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UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS IN CRIMINAL CASES, 1905-1907

DESCRIPTION

The collection consists of one volume *United States Commissioner's record of proceedings in criminal cases* of the U. S. District Court for the Second Judicial District of Arizona (R. D. George, U. S. Commissioner), and pertains exclusively to the arrest and deportation of illegal Chinese immigrants for unlawful entry into the United States at Nogales. Portraits of most of the defendants are pasted into the book and relevant correspondence and notes are typed in.

1 Box, .25 linear feet

HISTORICAL NOTE

At the turn of the century, the major problem on the U. S. Mexican border prior to the Mexican Revolution was the smuggling of Chinese. Chinese inspectors of the U. S. Immigration Service were charged with identifying and apprehending illegal Chinese immigrants. Those arrested for violation of the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 appeared before the Commissioner of the U. S. District Court. If charged guilty, the U. S. Marshal was responsible for their deportation. The U. S. Marshal on the cases in this register is B. F. Daniels.

ACQUISITION

Provenance is unknown.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

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