Kantor Collection on the U.S. Sanitary Commission and Sanitary Fairs

Collection Summary

Title: Kantor Collection on the U.S. Sanitary Commission and Sanitary Fairs
Call Number: MS 92-25
Size: 7.5 linear feet (9 boxes) and 2 oversized folders (OS)
Acquisition: Donated by Robert and Marjorie Kantor
Restrictions: None
Note: Related book collection: Kantor Collection, containing books and pamphlets concerning U.S. Sanitary Commission and Civil War

Literary Rights

Literary rights were not granted to Wichita State University. When permission is granted to examine the manuscripts, it is not an authorization to publish them. Manuscripts cannot be used for publication without regard for common law literary rights, copyright laws and the laws of libel. It is the responsibility of the researcher and his/her publisher to obtain permission to publish. Scholars and students who eventually plan to have their work published are urged to make inquiry regarding overall restrictions on publication before initial research.

Content Note

The Kantor Collection of the U.S. Sanitary Commission and Sanitary Fairs documents the activities of the U.S. Sanitary Commission and sanitary fairs to raise money and support for medical and humanitarian care for Union soldiers during the Civil War. The collection includes correspondence, financial appeals, ground plans, sheet music, broadsides, stereographs, lithographs, newspapers, and ephemera. More than two dozen sanitary fairs, which heavily relied on the volunteer efforts of women, were held between 1863 and 1865. They raised millions of dollars for the benefit of the U.S. Sanitary Commission and provided a way for civilians to contribute time, energy and money to show their support for the Union cause.

Administrative History

The United States Sanitary Commission and sanitary fairs represented one of the most successful democratic, humanitarian and philanthropic efforts in American history. The federally approved Commission evolved out of concerted efforts of private citizens who were alarmed at the lack of
medical support for the Union military forces in 1861. On the eve of the Civil War the military medical
department lacked a plan, personnel, supplies and equipment for collecting wounded soldiers from
the battlefield, transporting them to hospitals and caring for them there. President Lincoln
acknowledged the situation and signed an executive order in June 1861 formally recognizing the
volunteer group as the United States Sanitary Commission. Comprised of clergy, physicians and
women, the Sanitary Commission worked both nationally and locally to raise money, educate the
public about the reasons for supporting the war effort and organize the sanitary arrangements in
camps and hospitals.

Initial fund raising efforts of the Commission were only marginally successful. In 1863 two managers
of the Chicago regional office, Mary Livermore and Jane Hoge, organized the first grand sanitary fair
in Chicago to raise money for the troops and build up civilian morale by encouraging greater citizen
involvement in all aspects of the fair. She and the other fair organizers received donations of
refreshments, goods for sale, displays of artwork and “curiosities,” and offers to perform dramatic and
musical entertainments. The fair raised more than $78,000, an unprecedented sum, and garnered
wide support from the public, resulting in “fair mania.” Its success prompted other cities to organize
similar events and many large cities, notably New York and Philadelphia, competed to stage fairs that
featured ever more lavish pageantry.

Although initially reluctant to support these grand local fairs, members of the national Commission
recognized their effectiveness and helped to organize and run sanitary fairs held in twenty cities
throughout the North for the duration of the war. Estimates of total money raised for all the fairs vary
from $5 to $7 million dollars as many citizens came to embrace the fairs as a patriotic vehicle to
strengthen the Union and an acceptable diversion from the often depressing news from the front. The
national Commission also worked hard to garner international support for the Union in Britain and
western Europe and achieved some notable fund raising success among both British and European
citizens as well as U.S. citizens living abroad.

Series Listing

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Series 1</th>
<th>Box 1 FF 1-38, Box 9 FF 1-35</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Correspondence.</td>
<td>The bulk of this series contains letters pertaining to the U.S. Sanitary Commission from 1861 to 1888. The majority of the letters are written to and from both Frederick N. Knapp and Alfred J. Bloor. The letters have been grouped by topic rather than chronology and so they reveal typical interpersonal conflicts that are a part of every organization.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Series 2</th>
<th>Box 1 FF 39-70, Box 9 FF 36-41</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Imprints, Forms, Circulars, and Contracts.</td>
<td>Dated 1861-1865, the bulk of the imprints and circulars relate to the Great Central Fair, with a few exceptions. There are blank receipts and forms from the Sanitary Commission Office. Included in the series are military passports, and colored lithograph certificates.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Series 3</th>
<th>Box 2-Box 3</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Music Song Sheets.</td>
<td>Dated 1820 to 1865. Two bound books and twenty loose-leaf sheets. The bound books have pre-Civil War and Civil War songs, and are listed in order as bound. The theme of the loose-leaf sheets is the Sanitary Fair. The sheet music was written for different fairs, it varies from marches to polkas. Included in the series are two sheets of Confederate music. A great majority of the sheets are very fragile and in poor condition.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 4</td>
<td>Box 4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>---</td>
<td>---</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 5</td>
<td>Box 5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 6</td>
<td>Box 6, Box 9 FF 42</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 7</td>
<td>Box 7, Box 9 FF 43-63</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 8</td>
<td>Box 8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Series 9</td>
<td>Map Case, Hanging Rack</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Box and Folder Listing: Detailed Description**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Box 1</th>
<th>FF 1</th>
<th>12 July 1862 - Copy. 6 pp. To my dear sir, from Dr. Lieber of the Sanitary Commission. Reply why the Army depends on volunteer aid. 5 March 1864 - Washington, D. C. To sir, from the military director, surgeon, U.S. Army. Revoking supplies purchasing from the Sanitary Commission.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
27 November 1864 - Chaplin Farm, Va. Letter. To my dear sister, from Brother Bew (?). Describes camp rations.

