



This is a nice .44 caliber Colt Army revolver from the Civil War period. The serial number of 95718 places the production date of this pistol in 1863. This one is an all serial numbers matching gun, including the wedge. The barrel address reads "ADDRESS COL. SAMI COLT NEW - YORK U.S. AMERICA". The bore is in good condition with crisp rifling and no pitting present. The loading lever is fully functional. The cylinder scene is still very visible. The serial number and patent date can be plainly seen. The Colts Patent mark on the left side of the frame is very clear. All serial numbers on the back strap, trigger guard, frame, barrel and wedge are clearly visible. The one piece walnut grips have a cartouche, indicating acceptance into the military service. There are sub inspector marks on several areas of the revolver. The letter c is stamped on the bottom of the trigger guard, cylinder, and top of the back strap. A double cc is stamped into the left side of the barrel to the rear of the wedge screw. Everything on the gun appears original except the wedge screw. It seems to be a modern replacement. That could be rectified if the buyer so desired. The cylinder still has the safety pins on the back. The action is crisp and locks up in half and full cock positions. The brass trigger guard has turned an eye pleasing golden color with some mottled age spots on the bottom of the trigger guard. The iron back strap has turned an even dull gray patina. The remainder of the metal on the gun is smooth and has a very nice patina. Now that that's out of the way, this one came into the shop with a ton of documentation of Confederate use. This gun was bought by George H Hanger from the original Orndorff family in December 2003. H.W. Orndorff is attributed with using this revolver when he served with the 7th Virginia Cavalry during the war. The paperwork that comes with this gun includes a notarized letter from Herman Kinder, a hand written note by Mr Hanger describing the weapon and where he purchased it, a business card with hand written Orndorff names, Civil War data base results for Henry Washington Orndorff and a regimental history of the 7th Virginia Cavalry. The history that comes with this one could fill a small library! Here 's an opportunity to own a piece of Confederate history that once rode with that Virginia Cavalier Turner Ashby!

**The Bowling Green Drummer**

Herman D. Kinder  
14 Clayridge Ct.  
Bowling Green, Kentucky  
42103

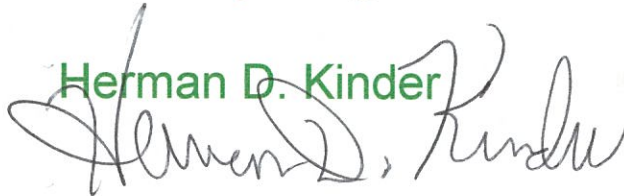
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Kris,

Confederate used M1860 Colt Army Revolver, used by Henry Washington Orndorff of the CS 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry. Serial No. 95718, All matching, came out of Colt's Factory 1863. Smooth metal & nice patina with good clear colt markings & also military markings which are on the barrel, cylinder, backstrap & grips. Military Inspectors cartouche intact on grips. 90% original cylinder scene intact. This CW M1860 was bought out of the family by George H. Hanger from B.O. Orndorff of W.Va. & has original handwritten paper from George Hanger stating this fact & that the revolver was used by B.O. Orndorff's Dad in the Civil War & gives the Colt's Serial no. on the paper & the paper was written Dec. 9, 2003. Along with written paper is a card with 9 names out of the Orndorff family on the back of a restaurant card. These names were probably given to Hanger to reference the gun as being a part of that family. Also on both the card & paper is H.W. Orndorff. Both original note from Hanger & card with names & phone nos. are included. I recieved this revolver from an collector from Oklahoma with the original papers & story. I did the research on American Civil War site & found the only, H.W. Orndorff enlisted 2/17/1862 in the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry

CSA & enlisted in West Virginia & was from the same state. These records are included with this M1860 Colt Army revolver. Gen. Turner Ashby was in charge of this unit & Orndorff for a short time with with him until Ashby was killed in 1862 in Va. Turners records from CW Site included along with reports from Gettysburg when the 7<sup>th</sup> was engaged there.

