

Clarence Edmund Bennett papers, 1852-1906

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Bennett, Clarence Edmund, 1833-1902
Title	Clarence Edmund Bennett papers
Dates	1852-1906 (inclusive) 1852 1906
Quantity	1 reel microfilm
Collection Number	Mss 039
Summary	Clarence Bennett was a West Point graduate and career Army officer who served in the frontier West. The collection contains his correspondence, diaries kept at West Point, and other materials.
Repository	University of Montana, Mansfield Library, Archives and Special Collections Archives and Special Collections Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library University of Montana 32 Campus Dr. #9936 59812-9936 Missoula, MT Telephone: 406-243-2053 Fax: 406-243-4067 library.archives@umontana.edu
Access Restrictions	Researchers must use collection in accordance with the policies of Archives and Special Collections, the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library, and the University of Montana-Missoula.
Languages	English
Sponsor	Funding for encoding this finding aid was provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Biographical Note

Clarence Edmund Bennett was born in 1833. He entered West Point Military Academy in 1851 and graduated in 1855. He was a career Army officer and saw duty almost exclusively in Western frontier assignments. He spent time in California, Minnesota, Texas, and the Dakota Territory. By 1880 Bennett and his wife, Siotha, had four children, Willie C., Irvine E., Ida, and Daisy. Bennett retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1897 and died in 1902 of apoplexy.

Content Description

The collection contains Bennett's correspondence relative to his military career, the diaries he kept at West Point, and miscellaneous materials, which include lists of West Point classmates and whether they were living or dead in 1898, and his wife's application for a widow's pension.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in three series:

Series I: Correspondence, 1859-1905

Series II: Diaries, 1852-1855

Series III: Miscellany, 1898-1906

Location of Originals

Location of originals unknown.

Acquisition Information

Loaned for microfilming by Hayes Otoupalik, 1970.

Processing Note

The original processor arranged, microfilmed, and described the materials. In 2004, the finding aid was encoded with minimal revisions.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Correspondence, 1859-1905

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Series II: Diaries, 1852-1855

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Reel		
1		March 15, 1852- June 16, 1853
1		March 19, 1854- June 13, 1855

Series III: Miscellany, 1898-1906

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Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Frontier and pioneer life --West (U.S.)
 Military cadets--New York (State)--West Point
 Military cadets--New York (State)--West Point--Diaries

Corporate Names :

United States.--Army--Officers--Correspondence
 United States Military Academy--Students
 United States Military Academy--Students--Diaries

Geographical Names :

West (U.S.)--History, Military--19th century

Form or Genre Terms :

Diaries--New York (State)--West Point

Occupations :

Soldiers--United States

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