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Language

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Abstract

The collection contains American Civil War-era muster and descriptive roll of John W. Dillon, steward in the 42nd Regiment of the Virginia Volunteers. Signed by Dillon and John W. Smith, Assistant Surgeon, 42nd Regiment of the Virginia Volunteers.

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Biographical Note

During the American Civil War, John W. Dillon, of Floyd County, Virginia, enlisted as a private on 25 May 1861 at Floyd Court House and was mustered into Company B, 42nd Virginia Infantry. He was appointed hospital steward on 1 September 1861 and returned to regular duty with the regiment on 1 January 1862. Promoted to second lieutenant on 21 April 1862, he was killed in action on 27 November 1863 at Payne's Farm, Virginia.

Administrative History

During the American Civil War, the 42nd Virginia Infantry was organized in July 1861 and saw action with the Army of Northern Virginia in many battles, including Cold Harbor, Malvern Hill, Second Manassas, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg.

Scope and Content

The single American Civil War-era document in this collection is titled Muster and Descriptive Roll of Steward Employed in the 42nd Regiment Virginia Volunteers under charge of Assistant Surgeon J. W. Smith, P.A.C.S. (Provisional Army Confederate States). It shows the record of Private John W. Dillon, who was appointed steward on 1 September 1861 and served in this position until 1 January 1862. No date is actually shown on the document. It is signed by Dillon and certified by John W. Smith, Assistant Surgeon, 42nd Regiment Virginia Volunteers.

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