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Kingsley, Edward Daniel, 1869-1940

Letters of Edward Daniel Kingsley, from the Klondike gold rush, 1898

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3 letters (14 leaves total).
Typescript (photocopies)

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Bibliographic Note

Edward Daniel Kingsley, born in Freeport, Illinois in 1869, attended Washington University in St. Louis and married Charlotte Wright in 1891. In 1898, he joined the gold rush to the Klondike. In 1900, he moved to Portland, Oregon, where he founded West-Oregon Lumber Co., dying there in 1940.

Scope and Contents Note

The three letters, February through May, 1898, from Seattle, Washington; Copper City [Old Valdez], Alaska; and Lake Tasnuna, Alaska, respectively, were written to the editor of the Freeport, Illinois, newspaper, The Freeport Journal. Members of the party included Lute Guiteau, Philo Snow, William Becker, and Ed Kingsley.

Subjects:

Gold Mines and Mining--Alaska
Valdez (Alaska)--History
Alaska--Description and Travel--1896-1959
Klondike Gold Rush--Alaska [is this legitimate???