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Guide to the

John A. Minion Collection

Accession # 1943

ARCHIVES RECORD

Western History

TITLE OF COLLECTION Minion, John A. ACCESSION# 1943 750

DONOR: NAME AND ADDRESS Minion, John A., 143-63---249th Street, Rosedale, N.Y. 11422

CONDITION OF GIFT: Permanent - No Restrictions

DESCRIPTION:

May 19, 1966: R

"The Death of a Survivor"

May 23, 1966: R

LIST: of troopers surviving from Custer's five companies.

INFO. SHEET: of motion picture, "The Day that Custer Fell," by (SHEET - Not 14616)  
John Minion. (written for the U. of W.)

May 27, 1966: R

MANUSCRIPT: "The Riddle of Annie Elinor Jones, 'Pal' of Custer,"  
by John A. Minion. Copyright, 1964, Library of  
Congress Catalogue # 65-5590.

CORRESPONDENCE: To: Mr. Minion  
From: Howard V. Covell  
Date: August 26, 1964

June 15, 1966: R

Map of: Historical Sites In Old Jules Home Region by Mari Sandoz. not sent

June 20, 1966: R

Correspondence: From J.A. Minion to G.M. Gressely Subject: Custer

July 6, 1966: R

XEROX Copies of Newspaper Article "General Custer Massacred";  
Article on "Colonel John R. Elting" and copy of letter to Mr. Minion from  
Jerome V. Leary, (Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.). (R-C967-ga)

August 9, 1966: R

LETTER: To: Mr. John H. Kuony  
From: John A. Minion  
Date: Dec. 10, 1964. (Subject: Frank Kinkel) (R-C967-ga)  
ARTICLE: "Burial of Custer; Accompanied with the Death of A Survivor," by donor.

September 7, 1966: R

COPY OF NEWSPAPER ARTICLE: "Annie Jones: Charmer of Civil War Generals."

September 22, 1966: R

PHOTO Photo of Horace (H.A.W.) Tabor. See detailed receipt.

September 28, 1966: <sup>R</sup>

LETTER: To: Mr. Minion

From: Robert S. Novembef <sup>12-26-69</sup>

Date: June 27, 1966:

Box 1 [ INFORMATION ON: "Second Lieutenant James Garland Sturgis;  
Co. "E" of the Seventh U.S. Cavalry and  
First Lt. James E. Porter; Co. "I" of the  
U.S. Seventh Cavalry. - ~~62-57-9~~ ]

November 8, 1966: <sup>R</sup>

COPIES OF ARTICLES: (&amp; Correspondence)

Box 1 "The Augurin' Post." Article appearing in THE ROUND-UP,  
Oct. 1966. Official Publication of Western Writers  
of America Inc.

<sup>C967ga</sup> Article associated with "The Death of a Survivor."  
Special Custer Edition of the Montana WESTERN HISTORY,  
Spring, 1966.

Correspondence: To: Mr. Elmer O. Parker, June 4th, 1966.

To: Minion, From: Robt. W. Krauskopf, 7-11-66.

September 22, 1966

RECEIPT for gift received of Mr. John A. Minion:

Box 1

Photograph which appeared in "The West-  
erners," Publication Brand Book Vol. 13;  
No. 2 of Horace (H.A.W.) Tabor, Colorado's  
Silver King. Born in Vermont, November  
26th, 1830. Died in Denver, Colorado,  
April 1899.

