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**D. M. Woods Collection, 1835-1868**

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**COLLECTION SUMMARY**

**Inclusive Dates:**

1835-1868, bulk 1859-1861

**Scope & Content:**

The D. M. Woods Collection, 1835-1868, was assembled by two Civil War collectors from Montgomery County, Tennessee. The materials included, which are mostly business receipts, are only a portion of the items owned by the collectors, one of whom plans on donating the remainder of the collection to the Montgomery County Archives in the near future.

The items in this collection are thus a miscellaneous assortment of financial records that were originally in the possession of D. M. Woods, a Clarksville-based blacksmith and carriage maker. It appears that he worked with the Nashville-based T. M. Brennan foundry, also known as the Claiborne Machine Works, as well as the Clarksville-based company Whitfield, Bradley, and Company.

D. M. Woods did not serve in the war, but he purchased iron in order to help manufacture Confederate weaponry. The collection includes shipping receipts from numerous steamboats that delivered iron to Woods.

**Physical Description/Extent:**

1 Microfilm Reel

**Accession/Record Group Number:**

Microfilm accession number 1968

**Language:**

English

**Permanent Location:**

Microfilm accession number 1968

**Repository:**

Tennessee State Library and Archives, 403 Seventh Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243-0312

**Administrative/Biographical History**

Dulana Maphes Woods (1825-1865) was born in Kentucky and married Mary Martha Cuffman in Sumner County, Tennessee, in 1848. He fathered eight children and owned a number of slaves. Woods lived in Clarksville, Tennessee, and worked as a blacksmith. During the Civil War, he helped to supply items for the Confederacy.

**Organization/Arrangement of Materials**

Most of the collection is listed item-by-item. Receipts that pertain to a particular steamboat's shipment are placed together, with the name of the steamboat listed.

**Conditions of Access and Use**

**Restrictions on Access:**

None

**Restrictions on Use and Reproduction:**

None

**Index Terms**

**Personal Names:**

D. M. Woods, 1825-1865

**Corporate Names/Organizations/Government Bodies:**

T. M. Brennan and Company  
Claiborne Machine Works  
Whitfield, Bradley and Company

**Subjects:**

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

**Geographic Names:**

Clarksville (Tenn.)

**Document Types:**

Financial records  
Business letters  
Advertisements  
Bills of sale

**Acquisition and Appraisal****Provenance and Acquisition:**

The papers were loaned for microfilming by collectors Danny Perry and Clint Reynolds during the *Looking Back: The Civil War in Tennessee* digitization project in Clarksville, Tennessee.

**Processing and Administrative Information****Preferred Citation:**

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**Processing Information:**

Processing completed by Gwynn Thayer on May 3, 2011.

**Existence and Location of Originals:**

Owned by donor.

## DETAILED COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

### CONTAINER LIST

Contents/Item Title	Date	Box	Folder
Note to D. M. Woods from Eli Lockert	ca. 1852	1	1
Letter to D. M. Woods, RE: shipments	Nov. 10, 1857	1	2
Financial records (14 items, includes purchase records for meat, iron, "Negro" labor, etc.)	1846-1868	1	3
Slave Bills of Sale (2 items: sale of negro man named Robert, 30 years old, by Eli Lockert to William Rogers & sale of a negro woman named Angelina, 18 years old, by F. Bibb to D. M. Woods)	1835 & 1855	1	4
Article of agreement concerning land in Clarksville for African-American church (D. M. Woods sells land to city to hold in trust)	1856	1	5
Deed of conveyance for patent rights, Gourley's improvement in Harrows	1858	1	6
Business Receipts for iron and other supplies (4)	1859-1861	1	7
Steamboat Cuba receipts (4)	1859	1	8
Steamboat Glenwood receipts (2)	1860	1	9
Steamboat Lebanon receipts (2) and Letter to D. M. Woods (1)	1860	1	10
Steamboat Sam. Kirkman receipts (2) and Letter to D. M Woods (1)	1860	1	11
Steamboat R. B. Hamilton receipts (2)	1859	1	12
Whitfield, Bradley, & Co. receipt & photocopied background information on the company assembled by donor	1860	1	13
T.M. Brennan & Company (Claiborne Machine Works) background information assembled by donor and photocopied photograph of the Brennan Foundry	-	1	14
James L. Haven & Co. Advertisements	No date	1	15
Circular from the New York Foundry Furnishing Depot & Charles Merrill & Sons Promotions	No date	1	16
Steamboat Wenona Receipts (2)	1860	1	17
Steamboat Quaker City Receipts (2) and Letter to D. M. Woods	1857	1	18
Photocopy, Confederate States purchase receipt to D. M. Woods (for gun carriages)	1862	1	19

Picket pass for family of D. M. Woods	August 8, 1864	1	20
Receipt to pay for hire of Alfred for blacksmithing work for 1860	Dec. 28, 1859	1	21
Receipt to pay William Reynolds	Dec. 21, 1847	1	22
Miscellaneous supporting materials assembled by the Montgomery County Archives and TSLA, including preliminary genealogy research data on D.M. Woods and other records	-	1	23