

# **INVENTORY DESCRIPTION**

**Great Britain. Colonial Office.**

**Entry Books : Prince Edward Island (CO 227) :**  
**1769-1872.**

C.O. 227, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, ENTRY BOOKS

Microfilm, 1769-1872, 3 reels, B-1275 to B-1277. Finding Aid No. 90.

Colonial Office 227 exhibits few signs of the usual system of arrangement employed at the Public Record Office for "colony" class entry books. While following a basically chronological organization, the categories "Despatches", "Public Offices" and "Miscellaneous" or "Individuals" do not appear in this class (see the MG 11 Introduction under Arrangement). The entire class is available on microfilm.

Volume 1 (1769-1793) in large measure provides copies of correspondence, commissions, and instructions communicated to the colony by the Board of Trade. Volumes 2 and 3 (1769-1781) comprise copies of correspondence from the Secretary of State and from the office responsible for colonial affairs; however, they also include copies of some in-letters from governors. Précis books, similar to those found in C.O. 43 (q.v.), are provided in volumes 4 to 6 (1789-1790, 1794-1795, 1801-1807). The out-letters are often entered on the right-hand pages and the in-letters on the left. Occasionally, related despatches will face each other. Volumes 7 to 12 (1801-1872) consist mainly of despatches from the Secretary of State. The "Offices" and "Individuals" categories for the period 1810-1872 may be located in C.O. 43, volumes 49 to 141 (q.v.). Colonial Office 189, volumes 2 and 10 include additional material relating to Prince Edward Island for the period 1769-1801, as do volumes 64 and 65 (1838-1872) of C.O. 381 (q.v.).

Volumes 1 and 7-12 include internal indexes giving the date, authors, a brief subject description and the old manuscript pagination. Further material similar to that found in this class may be located in Manuscript Group 9, Provincial, Local and Territorial Records, and in Record Group 7, Governor General's Office.

Finding Aid 90, British Records on Microfilm, lists all material available on film.

MG 11 GREAT BRITAIN: Public Record Office, C.O. 228, Prince Edward  
C.O. 228 Island, Acts

Transcripts, 1770-1842. 2.5 cm. Photostats, 1856. 14 pages. Microfilm, 1770-1864. 7 reels, B-1375 to B-1377, B-1466, B-1555 to B-1557. Finding Aid No. 90.

Colonial Office 228 is the class which may include governors, ordinances and proclamations as well as acts of the colonial legislature.

Volumes 1 to 14 (1770-1864) have been copied on microfilm in their entirety. The Public Archives of Canada also holds selections in transcript and photostat forms of various acts, 1774 to 1856, relating predominantly to elections. (The transcripts are also available on 16 mm microfilm, reel C-13965).

Finding Aid 90, British Records on Microfilm, lists all material available on film. Colonial Office 383, Registers, Acts (q.v.), volumes 74 and 75 provide a contemporary finding aid to acts for the period 1785-1864.