Descriptive Summary
Title: Thomas T. Eckert Papers
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Bulk dates: 1862-1867
Collection Number: mssEC 1-76
Creator OR Collector: Eckert, Thomas Thompson, 1825-1910
Extent: 76 volumes
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Abstract: This collection contains professional papers of Thomas T. Eckert (1825-1910), chiefly related to his duties as part of United States Military Telegraph Office during the Civil War.
Language of Material: The records are in English.
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Biographical Note
Thomas Thompson Eckert (1825-1910) began his career as an operator in the Morse Telegraph Company; in 1852 he became the head of the Chicago Branch of the Union Telegraph Company. In the fall of 1861, Eckert was appointed Assistant General Superintendent of the United States Military Telegraph. The Telegraph was organized from the Western Union Company as an expressly civilian service, subordinated directly to the Secretary of War and the President. The service remained under the civilian control, despite numerous attempts to put it under the command of the Signal Corps. In February 1862, Eckert was put in charge of all telegraphic operations of George B. McClellan's Army of the Potomac. He remained with McClellan throughout the Peninsula campaign, supervising construction and operation of field telegraph offices in Virginia and Maryland. In April 1863, when the General Superintendent of the Military Telegraph Anson Stager moved his office to Cincinnati, Ohio, Eckert was recalled to Washington and appointed the head of the Military Telegraph office at the War Department. In addition to managing the Telegraph Washington office, Eckert was entrusted with important political, intelligence, and diplomatic missions. In March 1865, he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General, and on July 1866, became Assistant Secretary of War. He held this position until he resigned from the War Department in February 1867. In the post-war decades, Eckert managed first the Vanderbilt family's Western Union and then its chief competitors, Jay Gould's Pacific Telegraph Company and the then American Union Telegraph. From 1893 to 1900 he was the president of Western Union, and then served as chairman of the company's board of directors until close to his death in October 1910.
Scope and Content
The collection is made up mostly of items related to Eckert's duties as part of the United States Military Telegraph Office during the Civil War, including 35 volumes of telegram ledgers containing roughly 16,000 telegrams from 1862 to 1866. These include telegrams both still in code and decoded (the sent messages are ciphered; the received telegrams are mostly decoded).
Series one includes 14 United States Military Telegraph volumes containing telegrams received by the War Department (1862, Feb.-1867, August) and 7 volumes of telegrams sent from Washington (1862, Feb.-1867, July). Included are messages to and from Abraham Lincoln, Edwin M. Stanton, George B. McClellan, Henry W. Halleck, Ulysses S. Grant and others. Subjects include: the campaigns of the Union armies in the Eastern and Western theaters; intelligence and covert operations; transportation; communications; hospitals; troop provisioning and logistics; personnel issues; fugitive slaves; etc.

Series two includes four volumes of telegrams sent and received from the Army of the Potomac and Fort Monroe (1862-1865).

Series three includes eight volumes of telegrams received and sent by Major Thomas Eckert (1864-1866). Subjects include the construction, repair, and maintenance of the Union telegraph lines; transportation; relationship with the press and the agents of Reuters and Associated Press; intelligence and covert operations in 1864 and 1865; the elections of 1864; etc.

Series four includes two volumes of telegraphs from special investigating agent and Assistant Secretary of War Charles Anderson Dana sent from Chattanooga and Knoxville (1863-1864).

Series five includes 32 volumes all related to ciphers and cipher codes used by the United States Military Telegraph. This series consists of: a volume giving location of ciphers and cipher keys arranged by Colonel Anson Stager; miscellaneous handwritten cipher books; cipher books for generals and places; eight copies of cipher book #1 (1861-1862); two copies of cipher book #2 (approximately 1866); 18 copies of cipher book #5 (1865-1866); and 1 copy of cipher book #9 (approximately 1865). These cipher books often have a listing of the holders of that particular cipher written in the volume, as well as letters and telegrams regarding the cipher.

Series six includes five miscellaneous volumes related to the United States Military Telegraph, including: a pass book; two volumes related to supplies and requisitions; a ledger of telegram costs and numbers of words sent; and an account of money collected for the American Telegraph Company at the Military Telegraph Offices in the Department of the Potomac.

Series seven includes four volumes belonging to Major Thomas Eckert dealing with his post-war career. This series consists of: a money receipt book, accounts of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company, and two copies of the cipher codes for weather by the U.S. Signal Service, Division of Telegrams and Reports (1877).

