

CAMP FAMILY.

Camp family papers, 1858-1877

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Camp family.
Title: Camp family papers, 1858-1877
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 141
Extent: .5 linear ft. (2 boxes)
Abstract: Papers of the Camp family including letters from Confederate soldiers Raleigh Spinks Camp and Thomas Lumpkin Camp.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access

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Citation

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Collection Description

Biographical Note

Raleigh Spinks Camp was elected Captain of Company B, 7th Regiment, Texas Infantry on October 2, 1861. He then became Major of the 40th Georgia Infantry Regiment, March 19, 1862, and moved on to become acting Inspector General in 1863. Captured at Vicksburg, Mississippi, July 4, 1863, he was then paroled July 6, 1863. On May 23, 1864, Raleigh Camp was furloughed from the Floyd House Hospital in Macon, Georgia, after being there forty-five days suffering from a wound in his left arm.

Thomas Lumpkin Camp enlisted as a private in Company O, Phillips' Legion, Georgia Infantry, May 6, 1862. He then transferred to Company K, 40th Georgia Infantry Regiment, January 19, 1863, and was elected second lieutenant April 4, 1863. Thomas Camp resigned April 13, 1865. The brief biographical information on Raleigh and Thomas Camp came from *Roster of the Confederate Soldiers of Georgia 1861-1865*, Volume 4 (Reprint Company Publishers, 1982).

Scope and Content Note

The Camp family papers consist of sixty holograph letters and letter fragments written to and by various members of the Camp family. Raleigh Spinks Camp (1831-?), Thomas Lumpkin Camp (1832-1878), and [Josiah G.?] Camp are the main correspondents represented in this collection. Their letters span a period from 1858-1866. Other correspondents include Laura Camp (ca. 5 letters) wife of Raleigh Camp, and individuals unknown (ca. 11 (letters). These letters are dated 1866, 1877, and undated.

Raleigh Camp's letters (ca. 18 letters), were written to his mother, brothers, and sisters from Texas, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Georgia mainly during his service in the military during the Civil War.

Thomas Camp's letters (ca. 16 letters), mainly to his wife, Mary (1838-?), were written from camps in Georgia and Tennessee during his military service.

Also included in the Camp family papers are three holograph poems and a family tree. Two poems were written by [J. G.?] Camp, September 30, 1858 and are entitled "Sparkling Sunday Night" and "The Modern Belle." The third poem, "Pass Under the Rod" is unsigned and undated. The family tree, constructed by Ms. LuAnne Holladay, traces the lineage of Mary Ragsdale and Thomas Lumpkin Camp and their offspring.

Container List

Correspondence

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1858-1860
1	2	Correspondence, 1861
1	3	Correspondence, 1862
1	4	Correspondence, 1863
1	5	Correspondence, 1864
1	6	Correspondence, 1865-1866, 1877, undated

Genealogical Information

1	7	Genealogical information: Family tree of Mary Ragsdale and Thomas Lumpkin Camp
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