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EDWARD F. REID
PAPERS, 1863–1888 (BULK 1864–1865)

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	7 folders, 1 oversize folder,1 microfilm reel
COLLECTION DATES:	1863–1888 (bulk 1864–1865)

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Edward F. Reid was apparently born at Kinross, Scotland. In August 1862, listed as a student, he enlisted at Madison, Indiana, as a private in Company E, 3rd Indiana Cavalry (45th regiment). The regiment served with the Army of the Potomac. It was present but not active at Fredericksburg and Gettysburg; after Gettysburg it helped pursue Lee's troops south.

In January 1864 when the 13th Indiana Cavalry (131st Regiment) was formed, Reid joined Company C as a second lieutenant. The regiment became active in April, and at the end of May was moved to Huntsville, Alabama. Here Reid apparently did some undercover work behind Confederate lines. While at Huntsville, the regiment held off General Buford's entire command in September. Moving back to Nashville, the 13th Cavalry participated in a battle there on 15–16 December 1864, then was sent by boat to New Orleans and thence to Mobile, Alabama. In December 1864 when Colonel G. M. L. Johnson of the 13th Cavalry was appointed to temporary command of the second Brigade, 7th Division, he appointed Reid as A.A.A.G.

In the spring of 1865 the regiment went on an 800-mile raid across Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi, ending at Columbus, Mississippi. It was mustered out at Vicksburg in November 1865. By this time Reid had been promoted to captain.

Undated addresses in a small notebook in the collection show Reid living in Wooster, Ohio, and serving as Professor of Ancient Languages at Iberia College in Ohio. By the time the 13th Cavalry had a reunion in 1888, Reid was living in Monmouth, Illinois.

Sources:

Materials in collection.

W. H. H. Terrell, *Report of Adjutant General*, Adjutant General's Office. *Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Indiana*. Vols. II, III, and V. Indianapolis: A. H. Connor [etc.] State Printer, 1865–69. General and Reference Collection, E506.2.I39 T4 1865

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains military orders and reports, muster rolls and other forms, and a small notebook.

Among the notable items is a notebook kept by Reid in 1864–65 listing the inhabitants of Huntsville in categories such as "guerillas," "gave aid to guerillas," "entitled to protection," and "Good Union Men."

There is also an exchange of notes in September 1864 from General Buford demanding surrender of the regiment in Huntsville, from Colonel Johnson proposing to exempt certain areas of the city from bombardment, and from General N. B. Forrest agreeing to this proposal.

Also included are a notice from the Negro population of Macon, Mississippi, inviting Union troops in the city to a public dinner of thanks (10 June 1865); and a report of pillaging and attempted rape by soldiers of the 19th Pennsylvania Cavalry (20 March 1865).

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