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Descriptive Summary

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Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

This folder contains eighteen letters and one envelope to and from Sephus (Cephas) L. Walton. These letters are to and from his Mother, Father, Brother, Wife and other relations while he was in the 1st Virginia Battalion, Company A and 42nd Infantry Virginia Regiment, Company B.

Creator

Walton family

Creator

Walton, S. L. (Sephas L.), b. abt. 1840/1841 (Floyd County, Va.)

Extent

0.1 Cubic Feet 1 folder

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Sephas (Cephas) L. Walton was a farmer in Floyd County. He was born about 1840-1841 to James W. Walton and Louisa W. Walton. At age 20 he was six feet with dark hair, blue eyes, and a shallow complexion. The spelling of his name seems to have changed from C to S between his two enlistments.

Sephas (Cephas) L. Walton volunteered May 28, 1861 at the Floyd County Court House at age 19 to serve one year in the Rebel Army (42 Virginia Regiment, Company B). Walton left home on June 11, 1861 and was discharged January 22, 1862 at Romney, West Virginia for Tuberculosis, arriving home February 15, 1862. Walton rejoined the Rebel Army June 6, 1864 and was assigned to Company A 1st Virginia Battalion. Sephas was wounded accidentally in the left foot July 5, 1864 and was sent to Richmond Hospital. Walton returned home August 21, 1864. Once again Walton returns to camp February 6, 1865. He was then captured at Amelia Court House April 5, 1865 and taken to Point Lookout, Maryland April 13, 1865. Walton was released June 22, 1865 and returned home June 29, 1865.

J., Robert, and Kevin Conley. 1st Battalion, Virginia Infantry, 39th Battalion, Virginia Cavalry, 24th Battalion Virginia Partisan Rangers. 1996. Print.

Chapla, John D. 42nd Virginia Infantry. 1983. Print.

Scope and Content

Collection consists of nineteen letters and notes to and from Walton, his parents, his wife Nancy Ann, his brother, and cousins. A majority of the letters are about family news and business.

Keywords

Civil War

Local/Regional History and Appalachian South

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

Existence and Location of Copies

This collection has been digitized and is available online.

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Arrangement

Materials in this collection are arranged in chronological order. Undated materials are at the beginning.

Description of Subordinate Components

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