

NUCMC Catalog Record

Creator: Corson, William Clark, 1837-1895.

Title: William Clark Corson papers.

Date Created: 1861-1865

Extent: 64 items.

Location: Virginia Historical Society, Richmond.

Summary: Letters, 1861-1865, written by William Clark Corson (of Company G of the 3rd Virginia Cavalry Regiment, C.S.A.) to his future wife, Jennie Hill (Caldwell) Corson of Cumberland County, Va. In the letters William Corson describes, in detail, incidents of camp life (including daily duties, entertainments, and drill) and his participation in the Oct. 1862 cavalry raid into Pennsylvania and the Peninsula, Bristoe, Petersburg, and 1864 Shenandoah Valley campaigns. Also in the collection is a letter (Mar. 8, 1865) written to William by Jennie concerning the impending arrival of Union soldiers in Cumberland County and her view of the Confederate cause.

Subjects: Corson, Jennie Hill Caldwell, 1844-1899 -- Correspondence.
Confederate States of America. Army. Virginia Cavalry Regiment, 3rd.
Confederate States of America. Army -- Military life.
Bristoe Station, Battle of, Va., 1863 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.
Peninsular Campaign, 1862 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.
Shenandoah Valley Campaign, 1864 (August-November) -- Personal narratives, Confederate.
Petersburg (Va.) -- History -- Siege, 1864-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.
Soldiers -- Virginia -- Correspondence.
Soldiers -- Confederate States of America -- Correspondence.
Cumberland County (Va.) -- History -- 19th century.
United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.
Virginia -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865.