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**New York State Commissary General's Office Administrative
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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of invoices of ordnance and ordnance stores, receipts, monthly ordnance returns, incoming correspondence, requisitions, duplicate bills and invoices, and lists of military expenditures directed to and generated by the State Commissary General's Office. This office is essentially responsible for the preservation, issue, and transportation of the arms, equipment, and other military property of the state. These records provide detailed information on the types of arms, equipment, and accoutrements stored by state arsenals and armories.
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Arrangement

Organized into three subseries: 1. Invoices, Receipts, and Return of Ordnance; 2. Letters Received From Military Store Keepers; 3. Correspondence and Requisitions.

Chronological by year within each subseries.

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of invoices of ordnance and ordnance stores, receipts, monthly ordnance returns, incoming correspondence, requisitions, duplicate bills and invoices, and lists of military expenditures directed to and generated by the Commissary General's Office.

This officer is essentially responsible for the preservation, issue and transportation of the arms, equipment and other military property of the state. The 1863 General Regulations For the Military Forces specifies that it will be the Commissary General's duty to issue arms, equipment, camp equipage, and ammunition from the state's arsenals and armories; make monthly reports of all issues made by him; and take receipts for arms, equipment and property issued by him.

The records in this series clearly reflect these duties. The invoices, receipts, and returns of ordnance, although incomplete, provide detailed information on the types of arms, equipment and accoutrements stored by state arsenals and armories and which were issued to both volunteer and National Guard (militia) units. The correspondence basically pertains to the procurement and issuance of arms by the state to its military forces. In addition, numerous records document the purchase of arms by the state from private firms such as Remington and Sons.

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Related Information

Related Material

A4142Series A4142, New York State Commissary General's Office Annual Report, 1852, contains additional records of the Commissary General's Office.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Bundle level content list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Items Online

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Access Terms

- Ordnance
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Invoices
- Supervising
- New York (State)--Militia--Procurement
- United States--Armed Forces--Procurement
- Receipts
- New York (State). Military Department