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Abstract

The collection contains a letter written by Esaw Worrell Franklin, February 26, 1862, from the camp of the 29th Virginia Infantry, to his parents in Carroll County, Virginia.

Creator

Franklin, Esaw W. (Esaw Worrell), 1841-1922

Extent

0.1 Cubic Feet 1 folder

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Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Use Restrictions

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Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Esaw Worrell Franklin was born in 1841 to Joel Leftwich and Nancy (Worrell) Franklin in Carroll County, Virginia. In June 1861, he enlisted in the Virginia 29th Infantry Regiment. He was promoted to 1st Sergeant on 13 May 1862, 2nd Lieutenant on 11 Jun 1863, and 1st Lieutenant on 16 May 1864. Following the Civil War, he returned to farming in Carroll County. Prior to 1870, he married Mary Ann Elizabeth Coleman (1834-1898), and the couple had one son, Humes Leftwich Franklin (1870-1946). In his later years, Franklin lived with his son's family on their farm. Franklin died on June 17, 1922, and is buried in Hillsville, Carroll County, Virginia.

Scope and Content

The collection contains a letter written by Esaw Worrell Franklin, February 26, 1862, from the camp of the 29th Virginia Infantry, to his parents in Carroll County, Virginia. Franklin's regiment was in western Virginia around Pound Gap and the Clinch River at the time of this letter. He describes the activities he and his regiment were involved in, the Clinch River and local creek flooding, the loss of material while crossing a flooded creek, a skirmish with the Yankees, and various camps and mileage of the expedition. The letter also includes Franklin's desire for a visit home on furlough and the likelihood of it.

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