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**WILLIAM WIRT DAUGHERTY  
LETTERS, 20 DECEMBER 1863, 27 APRIL 1864**

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## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

William Wirt Daugherty (ca. 1841–ca. 1920s) was born in Indianapolis, Indiana. On 19 April 1861 he enlisted as a private in Company G of the 27<sup>th</sup> Indiana Regiment. Daugherty received subsequent promotions to master sergeant in January 1862, 2<sup>nd</sup> lieutenant in Company I in November 1862, and 1<sup>st</sup> lieutenant and adjutant of Company H. He was mustered out in November 1864 but apparently remained with the service until February 1893. Daugherty was listed as living in Indianapolis with his wife, Mattia and three children in the 1920 census.

Sources:

American Civil War Research Database <http://www.civilwardata.com/active/index.html>; accessed 23 October 2007.

Terrell, W.H.H., *Report of the Adjutant General, Indiana*.

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection consists of two letters written by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant William Daugherty from Tullahoma, Tennessee to his father Joseph in Indianapolis.

The letter dated 20 December 1863 goes over some personal issues, but also describes recruiting, Rebel deserters from General Bragg's army, and describes a glimpse of General Grant. The letter dated 27 April 1864 relates the activities of the 27<sup>th</sup> Indiana. He details where they are marching to and tells of the high morale of the unit.

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