
Guide to the Edward Alders Duck Sales Record Books

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Edward Alders Duck Sales Record Books, 1898-1905

Date: 1898-1905

Collection Number: Ms13

Location: Erickson Vault

Extent: 5 volumes

Contributing Institution: San Joaquin County Historical Society and Museum

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Language of Material: Records written in English

Abstract: The Edward Alders Duck Sales Record Books consists of five handwritten volumes, spanning the years 1898-1905, that tabulate kills, buyers, and expenses of a San Joaquin County farmer and market hunter.

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Historical Background

Edward Alders (1877-1928) was a son of Charles Milton Alders, the owner of Central Hotel, in Farmington, California, from 1884 until his death in 1908. Edward operated the hotel from the time of his mother's death in 1911 until it ceased operations in 1919. From an early age, Edward was a market hunter, shooting ducks and geese that he shipped to San Francisco. Most of his hunting for the first nine years was done on Miller-Lux Ranch lands, near Gustine, Merced County. He subsequently hunted at the Stevenson Ranch, near Hills Ferry on the Merced River. With savings obtained from hunting, Edward bought land on the Bellota Road near Farmington (1904), and there he established one of the first vineyards in the region.

Scope and Content

The Edward Alders Duck Sales Record Books consists of five handwritten volumes that, together, span the years 1898-1905: 1. Birds Killed and Shipped by Date (1898-1899); 2. Birds Killed and Shipped by Date: List of Buyers (1901-1905); 3. Birds Killed and Shipped by Date (1900-1901); 4. Types of birds killed; list of buyers (n.d.); 5. Expenses of Edward and C. M. Alders (1900-1901).

Names and Subjects

Alders, Edward (1877-1928)

Hunting--California
