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JEB Stuart Document  
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US Army Lieut. JEB Stuart received a patent in 1859 for a sword hanger that he designed. In an effort to secure a contract for his invention he wrote from Fort Riley, Kansas Territory, on Jan 25, 1860, to his friend Col. Sam McCamant in Richmond, Virginia, asking him to intercede for him with the chairman of the Committee of Legislature of Virginia to purchase 500 copies of his design. He wrote the letter on the back of a copy of a circular he had printed with his patent drawings and patent information. The entire letter is written and signed in Stuart's hand. This is a truly remarkable and historic document. Very few of Stuart's letters are available to the public and this one is truly unique! It measures 16 1/4" x 10 1/2". The circular bears a watermark and Stuart's name is also written on the outside of the document as "Lieut. Stuart / U.S.A." At one time, scotch tape had been applied to protect the document from separating but the document is intact save the darkening from the tape. I have shown an old typed transcript of the letter and two views of one of the solid cast brass hangers for illustration of Stuart's invention.

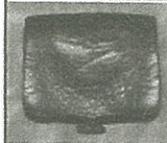
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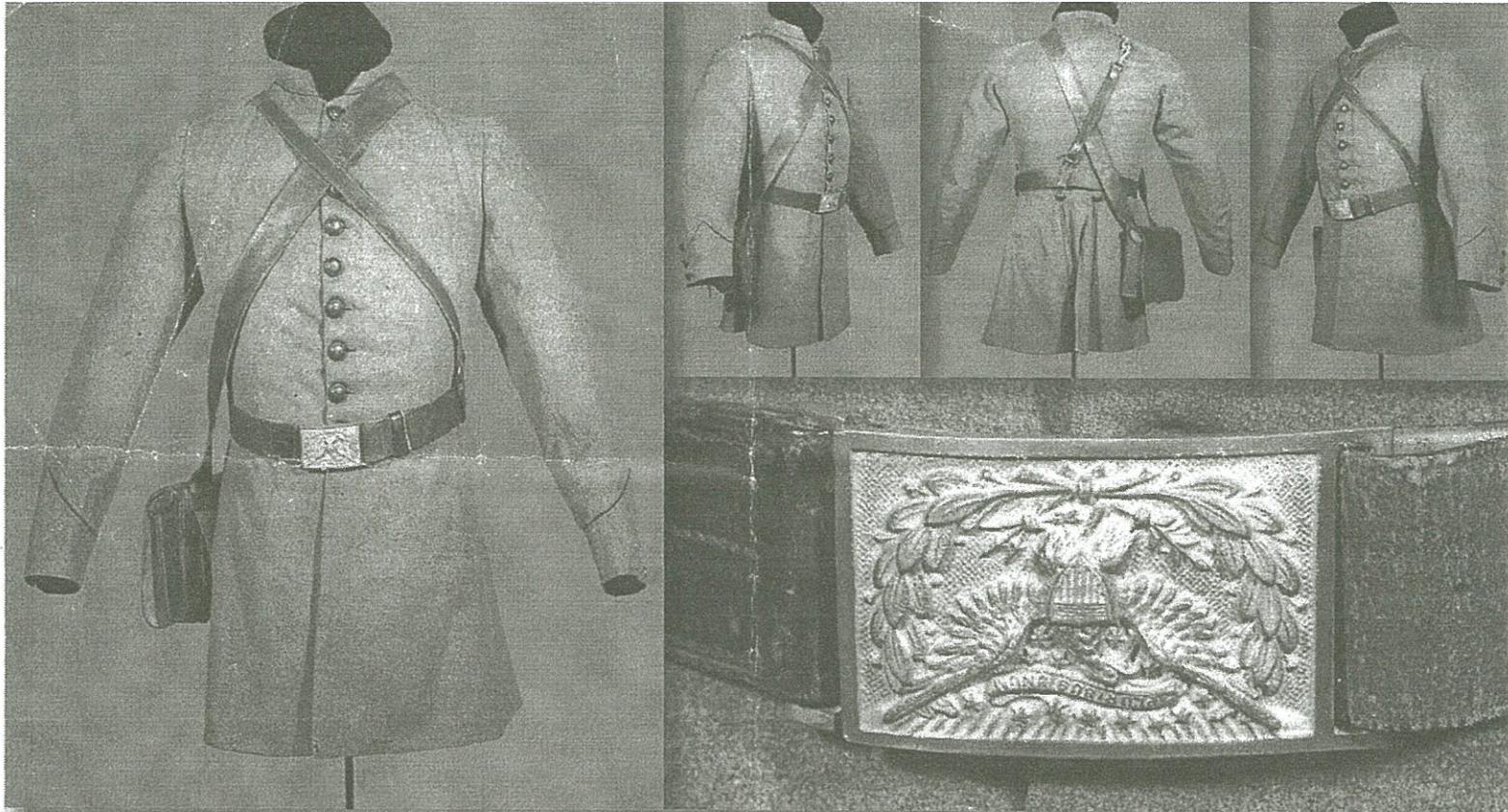
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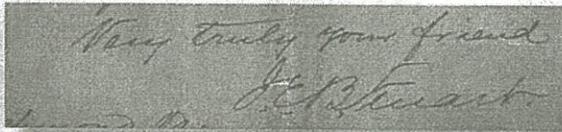
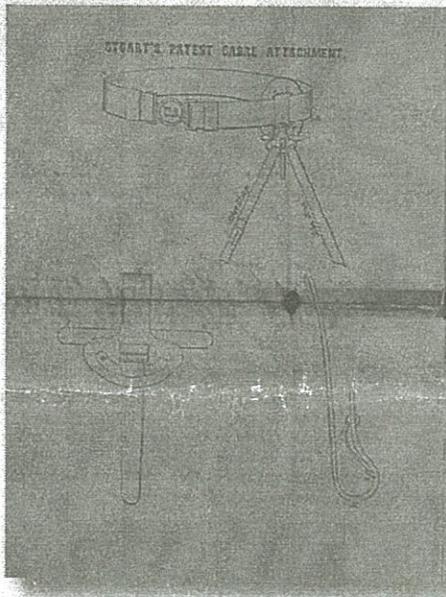
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### Kentucky Confederate "State Guard's" Uniform, Belt And Cartridge Box Of Private B. Coleman

