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FOREWORD

Significance. Major Scott J. Anthony was a Colorado pioneer whose brief military career was launched in Leavenworth, Kansas, where, as county clerk, he helped organize the Sharp's Rifle Rangers against Missourians who were trying to take over elections in 1857. When the Civil War broke out, a year after his emigration to Colorado, he accepted a captain's commission from Governor Gilpin, with the assignment to raise a company of 92 men to form Company E of the 1st Colorado Infantry Volunteers. The regiment was sent to New Mexico to reinforce Col. Canby, in opposition to General Sibley's Texas Rangers. Following the battles at Glorieta Pass, Peralta, and Fort Craig, promotion placed Major Anthony in command of Fort Larned and Fort Lyon. The regiment, which had been converted to the 1st Colorado Cavalry, was responsible for guarding the great route of travel along the Arkansas River against Indian outbreaks.

It was during this period that Maj. Anthony assisted Col Chivington in the controversial Sand Creek Battle; and it was in the course of this command that most of these military papers were collected. Although the material is far from inclusive and reveals nothing of Major Anthony's earlier life or subsequent career, it does provide evidence concerning the origin of the orders under which Major Anthony acted and the prevailing sentiment toward Indians in the District of the Arkansas. His attitude and actions in connection with Col. Chivington's attack on the Cheyenne Indian village were part of the testimony in judgment of Chivington's career, as well as of Colorado's readiness for statehood.

Provenance. These military papers were retained by Major Anthony during his three and a half years with the 1st Colorado Cavalry. Most of them were pursuant to his duties at Fort Larned and Fort Lyon, 1863-1865, with the addition of a few later letters related to his military service. Several months after the Sand Creek Affair, Major Anthony was mustered out of service at his own request.

Most of his life he devoted to the real estate business in Denver, where eventually he took an active part in business and community affairs. As a member of the Colorado Association of Pioneers and an incorporator of the State Historical and Natural Society of Colorado in 1879, it is probable that he presented this collection directly to the society.** The record of this early acquisition, however, is not available.

** [Handwritten note: "No, his widow donated them in 1916. See biennial rpt. 1914-16 p. 28"]

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This collection is accessioned with the number 27430 in the 1967-1968 accession book of the Library, State Historical Society of Colorado.

These papers contain official and private correspondence, primarily incoming, 1862-1883, concentrating on matters concerned with Anthony's military duty; military orders and records, 1863-1865; and miscellaneous documents related to military service, 1862-1893. The typed copies are not always accurate.

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MILITARY CHRONOLOGY

- 1861 August 21: S. J. Anthony accepts captain's commission to recruit for Company E, 1st Colorado Infantry Volunteers at Oro City.
- 1862 February 22: Regiment departs from Camp Weld for New Mexico campaign.
- March 10: By forced march, regiment arrives at Ft. Union to reinforce Col. Canby.
- March 26: Battle at La Glorieta Pass.
- November 1: Regiment converted to 1st Colorado Cavalry Volunteers with orders to disperse to various posts as protection against hostile Indians.
- November 1: S. J. Anthony promoted to major.
- 1864 October 7: Major Anthony ordered to take command at Fort Lyon.
- November 25: Major Wynkoop relieved of command at Fort Lyon and departs for Fort Riley.
- November 27: Col. Chivington arrives unexpectedly at Fort Lyon with the 3rd Colorado Cavalry Volunteers.
- November 28: Attack on the Cheyenne Indian camp at Sand Creek
- 1865 January or February: Major Anthony mustered out of the Army by his own request.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA SCOTT J. ANTHONY *

- b. 22 Jan 1830, Cayuga County, New York
1829 (according to Denver Republican)
- m. 17 Dec 1878, Lucy I. Stebbins, who died three months later
- m. 2 Aug 1879 (according to Byers), Frances Brown
1882 (according to Denver Republican)
- 5. 2 Oct 1903, Denver Colorado

Son of Elam Anthony, of a Newport, R.I. Quaker family, and Nancy Hunt. Five brothers, including Charles, Emmett, and Webster Anthony, Speaker of the House and Colorado State Senator. Six sisters.

Nephew of Governor George T. Anthony, 16th governor of Kansas. Cousin of Susan B. Anthony.

Emigrated to Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1857; established mercantile business and became county clerk and recorder. Came by ox team to Denver in the spring of 1860; settled in California Gulch to prospect and operate a general store with Frank Palmer (Anthony and Palmer). After service with the 1st Colorado Cavalry during the Civil War, he moved to Montana, mining and surveying for the Union Pacific. Returned to Denver in 1869, where he pursued a successful real estate business, establishing the first abstract title company in Denver (Anthony, Landon and Curry).

Director of the Denver City Tramway for ten years.

