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MILITIA MEMBERS WHO LATER SERVED WITH THE 6TH VIRGINIA INFANTRY

Scope and Content Information

This manuscript plantation(?) account book, 1850-1854, chiefly consists of accounts pertaining to blacks as well as a militia company roll. "Negro Accounts 1853" encompasses two pages of payments for various goods and services rendered, especially for "ditching." Also present is a separate pencilled note "No negro man is to leave the plantation on Sunday until I permit them," a record of guano sales, and indicators of business dealings with various identified individuals (Joshua Condry, Mrs. E[lizabeth] Elam of Richmond, Bettie Lester and Sallie A. Flournoy).

Of particular interest is the 1850 militia company roll bearing attendance entries during the months of April, May and October. Most of the approximately 165 individuals listed therein were Chesterfield County residents according to the 1850 Virginia Census. Eventually, several of these men served with the 6th Virginia Infantry ¹during the Civil War in companies I and K; their names are appended at the end of this guide. Others probably enlisted in one of the county's remaining units described in Francis Earle Lutz's *Chesterfield: An Old Virginia County*. ²

¹See Michael A. Cavanaugh's *6th Virginia Infantry*, 1988, pp. 5 and 6.

²See page 231 for a brief listing of Chesterfield County Confederate units.