3 September 1864 - City Point Hospital, Va. Letter. To dear friend, from Arthur Shields. Letter from a convalescing soldier. Confidential.


27 May 1864 - In the field, Va. and N. Carolina. Letter. To Rev. Frederick Knapp from Edward E. Hales. Looking for hospital corpsmen or transport boats.

27 May - Letter. Private. To dear Knapp from Edward E. Hales. Written at the suggestion of Gen. Butler to hire corpsmen for the army at $13.00 per month.


Meeting minutes, organizing into Soldier's Aid Society. 6 May 1864 - Chattanooga, Tenn. Letter. To dear Mrs. Farr from A. N. Renn (?). Regarding the "true" hospital garden.

10 October 1864 - Chattanooga, Tenn. Letter. To dear Mrs. Farr from A. N. (?). Chastising the "sightseeing" volunteers.


15 February 1864 - To dear Miss Lydia from C. M. K. (?). Discussing the soliciting aid for the wounded.

Six letters to the United States Sanitary Commission Army and Navy Claim Agency. To Frederick Knapp from Darius Forbes. Replies to previous letters of complaints toward his department. A.7934, A7935. Mr. Abbott's, A7937. Mr. Williams, A7938. Mr. George A. Blake, A.7939. Mrs. Williams, and A.7940. P. H. Harelieu.


Box 1 FF 23 10 October 1864 - New York. 5 pp. letter. To F. N. Knapp from A. C. Bullard. View of charity and the creation of a dependent class.


Box 1 FF 26 Tuesday night, 1864 - Letter. To my dear Mr. Knapp, from your A. J. B. "I honestly say that what you say astonishes me." 24 February 1864 - Letter. To my dear Mr. Knapp, from Alfred J. Bloor. Continues previous rebuttal of charges. Suggests how he would run the office if placed in charge. 25 February 1864 - Note. To my dear Mr. Knapp, from Alfred J. Bloor. "Have received your private notes of the 24th and 25th."

Box 1 FF 27 7 January 1864 - Washington, D. C. Letter. To Dr. G. Foster Jenkins, from F. N. Knapp. Includes copy of a letter to and from Lewis H. Steiner.


Box 1 FF 32  26 December 1864 - Rochester, New York. Letter. To Mr. F. N. Knapp, from Mrs. E. R. Williams. Concerning Free Claim Agency. An affidavit from Mrs. Muhilney (?) is included. 16 February 1865 - Cedar Point, Virginia. Letter. To Mr. Knapp, from Elijah Cyrus. 31 August 1865 - New York. Letter. To my dear Mr. Knapp, from Mr. S. Blatchfard. Copy of a resolution of the Commission's historical work.


14 December 1867 - Florence, Italy. Letter. To my dear Alexander, from Henry Bellows. Explaining the success of the U.S. Sanitary Commission during the Civil War.

22 April 1863 - Near Stafford, Va. Letter. To Mr. James Richardson, from Chas. H. Smith. Concerning the return of loaned money.

11 February 1863 - Philadelphia. Letter. To Mrs. Latimer, from Dr. R. S. Revaendine. Acknowledging the receipt of canned food.

26 November 1862 - The Petition of Eliza A. Halleck. Proving her residence in the County of Matchertis, New York.

22 November 1862 - Power of Attorney document.

15 March 1854. Memorandum of Agreement between Henry W. Bellows of the one part and Matilda J. Smith and Agnes Smith of the other part.


19 May 1863 - Letter. Washington, D.C. To unidentified, from Frederick N. Knapp. Concerning the inconsiderate way discharged, disabled soldiers are treated. Enclosed form of return (Form K).


March 1864 - Meeting Minutes. Sanitary Commission's sixteenth session.


