Finding aid of the Marius Duvall Papers C058834

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Title: Duvall, Marius Papers
Identifier/Call Number: C058834
Contributing Institution: Society of California Pioneers
Language of Material: English
Physical Description: 1.0 folder(1 item; 1 letter of correspondence)
Date (inclusive): 1846-1847
Abstract: This folder contains a photocopy of forty-eight pages of Marius Duvall's diary and a photocopy of an 1846 letter of correspondence. The diary spans April 1846-May 15, 1847 and details his life aboard the ship Portsmouth, including landing in Monterey, CA, on April 22, 1846. The letter was written on October 2, 1846 by Duvall to Thomas Harris, U.S. Navy, Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and details a March 20, 1846 altercation between him, the former Assistant Surgeon, and another man (Duvall was the Assistant Surgeon of the U.S. Navy).
creator: Duvall, Marius, Commander, 1818-1891

Conditions Governing Access note
Collection open for research.

Conditions Governing Use note
There are no restrictions on access.

Preferred Citation note

Donor
Fred B. Rogers, date of donation unknown.

Biographical/Historical note
Duvall joined the U.S. Navy circa 1842 and by 1869 had achieved the rank of Commander where he served as Surgeon at Norfolk naval hospital. From 1867-1869 he served on the ship and was indirectly involved in the 1869 imprisonment in of Porter C. Bliss and George F. Masterman in Paraguay.

Scope and Contents note
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The letter of correspondence is a copy of an original from the National Archives, record group number 52: "Letters Received - Letter Book No. 4" Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons 1846.

Existence and Location of Originals note
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
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