

William Euen Collection Letters

Guide to the William Euen Hospital Steward Archival Collection, 20th Regiment of Volunteers, Wisconsin Infantry

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Repository

Civil War Museum, Resource Center Kenosha, Wisconsin

Language of Material

Material in English

Abstract

This very brief collection consists of 6 documents verifying William Euen's rank and service in the 20th Regiment of Volunteers, Wisconsin Infantry

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Use Restrictions

No photocopying, please

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Biographical note:

William Euen was mustered into the Union Army on August 18, 1862, in Madison, Wisconsin to serve a term of 3 years. He was born in New York state and at the time of his enlistment he was 39 years of age. He died of disease on June 24, 1864 in Fort Brown, Texas. During his period of service he served as a Hospital Steward.

COLLECTION OVERVIEW

Doc.#1 of 6: A copy of William Euen's Honorable Discharge Certificate, signed and dated, June 26, 1864 in Fort Brown, Texas. The document describes Mr. Euen's physical appearance as 5 feet 7 inches high with sandy complexion blue eyes, and brown hair. It mentions his occupation as an editor, and that he was mustered into service in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on August 13, 1862. His recruiting officer was Major R.S. Smith whom he reported to in Madison, Wisconsin on August 18, 1862 to serve for 3 years in the Union Army. It mentions that William Euen achieved the rank of Hospital Steward and passed away from acute dysentery on June 24, 1864 at Fort Brown, Texas. Also documented by Paymaster Palmer

that his final pay was to be included on April 30, 1864. He was also entitled to pay and subsistence for traveling to place of enrollment and whatever allowances he was authorized to receive for his militia service. The document notes that he received the advanced sum of \$245 for clothing.

Given in duplicate and signed June 26, 1864 by First Lieutenant Charles A. Menges, adjutant of the 20th Wisconsin Infantry of Volunteers. Also signed two bounties for the amounts of \$25 and \$75, respectively by the Copy Readings Inspector.

- Doc.#2 of 6: Copy of William Euen 20th Wisconsin Infantry roster card numbers noting his position as Hospital Steward with 15 spaces numbered numerically from #16885051-#16885360.
- Doc.#3 of 6: Copies of 4 Field Staff Muster Rolls acknowledging his presence for service. The muster rolls are dated November and December, 1863, September and October, 1863, July and August, 1863, and May and June, 1863.
- Doc.#4 of 6: Copies of William Euen's presence on his final four Field Staff Muster Rolls. January and February, 1864, March and April, 1864, and May and June, 1864. His final muster roll lists the location of Galveston, Texas, July 14, 1865 which records that Mr. Euen died of disease at Brownsville, Texas on June 24, 1864.
- Doc.#5 of 6: A continuing page enclosure of William Euen's final muster roll noting that he gave a final statement.
- Doc.#6 of 6: The Final Statement Document of William Euen, Hospital Steward of the 20th Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry of Volunteers noting his death on June 24, 1864 and stamped by the Adjutant General's Office, dated, September 7, 1864.
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