22 May 1864 - Letter. Walpole, NH. To Fred [Knapp], from Henry G. Wheelock. Wants to get George F. Wilbur discharged from the New Hampshire Cavalry. Enclosed are the following letter and military record: 31 March 1864 letter to Capt. S. A. Carter, from Wm P. Wheeler explaining that Geo F. Wilbur enlisted at 15 years of age, and his parents want him discharged, and 4 April 1864 military record of George F. Wilbur.

1 July 1864 - Letter. Washington, D.C. To F. N. Knapp, from J. B. Abbott. Abbott investigated the case of G. F. Wilbur and found that he can only be discharged through the Secretary of War.


18 May 1864 - Letter. To unidentified, from Rush C. Hawkins, chairman of the New York Historical Society. Special committee for an exhibition at the society.


14 July 1864 - Letter. To Mr. Stille, from Fred N. Knapp. Knapp is grieved and wronged by critical remarks Stille made on 13 July 1864 about the lack of discipline of the Commission. 14 July 1864 - Letter. New York. To Mr. Knapp, from C. Stille. Stille apologizes to Knapp and states his remarks were not a personal attack.


26 August 1864 - Telegraph. Washington, D. C. To F. N. Knapp, from (?) Clark. Informs Knapp that the "certificate is here." Telegraph received in Walpole, NH. With envelope.

Box 9 FF 16 6 October 1864 - Letter. Boston. To Fred (?), from Henry (?). With envelope.

Box 9 FF 17 10 October 1864 - Letter. Washington, D. C. To F. N. Knapp, from John Bonne, cashier. Bonne's response to Knapp's request to enumerate items not listed by Mr. Stille in his "Financial Statement."

Box 9 FF 18 11 October 1864 - Letter. Boston. To Mr. Knapp, from Henrietta D. Williams. Enclosed copies of the following two letters: 21 August 1864 letter to Sister Nettie (Henrietta D. Williams), from Edwin W. Jurich thanking her for her work as a nurse at Camp Parole Hospital in Maryland, and 19 September 1864 letter to Sister Nettie (Henrietta D. Williams), from Dr. Simpson about the trial of Dr. Pittinos.

Box 9 FF 19 13 October 1864 - Letter. Washington, D.C. To Mr. Knapp, from AJB. Brief letter addressing a misunderstanding.

Box 9 FF 20 13 October 1864 - Letter. New York. To Mr. Knapp, from Louisa Lee Schuyler. Request for Knapp to attend and present at a meeting of delegates from the Soldiers' Aid Societies.

Box 9 FF 21 6 November 1864 and (?) November 1864 - Letters. Washington, D.C. To Fred (?), from unidentified. Letters of a personal nature from an unidentified sender.


Box 9 FF 23 5 December 1864 - Letter. Washington, D.C. To F. N. Knapp, Associate Secretary U.S. Sanitary Commission, from J. B. Abbott, Chief Assistant Special Relief Department. Abbott requests an order from the Commissary General to instruct the Post Commissary to pay the commutation of rations to soldiers in hospitals due to them while on furlough. Included with the letter is the 30 September 1864 report, *Aggregate of sick and wounded soldiers waited on in transit between Washington and New York for the month of September 1864* by A. H. Trego, Courier U.S. Sanitary Commission and sent to J. B. Abbott.


Box 9 FF 26  9 January 1865 - Letter.  Rochester.  To F. N. Knapp, from E. R. Williams.  Williams accuses Mr. Forbes of withholding benefits from soldiers' wives and wants Forbes removed from his position.  Enclosed are the following letter and resolution: 29 December 1864 letter to A. J. Hatch, from Darius Forbes about processing claims, and a 4 January 1865 resolution from the Rochester Soldiers' Aid Society.


Box 9 FF 28  20 March 1865 - Note.  Washington, D.C.  To unidentified, from F. N. Knapp and Darius Forbes.  This note accompanied documents pertaining to a case sent by Mr. Abbott.  The documents are no longer attached.

Box 9 FF 29  10 August 1865 - Letter.  Alexandria.  To Fred N. Knapp, Special Relief Agent of the U.S. Sanitary Commission, from Amy Morris Bradley, a nurse and agent for the U.S. Sanitary Commission.  Bradley reports to Knapp about her work as a nurse at Augur General Hospital, writing that the dispensary is poorly supplied and the recovering soldiers lack proper food and nourishment.  Attached to her letter is the 14 July 1865 report, List of articles drawn by Mrs. Amy Bradley.  Augur Gen. Hospital Alex Va. from March 1st to July 14th 1865 (including the 14th of July ), and the 31 July 1865 letter from James Conolly thanking Bradley and the Sanitary Commission for their care of his relative.


Box 9 FF 32  Letter.  To unidentified, from Fred N. Knapp.  Letter explains the plight of the poor mothers and wives who come to Washington, D.C. for aid and do not have enough money to return home.

