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# PC 082 Mearns, Edgar A., d. 1916 Photograph collection, ca. 1879-1910 (bulk 1886-1887)

### **DESCRIPTION**

Photographs of military life, mostly in the Fort Verde area circa 1886 to 1887, including tents, wagons, camps and transport, soldiers, women and children. There are photographs of Fort Verde, Troop I of the 10<sup>th</sup> Cavalary, and troop wagons and carriages. Also present are views of the Verde River, Stoneman's Lake, Clear Creek, and Oak Creek scenery as well as hunting camps, and Munn's Ranch, Nichols Ranch, and John Woods Ranch. There are also photographs of a Mexican party delivering the Maximilian Eagle (silver) to Dr. Goodfellow.

1 box, .5 linear ft.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Physician-naturalist, Dr. Edgar Alexander Mearns was stationed at Fort Verde in 1884, where he served as Post Surgeon for four years. He then served in the Midwest and East before being assigned to the Mexican-United States International Boundary Commission as medical officer from 1891 to 1894. He made frequent trips into the field to collect botanical and biological specimens and published his findings widely. The Mearns Quail was named for him.

# **ACQUISITION**

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## **ACCESS**

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# **PROCESSING**

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