



William L. Catherwood Papers (C3799)

Collection Number: C3799

Collection Title: William L. Catherwood Papers

Dates: 1859-1873

Creator: Catherwood, William L., 1825-1895

Abstract: Papers pertaining to the 8th Regiment, Enrolled Missouri Militia, which Catherwood commanded during the Civil War. The papers also include incorporation papers, deeds, and correspondence of the Lander Hill Tunnel and Silver Mining Company of New York and Nevada, and a detailed report and drawing for a New York City rapid transit system, 1873.

Collection Size: 0.2 cubic feet
(14 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Biographical Note:

William L. and Edwin C. Catherwood were in St. Louis by June 1859. During the Civil War Colonel Edwin C. Catherwood served as commanding officer for Catherwood's Battalion, State

Militia. This unit became the 5th Battalion, State Militia, Companies A-H, and later the 6th Regiment, Cavalry, State Militia, Companies A-H. Colonel William L. Catherwood commanded Companies A-I, 8th Regiment, Enrolled Missouri Militia during 1864.

Between December 1864 and March 1865, William L. Catherwood began speculating in Nevada mining. He became president of a joint-stock company incorporated in New York which controlled mines in Lander County, Nevada.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following two series:

Military Records
Miscellaneous

Scope and Content Note:

Military Records

This series contains military papers that concern equipping Missouri State Militia and Enrolled Missouri Militia units during the Civil War. A detailed pamphlet and circular, May and July 1863, deals with accountability for ordnance, clothing, and camp and garrison equipment. These two pamphlets help to clarify the requisitions and receipts within this and other collections.

Miscellaneous

This series contains information on the Lander Hill Tunnel and Silver Mining Company, of Nevada and New York. They cover only the incorporation of the company and the acquisition of land. Also included are undated correspondence concerning a Butte County, California, mine. Ink on linen sketch of the mining locations in Austin, Nevada.

Container List:

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- f. 2-10 1864. 8th Regiment, Enrolled Missouri Militia. Records of requisition and receipt of ordnance and ordnance stores for Companies A-I

Miscellaneous

- f. 11-12 1865 April-May. Agreements, contracts, correspondence, deeds, and documents of incorporation for the Lander Hill Tunnel and Silver Mining Company, Inc. of New York and Austin, Nevada.
- f. 13 1873. *The Williams Rapid Transit Viaduct, or Suspended Track-Way For Rapid Transit Railways: The Solution of the Problem of Rapid Transit for New York and*

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- f. 14 Undated. Correspondence concerning a Butte County, California, mine. Ink on linen sketch of the mining locations in Austin, Nevada.

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