



Paul Agalus McMichael correspondence and diary, 1861-1865
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Container 11/294

Creator: McMichael, Paul Agalus, 1820-1869

Description: 34 items; 1 v.

Biographical/historical note: P.A. McMichael raised a Confederate volunteer company that became Company G of the Twentieth South Carolina Infantry. He served in the Charleston, South Carolina area (1861-1863) mainly around Sullivan's Island, and in Virginia, where he participated in the battle of Cold Harbor and was promoted to Lt. Col of the 20th Regiment. He was captured at Cedar Creek and taken to Fort Delaware.

Scope and content: Includes McMichael's war-time diary (1861-1865, bulk 1864-1865) and correspondence (1862-1864) with his wife in Orangeburg, S.C. with references to camp life, battles, family and personal life, requests for food and clothing, war news from around Charleston (S.C.) harbor, and his service in the Army of Northern Virginia (1864).

Also includes a handwritten newspaper, Prison Times (vol. 1, no. 1) for prisoners at Fort Delaware, Del. It contains advertisements for tailoring, barbering, music, religious assistance, debate and chess clubs with poetry, barracks directory, and descriptions and comments on prison life.

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Cedar Creek, Battle of, Va., 1864.
Cold Harbor, Battle of, Va., 1864.
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Diaries.
Newspapers.
Prison times (Newspaper : Fort Delaware, Del.)

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11/294/1-7 McMichael, P.A. d. 1869
Letters, Journal 1861-1865. 34 items.

CSA Soldier. Letters of PAM at Sullivan's Island, Mt. pleasant, Battery Marshall, VA and elsewhere to his wife, Margaret McMichael, Orangeburg. Letters regarding camp life, shellings, battles, family and personal life, requests for food and clothing, war news from around Charleston Harbor, and Pam's service in the Army of Northern VA. (1864). Also includes journals (1861-1865) regarding PAM's service in CSA.

11/294/8 Prison Times Fort Delaware, 1865
P.O.W. Newspaper, 1865. 1 item.

CSA Army prisoners holograph newspaper (April 1865) "Prison Times" vol. 1, no. 1, Fort Delaware, DE. Newspaper includes advertisements for tailoring, barbering, music, religious assistance, debating clubs and chess clubs with poetry, barracks directory and descriptions of comments on prison life.