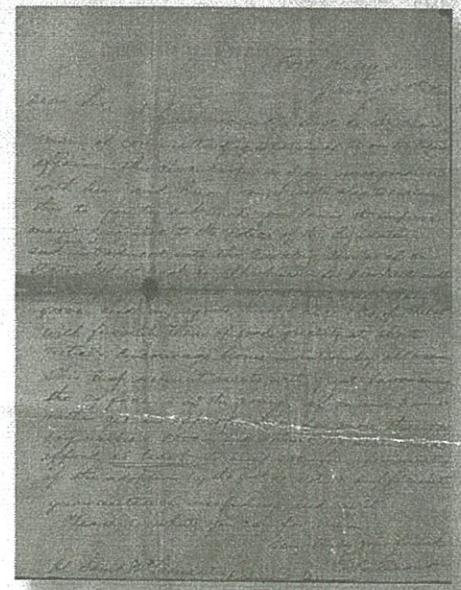
As rare as any Confederate regulation uniform, this Kentucky State Militia frock coat was discovered at a plantation outside of Louisville, KY called "El Nido." The owner had previously served in the 5th Virginia Infantry (Stonewall Brigade) and the Coleman family owned the Louisville Rolling Mill nearby. An exquisite cadet gray, single breasted frock coat with large gutta percha buttons on the front (each marked N. R. Co/Goodyear), cuff buttons and tail pockets. It has blue "Infantry" trim and high standing collar, and the name Barry Coleman is written in ink inside the sleeve. The Kentucky State Guard was formed during the early days of secession by CSA General S.B. Buckner and was, in fact, the most well organized of all the southern states militias. Accompanying this uniform are copy-print photographs of their camp near Louisville where they are wearing similar uniforms to this. Less than a dozen of these types of Southern militia uniforms are known to exist. They are far rarer than conventional Confederate uniforms. .... \$32,500



