

# Allison Family Correspondence

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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

Ms.2011.060

### Unit Date

1862-1864

### Language

English .

### Abstract

This collection contains four letters from members of the Allison family (John P and James Polk), as well as a surgeon's certificate for William H Allison.

### Creator

Allison, John P.

### Creator

Allison, James Polk, b.1843(?)-1863

**Extent**

0.1 Cubic Feet 1 folder

**Repository**

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

Collection is open for research.

**Use Restrictions**

Permission to publish material from the Allison Family Correspondence must be obtained from Special Collections, Virginia Tech.

**Acquisition Information**

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**Processing Information**

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## Biographical Note

James Polk Allison enlisted with Company K, 63rd Virginia Infantry on April 1, 1862. John P Allison enlisted with Company F on May 6, 1862. In August 1864 he transferred to Company K and was promoted to 1st Corporal. From February 1865 to June 1865 he was a P.O.W. and Point Lookout, Maryland. William H Allison enlisted with Company K on April 1, 1862. He was killed in action at Chickamauga in September 1863.

## Scope and Content

This collection contains four letters from members of the Allison family (John P and James Polk), as well as a surgeon's certificate for William H Allison. The letters include news from the war front, requests for money, and information about individual family members. Letters date from 1862 to 1864, and were written in Virginia and Georgia. One of the letters and the surgeon's certificate are photocopies of original materials.

Transcripts are available for all the materials.

## Keywords

Civil War

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

Allison, William Henry, d.1863

## Existence and Location of Copies

Some of this collection has been digitized and is available online.

## Arrangement

The letters are arranged in chronological order, with the originals placed on top of the transcripts.

## Description of Subordinate Components

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