Guide to the A. L. Marks Civil War Diary

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Scope and Content of Collection
Civil War diary, 1861-1864, of A. L. Marks from Chicago, who enlisted as a very young man in the 13th Illinois Vol. Infantry, at Dixon, Illinois. The diary describes the movements and engagements of the 13th Illinois, from its organization on May 9, 1861, until April 8, 1864. A clipping, laid in the diary, talks about the diary and Marks role in the Civil War. According to an undated note also laid in the diary, Marks was held at Cahaba Prison for ten months, during the Civil War. Cahaba Prison, near Selma, Alabama, had been a cotton warehouse and it held over 5,000 Union soldiers between 1863 and 1865.

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