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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

### Processing Information

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## Biographical / Historical

Alfred Kiyana (1877-1918) was one of the most prolific and accomplished Meskwaki (Fox) writers that assisted Truman Michelson in his research on the language.

## Scope and Contents

This collection contains Alfred Kiyana's autobiography of his boyhood, handwritten in Meskwaki syllabary, with an English translation by Ida Poweshiek.

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## Local Numbers

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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:

- Fox
- Fox language
- Indians of North America -- Northeast
- Language and languages -- Documentation
- Meskwaki; Sauk & Fox

### Cultures:

- Fox

### Types of Materials:

- Autobiographies

### Places:

- Tama (Iowa)