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Educational Resources, WWI



Instruction Manual for Teachers

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This EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE manual consists of information on the four separate sets of records pertaining to the history of World War I from a Haldimand County perspective.



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Getting Started

The three main aims of Educational Recourses, WWI are:

- To showcase the contributions of Haldimand County residents during the First World War
- To provide a local perspective on a national and international event
- To provide access to Haldimand Museums resources to those individuals not otherwise having access to the collection.

Audience

As a result of a preliminary survey conducted with Haldimand County Secondary School History Department Heads in June 2010 relating to (a) the teaching of WWI and (b) the use of on-line resources, Haldimand Museums determined an avenue to present information relevant to Haldimand County's contribution in WWI was greatly needed.

The on-line *Educational Recourses, WWI* was developed primarily for the use by Haldimand County secondary school teachers and students although post secondary and other private researchers and genealogist may find the material presented a useful tool

Additionally, at the primary school level, teachers and students at the will also find this an informative interactive classroom tool.

Types of materials included

Primary source information or material created by an individual or sometimes a group of people examples include:

- Original first person accounts i.e. letters, diaries, and photographs; poems, journal articles, newspaper articles
- Artefacts, for example: uniforms, medals, firearms (inanimate and animated)
- Artwork and posters

Secondary sources pertain to the primary sources and analyze, interpret, and discuss this information.

Secondary sources include:

- Local newspaper accounts (1914 late 20th century) Grand River Sachem, Haldimand Press, Jarvis Record, Nanticoke Times
- Magazine articles: doctoral theses
- Books
- Links to external agencies such as National Archives of Canada, National War Museum, Ontario Veterans Association.

PROVISO:

Materials presented in the *Educational Resources, WWI* database are not inclusive and do not create a complete story. The students' task when using this tool is to research and gather complimentary records into a storyline by using the Haldimand Museum specific files and links to other agencies and sources an their own research.

Information on the Host Site



Our Ontario (www.OurOntario.ca) is a unique partnership with cultural and heritage organizations designed to create digital content discoverable to a global audience. Our Ontario is part of Knowledge Ontario, a not-for-profit collaborative that offers programs and services addressing the information and learning needs of Ontarians in the digital environment.

The goal is to help Ontarians of all ages discover the extraordinary stories of their culture and history organizations and communities as contained in the digital collections.

Our Ontario has partnered with cultural, heritage and community organizations, offering expertise in search technologies, providing free tools, hosting and user interface for digital collections.

Our Ontario fast facts:

- Our Ontario is over the 4-million mark! Search <u>OurOntario.ca</u> for more than 4 million government documents, images, historical objects, newspapers, video and audio files, and more...
- Our Ontario currently services 245 organizations
- Last year, 329 individuals registered in 7 training streams
- There are 30 public libraries and 54 organizations altogether partnering with us through the Community Digitization Project

Contributors to Haldimand County's Our Ontario database:

- Dunnville District Heritage Association, Dunnville
- North Erie Shore Historical Society, Selkirk
- Haldimand Museums:
 - Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre, Caledonia and
 - Haldimand County Museum and Archives, Cayuga

General information

Haldimand Museums Educational Resource, WWI will give a platform for the study of Canada during WWI; topics to be covered in the on-line resource include: Soldiers; Campaigns and Battles; Women in War and Conscription, Enlistment and Propaganda.

Thematic Strands "Canadian History since World War I"

This resource will allow students to:

- a. Investigate the challenges presented by economic and social changes (Local, national, and international) and
- b. Explore the contributions of Haldimand County (individuals and groups) to the Canadian war effort during WWI.

Using critical-thinking and communication skills students will evaluate various interpretations of the issues and events of the period 1914 - 1919 and to present their views.

The three themes outlined in the standardized curriculum that Haldimand Museums focused in on the creation of our educational resource are:

- 1. Change and Continuity
 - Role of women in Haldimand County
 - · Changing demographic patterns
- 2. Citizenship and Heritage
 - Contributions of various social and political movements
 - Individual contributions
- 3. Social, Economic & Political Structures
 - Changing economic and social conditions
 - Changing responses of local, provincial and federal governments

Links

Links to external sites (Canadian, British, American) which compliment this resource include, sites such as:

- Library and Archives Canada: (Soldiers, Women in War: http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/first-world-war/interviews
- Canadian War Museum: http://www.warmuseum.ca/cwm/exhibitions/propaganda/index_e.shtml
- Library and Archives Canada: http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/
- CBC: http://archives.cbc.ca/war_conflict/first_world_war/topics
- First World War (Women in War): http://www.firstworldwar.com/features/womenww1 intro.htm
- BBC: http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/worldwarone/hg/hfront2 01.shtml

Our Ontario Pages - Searchable subjects and groups

Searchable subjects and groups are found in a box at the right sidebar of the collections main page. Each of these searchable terms, when selected, will move you into a group of records linked by that term. For example (taken from an *Our Ontario* page):

Subjects

Only the top 50 will appear here.

