

MS 1088
ROBINSON, SAMUEL, 1825-1907
PAPERS, 1861

DESCRIPTION

The collection contains one handwritten diary kept by Samuel Robinson in Tubac in the summer of 1861. The 16-page letter from Samuel Robinson to his brother John H. Robinson in Ohio, is mailed from "Santa Rita, Arizona." The letter describes an attack by Apaches as well as a description of other Indians in the area, a trip into the Santa Rita Mountains. In the diary, Robinson spends a good deal of time describing Apache depredations. He mentions Santa Rita Mine manager Horace Grosvenor as well as Raphael Pumpelly and others in Arizona at the time. He also describes Tucson and other sites in Southern Arizona and the effect of the Civil War.

1 Box, .10 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Samuel Robinson, an accountant with the Santa Rita Mining Company, was born in Pennsylvania in 1825. He studied for two years at a business school in Cincinnati and came to Arizona in the fall of 1860. He left Arizona in August 1861 and apparently found work in San Francisco where he died in 1907.

RELATED MATERIAL

The diary and letter were published in *The Journal of Arizona History*, Spring 1984.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Page Robinson in 1983.

ACCESS

The original diary and letter are restricted from handling due to their fragile nature, a transcript is available for patron use.

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Riva Dean in January 1998.