

FONDS DESCRIPTION (MBMS-47)

H. Gerald Stairs fonds

c. 1946

6 pages of textual records

Henry Gerald “Gerry” Stairs was born at Halifax in 1904. Following his graduation from Dalhousie University, he worked as a civil engineer. In 1929 he married Freda Winfield. During the Second World War, he served as a lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve. A keen yachtsman, he operated for several years as a naval architect and yacht broker. For a time, his brokerage and yacht-building activities were based in Mahone Bay. Stairs later moved to Quebec. In 1962, he self-published *The Stairs of Halifax*. Stairs died at Montreal in 1964.

Fonds consists of an H.G. Stairs brochure and order form for the racing yacht Acadia '42.

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