Arrangement

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Huntington Library's Online Catalog.

Personal Names
Dana, Charles A. (Charles Anderson), 1819-1897
Dix, John A. (John Adams), 1798-1879
Eckert, Thomas Thompson, 1825-1910
Grant, Ulysses S. (Ulysses Simpson), 1822-1885
Halleck, H. W. (Henry Wager), 1815-1872
Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865
McClellan, George Brinton, 1826-1885
Pinkerton, Allan, 1819-1884
Sherman, William T. (William Tecumseh), 1820-1891
Stager, Anson, 1825-1885
Stanton, Edwin M. (Edwin McMasters), 1814-1869

Corporate Names
United States. Army of the Potomac
United States. Military Telegraph Corps
United States. War Department
United States Military Telegraph
Western Union Telegraph Company

Subjects
United States Military Telegraph Ledgers (EC 1-21)

EC 1  War Department Ciphers Received Feby. 2 to July 30, 1862. (1862, Feb. 2 -- 1862, July 30)
292 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: U. S. Military Telegraph. Received No. 1. Approximately 288 telegrams. P. 206-290 are blank.

EC 2  War Department Ciphers Received Feb. 7 to June 26, 1862. (1862, Feb. 7 -- 1862, July 23)
292 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: U. S. Military Telegraph. E. M. Stanton, and War Dept., Received. End date appears to be July 23; the last written telegram is dated June 26, but the previous telegram is dated July 23rd. Approximately 327 telegrams. P. 182-183 and 235-292 are blank.

EC 3  War Department Ciphers Received Feb. 22 to May 2, 1862. (1862, Feb. 23 -- 1862, May 2)
290 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: U. S. Military Telegraph. Received No. 2. First received date is February 23, 1862. Approximately 85 telegrams. P. 64-290 are blank.

EC 4  U. S. Military Telegraph. Strictly private. (1862, May 22 -- 1864, Feb. 3)
282 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from cover. There is no spine label. There are no telegrams between May 22 and January 1 1863. Abraham Lincoln is author of many of the telegrams. No separate dates for "sent" or "received" only one date. Approximately 513 telegrams, 12 of which are partially or completely crossed out. P. 26, 47, and 275-276 are blank.

EC 5  War Department Ciphers Received From August 5, 1862 to Mch. 24, 1863. (1862, Aug. 5 -- 1863, Mar. 24)
386 pages; 36 x 27 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: U. S. Military Telegraph. Cipher Messages Received. Approximately 489 telegrams, 4 of which have been partially or completely crossed out. Numerous pagination errors between p. 230 and 310.
**EC 6** *War Department Ciphers Received From Mch. 25th 1863 to July 10, 1863.*
(1863, Mar. 25 -- 1863, July 10)
432 pages; 36 x 27 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: United States Military Telegraph, War Department. Received. Approximately 483 telegrams. P. 349-350 omitted.

**EC 7** *War Department Ciphers Received From Mch. 26th 1863 to July 2, 1863.*
(1863, Mar. 26 -- 1863, July 2)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: Received. Approximately 460 messages, four of which are partially or completely crossed out. P. 109-112 are omitted.

