



Henry Titus Canfield Papers (K0204)

Collection Number: K0204

Collection Title: Henry Titus Canfield Papers

Dates: 1858-1864

Creator: Canfield, Henry Titus, 1841-1916

Abstract: This collection contains Civil War era letters, compositions prepared for a publication called *The Evening Star*, and penmanship class assignments.

Collection Size: 0.1 cubic foot
(4 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

Henry Canfield was born in 1841, in Chesterfield, Ohio. He attended the schools near his family's farm and later attended the Oak Grove Academy in Medina, Michigan, for two terms. During the Civil War, he worked as a civilian clerk in the quartermaster's department on the staff of General James B. McPherson's Army of Tennessee (17th Army Corps).

Following the end of the Civil War, Canfield married Delia Mansfield, and they had two daughters, only one of which, Grace, would live to adulthood. In 1885, the Canfield family moved to Wichita Falls, Texas. In 1894, Grace married John Adams Prescott, and she and her husband had two children of their own, Constance May and Katherine Grace, who married Nathan Scarritt, Jr. President McKinley appointed Canfield Postmaster in 1898, and President Roosevelt reappointed him in 1903. Canfield died in 1916.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged by subject into four folders.

Container List:

- f. 1 Henry Canfield Letters, 1862
- f. 2 George C. Letter to Delia Mansfield, 1864
- f. 3 "The Evening Star" compositions, circa 1858
- f. 4 Penmanship Assignments, no date

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