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**Abstract**

Colonel Blanton Duncan (b. 1827) served as the colonel of the 1st Kentucky Infantry in the Confederate army and as an engraver and printer of Confederate money during the Civil War. Collection contains photocopies of eight letters written to Duncan between 1862 and 1864, chiefly by Confederate Gen. P. G. T. (Pierre Gustave Toutant) Beauregard and one of his staff officers. Letters from 1862 and 1863 are largely personal in nature and discuss a possible army position for a friend of Duncan's, the Baron Von Koenig, and gifts apparently sent between the two men. Letters from late 1864 discuss the military situation in Virginia, the peace movement in the North, and the feelings of the British toward the South. Also includes a copy of an October 1862 letter from Stonewall Jackson in response to Duncan's query about obtaining a photograph or likeness of Jackson. Some of the photocopies are difficult to read.

**Creator**

Duncan, Blanton

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## Biographical / Historical

Col. Blanton Duncan (b. 1827) was the son of Patsy Martin and Garnett Duncan, of Louisville, Kentucky. A lawyer and member of the legislature before the Civil War, Blanton raised and became colonel of the 1st Kentucky Infantry in the Confederate army. By May 1862 he was working as an engraver and printer of Confederate money in Columbia, South Carolina. He lost his Confederate contracts in 1863 and eventually rejoined the army in North Carolina. H. Blanton Duncan married Mary T. Atkinson in 1853 and had five children.

## Separated Materials

Portrait paintings from this collection are currently displayed in West Virginia University buildings.

## Keywords

Civil War - soldier's letters.

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