 DESCRIPTION

The collection contains four folders of miscellaneous materials by and about Arizona Territorial Governor A.P.K. Safford. The original materials include the will of Safford’s sister, Mary J. Safford, 1892, a handwritten manuscript by Safford and Samuel Hughes, “The Story of Mariana Diaz,” 1873, and correspondence from Safford including a letter to the Arizona House of Representatives concerning “outlaws along the Gila River,” 1870. There is also one folder of miscellaneous materials about Safford’s life.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

 BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Anson P. K. Safford was Territorial Governor of Arizona from 1869 to 1877. He was born in Vermont, moved to Illinois at age eight and followed the gold rush to California in 1850. He moved to the mining fields of Nevada in 1862 and worked on development there. In 1867, he was appointed surveyor general of Nevada, a position which he held when he first came to Arizona. He applied to President Grant for the Governorship of Arizona, which he was granted in 1869. One of his achievements as governor was the development of the public school system. He died in 1891.

 ACQUISITION

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