

# Laura Sikes Smith Journal (R1420)

**Collection Number:** R1420

Collection Title: Laura Sikes Smith Journal

**Dates**: 1878-1881

**Creator:** Smith, Laura Sikes

**Abstract:** The collection consists of the journal of Laura Sikes Smith. It records her daily duties, comments on the weather, and the goings on of neighbors and acquaintances.

**Collection Size:** 0.2 cubic feet (2 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri.

**Restrictions on Access:** Collection is open for research. This collection is available at <u>The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla</u>. If you would like more information, please contact us at <u>rolla@shsmo.org</u>. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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**Preferred Citation:** [Specific item; box number; folder number] *Laura Sikes Smith Journal* (R1420); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-Rolla].

**Donor Information:** The papers were loaned to the State Historical Society of Missouri for photocopying by Judith Bowman on December 30, 1999 (Accession No. RA0743)

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#### **Historical Note:**

Laura Williams Sikes Smith was born March 13, 1850, the daughter of William Washington Sikes (1814-1853) and Lydia Stallcup Sikes (1828-1863). In 1868, she married Henry Anderson Smith (1844-1883) and together they had six children: William Strother Smith (1869-1947), Cora Lee Smith Crowe (1871-1952), Frank Hardin Smith (1874-1962), Annie Laurie Smith (1876-1877), Handy Linn Smith (1878-1968) and Harry A. Smith (1881-1935). Laura Williams

Sikes Smith passed away on December 12, 1940, at the age of ninety. She is buried in Sikeston City Cemetery.

## **Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged in its original order in two folders.

# **Scope and Content Note:**

The journal records Laura Smith's daily activities. She also comments on weather conditions and the activities of neighbors and friends.

### **Container List:**

f. 1-2 Journal, 1878-1881

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