114th Battalion (14) 37th Haldimand Rifles (3) 52nd Battalion (1) biographies (1) Brock's Rangers (3) Camp Borden (3) Campaigns & battles (8) Canadian Expeditionary Forces (3) Chaplains (2) Clippings (2) Correspondence (8) Documents (2) Draft (2) Dunnville (Ont.) (2) First Nation (1) Funeral processions (1) Journalism (3) Medals (2) Military - Personnel - Graves (1) Military bands (3) Military demobilizations (1) Military

discharges (1) Military medicine (1) Military training (4) Military uniforms (1) Niagara Camp (2) Obituary (2) Ontario (1) Passchendael (1) Patriotic Fund (2) Patriotic societies (1) Propaganda (2) Red Cross (1) Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 164 (1) Ruthven National Historic Site (1) Soldiers (82) train station (1) Trench warfare (2) Veterans (10) Vimy Ridge (6) War casualties (21) War stories (7) World War I (104) Ypres (2)

Groups

Educational Resources WW1, Haldimand County - Campaigns & Battles (6) Educational Resources WW1, Haldimand County - Conscription, Enlistment & Propaganda (9) Educational Resources WW1, Haldimand County - Soldiers (104) Educational Resources WW1, Haldimand County - Women in War (7) The Grand River Sachem (2) The Haldimand Press (4) The Hamilton Spectator (2) The Jarvis Record (1) The Nanticoke Times (1)

Alternate Search Processes

Alternatively the Educational Resources, WWI pages can be accessed through the main Our Ontario site to attain the educational resource pages:

- http://www.ourontario.ca/
- http://images.ourontario.ca/haldimandmuseums/

For further information on any of the records contained within these 4 collections, please contact "Haldimand Museums" at 905-772-5880 (Haldimand County Museum & Archives) or 905-765-3134 (Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre) or email museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Collection 1 - Soldiers

Link:

http://images.ourontario.ca/haldimand
museums/results?grd=787



This collection is a group of records pertaining to the history of WWI from a Haldimand County perspective to be used in the classroom.

Individuals from Haldimand County who contributed to the WWI effort tell their stories through the use of various media and take the user from enlistment to, in some cases, homecoming or death.

The collection contains primary and secondary source materials such as photographs, letters (original or newspaper reprints), film documentaries and audio accounts help to provide further detail and broader context.

Thematic Strands:

Change and Continuity

 Soldiers: Changes to individual lives as a result of WWI (i.e. separation of families; death, injuries, shell shock.)

Citizenship and Heritage

• Individual soldier's stories told through letters, diaries and photographs give insight as to why they enlisted and their initial thoughts of war and later realizations.

Collection 2 – Campaigns & Battles

Link:

http://images.ourontario.ca/haldimandmuseums/results?grd=918



A collection of resources related to various campaigns and battles from WWI. Stories are told using various media including photographs, film and documentaries and digital images of military paraphernalia.

The collection contains not only Haldimand County documents and artefacts, but lines to documentaries, film, etc.

Thematic Strands:

Change and Continuity

• Impact of war technologies - includes such topics as gas warfare and its after effects

Campaigns:

 Battalions (Battalion types and their functions) information such as historical notes and photographic images and documentaries

Collection 3 - Women in War

Link:

http://images.ourontario.ca/haldiman dmuseums/results?grd=917



This collection groups records pertaining to the history of women's contributions to WWI efforts from a Haldimand County perspective. Primary and secondary source materials which present information in the form of photographs, letters (original or newspaper reprints), documentaries and audio accounts to provide further detail and broader context.

Thematic Strands:

Change and Continuity

- Changes to women's lives as a result of WWI (families separated, death toll, injuries)
- Changes to women's work using records from Women's Institute, Red Cross; letters from individuals; newspaper accounts
- · Changing gender roles

Citizenship and Heritage

 Women and war work including factories and farming; "comfort boxes" and "housewives" for soldiers at the front; to the changing economic and social position of women)

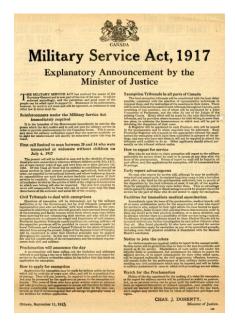
Social, Economic and Political Structures

- Shift in and broadening of women's social roles and status
- Women's changing participation in the Canadian economy; Increased female participation in the paid workforce
- · Changing family structure

Collection 4 - Conscription, Enlistment & Propaganda

Link:

http://images.ourontario.ca/haldimandmuseums/results?grd=916



This collection is a group of records pertaining to the history of recruitment in Haldimand County.

