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## Frederick M. Chamberlain Papers, 1899-1909

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., <a href="mailto:osiaref@si.edu">osiaref@si.edu</a>
<b>Title:</b>	Frederick M. Chamberlain Papers
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<b>Date:</b>	1899-1909
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<b>Creator::</b>	Chamberlain, Frederick M., 1867-1921
<b>Language:</b>	Language of Materials: English

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## Administrative Information

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## Historical Note

Frederick M. Chamberlain (1867-1921) served as a Scientific Assistant and Naturalist for the United States Fish Commission and its successor, the United States Bureau of Fisheries. Much of his work was aboard the steamer *Albatross* during its various investigations of west coast fisheries.

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## Introduction

This finding aid was digitized with funds generously provided by the Smithsonian Institution Women's Committee.

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## Descriptive Entry

This collection consists of bound letterpress books of outgoing correspondence, 1899-1909, and diaries kept by Chamberlain, 1900-1905. Most of the correspondence is official, with smaller amounts of personal material included. The letterpress books also contain correspondence, reports and notes on Chamberlain's work for the Fish Commission and Bureau of Fisheries, particularly his investigations of Alaskan salmon fisheries. The diaries document several official field trips including cruises to Alaska, 1901, 1903-1905; field work in Hawaii, 1902, and Arizona, 1904; and Chamberlain's participation on the third Agassiz *Albatross* Expedition to the eastern tropical Pacific, 1904-1905.

## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Ichthyology

Types of Materials:

Diaries

Letterpress copybooks

Names:

Agassiz- Albatross Expedition to the Eastern Tropical Pacific (1904-1905)

Chamberlain, Frederick M., 1867-1921

United States Fish Commission

United States. Bureau of Fisheries

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## Container Listing

### Series 1: Outgoing Correspondence, 1899-1909. Arranged Chronologically.

#### Box 1

- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 1 Outgoing correspondence, 3 August 1899-24 March 1905. Includes correspondence concerning a United States Fish Commission cruise to Alaska, 1901; pps. 249-275 contain "Preliminary Report on Alaska Salmon;" pps. 276-298 contain "Report on Fortmann Hatchery;" pps. 334-359 contain report on "Habits of the Salmon;" pps. 582-710 contain "Notes on Alaska Work of 1903;" pps. 760-812 contain "Notes on Work in Arizona, 1904."
- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 2 Outgoing correspondence, 27 March 1905-16 January 1909. Includes correspondence regarding the Agassiz-*Albatross* Expedition to the eastern tropical Pacific, 1904-1905; United States Bureau of Fisheries salmon hatchery investigation at Yes Bay, Alaska, 1905; and a cruise of the *Albatross* to the Philippine Islands, 1907-1908.

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## Series 2: Diaries, 1900-1905. Arranged Chronologically.

### Box 1

- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 3 Diary, 1900
- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 4 Diary, 1901-1902. Includes entries kept on Alaska salmon fisheries investigation, 1901 and *Albatross* cruise to Hawaii, 1902.
- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 5 Diary, 1903-11 January 1904. Includes entries kept on *Albatross* trip to Alaska to investigate salmon fisheries, 1903.
- Box 1 of 1                      Folder 6 Diary, 12 January 1904-1905. Includes entries documenting field work in Arizona and Alaska, 1904-1905 and Chamberlain's participation on the Agassiz-*Albatross* Expedition to the eastern tropical Pacific, 1905.

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