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Abstract: This collection contains 10 holograph letters ranging from April to October 1864 written by H. Austin to his wife Susan Austin during the American Civil War.
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This collection is open for research.

Immediate Source of Acquisition
This collection is a gift of Marjorie J. Carter.

Arrangement
The letters are arranged by material type and date, including each original envelope before their corresponding letter.

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Scope and Contents
This collection contains 10 holograph letters ranging from April to October 1864 written by Hiram Austin to his wife Susan Austin during the United States Civil War. Their home was in Fox Lake, Dodge Co., Wisconsin. Also included in a separate folder are biographical materials relating to the Austin family, before and after Hiram.
The first letters refer to swearing in to the Army and meals/ration in St. Louis, Chicago, and the rest of the letters are from Nashville. Mr. Austin mostly speaks cordially and talks about everyday life with little detail pertaining to the war. He was discharged and returned home around mid-October, 1864.

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Biographical / Historical
Hiram Austin was born on November 18, 1823 in Ferrisburg, Vermont to his parents Nicholas Austin and Harriett Orvis. He married Susan Harriett Ruskell in 1838 and had two children, George (1856) and Lizzie Annie (1867). They lived in Fox Lake, Wisconsin during the Civil War. Hiram passed away in 1896 in Wichita, Kansas, followed by his wife Susan in 1904.
This information was taken from Ancestry.com (8/30/2016) and varies slightly from the biographical information provided with the collection.

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