**DESCRIPTION**

Diary, May 11 to July 25, 1859, and a few letters from Lee to his family, dated 1873 to 1876, which reflect on his treatment by the U.S. government.

1 box, .15 linear ft.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Mormon pioneer; John Doyle Lee served as a bodyguard for Joseph Smith and Brigham Young, established Lee’s Ferry on the Colorado River, and hosted the Powell Expedition. He was the only person executed for participation in the Mountain Meadows Massacre of 1857.

**RELATED MATERIAL**

The journal is transcribed in *Journals of John D. Lee*, edited by Charles Kelly, 92 L478j.

**ACQUISITION**

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