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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 1795-a John Wesley Powell Journals
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Administrative Information

Related Materials

MS 1795-b Typescripts of John Wesley Powell Journals, contains partial transcripts of some of the journals.

MS 1795-c Inventory of photographs made on Powell's expeditions, 1871-1875.

MS 1928 John F. Steward's report on geology of Green and Colorado River, 1871.

MS 1445 "No. 12. Navajo Indians"

Scope and Contents

Previously titled "Journals."

Volumes 1-11 (Number 7 missing).

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Diaries -- Powell, John Wesley
Language and languages -- Documentation
Paiute Indians

Cultures:

Paiute Indians

Container Listing

Box 1	<p>Number 1 "Journal of Cañon trip of 1869", 1869 Image(s): MS 1795 v1 front cover Image(s) Notes: 32 or 37 pages. Incomplete and begins July 2 at what is now Ouray, Utah. Nearly 100 miles of the trip had already been accomplished at this date. The beginning of the journal is not here.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 2 "Geological Notes and Sections, and Astronomical Record of 1869", 1869 Image(s): MS 1795a v2 front cover Image(s) Notes: 78 or 84 pages.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 3 "Stewart's [John F. Stewart?] Notes and Sections" Image(s): MS 1795A vol 3 front cover Image(s) Notes: 72 or 81 pages.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 4 "Notes on Language, Songs, and Mythology of the Pai-Utes for 1871", 1871 Image(s): MS 1795A v4 front cover Image(s) Notes: Vocabulary of Uinta Ute, a "Pa Ute [vocabulary] from Jacob Hamblin," song texts in a Southern Paiute dialect of Ute with English translations, and Southern Paiute myths in English. Material copied from other manuscripts. Numbers 4 and 11 together have approximately 238 pages. The pages of volumes 4 and 11 were transferred from No. 2247, where they were found intermingled. The volume to which these materials pertain is in doubt. Note that there is an entry in the manuscript list of the First Annual Report, Bureau of American Ethnology, page 574, as follows: "Notes on the Songs, Mythology, and Language of the Pai-Utes, 1871-'72. 194 page folio." Except for the size, this would seem to refer to volumes 4 and 11 of the journals, whose contents were combined.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 5 "Journal from Green River to Browns Park; Journal commencing Sept. 2d at Henry's Butte with Compass bearings; also Journal from Mille Crag Bend to the crossing of the Fathers", 1871 Notes: 80 pages.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 6 "Shinomo Language" Image(s): MS 1795A v6 front cover Image(s) Notes: Hopi vocabulary.</p>
Box 1	<p>Number 8 "Geological notes of 1870. (Land trip)", 1870</p>

	Notes: 8 pages.
Box 1	Number 9 "Journal of the trip of 1872 through the Grand Cañon", 1872 Image(s): MS 1795A v9 front cover Image(s) Notes: 13 pages.
Box 2	Number 10 "Geological notes of 1872 of Marble Cañon, & Kanab Cañon & Paria Cañon. Also Section on the Kanab in 1871", 1871-1872 Image(s): MS 1795A v10 front cover Image(s) Notes: 90 pages.
Box 2	Number 11 "Notes on Songs, Mythology & Language of the Pai-Utes, 1872", 1872 Notes: Additional vocabulary, grammatical notes and song texts in a Southern Paiute dialect of Ute, with myths in English. Numbers 4 and 11 together have approximately 238 pages. The pages of volumes 4 and 11 were transferred from No. 2247, where they were found intermingled. The volume to which these materials pertain is in doubt. Note that there is an entry in the manuscript list of the First Annual Report, Bureau of American Ethnology, page 574, as follows: "Notes on the Songs, Mythology, and Language of the Pai-Utes, 1871-'72. 194 page folio." Except for the size, this would seem to refer to volumes 4 and 11 of the journals, whose contents were combined.
Box 2	No Number [Notes in Powell's hand, apparently part of Journals, found in 2247 (although not listed on 2247 card), and transferred to 1795a] Notes: Approximately 81 pages. Includes Paiute myth, Paiute (?) ling. notes.