THOMAS L. CALLOWAY
LETTER, N.D., 1913

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: Two items

COLLECTION DATES: 1913, n.d.
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Thomas L. Calloway (6 January 1835—?) was a native of Ohio. His parents were Thomas and Elizabeth Calloway. His paternal grandfather was Jesse Calloway, who had several brothers. Jesse Calloway's children, Thomas, William, Eliza Ann, Benjamin, and Joseph, were born to his first wife. Jacob, John, Mary, Jim, Jerry, Jane, and Dan were his children with his second wife. By 1840, Thomas L. Calloway and his family were living in Jefferson County, Indiana. Calloway moved westward, and by the 1870 census, he lived in Missouri.

Sources: Materials in the collection; Federal Population Census, 1820–1910

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of two items. The first is a piece of business stationary (Charles W. Calloway, Bricklayer and Contractor, Madison, Indiana). The stationary contains several names and notes regarding Madison history and the Underground Railroad.

The second item is a three-page hand-written and signed letter. Dated 9 December 1913, it is written to Mrs. Gaylord Crozier in Madison, Indiana, from her cousin, Thomas L. Calloway in Springfield, Missouri. Calloway indicates that he is responding to a letter that he received from Crozier requesting information about their family history. He talks about his grandfather, Jesse Calloway, and mentions Jesse's two wives and provides the names of their children. He says the Calloways were Quakers and that they originated in Delaware before crossing the mountains to Pennsylvania, then came down the Ohio River to Cincinnati. He talks about the War of 1812, the family's involvement with the Underground Railroad, and social changes that have taken place in the United States (e.g., cost of postage and the efficiency of the mail service). He ends with a note concerning his ill health, and says that he hopes to hear from his cousin again.

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