



# Smithsonian

*National Museum of Natural History*

## MS 2830 Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson

Digitization and preparation of these materials for online access  
has been funded through generous support from the Arcadia Fund.

National Anthropological Archives  
Museum Support Center  
4210 Silver Hill Road  
Suitland, Maryland 20746  
Business Number: Phone: 301.238.1310  
Fax Number: Fax: 301.238.2883  
naa@si.edu  
<http://www.anthropology.si.edu/naa/>

## Table of Contents

Collection Overview .....	
Administrative Information .....	1
Scope and Contents .....	1
Names and Subjects .....	

## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	MS 2830 Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson
<b>Date:</b>	undated
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.MS2830
<b>Creator:</b>	Michelson, Truman, 1879-1938 (Collector) Bullard, Jack Davenport, Edward Lincoln, Harry
<b>Extent:</b>	177 Pages
<b>Language:</b>	In Meskwaki (Fox) and English.
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson</a> <a href="#">Digital Content: Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson</a> <a href="#">Digital Content: Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson</a> <a href="#">Image(s): MS 2830 Fox texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson</a>

---

## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

Manuscript 2830, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

---

## Scope and Contents

Meskwaki (Fox) syllabic texts and linguistic notes collected by Truman Michelson in Tama, Iowa. The Meskwaki texts were handwritten by Jack Bullard and Edward Davenport. Bullard authored "Red Eagle" and "What Thunderers Did," both with English translations by Michelson. There is also an English translation by Michelson of MeùPkwihowa, another story by Bullard; the original Meskwaki text is not present. Davenport's texts include stories of his departure from Tama and arrival with "Flodo Keahna" at Carlisle; a visit to Ringling Bros. circus (1918); and a trip to the town of Carlisle. English translations, handwritten by Michelson, are present for all three stories. Also present are a phonetic version by Davenport of his first story and a phonetic version of his third story transcribed from a dictation by Harry Lincoln. The collection also contains linguistic notes, including short texts by Lincoln, and place names.

---

## Local Numbers

NAA MS 2830

## Local Note

Title changed from "Vocabulary; phrases; syntax; legend" 4/30/2014.

---

## 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
- Linguistics
- Meskwaki; Sauk & Fox
- Names, Geographical

### Cultures:

- Fox

### Types of Materials:

- Field notes
- Folklore
- Manuscripts
- Narratives