

**CW/VFM-59: Cosmo T. MacKenzie to "Col"**

Letter, 1861 April 12, Baltimore, to his brother, discussing the firing on Sumter and opening of the war. ALS, 4 pages. Patriotic letterhead with "Secession Flag."

MacKenzie sent this letter dated 4/12/1861 from Baltimore to his brother to let him know that since the firing on Ft. Sumter, the area is bursting with excitement. He tells him that the fort was forced to surrender. Business in the shop has been slow, and he wasn't ordering many things to keep in stock. He also lets him know their father is ill, and has been in bed for several days.

Original document: 1pp.

Photocopy: 2pp.

Typed copy: 3pp. (2 copies)

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