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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 667 BUSH, Elkanah Turner, 1832-1900

1 box. 2 folders. 3 items. 1895-1923. Original and typescript.

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COLLECTION NOTE

Elkanah Turner Bush with wife, Lucy (Baber) Bush (1834-1900) and children moved to Bowling Green, Kentucky from Sumner County, Tennessee by 1895. This account book spans the years of 1895 and 1896 when Bush operated a grocery or general store in Bowling Green. He operated the said store until 1900 when his son Elkanah Trevelyan Bush took over its management. Elkanah ran this grocery in connection with brothers John D. Read & Edgar T. Read, sons of William T. Read, also of Sumner County, Tennessee. John Davis Read (1867-1934) and Edgar T. Read (1865-1936) had a joint garden (see page 150 of account book) with Elkanah Bush, which no doubt helped supply the grocery. Sometime before the deaths of Elkanah & Lucy Bush in 1900, the Read brothers returned to Gallatin, Tennessee taking this account book with them. John D. Read used this account book for farm memoranda from 1905 to 1923. Susie (Read) Swaney, daughter of John D. Read, had the account book in her possession upon her death in Gallatin, Tennessee in 1984. This account book was found by Kenneth C. Thomson, Jr. of Gallatin, Tennessee in 2018 among the possessions of John Baker Garrott (1828-1917) who was for many years Susie Read Swaney's landlord. This information was provided by J.S. Hays of Smiths Grove, Kentucky in 2018.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Name	1895-2018	3 items
Folder 1	Inventory and collection information	2018	2 items
Folder 3	Account book	1895-1923	1 item

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Account book kept by Elkanah Turner Bush for a grocery/general store in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Subsequently the account book was used by John D. Read of Sumner County, Tennessee to record information about his Sumner County, Tennessee farm.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Account books – General stores – Bowling Green, 1895-1896 F2
Agriculture – Sumner County, Tennessee – Relating to, 1905-1923 F2
Farms and farming – Sumner County, Tennessee, 1905-1923 F2

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