Hudson’s Bay Company Archives

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Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00-4:00, holidays excepted

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans in the United States:

Inclusive dates: Between 1808-1901

Volume: Less than 1% presumed of over 6,000 cubic feet and 4,000 reels of microfilm

Description: The “Hudson’s Bay Company Archives” contain post records (correspondence and reports) of the Hudson Bay and Northwest Fur Companies that are believed to include scant amounts regarding Catholic evangelization of native peoples in the United States. The microfilm is available via interlibrary loan with finding aids and interlibrary loan borrowing guidelines provided online. In particular, it is believed that pertinent records might be found among the records from the following locations:

A. Alaska: Fort Yukon (Gwich’in), Stikine River (Tlingit), and Wrangell (Tlinget), 1840-1901, 9 reels
B. California: San Francisco (Miwok), 1843, 1 reel
C. Hawaii: Oahu (various), 1834-1867, 6 reels
D. Idaho, Montana, and Oregon: Flathead (Salish) and Snake River (Bannock and Shoshoni), 1823-1827, 5 reels
E. North Dakota: Grand Forks (Ojibwa and Métis) and Pembina (Ojibwa and Métis), 1808-1881, 5 reels
F. South Dakota: Lake Traverse (Sisseton and Wahpeton), 1817-1823, 3 reels
G. Washington: Colville (Chelan, Entiat, Methow, Nespelem, Nez Perce, Okanogan, Paloo, Sanpoil, Senijextee, and Wenatchi), Cowlitz (Cowlitz), Fort George (Chinook), Fort Nez Perce (Nez Perce), Nisqually (Nisqually) and Spokane (Spokane): 1820-1862, 50 reels