Guide to the Latimer N. Dike Diary
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### Preferred Citation

Latimer N. Dike Diary, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Corporal Latimer Dike was a member of the 67th Ohio Regiment from Cuyahoga County, Ohio. From January until mid-June 1865, he worked in the cookhouse of the Point of Rocks (Maryland) Hospital. In June, he was assigned to give out knapsacks to discharged men in a Hampton, Virginia, hospital. On August 16, he rejoined his regiment in Richmond, Virginia. On September 12th he was moved to Camp Dennison and was then discharged on September 28th. According to the U.S. Census, he was living in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, in 1870.

Scope and Contents note

This collection contains the 1865 diary of Latimer N. Dike, a cook with the 67th Ohio Regiment. The inside cover of the diary says: “Anyone finding this book will please send to this address: Latimer N. Dike, East-Rockport, Cuyahoga, member of C.G. 67th Regt OVI.”

In his diary, Dike recorded his basic daily activities, noted the weather and recorded when he sent or received letters. Among other daily activities, he noted the meals he had such as biscuits and butter, bread pudding, rice pudding, cracker pudding and corn meal pudding. He stated that he heard fighting around Petersburg, Virginia, in late March and in the subsequent days, noted the "wounded coming in." He also recorded hearing of Lincoln’s death on April 15th.

The diary also includes a memoranda section where he indexed letters sent and received and a cash accounts section where he recorded purchases, such as a book and pencil.

Administrative Information

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### Collection Inventory

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