(Signed)

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Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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*Acc. No. 1943*

March 30, 1967

RECEIPT for gift received of John A. Minion:

CORRESPONDENCE:

Date: March 19, 1963  
To: John Minion  
From: Elmer O. Parker

Date: May 27, 1965  
To: John A. Minion  
From: Elmer O. Parker

Date: June 28, 1966  
To: John A. Minion  
From: Robert W. Lovett

Date: July 19, 1966  
To: John A. Minion  
From: William S. Mullins

Date: January 17, 1967  
To: John Minion  
From: Dean M. Regenos

Date: March 17, 1967  
To: Mr. Gene Gressley  
From: John Minion

Date: March 17, 1967  
To: Gene M. Gressley  
From: John A. Minion

Date: March 11, 1967  
To: Gene M. Gressley  
From: John A. Minion

*No. B-1*

RECEIPT: (Continued)

MANUSCRIPT:

*Box 1 (B-55189)*  
THE RIDDLE OF ANNIE ELEANOR JONES. "PAL" OF CUSTER.  
by John A. Minion. Copyright - 1964 by John A.  
Minion. With dedication to Mrs. Barbara Dacher.  
58 page manuscript with additional photocopy  
material.

*Doc Box #1*  
THE DEATH WALTZ.  
re letter dated March 11, 1967. To Gene M. Gressley  
from John A. Minion.

Excerpt from THE LONG DEATH by Ralph K. Andrist.

PAYROLL PHOTOCOPY: PHOTO

*(B-55189)*  
The Payroll of Custers troopers. July 16, 1912. - *not found*

PHOTOGRAPHS: PHOTO

*Box 1 (B-55189)*  
"Dr. DeWolfe" [This is not the photograph of Dr. James  
DeWolf Seventh Cavalry's Acting Regimental Surgeon.]

*(B-55189)*  
Color photograph of ruins of Fort Union, 1964.

*Box 1 (B-55189)*  
PHOTODUPLICATION ORDER FORM:

*Doc Box #1*  
Library photoduplication order form to Mr. John A. Minion  
from New York Academy of Medicine Library. For  
portrait of Dr. De Wolfe.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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Acc. No. 1943

October 19, 1967

RECEIPT for gift received of John Minion:

*(Box!)* "The Auguria Post" Criticism of John Minion's  
Account of Annie Elinor Jones's death with  
Custer at the Little Big Horn. (2 copies)  
Written by Steve Frazee.

Letter written by John Minion stating his  
background for the conclusion of Annie  
Elinor Jones's death with Custer at the  
Little Big Horn - Rebuttal (2 copies).

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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July 18, 1968

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift received of John A. Minion:

MANUSCRIPT:

*Box 1* [ Xerox copy of Manuscript, <sup>(AR 54-W)</sup> <sup>(Un 85-27)</sup> "They Also Served," written by John A. Minion. An account of Army women of the Old West and who followed the guidon. Dedicated to Miss Eleanor Sidicane.

REPRINTS:

*on shelf with book in reference*  
"A Cavalry Officer." Frederick Remington. 12" x 21".

"The Street Fight" - October 26, 1881, Tombstone, Arizona Territory. By Don Perceval. Included also is a short historical sketch of "The Street Fight," by John D. Gilchriese.

(Signed)

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Gene M. Gressley  
DIRECTOR

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October 15, 1968

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr. John Minion:

MANUSCRIPT: Box 1

(Ar 89-n)  
(4435-af)

Xerox copy of the manuscript, "Blue Coats West," written by John Minion. An account of Negro Army Divisions during the Indian Wars. Dedicated to Mrs. Norma Mars.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Eckard V. Toy, Jr.  
Curator of Manuscripts

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February 18, 1969

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr. John A. Minion:

CORRESPONDENCE:

*Box 1*  
✓ To: John Minion  
From: Fairfax Downey  
Date: November 26, 1963

✓ To: John Minion  
From: Philip S. Foner  
Date: February 19, 1964

✓ To: John Minion  
From: Mrs. C. E. Cook  
Date: March 27, 1964

✓ To: John A. Minion  
From: Mary G. Makras  
Date: November 11, 1964

✓ To: John Minion  
From: Robert S. November  
Date: June 27, 1966 (copy)

✓ To: John Minion  
From: Gertrude L. Annan  
Date: September 29, 1966

✓ To: John Minion  
From: Anne Wigglesworth  
Date: January 13, 1967

CORRESPONDENCE: continued

To: John Minion  
From: Fairfax Downey  
Date: January 3, 1969

To: John Minion  
From: The Macmillan Co.  
Date: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

Application for permission to use selections from the publications of  
Duell, Sloan & Pearce, Inc. Requested by John A. Minion. July 10, 1964.

