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Allen Family of Adolphustown.

Biographical:

- 1. History of the Province of Ontario by Wm. Canniff. 1872.
 - re Capt. Joseph Allen, U.E.L. & family (Pp.91-92).
- 2. History of the County of Lennex & Addington by W.S. Herrington. re Adolphustown school (Pp. 98-99). 1913.
- 3. Collections of the Lennor & Addington Historical Society. 1959.
 - lists "Family history, 1775-1871" by Parker Allen.n.d.

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"Captain Joseph Allen, formerly Captain Allen of New Jersey, held a commission in the British Army at New York for some time during the war. He owned extensive mill property, and was regarded as a very wealthy person. All his possessions were confiscated, and he in 1783, found his way, among other refugees, first to Sorel, where he stayed a winter, and finally to Upper Canada. His family consisted of two sons, John and Jonathan, and three daughters, Rachel, Ursula and Elizabeth. Captain Allen was one of the first settlers in Adolphustown, and his descendants still live in the township, among whom are Parker Allen, Esq., J. D. Watson, Esq., and David McWherter, Esq. Captain Allen had extensive grants of land in Adolphustown, and in Mayysburgh, and elsewhere; as well as his children. Jonathan Allen succeeded his father upon the homestead, and was for many years an acceptable Justice of the Peace. His brother, Joseph [John?] Allen, moved to Marysburgh, and was a Captain of militia during the war of 1812. Captain Allen brough with him several slaves, "who followed his fortunes with peculiar attachment, even after their liberation.""

Papers of the Allen Family of Adelphustown, 1801 - 1886. 18 pieces.

A. Correspondence:

- Allen Vanalstine to Jonathan Allen, Adolphustown. Kingston, 19 July 1829. Re settlement of estate.
- 2. Allen Vanalstine to Jonathan Allen, Adolphustown. Kingston, 17 April 1830. Re offer for mill.
- 3. Chas. S. Ruttan to Jonathan Allen, Adolphustown. Rahgest, 5 May 1830. Re sale of land.
- 4. H[enry] Ruttan to Jonathan Allen, Adolphustown.
 Kingston, 23 April 1834. Re death of [Hugh C.] Thomson
 [MLA for Frontenac & editor of Upper Canada Herald].
- 5. Allen Vanalstine to Jonathan Allen, Adolphustown. Oswego, 23 April 1837. Re estate of late Peter Vanalstine, proposed sale of house & mill.
- 6. S[amuel] Taylor to Parker Allen, Reeve, Adolphustown.
 Kingston, 11 June 1857. Re monies to be gredited to
 municipality of Ernesttown, Kingston branch, Bank of B.N.A.
- 7. [Joseph Allen?] to H. Escles. "5th Feby". Unsigned draft of letter re estate of writer's uncle, John Allens lists sons, grandsons of Joseph Allen "the Patenttee".

B. Land Papers:

- 1. Crown grant to Joseph Allen, yeomen, Adolphustown.

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 of Adolphustown. 10June 1801. Signed by Geter Adusthustown school.
 Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada. On parchment, with seal.
- 2. Deed of sale. Jonathan Allen to Parker Allen. 200 acres (as above) for £2,000. 3 Jan. 1843.

C. Legal Papers:

- 1. Adolphustown schools
 - (a) Pond & subscribers. Adolphustown, 7 Nov. 1811. [Jonathan Allen et al]
 - (b) Articles of agreement. Proprietors of Adolphustown school [Jonathan Allen et al] and Henry Meade. Adolphustown, n.d. [18237]
 - (c) Testimonial on behalf of Henry Meade, teacher at
 Adolphustown school. Signed by Peter
 V. Dorland & Jas. Watson, trustees.
 Adolphustown, 1 Dec. 1823.
- 2. Memorandum of agreement. Parker Allen and John Pledger. [Pledger to receive £20, use of house and garden, for seven months labor.] 24 March 1856.
- 3. Marriage bond. William Dimond and Blanchard Chamberlain, both of Fredericksburgh, on behalf of Barnabas Huff and Catherine Charters, of the same place. 1 Jan. 1828. Witnessed by Jonathan Allen.

D. Miscellaneous:

- 2. Accounts:
 Parker Allen & Sons and Adolphustown Cheese Factory.
 3 Dec. 1886.
 Joseph Allen and Picton Gazette. 29 Aug. 1861.
- 3. Album. "Miss Ann Allen", Adolphustown. Contains verses (1833-35) and press clippings (Centenary of U.E.L. landing at Adolphustown, June 1884; U.E. Burying Ground; obituary, A. I. Corkindale, Picton).

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