Finding aid for the John Gelderloos Civil War research collection Collection 362

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Summary Information

Repository: Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Title: John Gelderloos Civil War research collection
ID: Collection 362
Date [inclusive]: 1859-
Physical Description: 0.21 Linear Feet Two boxes
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: This collection contains photocopies of soldier's letters and photographs, primarily having to do with the 1st Michigan Engineers and Mechanics regiment during the American Civil War. The contents are from the personal collection of John Gelderloos, who has been collecting items from this regiment since 2002. Primary focus is on soldiers from Kent County although some are from other Michigan Counties. Additional items cover the postwar period and include family photos as well as business engaged in by veterans of this regiment.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department

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Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503
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URL: http://www.grpl.org

Immediate Source of Acquisition

John Gelderloos, various accession numbers.
Related Materials

There are a number of GRPL archival collections which contain information related to the Civil War. For a more complete listing of these various collections, See Coll. 242, Grand Rapids Public Library Civil War Documents Collection.

Controlled Access Headings

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Veterans
- photographs
- letters (correspondence)
- United States. Army. Michigan Engineers and Mechanics Regiment, 1st (1861-1865)

Collection Inventory

Series I. Herkner Family

Subseries A. Papers

Title/Description: Civil War letters (1 photocopy)  Instances: Box 2

Subseries B. Photographs

Civil War

Title/Description: Joseph C. Herkner (3)  Instances: Box 2
### Family photos

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<td>Older Joseph (1)</td>
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### Herkner Jewelry Co.

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