Herman D. Kinder

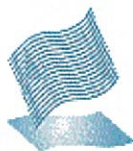
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Herman D. Kinder". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "H".

Heather Sulcher  
Notary



## Soldier History

### Henry Washington Orndorff



Home

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Report List

Residence [Shenandoah County](#) VA; 19 years old.

Enlisted on 2/17/1862 at Martinsburg, WV as a Private.

On 2/17/1862 he mustered into "K" Co. [VA 7th Cavalry](#)  
(date and method of discharge not given)

He was listed as:

- \* On rolls 12/31/1863 (place not stated) (On rolls through 08/31/64)
- \* Paroled 5/11/1865 Winchester, VA

He was described at enlistment as:

5' 6.0", light complexion, blue eyes, light hair

Other Information:

born 2/8/1843

died 7/15/1904

Buried: Wendell-Orndorff Cem., Tom's Brook, VA

Sources used by Historical Data Systems, Inc.:

- The Virginia Regimental Histories Series
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x 1545  
*Orndorff Henry.*

**Co. K, 7 Virginia Caval**  
**(Ashby's Cavalry.)**

In June, 1862, the regiment was reduced from twenty-nine to ten companies, ten companies having been assigned to the 12th (formerly 10th) Reg't Va. Cav.; seven companies were organized as the 17th Batt'n Va. Cav., which was afterward increased to the 11th Reg't Va. Cav.; one company assigned to the 14th Reg't Va. Cav. and one company became Capt. Carter's Batt'y Va. Art'y.

**(Confederate.)**

*Private* | *Private*  
CARD NUMBERS.

|    |          |    |
|----|----------|----|
| 1  | 50811581 | 20 |
| 2  | 1230     | 21 |
| 3  | 1351     | 22 |
| 4  | 1466     | 23 |
| 5  | 48850573 | 24 |
| 6  |          | 25 |
| 7  |          | 26 |
| 8  |          | 27 |
| 9  |          | 28 |
| 10 |          | 29 |
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| 17 |          | 36 |
| 18 |          | 37 |
| 19 |          | 38 |

Number of medical cards herein 0

Number of personal papers herein 1

BOOK MARK: \_\_\_\_\_

See also \_\_\_\_\_

(Confederate.)

**Inclosures.**

|                                    |                            |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bed Cards .....                    | Final Statements .....     |
| Burial Records .....               | Furloughs or L. of A. .... |
| Certs. of Dis. for Discharge ..... | Med. Certificates .....    |
| C. M. Charges .....                | Med. Des. Lists .....      |
| Descriptive Lists .....            | Orders .....               |
| Discharge Certificates .....       | Pris. of War Record .....  |
| Enlistment Papers .....            | Resignations .....         |

**Other papers relating to—**

|                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Admission to Hosp'l .....   | Furlough or L. of A. .... |
| Casualty Sheet .....        | Med. Examination .....    |
| Confinement .....           | Misc. Information .....   |
| Contracts .....             | Pay or Clothing .....     |
| Death or Effects .....      | Personal Reports .....    |
| Desertion .....             | Rank .....                |
| Discharge from Hosp'l ..... | Transfer to Hosp'l .....  |

of the organization named above,

for *Dec 31, 1863 to Mch 31, 1864*  
*dated Apr 1*

Enlisted:

When *Feb 17*, 186*3*

Where

*Martinsburg*

By whom

*Capt Stovontz*

Period

*3 years*

Last paid:

By whom

*Capt Ashby*

To what time

*Oct 31*, 186*3*

Present or absent

*Present*

Remarks:

of the organization named above,

for *March & April*, 1864

Enlisted:

When *Feb 19*, 1863

Where *Mt. Jackson*

By whom *Capt Stovontz*

Period *3 years*

Last paid:

By whom

To what time, 186

Present or absent

Remarks:

*x Roll taken.*

of the organization named above,

for *May 7 June*, 186*4*.

Enlisted:

When *Feb 19*, 186*3*

Where *Mt. Jackson*

By whom *Capt Kourty*

Period *3 years*

Last paid:

By whom *Capt Ashby*

To what time *Feb 29*, 186*4*.

