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MS 285 Baffert & Leon Papers, 1886-1901

DESCRIPTION

Primarily one ledger (incomplete) for the Baffert & Leon general merchandise store. The ledger is for 1886-1887 and lists names as well as merchandise sold. The merchandise listed is very detailed with actual brands sold of particular kinds of merchandise, such as stick candy or specific kinds of patent medicine. The collection also includes a check register for Antonio Leon and one letter (in Spanish) to Luis S. Leon from his Aunt Amelia. The letter is an undated personal letter discussing other family members. Though labeled as Baffert & Leon, it is possible that the ledger is actually from an earlier grocery business.

1 Box, 1 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Leon family members were pioneer merchants and ranchers in Tucson. Filiberto J. Baffert, Tucson pioneer (1883-1973) and A. S. Leon purchased the Ivancovich Grocery firm on N. Stone Avenue in Tucson in 1922. Together they ran the Baffert & Leon wholesale grocery business.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Howard Gerson.

ACCESS

The ledger cannot be photocopied due to its fragile condition; there are no restrictions on access.

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PROCESSING

Riva Dean processed this collection in January 2001.