

ROBINSON, HENRY W., D. 1863.
Henry W. Robinson letters, 1862-1863

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Robinson, Henry W., d. 1863.
Title: Henry W. Robinson letters, 1862-1863
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 392
Extent: 1 microfilm reel (MF)
Abstract: Microfilm copy of the correspondence of Georgia blacksmith and Confederate soldier Henry W. Robinson, who served in the 42nd Georgia Infantry Regiment during the Civil War.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Loaned for microfilming, 1862.

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Biographical Note

Henry W. Robinson was a blacksmith from Lawrenceville, Georgia. He enlisted in the Confederate army in late March or early April, 1862, and served with Company B of the 42nd Georgia Infantry Regiment. During part of his service he was a drummer. He served first in East Tennessee and saw his first action in a skirmish at Cumberland Gap on April 29, 1862. He was with Bragg on the Kentucky campaign in September-October, 1862, but he makes no mention of the Battle of Perryville. In December he went with his unit by rail from Tennessee to Vicksburg, Mississippi, by way of Atlanta, West Point, Mobile, Meridian, and Jackson. He was in the fight at Chickasaw Bayou, December 29, 1862. Soon after this battle he became ill, and on April 12, 1863 he died in a hospital in Vicksburg, apparently from a combination of maladies, including smallpox.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of a microfilm copy of Henry W. Robinson letters from 1862-1863. The majority of the letters are from Robinson to his wife, Elizabeth; there is one letter from her to him and a few letters by his sisters and his lieutenant. He wrote about his family, his morale, and his desire for a furlough.

Arrangement Note

Arranged in chronological order.

