

HUMPHREY, JOHN, B. 1818.
John Humphrey papers, 1856-1865

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Humphrey, John, b. 1818.
Title: John Humphrey papers, 1856-1865
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 497
Extent: .25 linear ft. (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of Union soldiers John Humphrey and his sons, who served in the 50th Ohio Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. Includes correspondence, a diary, muster roll, photographs, clippings, a memo book, envelopes, and financial papers.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access

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Processing

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Biographical Note

John Humphrey, Union soldier, was born October 10, 1818. He served (1862-) with the 50th Ohio Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. All or some of his sons also served in the Union Army. Harmon S. Humphrey served with the 19th Iowa Infantry Regiment; D.W. Humphrey was stationed at "Nolin" Kentucky; Livingston Humphrey was with the 118th Ohio Infantry Regiment; and John Humphrey Jr. was with the 20th Ohio Infantry Regiment.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of the papers of John Humphrey from 1856-1865. The papers include letters from John Humphrey to his wife, Mary, and from his sons to various family members. Humphrey discusses hardships in the field and his participation in the Atlanta Campaign. A diary records Humphrey's account of his war experiences from 1862-1863. The collection also includes a muster roll of the 50th Ohio Infantry Regiment, a memo book containing family data, and photographs (tintypes and a carte-de-visite) of family members (?) by Atlanta photographers.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence: John Humphrey to wife Mary, 6 ALS, September 3, 1862-June 18, 1864
1	2	Diary with entries between October 18, 1862 and January 23, 1863. Also contains rhymes about army experiences, lists, accounts, etc., Muster Roll of 50th Ohio Infantry Regiment. Probably incomplete
1	3	Correspondence: Harmon S. [Slieman] Humphrey to parents, John and Mary, 12 ALS, May 1, 1861-April 18, 1865. 5 Civil War covers are filed in this folder
1	4	Correspondence: D. W. Humphrey to mother, 1 ALS, November 21, 1863
1	5	Correspondence: By various members of the family, 4 ALS, 1856-1864. Also includes 1 ALS, October 8, 1862, by A. J. Ross, a former neighbor
1	6	Miscellaneous. Includes 2 items connected with John Humphrey: 1 small memo book containing family data and a stock certificate in the Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad Company, dated December 12, 1857, in the amount of sixteen dollars and ninety two cents. Also contains: 9 photographs, 1 land certificate, 1 bill of sale, 2 bank notes, 5 newspaper clippings, 28 clipped Civil War postmarks and a folded picture of Atlanta during the fire of 1917
1	7	Atlanta Telephone Directory, 1902
1	8	Catholic Prayer Book published in Cincinnati, 1870
1	9	Photographs
1	10	Genealogical chart and data for the Humphrey, Boura and Buzzer-Burton families
1	11	Newspaper clippings
1	12	Land certificate, July 1, 1848
1	13	Slave bill of sale, January 13, 1842
1	14	Catholic Prayer Card, 1891
