DANIEL R. LUCAS PAPERS, 1862-1907

Collection #: M 617

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 small manuscript box (.2 linear feet)

COLLECTION DATES: 1862-1907

PROVENANCE: Unknown

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMAT: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: See card catalog under United States History - Civil War, 1861-1865 and Indiana History - Civil War, 1861-1865; Lucas, Daniel R. *New History of the 99th Indiana Infantry*. Rockford, Illinois: Horner Printing, 1900. (I/973.747/j99lu)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 92.0346x

NOTES: Collection formerly held by Indiana Civil War Commission. Transferred to Indiana Historical Society, 1962

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Daniel Robertson Lucas, son of Albert and Catherine Robertson Lucas, was born in Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois, on January 14, 1840. In 1858, his family moved to Indiana where he enrolled at the Indiana Normal Institute at Burnettsville, White County, and began preaching at the local Christian church. After his marriage to Mary Longley in 1862, Lucas joined Company C Ninety Ninth Indiana Volunteer Infantry as a Second Lieutenant. On October 24, 1862, he was appointed chaplain of the regiment. Eighteen months later, he was transferred to the office of provost marshal where he served until the close of the War. The Ninety Ninth fought in the Vicksburg campaign, the second battle of Jackson, the Chatanooga campaign, the battle of Missionary Ridge, and many skirmishes.

After the War, Lucas studied for the ministry. In 1876, he settled in Des Moines, Iowa, where he pastored the Central Christian Church and helped found Drake University. In 1888, he returned to Indiana to pastor the Central Christian Church of Indianapolis. Lucas was Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and secretary of the Morton Monument Commission. At the time of his death on March 11, 1907, he was pastor of the Seventh Church in Indianapolis.

Source: Cauble, Commodore Wesley. *Disciples of Christ in Indianapolis: Achievements of a Century*. Indianapolis: Meigs Publishing, 1930. *Commenorative Record of Prominent Men of Indianapolis*. Chicago: J.H. Beirs, 1908.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTES

The collection, filling one small manuscript box spans the years 1862 to 1907. Correspondence (1863-1864) between Lucas and his wife Mary Longley Lucas is filled with poems, reflections, and day to day camp happenings. One letter is not dated. Another, dated May 25, 1907, is an invitation from Vice President Charles Fairbanks to a luncheon with President Roosevelt. Also included are commission papers (1862) appointing Lucas Second Lieutenant with the Ninety Ninth regiment. A certificate from the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States dated December 10, 1889 is also included.

Folder five includes a copy of Grant's Address to the Union Army (1865) and two Grand Army of the Republic Encampment booklets (1893, 1894). Folder six contains a menu from a Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States dinner (1894), "A Guide to Richmond and Their Battles (1894), a reserved seat card for the dedication of the Oliver P. Morton Monument (1907), and an address given by Lucas on "Appomatox Sunday and Forty Years After" (1905).

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

FOLDER CONTENTS

- 1 Correspondence, 1863
- 2 Correspondence, 1863-1864
- 3 Correspondence, 1907
- 4 Commission Papers, 1862; Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States certificate, 1889
- 5 Grant's Address to the Union Army, 1865; Grand Army of the Republic Encampment Booklets, 1893, 1894
- 6 Miscellaneous Items, 1894-1907

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Lucas, Daniel R. (Daniel Robertson), 1840-1907 SUBJECT ENTRIES: Lucas, Mary Longley, fl. 1862-1865 Grant, Ulysses S. (Ulysses Simpson), 1822-1885 Morton, Oliver P. (Oliver Perry), 1823-1877--Monuments Grand Army of the Republic Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. Indiana Commandery United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 99th (1862-1865) Soldiers--Indiana--Oxford Love-letters Richmond (Va.)--Description United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865 United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Societies, etc. Indiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865

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