

Letter, James A. Garfield to D. Sumner



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Summary Information

Repository	History Colorado. Stephen H. Hart Research Center
Title	Letter, James A. Garfield to D. Sumner
Date	June 24, 1873
Extent	1.0 File folder(s) 1 item
Language	English
Abstract	<p>This collection contains one item a letter dated June 24, 1873 written from James A. Garfield to D. Sumner. Garfield wrote the letter during his sixth term as Ohio Representative for the 19th Ohio Congressional District to the U.S. House of Representatives. In this brief letter it appears as if Garfield is referring to the controversial act known as the "Salary Grab", which was signed into law in March 1873. The act included a provision to increase Congressional and Presidential salaries, something he opposed. In June, congressional supporters of the law received vitriolic response from the press and the voting public. This vote was the source of an increased degree of criticism of Garfield, though he was reappointed Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and placed on the Rules Committee. The vote did, however, give rise to stiffer competition in the next election. He returned his own salary increase to the U.S. Treasury.</p>

Preferred Citation note

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Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access note

Open to researchers without restrictions.

Provenance

The provenance of this letter is unknown. The item was found in the Collection in 2010.

Processing Information note

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Indexing Terms

Subjects - Corporate Bodies

- House of Representatives (U.S.).

Genres and Forms of Materials

- Correspondence.

Subjects - People

- Garfield, James A., (James Abram), 1831-1881
 - Sumner, D.
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