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MS 217 De Long, Sidney Randolph, 1828-1914 Papers, 1887-1915

DESCRIPTION

Small collection primarily contains one handwritten (and transcribed) manuscript assumed to be written by De Long and "found in files of Arizona Pioneers Historical Society" by Mrs. George F. Kitt. There are also fragments of other reminiscences written by De Long, describing conditions in Southern Arizona in the 1860s. He describes "landing in Tucson on the 20th of May 1862 a member at that time of Company "C." He describes other pioneers in Tucson at that time and conditions with the Apaches. In addition, the collection includes documents as president of the Arizona Pioneers Historical Society.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Sidney R. DeLong, Tucson mayor, was born in New York in 1828. He studied civil engineering and in 1849 sailed to San Francisco. He joined Company C, 1st California Infantry in 1861 and rose to quartermaster of the regiment, coming with it and the California column through Tucson. He was mustered out in 1866 and returned to Tucson where he became associated with the Tully and Ochoa mercantile and freighting firm. He was the first mayor of Tucson in 1872 and for 15 years was post trader at Fort Bowie. He held many official positions and was secretary of the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society from 1905 until his death.

ACQUISITION

Unknown

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