Finding Aid to the Richard E. Kunze Collection MS.571

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Title: Richard E. Kunze Collection

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Abstract: Richard E. Kunze (1837-1919) was born in Germany and moved to the United States in 1854 and studied at the National Eclectic Medical Association in New York. Kunze's chief interest was in medical botany, and he specialized in cacti. Kunze was a good friend and correspondent of J. A. Munk. This collection consists of Kunze's correspondence with Munk, manuscript drafts and published manuscripts by Kunze, personal papers, biographical articles, water colors, and collected manuscripts ranging from 1885-1919.

creator: Kunze, Richard E. (Richard Ernest), 1837-1919

creator: Munk, J. A. (Joseph Amasa), 1847-1927

Processing history

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Scope and Contents

This collection consists of Dr. Richard E. Kunze's correspondence with J. A. (Joseph Amasa) Munk, manuscript drafts and published manuscripts by Kunze, personal papers, biographical articles, water colors, and collected manuscripts ranging from 1885-1919. This collection also includes Kunze's certificates of emigration to the United States, United States citizenship, and medical practice.

Preferred citation

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Access

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Biographical note


Subjects and Indexing Terms

Articles
Botany, medical
Cactus
Certificates
Correspondence
Manuscripts
Watercolors
Box 1

1. Munk - Kunze Correspondence (letters from Kunze to Munk)
2. 1909 - 9 letters, 5 cards
3. 1910 - 4 letters (plus one from someone else in 1907 which Kunze is sending to Munk); 2 cards
4. 1911 - 1 letter
5. 1912 - 9 letters; 7 cards
6. 1913 - 11 letters (plus 1); 8 cards
7. 1914 - 6 letters; 1 card
8. 1915 - 5 letters; 1 card
9. 1916 - 2 letters
10. 1917 - 1 letter (year?)
11. 1918 - 3 letters
12. Writings of Kunze:
15. “Origin of Specific Medication” -- “Protective Resemblance” -- “Serious Forbodings Regarding the Welfare of Mankind”
16. Cactus Farm clippings and ads -- Price list of Cactaceae (1909) -- Medical nostrums - ads for Kunze’s medicines -- Clippings about his cactus farm (5) -- “A Cactus Farm” by P. Harry Middleton from American Homes and Gardens November 1914
17. Certificates -- Birth and Baptismal certificate -- Materia Medica copyright -- Licenses as Physician and Pharmacist
18. Biography (In Memorium) of Kunze by Joseph A. Munk
Box 2

1. Materia Medica MS part 1
2. Materia Medica MS part 2
3. Materia Medica MS part 3
4. Materia Medica MS Part 4
5. Materia Medica MS part 5
6. Materia Medica MS part 6
7. Materia Medica MS part 7
8. Materia Medica MS part 8
9. Lists of drugs
10. Patent for “Amazonian Tonic or South American Rejuvenator” (1885)
11. “The Cactus Flora of Arizona” MS 2 copies - lt, 1 hand
12. MS of published works: Bursera Microphyllae -- Oxidation of Autumnal Foliage in Plants -- Prosopis Juliflora or Mesquit
13. Watercolors of Cactus flowers by Mrs. Annie N. Thomas
14. Miscellaeae: Domier “Arzneik d. Aegypter” (pamphlet in German about doctors in Egypt) -- Schimner’s “Medicin im alten Aegypten” (pamphlet in German about medicine in old Egypt) -- Guenther’s Murietta Mineral Hot Springs souvenir pamphlet -- table of Contents for Scatalogic Rites of All Nations by Capt. John G. Bourke