Stories of individuals from Haldimand County who contributed to the WWI effort are told through the use of various media; this collection includes primary and secondary source materials such as photographs, letters (original or newspaper reprints), film documentaries and audio accounts help to provide further detail and broader context. E.g.: National Film Board documentary "Front Lines – Nurses at the Front"

Thematic Strands:

Citizenship and Heritage

- Conscription: Social and Political movements (peace movement, pro conscription, and anticonscription including propaganda)
- Conscription: Rights and privileges of citizenship versus enlistment/conscription debate

Social, Economic and Political Structures

- Recruitment: Role of government in wartime (propaganda and recruitment in Haldimand County)
- Propaganda: Rise in Canadian nationalism
- Conscription: Change in family structure

Change and Continuity

• Conscription: Sudden depopulation of areas as male enlistment increases

Notes for the User:

- The links listed within this resource are predominantly Canadian.
- Links provided from records are to provide information on the broader background context of WWI with regard to the political, social, economic and gender roles of the era.
- If a record appears in multiple collections, the links attached to that record will appear in each collection. It is up to the end user to select the link appropriate to the topic they are investigating.
- Some American spellings used in newspaper articles (local, national and international)
- Due to the size of the collections and of the individual records, dial-up internet connection is not recommended.

Suggested Activities

Assignments:

- 1. Research the history of a military (1914 Star 'Mons Star', Silver Rendered Badge, British War Medal or Memorial Plaque)
- 2. Create a timeline for a military battle e.g.; research details as who was in charge; how were trained/prepared for battle; explain the battle and final outcome. (Ypres, Vimy Ridge, Passchendaele and the Battle of the Somme)
- 3. Create a timeline for a Haldimand County resident who enlisted in the military or as a "Canadian Nursing Sister"; include topics such as enlistment, training (in Canada and overseas), deployment, and final outcome.

Museum Site Visits:

Haldimand Museums' (to arrange a site tours or opportunity to view artefacts shown in the database):

Haldimand County Museum

8 Echo Street, Cayuga, Ontario N0A 1E0

Phone: 905 772 5880

Email: museum.archives@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Curator: Karen E Richardson

Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre

80 Caithness Street East, Caledonia, Ontario N3W 2G6

Phone: 905-765-3134

E-mail: esquare.centre@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Curator: Anne Unyi

Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum

3513 Rainham Road, Selkirk, Ontario N0A 1P0

Phone: 905 776 3319

E-mail: wmacdonald.museum@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Curator: Dana Stavinga

To learn more about Colonel Andrew Thompson, Commander, 114th Haldimand Battalion visit:

Ruthven Park National Historic Site

243 Haldimand Hwy. #54, Cayuga, Ontario N0A 1E0

Phone: 905 772 0561 Email: info@ruthvenpark.ca

Warplane Heritage Museum, Hamilton**

Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum is a living museum featuring the aircraft used by Canadians or Canada's Military from the beginning of World War II up to the present. The Museum offers an educational experience that will take them back through Canadian history. The Museum has interactive video displays, movies, photographs and memorabilia from Canadian History.

9280 Airport Road, Mount Hope, Ontario

Phone: (905) 679-4183 x 239 Contact: Howard McLean

RCAF #6 Museum, Dunnville**

The museum is dedicated to the more than 2,500 men and women who served at the school from 1940-1944. Uniforms, pictures, memorabilia and artefacts of this era are displayed in the

museum. There are also a North American Yale, Harvard, DeHavilland Tiger Moth and Fleet Finch on display in the hangar.

