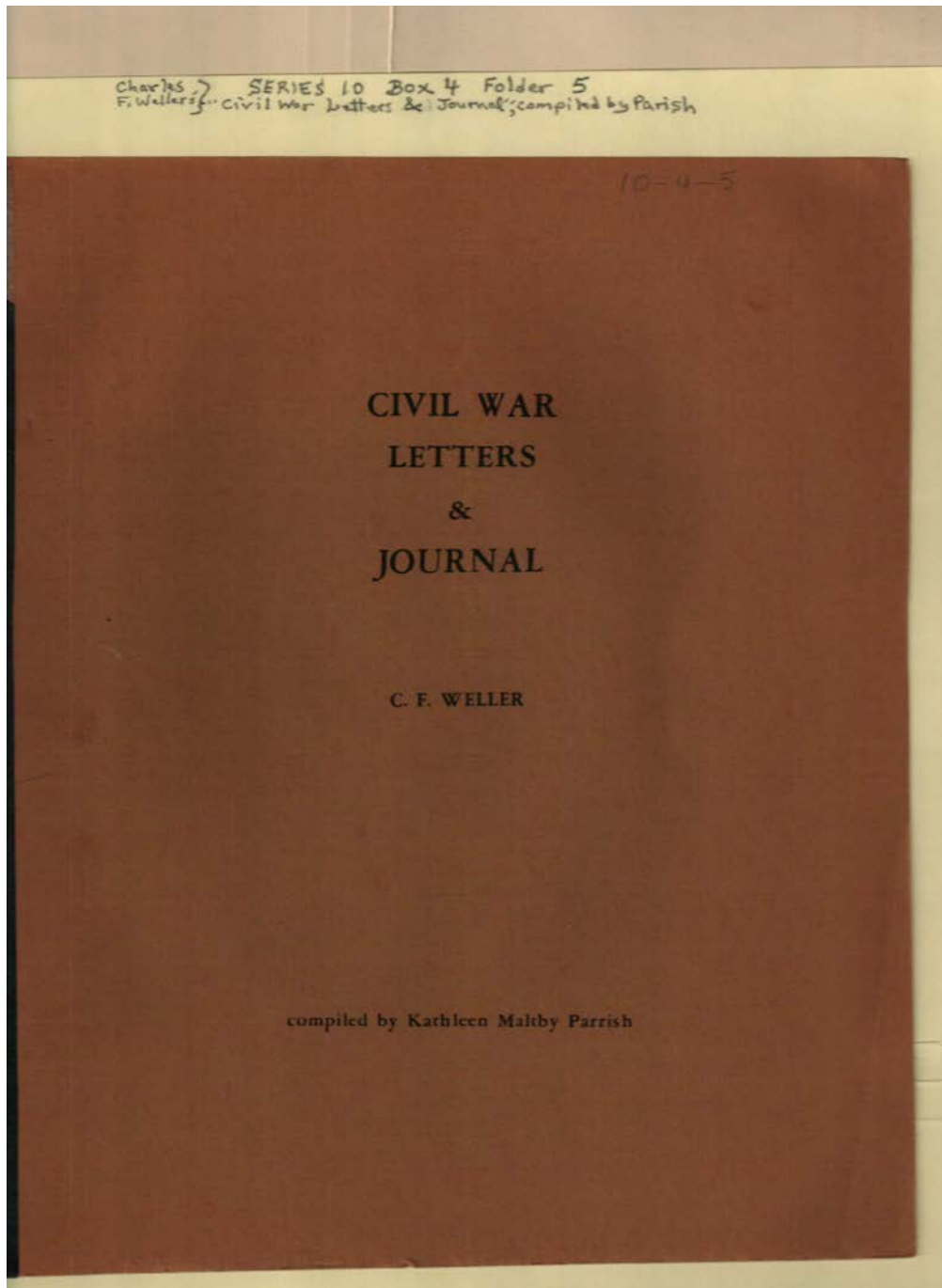


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Maltby

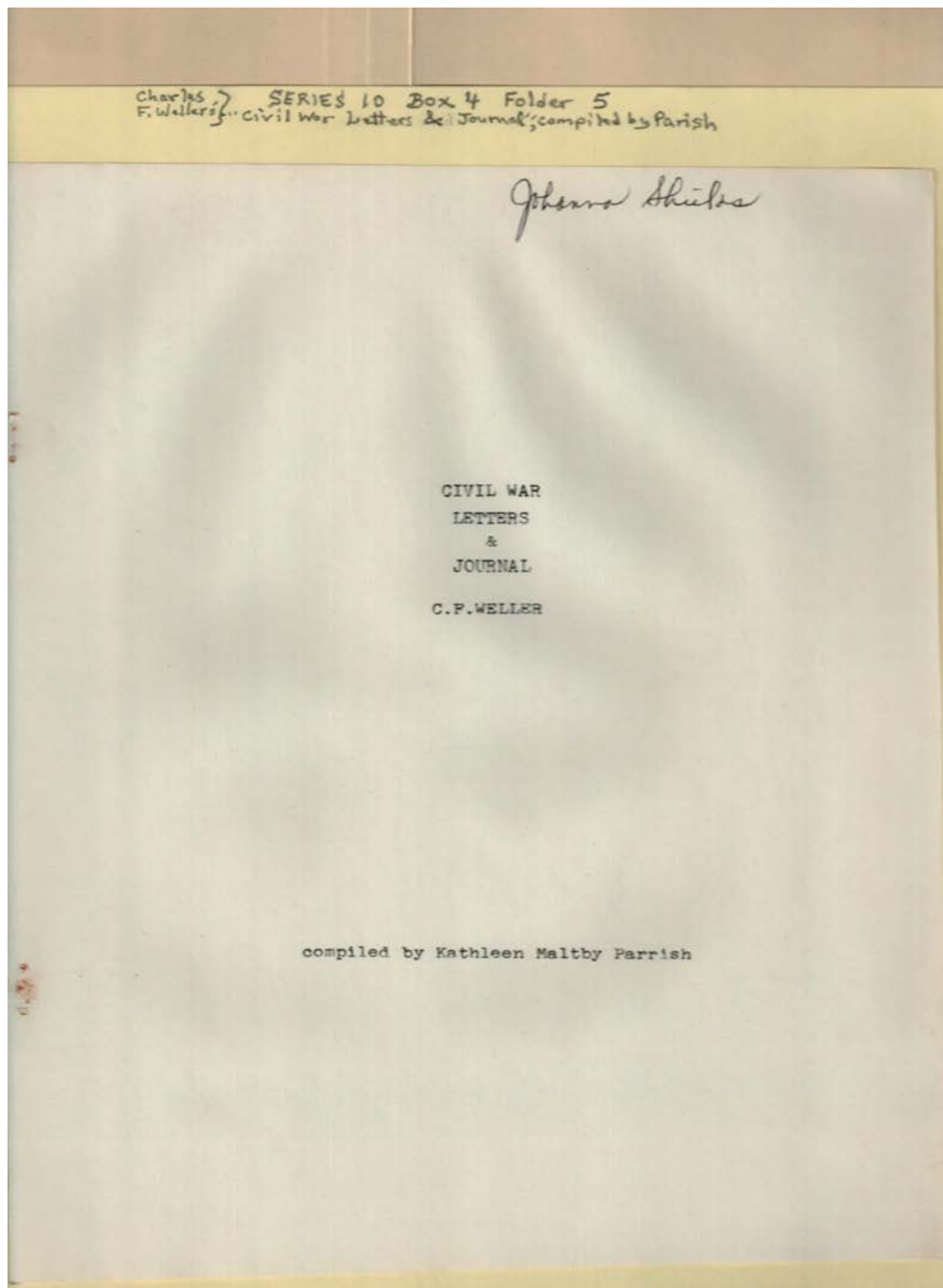
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Civil War Letters &
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Names:

Parrish, Kathleen
Maltby

Weller, C. F.

