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**NICHOLAS R. RUCKLE
LETTER, 29 MARCH 1892**

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Nicholas Randle Ruckle was born in Baltimore, Maryland on 8 May 1838. His family moved to Indianapolis in 1847. Nicholas began working at the Indianapolis Journal at the age of fifteen. He later became a member of the Eleventh Infantry under Col. Lew Wallace. Nicholas served in the military for the entirety of the Civil War and received several promotions. After the war, he returned to Indianapolis. He served as Marion County sheriff (1870–74), president of the Metropolitan Police Commissioners Board of Indianapolis (1887–88), and Adjutant General of Indiana (1889–93). Nicholas gained a controlling interest in the Indianapolis Journal Company in 1874. However, the business suffered several losses, which resulted in Nicholas losing most of his money. Nicholas married Jennie C. Moore on 24 February 1876. They had one child, Corliss Randle Ruckle. Nicholas died on 4 May 1900.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains a letter from Nicholas R. Ruckle, Adjutant General of Indiana, to Lieutenant Charles Long in Elkhart, Indiana. The letter accepts Lieutenant Long's resignation and orders the commanding officer of Long's company, Company E of the 3rd Infantry I. L., to have a meeting to fill the vacancy.

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