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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Scope and Contents

Synopsis of the history of the Five Nations Confederacy, with description of the rites and ceremonies used on the creation of their lords (or chiefs); also a tradition on the nativity of Dekanawideh, the framer of the League, and traditions on Hiawatha, Thadodaho, et al.

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## Local Numbers

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## Local Note

Seems to be of Gibson-Hewitt version.

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## Local Note

See Number 1518- a typed copy.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Government -- Iroquois -- Onondaga  
Indians of North America -- Northeast  
Iroquois  
Onondaga  
Rituals, formulas and ceremonies -- Iroquois

Cultures:

Indians of North America -- Northeast  
Iroquois  
Onondaga

Names:

Dekanawidah, 16th century?  
Hiawatha  
Thadodaho