HENRY B. SPARKS CIVIL WAR DIARY, 1864

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 folder, 1 REEL OF MICROFILM

COLLECTION DATE: 1864

PROVENANCE: Ralph W. Stark, Lebanon, IN 46052, via Indiana Civil War Commission, March 1965

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMAT: None

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Civil War, 1861-1865

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1965.0301

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Henry B. Sparks was mustered into Company C Third Indiana Cavalry at Rising Sun, Ohio County, Indiana. After months of fighting, he was taken prisoner on January 27, 1864 and ultimately confined in the Andersonville Prison. He escaped from Andersonville but was recaptured and held in a new prison in Millen, Georgia. On November 21, 1864, he was released in an exchange of prisoners.

Source:

Boone County Magazine vol. 11, #3, March 1984

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The collection consists of Sparks' diary (1864) written during his time in the Civil War. Approximately three hundred fifty pages, the diary contains drawings, sketches, and descriptions of prison life in Andersonville.

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F1301 Microfilm of diary

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