Box 9 FF 33  Letter.  Walpole, MA.  To unidentified, from John M. Merrick.  Discusses the state of returning soldiers.
Box 9 FF 34 Letter. To Mr. Knapp, from Harriet Douglas Whelten. Personal letter to Knapp from Whelten, a civil war nurse.

Box 9 FF 35 Letter. To Mr. Knapp, from J. Y. (?). Mr. Carter's traveling expenses from a trip to New York.

Box 1 FF 39 1 March 1864 - Philadelphia agency. "The officers of the Sanitary Commission in Philadelphia propose organizing a grand fair;" "Great Central Fair, to be held at Philadelphia, June 1864, for the benefit of the United States Sanitary Commission. Circular of the Committee on Relics, Curiosities, and Autographs." Single sheet; 1 March 1864 - "The undersigned, members of the Executive Committee of the Great Central Fair for the Sanitary Commission, beg to invite the co-operation of all their fellow-citizens;" June 1864 - Great Central Fair. "Circular of the Committee on Relics, Curiosities, and Autographs;" 1 March 1864 - "The undersigned, members of the Executive Committee of the Great Central Fair for the Sanitary Commission, beg to invite the Co-operation of all their fellow-citizens." Single sheet. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 4]


Box 1 FF 41 "Fete Chametre at Bartam Hall, in aid of the Great Central Fair for the U.S. Sanitary Commission." Floral and Horticultural Department; 1 June 1864 - Great Central Fair. Island of Cuba. Lecture notice; 28 March 1864 - Circular No. 1. Committee for a Day's Labor; "An Appeal to Philadelphians in behalf of the U.S. Sanitary Commission;" 20 June 1864 - The Donation of a Silver Fire Horn to the Sanitary Fair by the American Hose Co. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 9 and FF 10]

Box 1 FF 42 The Great Central Fair for the U.S. Sanitary Commission. Committee on Sewing Machines; Note on resolution passed by the Supervisory Committee. Signed by Storrow Higginson; June 1864 - Publication. United States Create Central Sanitary Fair, Philadelphia. Our Maizena Department, Bill of Fare. United States Great Central Sanitary Fair, Philadelphia. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 12]


Box 1 FF 48 Circular. Citizens of Antrim Township; Circular. Great Central Fair. To be held in Philadelphia the first week in June 1864. Carriage Department; Circular. The committees and invited guests will assemble at the eastern end of Union Avenue and will be marshaled in the following, Order of Procession; 29, 30, and 31 March 1864 - Brochure. OLIO in the Aid of the Sanitary Commission of Lyceum Hall, Reading.


Box 1 FF 52 3 March 1863 - New York. Circular. Three copies. To Mrs. Moore, sec. of the Women's Pennsylvania Branch, from Henry Bellows. "Dear Madam: Allow me, through you, to thank the ladies of Philadelphia."

Box 1 FF 53 Pamphlet. Homeopathy in Military Hospitals. From the American Medical Times of January 18. Concerning homeopathic practices in hospitals; Imprint. An Act to Increase the Efficiency of the Medical Department of the Army; February 1863 - Boston. Circular. The New England Women's Auxiliary Association. Earnestly requests you to read the subjoined letters, and circulate them by insertion in your local newspapers and otherwise.


June 1864 - Imprint. Two copies. Ground Plan of the Great Central Sanitary Fair, Logan Square, Philadelphia, 1864; 22 March 1864 - Philadelphia. Pamphlet. The Great Central Fair to be held in Philadelphia, June 1864. Special Committee on Fancy Goods, Watches, Jewelry, Silver, and Plated Ware; 20 April 1864 - Circular. The Great Central Fair for the United States Sanitary Commission. Committee on Labor, Incomes and Revenue, Committee on the Legal Profession; June 1864 - Imprint. The Great Central Fair to be held in Philadelphia, June 1864. Appeal, in Behalf of our Sick and Wounded Soldiers. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 6 and FF 14]


Box 1  FF 60  

Box 1  FF 61  

Box 1  FF 62  
Blank certificate. Pennsylvania. Grand Army of the Republic muster into Post No. 23 of Pottsville; Blank certificate. Honorable discharge. Grand Army of the Republic; Blank oath of Allegiance. Two copies; Blank "Statement Concerning Voluntary Contributions" of money for the relief and comfort of soldiers and sailors in the Army and Navy of the United States; Blank "Invoice of Articles Donated to the Northern Ohio Sanitary Fair at Cleveland." Three copies.