**EC 8** *Received, June 27, 1863, Jany. 24, 1864.* (1863, June 27 -- 1864, Jan. 24)
401 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from cover; no spine label. Approximately 472 telegrams, two of which have been partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 9** *Received, July 12th, 1863, Jany. 24, 1864.* (1863, July 12 -- 1864, Jan. 24)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from cover; no spine label. Approximately 426 telegrams, two of which have been partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 10** *United States Military Telegraph, War Department. Received. Jany. 5th to July 31, 1864.* (1864, Jan. 25 -- 1864, July 31)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from cover. Dates are incorrect on cover label. Spine label has fallen off, although in pencil on one scrap of the label is written, in pencil, 1864. Approximately 574 telegrams, 4 of which are partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 11** *United States Military Telegraph, War Department. Received. Jany. 6th July 29, 1864.* (1864, Jan. 26 -- 1864, July 31)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from cover. Dates are incorrect on cover label, actual dates are January 26, 1864 to July 31, 1864. Spine label has fallen off. Approximately 633 telegrams, 3 of which have partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 12** *Cipher Telegrams received at War Department from December 25th, 1864 to August 9th, 1866.* (1864, Dec. 25 -- 1866, Aug. 9)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from spine label. The last full telegram is on August 9th, 1866, there is the start of one on August 10th, although it is just the date, no text. Approximately 659 telegrams, 4 of which are partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 13** *Cipher Telegrams received at War Department from December 25th, 1864 to August 6th, 1866.* (1864, Dec. 25 -- 1866, Aug. 8)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from spine label. Dates are actually December 25, 1864 to August 8, 1866. Approximately 642 telegrams, 3 of which are partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 14** *Received telegrams, August 11, 1866 to August 1, 1867.* (1866, Aug. 11 -- 1867, Aug. 1)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On spine label: Received. Written on fly leaf: Received, Aug. 10th, 1866. Approximately 159 telegrams, with 1 crossed out. P. 87-400 are blank.
EC 15  War Department Ciphers Sent Feby. 1 to July 21, 1862. (1862, Feb. 1 -- 1862, July 21)  
292 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Cover label: U. S. Military Telegraph.  
Sent No. 1. Approximately 304 telegrams, 4 of which are partially or completely  
crossed out. P. 164-292 are blank.

(1862, Aug. 6 -- 1864, Jan. 24)  
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from cover label. Approximately 714 telegrams, 5 of  
which have been partially or completely crossed out. P. 381-384 are missing.

EC 17  U. S. Military Telegraph. Sent, Aug. 9 1862 -- Jany. 21, 1864. (1862, Aug. 9  
-- 1864, Jan. 21)  
400 pages; 36 x 27 cm. Title from cover label. Approximately 571 telegrams, 6 of  
which have been partially or completely crossed out. P. 328-400 are blank.

EC 18  United States Military Telegraph, War Department. Sent, Jany. 21, 1864 --  
Dec. 7, 1865. (1864, Jan. 26 -- 1865, Dec. 2)  
400 pages; Title from cover label. Actually starts January 26, 1864, and ends  
December 2, 1865. Approximately 821 telegrams, 3 of which have been partially or  
completely crossed out.

EC 19  War Department Ciphers Sent Jany. 27th 1864 to Dec 2[nd?] (1864, Jan.  
27 -- 1864, Dec. 2)  
400 pages; 36 x 38 cm. Title from spine label. On cover: Sent. Approximately 824  
telegrams, 4 of which have been partially or completely crossed out.

EC 20  Sent. (1865, Dec. 14 -- 1867, July 26)  
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. No dates on cover, mostly blank inside; only 34 pages have  
been written. Approximately 68 telegrams. P. 35-400 are blank.

EC 21  Telegraphs Sent. (1865, Dec. 16 -- 1867, July 30)  
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. No labels at all, no dates on the  
cover, mostly blank inside; only 44 pages have been written. Approximately 104  
telegrams, 1 of which has been crossed out. P. 45-400 are blank.

The Army of the Potomac and Fort Monroe Telegraph Ledgers (EC 22-25)

EC 22  Head Quarts A of P, Cipher Book, containing [stuck out] Sent and Received  
from August 29, 1862 to April 28, 1863. (1862, Aug. 29 -- 1863, April 27)  
400 pages; 36 x 27 cm. Title from cover label, Spine label damaged, reads: Hd. Qrs.  
Army of [Potomac], [Ciphers] Sent and Received from Aug. [...] Dates are actually  
August 29, 1862 to April 27, 1863. Approximately 323 telegrams, 6 of which have  
been partially or completely crossed out. P. 166-199 and 318-400 are blank.

EC 23  Ciphers sent commencing April 29th 1863. (1863, Apr. 29 -- 1863, June 13)  
75 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from note on first page. No spine or cover labels. Fully in  
code; appears to be solely for the Headquarters, Army of the Potomac, not Fort  
Monroe. Approximately 231 telegrams, 7 of which have been partially or completely  
crossed out. P. 76-199 and 280-400 are blank. Telegrams begin on front fly leaf 2.
EC 24 [Fortress Monroe] Ciphers Received from April 4 to Nov. 7, 1862. (1862, Apr. 4 -- 1862, Nov. 7)
292 pages; 36 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. On cover: Ft. Monroe Received Apl. 4 to Nov. 7, 1862. Some of the messages are in code. Approximately 142 telegrams, 1 of which has been crossed out. P. 92-292 are blank.

