

Mrs. Richard Hausdorfer collection

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Deere & Company.
Creator	Rock Island Plow Company.
Title	Mrs. Richard Hausdorfer collection
Date	1862-1900
Extent	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
Mixed materials [Folder]	S611

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

Thomas J. Merritt operated a photography studio located at 42 & 44 Union Street, Nashville, Tennessee during the Civil War.

Rock Island Plow Company was founded in 1855 as Buford & Tate. The company's name changed to Buford Plow Works in 1864 and then to B.D. Buford & Co. in 1871. The company was reorganized into The Rock Island Plow Co. in 1885. The company was sold in 1937 to the J.I. Chase Co.

John Deere began his business in 1837 in Grand Detour, Illinois. In 1848, the company was moved to Moline, Illinois where the company still maintains its headquarters.

Farmer's Pocket Companions were used for advertising of company products. Along with pages of advertising, the booklets also included memoranda and expense account sheets, farm measurement information, and postage information.

Sources:

Palmquist, Peter E., and Thomas R. Kailbourn. *Pioneer Photographers from the Mississippi to the Continental Divide: A Biographical Dictionary, 1839-1865*. (Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 2005), 435. Accessed July 20, 2015. <https://books.google.com>.

Deere & Company. "History." John Deere. Accessed July 20, 2015. http://www.deere.com/en_US/corporate/our_company/about_us/history/history.page?

"Rock Island Plow Co." Rock Island Plow Company. 2013. Accessed July 20, 2015. http://www.rockislandplowco.com/index_files/RIPChistory.htm. Oestreich, Diane. "Rock Island Plow Company." Rock Island Preservation Society. February 2013. Accessed July 20, 2015. <http://www.rockislandpreservation.org/postcards-from-home/rock-island-plow-company/>.

Biographical Note

John W. Vaught was born in Johnson County, Indiana on December 3, 1842 to Andrew Jackson Vaught and Mary Thomas Vaught. He enlisted as a private in Company I, 70th Indiana Infantry Regiment on August 1, 1862. Vaught took part in the Atlanta campaign with the Union forces led by Gen. William T. Sherman and was killed during action at Gilgal (Golgotha) Church in Kennesaw, Georgia on June 15, 1864. At the time of his death the 70th Indiana Regiment was part of the 1st Brigade, 3rd Division, 20th Army Corps. Vaught is buried in the Marietta National Cemetery in Marietta, Georgia.

Sources:

Ancestry.com. "Vaught, John W." *Marietta, Georgia, Marietta National Cemetery, 1866-2010*. Accessed July 17, 2015. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>.

Ancestry.com. "Vaught, John W." *U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865*. Accessed July 17, 2015. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>.

Ancestry.com. "Vaught, John W." *1860 United States Federal Census*. Accessed July 17, 2015. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>.

FindaGrave.com. "Vaught, John W." *Find a Grave Index*. Accessed July 17, 2015. <http://www.findagrave.com>.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes a Civil War era photo of John W. Vaught from Franklin, Johnson County, Indiana taken by Thomas J. Merritt of Nashville, Tennessee and issues of the *Farmer's Pocket Companion* from the Rock Island Plow Company, Rock Island, Illinois (1894) and the John Deer Company of Moline, Illinois (1900).

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

Legal title, copyright, and literary rights reside with Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN. All requests to publish or quote from manuscripts must be submitted to Rare Books and Manuscripts.

Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation from Mrs. Richard Hausdorfer on 1974/03/11.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2015/07/20 by Laura Eliason. EAD finding aid created 2015/07/20 by Laura Eliason.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 70th (1862-1865).

Genre(s)

- Photographs

Geographic Name(s)

- Franklin (Ind.)
- Johnson County (Ind.)
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865

Personal Name(s)

- Vaught, John W.

Subject(s)

- Books
- Farming
- Kennesaw Mountain, Battle of, Ga., 1864
- Periodicals
- Soldiers