Box 1  FF 63  
Blank receipts from the U.S. Sanitary Commission, Washington, six copies; Blank receipt from the U.S. Sanitary Commission, Washington; Blank invoice form, Washington, Office of the Sanitary Commission. "I have the honor to inform you." Two copies; Blank invoice form, Washington, D. C., The United States Sanitary Commission. "I have this day forwarded by..." Two copies; Blank form, U.S. Sanitary Commission, three copies; Blank form, U.S. Sanitary Commission, "You are requested."
Box 1 FF 64 Blank Invalid's Power of Attorney, two copies; Blank Widow's Power of Attorney, two copies; Blank invoice of Articles, Cleveland, three copies; Blank Discharge papers, Voucher No. 5; Blank letter form, Washington, D. C., U.S. Sanitary Commission, Special Relief Office, "Your application for bounty..."


Box 1 FF 66 10 May 1865 - Chicago, Certificate Officer's Commission, Head-Quarters Army of the American Eagle, For Henry A. Mudge; 3 May 1863 - Richmond, Va., 'Contract with a Private Physician"; 22 March 1864 - Philadelphia, Certificate, Cooper Shop Soldier's Home, Received of Mr. D. H. Jackman; 28 October 1864 - Philadelphia, Certificate, Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon and Hospital. Received of O. O. Wilcox; Blank certificate, Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon and Hospital, 1946 - Certificate, from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Stamp Collection.


Box 1 FF 69 February 1862 - Certificate. Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon and Hospital. "Joseph Rudolph is a nice little boy and obeys his father, mother and aunt."

Box 1 FF 70 4 February 1864 - Philadelphia. Receipt. Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon. Receipt of N. F. Martness for $8.00; Blank Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon receipts. Eight copies.

Box 9 FF 36 14 March 1864 - Circular. Elmira, NY. Southern Tier Sanitary Fair commencing at Elmira, N. Y.

Box 9 FF 37 Form. U.S. Sanitary Commission. Form K.

Box 9 FF 38 Form. U.S. Sanitary Commission. Form L.


Box 2  

Box 2  

Box 3  

Box 3  
Box 3 FF 3 1864. Parkhurst, Mrs. Metropolitan Fair. "Sanitary Fair Polka."
Box 3 FF 5 1864. Swaim, James. Great Central Fair. "Puzzle Polka."
Box 3 FF 6 1864. Mack, E. Great Central Fair. "Grand March."
Box 3 FF 7 1864. Van Berg, T. Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair. "Grand March."
Box 3 FF 8 Caroline. Philadelphia Sanitary Fair. "Polka."
Box 3 FF 9 1864. Kleber, Henry. Pittsburg Sanitary Fair. "Relief Polka."
Box 3 FF 11 1863. Work, Henry C. "Babylon is Fallen."
Box 3 FF 13 1864. Clark, James G. "The Children of the Battlefield."
Box 3 FF 14 1861. "Col. Ellsworth's Funeral March."
Box 3 FF 15 1843. Shaw, David T. "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean."
Box 3 FF 17 1862. Root, George F. "Just Before the Battle, Mother."
Box 3 FF 18 1862. Work, Henry C. "Kingdon Coming."
Box 3 FF 19 Ilsley, E. Clark. (Confederate). "Kiss Me Before I Die Mother."
Box 3 FF 20 1863. Werner, Henry. "Mother is the Battle Over, or Will My Father Come Home Again?"
Box 3 FF 21 1861. Massett, Stephen G. "Our Good Ship Sails Tonight."
Box 3 FF 22 1853. Lignoski, B. R. "Southern Rights March."
Box 3 FF 23 1862. Irving, A. B. "We are Coming Father Abraham, or Three Hundred Thousand More."
Box 4 FF 1 1864. Illuminated Page - "The Artists of Philadelphia to the Metropolitan Fair for the Sanitary Commission."
Box 4 FF 3 Broadside. "Help for the Wounded Soldiers...Ladies of Philadelphia...Committee on the Depository U.S. Sanitary Commission."
Box 4 FF 4 Carte d'viste. George C. McClellan, cartoons (8) regarding Salt River.
Box 4  FF 5  Colored lithograph.  "Soldiers Home."  (14½ x 11½).  Chicago Lithograph Co., 152 and 154 Clark Street, Published by Jevne & Almini.

Box 4  FF 6  Two colored lithographs.  Satterlee U.S.A. General Hospital, West Philadelphia, (22¾ x 17¾) and (20½ x 14½).  Published by James D. Gay, 1864.  Lithographed and printed by Charles Magnus.


Box 4  FF 9  Colored lithograph.  Cliffburne Hospital, Washington, D. C., 1862, (20 x 14).  Published by Charles Magnus.


Box 4  FF 12  Colored broadside, blank receipt.  Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon and Hospital, (13 x 10).

Box 4  FF 13  Broadside.  Restaurant Department of the Great Central Fair, Pennsylvania Kitchen, (11½ x 17⅛).


Box 4  FF 15  Broadside (needs to be repaired).  "Attention Loyal Men and Women, Read, Reflect, and Govern Yourselves Accordingly," (9½ x 13¾).  Prepared by the Committee on the Cooper Shop Refreshment Saloon.


