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SC 2570

7th INDIANA INFANTRY REGIMENT, COMPANY F LETTER, 1861

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 booklet (2" x 3.25"), 20 pages--7 containing writing

COLLECTION DATES: 19 July 1861

PROVENANCE: Carolyn H. Mabry, Lyme, CT, 19 August 1996

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: [Thomson, Orville] *From Philippi to Appomattox: Narrative of the Service of the Seventh Indiana Infantry* (E 506.5, 7th, .T4 1905 & 1993), Samuel V. List Papers (M 0444), Robert M. Banta Papers (M 0317), Billy Davis Coll. (SC 2382, BV 2680-2682, F 1190), 7th Indiana Infantry Regiment Records (BV 2645-2646), *Civil War Journal of Billy Davis: From Hopewell, Indiana to Par Republic Virginia* (E 506.5, 7th, .D29, 1989)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996.0716

NOTES: Booklet is fragile and must be handled with care. Cataloged as: United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 7th (1861-1864). Company F. Letter, 1861.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The 7th Indiana Regiment (3 months service) was formed on April 25, 1861, in Indianapolis. In late May, 1861, the regiment was ordered to Western Virginia where it saw action near Philippi, Bealington and Carrick's Ford from June to July, 1861. The unit was ordered back to Indianapolis in August, 1861, and was mustered out.

Source:

W.H.H. Terrell, *Report of the Adjutant General, Indiana*, vol. 2, pp. 11-12

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of a 7 page letter written in a 2" x 3.25" 20 page booklet with a faded red fabric cover from an unknown soldier in Company "F" of the 7th Indiana Regiment. The letter is written from Laurel Hill, Virginia, on 19 July 1861 to "My Little Dears! Frieda & Eddie!!" In the letter the soldier recounts the regiment's military activities and the sufferings of the civilians (especially children) he saw along the way. He also relates that the booklet in which he is writing was found along the road amidst numerous other articles left by the "secesh army." The letter was not signed and apparently never finished.

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