

"Fort Kent Store Ledger, 1915"

MCC-00188

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General Information

Collection Title: "Fort Kent Store Ledger, 1915" or "The Handy D Day-Book"

Provenance/Chain of Custody: This original ledger was donated to the Acadian Archives by the Fort Kent Boy Scout at an unknown date. The ledger is now property of the Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes and is preserved as collection number MCC-00188.

Date Range: 1915

Accession Number: MCC-00188

Shelf List: AB-188

Introduction: This original cloth and leather bound ledger was donated to the Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes by the Fort Kent Boy Scout at an unknown date. It is interesting to read the names of the townspeople (presumably Fort Kent) doing business in 1915.

Physical Characteristics/Conditions: This is an original beige cloth and red leather bound store ledger measuring 19 cm wide by 40 cm long and believed to be from a Fort Kent area business. The names that appear in the ledger are presumably the names of Fort Kent town's people in the 1915. The front cover has the title "The Handy D Day-Book". The letters "Day-Book", on the spine, are in gold color on a black background. The transactions in this ledger are handwritten and marked in pencil showing dates from April 27, 1915 through December 1915. The ledger is in good condition with worn-out red leather bound corners. Cover and pages are discolored and yellowed. Penmanship is very good to poor.

Access: This collection is available to researchers with restriction. Patron(s) will need to wear white cotton gloves to view.

Arrangement: 1 bound volume, 600 pages

Scope and Content: "The Handy D Day-Book" or "Fort Kent Store Ledger" spans the year 1915. The first two printed pages show "Rates of Postage"; "Parcel Post Information" rates; "Population of States 1910"; Population of the Largest Cities in the U.S. Census 1910".

Transactions were documented as they were taking place in this Fort Kent store in 1915. All transactions are written in English and items sold in the store consist mostly of groceries and household items. Names of customers appear at the head of the transactions. These documents shed light on how and what transactions were done in the years past.