

**Collection #  
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## **JAMES HOOK LETTERS, 1863**

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## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

James Hook was a medical official from Indiana during the Civil War

Sources:

Information in collection.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection consists of two letters written by James Hook, an Indiana medical official. The first one was written from Evansville on 27 May 1863 awaiting departure on the steamer "Courier." The recipient could be J. E. Jones. Hook describes the preparedness aboard the ship with General Charles P. Stone in command. The second letter was to "Friend Jones" on 2 June 1863 from the mouth of the Yazoo River in Mississippi. He relates visiting hospitals with many wounded that would die and the refusal of their assistance from the Medical Director even though they had fifty doctors on board the ship. He also gives a vivid account of the shelling of Vicksburg and the arrival of 650 "contrabands" (slaves) to the Union lines.

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