EC 25 Fort Monroe Va., Ciphers Received and Sent, February 3d 1864 to April 6th 1865. (1864, Feb. 3 -- 1865, Apr. 6)
400 pages; 36 x 28 cm. Title from spine label. Approximately 836 telegrams, 7 of which have been partially or completely crossed out.

Thomas T. Eckert Letterpress Books (EC 26-33)

EC 26 Vol. 1, Telegrams Received Maj. Eckert March 20 to May 12, 1864. (1864, Mar. 25 -- 1864, May 12)

EC 27 Vol. 2, Telegrams Received Maj. Eckert May 12, 1864 to June 10, 1864. (1864, May 13 -- 1864, June 10)
402 pages; 28 x 23 cm. Title from spine label. Approximately 529 telegrams. Text is both horizontal and vertical. Leaf 127 and 390 omitted.

EC 28 Vol. 3, Telegrams Received Maj. Eckart June 10, 1864 to July 25, 1864. (1864, June 10 -- 1864, July 25)
402 pages; 28 x 23 cm. Title from spine label. Approximately 594 telegrams, 2 of which have been partially or completely crossed out. Text is both horizontal and vertical. Leaf 208 omitted, second leaf 347 inserted between 348 and 349.

EC 29 Vol. 4, Telegrams Received Maj. Eckert July 25, 1864 to Sept. 16, 1864. (1864, July 25 -- 1864, Sep. 16)
396 pages; 28 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Inside front cover: Telegrams Rec'd for Maj. T. T. Eckert from July 25th, 1864 to Sept. 16 " ". Approximately 675 telegrams. Text is both horizontal and vertical.

EC 30 Vol. 5, Telegrams Received, Maj. Eckert, Sept. 16, 1864 to Nov. 8, 1864. (1864, Sep. 16 -- 1864, Nov. 8)
403 pages; 28 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Inside front cover: Sept. 16 to Nov. 8. Approximately 805 telegrams. Text is both horizontal and vertical.

EC 31 Vol. 6, Telegrams Received, Major Eckert, Nov. 8, 1864 to Jany 21, 1865. (1864, Nov. 8 -- 1865, Jan. 21)
400 pages; 28 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Inside front cover: Vol. 6, Nov. 8 1864 to Jany. 21 1865. Also on the inside front cover is a modern annotation: 1864-5. Approximately 734 telegrams. Text is both horizontal and vertical.

EC 32 Telegrams Received, June 4, 1865 to April 7, 1866. (1865, June 4 -- 1866, Apr. 7)
498 pages; 28 x 23 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. No labels on spine or cover. Approximately 624 telegrams. Text is both horizontal and vertical. Leaf 146 omitted, unnumbered leaf between 366 and 367, two leaves numbered 454. Leaves 413-498 are blank.
**EC 33** Telegrams Sent, May 30, 1866 to August 3, 1866. (1866, May 20 -- 1866, Aug. 3)
497 pages; 28 x 23 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. No labels on spine or cover. Approximately 10 telegrams. Unnumbered leaves between 23 and 24 and 449 and 450. Leaves 12-498 are blank.

**Charles Anderson Dana Telegraph Ledgers (EC 34-35)**

**EC 34** Telegraphs from Charles A. Dana. (1863, Sep. 10 -- 1863, Nov. 12)
208 pages; 35 x 26 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. No labels on cover or spine. Approximately 116 messages, 3 of which are partially or completely crossed out.

**EC 35** "Dana", Nov. 30, 1863 Aug. 2d, 1864. (1863, Nov. 9 -- 1864, Aug. 2)
400 pages; 35 x 28 cm. Title from cover. Dates are November 9, 1863 to August 2, 1864. Some of the text is in code. Approximately 68 messages. P. 96-400 are blank.

**United States Military Telegraph Code Books (EC 36-67)**

332 pages; 26 x 21 cm. Quarto. Three-quarter half calf and cloth. Paper spine label: Memoranda of Ciphers. Appears to be a ledger showing which keys were held in which geographic locations and by whom. Scattered text on 56 pages.

**EC 37** Handwritten cipher book. [approximately 1867]
192 pages; 17 x 11 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Eckert's name inside front cover, and scratch onto the cover. Black calfskin. Unknown as to which cipher this copying. P. 70-190 are blank.

