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Summary Information

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Abstract	These journals were kept while on the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804-1806).

Background note

John Ordway accompanied Captains Meriwether Lewis and William Clark on their expedition to the Pacific Ocean.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Provenance

Acquisition Information

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Indexing Terms

Genre(s)

- Journals (notebooks).
- Travel Narratives and Journals

Geographic Name(s)

- United States -- Discovery and exploration.
- West (U.S.) -- Description and travel.

Personal Name(s)

- Clark, William, 1770-1838
- Lewis, Meriwether, 1774-1809

Subject(s)

- Exploration.

- Indians of North America
- Louisiana Purchase -- Discovery and exploration.
- Native America
- Natural History
- Natural history.

Other Descriptive Information

These volumes were edited by Milo M. Quaife and published in *The Journals of Captain Meriwether Lewis and Sergeant John Ordway, Kept on the Expedition of Western Exploration, 1803-1806* (State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Collections 22 [1916]).

Other Descriptive Information

These three volumes contain the journal kept by John Ordway from May 1804 to September 1806, while serving as a sergeant of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Ordway's journals note wildlife, daily happenings on the expedition, and interactions with Native peoples. These volumes can serve as a good complement to the original Lewis and Clark ones. The journals have been edited and printed elsewhere, including a recent edition published by the APS.