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LAWSON GROSS LETTER, 3 APRIL 1865

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Lawson Gross resided in Clark County, Indiana. He married Mariah Lewis on 22 July 1860. He was drafted into the Indiana 37th Infantry on 20 September 1864. No date or method of discharge was recorded.

The Indiana 37th Infantry was mustered in on 18 September 1861. The regiment saw fighting in Tennessee late in 1862. In 1864 it moved to Georgia, and engaged the Confederate army many times through the Savannah campaign. It was mustered out in July 1865.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains one letter from Lawson Gross to friend Brazilla Guernsey, dated 3 April 1865. In the letter, Gross notes how busy he is in Sherman's army, making writing to anyone difficult.

Although he expresses disdain for the war, he also states his willingness to see his service through to the end. Gross lists the regiments who have joined Sherman's force, and the people he has met. He also reports the details he knows concerning the death of an acquaintance, Pat. Gross finishes by laying out a common day's schedule in the army to explain his lack of time to write. The collection also contains parts of the envelopes of two letters to Brazilla Guernsey.

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