JOHN L. FILES AND JACOB RIGHOUSE DOCUMENTS, 1867–1913

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John L. Files (1833–1912) was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the son of German immigrants. In August 1854, he married Mary Magdalene Hinch and moved to Hanover, Jefferson County, Indiana, where he was a wagon maker. In August 1861, Files enlisted as a private in Company H of the 27th Indiana Regiment and was later promoted to sergeant. Files received an injury to his foot at the Battle of Gettysburg, 3 July 1863, and was later assigned as a teamster at brigade headquarters and was mustered out in September 1864.

Jacob Righthouse (1833–1911) was born in Saluda, Jefferson County, Indiana. In 1857, he married Mary J. Cole (1836–1927) and they had nine children. Righthouse spent most of his life farming. During the Civil War, he served in Captain Daniel P. Monroe’s company of 9th Indiana Independent Legion, “Saluda Guards” of Jefferson County for ninety days in 1862.

Sources:

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The materials consist of photocopies of pension files obtained from the National Archives for genealogical research in 2005. Included are depositions, affidavits, applications, and correspondence regarding both Files, 1867–1913, and Righthouse, 1890–1898.

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