

**Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von
Berlepsch**

**A Register of His Correspondence in the Library of
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Collection Summary

Title: Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von Berlepsch, Correspondence

Span Dates: 1874-1913

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1890-1906)

ID No.: MSS12492

Creator: Berlepsch, Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von, 1850-1915

Extent: 1,100 items; 3 containers; 1.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in German, French, and English.

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

Abstract: German ornithologist. Principally letters received by Berlepsch from ornithologists concerning neotropical birds. Topics include the collection of bird skins and eggs, the illustration of birds, taxidermy, and taxonomy.

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

Berlepsch, Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von, 1850-1915.

Cabanis, Jean Louis, 1816-1906--Correspondence.

Dernedde, K.--Correspondence.

Hartert, Ernst, 1859-1905--Correspondence.

Leverkühn, Paul, 1867-1905--Correspondence.

Nehrkorn, Adolph--Correspondence.

Salvadori, T.--Correspondence.

Sclater, Philip Lutley, 1829-1913--Correspondence.

Stolzmann, Jean--Correspondence.

Subjects

Biology--Classification.

Birds--Pictorial works.

Birds--Tropics.

Birds.

Ornithologists--Correspondence.

Ornithology.

Taxidermy.

Occupations

Ornithologists.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The correspondence of Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von Berlepsch, German ornithologist, was deposited in the Library of Congress in 1938 by the American Ornithologists' Union, which had received it from C. E. Hellmayr. It was converted to a gift in 1950. An addition was made by Jürgen Haffer in 1997.

Processing History:

The correspondence of Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von Berlepsch, was arranged and described in 1999. The register was revised in 2008.

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Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von Berlepsch, Correspondence, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1850, July 29	Born, Fahrenbach near Witzenhausen, Germany
circa 1870s	Studied zoology at Halle University, Halle, Germany Studied botany and ornithology in Leipzig, Germany, and Zurich, Switzerland
1915, Feb. 27	Died, Germany

Scope and Content Note

The correspondence of Hans Hermann Carl Ludwig, Graf von Berlepsch (1850-1915), German ornithologist, span the years 1874-1913, with the bulk of the material dating from 1890 to 1906. The correspondence consist of letters and postcards received by Berlepsch and one letter sent by him. Berlepsch was one of the first zoologists to apply Darwinian principles of systematic classification to the study of birds. The collection as a whole relates primarily to neotropical birds. Subjects of the letters include ornithology, taxonomy, taxidermy, the illustration of birds, and the collection of bird skins and eggs. Occupations represented by correspondents include zoologists, curator of birds, administrators of natural history museums, officers in ornithological associations, and amateur ornithologists. Berlepsch maintained correspondence with individuals in Germany, France, England, Poland, the United States, and Brazil, including Jean Louis Cabanis, K. Dornedde, Ernst Hartert, Paul Leverkühn, Adolph Nehr Korn, Tommaso Salvadori, Philip Lutley Sclater, and Jean Stolzmann.

Most of the material is in German, but some is in French and English.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

Container List

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BOX 1	Letters received
BOX 1	"A" miscellaneous, 1890
BOX 1	Beckmann, A., 1890-1893
BOX 1	Beckmann, F., 1890-1892
BOX 1	Blazius, K., 1889-1892
BOX 1	Blazius, Wilhelm, 1888-1904
BOX 1	"B" miscellaneous, 1891-1893
BOX 1	Cabanis, Jean Louis, 1887-1897, 1904, n.d. (2 folders)
BOX 1	Cory, Charles B., 1883-1889
BOX 1	"C" miscellaneous, 1913
BOX 1	Dagleish, John J., 1886
BOX 1	Danford, C. G., 1879-1886
BOX 1	Dernedde, K., 1895-1906 (2 folders)
BOX 1	Dresser, H. E., 1896-1904
BOX 1	"E" miscellaneous, 1891-1894
BOX 1	Floerickes, Curt, 1890-1893
BOX 1	"F" miscellaneous, 1896-1906
BOX 1	Godet, Paul, 1903
BOX 1	Goering, Anton, 1897-1901, n.d.
BOX 1	Gounelle, Emile, 1895-1896, n.d.
BOX 1	"G" miscellaneous, 1890-1894
BOX 1	Hartert, Ernst, 1890-1905, n.d. (6 folders)
BOX 2	Heine, F., 1891, 1901-1905
BOX 2	Herman, Otto, 1898, 1905
BOX 2	Hopke, Gustav, 1896-1898
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BOX 2	Jordan, K., 1889-1894
BOX 2	Kleinschmidt, Otto, 1895-1898
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BOX 2	Lawrence, George N., 1885-1886
BOX 2	Leverkühn, Paul, 1889-1905 (2 folders)
BOX 2	"L" miscellaneous, 1892-1893
BOX 2	Meyer, Adolf Bernhard, 1888-1897, n.d.
BOX 2	Mueller, Ferdinand Jacob Heinrich, 1888-1892
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BOX 2	Nehrkorn, Adolph, 1883-1902, n.d. (4 folders)
BOX 2	Oustalet, Emile, 1894-1901
BOX 2	Pelzeln, August, 1874, 1885, 1891
BOX 2	"P" miscellaneous, 1892-1894, 1910
BOX 2	Reichenow, Anton, 1890-1900
BOX 2	Rey, E., 1896-1892
BOX 3	Richmond, Charles W., 1908-1909
BOX 3	Ridgway, Robert, 1886, 1906-1908
BOX 3	"R" miscellaneous, 1892-1894
BOX 3	Salvadori, Tommaso, 1890-1903 (2 folders)
BOX 3	Salvin, Robert, 1883-1885
BOX 3	Schalow, Herman, 1900, 1906-1907, n.d.
BOX 3	Schauer, Jos. Rud., 1894
BOX 3	Schneider, Gustav, 1884, 1892-1893
BOX 3	Schultz, Alberto, 1894-1899
BOX 3	Sclater, Philip Lutley, 1885-1907 (2 folders)
BOX 3	Sharpe, Richard Bowdler and daughter Emily, 1897-1907
BOX 3	Simon, Eugene, 1889-1902
BOX 3	Snethlage, Emilia, 1910
BOX 3	Spengel, J. W., 1888-1895
BOX 3	Stoeber, Otto, 1890-1891
BOX 3	Stoll, F. E., 1896
BOX 3	Stolzmann, Jean, 1879-1906 (5 folders)
BOX 3	"S-Z" miscellaneous, 1883-1894 (5 folders)
BOX 3	Unidentified, 1891-1893, 1901, n.d.
BOX 3	Letter sent
BOX 3	Cabanis, Jean Louis, 1893