

# **Lewis King papers**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	King, Lewis, 1845-1929
<b>Title</b>	Lewis King papers
<b>Date</b>	1849-1929
<b>Extent</b>	0.3 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

Lewis King papers, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## Biographical Note

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Lewis King was born around 1845 or 1846 to his father and his father's second wife. Lewis was the youngest of six children. He was orphaned at the age of two and was bound out, at the age of five, to a couple for more than 10 years. They treated him abusively and did not allow him to attend the two years of school for which they had contracted, only three weeks. As had Abraham Lincoln, he learned, by candle and fire light, reading, writing and arithmetic.

He enlisted, in part to counter the South's treatment of slaves because he had experienced slavery first hand, as a private in Company H, 27th Indiana Infantry Regiment on September 12, 1861. He met Louisa M. Alcott when she nursed him through sickness and was mustered out on September 1, 1864 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He later enlisted in Company G, 145th Indiana Infantry as a private and was mustered out as a corporal.

He married Caroline Deputy in Jennings County, Indiana on September 30, 1866. She was born in 1845 and died in 1911. They lived in Bartholomew County, Indiana where he worked as a teacher in 1880 and a minister in 1900. He and Flora were married by 1920. He served as a department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Indiana. He filed as an invalid August 30, 1887 and died July 30, 1929. He is buried in the Garland Brook Cemetery in Columbus, Indiana.

Information found within the collection.

"King, Lewis". 1880 United States Federal Census. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

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"King, Lewis". Boardman Family Tree. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://trees.ancestrylibrary.com/tree/22170181/person/28116266813>

"King, Lewis". Find a Grave Index, 1600s-Current. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://www.findagrave.com>

"King, Lewis". Find a Grave Photo. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://www.findagrave.com>

"King, Lewis". Indiana, Select Marriages, 1780-1992. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

"King, Lewis". U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865. Retrieved 2015/06/22. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes the minutes of the 27th Indiana Infantry Regiment Association; a religious tract from 1849 by Reverend Robert Newstead; a medal of a Grand Army of the Republic veteran from 1866; a typed and autographed manuscript from Lewis King; an autographed, signed poem by Lewis King; autographed and signed letters from Thomas Deputy, Joshua Deputy, W.E. McGuire, Mrs. Archie McEwen, and Edmund R. Brown in Indiana, Tennessee and Virginia ranging from 1862 to 1929 regarding Civil War military service, life in the army and reunions of the members of the infantry.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged chronologically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

### Conditions Governing Use

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### Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation from Mrs. Flora King on Aug. 3, 1948.

## Accruals

No further additions are expected.

## Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2015/06/22 by Edythe Huffman. EAD finding aid created 2015/06/22 by Edythe Huffman.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Corporate Name(s)

- Grand Army of the Republic (U.S.).

### Geographic Name(s)

- Indiana
- Tennessee
- Virginia

### Personal Name(s)

- Newstead, Robert, 1789-1865
- United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 27th (1861-1864)

### Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Manuscript
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Personal narratives

## Collection Inventory

	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Reverend Robert Newstead religious tract, 1849; Grand Army of the Republic medal, 1866	1	1
Papers, 1862-1929	1	2
27th Indiana Volunteers Regimental Association minutes, 1885-1928	1	3
"Scraps from My Army Life" manuscript, undated	1	4
"Scraps from My Army Life" manuscript, undated	1	5