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MS 118 Burr, Rollin Thrift, 1843-1930 Papers, 1899-1917

DESCRIPTION

Biographical material and correspondence from Rollin Thrift Burr. The bulk of the correspondence is from Burr to his friend, J. M. Hurtt. Burr wrote to Hurtt from a number of different locations, including Cuba (1899-1909), Costa Rica (1909) and Europe. The letters describe conditions in these locations as well as personal matters. Burr's handwriting is very difficult to read and someone has "transcribed" his letters just above Burr's own writing. Also includes business correspondence to Burr concerning his investments. The collection does not contain material from Burr's time in Arizona. Included in the first folder of letters from Havana are two documents (in Spanish). The first is a request to the Havana police to "move an establishment" dated 1852. The other seems to be a list of taxes collected, but it is not clear how they are related to Burr's papers.

1 Box, .5 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Rollin Thrift Burr, physician, was born in Ohio. He served in the Civil War and on his return home decided to study medicine. After attending the University of Louisiana (now Tulane), he graduated in 1869. After graduation, he located near Waco, Texas and stayed there until he contracted tuberculosis. For his health, he came to Arizona in 1876. In Arizona, he served as contract physician for the U. S. army at Camp Rucker and at Fort Lowell. He served during the Spanish American war. He died in California in 1930.

ACQUISITION

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