The following pamphlets.... This is a listing of pamphlets that are at  
the University of Wyoming which are based on John Minion's book  
about Annie Elinor Jones.

Fort Casper, Wyoming. A copy from an original painting by W. H. Jackson.

Library Photoduplication Order Form. Requested by John Minion.  
August 22, 1966.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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February 19, 1968?

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr. John A. Minion:

CORRESPONDENCE:

All of the following are copies.

*Lin*  
*Box 1*  
To: John Minion  
From: Samuel J. Archibald  
Date: June 19, 1963

To: John Minion  
From: Stephen T. Riley  
Date: September 13, 1966

To: John A. Minion  
From: Elmer O. Parker  
Date: March 2, 1964

To: John Minion  
From: Clara W. Nauas  
Date: September 21, 1965

To: John Minion  
From: Mrs. Charles Jeffrey  
Date: September 28, 1966

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS: (copies)

"Annie Jones: Charmer of Civil War Generals." Chicago Tribune, November 25, 1957.  
"Soldier's Letter to Newburgh Kin Recalls Custer Massacre Scene, Rigors of West." Poughkeepsie, New York.

(Signed)

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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Acc 1943

March 27, 1969

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift of Mr. John A. Minion:

ARTICLE: Box 1

(A 2128) "Negro Soldiers in the Confederate  
Army." by John A. Minion.  
(A 2128) 1969. 5 typewritten pages.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

GMG:sp

August 5, 1969

## THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift of Mr. John A. Minion:

NEWSPAPER CLIPPING:

~~File~~ *Box 1* "Kin of Rev. Phineas Stowe, Boston, or of Annie Ellnor Jones, Cambridge, Civil War Period....". From Personals, Classified As section of the Cambridge, Massachusetts CHRONICLE SUN; May 29, 1969.

CORRESPONDENCE:

*Box 1*  
To: Mr. Dan Wright  
From: John Minion  
Date: July 20, 1969.

*Box 1*  
To: Mr. Gene M. Gressley  
From: John Minion  
Date: July 24, 1969. - not found

DOCUMENTS:

"Claim For Compensation For Enlisted Slave". Edward Rider, Jr.

"Oath of Allegiance". Edward Rider, Jr.

(Signed)

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Gene M. Gressley  
Director

GMB:lrc

# 1943

October 22, 1969

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift of John A. Minion:

Box 1  
~~Box 1~~  
~~Box 1~~

PUBLICATION:  
The Westerners New York Posse Brand  
Book. Volume 16, No. 2, New  
York, 1969. 4 article by John Minion  
"How Did Custer Die?"

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(Signed)

Gene H. Gressley  
Director

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1943

March 3, 1970

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift of John A. Minion:

Box 1  
(1812)

One typewritten sheet of additional  
material to NEGRO SOLDIERS IN  
THE CONFEDERATE ARMY.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Gene M. Gressley  
Director

GMC:lrc

# 1943

May 20, 1970

JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift received of John A. Minion:

(14526)  
Box 1

Title page and table of contents from  
the Spring, 1970, edition of The Confederate  
Journal of the The Confederate High Command,  
U.K. Division, 1962. (C-499w-co)

(14526)

Newsletter of the U.K. Division, Confederate  
High Command, Rebel, April, 1970. (C-499w-co)

(Signed)

Gene M. Cressley  
Director

GMC:355

# 1943

September 25, 1970

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift of John A. Minion:

ARTICLE:

"Negro Soldiers in the Confederate Army."  
By John A. Minion. New York: The  
Crisis, Volume 77, Number 6, June-  
July 1970. Pages 230-232.

