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Collection Overview

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Title:	MS 2254 Vocabulary of the Lower Chinook
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Creator:	Shortess, Robert, 1797-1878 Shortess, Robert, Mrs. Gibbs, George, 1815-1873
Extent:	16 Pages
Language:	Multiple languages .

Administrative Information

Provenance

The item was found in the John P. Harrington papers when it was processed. Elaine Mills, the editor, turned it over for cataloging in 1991. The document was signed out to Harrington on January 22, 1938, and was indicated as being "out" on July 25, 1939. Margaret Blaker noted that the document was not in the archives on August 12, 1957.

Provenance

Previously titled "Lower Chinook Vocabulary"

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Biographical / Historical

Robert Shortess's wife was "a native Chinook woman."

Scope and Contents

The document consists of a four-page original, a copy in the same hand, and a copy in a different hand. The last-mentioned copy is the item described in James C. Pilling's Bibliography of the Chinookan Languages, Bureau of American Ethnology Bulletin, 1893, p. 68.

Local Numbers

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Local Note

Manuscript documents

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Chinook
- Indians of North America -- Northwest Coast of North America
- Language and languages -- Documentation

Cultures:

- Chinook
- Indians of North America -- Northwest Coast of North America