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MS 883 WOODS, MARY EMILIE HOLMAN, 1846?-1933 WOODS PAPERS, 1875-1925

DESCRIPTION

The collection primarily contains personal correspondence addressed to Mary E. Woods (usually referred to as Emma, and sometimes as Mary E. Watson), covering the time span of 1875-1925. The collection contains letters from her parents, (G. C. Holman and Emilie V. Holman Cobb), her sister, Annie J. Holman, her brothers Edwin C. Holman and George F. W. Holman as well as letters from her children and some miscellaneous correspondence. Since the letters are addressed to Mary Woods in Florence and Casa Grande, there is very little in the way of description of Arizona. The letters are mostly personal in nature, concerning family estates, health, etc.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

INVENTORY

Folder 1: Letters from Emilie V. Holman Cobb (mother), 1875-1904

Folder 2: Letters from Annie J. Holman (sister), 1889-1920

Folder 3: Letters from George F. W. and Edwin C. Holman (brothers), 1905-1907

Folder 4: Letters from G. E. Holman (father), 1885-1893

Folder 5: Letters from children and grandchildren, 1880-1925

Folder 6: Letters from friends, 1909-1925

Folder 7: Letters from Univ. of Ariz. Agricultural Experiment Station, 1897-1925

Folder 8: Miscellaneous correspondence, 1906-1925

Folder 9: Correspondence from Mary Woods to Charles Tully of APHS, 1920-22.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Mary Woods came to Casa Grande in 1886 and ran a hotel for many years. She later moved to Florence. She married several times, to a Henry E. Eggleston, someone named Watson (with whom she had two sons, Edward and Frank) and James M. Woods. She died in Phoenix in 1933 at the age of 86.

ACQUISITION

Provenance is unknown.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

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