536 Regional Rd #11, (Port Maitland Rd,), Dunnville Ontario

Phone: 905-774-0544

Other suggestions:

Haldimand County Libraries:

Books and other reference material are available at Haldimand County Libraries located at:

Dunnville Caledonia Cayuga 100 Haddington Street, Unit 2 28 Cayuga St. N. 317 Chestnut St Caledonia, Ontario N3W 2N4 Cayuga Ontario N0A 1E0 Dunnville, Ontario N1A 2H4 905 765 2634 905 772 5726 905 774 4240

Hagersville **Jarvis** Selkirk 13 Alma St. North 2 Monson St 34 Main Street West

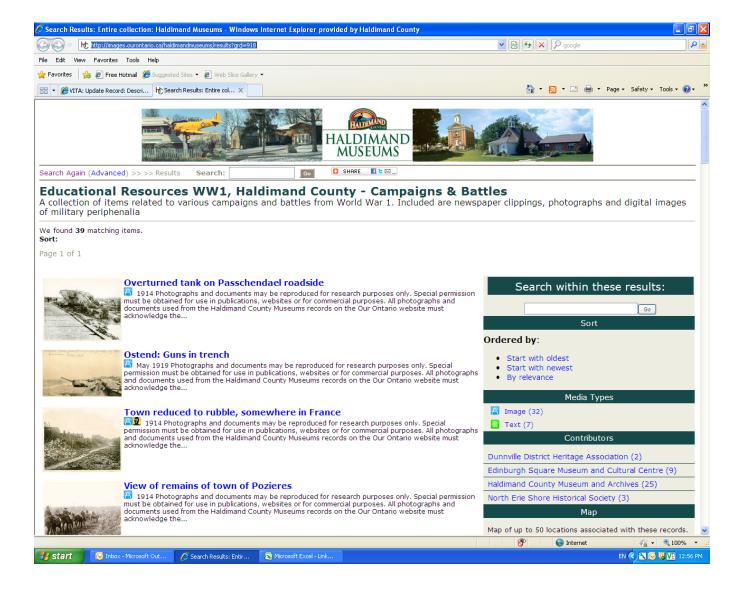
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905 768 5941 519 587 4746 905 776 2127

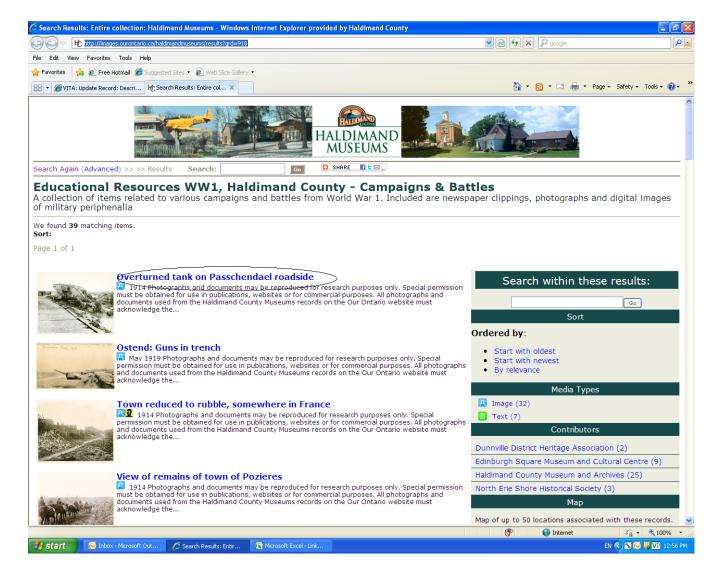
^{**} Although not related specifically to WWI these information and experiences at these Museums parallels could be draw between the two Wars.

Detailed instructions on navigating within the collections:

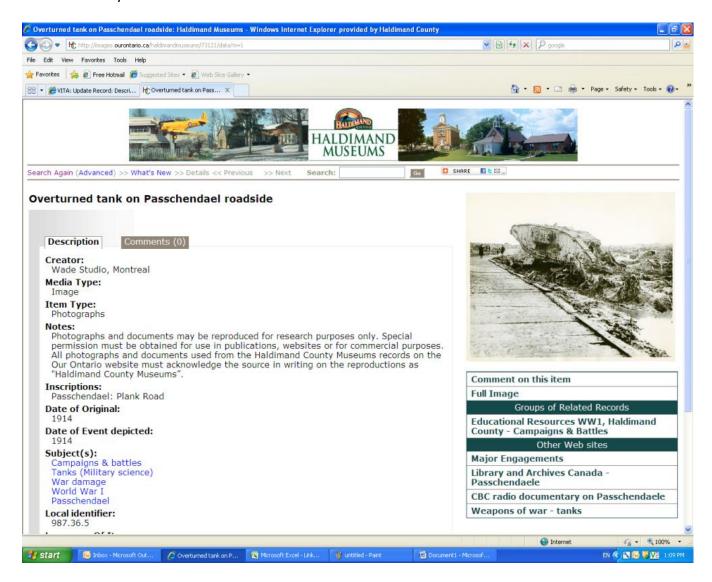
When you select a hyperlink, you are brought to the following page:



