

TITLE: George H. Fitts Collection

DATE RANGE: 1887-1891

CALL NUMBER: MS 0258

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 1 box, .5 liner feet

PROVENANCE: Unknown.

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PROCESSED BY: This collection was processed by William D. Tackenberg.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: George H. Fitts operated the Fitts Brothers Mercantile store in Tombstone. The 1897 Business Directory of Arizona lists Fitts as “grocer”. No additional listings were located of either Fitts or the store prior to that date and Fitts does not appear in the 1905 Business Directory. No additional information on his life or activities has been located.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Contains two ledger books and one scrapbook of receipts reflecting the mercantile activities of George H. Fitts. The ledgers entail the sale of grocery items including flour, sugar, bacon cheese, cherries, etc to various customers listed by last names. The dates of the transactions cover from June 1891 to June 1892. The scrapbook contains receipts pasted onto pages of supplies ordered for delivery to Fitts. Distributors from Los Angeles, Kansas City, El Paso, Sacramento and other locations are included. Receipts date from March 1887 to June 1889. The scrapbook is in very poor condition with binding loose and many pages torn.