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SC 2743

**JOHN J. MURPHY
CIVIL WAR LETTER, 17 JANUARY 1864**

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John J. Murphy lived in Virginia for a time with his wife, where he worked as a spy for the Union army. In August 1862 he left Virginia for Ohio and found employment near Cincinnati. He stayed there for six months and then returned to Indiana where he started a business in the sale of cigars.

Sources:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of one letter, dated 17 January 1864, from North Vernon in Jennings County, Indiana. It was written by John J. Murphy to Captain J.C. Hopper. Murphy writes about being a spy at Bull Run and what he heard of General Jackson's activities there. He also mentions being arrested and seeing his nephews. He then goes into his personal life and his need for employment to take care of his daughter since his wife had recently died. ALS 4p.

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