Box 4 FF 19

Box 5 FF 1
3 December - Philadelphia. *A Lecture...for the Benefit of the Volunteer Refreshment Saloons of Philadelphia; The Quaker Gun, Now on Exhibit, was Brought from the Rebel Works*; Philadelphia. Sculls' Continental Coffee, at the Sanitary Fair; 18 November 1863 - Patriotic Arabs...Benefit of the Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 2]

Box 5 FF 2
September 1862 - Boston, Mass. Benevolent War-Claim Association. "For the Collection of Bounties and Pensions and the Back Pay of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors"; Lithograph, view of the Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, Philadelphia; Lithograph, U.S. General Hospital Jefferson Barracks; New York and Boston Express Line! Via Springfield. Soldiers' Car A Railway Ambulance Car...; General Election to be held every day at Firemen's Head-quarters, No. 38 Union Avenue, Great Central Fair, Philadelphia...

Box 5 FF 3
Fifteen Sanitary tickets: Great Central Fair - one adult, two minors; Philadelphia - one adult, two minors; Delaware - one adult, one minor; New Jersey - three bearer white tickets, one pass check, one ticket parlor entertainment, one ticket amateur concert, one red season pass.

Box 5 FF 4
Three Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair tickets: one entrance, one New England Kitchen, one pass bearer into the fair building, dated 11 May 1864; one Fair ticket for the Soldiers and Sailors' Home, 23 October 1865; one Fair ticket for the Sick and Wounded to be held February 25 and 26, 1863; one ticket good for one admission to the Fine Art Gallery.

Box 5 FF 5
Two tickets for the Special Relief Department: one Pay, Bounty and Pensions, one U.S. Sanitary Commission at 1307 Chestnut St.; one Caledonian Society Entertainment for the Benefit of the Sick and Wounded ticket, May 5, 1862; one Union League, Member's ticket, Monday evening, December 12, 1864; one ticket, Darius Forbes, General Agent of the U.S. Sanitary Commission, Army and Navy Claim Agency; one ticket, Ladies Invitation, League House, February 22, 1864; one ticket, Union Relief Association of Baltimore, June 1864; one member ticket, Union League of Philadelphia.

Box 5 FF 6
One ticket, Minute Men of Co. G, Third Regiment, Reserve Brigade, February 22, 1862; one ticket, Relics, Curiosities and Autographs; one ticket, A Lecture, January 14: The Battle of Gettysburg; one three-cent fare, student ticket; Sutler's, F. Popper tokens: 2 five-cent, 152nd Regiment, N. Y. vols., 2 ten-cent, 152nd Regiment, N. Y. vols., 2 twenty five-cent, 152nd Regiment, N. Y. vols.
| Box 5 FF 7 | Eighteen tickets from the Great Fair: one Arms and Trophy Department; two Committee-Gentlemen and Ladies; one Oxalicium Phantasmagoria; two Fine Art Gallery, one Season, one Admit the Bearer; two Cast One Vote for Recipient of the Silver Vase; one Public Schools; four Academy of Natural Sciences; one Admission Delaware adult; one Admission Pennsylvania adult; one Pages. |
| Box 5 FF 8 | One ticket, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, "Incidents of the Great Battles," December 4, 1863; one season ticket, Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair; one vote card, "Please sign for or against colored persons riding on all cars, and return to any conductor within one week;" one ticket, Grand Fair in Aid of the Citizen's Volunteer Hospital, December 14-19; one ticket, Fair in Aid of the Citizen's Volunteer Hospital, November 4; one ticket, Grand Fair, Citizen's Volunteer Hospital, March 2-7; one ticket, Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, Floral and Strawberry Fair, June 16, 1862; one ticket, Children's Fair for the Sick and Wounded, September 15-17. |
| Box 5 FF 9 | 10 January 1888 - one fair stamp, Brooklyn, N. Y. Philatelic Club; Ribbon, silk, Great Central Fair, Post Office Committee; Carte d'viste, Arnold Guyoz; Postcard photograph, home of Dr. H. Bellows; Photogravuer, signed, Henry W. Bellows; Photograph, copy, Mrs. Mary C. R. Livermore. |
| Box 5 FF 11 | Broadside. Cooper Shop Soldiers' Home. Philadelphia, November 1863. [Duplicate material in Box 8 FF 3] |
| Box 6 FF 1 | Boston Evening Transcript |
| Box 6 FF 2 | The Commissioner |
| Box 6 FF 3 | The Crutch |
| Box 6 FF 4 | Demorest's New York Illustrated News |
| Box 6 FF 5 | The Drum Beat |
| Box 6 FF 6 | Forney's War Press |
| Box 6 FF 7 | Harper's Weekly: A Journal of Civilization |
| Box 6 FF 8 | Hospital Register |
Box 6   FF 9   Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper
Box 6   FF 10  Frank Leslie's color, full-page lithograph showing opening of the Metropolitan Sanitary Fair, 4-16-1864
Box 6   FF 11  Mohawk Valley Register
Box 6   FF 12  National Intelligencer
Box 6   FF 13  New York Herald
Box 6   FF 14  New York Observer
Box 6   FF 15  New York Times
Box 6   FF 16  New York Tribune
Box 6   FF 17  The Round Table
Box 6   FF 18  The Saturday Evening Post
Box 6   FF 19  The Soldiers' Journal
Box 6   FF 20  U.S. Sanitary Commission Circular
Box 6   FF 21  Utica Evening Telegraph
Box 6   FF 22  Utica Morning Herald
Box 6   FF 23  Utica Telegraph
Box 6   FF 24  Voice of The Fair
Box 9   FF 42  Unidentified publications
Box 7   FF 1   Contains different correspondences, 1863-1864: (31 August 1863) letter from Alfred Bloor to Frederick Law Olmsted on Olmsted's rumored successor; (30 January 1864) update letter from C. E. Evans, purchasing agent to F. N. Knapp; (7 April 1864) letter from Frederick Brooks to Mr. Knapp that discusses disabled, discharged men; (17 September 1864) letter marked "Confidential, Private and Un-official to Friend Knapp;" (12 November 1864) letter from Special Relief Office, J. B. Abbott to F. N. Knapp.
Box 7   FF 2   Contains supply registers and statements from the Sanitary Commission, 1864-1865: List of supplies used by the Sanitary Commission for hospitals, 21 November 1864; 22 November 1864; and 1 December 1864.
Box 7 FF 3 Miscellaneous items from the Sanitary Commission and from the period: Imprint (27 February 1860), speech made by Abraham Lincoln to the Cooper Institute titled "The Republican Party Vindicated - The Demands of the South Explained;" (1 January 1865) statement of work done by the Commission at "The Home" from the year 1864; Sanitary Commission Claim Agency (10 September 1863) application for prize money; undated Commission's central office report with an estimate on the number of soldiers discharged for disability.

