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Abstract

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Creator

Godfrey, Stafford J., 1827-1911 (21st New York Regiment)

Extent

0.3 Cubic Feet 1 box

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Use Restrictions

Permission to publish material from Stafford J. Godfrey Papers must be obtained from Special Collections, Virginia Tech.

Acquisition Information

The Stafford J. Godfrey Papers were purchased by Special Collections in April 2017.

Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Stafford J. Godfrey was born in New York in 1827. He enlisted in the 21st Regiment, New York Volunteers as a musician in April of 1861. His profession was listed as "cheese making," and following his service, he returned to farming in Wyoming County, New York. Prior to the war, he married Phebe Ward (1831-1884) and the couple had two children. Godfrey eventually retired from farming and lived with his daughter and son-in-law. He died in 1911 and is buried in Varysburg, Wyoming County, New York.

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Keywords

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Description of Subordinate Components

Diary

Unit Date 1861-1863

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Military Papers and Calling Card

Unit Date 1863, 1890s, n.d.

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Container 2 (folder)