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**The Papers of
Edward Owings Guerrant**

The papers of Edward Owings Guerrant, Confederate veteran, physician, and author.

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Size of Collection

0.66 cubic feet

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Biographical Note

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| 1838 | Born in Sharpsburg, Ky. |
| 1860 | Graduated from Centre College. |
| 1860's | Served as an officer in Morgan's Raiders. |
| 1868 | Married Mary Jane DeVault of Leesburg, Tenn. |
| 1873 | Attended Union Theological Seminary and became a Presbyterian minister. |
| 1881 | Resigned as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Louisville and became the first synod evangelist for eastern Ky. |
| 1885 | Left full time evangelism to serve the Troy and Wilmore. |
| 1890 | Wrote <u>Bloody Breathitt</u> . |
| 1908 | Founded Highland Institute in Breathitt County. |
| 1916 | Died and was buried in Lexington Cemetery. |

Scope and Content Note

Papers relate to his service in the Confederate Army under generals Humphrey Marshall and John Hunt Morgan; his proposed memoirs of campaigns in which he took part; his contribution to the Richmond and *Louisville Medical Journal*; medical practice with Dr. J. A. Hannah; Bellewood Female Seminary; Kentucky Presbyterian Normal School at Anchorage; the Presbyterian Church at Louisville and Maysville, Ky.; evangelical work; the Confederate Veteran Association of Kentucky; and a monument to the memory of General John Hunt Morgan.

Also included are accounts, 1867-1896; miscellaneous papers, 1868-1884; miscellaneous printed material, including a broadside issued by General Edmund Kirby-Smith while in Ky. in 1862; a small group of General Humphrey Marshall's papers regarding his campaign in eastern Ky. during the Civil War; and papers of Guerrant's father, Dr. Henry Ellis Guerrant, of Sharpsburg, Ky., primarily regarding his medical practice and involvement in temperance organizations.

Correspondents include Robert E. Lee, Jefferson Davis, James Longstreet, Henry Giltner, Richard H. Collins, General Humphrey Marshall, Dr. E. S. Gaillard, Adolphus P. Young, General Bennett H. Young, Daniel P. Young, Reverend Jerry Witherspoon, J. V. Escott, James K. Lemon, H. T. Pollard, Zachary F. Smith, Walter N. Haldeman, Humphrey Marshall, Jr., Judge Emmet Field, John Boyd, Basil Duke, Augustus E. Willson, E. Polk Johnson, John B. Castleman, and others.

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Papers. 1858-1915.

Box 1

- fl. 1 Correspondence, 1858-1869.
- fl. 2 Correspondence, 1870-1879.
- fl. 3 Correspondence, 1880-1884.
- fl. 4 Correspondence, 1885-1889.
- fl. 5 Correspondence, 1890-1915.
- fl. 6 Accounts, 1867-1896.
- fl. 7 Miscellaneous papers, 1868-1884.
- fl. 8 Henry Ellis Guerrant papers, 1848.
- fl. 9 Humphrey Marshall papers, 1861-1865.

Box 2

- fl. 10 Miscellaneous printed matter.
- fl. 11 Programs.
- fl. 12 Miscellaneous printed matter.
- fl. 13 Invitations.
- fl. 14 Poster issued by Major General Kirby Smith to recruit men for the Confederate Army.
- fl. 15 Fern Creek Farmers and Fruit Growers Assn.: Catalog and premium list, 1880 Aug. 19.
Bethel Nursery: abridged catalog.
- fl. 16 Carriers' addresses, 1867-1872.
- fl. 17 Funeral notices, 1877-1897.
- fl. 18 Printed matter about books and magazines.
- fl. 19 Miscellaneous printed matter.
- fl. 20 Miscellaneous printed matter on education.
- fl. 21 Printed political material.
- fl. 22 Obituaries.
- fl. 23 Newspaper clippings.
- fl. 24 Newspaper clippings about the CSA.
- fl. 25 History of Bath County, Ky. by V. B. Young.
Newspaper clippings.