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Abstract

The collection contains a United States Military Railroads receipt, issued to general freight agent William W. Tuttle at Nashville, Tennessee.

Creator

United States. Bureau of Military Railroads

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Historical Note

The United States Military Railroads were created in 1862 with legislation empowering the Federal government to take possession and operate railroads as necessary to support the Union war effort during the American Civil War. The seized railroads were consolidated into the United States Military Railroads to insure the efficient movement of troops and supplies, with operating money issued by the Quartermaster's Department. The U.S.M.R. was gradually liquidated beginning in August 1865, as the railroads were returned to their original owners and government-produced equipment and rolling stock were sold.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of a single United States Military Railroads receipt. Issued in Nashville, Tennessee on August 25, 1865 to general freight agent William W. Tuttle, the document acknowledges receipt of \$5,700 and is signed by an assistant quartermaster [T. J. Aider?].

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