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# James Buchanan Macaulay fonds

## PF20

## Summary

The "James Buchanan Macaulay fonds" Fonds contains:

0 Subgroups or Sous-fonds

1 Series

0 Sub-series

0 Sub-sub-series

0 Files

0 File parts

1 Items

0 Components

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## **James Buchanan Macaulay fonds. -- 1838. -- 3 cm of textual records (1 v.)**

### **Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History**

James Buchanan Macaulay was born in Newark, Upper Canada, on December 3rd, 1793. After articling with D'Arcy Boulton, the attorney general, Macaulay was called to the Bar in 1821. In 1827, he was appointed a temporary Judge of Assize on the circuit in the western half of the province. Two years later, Macaulay was permanently appointed a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench. In 1849, he was appointed the first Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas. He retired from the bench in 1856, but in 1858 accepted the appointment as Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal. With the death of Robert Baldwin in December 1858, Macaulay was asked to complete Baldwin's term as Treasurer of the Law Society of Upper Canada. Macaulay was elected Treasurer in his own right on November 26th, 1859, but died later that same day.

### **Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of a bench book maintain by Justice James Buchanan Macaulay during the trial for treason of suspects who were alleged to have participated in the December 1837 Duncombe Revolt.

### **Provenance**

The volume was acquired by the Archives from an unknown source in 1984.

### **Restrictions**

Open.

### **Title Notes**

Title based on contents of fonds.

**PF20-1 Bench book. -- 1838. -- 3 cm of textual records (1 v.)**

*Scope and Content*

Series consists of a volume of Justice James Buchanan Macaulay's notes taken during the trial for treason of suspects who were alleged to have participated in the December 1837 Duncombe Revolt.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on content of series.

984076-001 Bench book. -- 1838. -- 3 cm of textual records (1 v.)

*Scope and Content*

Item is a bench book maintained by Justice James Buchanan Macaulay during the treason trial of suspects who were alleged to have participated in the Duncombe Revolt of December 1837.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.