

**Title:** Steinmeyer, William Papers

**Reference Code:** Mss-1403

**Inclusive Dates:** 1838 – 1922

**Quantity:** 0.26 cu. ft.

**Location:** CV, Sh. L017 (0.06 cu. ft.)  
LC, Sh. 007 (0.2 cu. ft.)

**Abstract:** William Steinmeyer was born at Holzmuenden, Germany, on May 13, 1841. His parents brought him to Milwaukee when William was three years old. He was educated at the German-English Academy and thereafter learned the gunsmith's trade. He enlisted as a private with the 26th Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers during the Civil War, taking part in the battles at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Lookout Mountain in Tennessee, and Sherman's march to the sea. He was promoted several times, eventually attaining the rank of captain. After the war, he returned to Milwaukee and engaged in a prosperous wholesale and retail grocery business. He died at his home in this city (Milwaukee) on May 10, 1892.

**Scope and Content:** The collection consists of a Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States biography, correspondence (one letter re: New York panorama paintings), business receipts, orders, lists, tickets, articles/clippings, poems, and miscellaneous items. A cash book, 1859-1864, is in the Lapham Case.

**Access and Use:** No restrictions

**Language:** German, English