# ELIAS C. CLEMENTS CIVIL WAR CORRESPONDENCE, 1865

**Collection Information** 

**Biographical Sketch** 

Scope and Content Note

**Cataloging Information** 

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

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RELATED HOLDINGS:	For 145 <sup>th</sup> Indiana Regiment: SC 2358, Oliver Shepherd Papers
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### **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Elias C. Clements (fl. 1865–66) was a resident of Huron, Indiana (Lawrence Co.). During the Civil War, he served with the 145<sup>th</sup> Indiana Regiment, Company D, from 1 February 1865, to 21 January 1866. Clements and his wife, Sarah, had three children: John M., Martha, and Theodotia.

On 20 December 1864, the 145<sup>th</sup> Indiana Regiment was one of eleven regiments formed by the United States Army to serve for one year. It was recruited from the Third Congressional District and mustered into service in February 1865. The regiment left Indianapolis on 18 February and arrived in Nashville, Tennessee, on the 21<sup>st</sup>. It reported to a General Steadman two days later at Chattanooga. The 145<sup>th</sup> proceeded to Dalton, Georgia, where it guarded a railroad for some time before moving on to Marietta. It was ordered to Cuthbert in the fall of 1865 and remained there until being mustered out.

Sources:

Material in the collection.

Adjutant General's Office. *Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Indiana*. Vol. 3, p. 373–374; Vol. 7, p. 494. Indianapolis: A. H. Connor [etc.] State Printer, 1865–69. General and Reference Collection, E506.2.I39 T4 1865

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of nine letters between Elias C. Clements, a soldier in the 145<sup>th</sup> Indiana Regiment, and his wife, Sarah, and his daughter, Martha. They were written between February and October 1865; those written by Clements trace his service during the Civil War, from Camp Carrington in Indianapolis to Cuthbert, Georgia. Clements reports his activities as a soldier, while his wife writes about family matters.

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