Civil War Letters &
Journal

Types:

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Charles Frederick Weller was born in New Alexandria, Jefferson County, Ohio, on May 16, 1844. His father was Zaccheus Sherman Weller, a Methodist minister (born in Roxbury, Conn., on May 3, 1820), and his mother was Mary Havens Bowers Weller (born in Penn Yan, New York, Dec. 7, 1818). During his childhood the family moved about, living in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and (West) Virginia. In 1857 they moved to Jefferson City, Missouri. When the Civil War broke out his parents were forced to leave Missouri and go to Pennsylvania with Charles's younger brother and sister. The following account relates the young man's adventures in the west in 1861:

(From an address given at the 45th annual banquet of the 15th Pennsylvania Cavalry held at Philadelphia)

In 1857 I moved with my father's family to Missouri, and for three years, as a boy, I attended school in Jefferson City. At the beginning of the war, or spring of '61 I was only sixteen years old, and was attending what was known as the Jefferson City university or preparatory school for the University. My father was a Methodist minister, and if any one of you know the feeling that existed in the south towards the Methodist Church, you can have some idea of what we had to stand in that country at that time. His church was torn down and he received numerous letters with the skull and cross-bones on them, telling him to get out of town. One evening in particular, I remember, one Sunday evening, the colored sexton came down -- his face nearly white -- and he says, "I darsn't light up the church tonight!" Father said, "What is the matter?" He said, "If I light up the church tonight they will kill me! I darsn't do it." Father told him he need not do it, not ring the bell or light up the church. When it began to get dark, father turned to me and said, "Charley, would you be afraid to light up the church?" I said "No." You must remember that at that time there were 2,500 or 5,000 of a motley crowd of rebels in the city that had come in preparatory to going into the Confederate Army. I lit up the church and rang the bell and there were about fifty people there, mostly women. Father preached, and along towards the close of the sermon a crowd of some twenty-five or thirty young fellows came in with revolvers and commenced talking in the vestibule. Father stopped in his sermon and spoke to them, and told them that if they wished to remain they were welcome, but he wanted them to behave themselves until after the services were over.

Names:

Weller, Charles
Frederick

Weller, Mary Havens
Bowers

Weller, Zaccheus
Sherman

Types:

book

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They quieted down and he finished his sermon and dismissed the people. We went home and they did not attempt to molest us in any way. After we got home I heard a great deal of noise up towards the church. I went up to the alley to see what was going on. The bell was on a scaffold in the rear of the church, where they generally put them in those days, instead of on the top of the church. They had taken a telegraph pole, made a battering ram of it, and battered down the walls, smashed the windows, broke the lamps and everything was destroyed; in fact, the church was ruined. The mob then came down to our house and surrounded it, probably five or six hundred. They threw stones at windows, smashed the shutters -- we had old fashioned wooden shutters downstairs. My father took my mother, my little brother and sister and we went upstairs, into a little attic room, and we prepared to defend ourselves, but before they broke in the house, General Price, who was a friend of my father, heard what was going on, and sent a company of soldiers, who dispersed the mob and we were saved any further trouble.

The next day he told my father, "I can't protect you from these people. I will send you through the lines," which he did. My father, mother and the two younger children, but I remained. They decided that I could not go with my parents, as I was old enough for military service in case they needed me, which they evidently did. So I was with the Rebel army for about two weeks, but the only service I saw was when word came to Jefferson City, where there were probably 10,000 motley looking soldiers, with no uniforms, all sorts of arms, shot guns, rifles, old fashioned revolvers and everything else that they could pick up -- that General Frank Blair was marching on Jefferson City with 10,000 Union troops from St. Louis. You can imagine the excitement. They ordered us fellows out. We marched to the Osage river and burned the railroad and wagon bridge crossing it. The infantry came up and we went into camp and awaited the arrival of the Federals -- but they didn't come. It proved to be a false alarm, and we marched back to Jefferson City. I then concluded that it was about time to make my getaway. I went to General Price and told him I wanted a pass to go out to a little farm that we had about four miles from Jefferson City. General Price gave me a card to "Pass bearer through the lines." I got on my horse and rode up to our little farm but I didn't stop there; I went to the Missouri river. It was about six o'clock in the evening. I got an old ducky to take me across the river on a skiff and let my horse swim alongside of it and lit out for Iowa. After six days and nights, sleeping in the woods in the day-time, and begging something to eat for myself, and the horse from the negroes along the way, I finally got to Iowa. ... After I got to Iowa I went to work on a farm and got money enough to take me to Pennsylvania. ...

Names:

Blair, Frank, General

Price, General

Types:

book

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According to another report, from an unknown source, the story continues:

He had an old horse which he sold in Washington, Iowa, for ten dollars and he soon afterward secured employment on a farm near by, digging post holes until he had blistered his hands. In this condition he was set to work at driving a team and not long afterward he passed a teacher's examination at Washington, Iowa, obtained his certificate and for three months taught school in Washington county at a salary of twenty dollars per month, boarding 'round among the families whose children were his pupils. In the following September he bought a ticket for Beaver, Pennsylvania, where his parents were then living...

Charles F. Weller there attended the Beaver Institute until November, 1861, when he felt that it was necessary for him to provide for his own support and accordingly he left home in search of work. He reached Wellsburg, West Virginia, with a dollar and a half in his pocket and near that place he obtained a school which he taught for three months. He then returned to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, expecting to attend college, but the war feeling was then so strong...

Charles F. Weller enlisted in Company F, 15th Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry on August 15, 1862, at the age of 18.

The letters are addressed to Miss Katherine A. McElwain of Beaver, Pennsylvania. (She was born in Manor Dale, Westmoreland County, Pa., Apr. 22, 1844.) They and the journal are transcribed here as accurately as possible. No attempt has been made to correct errors in punctuation and spelling in order that they retain their authenticity. Proper names and place names appear correctly in brackets. Other bracketed words are those which were so faint as to be quite illegible and represent a best guess.

Kathleen Maltby Parrish

Names:

McElwain, Katherine
A., Miss

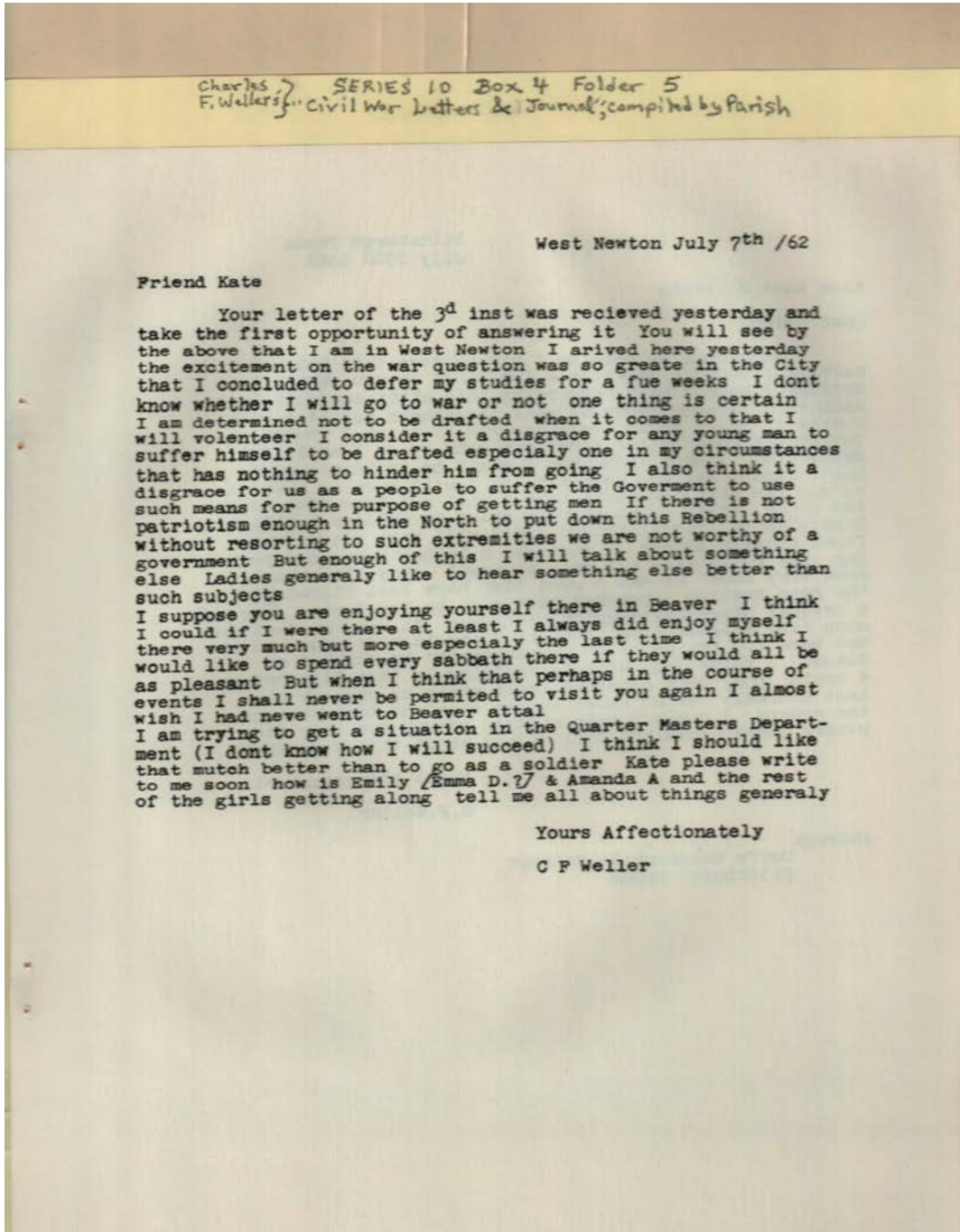
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Maltby

Weller, Charles F.