(~~11-12-70~~)  
Box 1

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Gene M. Grassley  
Director

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Acc # 1943

September 30, 1970

THE JOHN MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift of John Minion:

DOCUMENTS:

Box 1

Claim for compensation for enlisted slave

Evidence of title

Documentary by John A. Minion concerning Degatur Dorsey, a young slave owned by Edward Rider, Jr. of Maryland.

(Signed)

Gene M. Gressley,  
Director

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# 1943

October 20, 1970

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for gift of John A. Minion:

PUBLICATION:

"The Confederate: Journal of The  
Confederate High Command."  
U.K. Division. Spring 1970.  
Includes an article "Negro  
Soldiers in the Confederate  
Army" by John A. Minion.  
Pages 7-10.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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September 22, 1972

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr.  
John A. Minion:

ARTICLE:

ON THE OTHER SIDE, by John Minion.  
Copyright July 13, 1972 by the  
Ind. Press, one page about Silver  
Lake and Bloomfield.

MANUSCRIPT:

THE LEGEND OF DUNCAN CAMPBELL, by  
J.A. Minion. Contains the story  
and some correspondence.

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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Acc 1943  
WH

June 13, 1973

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr. John A. Minion:

CORRESPONDENCE:

To: John Minion

From: V. DeKanel, New York Life Insurance Company

Date: May 7, 1973

RE: About the insured officers that were killed at Little Bighorn, including George A. Custer. (Xeroxed)

To: Mr. V. DeKanel

From: John A. Minion

Date: May 16, 1973

RE: Reply to the May 7, 1973 letter. (Xeroxed)

List of Insured Officers: (xeroxed copy)

A one page list of Insured Officers of the army, 5 of them died in the Battle of Little Big Horn on June 25, 1876, George A. Custer took out his policy on June 11, 1874

MISCELLANEOUS:

One page xerox copy of the New-York Life Insurance Company Policy No. 106.707 of George A. Custer in the Amount of \$5,000, signed by I. F. A. Studdart, Agent.

One page xerox copy of a Check from the New York Life Insurance Company out of the Chemical National Bank to Elizabeth B. Custer in the amount of \$4,750.00 dollars.

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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Acc. # 1943  
W.H.

July 31, 1974

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of John A. Minion:

ARTICLES (Xerox Copies)

(~~ITAL~~)  
(~~ITAL~~) Box 1  
SPAGHETTI WESTERN HELD UNFAIR PICTURE OF ITALIAN, by John Minion. First of a series of articles on the Civil War and Western Americana.

WE ITALIANS, by John Minion. Second in series of articles about the participation of Italians in the historical development of the country. Also third and fourth series.

Two copies of each on the above.

HANDBOOK

(~~F777-100~~)  
Box 1 (~~F775-1~~)  
Hieb, David L., FORT LARAMIE, National Park Service Historical Series, 1954.

Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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Dec 1943

June 6, 1975

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr.  
John A. Minion:

Military Operations:

Box 1  
(~~124730-116~~) { Seventh U.S. Cavalry's Operations in the  
Un 35-2 } Admiralty Islands, 2-14 March, 1944.  
(See F.O. #3, Hq Brewer Task Force, 3  
March 1944), xerox copy, 49 pages.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gene M. Gressley  
Director

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**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING**

WESTERN HISTORY RESEARCH CENTER

BOX 3334

LARAMIE, WYOMING 82071

November 18, 1976

**THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION**

RECEIPT for the gift received of John A. Minion.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

TOFROMDATE

John Minion

Michael Koury

Dec. 22, 1975

-xerox copy

Michael Koury

John Minion

Dec. 28, 1975

-xerox copy

John Minion

Michael Koury

Jan. 7, 1976

-xerox copy

attachments

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Gene M. Grassley  
Director

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Box #1

Acc. #1943  
WH

January 10, 1977

THE JOHN A. MINION COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift received of Mr.  
Thomas E. Ward, Jr.:

NEWSPAPER CLIPPING:

Box 1  
(~~B. M. H. Jr.~~) THE STAR-LEDGER, December 13, 1976, 1 piece.

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Gene M. Grassley  
Director

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