

## Hasan Musakhan papers

Hasan Musakhan (30 May 1863 – 1945), also known as Hasan Musa Khan, Mahomed Hasen Musakhan, Mohamed Hasan Musakhan, Muhammad Hassan Musakhan, or Hassan Musakhan, was one of the early "Afghan" cameleers in Australia. Born in Karachi, a member of the Tarin tribe of Pashtuns which originates from Southern Afghanistan and Balochistan, he was a nephew of Khan Bahadur Moradkhan, the first South Asian supplier of camels to Australia. He got his education in Karachi and Bombay (now Mumbai).

He arrived Australia in 1894 and married Sophia Blitz from a German-Jewish family in 1898. He was a representative of "camel men" at various official events between 1896 and Musakhan was also a scholar who wrote articles in newspapers, essays and books.

Musakhan accepted the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in 1903 and was the first Ahmadiyya Muslim in Australia. In 1904 he founded the Mohammedan Mosque (currently named Perth Mosque), and later served as its treasurer as well as secretary. He died in 1945.

MN	ACC	meterage / boxes	Date donated	CIU file	Notes
3535	10821A	7 cm	2022	BA/OM/23/0201	

SUMMARY OF CLASSES	
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REQUEST THIS NUMBER	DATE RANGE	DESCRIPTION
		<b>BOOKLETS</b>
<b>ACC 10821A/1</b>	c. 1932	Mahomet Allum the wonder man. Introductory booklet on his healing abilities and practices. Includes testimonials.

REQUEST THIS NUMBER	DATE RANGE	DESCRIPTION
		<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
ACC 10821A/2	July 1900	2 pages, handwritten: To the Deputy Commissioner in Shahpur District, Punjab, British India, regarding buying land in Punjab for agricultural matters. Signed Hafiz Mohamed Hayat.
ACC 10821A/3	[1901?]	2 pages, handwritten: Referring to a photograph of newly wedded couple Musakhan and Sophia Blitz. And the royal visit. Appears to be MusaKhan's handwriting.
ACC 10821A/4	1907	7 pages, handwritten: Addressed "To the Editor" – Titled, Adam and Eve: The Mohammedan point of view of the fall of Adam and Eve. Signed H. Musakhan. Noted on back of page 7, "To the Editor, The Daily News, Perth"
ACC 10821A/5	21 May 1927	1 page, handwritten: From Government House, Perth. A letter from P.L. Hodgson (Private Secretary) expressing thanks from the Duke and Duchess of York to Musakhan for the books he sent them.
ACC 10821A/6	30 June 1927	1 typed page notes. A list of life events, including the visits that MusaKhan had undertaken as a representative of Camel Men.
ACC 10821A/7	9 May 1939	3 pages, handwritten: Titled, Cross and Crescent: Coolgardie WA. Handwritten article on the opening of the railway. M. H. MusaKhan. Noted on back of page 3, "8 copies 13/12/39"
ACC 10821A/8	24 December 1939	1 typed page: Handwritten title, Link with Australia. Refers to a photograph of Haji Musa Khan and Morad Khan's house and garden, where camels and Afghans were sent from this house to Australia.
		<b>EPHEMERA</b>
ACC 10821A/10	1961	Flyer: Methodist Conference Missionary Demonstration – Lazurus Lamilami of Goulburn Island, Arnhem Land, North Australia. Includes portrait.
ACC 10821A/11	[n.d.]	New Year Card: 'Kind Remembrance' – from Sophie MusaKhan to Mrs Bagtiou?

REQUEST THIS NUMBER	DATE RANGE	DESCRIPTION
ACC 10821A/12	1944	Newspaper clipping – The West Australian. News and Notes. Monday Holidays, May 9, 1944. MusaKhan's handwritten notes on dates: "Mosques Project 5/6/1904", "Foundation Day 13/11/1905"
ACC 10821A/13	1909	Newspaper clipping – The West Australian. Halley's Comet. Letter to the Editor. H. MusaKhan, 21 Brisbane Street, Perth.
		<b>GLASS PLATE NEGATIVES</b>
ACC 10821A/23 FRAGILE	[n.d.]	1 glass plate. B&W. Caption: Vice Regal Exploring Party, Hampton Plains, W.A. "Hooshta". Cameleers with riding party. [small piece of glass has broken off]
ACC 10821A/24 FRAGILE	[n.d.]	1 glass plate. B&W. Caption: Portrait of Hassan Musa Khan. Published in
ACC 10821A/25 FRAGILE	[n.d.]	1 glass plate. B&W. No caption. Four children. Believed to be MusaKhan and Sophia Blitz's children. Prints of plate found at ACC 10821A/15 & ACC 10821A/16.
		<b>PHOTOGRAPHS</b>
ACC 10821A/14	24 December 1887	Postcard print. B&W. Handwritten description attached, Resident house and garden Karachi, Sind, India 24.12.1887. The image may relate to letter ACC 10821A/8.
ACC 10821A/15	30 July 1905	Mounted print. B&W. Four children. MusaKhan and Sophia Blitz's children. Handwritten on back, "Leon Blitz MusaKhan born. Died on Oct '26?."
ACC 10821A/16	[n.d.]	Postcard print. B&W. Four children. Same print as ACC 10821A/15.
ACC 10821A/17	17 March 1898?	Postcard print: B&W. Appears to be MusaKhan, Sophie Blitz, and two seated friends. Possibly relates to the letter at ACC 10821A/3.
ACC 10821A/18	1921	Postcard print: B&W. (Falk Studio, 118 William Street, Perth). M.H. MusaKhan, portrait.
ACC 10821A/19	[n.d.]	Print: B&W. Possibly MusaKhan.

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ACC 10821A/20	[n.d.]	Print: B&W. Woman in Indian? tradition wedding costume.
ACC 10821A/21	[n.d.]	Print: B&W. Aboriginal man. Possibly Lazarus Lamilami.
ACC 10821A/22	[n.d.]	Mounted print. Sepia. (Greenham & Evans Studio). Sticker on back, "Mr Hasan MusaKhan, General Post Office, Perth or Coolgardie, Western Australia."
		<b>RECEIPTS</b>
ACC 10821A/9	14 December 1939	Scott & Hoare Typewriters Ltd., Cash Sale Underwood Typewriting Agency, Receipt of a typing letter, sold to M. H. MusaKhan.

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