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MS 733
SKINNER, GEORGE WASHINGTON, 1852-1918
DIARY, 1890

DESCRIPTION

The collection contains one handwritten diary written kept by George Skinner in 1890 describing his Mormon mission from Salt Lake City to New York. He tells of his experiences in Martinsville, Rochester, Merrickville, and New York City, New York. The diary entries are very brief with mention of how many miles he traveled and meetings that he attended. The collection also contains a typed transcript of the diary. The diary includes one photograph of Skinner that is taped into the frontispiece of the diary.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

George Skinner, a prominent Mormon from Graham County, Arizona was active in the Mormon church and was elected three times to the Arizona Legislature, along with farming along the Gila River. He was born in New York State in 1852 to Mormon parents who emigrated to Utah. Skinner married in Utah and had nine children. In 1875, he moved to Arizona settling in Graham County. He spent two years as a missionary, preaching in West Virginia, Northern New York and Canada. From 1892 until his death in 1918, he served as a bishop for his church of Graham ward.

ACQUISITION

According to a note on the frontispiece, the diary was donated by Mrs. Evans Coleman.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Riva Dean, Library/Archives Co-Manager in July 1997.