Present or absent *Present*

Remarks: *Horse left*

*Service May 11 '64*

of the organization named above,

for

*July & Aug*, 1864.

Enlisted:

When

*Feb 19*, 1862.

Where

*Martinsburg*

By whom

*Capt. Koontz*

Period

*3 years*

Last paid:

By whom

*Capt Ashby*

To what time

*Feb 29*, 1864.

Present or absent

*Present*

Remarks:

*K 7<sup>th</sup> Va Cavalry*

**Head Quarters Army of the Shenandoah,**

**OFFICE PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL,**

WINCHESTER, VA., *May 11*.....1865.

I.....*Henry H. Campbell*.....  
OF.....*Co. 7th Va Cavalry*.....

C. S. Army, do hereby give this my Parole of Honor, that I will not take up arms against the United States Government until I am regularly exchanged. And that if I am permitted to remain at my home I will conduct myself as a good and peaceable citizen, and will respect the laws in force where I reside, and will do nothing to the detriment of, or in opposition to the United States Government.

*Henry H. Campbell* X  
.....*Co. 7th Va Cavalry*.....

**DESCRIPTION :**

Age, *21*..... Height, *5 6*..... Complexion, *Light*.....  
Hair, *Light*..... Eyes, *Blue*.....

Sworn to and subscribed before me,  
this *11*..... day of *May*..... 1865.

*A. H. L. Larrison*  
.....  
*Provost* Provost Marshal General.

*Shenandoah Co. Va.*

# List

of prisoners of war paroled May 8 to June 21,  
1865, at various places in Virginia.

List dated .....

*not dated*

, 1865 .

Date .....

*May 11*

, 1865 .

By whom given .....

*A. H. Robinson*

Where given .....

*Winchester, Va*

Remarks : .....

The following names were provided on the card and many of them can still be in West Virginia and Maryland.

The individuals listed on the cards information is listed below in order of the card:

**Richard C Orndoff**

16309 Brice Hollow Rd SE  
Cumberland, MD 21502  
(301) 724-3917

Julia M Orndoff previous resident was Charles Orndorff

117 High Ln  
Cumberland, MD 21502-2601  
(301) 724- 4683

Age: 65+

**Daily**

(301) 729-8152

No information found

**Don L Orndorff**

13900 Schellsburg Rd NE  
Ellerslie, MD  
(301) 724-1696

**Donald D Orndorff**

13900 Schellsburg Rd NE  
Ellerslie, MD 21529  
(301) 724-9233

**Janet A Orndorff is probably J.A**

618 Brookfield Ave  
Cumberland, MD 21502-3712  
(301) 724-6579

**Larry Orndorff**

13207 Deerfield Dr SW  
Cumberland, MD 21502  
(301) 729-2382

**Walter B Orndorff Sr**

12610 Ruppenkamp Rd SE  
Cumberland, MD 21502-8414  
(301) 724-0717

**William J Orndorff the previous residence was William E Orndorff**

20 Johns Ln  
Cumberland, MD 21502-7704  
(301) 729-1856

NOTES:

PHILIP,

HERE IS YOUR MODEL 1860 COLT REVOLVER  
IDENTIFIED TO HENRY ORNDORFF OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> VA  
CAVALRY REGIMENT. INCLUDED ARE THE DOCUMENTS TO  
SUBSTANTIATE THE HISTORY OF THE WEAPON. I HOPE THAT YOU  
ARE HAPPY WITH YOUR PURCHASE AND LOOK FORWARD TO  
WORKING WITH YOU IN THE FUTURE.

Mike's Kim 615 717 7792 mwkis02@7@gmail.com

Dec. 9-2003

I, George H. Hanger  
bought this gun about 50 yrs.  
ago from an old man name  
BO Orendoff home Wardenville, W<sup>va</sup>  
his Dad used in Civil war.  
Bun. Pat. 1855 Colt. 44  
Serial # 9571?

George H. Hanger