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Civil War Unit: 5th West Virginia Cavalry Regiment

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NOTE: Formed by redesignation of 2nd West Virginia Infantry, 26 Jan 1864; redesignated 6th West Virginia Cavalry, 14 Dec 1864.

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Fox, Arthur B. Our Honored Dead: Allegheny County, Pennsylvania in the American Civil War. Chicora, PA: Mechling Bookbindery, 2008. pp. 315-20. F157.A4.F69.

Reader, Francis. History of the Fifth West Virginia Cavalry, Formerly Second Virginia Infantry, and of Battery G, First West Virginia Light Artillery. New Brighton, PA: Daily News, 1890. 304 p. E536.6.5th.R43.

West, Alan I. Remember Me: Civil War Letters Home from a Hospital Steward 1862-1864, Daniel McKinley Martin. Chicora, PA: Firefly Publications, 2010. 328 p. E621.W47.

Our Photo Archive includes images of individuals of this unit.

The following pertinent personal papers are in the Institute's Manuscript Archive:

Unidentified letter – WalkerColl (Apr 12, 1864 requisition for splicing paper)
Chris Nelson Coll (Poem read at Sep 1878 reunion of Averill's Division in Pittsburg, PA)
Reader, Francis S. – ReaderColl (Published 3-volume memoir, Nov 1924 & several enlisted man's letters)