
Guide to the Nelson Stauffer Civil War Diary, 1862-1865

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Abstract: Nelson Stauffer enlisted in Co. A, 63rd Regiment, Illinois Infantry during the US Civil War. He kept a diary from 1862-1865. In it, he writes of his enlistment, training, troop movements, interactions with other soldiers, daily work assignments, patrolling, and a brief illness. He also describes the actions of some African-Americans he encountered while marching in the South, battlefield conditions, and the burning of Columbia, South Carolina.

Biographical Information:

Nelson Stauffer enlisted in Co. A, 63rd Regiment, Illinois Infantry during the US Civil War.

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Scope and Contents

Nelson Stauffer's diary, which he kept while fighting the US Civil War between 1862 and 1865, details his enlistment, training, troop movements, interactions with other soldiers, daily work assignments, patrolling, and a brief illness. He also describes the actions of some African-Americans he encountered while marching in the South, battlefield conditions, and the burning of Columbia, South Carolina.
