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**MS 0466
MAGEE, JOHN EUCLID, 1839-1918
PAPERS, 1864-1918****DESCRIPTION**

The material in this collection primarily relates to Magee's mining activities with the Aztec and Toltec mining syndicate. Also of interest is Magee's account of his voyage to the Pacific in 1865, the shipwreck of the *Golden Rule* and the days spent stranded on Roncador Island in the Caribbean. There is some material relating to his work with the Pioneers' Historical Society and his work on the *Arizona Miner and Stockmen*.

1 Box, 2 Ledgers, 1.5 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

John Euclid Magee, editor and publisher, was born Ohio in 1839. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War. In 1865, he went to California via the Isthmus of Panama. From 1865 to 1874, he engaged in prospecting in California. He arrived in Tucson in 1874, where he became interested in the Aztec and Toltec mining syndicate. From 1903-1913, he was editor of the *Miner and Stockmen*, a newspaper in Tucson. He served as Secretary of the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society from 1913-1918. He died September 28, 1918 in Toldedo, Ohio at the home of his niece, Mrs. H. V. Deming.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Mrs. C. G. Cunningham and Mrs. Hubert V. Deming, 1950-51.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed Margaret MacLeish in 1980; the finding aid was completed by Riva Dean in October 1997.

MS 466: MAGEE**Scope and Content Note**

The material relates primarily to Magee and the mining activities of the Aztec and Toltec mining syndicates. Involved in these mining activities were C. S. Benedict, William G. Boyle, Thomas Davis, John D. Graham, Mr. Hawley, Richard J. Hinton, Joseph King, J. H. McKee, W. T. Rickard, Mr. Schermerhorn, John T. Smith, and James C. Truman. Also of interest is Magee's account of his voyage to the Pacific in 1865, the shipwreck of the Golden Rule and the days spent stranded on Roncador Island in the Caribbean Sea.

The collection consists of one box and two oversized ledgers arranged in eight series:

1/Correspondence, 1865-1918

2/Diaries, 1875

3/Certificates, 1916

4/Scrapbooks, 1877-79

5/Printer Matter, 1864-1893

6/Manuscripts, 1864

7/Miscellany

8/Financial Records, 1905-1911

Series one: correspondence, 1865-1918, primarily concerns Magee's mining interest. Of particular interest is a letter written in July 1865 regarding Magee's voyage to the Pacific Coast via the Isthmus of Panama and the Shipwreck of the Golden Rule.

Series two: Diary, 1875. One diary relating to Magee's mining activities in Arizona and New Mexico.

Series three: Certificates, 1916, is a membership certificate for the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society.

Series four: Scrapbooks, 1877-79. Two scrapbooks relating primarily to Magee's interest in the Aztec and Toltec mining syndicates. Also included are a series of articles written by a traveling correspondent about Arizona in the late 1870s.

Series five: Printed matter, 1864-1893. Includes clippings relating to mining in Arizona, obituaries of Hermon Ingraham Stevens, Lydia Mason Ingraham and Agreen Ingraham, relatives of Magee, and poems.

Series six: Manuscripts, 1864. Three handwritten poems.

Series seven: Miscellany.

Series eight: Financial records, 1905-1911, two ledgers for the Arizona Miner and Stockmen.