DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of two folders; the first is of letters written by John T. Smith from Arizona to his family in Ohio. The second folder is a series of transcriptions of newspaper articles concerning Smith. The letters describe Smith's life on the Bosque Ranch near Tubac. He has many descriptions of the terrors inflicted by the Apaches.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

John Truman Smith was born sometime between 1834-1850 in Ohio. He enlisted in the army in 1863 and appears in Arizona around 1866. For a full biographical sketch, see John T. Smith of Tubac by Elizabeth R. Brownell (Nogales, 1981). He served as Pima County Representative to the Territorial Legislature. He died in 1877.

ACQUISITION

According to the paper by Elizabeth Brownell, the collection was probably given to the Society by Mrs. Barber, a descendant of Smith, in 1932.

ACCESS

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