Types:

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Names:

, Amanda A. , Emma Weller, C. F.
, Emily , Kate

Places:

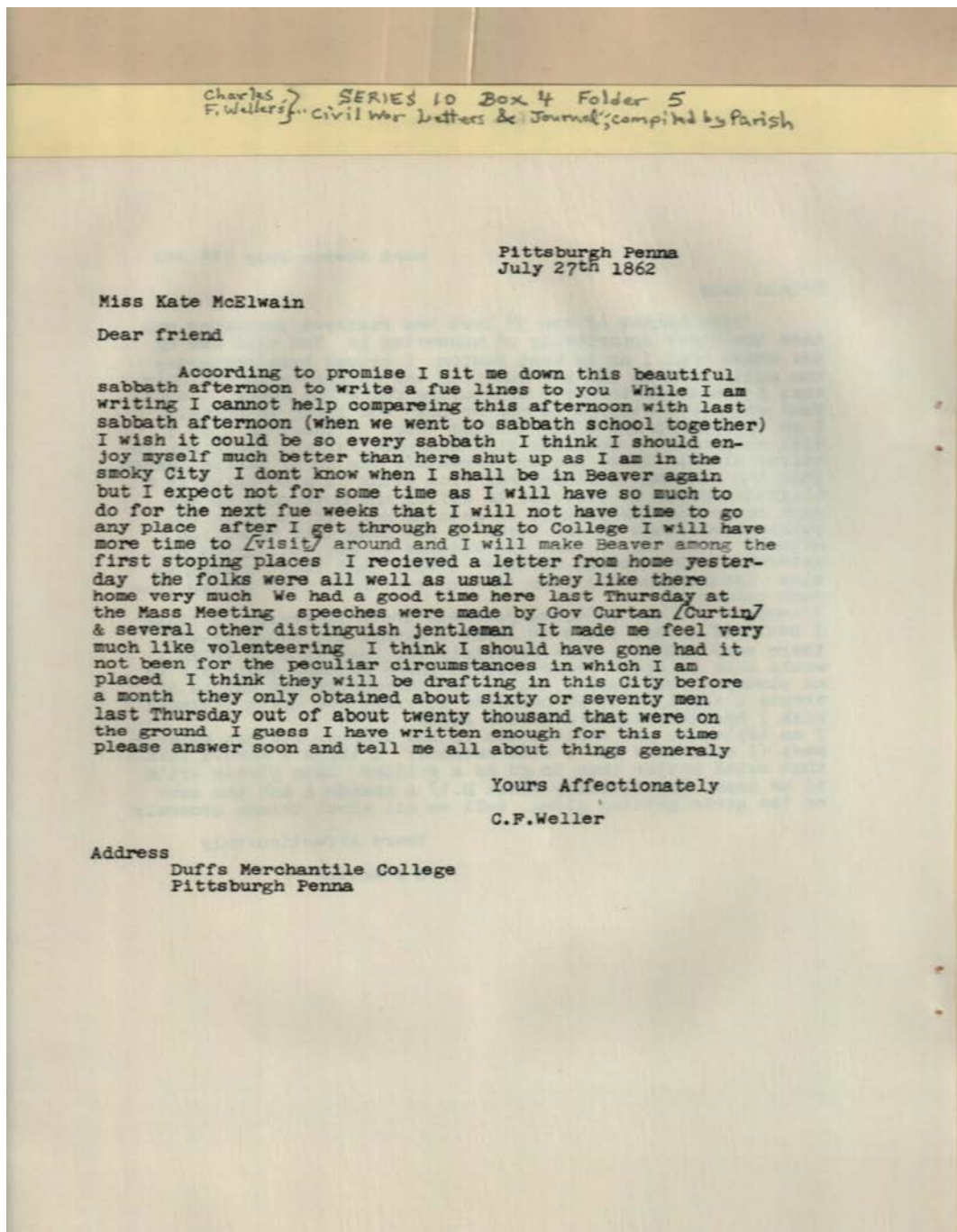
West Newton, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jul 07, 1862



Names:

Curtan, Governor
Curtin, Governor

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Pittsburgh, PA

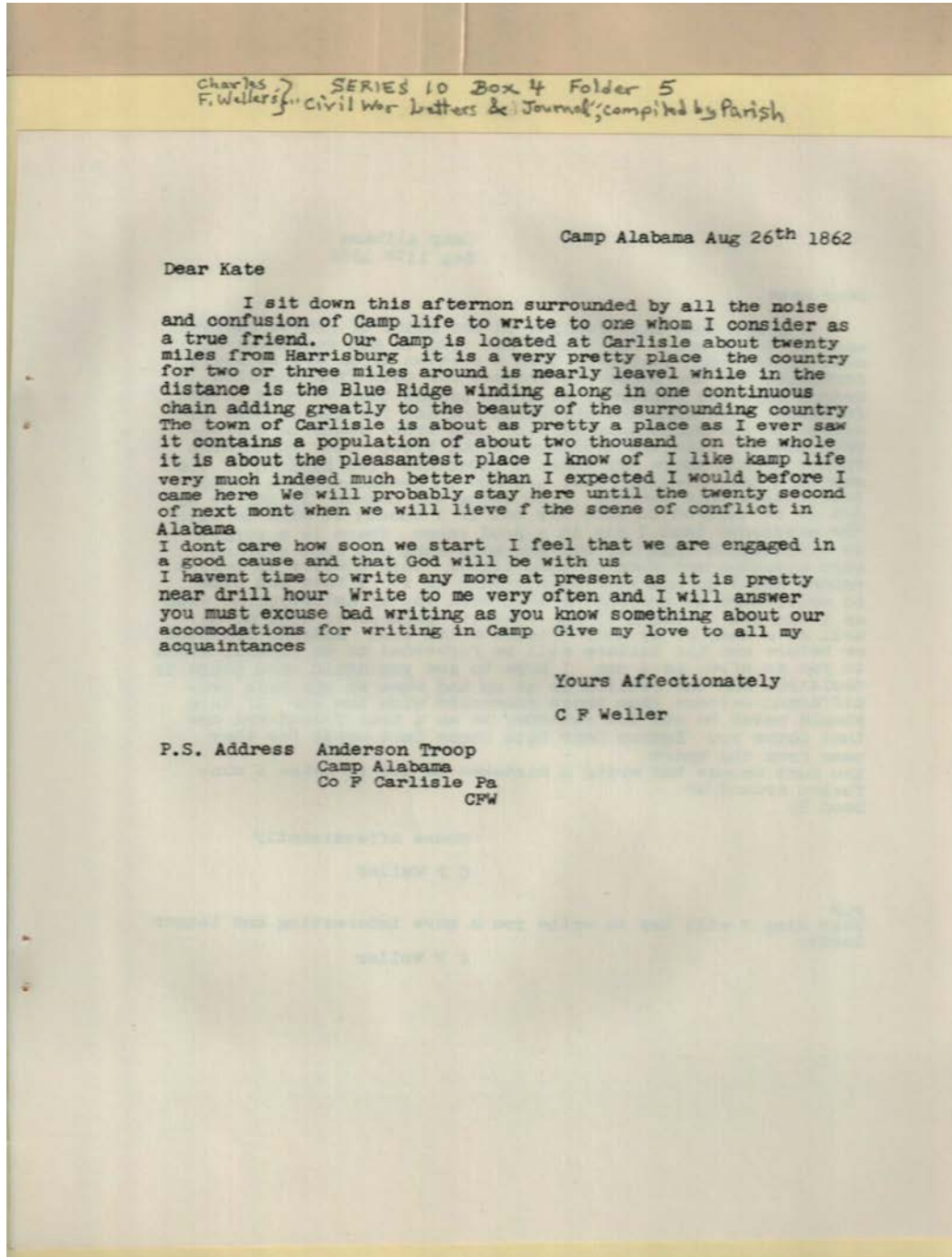
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Dates:

Jul 27, 1862

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Names:

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Weller, C. F.

