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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

### Available Formats

Digital surrogates are available online.

### Processing Information

The description of this manuscript was updated in 2024 based on information provided by Dr. Patricia Afable, Research Assistant to the Linguistic Editor of the *Handbook of North American Indians*, and Dr. Lucy Thomason, National Museum of Natural History Museum Technician (linguistics).

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## Scope and Contents

This collection contains fifteen texts by various authors in Meskwaki syllabary with English translations by Horace Poweshiek. The authors of the Meskwaki texts include Jim Peters, Sam Peters, and Pearl Leaf; the other writers are unidentified. The stories include "War story;" "Princess;" "Toad and Rattlesnake;" "Suicide of <na na wa ki e a>;" "Suicide of <ke de wo ki ma wa>;" "Turtle's race;" "Turtle's fight;" "Two young brothers;" "Twenty on the warpath;" "Fall camping in the south (Whitemen scalped alive);" "'Spirit' kills Mesquakies and is killed by Thunderers;" "Hunting party attacked by Comanches;" "Talking dog;" "War story;" "Death reported by cloud;" "Man and two women;" "'Squeech Owl' and feet;" "Hell Diver and beads;" "Mesquakies attacked by thirty, two escape by transformations;" and "Black Hawk's War."

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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:

- Folklore
- Manuscripts
- Narratives