

A Guide to the Benjamin Washington Jones Papers

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L. May Jones

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35 items

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Scope and Content

This collection consists of thirty-five letters, 1902-1913, mainly concerned with yearly reunions of the Surry Light Artillery of Confederate Veterans. Letters from Fielding Alexander Coakley of Alexandria, Virginia, describe his service during the war and his misfortune since, and show his feeling of patriotism and pride in the Confederacy. The letters of W. H. Elliott of Randolph, Virginia, express his regret in missing each year's reunion, and describe his crop situation and health. Letters from George C. Holmes of Ivor, Virginia concern the deaths of various comrades and the annual reunions. Letters of Georgiette Clarke Holmes of Surry, Virginia discuss plans for reunions. Letters from E. H. McGusiman of Alliance, Virginia, discuss the state of various comrades and meetings to be held at Bacon's Castle (1907). Letters from C. C. Richardson deal with organizing reunions and other veterans business. Letters from S. M. Williams discuss the present location of comrades, personal affairs, and regrets concerning reunions. Two of these letters contained donations for the veteran emergency funds. The remaining letters are from various people and mostly deal with the reunions. P. D. Gwaltney's letter of July 23, 1904, describes several places in Virginia that he was stationed while with the Surry Artillery; and Mrs. W. E. Harris' letter of March 1910, solicits help in beginning an organization for descendants of veterans to educate them properly on the war, as they are being taught in school that the war was caused by slavery alone.

Container List

Fielding Alexander Coakley to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1904, 1912

W. H. Elliott to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1902-1913

George C. Holmes to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1904-1906

Georgiette Clarke Holmes to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1913

E. H. McGusiman to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1904-1907

C. C. Richardson to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1906-1909

S. M. Williams to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1903-1905

Letters to B. W. Jones

Unit Date 1904-1912

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