

# R. HUDNUT'S DICTIONARY (or The Dictionary from R.Hudnut's Pharmacy)

## OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Repository:** Crandall Public Library.  
Folklife Center  
Glens Falls, NY.
- Creator:** Funk & Wagnall's Company
- Title:** Standard Dictionary of the English Language, 2 vols.
- Dates:** 1895
- Abstract:** Dictionary which was kept in R. Hudnut's Pharmacy, 925 Broadway, New York City
- Quantity:** 1 cf (1 box)
- Identification:** Rare book collections (in Archives)

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

"Richard Alexander Hudnut (1855 – 1928) was an internationally known perfumer with shops in New York, London, and Paris. His perfumes, toilet waters and powders were sold throughout the United States.

He loved the Adirondacks and established a 'Great Camp' of about 1200 acres a few miles south of Baker's Mills, N.Y. in the years surrounding 1900. He constructed a mansion and a 9-hole golf course as well as many other buildings. The estate was called 'Fox Lair.' After his death, the Police Athletic League of N.Y. City (P.A.L.) had a boys camp there for a number of years. Subsequently it became the property of the State and is now 'forever wild' land.

My sister, Elisabeth Hudnut Clarkson published a book in 1993 that has much of the story of 'Fox Lair' in it. The title is 'An Adirondack Archive: The Trail to Windover'. . . ." [HOLDEN 929.2 Hudnut].

Herbert B. Hudnut, Jr., M.D. (a grand nephew of R.A.H.), 2017

## INDEX TERMS

- Places:** Fox Lair  
Adirondacks

New York City

**Important People:** Richard A. Hudnut

**Form/Genre:** Dictionary

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS**

The two volume dictionary is bound in half calf, with marbled end papers. They measure 12.5" h x 10" w. On the cover of the each volume is embossed in gold: "R.Hudnut's Pharmacy/925 Broadway."

Condition: the covers of Vol. 1 are detached and the binding crumbling. The covers of Vol. 2 have been re-attached and the binding mended. Interior pages are, for the most part, in excellent condition.

The dictionary contains many inset illustrations, and also pages of colored illustrations of, for instance, national coats of arms and flags.

The interest of this dictionary, in addition to its local (Hudnut) connection is that it is very large, hence comprehensive, and it reflects the state of knowledge and educated opinion in 1895.