Box 9 FF 43 3 February 1863. Drafts. Proposed arrangement for through tickets at reduced rates for soldiers. 13 April 1865. Washington, D.C. Sanitary Commission proposal to place agents at railroad stations to sell tickets at a reduced rate to soldiers.

Box 9 FF 44 20 April 1865 - Draft. Washington, D.C. Edited partial draft of U.S. Sanitary Commission, No. 89, "Extracts from the Quarterly Special Relief Report of the U.S. Sanitary Commission Concerning the Rebel Hospitals at Richmond, VA, and the Provisions Made for their Patients, as Contrasted with Tile Supplies Furnished to Union Prisoners of War in Rebel Hands." Extracts from the report by Frederick N. Knapp, Superintendent of Special Relief read at the quarterly meeting of the Board of the U.S. Sanitary Commission.


Box 9 FF 46 Drafts. Lincoln Home for disabled discharged soldiers.

Box 9 FF 47 Drafts. Request for aid for wounded soldiers and their family members.

Box 9 FF 48 Drafts. Draft of a report on Special Relief by F. N. Knapp.

Box 9 FF 49 Drafts. Partial draft of a report about securing pensions, arrears of pay, and bounties for soldiers.

Box 9 FF 50 Drafts. Partial draft of an address about the Sanitary Commission and the care of soldiers.

Box 9 FF 51 Drafts. Partial draft of a report about the how to improve the branches of the Sanitary Commission.

Box 9 FF 52 Drafts. Partial draft of a report about the Sanitary Commission.

Box 9 FF 53 Drafts. Partial draft of a circular about the care of soldiers.

Box 9 FF 54 Drafts. Partial unidentified drafts.

Box 9 FF 55 Financial. Notes to Financial Statement.

Box 9 FF 56 Financial. Receipts and bills. Includes receipts for donations and receipts and bills for supplies.
Box 9 FF 57 Notes. Unidentified handwritten notes.


Box 9 FF 63 26 July 1864 - Requisition. Articles requested in the Sanitary Commission's Norfolk Store House. 18 August 1864 - Requisitions. The Department of Virginia's Sanitary Stores requisition.

Box 8 FF 1 Unused envelope from Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, No. 1009, Otsego Street, below Washington Avenue.

