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### Stimmel Family Collection, 1857 - 1865

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## Overview of the Collection

<b>Title</b>	Stimmel Family Collection
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS 318
<b>Dates</b>	1857 - 1865
<b>Quantity</b>	.4 linear foot
<b>Summary</b>	<p>This collection consists of correspondence of Joseph Stimmel and Samuel E. Weimer during the American Civil War. The letters describe military matters, occupations and daily soldierly duties. Prior to their deposit at Pittsburg State University, the letters were laminated. There is also a journal of John Moorhead, a Methodist minister who was likely related to Stimmel and Weimer.</p>
<b>Repository</b>	<p>Pittsburg State University, Leonard Axe Library, Special Collections &amp; University Archives 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccol@pittstate.edu</p>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	<p>There are no restrictions and the collection is open for research. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections &amp; University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University</p>
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Biographical Note</b>	<p>Joseph Stimmel (1842-1917) lived in Juniata County, Pennsylvania. He and his cousin, Samuel Weimer (1844-1900), served in the same regiment (126th Pennsylvania Infantry). Both mustered in on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1862 and mustered out on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1863. They fought in battles such as Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. After mustering out, they returned to civilian life for a year. Samuel Weimer reenlisted into the 47th PA Infantry on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1864 and mustered out December 25<sup>th</sup>, 1865. Joseph reenlisted into the 77th Pennsylvania Infantry in March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1865 and mustered out December 6<sup>th</sup>, 1865. Both served during the war in Virginia, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Texas. John Moorhead was born near Waynesboro, Pennsylvania in 1814. He was a Methodist minister in the Baltimore Conference,</p>

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living and preaching in Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania. He spent his last years in Mt. Union, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1890.

### **Series:**

1. Correspondence
2. Journal

### **Detailed Description of the Collections**

#### **Series 1: Correspondence**

- 1862, October 18: Joseph Stimmel to parents
- 1863, February 11: Joseph Stimmel to parents
- 1865, January 11: Samuel Weimer to cousins
- 1865, April 25: Fragment; to “sister”
- 1865, June 16: Joseph Stimmel to sister
- Undated: Joseph Stimmel to sister

#### **Series 2: Journal**

- 1857 - John Moorhead Journal, Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania