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Guide to the Captain John Vedder Ledger

Call Number: 973.74 C [Library Cabinet 14]

Creator: Captain John Vedder

Ledger Dimensions: 15.5" x 10.5" x 0.5"

Biographical Information:

Military History:

Captain John Vedder was a member of the Union army, serving in the Company "E" 18th N.Y.S. Volunteer regiment, who enlisted as a 2nd lieutenant on May 2, 1861. Quickly rising through the ranks, he was promoted to 1st lieutenant on December 27, 1861, and then promoted again to full Captain on September 20, 1862. Captain Vedder was eventually mustered out on May 28, 1863 after two full years of service.

Residential Claims:

In addition to his military career, Captain John Vedder was listed in the 1862-1863 City Directory for Schenectady.

Scope and Content:

The materials in this ledger span 41 pages and pertain to Captain Vedder and the 18th N.Y.S. Volunteer Regiment, Company "E," which was recruited from Schenectady, New York. It includes many lists of information regarding the regiment, including its commissioned officers, as well as all soldiers who participated in the 18th N.Y.S., Company "E," and a listing of the events and battles that occurred within the time period that they were at war (1861-1863).

Section 1:

Includes a listing of the commissioned officers of the 18th N.Y.S. Volunteers

Section 2:

Holds a listing of the promotions within the 18th N.Y.S. for both their field and staff officers.

Section 3:

Contains a monthly journal with daily occurrences beginning in June 1861 and ending in May 1863.

Section 4:

Has a chart containing the names, hometowns/counties, states, occupations and remarks about each of the personnel of the 18th N.Y.S.

Section 5:

Includes a listing of the battles that this particular regiment engaged in, including Bull Run and Second Bull Run, Antietam, and Frederickburg.

Section 6:

Lists the events that occurred outside of the regiment but within the time period that the men were at war, ranging from February 23, 1861 to March 1, 1863.

Card Catalog Information:

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Author Searches: Vedder, Capt. John:

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