William Frederic Badè Collection, 1870-1944

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Descriptive Summary

Title: William Frederic Badè Collection
Dates: 1870-1944
Collection number: MSS 338
Creator: Badè, William Fredric
Collection Size: 1 linear foot
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Abstract: The collection consists of the papers of William Frederic Badè and including primarily Badè correspondence and contracts concerning books by or about John Muir, writings about John Muir, transcribed correspondence of John Muir

Physical location: For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the library’s online catalog.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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Biography / Administrative History

William Fredric Badè (1871-1936) was Muir's literary executor and first biographer. He edited and published Muir’s posthumous books: A Thousand Mile Walk to the Gulf, Cruise of the Corwin, Steep Trails, and Travels in Alaska. He wrote and published The Life and Letters of John Muir in 1924. In the creation of Life and Letters, Badè gathered thousands of letters from Muir, as well as botanical specimens, reminiscences with those that knew Muir, and notes. Badè also served as president of the Sierra Club from 1918-1922 and edited the Sierra Club Bulletin for years.

Scope and Content of Collection

The collection consists of the papers of William Frederic Badè and including primarily Badè correspondence and contracts concerning books by or about John Muir, writings about John Muir, transcribed correspondence of John Muir, an account of William and Elizabeth's 1917 honeymoon book retracing Muir's 1867-68 "Thousand Mile Walk to the Gulf," and drafts of The Life and Letters of John Muir.

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog. Muir, John, 1838-1914.

Box 1


Folder 4: Sierra Club 1909-1928 Correspondence and material related to the Sierra Club.

Folder 5: Francois E. Matthes 1913-1919 [bulk 1919] Correspondence to Badè from geologist Matthes.

Folder 6: Camp Curry 1920-1921 Correspondence between Badè and Foster Curry and WB Curtis concerning photos of Muir’s cabin in Yosemite Valley.

Folder 7: Eulogies to Muir 1914-1942 Eulogies and correspondence concerning Muir and Badè.
   Including: Warren Olney, Thomas Hanna, Elizabeth Badè, and Wanda Muir.

Folder 8: Speeches and Writing concerning Muir 1920-1944 and undated.

Folder 9: Muir writings transcripts 1870-1909 Transcribed correspondence from Muir to various individuals.
   Also includes 7 typewritten pages of Muir’s autobiography.

Folder 10: Honeymoon Book 1917 Badè's account of retracing the Thousand Mile Walk in 1917 including maps and clippings.

Folders 11-14: Draft of The Life and Letters of John Muir by William Frederic Badè