

Guide to the Daniel Geary Papers

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Geary, Daniel, c. 1812-1892

Title: Daniel Geary Papers

Dates: 1839-1891 (bulk, 1861-1865)

Quantity: 1.5 linear feet

Abstract: Invoices, receipts, vouchers, etc., of the Ordnance Office of the city of Mobile during the Civil War.

Accession: 94-09-278 ; 278-1994

Biographical Note:

Daniel Geary, a Mobile bookkeeper, fought in two Creek Indian wars and was a veteran of the Mexican-American War. Despite being nearly fifty years of age in 1861, the state of Alabama commissioned Geary a lieutenant in Gage's Light Battery. He fought at the Battle of Shiloh and became an artillery instructor, serving on the line of redoubts and bay batteries that protected the city of Mobile from Union forces. At the end of the war Geary was Brigade Ordnance Officer for the Confederate Army.

Scope and Contents:

This collection consists of the day-

books from 1839 to 1891. Of particular interest within the collection is an Certificate, a signed Parole of Honor in which Geary swore to cease his service in the Confederate Army, and a diary by Charles Brother, a Union officer, describing Mobile Bay. Available on five reels of 35mm positive microfilm.

Arrangement:

Arranged chronologically.



Access Restrictions:

25. Roll of Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates Employed on Extra Duty as Mechanics and Laborers at Mobile, 1865
26. Miscellaneous Personnel Rosters
27. Undated Documents
28. Letters Pertaining to Geary=s Promotion Status
29. Parole of Honor, May 14, 1865
30. Correspondence, 1870s
31. Personal Receipt Book, 1839-1853
32. Personal Receipt Book, 1839-1851
33. Personal Receipt Book, January 11, 1852-September 18, 1860
34. Personal Receipt Book, 1859-1867
35. Personal Receipt Book, 1868-1891
36. Ordnance Log Book, 1863
37. Ordnance Log Book, 1863-1864
38. Personal Diary, March 14, 1864-August 5, 1864
39. Ordnance Log Book and Personal Diary, April 11, 1865-September 20, 1865-Isolated Entries 1866, 1869, 1870
40. Typed Extracts from Daily Diary, April 11, 1865-May 13, 1865