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Descriptive Summary

Title: Francis Adelbert Blackburn Papers,
Date (inclusive): 1860-1923
Collection number: 815
Creator: Blackburn, Francis Adelbert
Extent: 15 boxes (7.5 linear ft.)
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.
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Abstract: Francis Adelbert Blackburn (1845-1923) taught high school in San Francisco, California and Old and Middle English at the University of Chicago. He retired in 1913 and relocated to Hollywood, California. The collection consists of diaries, travel journals, correspondence, legal papers, sketch books, photographs, family records, and lecture and research notes of Francis A. Blackburn.

Physical location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact the UCLA Library Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.

Language: English.

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Biography
Blackburn was born in 1845; BA, University of Michigan; Ph.D, University of Leipzig, Germany; taught high school in San Francisco, California; taught Old and Middle English, University of Chicago; moved to Hollywood, California after retiring in 1913; died in 1923.

Scope and Content
Collection consists of diaries, travel journals, correspondence, legal papers, sketch books, photographs, family records, and lecture and research notes of Francis A. Blackburn. Includes journals from trips in Europe, Canada, and the U.S. Also includes University of Michigan and University of Chicago memorabilia.

Organization and Arrangement
Arranged in the following series:
1. Diaries (Boxes 1-3).
2. Journals of various trips (Box 4).
3. Legal papers, correspondence, and sketch books (Box 5).
4. Class notes, lecture notes, and research material (Boxes 7-15).

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.
Blackburn, Francis Adelbert--Archives.
English teachers--United States--Archival resources.
Diaries.

Box 1  Diaries, 1863-1883 (1882-1883 in shorthand).
Box 2  Diaries, 1884-1901 (1884-1891 in shorthand).
Box 3  Diaries, 1902-1919.
Box 4  Journals of various trips made by Francis A. Blackburn.

Scope and Content Note
Including trips to Europe, walking trips in Germany, excursions to Yellowstone National Park, Michigan, California, Montana, the Northwestern United States and the Canadian Rockies.

Box 5  Legal papers, some correspondence, sketch books, family photographs and records, some correspondence, University of Michigan and University of Chicago memorabilia, expense accounts, and biographical sketch of Francis A. Blackburn.

Boxes 7-15  Class notes and lecture notes (University of Michigan, Chicago, and Leipzig), class records, glossaries and research material in the Anglo-Saxon Language.