Guide to the George A. Clark Papers

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Overview

Call Number: SC0229

Creator: Clark, George A. (George Archibald), 1865-1918.

Title: George A. Clark papers

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Summary: Correspondence, articles, clippings and other materials pertaining to Clark's controversial study of sealing in the Pribilof Islands, Alaska. These papers primarily concern the studies done between 1909-1913 and focus on Clark's dispute with Henry Wood Elliott's findings. Correspondents include A. H. Proctor, Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, Barton W. Evermann, Henry W. Elliott, David Starr Jordan, Mary C. Dickerson, Charles K. Field, and Bird McGuire. Other subjects include administrative issues, Clark's attempts to have his reports and articles published, and analysis of problems resulting from the government's actions. Collection also includes "The Fur Seals of the Pribilof Islands: Report of the Special Investigation, 1912"; a translation by Marie de Koroleff of a portion of Bishop Veniaminov's account of the Russian method of conducting the fur-seal industry (1840); and a transcript of the Treasury Hearing with Henry W. Elliott, April 15, 1897.

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

George A. Clark, born in Eden Prairie, Minnesota in 1864, graduated from the University of Minnesota and served as Academic Secretary of Stanford University from 1891-1918. He was Secretary of the Bering Sea Fur Seal Commission (1896-1898) and was involved in the special investigation of seal herds for the Bureau of Fisheries in 1909 and 1912. He died 27 April 1918.

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Access Terms
Clark, George A. (George Archibald), 1865-1918.
Dickerson, Mary Cynthia, 1866-
Evermann, Barton Warren, 1853-1932.
Field, Charles K., (Charles Kellogg), 1873-1948.
Fiske, Minnie Maddern, 1865-1932.
Jordan, David Starr, 1851-1931
McGuire, Bird Segle, 1865-1930.
Proctor, A. H.
Pribilof Islands (Alaska)
Sealing --Alaska.

Papers

Box 1, Folder 1  Correspondence 1909-10
Box 1, Folder 2  Correspondence 1912
Box 1, Folder 3  Correspondence May-July 1913
Box 1, Folder 4  Correspondence Aug.-Sept. 1913
Box 1, Folder 5  Correspondence October 1913
Box 1, Folder 6  Letter in response to Elliott's report [missing pages after p. 35] Oct. 16, 1913
Box 1, Folder 7  Correspondence November 1913
Box 1, Folder 8  Correspondence December 1913
Box 1, Folder 9  Correspondence January 1914
Box 1, Folder 10  Correspondence Feb.-March 1914
Box 1, Folder 11  Correspondence April-May 1914
Box 1, Folder 12  Correspondence June 1-13, 1914
Box 1, Folder 13  Correspondence June 15-30, 1914
Box 1, Folder 14  Correspondence July 1914
Box 1, Folder 15  Unsigned correspondence to Prof. Slonaker Sept. 1914
Box 1, Folder 16  Correspondence Sept.-Oct. 1914
Box 1, Folder 17  Correspondence 1915-17
Box 2, Folder 1  Bills and receipts
Box 2, Folder 2  Clark, "Law Versus Common Sense as Applied to the Fur Seals" circa June 1914
Box 2, Folder 3  "The Deadly Parallel" [presumably by Elliott] 1913
Box 2, Folder 4  "Governmental Mismanagement of Fur Seals" [presumably by Clark]
Box 2, Folder 5  Miscellaneous covers to letters
Box 2, Folder 6  Publications and clippings
Box 2, Folder 7  Publications not on fur seals
Box 2, Folder 8  The Fur Seals of the Pribilof Islands—Report of Special Investigation 1912. Section I-III
Box 2, Folder 9  Report. Section IV-VI
Box 2, Folder 10  Report. Section VII-IX
Box 2, Folder 11  Report. Section X
Box 2, Folder 12  Russian method of conducting the fur-seal industry 1805-1840, translated by Miss Marie de Koroleff [found with January 1914 correspondence]
Box 2, Folder 13  Short-hand article 1913
Box 2, Folder 14  Treasury Hearing [transcript], Henry W. Elliott April 15, 1897