Mary Ann Sorrell Papers
(R1455)

Collection Number: R1455

Collection Title: Mary Ann Sorrell Papers

Dates: 1863

Creator: Sorrell, Mary Ann

Abstract: The Mary Ann Sorrell Papers contains a handwritten letter from Mary Ann Sorrell to her daughter. The letter is dated September 10, 1863, and was written in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Mary Ann Sorrell discusses her housing situation, the health of her children, and the living arrangements of her various children.

Collection Size: 0.01 cubic foot
(1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla. If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Biographical Note:

Mary Ann Sorrell (sometimes written Surrell) lived in Cape Girardeau, Missouri in 1863 where she ran a boarding house. She has at least two daughters, one of whom, Jo, lives in Memphis, Tennessee, but was home gravely sick in 1863. The rest of her children have also left Cape Girardeau to live elsewhere.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into one item in one folder.

Scope and Content Note:

The personal letter of Mary Ann Sorrell was written to an unnamed daughter. The letter was dated September 10, 1863, and was postmarked from Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Her letter states that one of her daughters is ill and that “our boarders and family are sick.” Mary Ann Sorrell writes about Will, perhaps a son or husband, is catching the train for St. Louis and one of her daughters intends to move to Memphis. Mrs. Sorrell laments the fact that her children have moved so far away and expresses fear about her own housing situation.

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