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The Griffith Letters

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INTRODUCTION

Joan Metzger, author of The Griffith Letters: The Story of Frank Griffith and the 116th New York Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War, donated her book research files to the Regional History Center on January 28, 2005.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Griffith Letters collection consists of research files created by the author, Joan Metzger, while writing her book entitled, The Griffith Letters: The Story of Frank Griffith and the 116th New York Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War. The records consist of nine series created by the author: Book and Drafts, Griffith Family Research, 116th NYSV Research, New York Research, Louisiana Research, Washington D.C. Research, Correspondence, Miscellaneous Research, and Questions. Metzger's research files complement the original Griffith Family letters held by the Regional History Center. The original letters are located in the F.E. Griffith Family Correspondence (RC 89).

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Ames, Acil E.
Griffith Family
Sandwich (Ill.)
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
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COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
Series I. Book and Drafts		
1	1	<u>The Griffith Letters: The Story of Frank Griffith and the 116th New York Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War</u> , Joan Metzger, 2004
	2-4	First Draft of Book
	5-6	Second Draft of Book
Series II. Griffith Family Research		
2	1	Research Pertaining to the Book and Genealogy of Griffith Family
	2	Frank Griffith Military Records, 1862-1921
	3	Harriet M. "Hattie" Griffith Bernard Information, 1914
	4	Sandwich, Illinois
	5	Albert Myers, Frank Griffith's Brother-in-law, 1886-1922
	6	Griffith-Myers, Legal Documents, (RC89/1/12)
	7	Griffith Family Descendants
	8	Griffith Family Collection Research, Glen Gildemeister
Series III. 116 th NYSV Research		
	9	<u>116th Regiment of New York State Volunteers</u> , Orton S. Clark, 1868
	10	<u>Adjutant General Reports</u> , Civil War Rosters, New York, 1903
	11	<u>Adjutant General's Annual Report</u> , New York, 1869 (aka Register of Officers)
	12	116 th Chronology, <u>Memorial Service</u> , Ira Ayer, 1889
	13	116 th , <u>Souvenir</u> , 1887; <u>Roster</u> , 1895
	14	<u>A Record of ... the Regiments Which Were Organized in New York</u> , 1868
	15	Acil (Ashael) E. Ames, 1862-1916
	16	Letters of James F. Ryther, 116 th , Co. H., (1862-1865)
	17	Miscellaneous, 116 th ; also Lorenzo Baker Johnston
	18	<u>A Compendium of the War of the Rebellion</u> , Frederick Dyer, 1959 (116 th , 78 th and 112nd - Albert Myers)
	19	<u>War of the Rebellion</u> , 1891 (info on Pleasant Hill)
	20	<u>114th Regiment NYSV</u> , Dr. Harris H. Beecher, 1866

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Series IV. New York Research			
2	21	Census, New York, 1790-1920	
	22	New York, Miscellaneous	
	23	<u>Centennial History of Erie County</u> , Crisfield Johnson, 1876	
	24	Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society Materials and Photo	
	25	Buffalo and Erie County Public Library	
	26	<u>Erie County and Civil War</u> , Richard C. Brown, 1973	
3	1	<u>Gazetteer of New York</u> , J.H. French, 1861 and Other NY Place Materials	
	2	<u>History of the City of Buffalo and Erie County</u> , H. Percy Smith, 1884	
	3	<u>History of Concord, NY</u> and Map from 1866 Atlas, 1882, 1992	
	4	<u>Honors of the Empire State</u> , Thomas Townsend, 1889	
	5	<u>New York in the War of the Rebellion</u> , Frederick Phisterer, 1912	
	6	<u>Our County and Its People... Erie County, New York</u> , Truman C. White, 1898	
Series V. Louisiana Research			
	7	Louisiana, Miscellaneous	
	8	Marine Hospital (drawing)	
	9	<u>Disaster in Damp Sand</u> , Curt Anders, 1997	
	10	<u>Historical Atlas of Louisiana</u> , Charles Robert Goins and John Michael Caldwell, 1995	
	11	<u>Occupied City: New Orleans</u> , Gerald M. Capers, 1965	
	12	<u>Portraits of Conflict</u> , Carl Moneyhon and Bobby Roberts, 1990	
	13	<u>Pretense of Glory</u> (Bio. of Banks - Red River Camp), 1998	
	14	<u>Red River Campaign</u> , Ludwell Johnson, 1993	
	15	<u>Touched by Fire</u> (Mostly LA, except Belle Island and Washington D.C.), 1985	
	16	<u>Twelve Years a Slave</u> , Solomon Northrup, 1968; "Root, The Experience of a Federal Soldier in Louisiana," 1936	
	17	<u>A Volunteer's Adventures</u> , John William De Forest, 1946 (has some comments on places such as Ship Island, Port Hudson)	
	18	<u>War Along the Bayous</u> , William Riley Brooksher, 1998	
	19	<u>War on the Frontier</u> , Alvin M. Josephy, Jr., 1986 (Red River)	
	20	<u>The Civil War in Louisiana</u> , John D. Winters, 1963	

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Series VI. Washington D.C. Research		
3	21	Washington D.C., Miscellaneous
	22	<u>Reveille in Washington</u> , Margaret Leech, 1941
	23	Arthur L. Wilkinson
Series VII. Correspondence		
4	1	My Correspondence Regarding Griffith, 1997-2003
	2	Use Letters, 1999-2004
	3	Joan Hardekopf, Sandwich Historical Society, 1999-2003
	4	Medical, Jane Kenamore, 1999-2000
	5	Maps, Andy Serak, 2000-2004
	6	Esther Williams, 1999-2003
Series VIII. Miscellaneous Research		
	7	Miscellaneous Research
	8	<u>Encyclopedia of the American Civil War</u> , 2000 (Bell Isle)
	9	John C. Heenan, 2003
	10	Maps, Washington D.C. South
	11	Medical and Other Terms
	12	Photo Sources
	13	<u>Buffalo Express</u> , Heacock's Sermon, Regarding Letter 12/19/1863, 1863
	14	<u>The Civil War Day By Day: An Almanac</u> , E.B. Long, 1971
	15	<u>The Civil War Dictionary</u> , Mary Mayo Boatner III, 1973
	16	<u>Encyclopedia of Historic Forts</u> , Robert B. Roberts, 1988
	17	<u>Everyday Life During the Civil War</u> , Michael J. Varhola, 1999
	18	"Mitigating the Sins of Humanity," Gregory M. Benshoof, 1996 (H491 Paper)
	19	<u>Patriotic Toil</u> , Jeanie Attie, 1998
	20	<u>The Photographic History of the Civil War</u> , 1987 (Prisons- Hospitals)
	21	<u>Southern Sons, Northern Soldiers</u> , Julie Holcomb, 2004
	22	<u>We Need Men: The Union Draft in the Civil War</u> , James W. Geary, 1991
	23	<u>While God is Marching On</u> , Steven E. Woodworth, 2001
	24	Writing Hints, Documentary Editing
	25	Possible Sources
	26	Sources of More Information
Series IX. Questions		
	27	Questions