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**Fort Apache (Ariz.)**  
**Commissary ledgers, 1875-1883**

## **DESCRIPTION**

Commissary ledgers listing, by individual, the goods purchased by post employees for 1875, and 1877 to 1882. The individuals are mostly officers of the 6th Cavalry but others are also represented. Names include Lt. Gatewood, Lt. Stanton, Lt. Cruse, Lt. Dravo, Col. E. A. Carr, and Lt. Kerr. The goods purchased include dried apples, sugar, butter, corn meal, rice, thread, pipe stems, towels, combs, and brushes. There is also a summary ledger, dated November 1880 to May 1883, which contains total amounts of food and other supplies issued and sold. The summary is broken into categories of regulars, Indian scouts, civilian employees, friendly Indians, officers and enlisted men.

3 boxes, 3 linear ft.

## **HISTORICAL NOTE**

Fort Apache was established in 1870; after undergoing several name changes it was named Fort Apache in April 1879. The post was located between the Navajo and Apache peoples and increased in importance when several Apache groups were gathered at the San Carlos Indian Reservation. The post commissary issued food and other supplies to soldiers, officers, Indian scouts, and civilian employees.

## **ACQUISITION**

Unknown.

## **ACCESS**

Restricted due to fragile condition; patrons should use microfilm #101.1 and 101.2.

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## **PROCESSING**

Kim Frontz prepared this finding aid in November 2001.

## BOX LIST

### **Box 1** Two ledgers:

June 1875-October 1875

Records of sales of goods to post personnel including members of the 8th Infantry, 5th Cavalry, 6th Cavalry military and civilian employees. Provides name of individuals, itemized goods purchased and amounts paid.

September 1877-June 1879

Records of sales of goods to post personnel including last name of individual, items purchased, and amounts paid - individuals include Lt. Charles Gatewood and Lt. William Stanton.

### **Box 2** Two ledgers:

June 1880-May 1882

Record of sales of goods to post personnel including last name of individual, items purchased and amounts paid. Individuals include Lt. Thomas Cruse, Lt. Edward Dravo, Lt. Charles Gatewood, Col. E. A. Carr, and Lt. John B. Kerr.

Feb. 1882-May 1882

Record of sales of goods to post personnel including name, items, and amounts. Mostly illegible.

### **Box 3** One ledger

November 1880-May 1883

Ledger for Return of Provisions Received, Issued and Remaining On Hand  
Contains summary total for the amounts of food, tobacco, and other supplies issued to or sold to regulars, Indian scouts, civilian employees, and friendly Indians. Sales are broken out by officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees.