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**Young, Emor
Letters, 1862-1883**

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Scope and Content

Collection of 76 letters consists primarily of letters written by Pvt. Emor Young, 7th Rhode Island Infantry Regt., to his wife, Martha. Six letters are addressed to Martha Young by friends and relatives. Emor describes various aspects of daily army life, including his role as a cook and baker for Company C, and mentions national politics, slavery and reasons for the war, as well as observations of local scenes and people while stationed in Kentucky, Mississippi and Virginia. Collection includes complete typewritten transcription.

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Biographical note

Emor Young was born 18 March, 1823, probably in Rhode Island. He married Martha P. Gleason, probably in Connecticut. They had two sons, Edgar M., born August 1847 and Frederick E., born December 1850. Prior to enlisting in the 7th Rhode Island Infantry Regiment in September, 1862, he was involved in various occupations including mule skinning and lumbering. Enlisting as a private, he served primarily as a cook and baker in Company C. During the Battle of Petersburg, Va. in July, 1864, he served in a military hospital in City Point, Va., for several weeks. Upon being mustered out in 1865, he returned to Rhode Island where he died 20 November, 1869. He is buried in Chepachet, Providence County, Rhode Island.

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