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Shakes, George, Tlingit Chief

Letters received by George Shakes, Tlingit Chief, 1879-1900

MS 4-6-4

19 items.

Letters received, 1879-1898.

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INVENTORY

1. 1879 Aug. 5. A [skookum] paper for Shaikes, the Stickeen Chief, with with comment on his character, signed by S. Hall Young, O.A.L. Lindsley, H. Kendall, and Sheldon Jackson. 1 (ms.)
2. 1879 Dec. 28. Letter by Ed C. Hughes, purser, SS California, identifying Koot a shan and Shakes as passengers bound for Portland, 1
3. 1881 Oct. 5. Letter from John B. Lonue(?), Victoria, B.C., to George Kuskan Shakes concerning a debt of eight dollars for a ring. 2
4. 1881 Oct. 30. Letter from I.S. Oakford, deputy collector of customs,, Wrangell, to Shakes authorizing seizure of liquor on land or on the waters of Alaska. 1
5. 1881 Nov. 2, Letter from I.S. Oakford, deputy collector of customs, Wrangell, to Shakes authorizing arrest of Johnson Tashnoo and Arthur Katlahuck who were involved in smuggling, 1
6. 1882 Jan. 22. Letter from Harry Kadisham, Forest Grove, Oregon, to Shakes asking for prayers, advice and a dollar.

7. 1883 Mar. 13. Letter from Kitty Ragar(?), Victoria, B.C., coming to Wrangell and asks Shakes to come out to the vessel Otter and pick up various goods so as not to pay wharfage.
8. 1885 Jan. 22. Letter from Kitty and Charley, Victoria, B.C., returning four dollars which they borrowed.
9. 1881 Feb. 16, Letter from Lindsley (TE-nah-tack?), Portland, Oregon, commenting on Shakes and Lot Izeen working together for the good of the tribe.
10. 1894 Mar, 4. Letter from Wm. G. Thomas, Deputy U.S. Marshall, Wrangell, advising Shakes to break up any hootznoo distillery and keep still as evidence as part of his police duties.
11. 1895 Mar. 9. Letter from L. Ketchum, deputy collector, Wrangell, to Rev. Thomas Crosby, Port Simpson, B.C., written for Chief Shakes telling of his claim against a white man in B.C. for sixty-five dollars.
12. 1896 Dec. Letter from R.L. Fox, Seattle to Johnny Teyicktie(?). Tells of shipping a tombstone on the boat Willapa for Johnny's wife and a sketch of the monument ordered by Shakes and other details.
13. 1898 Jan. 29. Letter from Wm. A. Kelly, Supt. of Schools, Sitka to Shakes saying that as police chief he should make sure children are attending school.
14. 1898 Mar, 21. Lease/Indenture between Chief Shakes and R. Jensen [Wrangell] for use of land for four months at five dollars per month.
15. 1898 Nov. 22. Letter from Governor John Brady, Sitka to Shakes advising that his services as a policeman will not be needed after Nov. 30.
16. 1900 Sept. 22. Letter from Governor John Brady, Sitka to Kootwat, Yutkook and Shatrich, saying he had talked to the Stickines and urged Shakes to go to George's feast to consult with other leaders of the Tlingit-and request not to bring up any old quarrels.
17. (No date). Letter from Charme(?) requesting Shakes help in getting twenty dollars that is owed.
18. (No date). Letter from Mabel Wadkams(?) to Mrs. Shakes saying Mary Wadkams(?) is her friend.
19. List of things against Colteen - cash and injuries to Mrs. Shastahawk and actions after Shakes died and things taken. Witnessed by Kareeta and Yailhe.