

Edgar Stanton Maclay Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Edgar Stanton Maclay Papers

Span Dates: 1782-1918

ID No.: MSS61744

Creator: Maclay, Edgar Stanton, 1863-1919

Extent: 6 items; 1 container; 0.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Author and historian. Chiefly essays on naval topics including sea power in World War I, women in the United States Navy, and early American naval history, including a reproduction of a 1782 print of the British dreadnought *Mediator*.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Personal Names

Maclay, Edgar Stanton, 1863-1919.

Organizations

Mediator (Ship)

United States. Navy--History.

United States. Navy--Women.

Subjects

Ships--Great Britain.

World War, 1914-1918--Naval operations.

Occupations

Authors.

Historians.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The papers of Edgar Stanton Maclay, author and historian, were deposited in the Library of Congress by the Naval Historical Foundation in 1984. The deposit was converted to a gift in 1998.

Processing History:

The papers of Edgar Stanton Maclay were arranged and described in 1996. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

Copyright Status:

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Edgar Stanton Maclay is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions:

The papers of Edgar Stanton Maclay are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Edgar Stanton Maclay Papers, Naval Historical Foundation Collection, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Edgar Stanton Maclay (1863-1919) span the years 1782-1918 and contain typescripts of essays, mostly written at the end of World War I which pertain to sea power and its effects, women in the United States Navy, and early American naval history. As a naval historian, Maclay published several books, including *A History of American Privateers* (Freeport, N.Y.: Books for Libraries Press, 1979 reprint). A reproduction of a print of the British dreadnought *Mediator* engaged with American-French forces off the coast of Spain in 1782 is also included in the collection.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by title of essay.

Container List

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX 1	British dreadnought <i>Mediator</i> engaging the American-French squadron off Ferral, Spain, 12 Dec. 1782, reproduction of a print, undated
BOX 1	"The Influence of Sea Power Upon History as Illustrated in Late War," circa 1918
BOX 1	"Old Time American Privateering," undated
BOX 1	"Our New Historical Perspective," circa 1918
BOX 1	"Our Ocean Battle Line of 1775-76," undated
BOX 1	"Will the Navy Open a New Field for Women?" circa 1918