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Scope and Content

The collection consists of an 1865 letter from John Ellicott, Confederate Nitre and Mining Bureau, to John W. Green of Wythe County who operated furnaces and provided the Bureau with pig iron and guano. A transcription and annotation appears below:

Confederate States of America

War Department, Nitre and Mining Bureau

Richmond

27 March 1865

Messr. John W. Green and Company

Wytheville, Virginia

Gentlemen:

Your letter of March 5 to Col. [Richard] Morton on account of the delays of the mail did not reach this office until this morning.

Your vouchers are received and the funds will be forwarded to you in a few days.

Dr. [D. K.] Tuttle has authority to provide for your supplies in every way known and so his failures under such authority must indicate great scarcity in the district. I will direct him to continue his efforts. You might aid him materially in pointing out persons from where they can be had.

Very respectfully,

Yours etc.

John Ellicott, Major

John W. Green operated the Mount Hope and Beauregard Furnaces, both thought to be in Wythe County, and supplied the Nitre and Mining Bureau with pig iron and guano. He purchased the Raven Cliff Furnace in 1861.

Col. Richard Morton, Chief of the Nitre and Mining Bureau, supervised activities in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Dr. D. K. Tuttle, based in Abingdon, Virginia, supervised District 1 and 2 and Lead Mines of the Nitre and Mining Bureau.

Major John Ellicott managed the iron service and government furnaces in North Carolina and Virginia.