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Guide to the

**Ervin family account book**

1833-1873

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## Summary

**Creator:** Ervin family

**Title:** Ervin family account book

**Date:** 1833-1873

**Size:** .21 linear feet (1 volume)

**Abstract:** Account book kept by Thomas Ervin and Edwin J. Evin between 1833 and 1873 listing the labor costs of hewing timbers, logs, and rails; records of hauling, ploughing, harvesting, and butchering; personal accounts; prices of cattle and farm produce; and a copy of the Civil War song Brave Boys are They. Early entries are from Genessee [Genesee] County, New York; later entries from DeKalb [De Kalb] County, Illinois

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## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Account books

### Subjects

Agriculture -- Illinois -- De Kalb County -- 19th century

Agriculture -- New York (State) -- Genesee County -- 19th century

Farm produce -- Costs -- 19th century

Lumber trade -- Labor costs -- 19th century

Songs -- United States -- 19th century

### Geographic Names

De Kalb County (Ill.) -- History -- 19th century

Genesee County (N.Y.) -- History -- 19th century

**Names**

Ervin family

Ervin, Edwin J

Ervin, Thomas