Finding Aid to the Edward Palmer Manuscript Collection MS.653

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Title: Edward Palmer Manuscript Collection

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Date (inclusive): 1869-1910

Abstract: Edward Palmer (1829-1911) was born in Norfolkshire, England, but became known for his field work in the United States as a field naturalist, ethnobotany, and archaeology of the Southwest and Mexico. This collection of papers includes hand-written manuscripts, research notes, and newspaper clippings from 1869-1910.

creator: Palmer, Edward, 1829-1911

Biographical Note
Edward Palmer (1829-1911) was born in Norfolkshire, England, but became known for his field work in the United States. A field naturalist primarily in ethnobotany, Palmer is noted also for real contributions in ethnological and archaeological materials collected in the Southwest and Mexico beginning in 1865.

Scope and Contents
This collection of papers includes hand-written notes made by Edward Palmer on such topics as Tohono O'odham Indians of Arizona, Fort Defiance, plants used by Native Americans, Apaches of Arizona, a military excursion from Ft. Leavenworth to San Diego, exploration of the Colorado River, and cliff dwellers. Materials are dated from 1869-1910 and include hand-written manuscripts and clippings from newspapers and other publications. Some clippings have illustrations.

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Inventory
1. Products of the North American Indians
2. The Papago Indians of Arizona, Ms notes
3. Observations made of Ft Defiance etc., 1869, Ms notes
4. Plants used by the Indians of the US pts 1 & 2 Amer Naturalist
5. Apache Indians of Arizona, Ms notes
6. Military report of a journal from Ft Leavenworth to San Diego 1846-7 Clipped printed matter & notes
7. Exploration of the Colorado River of the West, etc., Illustrations
8. Cliff Dwellers notes & clippings
9. Misc compilations of notes & clippings
10. Misc clippings & articles

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Apache Indians
Archaeology
Cliff dwellers
Clippings
Colorado River (Colo.-Mexico)
Ethnobotany
Excavations (Archaeology) -- Mexico
Excavations (Archaeology) -- Southwest, New
Field notes
Fort Defiance (Ariz.)
Manuscripts
Naturalists
Tohono O'odham Indians