Member of the Masons, Denver Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade, Denver Club, Colorado Association of Pioneers, Sons of the Revolution, GAR, and State Historical and Natural History Society of Colorado.

*Compiled from Wm. N. Byers, Encyclopedia of Biography of Colorado; O. L. Baskin, History of the City of Denver, Arapahoe County and Colorado; Denver Republican, Oct 3 1903.

CORRESPONDENCE

FF NO.	TO	FROM	PLACE	DATE	FORM	DESCRIPTION	
1	1	S. J. Anthony	G. Chefices	Ft. Union (?) N. M.	4-?-1862	LS TLU (c)	Order from HQ E Dist. to relinquish items captured from Capt. Wells at Apache Canon. 1 p.
1	2	Anthony (Denver)	Clark & Gaylord	Wash., D.C.	2-21-1863	LU LU (c)	Military attorneys' acknowledgement of receipt of claim against estate of late Lt. James A. Dawson. 1 p.
1	3	Anthony (Ft. Lyon)	G. H. Stillwell	Denver, C. T.	10-20-1863	LS TLU (c)	Rebuke from Col. Chivington, HQ Dist. of Colorado, for delay in complying with circular of 9- 9-1863. 1p.
1	4	Stilwell	Anthony	Ft. Lyon, C. T.	10-24-1863	LS TLU (c)	Answers previous letter; circular not received. (Retained copy?) 1 p.
1	5	Anthony (Pueblo)	Stilwell	Denver	12-15-1863	LS TLU (c)	Refers to Anthony's appointment as recruiting officer of Veteran Volunteers for Cavalry of 1 st Regiment stationed at Fr. Lyon. 1 p.
1	6	Anthony	J.G. Blunt	Ft. Riley, Kan.	8-23-1864	ALS	Order from Maj. Gen., HQ Dist.

		(Ft. Larned)				LU (true copy) TLU	of Upper Arkansas, to issue arms to citizens traveling Santa Fe road for protection against Indians. 1 p.
2	1	Anthony (Ft. Lyon)	B. S. Henning	Ft. Riley	11-4-1864	LS TLU (c)	Explains earlier order from HQ Dist. of Upper Arkansas: Maj. Wynkoop is called to HQ and Maj. Anthony is to remain in command at Ft. Lyon. 1 p.
2	2	Anthony	Henning	Ft. Riley	11-5-1864	LS	Regarding conditions at Ft. Lyon, Wynkoop's transfer and plans to send more troops; refers to Gen. Field Order No. 2 from HQ Dept. of Kansas. 1 p.
2	3	Anthony	Henning	Ft. Riley	11-20-1864	ALS	Private: States appreciation of S.J.A.'s "position and embarrassment" (a letter of Nov. 7), but recommends following GFO No. 2 of July 31 to keep Indians away from post; refers to arrangement with Arapahoes; opinion that "red devils" must be destroyed. 1 p. On film negs. #F2451, 2455.
2	4	Anthony	Tappan	Ft. Riley	11-22-1864	LS TLU (c)	Official answer to S.J.A.'s request for instructions re handling of Arapahoe prisoners;

							carry out GFO 2 until further orders from Dept. HQ. 1 p.
2	5	Anthony	Tappan	Ft. Riley	11-26-1864	ALS TLU (c)	Regarding orders issued at post; Wynkoop's trip from post and district without proper permission; Capt. Soule's clothing issue; improper sending of ordnance and troops out of district; too much laxity in seeking treaties; trips to Denver without authority. 4 pp. On film negs. #F2449-50, 52-54, 56.
2	6	Brother (?)	Anthony	Ft. Lyon	12-23-1864	LU (c)	Apparent copy of personal letter describing funerals following Col. Chivington's attack on the Indian camp; expresses resentment because attack was not carried further and at reports in Denver papers; desire to get out of service.
		Brother (?)	Anthony	Ft, Lyon	12-3-1864	LU (c)	Further discussion of Sand Creek Battle describing Indian losses and bitterness, his fears of revenge along the Platte, and personal feeling of disgrace. 10 p.

3	1	Anthony	Tappan	Denver	1-10-1865	LS	Request for assistance to Col. Tannett from Washington, who will inspect the post's fortifications; refers to their remaining in the regiment. 1 p.
3	2	Lt. Brandt (Co. H, 36 th U.S. Inf.)	James Dimleoy, M.D.	South Pass City	5-30-1865	LS	Business introduction for S.J.A. 1 p., env.
3	3	Anthony	J. R. Doolittle (U.S. Sen.)	Racine Wis.	10-10-1865	ALS TLU (c)	Reference to testimony by Anthony and Chivington; on reverse: (S.J.A.'s?) note: "Doolittle did as much lying as he could." 1 p.
3	4	Anthony	Jas. A Hardie, Inspector General	Chicago	11-14-1870	LS TLU (c)	Investigator from HQ Military Div. of the Missouri requests information regarding Montana Indian War claims of 1864. 1 p.
3	5	Hardie	Anthony	Denver	11-19-1870	LU TLU (c)	Answers previous letter; agrees to meeting. Written on W. D. Anthony's letterhead (retained copy?). 1 p.
3	6	Anthony	Hardie	Chicago	1-12-1871	LS TLU (c)	Request for affidavit explaining statement of forage issue to troops connected with Montana Indian War expedition of 1867. Answer on reverse by S.J.A.,

