

## NUCMC Catalog Record

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### Biographical

Data: Confederate soldier from the York District, S.C.; served in the Charleston Battalion and later in the 27<sup>th</sup> Regiment, South Carolina Volunteer Infantry.

### Summary:

Most of the correspondence consists of letters between William R. Barry, his wife, Sarah "Sallie" (Barber) Barry, and friends and family members. Barry's letters to his wife from Fairfax County, Va., Mount Pleasant, S.C., Charleston, S.C., James Island, S.C., Petersburg, Va., and elsewhere, concern family matters and friends, daily camp life, events and conditions in Charleston, fighting near Petersburg, Va., shelling of Fort Sumter (February 1864), the difficulty of obtaining furloughs, his love for his wife and family and desire to be with them again, his health, and spiritual matters. His letter of 19 Jan. 1863 urges Sarah to get herself and the children vaccinated for smallpox; his letter dated 8 Apr. 1863 is an eyewitness account of the ironclad attack in Charleston harbor. Sarah's letters to her husband William from Yorkville, S.C., reflect difficult conditions at home, health troubles, periods of discouragement, concern for her husband's spiritual condition, and her faith. Lt. J.[M.] Harvey of Company B, 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment South Carolina Infantry, a friend writing from Fort Moultrie, Sullivans Island, S.C., on 20 April 1861, describes troop strengths and fortifications around Charleston Harbor and later letters of his are from Virginia and Tennessee and recount in considerable detail events and conditions during the war, including the Battle of 1st Manassas (Bull Run). Other correspondents include James R. Barber, William R. Barry's brother-in-law, who writes of fighting in Virginia (1861) and in Tennessee near Chattanooga (November 1863); James M. Barry, also in Virginia; James D. Barry (1800-1868), Jane E. Barry, and W.M. Enloe in York District, S.C., who send news of home; and J.B. Faris (or Faires) in Charleston (18 Oct. 1863).

Subjects:

Barry, William Randolph, 1827-1864 -- Correspondence.  
Barry, Sarah Luciba Barber, b. 1831 -- Correspondence.  
Barry, William Randolph, 1827-1864 -- Religion.  
Barry, Sarah Luciba Barber, b. 1831 -- Religion.  
Barry family.  
Barber, James R. -- Correspondence.  
Harvey, J. M. (James M.) -- Correspondence.  
Confederate States of America. Army. South Carolina Infantry Regiment, 5th. Company B.  
Confederate States of America. Army. South Carolina Infantry Regiment, 27th.  
Bull Run, 1st Battle of, Va., 1861.  
Soldiers -- Confederate States of America -- Correspondence.  
Soldiers -- South Carolina -- York County.  
Women -- South Carolina -- York County.  
James Island (S.C.) -- History -- 19th century.  
Mount Pleasant (S.C.) -- History -- 19th century.  
Tennessee -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.  
South Carolina -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.  
South Carolina -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865.  
Virginia -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate.  
Fairfax County (Va.) -- History -- 19th century.  
York District (Va.) -- History -- 19th century.  
Yorkville (Va.)  
Charleston (S.C.) -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865.  
Petersburg (Va.) -- History -- Siege, 1864-1865.  
Fort Sumter (Charleston, S.C.)  
Smallpox -- South Carolina -- Prevention.  
Armored vessels -- United States.  
Charleston (S.C.) -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Naval operations.  
Fort Moultrie (S.C.)  
Sullivan's Island (S.C. : Island)  
Chattanooga, Battle of, Chattanooga, Tenn., 1863.  
Barry, James M. (James McCully), b. 1840 -- Correspondence.  
Barry, James D. (James Daniel), 1800-1868 -- Correspondence.  
Barry, Jane E. (Jane Emily), 1842-1926 -- Correspondence.  
Enloe, W. M. (William M.), 1840-1868 -- Correspondence.  
Faris, J. B. -- Correspondence.  
Love-letters -- United States. lcsh  
Soldiers -- Confederate States of America. lcsh  
Soldiers -- South Carolina. lcsh