

K Fields Trammel Bledsoe (1818-1880) Letter, 1851
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INTRODUCTION

The collection contains a letter from Fields Trammel Bledsoe to his brother-in-law William C. Rhodes of Harrisonville, Missouri.

DONOR INFORMATION

The letter was part of a transfer from the General Library of the University of Missouri-Kansas City on October 24, 1980 (KA0054).

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Fields Bledsoe is believed to have been from Harrisonville, Missouri. He left his wife, Elizabeth Rhoades Bledsoe, and children there under the care of her brother William C. Rhodes to pursue his fortune with a gold claim in California.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of a two-page letter dated July 20, 1851, and addressed to William C. Rhodes of Harrisonville, Missouri, from Fields Bledsoe. The letterhead shows a California view (woodcut) entitled "View of Coloma, the place where the first Gold was discovered," published by Forrest and Borden. Fields Bledsoe mentions his gold claim in California, his concerns about the welfare of his wife and children in Harrisonville, and acquaintances they have in common.

PREFERRED CITATION

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FOLDER LIST

f. 1 Correspondence, July 20, 1851

LOCATION NOTE

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SUBJECT TERMS

Gold mines and mining
Harrisonville (Mo.)

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