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# **William Lofinck Papers**

# **Collection Summary**

Title:	William Lofinck Papers
Call Number:	MS 94-06
Size:	0.25 linear feet
Acquisition:	Purchased from Michael Vinson Rare Books
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<b>Restrictions:</b>	None

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### **Content Note**

The William Lofinck Papers contain five holograph letters and two postcards dating from January 15, 1898 to June 8, 1900 written from Golden and other places in New Mexico. Lofinck writes about the development and financial troubles of a gold mining operation near Golden, New Mexico. The final letter is a descriptive account of a train trip from Topeka, Kansas, to Golden with observations on native New Mexicans and miners written by George Andriano, son of the prime financial backer for the mine.

### **Box and Folder Listing**

Box 1FF 1Contains two postcards written from Golden, New Mexico, to Gustave<br/>Andriano dated January 15, 1898 and February 21, 1898. One card is<br/>written in German. Both cards concern business affairs.

Box 1	FF 2	Contains three letters written from Golden, New Mexico to Gustave Andriano from William Lofinck: February 24, 1898 letter concerns deed for the McKinley gold mine and relates information about mining operation and possible risks of the venture; April 13, 1898 letter concerns progress on log cabin and prospecting the mine, tells of wife's concerns over lack of funds, hopes to make a strike by summer; May 29, 1898 letter describes building log cabin including cost of materials, life in mining camp and purchase of mining supplies, and also expresses interest in selling property owned in Marysville, Kansas.
Box 1	FF 3	Contains a letter dated November 29, 1898, from R. M. Carley, owner of the Gold Standard Mine, concerning legal case over interest in the Gold Coin mine.
Box 1	FF 4	Contains a letter dated June 8, 1900, from George Andriano, son of Gustave Andriano. Letter describes train trip from Topeka, Kansas, to New Mexico and mining camp life. Letterhead lists Gus Andriano as president of McKinley Gold Mining Company.

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