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### Summary:

Title: Smith Family Correspondence

Span Dates: 1857-1866

Creator: Smith family

Repository: Marshall University Special Collections, Morrow Library (Huntington, WV)

Processed by: Elizabeth James, 2019

Accession Number: 1997/11.0662

Date Completed: November, 2019

Access to Collection: Open

Extent: 0.25 feet

Donor: Ray Swick

### Search Terms:

Correspondence and Letters

Civil War

Domestic life

Family life

Union perspective

### Biographical Notes:

Individuals mentioned in the collection, in decreasing frequency, include Julia Sprague Hovey (August 26, 1836-February 20, 1911), Sallie P. Smith (possibly Sarah, c. 1835), Dudley Irving Smith (October 29, 1841-October 26, 1929), William P. Smith (c. 1837-), Whitcomb Smith (c. 1833-), Bill Smith (same as William?), Abraham Smith (c. 1844-), Irving Smith (same as Dudley Irving?), and Aunt Cynthia. The father of many of the Smiths is Dudley D. Smith (c. 1803-), a merchant. His children include Whitcomb, Sarah, William, Mary, Dudley, Abraham, Rebecca, and Georgia. The "History of West Virginia, Old and New, Volume 2" by James Morton Callahan lists Dudley D. as "a staunch Union man....led to him being extremely disliked in the community, which was strongly Confederate in sentiment," leading him to return to Lawrence County, Ohio, only to later return to Guyandotte, West Virginia.

### Scope and Content:

This collection consists of approximately fifty letters from members of the Smith family, located in Guyandotte, Virginia (or West Virginia, depending on the time), to Julia Sprague in Washington County, Ohio during the Civil War. The bulk of the letters are from Sallie P. Smith to Sprague, and many include their original envelope. Topics are focused on personal life and current affairs.

### Processing Notes:

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<b>Container</b>	<b>Contents</b>
<b>Box 1</b>	
Folder 1	Memorandum and deed of gift
Folder 2	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, no date, fragment
Folder 3	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, August 10 (no year)
Folder 4	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, October 14 <sup>th</sup> (1861?)
Folder 5	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, December 18 (no year)
Folder 6	William P. Smith to Julia Sprague, January 20, 1857
Folder 7	William P. Smith to Julia Sprague, February 10, 1857
Folder 8	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, June 17 (1857? 1859?)
Folder 9	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, October 4, 1857
Folder 10	Whit Smith to Julia Sprague, November 18, 1857
Folder 11	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, April, 1858
Folder 12	Bill Smith to Julia Sprague, July 28, 1858
Folder 13	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, August 29, 1858
Folder 14	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, October 21, 1858
Folder 15	Whit Smith to Julia Sprague, March 22, 1859
Folder 16	Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, April 1, 1859
Folder 17	Whit Smith to Julia Sprague, November 28, 1859

Folder 18 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, January 8, 1860

Folder 19 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, April 22 (1861?)

Folder 20 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, October 18 (1861?)

Folder 21 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, January 1, 1862

Folder 22 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, January 2, 1862

Folder 23 Abe Smith to Julia Sprague, February 16, 1862

Folder 24 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, February 23, 1862

Folder 25 Irving Smith to Julia Sprague, May 4, 1862

Folder 26 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, June 22 (1862?)

Folder 27 Billy Smith to Julia Sprague, July 1, 1862

Folder 28 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, July 20, 1862

Folder 29 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, August 9, 1862

Folder 30 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, August 12 (1862?)

Folder 31 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, September 3 (1862?)

Folder 32 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, December 20 (1862?)

Folder 33 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, December 21, 1862

Folder 34 Billy Smith to Julia Sprague, January 28, 1863

Folder 35 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, February 2, (1863?)

Folder 36 William P. Smith to Julia Sprague, (March?) 14, (1863?)

Folder 37 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, March 15 (1863?)

Folder 38 D. Irving Smith to Julia Sprague, April 14, 1863

Folder 39 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, April 14 (1863?)

Folder 40 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, June 30, 1863

Folder 41 D. I. Smith to Julia Sprague, July 1, 1863

Folder 42 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, October 18 (1863?)

Folder 43 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, December 24, 1863

Folder 44 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, February 25, 1864

Folder 45 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, May 2, 1864

- Folder 46 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, September 19 (1864?)
- Folder 47 Sallie P. Smith to Aunt Cynthia, June 4, (1865?)
- Folder 48 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague, June 16, 1865
- Folder 49 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague Hovey, December 1 (1865?)
- Folder 50 Sallie P. Smith to Julia Sprague Hovey, July 2, 1866
- Folder 51 Recipe
- Folder 52 Newspaper clipping, "From the Guyandotte Prisoners" *Ironton Register*, December 19, 1861
- Folder 53 Envelope to Sarah Smith, August 5, no year
- Folder 54 Photocopies
- Folder 55 Scanned images - dim
- Folder 56 Envelope originally containing collection