**EC 38** Cipher book for Generals and Places. [approximately 1863]
26 pages; 15 x 11 cm. On fly leaf: S.B. Fairchild. Printed cipher book with the names and or places then filled in; directions in the front. Green leather.

**EC 39** Cipher Book # 1. [1861-1862?]

**EC 40** Cipher Book # 1. [1861-1862?]
111 pages; 17 x 11 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Handwritten copy of Cipher Book #1. Possibly used by Thomas T. Eckert. Black calfskin. Pages used are hand-numbered. P. 71-111 are blank.

**EC 41** Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)
25 pages; 15 x 9 cm. Written above explanation page: No. One Cipher. Instructions clued to front fly leaf. List of cipher holders opposite p. 1. A letter and instructions within an envelope has been laid into this cipher book; letter, dated July 10, 1865 and repeated April 10th, 1867, is from Eckert to Captain R.C. Cloury(?), St. Louis, Missouri, in regards to the use and return of Cipher Book #5.
EC 42 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)
24 pages; 15 x 9 cm. Title from identical book, EC 41. Title page has been torn out. A list of cipher holders has been glued on top of p. 1. Glued on inside back cover: Additional Arbitrary. No directions for use.

EC 43 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)

EC 44 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)

EC 45 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)
25 pages; 15 x 9 cm. List of cipher holders on front fly leaf. Instructions for use are handwritten and glued onto inside back cover. Added pages glued in. Cipher for numerals on back fly leaf.

EC 46 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #1] (1861-1862)
24 pages; 15 x 9 cm. No cipher holders are listed, nor are there any instructions. Added pages glued in. Cipher for numerals on back fly leaf.

EC 47 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #2] [approximately 1866]
30 pages; 15 x 9 cm. Laid in the front cover is a list of cipher holders for no.1 and no. 5 in Division of the Gulf on yellow carbon paper sheet dated 1866, May 7; also a receipt for No. 12 and No. 5 ciphers on telegraph paper, signed T.R. Boyle, July 13, 1866. A list of cipher holder on t.p. verso. Four pages (numbered 27-30) bound in between p. 11 and 12, four blue unnumbered pages bound in between p. 25 and 26.

EC 48 Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #2] [approximately 1866]

EC 49 Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On inside front cover: Returned from Detroit, Apr. 24, 1869. Laid inside the front cover are directions for use, 6 pages, entitled “Rules for the use of Govt. Cipher No. 5” on yellow carbon paper. On fly leaf: Chas. A. Tinker, Manager War Dept. Tel. Ofs. Handwritten on verso of page 1: No. 5.
EC 50  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: No. 5. On page 1, the "A" and "P" of the two columns are conjoined.

EC 51  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf and verso of page 1: No. 5.

EC 52  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: B 1234. On verso of page 1, in red ink: No. 5. On inside back cover: 83.

EC 53  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On verso of page 1: No. 5. Laid in front cover are directions for Cipher 5 on the Department of the Cumberland Stationery, dated 1865, Aug. 1.

EC 54  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
16 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: 5. Majority of book is blank, only 17 pages filled in.

EC 55  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: 5. On verso of page 1: No. 5.

EC 56  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
47 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Glued to the inside front cover is a list of cipher holders. Glued to the fly leaf: Memorandum index. On verso of page 1: No. 5.

EC 57  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: No. 5. On loose sheet are directions for use. Written on verso of page 1: John C. Gregg, Cipher Operator, U.S. Mil Telegraph, Atlanta Ga., 1865.

EC 58  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: 5. On verso of page 1: 5. Laid inside the book are directions for use of No. 4 & 5 cipher on a yellow carbon paper sheet.

EC 59  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On verso of page 1: No. 5. Laid inside the book in an envelope labeled: Rules for working Cipher "No. 5". Envelope has printed on it: War Department, Official Business, Assistant Secretary of War. The rules are written on yellow paper, same as EC 49, six pages.

EC 60  **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Glued to inside front cover is a list of cipher holds. Glued to the front fly leaf: Memorandum Index. On verso of page 1: No. 5. Laid inside the book in an envelope labeled: Rules for working Cipher "No. 5". Envelope has printed on it: War Department, Official Business, Assistant Secretary of War. The rules are written on yellow paper, same as EC 49, six pages.
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EC 61 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf and on verso of page 1: No. 5.