							1-24-1871. 1 p.
3	7	Maj. Henry Foote	Wm. McK. Dunn, Jr.	Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.	9-6-1876	LS (c) TLU (c)	Request from HQ Dept. of the Missouri for distribution of a reconnaissance report of the Ute country, seeking advice in regard to site for a military post. Enc. 1 p.
3	8	Anthony	Foote	Del Norte	9-18-1876	LS TLU (c)	Letter accompanying above request from Bvt. Gen. John Pope (Cmdr. Dept. of Missouri) for information with reference to establishing military post in Ute country. 1 p.
4	1	Anthony	A. B. Crane	New York City	6-25 (?) - 1880	LS	Seeks change in affidavit regarding his brother's military duty. 1 p. Enc. affidavit referring to Samuel N. Crane. 4 p. (with typed copy).
4	2	Samuel F. Nevin	Samuel A. Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	2-13-1882	LS TLU (c)	Requests help in locating Anthony for verification of disability pension application. 1 p.
4	3	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	2-28-1882	LS TLU (c)	Asks for statement that he (Jordan) did serve with Co. E at Apache Canon and Peralta. 2 pp.

4	4	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	3-27-1882	LS TLU (c)	Asks for addition to above statement. 1 p.
4	5	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	7-16-1883	LS TLU (c)	Refers to work for Capt. Luther Wilson after discharge; further reference to military service. 1 p.
4	6	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	8-22-1883	LS TLU (c)	Invitation to visit on return from England. 1 p.
4	7	E. S. Curry	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	9-20-1883	LS TLU (c)	Seeks help in getting Anthony to testify about his eye condition. 1 p.
4	8	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	10-6-1883	LS TLU (c)	Refers to discharge, Oct. 1865, and later meetings. 1 p.
4	9	Anthony	Jordan	Sunbury, Pa.	10-22-1883	LS TLU (c)	Acknowledges receipt of pension statement. 1 p.

SPECIAL ORDERS

FF NO.	TO	FROM	PLACE	DATE	DESCRIPTION	
5	1	Anthony	S. S. Soule	Denver	4-16-1863	SO 89 from Col. Chivington, HQ Dist. of Colorado. Proceed to Colorado-Canon-and Pueblo Cities to direct troops. 1 p.
5	2	Anthony	Geo. H. Stilwell	Denver	7-14-1863	SO 129 from Col. Chivington, HQ Dist. of Colorado. Relieve Lt. Col. S. F. Tappan at Ft. Lyon. 1 p.
5	3	Anthony	Stilwell	Denver	12-14-1863	SO 207 from Col. Chivington, HQ Dist. of Colorado. Detail as member of general court martial. 1 p.
5	4	Anthony	Stilwell	Denver	12-15-1863	DO 208 from Col. Chivington, HQ Dist. of Colorado. Appointed to recruit Veteran Volunteers. 1 p.
5	5		John Williams	Ft. Leavenworth	3-7-1864	SO 40 from Maj. Gen. Curtis, HQ Dept. of Kansas. Grants leave of absence to Maj. Anthony. 1 p. and true copy signed by Stilwell.
5	6	Anthony	Stilwell	Denver	3-30-1864	SO 21 From Chivington. Anthony relieved of command at Fr. Lyon; report to HQ for orders. 1 p.
5	7	Anthony	Stilwell	Denver	4-19-1864	SO 25 from Chivington. Detail on Bd. of Survey. 1 p.

5	8	Anthony	Stilwell	Denver	5-7-1864	SO 31 from Chivington. Grants relief from duty in District for leave of absence. 1 p.
5	9	Anthony	J. L. Maynard	Denver	7-9-1864	SO 51 from Chivington. Report to Ft. Lyon for assignment. 1 p.
5	10	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	8-25-1864	SO- Order for ordnance issue to Lt. Crocker, Wis. Vols. 1 p. (c)
6	1		Anthony	Ft. Larned	8-26-1864	SO 33. Order for Lt. G. W. Hawkins to turn over ordnance stores to ord. officer. 1 p. (c).
6	2	John Butcher	Anthony	Ft. Larned	9-1-1864	Order for ordnance issue. 1 p. (c).
6	3	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	9-1-1864	SO 36. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p. (c).
6	4	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	9-13-1864	So. Order for ordnance issue to protect mail coach route. 1 p. (c).
6	5	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	9-21-1864	SO 33. Order for ordnance issue. 2 pp. (c).
6	6	Ord. Off.	Lt. Crocker	Ft. Larned	9-23-1864	SO 36. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p. (c).
6	7	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	10-5-1864	Order for ordnance issue. 1p. (c).
6	8	Anthony	A. Hellwick	Ft. Riley	10-7-1864	SO 4 from Maj. B. S. Henning, HQ Dist. of Upper Arkansas. Proceed from Ft. Larned to Ft. Lyon; take command of that post and report on rumors that officers have issued