Places:

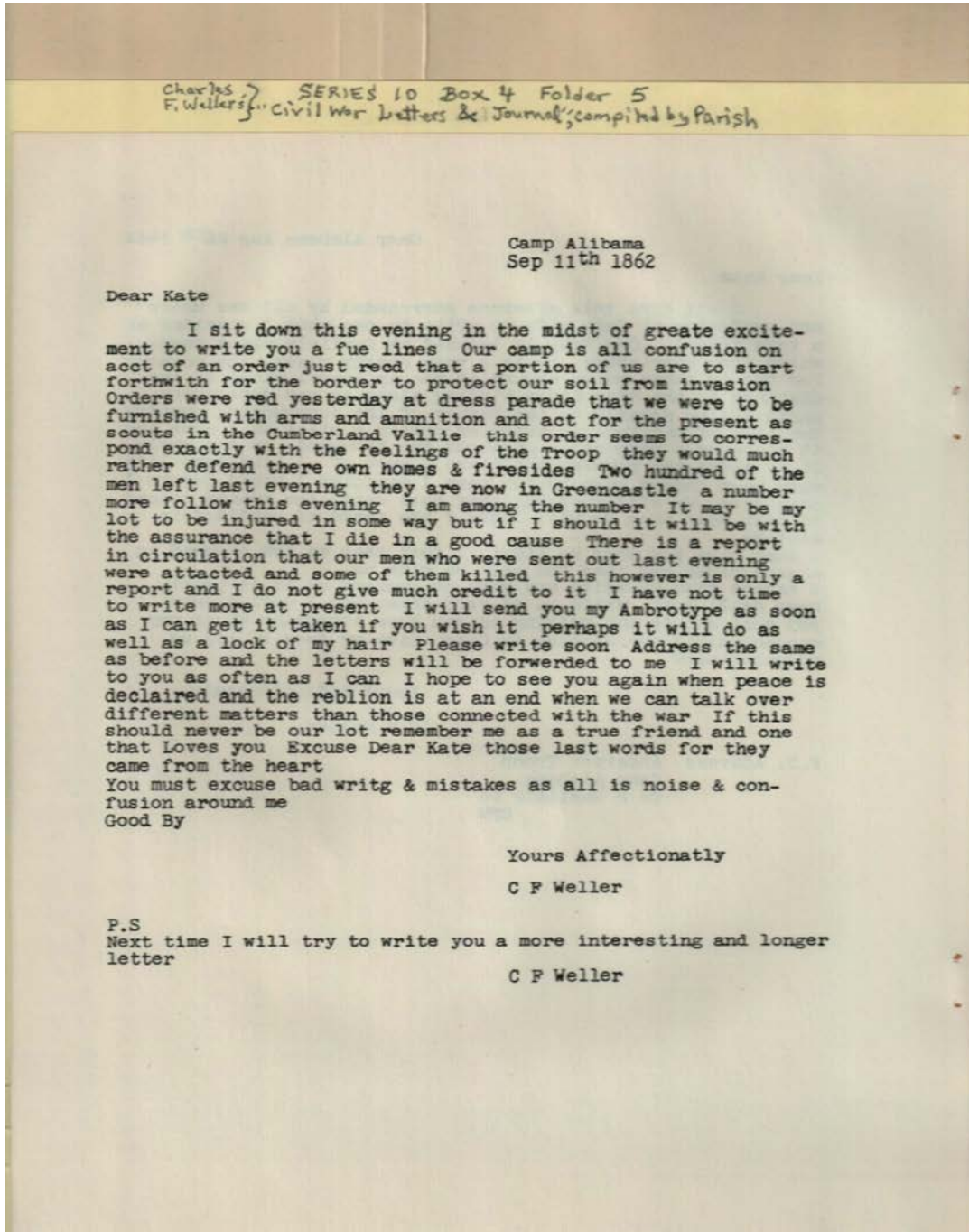
Camp Alabama, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Aug 26, 1862



Names:

, Kate

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Camp Alabama, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Sep 11, 1862

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Carlisle Sep 12th 1862
To day we recieved orders to proceed at once to the border and act as scouts in the Cumberland Vally After making a fue hasty preperations which consisted in filling our haversacks with crackers and pork and our Canteens full of coffee we started proceeding by rail to Chambersburg We there recieved intelligence that the rebels were advanceing on the place We marched down the rail road some 2 miles where we found the 29th Pa vol drawn up in line of battle we fell in be side them and awaited the advance of the enemy we waited ther until darck when the rebs not making there appearance we bivuated for the night our Comp was thrown out in the advance as pickets nothing of importance ocured during the night the next morning (Sep 13th) a scouting party was sent out and came in with the report that the rebs were not in the vacinity

Sep 14th
To day a part of the reg recieved horses and carbines and were sent out on a scout the remainder of the reg were marched into Chambersburg to recieve muskets this caused some dissatisfac-tion but as horses and carbines could not be obtained most of the boys shouldered a musket some however refused We then started for Marrion [Marion, Pa.] on foot carrying our sabers pistols knapsack and musket We had a very tire some march and arived at M_____ about daylight We had been there but a short when the scouts came in and reported that the enemy were only 3 miles from Greencastle and with orders from Cap Palmer for us to come on as fast as possible so we again took up the line of march and arived at Greencastle about 11 oc the Citizens recieved us joyfully and a good dinner was provided for us which we realished very much after our vary fatiguing march Our pickets were thown out on every road and succeeded in driving the rebs back we had our whole force out on picket and the enemy thinking that was only the advance guard never stopped retreating until they arived at Hagerstown

Sep 16th
We recieved our carbines to day and turned in our muskets which I considered a very good exchange A fue hours after I recieved orders with about six others to take some prisoners which we had captured to Chambersburg We arived ther all right and confined the prisoners in the county jail we then recieved our horses and once more started to Greencastle where we arived at dark After feeding our horses and getting our suppers we were ordered with some 200 others to proceed to Hagerstown After ariving there I was detailed as an orderly for Gen Reynolds [Reynolds?] With out rest or sleep I was started of with a dispatch for Gen McClellen whose Head Quarters were then at Boonsborough After going some 6 miles my horse gave out and I was obged to lieve him seeing one in a field close by I took posession and was soon on my way again I arived at Head Quarters in due time after recieving a reply I took the back track arived safe making the trip in less than 3 hours

Names:

McClellen, General

Palmer, Captain

Reynolds, General

Reynolds, General

Places:

Carlisle, PA

Types:

