JOHN QUINCY ADAMS BLACKWELL PAPERS, 1862-1863

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:

2 manuscripts folders

COLLECTION

1862-1863

DATES:

PROVENANCE: Most letters purchased from Alvin Lohr, Hagerstown,

Maryland, 1961

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:

RELATED Gage, Moses D. From Vicksburg to Raleigh: Or, a Complete

HOLDINGS: History of the Twelfth Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry,

and the Campaigns of Grant and Sherman, with an Outline of the Great Rebellion. Chicago: Clarke, 1865. E506.5 12th .G13

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr. John Quincy Adams Blackwell was a 1st Lieutenant in the 12th Indiana Infantry Regiment and a Surgeon in the 115th Indiana Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. Born in Bedford, Indiana in 1834, Blackwell graduated with an MD from Wabash College in 1858 and began practicing medicine in Monticello, Indiana. He volunteered for the 12th Regiment on August 14th, 1862 and was wounded in the Battle of Richmond, Kentucky later that month. On September 12th, 1863 he was transferred to the 115th Regiment and promoted to Surgeon, where he served until February 25th, 1865. Blackwell moved with his wife and their three children to Missouri in 1881. He died in Wellsville, Missouri on January 28th, 1914.

Sources:

Materials in the Collection

Gage, Moses D. From Vicksburg to Raleigh: Or, a Complete History of the Twelfth Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and the Campaigns of Grant and Sherman, with an Outline of the Great Rebellion. Chicago: Clarke, 1865.

John A Blackwell in U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865. Ancestry.com.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection is predominantly made up of letters from Dr. John A. Blackwell to his wife Carrie during the Civil War. The letters describe his day-to-day work, his emotional state, and the progress of the war. Folder 1 contains a combination of photocopies and original letters from 1862 when Blackwell was a 1st Lieutenant in the 12th Infantry Regiment. It also contains a typewritten inventory of contents with descriptions of each letter and the order form from which the letters were purchased in 1961. Folder 2 contains original letters from 1863, both before and after Blackwell's promotion and transfer to the 115th Regiment.

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