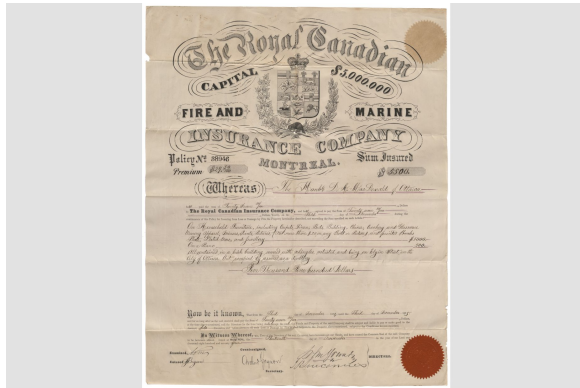


# Contract

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Contract from The Royal Canadian Insurance Company.

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Medium and Support ink, paper

Measurements 52,5 x 42 cm

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Historical context

In the second half of the 19th century, Montreal began to industrialize, transportation infrastructures were developed and major capital investments were made. By Confederation in 1867, the city had overtaken Quebec City as Canada's economic metropolis. Several financial institutions followed suit, including the Royal Insurance Company, which in the early 1860s moved into a building on Pointe à Callière, where the museum of the same name now stands.

The document pictured here is the insurance contract of John A. Macdonald, Prime Minister of Canada from 1867 to 1873 and from 1878 to 1891. The contract stipulates that, for the sum of \$27.50, the Royal Insurance Company will insure John A. Macdonald for one year for his jewelry, a piano and movable property located in his home on Elgin Street, Ottawa, for the sum of \$5,500.