

Title 18th Connecticut Volunteer Infantry Civil War Reunion Ribbons

Date 1887-1895

Primary Maker Lieutenant William Augustus Wetmore

Medium Printed silk ribbons; .2 and .3 have metallic braid and metallic tassels

Description Group of four commemmorative ribbons from reunions of the 18th

Connecticut Volunteers, a Civil War regiment. Each ribbon is rectangular,

oriented vertically. Ribbon .1: Burgundy silk with silver printing that reads, "25th

Anniversary/ 18th/ CONN. VOLS./ [a scene incorporating the seal of the state of

Connecticut]/ AT/ Mystic Island,/ AUGUST 17th,/ 1887." Ribbon .2: Creme or

champaign silk with (now faded) brown printing that reads, "Mystic Island/

[decorative border]/ Conn. 18 Vols./ [decorative border]/ August 15, 1888." The

bottom edge is trimmed with yellow metallic braid; twenty yellow metallic

tassels hang from the braid. Ribbon .3: Mint green silk with burgundy printing

that reads, "Mystic Island/ [decorative border]/ Conn. 18 Vols./ [decorative

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border]/ August 21, 1889." The bottom edge is trimmed with yellow metallic braid; seventeen yellow metallic tassels hang from the braid. Ribbon .4: Red silk with badly faded printing that was probably gold originally. The printing reads, "REUNION/ 18TH REGT./ [large, six-pointed star]/ CONN. VOLS./ WATCH HILL/ AUG. 21ST/ 1895".

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width of ribbon .1):  $6\,1/2\,x\,2in$ . ( $16.5\,x\,5.1cm$ ) Primary Dimensions (height x width of ribbon .2):  $7\,x\,2\,3/8in$ . ( $17.8\,x\,6cm$ ) Primary Dimensions (height x width of ribbon .3):  $6\,7/8\,x\,2\,3/8in$ . ( $17.5\,x\,6cm$ ) Primary Dimensions (height x width of ribbon .4):  $6\,7/8\,x\,2\,3/8in$ . ( $17.5\,x\,6cm$ )