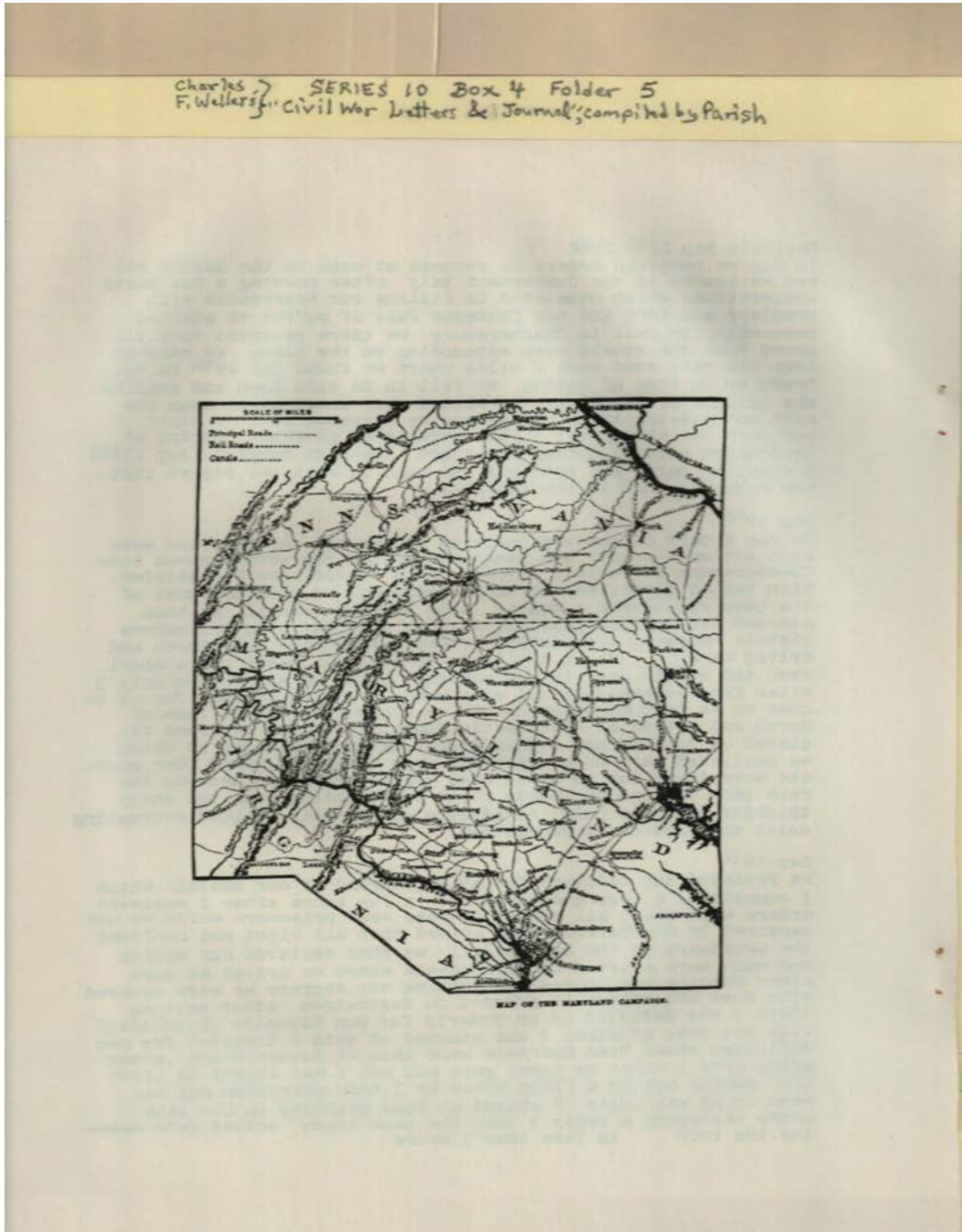
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Dates:

Sep 12, 1862

Sep 14, 1862

Sep 16, 1862



Names:
Maryland Campaign

Types:
map

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Wednesday Sep 17th
This morning we heard the booming of Cannon this was the commencement of the bloody battle of Antietam Today I was again sent with dispatches to McClellan I found that his Head Quarters were removed to Cadysville /Keedysville/ on arriving there I learned that he was on the field Comm in person I rode on determined to find at last I reached the /rear/ of /our army/ When the smoke would rise I could see the long lines of the enemy advancing up the hill to meet our army the artillery firing was terrible I was so engaged gazing at the sight that was presented before me that I seemed almost to forget my duty and hardly noticed the shells that were bursting only a short distance from me but a thought recalled me and falling round to the rear of Meagers /Meagher's/ Irish brigade I proceeded on my way I had just got in there rear when they set up an unearthly yell and started forward the musketry firing now commenced in earnest the smoke almost blinded me all seemed to be in confusion Orderlies were galloping too and froe while the cries of the wounded and the dying could be heard on every side I proceeded farther to the rear and after enquireing several times for Gen McClellan found that he was on the right with Gen Hookers division on the sharpsburg pike I at last found him on a little rising ground Glass in hand watching the progress of the battle I delivered my dispatch after writing a few lines on the back of it he told me to return by the sharpsburg pike and then rode forward he is a noble looking man and I think just the man to command the Army of the Potomac as I passed along the lines the boys were singing this song "Gird on/ your armor" I then started for Hagerstown where I arrived at 10 oc PM got to sleep from that till morning the first sleep I had enjoyed for three nights

Names:

Hooker, General

McClellan, General

McClellan, General

Meagher,

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Sep 17, 1862

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Hagerstown Md
Sep 17th 1862

Dear Kate

Although I have not re'd an answer to my last letter I concluded to write you a line to let you know something of my whereabouts

Well I am in the town of Hagerstown Md We arrived here last evening I am almost tired out I have been in the saddle for about three days & nights the Rebels have ocupied this place for the last week and it presents rather a hard appearance the reare guard of the Rebels occupied the place on our arival but we charged on them & they soon skedaddled as the saying is I was out on an expedition last evening with some of our boys we brought in thirty prisoners they are the hardest looking fellows I ever saw they are raged dirty & half starved Our boys belonging to the troop are most of them acting as scouts we left some of them to guard prisoners at Chambersburgh I am for the present acting as Orderly for Col Carmikle /Carmichael/ of Gen Reynolds /Reynold's/ Staff I expect to start in an hour or two with dispatches for Gen McClelens /McClellan's/ head quarters which is about ten miles from here the Rebels some of them are between here and there so I will run some risk in going I have also as soon as I get back to act as a scout for a train of Artilery that is going to Gen McClelen I must close for the present and get ready to start

Good By

Yours Affectionately
C F Weller

Names:

, Kate
Carmichael, Colonel

Carmikle, Colonel
McClellan, General

Reynolds, General
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Hagerstown, MD

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Sep 17, 1862

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Thursday Sep 18th

To day I one more started for the battle ground Our army had driven the rebels back and occupied the field the sight of the scene of battle was aifful to behold the wounded were being removed but the dead were strewn over the ground in every direction over 10 thousand dead men lay there in that one corn field Gen McClellens quarters were sill at Cadiesville the road from sharpsburg to that town was litterly strewn with Haversacks Muskets Knapsacks dead horses &c After delivering my message I returned by the Boonsborough road on the way I had the honor of capturing two rebels I came upon them unawares while turning a bend in the road I thought I would eather take them or them me so I presented my revolver and ordered them to throw down there arms one of them immediately threw down a pistol and the other a musket which was not loaded these I found were all they had I dismounted took the musket and pistol fastened them on my saddle searched the men and then marched them before me to Hagerstown felling quite proud of my conquest

Sep 19th

This morning I started in company with Col McMecke to Capt Crosbies Battery on the sharpsburg and Williamsport road We proceeded unmolested until ariving at about 1 mile from Williamsport when on turning a corner we sudenly came in sight of rebel pickets these wyly fellows had crossed the river in the night and occupied the place this took us by surp as they were supposed to be over the river They ordered us to halt but instead of doing so we turned and took the back track not however with out giveing them one shot from carbine they fired 2 volees after us with out effect the balls pasing over us we found that Capt Crosby had fallen back off the pike and afterward to hagerstown on the other road so this ended that days adventure

Sep 20th

To day Gen Reynolds took the field in person the rebels being reinforced at Williamsport were advanceing on hagerstown his command consisted mostly of Malitia the 29 Pav 2^d 3th ma Inft with the AL being the only drilled men he had toger with 1 Battery of Artillery the battery was stationed on a hill 2 miles from town the Inft in supporting distance while the cavly were sent in advance we soon heard sharp fireing an orderly came up statinge that the rebels were driving our pickets in and that the cavly were falling back we soon seen the advanceing through a stand of woods and our Cavly falling back slowly Gen R then sent an order for the Cavly to retrat in good order until under the cover of the Battery this they did and then the shells began to fly quite an Artillery scirmish was maintained for a fue minutes the rebels fell back the Gen then determined on a musketry fight the Cavly were again sent forward and the infantry ordered to advance for a short distance and then were

Names:

