

Henry Walker Correspondence
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Collection Summary

Title: Henry Walker Correspondence

Span Dates: 1861-1864

ID No.: MSS81351

Creator: Walker, Henry, d. 1864

Extent: 75 items

Extent: 1 container

Extent: .2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Union soldier. Chiefly correspondence between Henry Walker, a Union soldier who served in the 117th Regiment, New York State Volunteers, during the Civil War, and his family in Forest Port, Oneida County, New York.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Walker family.

Walker, Henry, -1864.

Organizations

United States. Army. New York Infantry Regiment, 117th (1862-1865)

Subjects

Bounties, Military--United States.

Shoes--Repairing.

Places

Forestport (N.Y.)--History.

New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Oneida County (N.Y.)--History.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Titles

Henry Walker papers

Occupations

Soldiers.

Provenance

The correspondence of Henry Walker, Union soldier, was donated to the Library of Congress by Richard Deakin in 1991.

Processing History

The Henry Walker correspondence was arranged and described in 1995. The finding aid was revised in 2008.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Henry Walker is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Henry Walker are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Henry Walker Correspondence, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Henry Walker (d. 1864) span the years 1861-1864 and consist primarily of correspondence between Henry Walker, a Union soldier who served in the 117th Regiment, New York State Volunteers, during the Civil War, and his family in Forest Port, Oneida County, New York. Walker's letters begin with his travels from New York to Washington, D.C., in August 1862 and continue until June 1864 when he wrote from a convalescent camp. The final letter, dated July 1864, is from an army chaplain notifying the family of Walker's death from illness. The subject matter covered in Walker's letters relates to family finances and includes discussions of enlistment bounties and his mending shoes for extra money. The earliest letters, dated 1861, are to Walker from his son, Albert, who was serving in the Union army in Washington, D.C.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein chronologically.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Correspondence, 1861-1864 (4 folders)
BOX 1	Miscellany, 1862, undated