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**Index to newspaper articles concerning New York State
Volunteer and Militia units A4120**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This index consists of approximately 218 items providing multiple references to newspapers containing articles mainly concerning military matters in which New York State Volunteer and Militia units were involved. This index was most likely produced in order to provide access to the Bureau of Military Statistics' newspaper collection.
Creator:	New York (State). Bureau of Military Statistics
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Arrangement

Numeric by number assigned to each index slip.

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Scope and Content Note

This index consists of approximately 218 items (slips of paper measuring approximately 3 3/4" by 7 3/4" and 3 1/4" by 8") providing multiple references to newspapers containing articles mainly concerning military matters in which New York State Volunteer and Militia units were involved.

The index was compiled by the Bureau of Military Statistics, probably sometime in 1863. Although its enabling legislation did not specifically require the bureau to collect or create these types of records, the bureau's director, in his first annual report, stated that the bureau would attempt to acquire any material related to the Civil War. Among the items the bureau collected

were various newspapers and periodicals. This index was most likely produced in order to provide access to the bureau's newspaper collection.

The bulk of the notations are brief summaries or abstracts of newspaper articles describing various events, occasions or battles in which New York Volunteer or Militia units participated. There are a small number of references to political events, but for the most part, the index pertains to military matters.

According to a cover slip accompanying the index, articles which were indexed were extracted from the New York Tribune, New York Times, and New York Herald between January 1 and May 30, 1863. This is inaccurate, however, since there are references to articles that appeared in the Newburgh Daily Journal and Albany Evening Journal and to other articles dated from June issues of newspapers. Furthermore, the bulk of the references pertain to articles dating between April and May of 1863. More than likely the series was at one time part of a larger index.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Access Terms

- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Military history--Sources
- Indexes (reference sources)
- Indexing
- Battles--Sources
- New York (State). Military Department