

Charleston Harbor documents, 1861-1864 (bulk 1863)

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Abstract: Official documents including reports (vessel position, inspection, damage, and description of attacking fleets) and orders relating to the operations and defense of Charleston Harbor, through activities at Fort Sumter and James Island, South Carolina.
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Biographical Note

Charleston Harbor, South Carolina, was under the protection of the Confederate Army's Department of South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida during the Civil War. Upon the evacuation of Charleston, February 1865, the Charleston Squadron, situated in Charleston Harbor, was destroyed to prevent capture.

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Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of official documents including reports (vessel position, inspection, damage, and description of attacking fleets) and orders. Materials relate to the operations and defense of Charleston Harbor, through activities at Fort Sumter and James Island, South Carolina. Orders and reports were exchanged between officers stationed there, with their headquarters in Charleston. The activities of Colonel A.D. Frederick, commander of the 2nd South Carolina Artillery Regiment on James Island, are particularly apparent through these documents.

Container List

| Box | Folder | Content |
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| 1 | 1 | 1861 April 16 - 1864 April 29 |
| 1 | 2 | 1863 May 6 - November 9 |
| 1 | 3 | 1864 March 14 - November 8 |
| 1 | 4 | Papers, undated |