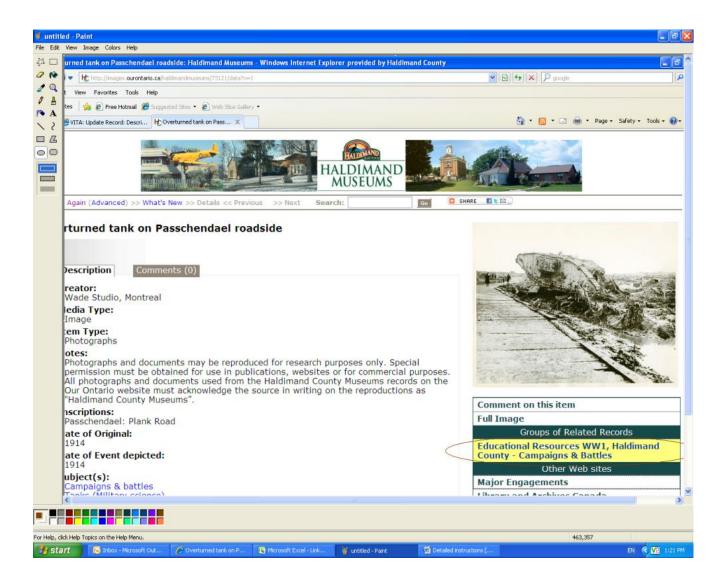
From here you can select individual records to review by clicking on the record title



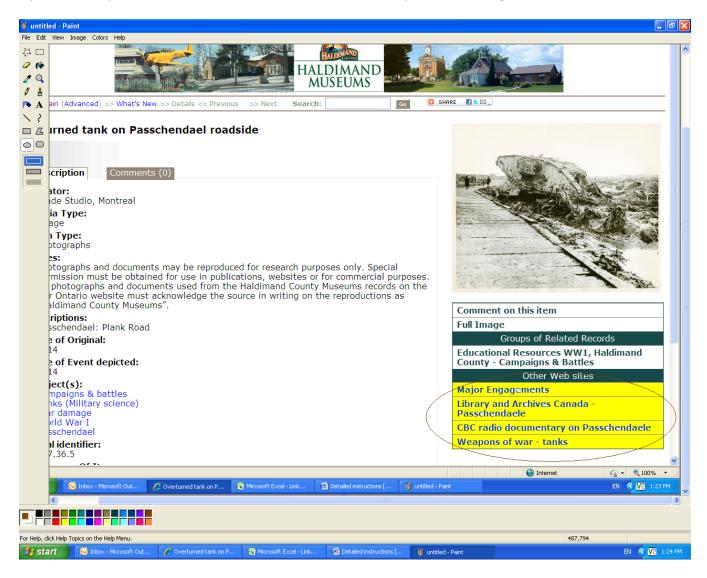
This will move you into the record details



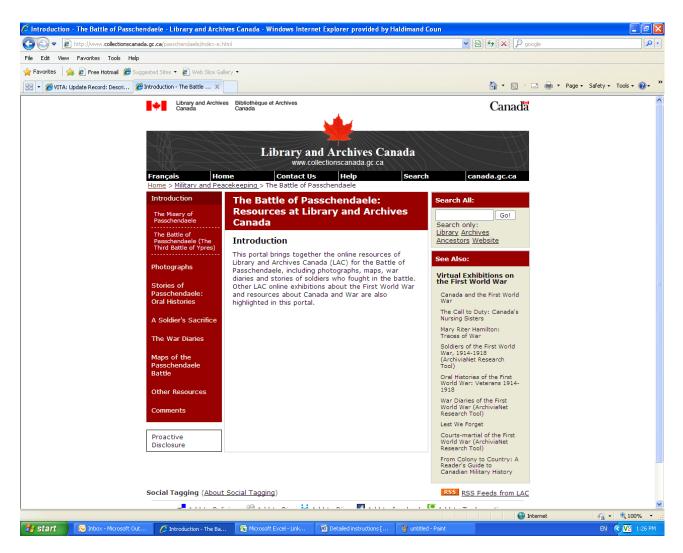
At this point, you can choose to return to the record group by clicking on titles listed under "Groups of Related Records" & you will brought back to the initial list of records contained within that collection:



If you select any of the titles listed under the "Other Web Sites", you will be brought to those external links:



For example, by selecting the Library and Archives Canada link, you are brought to the appropriate page on their site:



Use the browser buttons to return back through the records.