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NOTES:
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

James Gray (1835–1916) was born in Maryland and came with his family to Harrison County, Indiana, in the 1850s. On 25 October 1861, he enlisted in Company C of the 50th Indiana Regiment as a corporal and was later promoted to sergeant. In May 1865, he was promoted to lieutenant and transferred to Company D of the 52nd Indiana Regiment and was mustered out in September of the same year. After the war, he returned to Harrison where he was a farmer. In June 1870, James Gray married Mary Susan Applegate. Sometime in the 1880s, they moved to Meade County, Kentucky.

Sources:
American Civil War Research Database, accessed 24 July 2018
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The letter in this collection was written by James Gray to his friend John Boon while serving with the 50th Indiana in Glenbrook, Kentucky, 16 February 1862. In it Gray teases Boon about having such a great life at home running around and sleeping in a warm bed while he serves in the army where it is now cold and snowy. He also writes of impending battle with the Confederates as they can see each other across the Green River.

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