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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu |
| Title: | Lucien M. Turner Papers |
| Date: | <i>circa</i> 1882-1884 |
| Identifier: | Record Unit 7192 |
| Creator:: | Turner, Lucien M. (Lucien McShan) |
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| Language: | English |

Administrative Information

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Historical Note

Lucien M. Turner (1848-1909), a member of the Army Signal Corps, collected natural history and ethnological specimens for the United States National Museum. From 1874 to 1877, he was a meteorological observer for the Signal Service at St. Michael, Alaska. He also trained voluntary observers for the Service in the Aleutians from 1878 to 1881. In 1882, Turner was sent to Fort Chimo, Labrador, as an observer and remained there until he returned to Washington in 1884. At each of his duty stations, Turner made extensive collections and sent them to the Smithsonian.

Descriptive Entry

These papers include notes and manuscripts by Turner and by others concerning the collections he made, and photographs of the natives of Labrador.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Anthropologists
- Anthropology
- Natural history
- Naturalists

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Drawings
Field notes
Manuscripts

Names:

Dall, William Healey, 1845-1927
Edwards, William Henry, 1822-1909
Farlow, W. G. (William Gilson), 1844-1919
Fernald, Charles Henry, 1838-
Marx, George
Smith, Sidney I. (Sidney Irving), 1843-1926
Turner, Lucien M. (Lucien McShan)
United States National Museum
United States. Army. Signal Corps

Places:

Labrador (N.L.)
Ungava Bay (Quebec)

Container Listing

Box 1

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| Box 1 of 2 | Drawings and Photographs re: Work in Labrador, 1882-1884 |
| Box 1 of 2 | Cover Sheet for "Descriptive Catalogue of Ethnological Collections Made by Lucien M. Turner in Ungava and Labrador, Hudson Bay Territory, June 24, 1882 to October 1884," 1889 |
| Box 1 of 2 | "Descriptive Catalogue of Ethnological Collections Made by Lucien M. Turner in Ungava and Labrador, Hudson Bay Territory, June 24, 1882 to October 1884," Part 1 on Inuit, by Lucien M. Turner, 1887 (3 folders) |
| Box 1 of 2 | "Descriptive Catalogue of Ethnological Collections Made by Lucien M. Turner in Ungava and Labrador, Hudson Bay Territory, June 24, 1882 to October 1884," Part 2 on Indian specimens, by Lucien M. Turner, 1887 (3 folders) |

Box 2

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| Box 2 of 2 | Contributions to the Natural History of Labrador and Ungava, Hudson Bay Territory, by Lucien M. Turner, 1886 |
| Box 2 of 2 | Notes on the Mammals Ascertained to Occur in the Labrador, Ungava, East Main, Moose and Gulf Region, by Lucien M. Turner, undated (2 folders) |
| Box 2 of 2 | Manuscripts on the Turner natural history collections from Labrador including works on algae, by William Gilson Farlow; botany, by Turner; arachnids, by Turner and George Marx; moths, by Charles Henry Fernald; Lepidoptera, by William Henry Edwards; mollusks, by William H. Dall; crustacea, by Turner and Sidney Irving Smith; and fishes, apparently by Turner, undated (2 folders) |