Box 8 FF 2 Leaflet for lecture at Concert Hall, to be held December 3rd, sponsored by People's Literary Institute on "The American People," to benefit equally Cooper Shop and Volunteer Refreshment Saloons. [Duplicate material in Box 5 FF 1]

Box 8 FF 3 Leaflet soliciting initial donations to aid Cooper Shop Soldiers' Home for disabled soldiers and sailors, at northwest corner of Race and Crown Streets, November 1863. The site was formerly a U.S. hospital. Asks for "Money, Furniture, Clothing, Bedding, Linen, Provisions, Books, etc." [Duplicate material in Box 5 FF 3]

Box 8 FF 4 Announcement and blank committee nomination from Philadelphia Agency, U.S. Sanitary Commission, March 1, 1864. Seal of Fair at top with toga-clad woman with cornucopia giving chalice to wounded soldier. Commission is organizing a fundraising fair for early June to benefit "sick and wounded soldiers who are cared for by its well-known and systematic methods of benevolence." Modeled after similar fairs in Boston, Chicago, and Cincinnati. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 39]
Box 8 FF 5 Letter dated March 22, 1864, Philadelphia, from Mrs. Ephraim Clark, Chairman, Committee on "Useful and Fancy Articles (Home-Made)" asking for help, especially from women, who should form, "at once, Sewing Societies, in every vicinity of country or city..." Also includes an announcement with the same format as the one in FF 5. It is dated March 1, 1864 from Fair Executive Committee. Reports that the Chicago's Fair raised $60,000; Boston's $150,000; Cincinnati's over $200,000. Makes an appeal for industrial businesses to send, as a contribution, their products so they can be sent to soldiers in the field.

Box 8 FF 6 Announcement much like the one in FF 4, from the Executive Committee, making the same general appeal. Also includes announcement dated March 22 with a special appeal for donations of goods from Committee on "Fancy Goods, Watches, Jewelry, Silver and Plated Ware." [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 57]

Box 8 FF 7 Announcement much like the one in FF 5. Also includes an appeal from the Executive Committee of Paper Manufacturers and Stationers for contributions.

Box 8 FF 8 Two copies of a program for "Parlor Entertainments" at Soldiers' Reading Room, April 23, 1864, to benefit the Fair. Reading of Poe's "The Raven" and scenes from Shakespeare. Ended in a "Gypsy Camp at Night."

Box 8 FF 9 Leaflet for June 1, 1864 lecture on Cuba, "Her Customs, Capital, Peculiar Sylva, etc...," illustrated by stereopticon views of Havana, plantations, etc., at University of Pennsylvania, by the Committee on Importations, for benefit of the Fair. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 41]

Box 8 FF 10 Letter dated June 20, 1864, from Phoenix Hose Company (fire company), noting that "A Costly Silver Fire Horn has been donated to the Sanitary Fair by the America Hose Company, to be awarded to the Company having the highest number of votes." [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 41]

Box 8 FF 11 Blank donation certificate to The Great Central Fair with official Fair seal. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 60]

Box 8 FF 12 Two-sided menu for "Duryea's Maizena" booth at the United States Great Central Sanitary Fair, Philadelphia, June 1864. Bill of fare in French and English, with prices. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 42]

Box 8 FF 13 Ground plans of subsequent fundraising fair at the Philadelphia Academy of Music to raise money for a Soldiers and Sailors Home, held October 23 - November 4, 1865. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 58]
Box 8 FF 14 Stereoview of "Union Avenue," main building at the Philadelphia Central Fair, by R. Newell of Philadelphia. [Duplicate material in Box 1 FF 57]

Box 8 FF 15 Six stereoviews of the Philadelphia Central Fair sale items, Cremer and Co. Inc., swords and sashes, U.S. Mint presses, and $1,000 doll house.

Box 8 FF 16 Five stereoviews of the Philadelphia Central Fair of fair sale items and views, including two different stereoviews of the Horticulture Department, one by Newell. Another stereoview by American Stereoscopic Company, sold by Langenheim.


Map case OS 2 Oversized financial. Appraisement of Furniture

Map case OS 2 Oversized form. U.S. Sanitary Commission. Form K.


Map case OS 2 Oversized report. 1 July 1865 - Report. Washington, D. C. Partially edited draft of U.S. Sanitary Commission, No. 94 "Report concerning the Aid and Comfort given by the Sanitary Commission to Sick and Invalid Soldiers, for the Quarter Ending June 30, 1865" by Frederick N. Knapp, Superintendent of Special Relief Services.

Hanging Rack Engraving of "Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, where over 300,000 Union Soldiers have been fed." Saloon's officers, "Committee of Gentlemen," and "Committee of Ladies." Penciled at bottom, "Organized May24th, 1861 - Finally closed December 1st, 1865. Torn down January 3rd, 1865 ('66?) 1,025,000 meals furnished soldiers, sailors, freedmen refugees, etc."

Hanging Rack Two copies of a two-sided Fair broadside. One side with ground plans of the Fair with identifications for all booths. The other side with a bird's-eye engraving of the Fair grounds at Logan Square and lengthy text. Prepared for "Our Daily Fare," possibly a magazine?