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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 4839 The Archaeology of the Region of the Natural Bridges of Utah
Date:	ca. 1909
Identifier:	NAA.MS4839
Creator:	Douglass, William Boone Forrester, J.B. (Author)
Extent:	67 Pages 5 Drawings 64 Photographs
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Provenance

Manuscript was sent to Walter Hough, Division of Ethnology, Department of Anthropology, USNM, by Douglass, July 2, 1909 (see correspondence in Bureau of American Ethnology files) and received in the Archives December 19, 1968 from Richard B. Woodbury.

Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Photographs from the survey were taken by G. D. Harrington. All the ruins Douglass describes were visited and described by Byron Cummings of the University of Utah in 1907. Crescent Castle was described and drawn by W. H. Jackson in the 10th Annual Report of the Hayden Surveys, 1879.

Scope and Contents

Description of investigation of the bridges of the natural bridges region, and the archaeological remains in the area, by order of the General Land Office.

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Folder 1 The Archaeology of the Region of the Natural Bridges of Utah. no date [ca. 1909] Typescript Document, 42 pages. Folder 2 Ruins omitted from report on Natural Bridges of Utah, by J.B. Forrester, August 8, 1909. Manuscript Document with sketches. 4 pages; also Typescript Document with Manuscript annotations, incorporating parts of Manuscript Document. Folder 3 Notes for figure No. 1 (Crescent Castle)

Ruin 4 miles East of Bluff, Utah, on South bank of San Juan River Manuscript Document 3 pages; also typed copy of same. 2 pages.

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Folder 4 Ink sketches (twelve figures). 12 pages. Folder 5 Letter from Douglass to Walter Hough, regarding Crescent Castle notes. July 2, 1909. Autograph Letter Signed 1 page. Folder 6 Ink sketches of archaeological structures on various sizes of cardboard. 5 sketches. Folder 7 Photographs of the Natural Bridges region (some identified by annotations on back). Approximately 54 photos (many duplicates) numbered (not consecutively) from 1 to 24. The photos were made from glass negatives, 13 of which were received with this collection and are catalogued under negative No. UTAH 43-55. Folder 8 Miscellaneous photographs including, 2 photos of "Crescent Castle" 1 photo of ruins at Bluff City, Utah and 7 unidentified snapshots. (total: 10 photos).

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:

Crescent Castle (Utah)
Utah -- Natural bridges

Types of Materials:

Letters
Notes

Places:

Utah -- Archeology