R.C. Separate School Board

Dear Sir -

I am directed by Mr McMurrich to inform you that your letters in re payment of Expenses of the Welland Field Battery have been referred to the Military Display Committee, from whom you will hear as soon as they are in a position to report -

Yours very truly

A. B. Hamilton
Sec'y SCCC

Major F. King
Port Colborne

Toronto August 7/84

Dear Sir –

Mr McMurrich was to have written you before leaving the City but I am of the opinion that in the hurry of departure he neglected doing so – Under these circumstances I would beg to call your attention to the fact that no returns have yet been received by the Semi Centennial Committee of the amount due them by the Ferry boats as commission on fares on the night of the Firework display – Kindly let me hear from you on this matter as the delay has already been somewhat protracted – As to payment for any of the Boats for services on that night, each a/c will require to pass the Committee before being settled – Trusting to have the matter settled up this week

I remain
Yours etc
R. B. Hamilton
Secy Sec'l

P. McIntyre Esq
City

19 York Chambers
Toronto. Aug 8th 84

Mr T. Littlehales
Hamilton.

Dear Sir.

Please find enclosed P.O.O. for Twenty Dollars, being in settlement of Expenses, as follows.

Mr Baumann	8.00
Mr Parker.	6.00
Mr Littlehales	6.00
	$20.00

incurred, attending Oratorios.

Mr Dillons claim of Five Dollars, I have just instructed to pay and will forward it to you, with the amts. claimed by Messrs Wavell and Findlay and Miss Nora Clench, on receiving your answer to my enquiry of last week.

Assuring you that we are deeply sensible of the trouble you are taking in helping us to get these matters settled.

I am
Yours respfy
F J Laidlaw

Please return enclosed receipts

Aug 13th 84

Mr S. B. Harman

Treasurer. S.C.C.

Dear Sir.

Please find enclosed the sum of One Hundred and Eighty-Eight Dollars $188.00 being proceeds of sales of Oratorio Tickets, as follows from A & S. Nordheimer 40.00
J. Suckling & Son 148.00

Yours respfy.

R. B. Hamilton
Secy S.C.C.

