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MS 1270 Kate Smith Ledgers 1884 - 1885

DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of one ledger book and one daybook with business entries by Kate Smith. Both ledgers cover the same period of time in 1884-1885 and were written by the same person. Although the inside cover of both ledgers identifies Kate Smith as located in Tucson, A.T. no listing has been found in the 1883-1884 business directory for Tucson and Tombstone, AZ for her. Other names listed in the ledgers have been checked against the business directories and Great Register for 1886 and no matching names found. It is possible that this could have been some form of instructional text for accounting education. There are references from Aug-Nov of 1884 with new partners entering or leaving the company on a monthly basis. In two entries a reference is make to the company being a furniture store under the names Jones and Mason. The names change to Jones, Mason, and Smith under the establishment name of Lester and Brown. It is unclear exactly what purpose these ledgers served whether for an actual company or instructional purposes.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

Ledgers transferred from University of Texas at Arlington, TX in 2004. No information on the donor or background was available at the Texas location.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in December 2005.