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These are letters written to Richard H. Landrum of Mount Vernon in Lawrence County, Missouri, from family and friends in Missouri, Kansas, Tennessee, and Texas. They touch on politics, land, crops, Civil War and family matters, 1865-1890.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Richard Hundley Landrum was born in Jefferson County, Tennessee near the Nola-Chucky River on May 31, 1834. His educational advantages were quite limited and spent his early days in farm labor. He came to Lawrence County, Missouri in 1851, settling a forty-acre tract in a comparatively wild and sparsely settled area. He married Susan E. Hargrove on April 17, 1856 and together they raised a family of six children. Landrum farmed until the Civil War broke out, when he enlisted in Company F, Lawrence County Home Guards. Later he enlisted in Company B, Seventy-sixth Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia and became first lieutenant of the company. He participated in several skirmishes before resigning his commission in December 1862. After the war he resumed farming, gradually buying more land until he held 200 acres.

Landrum was a stanch Republican. He was a county judge (commissioner) during the latter part of the war, and in 1866 was elected probate judge. He filled this office without the aid of a clerk until 1870. During his term of judgship he read law under Judge B. L. Hendrick and was admitted to the bar on October 16, 1869. After selling his farm he resided in Mount Vernon, where he practiced law. He and Mrs. Landrum were members of the Christian Church. Landrum died in Mount Vernon on May 2, 1919.

The collection consist of letters to Landrum from friends and family including his sister and cousins. The earliest and perhaps most significant item is a letter from George W. Rinker, Lawrence County’s state representative, written in January 1865. It notes a case involving Lawrence County settled by the Missouri Supreme Court and matters in the legislature.
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