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MS 1099 Uhler, H.N. Reminiscences, 1873-1888

DESCRIPTION

Bound volume containing two manuscripts; one titled "My Trip to California, Delivered by Dr. H.N. Uhler, Nov. 11, 1873, in the Lyceum at Roxborough", 58 pages, and the other begins "What I Saw in Florida", concerning an 1888 trip, 22 pages. Uhler's transcontinental railroad trip on the Union Pacific Railroad to California begins in Philadelphia and eventually arriving in Sacramento. He comments on major cities, climate, agriculture, buildings, and native peoples. In the second manuscript, he traveled from Philadelphia to Florida and describes wildlife, agriculture, and visits to Fort Marion where Apache Indians were incarcerated.

1 box, .5 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

Unknown.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

In the manuscript, H. N. Uhler uses the title Doctor, but he does not appear to be a medical doctor. He states he was "one of the Delegation to visit the Pacific Slope and the various cities of the Far West,..." on the Union Pacific Railroad.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

One journal relating trips to California in 1873 and Florida in 1888. Uhler accompanied a delegation on the Union Pacific Railroad from Philadelphia to California. In Columbus, Ohio, his delegation visited the State Asylum and he gives his detailed impressions of the building, its inmates, and the treatment they received. He also comments on Kansas City, Denver, and the Ute Indians. At Salt Lake City, Uhler received an introduction to Brigham Young and he describes both the town and the man in some detail. He describes Sacramento, Yosemite Valley, and San Francisco and has much to say about the Chinese and their lifestyle. In the second part of the journal, Uhler relates his impressions of a trip to Florida in 1888. He mentions wildlife including alligators, agriculture, and (on page 17 and 18) a visit to Fort Marion where Apache Indians were incarcerated. He comments on the Apaches' clothing and activities.