						supplies to hostile Indians. 1 p. and partial copy.
6	9	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Larned	10-2?-1864	SO 81. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p. (c).
6	10	Anthony	Hellwick	Ft. Riley	11-4-1864	SO 13 from Henning, HQ Dist. of Upper Arkansas. Maj. Wynkoop relieved of command at Ft. Lyon and should report to Dist. HQ; Anthony to assume command and report. 1 p. TLU (c).
7	1	Ord. Off.	Minton	Ft. Lyon	11-30-1864	SO 253. Capt. S. H. Cook's order for ordnance issue to 3d Col. Cav. 1 p.
7	2	Ord. Off	Minton	Ft. Lyon	12-2-1864	SO 255. Capt. Cook's order for ordnance issue to Lt. Autobee, 3d. Col. Cav. 1 p.
7	3	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Lyon	12-11-1864	SO 262. Order for ordnance issue to 3d Col. Cav. 1 p.
7	4	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Lyon	12-13-1864	SO 264. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p.
7	5	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Lyon	12-14-1864	SO 265. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p.
7	6	Minton	J. E. Tappan	Ft. Riley	1-2-1865	SO 43 (extract) from Col. James H. Ford, HQ Dist. of Upper Arkansas. Maj. Wynkoop relieved from duty at Ft. Riley and to assume command at Ft. Lyon. 1 p. (true copy signed by Minton for issue order).

7	7	Ord. Off.	Anthony	Ft. Lyon	1-14-1865	SO 10. Order for ordnance issue. 1 p.

ORDNANCE RECORDS OF S. J. ANTHONY

FF 8 INVENTORIES:

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| 1-21-1865 | DS | Affidavits in relation to non-indebtedness for ordnance supplies, Dec. 31, 1862-Aug. 26, 1864. 2 pp. Attached to 6 pp. of property returns (true copies). |
| 12-31-1863 -
12-31-1864 | DS | Quarterly returns of ordnance and ordnance stores, Ft. Lyon and Ft. Larned. Retained copies. 6 docs. |
| 12-31-1863 –
10-24-1864 | DS | Abstracts of expenditures at Ft. Lyon and Ft. Larned. Retained copies. 5 docs. |
| | | Proceedings of Bd. of Survey in relation to ordnance being turned over to Anthony: |
| 8-26-1864 | | Ft. Larned (from Lt. G. W. Hawkins) |
| 9-9-1864 | DS(c) | Ft. Larned (from Lt. S. N. Ackley) |
| 10-6-1864 | | Ft. Larned (from Capt. D. L. Hardy) |
| 11-23-1864 | ADS | Ft. Lyon (from Maj. E. W. Wynkoop) – cosigned by Capt. Soule. 4 p. |
| 9-30-1864 | DS | Abstract of ordnance on hand at Fr. Larned. 1 p. |
| 9-31-1864 | DS | Abstract of (ordnance) issued to volunteers at Ft. Larned. 1 p. |
| 6-30-1864 -
3-31-1865 | DS | Returns of ordnance for part of quarter, Ft. Lyon and Ft. Larned. Retained copies. 3 pp. |

Ff 9 REQUISITIONS

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| 9-8-1863 -
1-17-1865 | DS | Invoices, vouchers, special requisitions. 57 pp. |
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MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS

FF	NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION
10	1		Memo by Anthony: Refers to military papers left at Ft. Union while en route from Denver to Ft. Craig, New Mexico, reported lost, June 1862. 1 p.
10	2	ca. 1862	Accounts due Anthony by members of Co. E, 1 st Col. Vols. 8 units.
10	3	12-31-1861- 3-31-1862	Clothing issue to non-coms and privates of Co. E, 1 st Col. Vols. 3 docs. signed (in 6 pp.)
10	4	9-27-1892	Affidavit related to Lt. Geo. H. Hardin's discharge from 1 st Col. Cav. as of Nov. 28, 1864. Retained copy. 1 p.
10	5	1-13-1893	Additional statement in regard to previous matter. Retained copy. 1 p. and TLU (c), 2 pp.