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Slaughter, John Horton, 1841-1922
Financial papers, 1820-1937 (bulk 1885-1913)

DESCRIPTION

Primarily land grant documents and court records relating to the Slaughter vs. United States case in the Court of Private Land Claims, 1893. These include the 1820 original land grant document as well as translations by Henry O. Flipper. In 1893, the Court of Private Land Claims hired Flipper as a special agent and Spanish expert. Also present are Slaughter's cancelled checks for the period 1908 to 1913; a few business letters; and property tax receipts for property in Mexico.

2 boxes, 1 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Rancher; John Slaughter served two terms as Cochise County Sheriff beginning in 1887, served a term in the Arizona Legislature in 1906, helped to develop the town of Douglas, Arizona, and was a stockholder in the Bank of Douglas. In 1883, John Slaughter purchased about 40,000 acres of the San Bernadino Land Grant in southeastern Arizona on the Mexican border. He operated the San Bernadino Ranch and lived at the ranch until 1921.

ACQUISITION

Transferred from MS 1225 Brophy papers.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

Kim Frontz processed this collection in March 2002.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

Box 1

- f.1 San Bernadino Land Grant - original Spanish version
- f.2 San Bernadino Land Grant - Translation by Henry O. Flipper
- f.3 San Bernadino Land Grant - Translation by Thomas Dowell with corrections
by Henry Flipper
- f.4 San Bernadino Land Grant - Slaughter vs. U.S., 1885-1900
- f.5 Deeds, 1913-1927
- f.6 Report on Moctezuma District land, 1889

- f.7 John Slaughter correspondence, 1895-1904 (3 items - ranch business)
- f.8 John Slaughter misc. receipts and documents, 1902-1920 (re: taxes, brands, stock
certificates)
- f.9 John Slaughter financial receipts and correspondence, 1912-1919

- f.10 Documents relating to the death of Arthur L. Fisher, 1921-1925
- f.11 Estate documents, 1923
- f.12 Viola Slaughter financial statements, 1937-1938

- f.13 Bank of Douglas cancelled checks, 1903
- f.14-23 Bank of Douglas cancelled checks, 1904-July 1908

Box 2

- f.24-43 Bank of Douglas cancelled checks, March 1910-June 1913
- f.44 Book, handwritten in Latin, dated 1750