EC 62 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Inside front cover was an index in pencil, either erased or worn off. Written on front fly leaf: C. A. Keeler, cypher clerk, Vicksburg, Miss, 1866. Resigned June 1st. No. 5. F. A. H. Sanborn, Cipher Clerk, Vicksburg, Miss, Appointed June 1st/66, Relieved Sept. 1", 1866.

EC 63 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On verso of page 1: No. 5. Laid inside is a letter on Adams Express Company letterhead from J. R. Julian to Mr. C. Morris Esq. in Macon [Ga.7], 1865, September 23 (ALS) with directions for use of cipher.

EC 64 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Laid inside is a letter by W. I. Gross, Headquarters Military Division of Gulf, New Orleans, La., to Charles W. Moore, Cipher Clerk, Mobile, Ala., April 28, 1866; also there are directions for use of codes nos. 4 & 5 on yellow carbon paper. On fly leaf: No. 5.

EC 65 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf: U. S. Military Telegraph, Fort Leavenworth. On verso of page 1: No. 5. Laid inside book: a list of cipher holders for nos. 1 and 5, Division of the Gulf, 1866, May 7th, and directions for use on Western Union Telegraph stationary, undated.

EC 66 **Cipher Book #5. [1864-1865?]**
40 pages; 16 x 9 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. On fly leaf is written "No. 15," but is actually number 5.

EC 67 **Cipher for Telegraphic Correspondence; arranged expressly for Military Operations, and for important Government despatches. [Cipher Book #9]**
[approximately 1865]
8 pages; 16 x 9 cm. On fly leaf is written: C. F. Gross. On the t.p. verso is a list of cipher holders. At bottom of the Explanation page is written: C. F. Gross.

United States Military Telegraph Miscellaneous Ledgers (EC 68-72)

EC 68 **Passes. (1862, Feb. 3 -- 1862, Apr. 17)**
170 pages; 24 x 21 cm. Title from spine label. Stubs for passes written to and from Virginia. There are 3 passes per leaf, of which 33 leaves have been used and reduced to stubs. Signed by C. D. Mehaffey and Anson Stager. On fly leaf is the signature practice for A. Stager of the Military Telegraph.

EC 69 **Supplies and requisitions. (1864, July -- 1864, Aug.)**
216 pages; 35 x 22cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Cover label is torn, mangled, and indecipherable. Lacking pages 211-214. P. 128-210 are blank.

EC 70 **Supplies ordered. (1864, Jan. -- 1865, Nov. 1)**
216 pages; 35 x 22 cm. Title from cover. P. 31-39 and 48-216 are blank.
United States Military Telegraph Miscellaneous Ledgers (EC 68-72)

EC 71  Ledger of Telegram costs, number of words sent and received. (1865, Mar. -- 1865, June)
216 pages; 35 x 22 cm. Title supplied by cataloger. Inside front cover is a chart comparing rates for telegraph companies in 1867-1877; chart produced by Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Co. P. 72-216 are blank.

EC 72  Account of Money collected for American Telegraph Co. at Mil. Tel. Offices in the Dept. of the Potomac. (1862, Nov. 7 -- 1865, Nov.)
246 pages; 20 x 16 cm. Title from cover. P. 120-224 are blank.

Thomas T. Eckert Miscellaneous Material Post Civil War (EC 73-76)

EC 73  Money Receipts, Ad. Ex. (1866, Feb. 21 -- 1866, Aug. 4)
98 pages; 12 x 22 cm. Title from spine label. Payment book for Adams Express Company.

EC 74  Offices Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Co. [approximately 1870]
222 pages; 33 x 11 cm. Below title on front cover: Jay Gould. Memoranda book listing for Jay Gould listing offices in the United States and Canada; next to the listed office are numbers, perhaps the number of words sent. The total number of telegraph offices and perhaps the number of words sent are tabulated on p. 216-217.

EC 75  Telegraph Cipher. New Edition. Signal Service U. S. A., Division of Telegrams and Reports. (1877)
58 pages; 27 x 14 cm. Label fell off cover, now laid inside volume. See EC 76 for another copy.

EC 76  Telegraph Cipher. New Edition. Signal Service U. S. A., Division of Telegrams and Reports. (1877)
58 pages; 27 x 14 cm. Label affixed to cover. See EC 75 for another copy.