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139TH INDIANA INFANTRY REGIMENT MUSTER ROLL, 1864

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

During the summer of 1864, as the Union gathered its forces for strong attacks by Grant in Virginia and by Sherman in Georgia, state governors were asked to recruit 100-day regiments to free experienced troops for active combat by taking over garrison and guard duties behind the lines.

In Indiana, Governor Morton was asked to recruit seven of these 100-day regiments. They included the 139th Indiana Regiment, recruited in southeast Indiana and mustered in Indianapolis on 8 June 1864 with George Humphrey as colonel. In this regiment, Company I was recruited in Dearborn County.

Deployed to Nashville, Tennessee, the 100-day regiments spent the summer of 1864 guarding railroads: the Nashville and Chattanooga, the Tennessee and Alabama, and the Memphis and Charleston.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of one item, an ornamental muster roll of Company I, 139th Indiana Regiment, entitled "The Union Defenders." The list is in three columns, with enlisted men on the outside and officers and non-coms in the center.

CATALOGING INFORMATION

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