DESCRIPTION

Two handwritten recipe books by Martha Summerhayes. Summerhayes collected or copied recipes from friends into two books; one is identified as Receipt Book, David's Island, N.Y., 1895 and the other, which is made up of loose sheets, is identified as Martha Summerhayes Cook-book, Fort Halleck, Nevada, February 1885. They include recipes for preserves, meats, soups, fish as well as household hints such as removing stains from lace.

1 Box,  .25 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Martha Dunham Summerhayes, author of Vanished Arizona: Recollections of My Army Frontier Life (1908), was born in Nantucket to a wealthy family. She married 2nd Lt. John W. Summerhayes and became an frontier army wife, and describes her experiences in the West from an educated woman’s perspective. In Arizona, they served at Fort Mojave, Fort Whipple and Fort Apache from 1874 to 1878. She died in Massachusetts in 1926.

ACQUISITION


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