Finding Aid to the Parkin Store Ledger Books MS.880

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Title: Parkin Store ledger books
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Abstract: Henry S. Parkin was a trader and married to a Sioux woman. The Parkin Store, later called the Cannonball Mercantile Company, operated in Standing Rock Agency, North Dakota from 1879 to 1930. A majority of their clientele were Sioux Indians. The collection consists of two leather-bound ledgers from the Parkin Store from 1913-1916 and 1915-1918.
creator: Parkin, Henry S., d. 1895

Biographical Note
Henry S. Parkin was a trader and married to a Sioux woman. The Parkin Store, later called the Cannonball Mercantile Company, operated in Standing Rock Agency, North Dakota from 1879 to 1930.

Scope and Contents
This is a collection of two leather-bound ledgers from the Parkin Store, later called the Cannonball Mercantile Company, from the Standing Rock Agency, North Dakota. The ledgers are marked "Ledger B," 1913-1916 and "B Ledger," 1915-1918, and contain the accounts of the Parkin Store customers, most of whom were Sioux Indians. The collection also includes a couple of photocopied pages of biographical information from the Indian Office Reports of 1891 and 1894.

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