Lot 2251

### J.E.B. Stuart's Sword Hanger, His Signed Letter and His Patent Document Kansas Territory 1860

US Army Lieutenant J.E.B. Stuart received a patent in 1859 for a Cavalry sword hanger that he designed. In an effort to secure a contract for his invention, he wrote from Fort Riley, Kansas Territory on January 25, 1860 to his friend Colonel Sam McCamant in Richmond, Virginia; asking him to intercede for him with the chairman of the Committee of Legislature of Virginia to purchase 500 copies of his design. The entire letter is written and signed in Stuart's hand. This is a truly remarkable and historic document. Very few of Stuart's letters are available to the public and this one is truly unique! It measures 16 1/4" x 10 1/2." The circular bears a watermark and Stuart's name is also written on the outside of the document as "Lieut. Stuart / U.S.A." At one time, scotch tape had been applied to protect the document from separating but the document is intact save the darkening from the tape. .... \$19,500

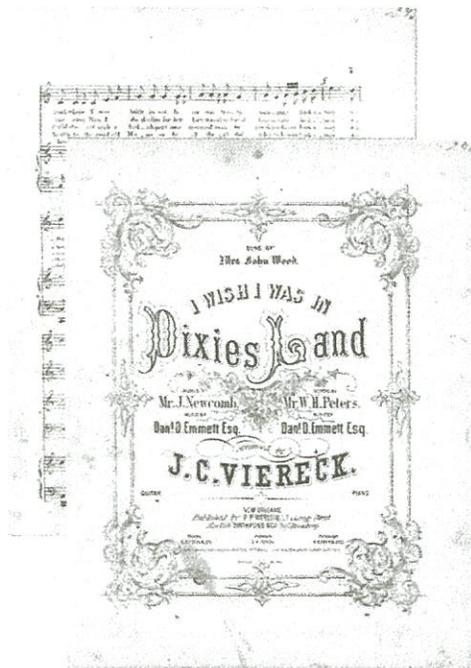


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April 27, 1860, and reads in part: "...Jonathan B. Perkins appears to have enlisted in New York, July 28, 1819, for four years. He is not reported as attached to any Company, but on the 'Bounty books' 2d Auditors office, is noted as being 'in confinement by the Civil authority.' Nothing more is found concerning him..." Tipped, else near Fine. \$300-\$500

**071 "I Wish I Was In Dixies Land" - One of the Earliest Editions of the Confederate Anthem - Printed in New Orleans - This Example Predates Emmett's Official Publication Date** Sheet Music, "I Wish In Dixies Land," "music by Dan! D. Emmett," published by P.P Werlein, New Orleans, 9-1/2' x 12-1/4," 5pp., loose at spine, scattered foxing.

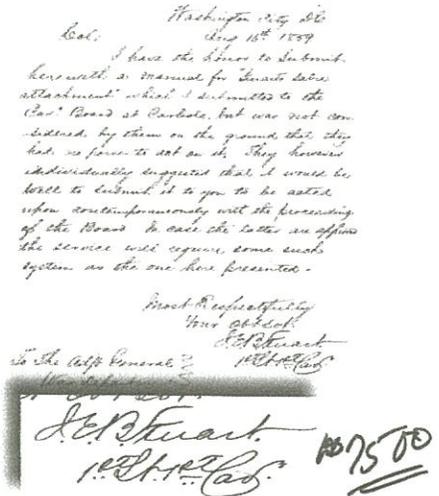
Jefferson Davis used this song at his inaugural ceremony and in July 1863, George Pickett ordered it played before his division's famous charge at Gettysburg. Christies sold a New Orleans copy in 2008, but before that, no copy of the New Orleans editions have appeared at auction since at least 1975. The song, with a very catchy, rhythmic tune, was written by Daniel Decatur Emmett for the



