WILLIAM R. LOWES
LETTER, 17 AUGUST 1862

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

William Robertson Lowes (1840–1924) was born and spent his entire life in Marion County, Indiana, living in Perry and Franklin Townships as a farmer. In July 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company G of the 70th Indiana Infantry during the Civil War and served until he was mustered out in June 1865.

Lowes was married three times. He first married Rhoda Seely (1842–1867), and they had two children. In October 1869, he married Celia Clark (1836–1877), and they had one child. Finally, in August 1878, he married Scythia Hughey (1855–1921), and they had three children.

Sources:
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Lowes wrote this letter to his wife “Rody” (Rhoda) from Louisville, Kentucky, while serving in Company G of the 70th Indiana Regiment, 17 August 1862. He tells of the size and high quality of the officers of the unit led by Benjamin Harrison. He sends his regards to her family and their daughter. He also says that the regiment will be headed to Nashville soon but to write to the regiment in Louisville.

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