Corsbies, Captain
Crosby, Captain

McClellan, General
McMecke, Colonel

Reynolds, General

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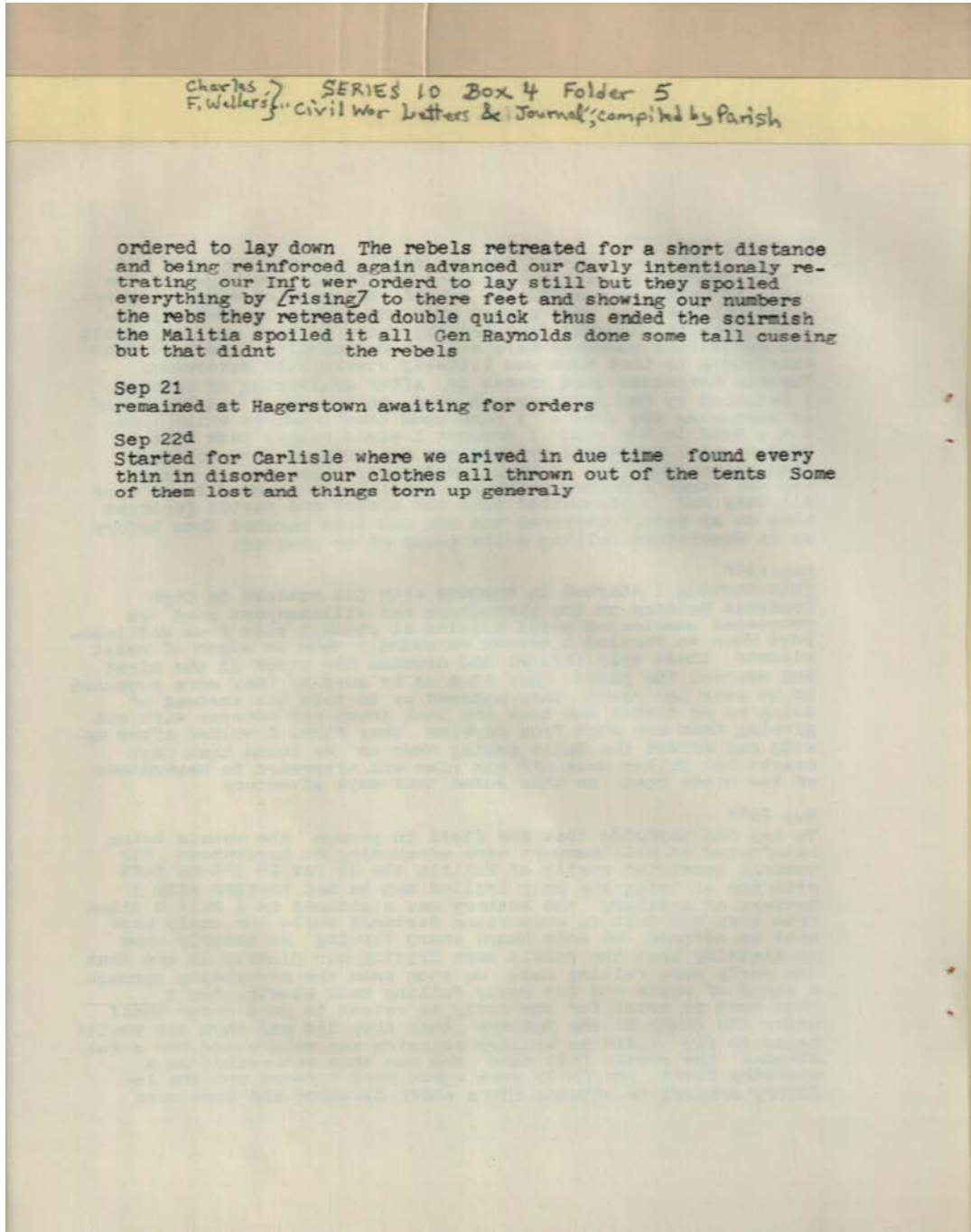
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Dates:

Sep 18, 1862

Sep 19, 1862

Sep 20, 1862



ordered to lay down The rebels retreated for a short distance
and being reinforced again advanced our Cavly intentionally re-
trating our Inf't wer orderd to lay still but they spoiled
everything by /rising/ to there feet and showing our numbers
the rebs they retreated double quick thus ended the scirmish
the Malitia spoiled it all Gen Reynolds done some tall cuseing
but that didnt the rebels

Sep 21
remained at Hagerstown awaiting for orders

Sep 22d
Started for Carlisle where we arived in due time found every
thin in disorder our clothes all thrown out of the tents Some
of them lost and things torn up generally

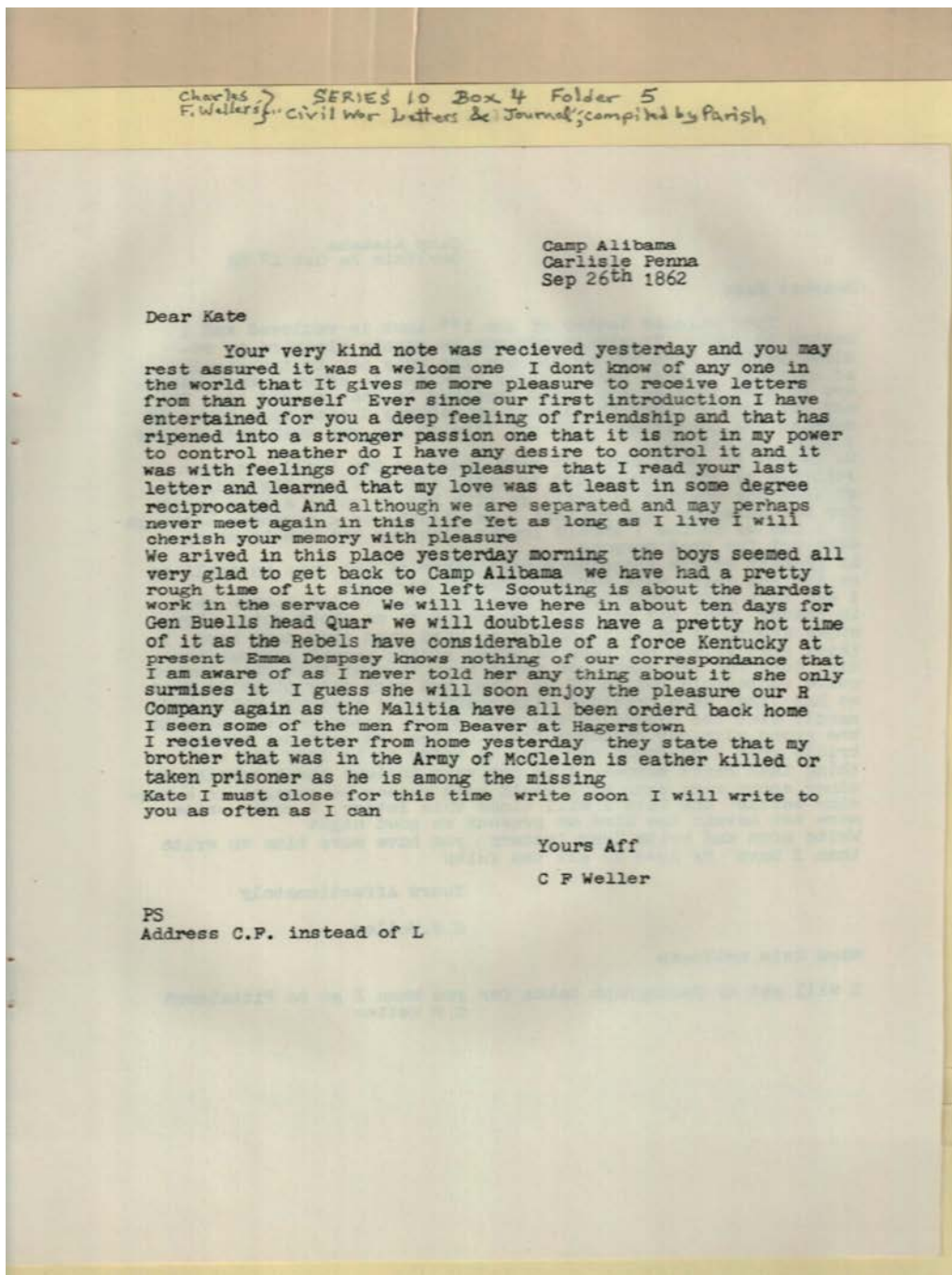
Names:

Raynolds, General

Types:

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Names:

, Kate
Buell, General

Dempsey, Emma
McClelen,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Camp Alabama, PA

