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**MS 1282
Gordon Hutchins
Letters, 1880 - 1884**

DESCRIPTION

This small collection contains five folders of letters by Gordon Hutchins to his mother in New York from the San Carlos Indian Agency in Arizona. The letters cover the years 1880 to 1884 and provide insight to activities and concerns between Gordon and his mother. Gordon relates trips to Globe Arizona, family and personal health, buying a horse and saddle, and the Arizona weather. He also tells about Indian activities in and around San Carlos including a church service attended by the Apaches. Many of the letters comment on the events and activities covered in the local New York papers forwarded to him in Arizona.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Gordon Hutchins was one of five children of Ephraim and Caroline Hutchins. Ephraim was a successful businessman in Concord, N. H. including real estate, management of a stage line and mail contract, and manager for a hotel. The letters related that Gordon had been a director at the Metropolitan Museum in New York prior to coming to Arizona. It is uncertain in what capacity he worked while at San Carlos.

ACQUISITION

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ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in August 2006.