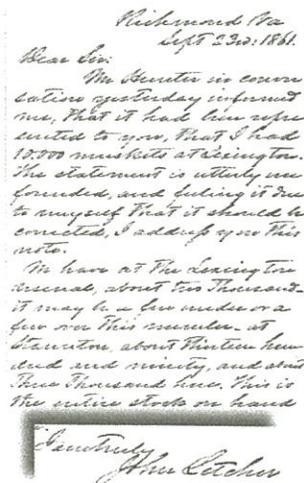
celebrated theatrical troupe, Bryant's Minstrels. It was first performed by them in New York in April 1859. A different troupe performed it in New Orleans, on April 9, 1860, as one of the numbers in the extravaganza Pocahontas. On April 9th (1860) the first unauthorized edition of the music and words, under the title "I Wish I Was in Dixie," was issued in New Orleans by P.P. Werlein. This sheet music carried the publisher's plate number "547." A few days later, Verlein issued a second pirated version, entitled "I Wish I Was In Dixies Land," with plate number "549." This is an example of that second unauthorized printing. The imprinted "549" appears on pg 3 & pg 5. According to James T. Fuld, "Book of World-Famous Music," pp.196-199, there are only two known copies of this printing. Emmett officially published "I Wish I Was in Dixie's Land" on June 21, 1860 through Firth, Pond & Co. in New York, thus this example predates the official publication by two months. \$2,000-\$3,000

**072 JEB Stuart ALS Regarding His Patented Sabre Attachment** STUART, J.E.B. (1833-1864) Confederate cavalry general, received the Thanks of Congress for his actions during the ride around McClellan, later killed at Yellow Tavern May 11, 1864. Autograph Letter Signed "J.E.B. Stuart" and again in the third person within the text, 1pp., Washington City, DC, Aug. 16, 1859, fine. In full, "I have the honor to submit herewith a manual for "Stuart's Sabre

attachment," which I submitted to the Cavalry Board at Carlisle, but was not considered by them on the ground that they had no power to act on it. They, however, individually suggested that it would be well to submit it to you to be acted upon contemporaneously with the proceedings of the Board. In case the latter are approved the service will require some such system as the one presented." In 1859, Stuart developed a new piece of cavalry equipment, for which he received patent number 25,684 on October 4, 1859, a saber hook, or an "improved method of attaching sabers to belts." The U.S. government paid Stuart \$5,000 for a "right to use" license and Stuart contracted with Knorr, Nece and Co. of Philadelphia to manufacture his hook. While in Washington, D.C., to discuss government contracts, Stuart heard about John Brown's raid on the U.S. Arsenal at Harpers Ferry. Stuart volunteered to be aide-de-camp to Col. Robert E. Lee and accompanied Lee with a company of U.S. Marines from the Washington Navy Yard and four companies of Maryland militia. \$3,000-\$5,000



**073 The Virginia Governor Advises the Guns at the Lexington Arsenal** LETCHER, John (1813-1884) was an American lawyer, journalist, and politician. He served as a Representative in the United States Congress, was the 34th Governor of Virginia during the American Civil War, and later served in the Virginia General Assembly. He was also active on the Board of Visitors of Virginia Military Institute. War-date Confederate Autograph Letter Signed "John Letcher" 2pp. octavo, Richmond, Virginia, September 23, 1861, and reads in part: "...Mr. Hunter...informed me that it had been represented to you, that I had 10,000 muskets at Lexington. The statement is utterly unfounded...We have at the Lexington Arsenal, about two thousand...at Staunton, about thirteen hundred and ninety, and about three thousand here. This is the entire stock



on hand and from this number four regiments are to be armed, and calls from the colonels commanding the militia to be met. I have an agent traveling through the state collecting the state arms of all descriptions...I hope to get two or three thousand more. Unless the object of such a statement to you, was to endeavor to sow the seeds of dissension, I am at a loss why it was made..." Fine condition. \$300-\$500