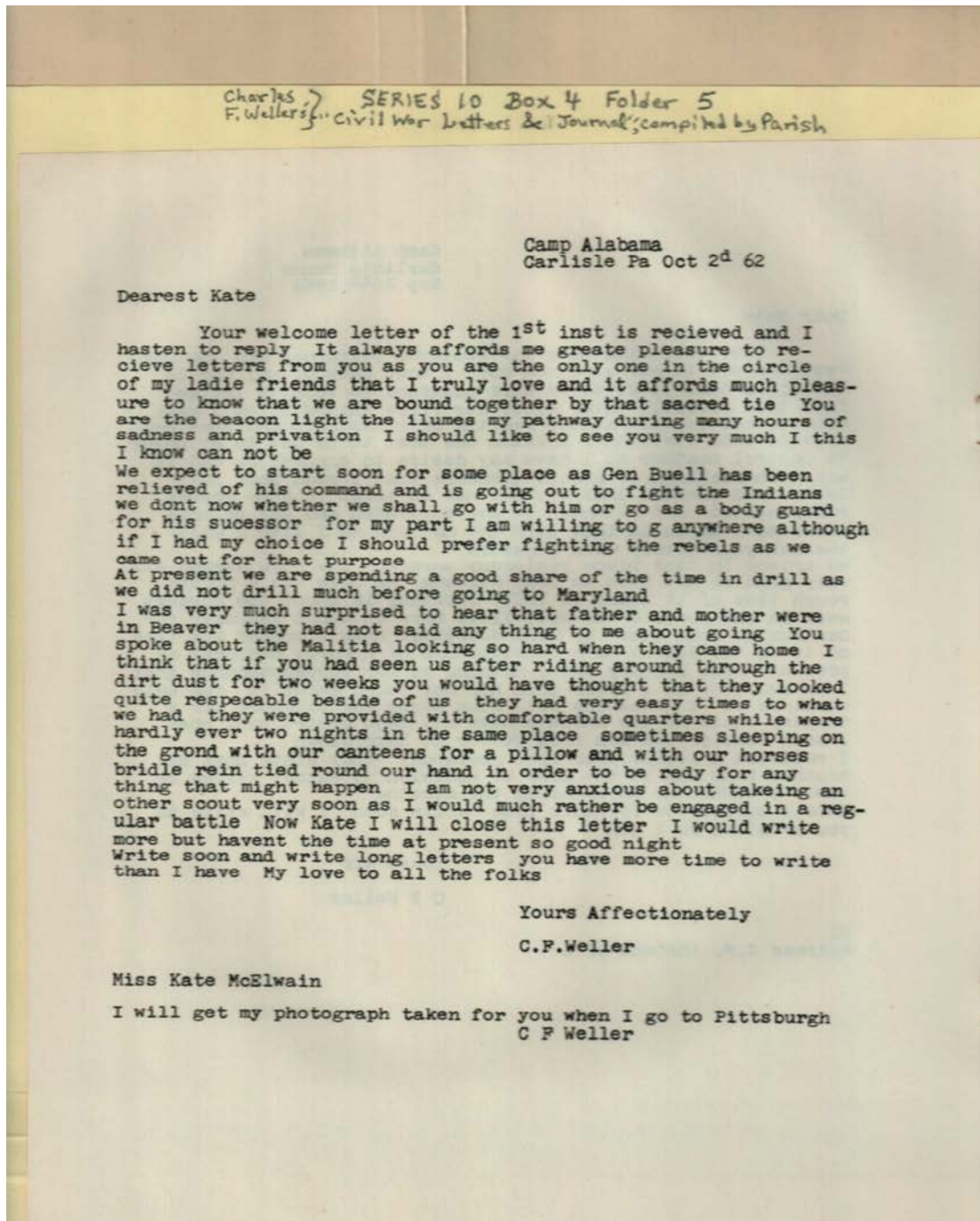
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Dates:

Sep 26, 1862

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Names:

Buell, General

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Weller, C. F.

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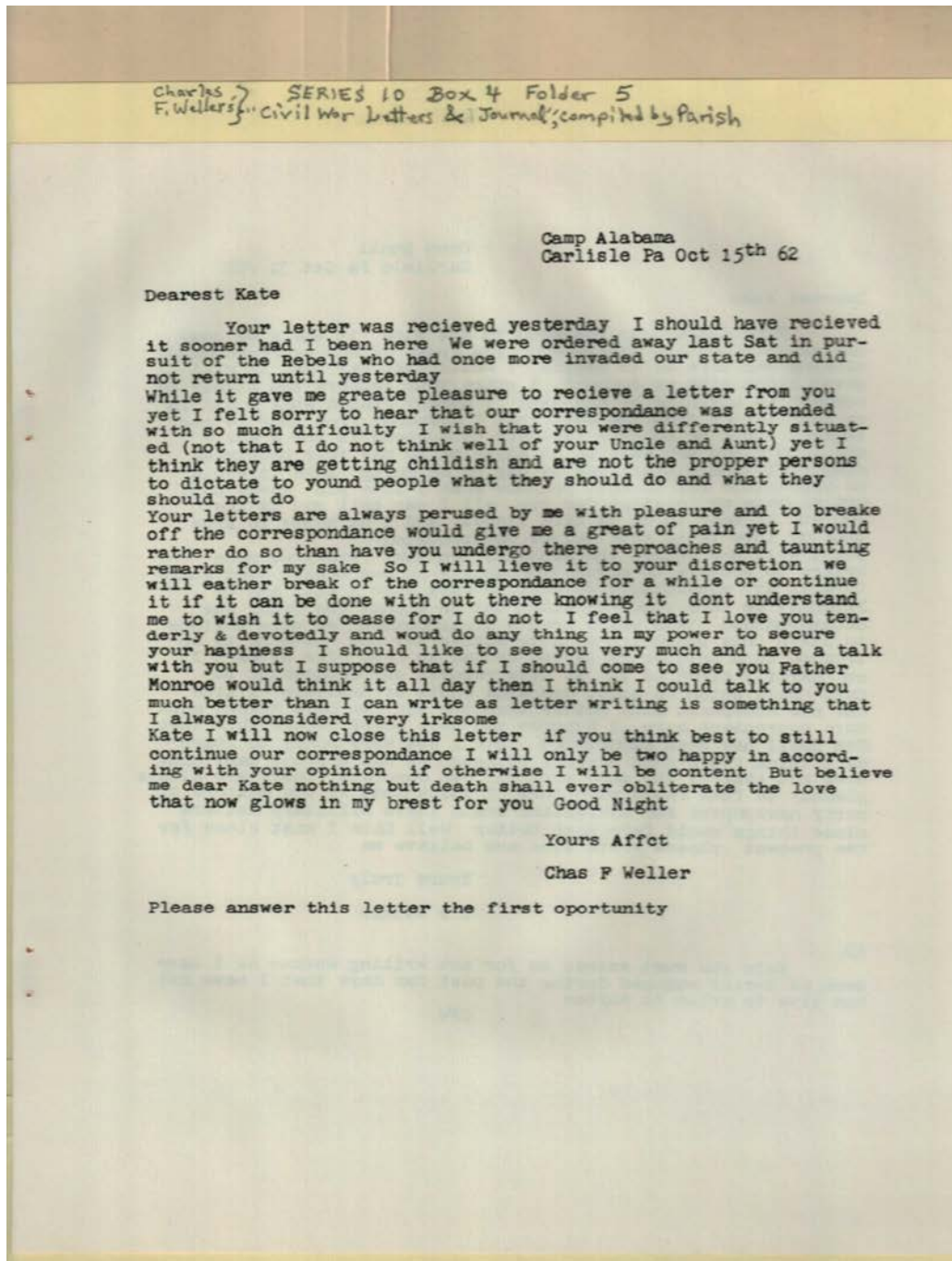
Camp Alabama, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Oct 02, 1862



Names:

, Kate

Monroe, Father

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Carlisle, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Oct 15, 1862

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Camp Buell
Carlisle Pa Oct 31 /62

Dearest Kate

Your letter was recieved in due time it was a welcome one as your letters always are you spake of our correspondance closing and left me to decide I would just say that it will never close with my consent I prize your letters too highly to consent to anything of the kind I merely stated what I did in my last letter from the fact that I supposed from your letter that it would be to your interest to suspend it for a while and I love you too well to do anything to mar your happiness even if I should sacrificise my own by so doing Kate it would be impossible for to tell you how much I love you words cannot express my feelings for you all I can tell you is that you are as dear to me as life itself and I am happy to know that my love is in some degree reciprocated

But I will now change the subject. On last friday we recd orders to prepare to march immediatly to Gen Buells head quarters in Ky accordingly we went to work with a will and by Saterday we were ready to start but on sunday the order was countermanded this was a greate disappontment as were anxious to lieve this place and go into active servace nothing is so irksome to a soldier as laying around in Camp for my part I am heartily tired of it We have removed our encampment to Camp Buell which is about one mile south of Carlisle I like the new encampment much better than the old we have things much more convenient here I suppose you have heard before this that Gen Buell has been superceded this I was very sorry to learn as I think him a good General although he has a great many enemies but that is the case with all our Generals there are always plenty to find fault with them I think that if the editors of petty newspapers and civillians would lieve Military matters alone things would fare much better Well Kate I must close for the present please write soon and believe me

Yours Truly
C F Weller

PS
Kate you must excuse me for not writing sooner as I have been so busily engaged during the past fue days that I have not had time to write to anyone
CFW

Names:

