NEW SALISBURY (INDIANA) POLL BOOK, 1864

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 item
COLLECTION DATE: 1864
PROVENANCE: Hamill & Barker, Antiquarian Bookseller, 1719 Howard Street, Evanston, IL 60202, 20 October 1995
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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Southern Indiana was the arena for bitter political contention during the Civil War. Republican Governor Oliver P.
Morton, at odds with Indiana's Democratic General Assembly, claimed that Democrats were in league with Copperheads and other disloyal elements, intending to set up a Northwest Confederacy. At the time of the presidential election of 1864, Morton arranged to have many (Union sympathizing) soldiers brought home on leave to vote. In the election, Republicans carried the state by 20,000 votes, regained control of the General Assembly, and won eight of eleven seats in Congress. However, in rural New Salisbury, north of Corydon in Harrison County, McClellan received 136 votes to Lincoln's 71.

Sources: Materials in collection
Thornbrough, Indiana in the Civil War Era (1965), passim

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains one item, the election poll book for the 1864 election in New Salisbury, Jackson Township, Harrison County, Indiana. The twelve-page booklet, unbound, has the attested electoral results on the first page, and, inside, a list of the 207 registered voters. Several pages are blank.

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: New Salisbury (Ind.) Poll Book, 1864

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