, Kate

Buell, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Carlisle, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Louisville Ky Nov 13th 62

Miss Kate McElwain

Dearest I suppose you have learned er'e this through the papers that we are in Kentuckey We broke Camp at Carlisle on last friday morning at reveille and took the train for Pittsburgh at 4 P.M. arriving in that City on Saturday night we only remained there long enough to take supper when we took the cars for Indianapolis by the Ft Wane and Chicago road as far as Crestline and then by the Bellfountain /Bellfontaine/ road to I where we arived at about 12 oc sabbath night We spent all day monday looking around the City it is a very pretty place At 10 PM we again took the cars on the Jeffersonvill road for this City where we arived at 2 oc tuesday afternoon on the whole we had a very pleasant trip we were furnished with first class passenger cares which are something troops dont often get I was very much disappointed at not getting to come & see you I had the promise of a furlough from our Col but the orders from the war department concerning us were so stringent that I could not get one We are now encamped about one mile from the City on the Bowling Green road we will probably join Rosecrans in Tenn in a fue days as soon as we get horses
But I must Close for this time excuse this letter for it is written in haste drill call has just sounded so Good By My love

With Respect

C F Weller

Address

Co F Anderson Cavly
Louisville Ky



Names:

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Rosecrans,
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Louisville, KY

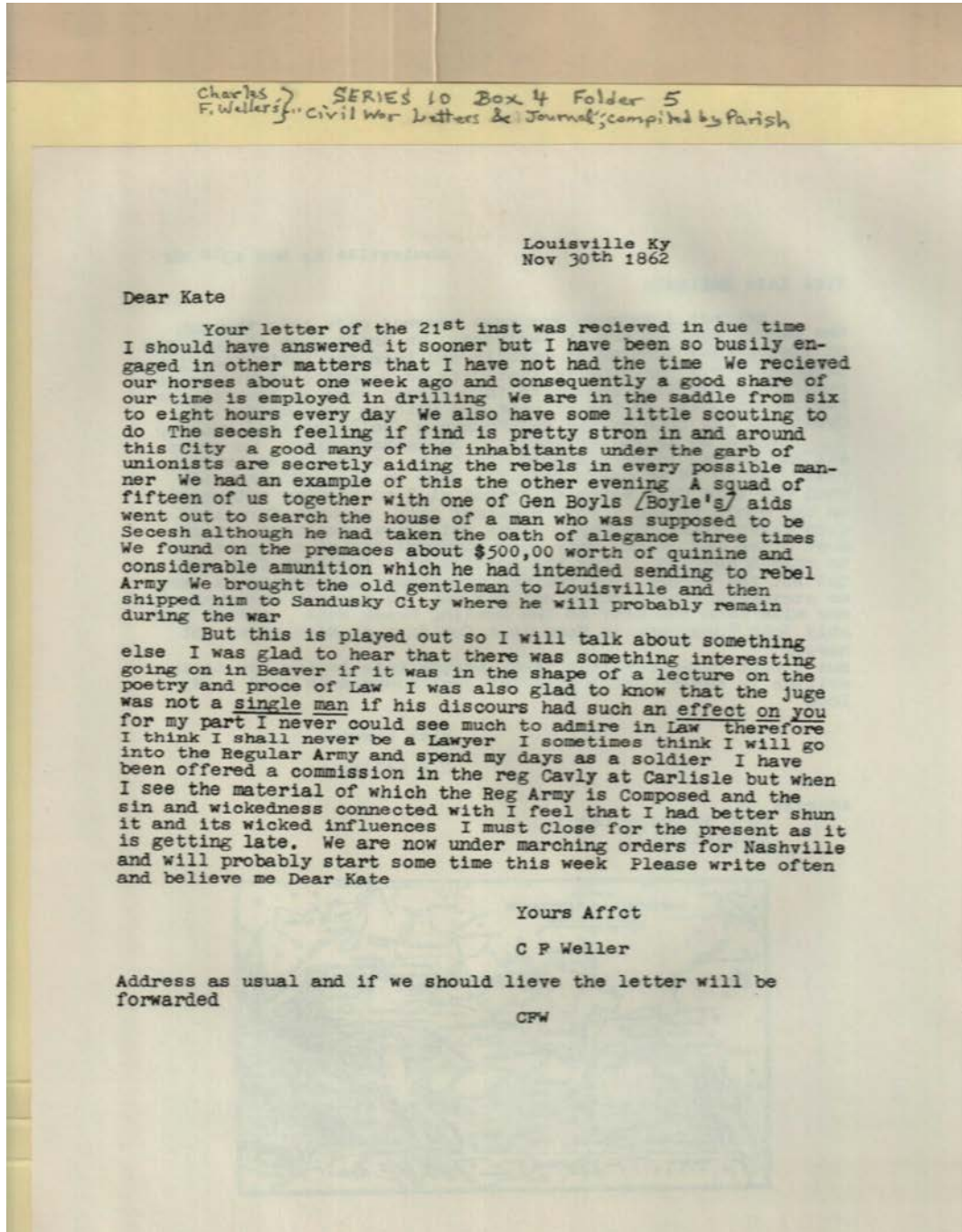
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Names:

, Kate

Boyle, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Louisville, KY

Types:

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Dates:

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Camp near Lost River Ky
Dec 19th 1862

Dearest Kate

Although I have not as yet recieved an answer to my last letter yet I do not attribute it to neglect on your part as you have always been very punctual in answering my letters and I have no doubt but what there is now a loveing epistle for me in Louisville We arived here on last monday after a very tire-some ride of some six days from Louisville Our camp is situa-ted about one mile from Bowling Green and two or three hundred yards from the lost river or Mill Cave as it sometimes called you have in all probability often heard of it as it is next in size to the famous Mammoth Cave in this County I spent all day tuesday in exploring it the river comes out of the hill a short distance from the mouth of the Cave the water is some two feet deep an then comes quick sand the bottom of it has in some places never been found several men have been lost in it while attempting to wade it there seems to be considerable of suction connected with it the sand is constantly in motion After the river enters the cave the quick sand disappears and the bottom is composed mostly of solid rock in some places inside the cave the water is twenty feet deep A party of six of us provided with plenty of lights started in determined to go as far as we possible could We proceeded some two miles sometimes in water up to our necks and sometimes cralling through orifices scarcely large enough to admit our boddies After entering some 1/2 mile our way became nearly bloccaded by the ruins of an old mill which had at one time stood at the mouth of the Cave it had been washed in there by a freshet a long time ago after we had proceeded two miles (we measured the distance) our way became completely obstructed by rocks and dirt so we were obliged retrace our steps We were a pretty had looking set of fellows after coming out we were litterly coverd with mud and water but enough about Mill Cave you have probably read all about it On wednesday we were sent out on a scout and just arived in camp again this morning the rebel Morgan was reported to be in the neighborhood of Glasgow which is about fifty miles from this place we rode hard all night and arived at Glasgow three OC thursday morning but the rebels had heard of our approach and were know where to be found We learned that they were on the Louisville road we followed them for some sixty miles but they had to much the start of us so after nearly killing our-selves and our horses we were obliged to give it up I expect the intention of the rebels were to des-roy the railroad in this they were fooled as we followed them so close they hadent time to think of any thing but saveing there precious necks in this they succeeded the country is full of Morgans men there is scarcely a day but what some of our pickets are shot they have the advantage of us in being acquainted with the country but I think that in a fue weeks we will be suffi-ciently acquainted to do more affectual servace

Names:

, Kate

Morgan,

Places:

Lost River, KY

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Dec 19, 1862

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Our reg is detailed by Gen Rosecrans to hunt Morgan so we will probably stay around here for some time Morgan has heard of us and has declared his intention to capture us before we get to Nashville (at least the prisoners we have taken say so) for my part I think they will have some trouble doing so I like this kind of servace very much scouting is something that has some excitement in it and that's what I like although it is attended with considerable danger We could get along much better had we the right kind of officers I believe that one half of them are cowards But I must close for this time I have had no sleep for two nights and consequently feel very little like writing and I will haveto go on picket tonight I guess I will sleep awhile Kate I think of you very often while on duty at the mid night hour or when riding along the road thoughts of you make many hours pass away pleasantly which would otherwise be very lonely. I would love very much to see you I think I could talk to you much better than I can write Address Louisville the letters will be forwarded
Good By

Yours Affot

C F Weller

P.S Since writeing the above I recd a letter from you forwarded from Louisville Please write soon my love never grows cold

CFW

Names:

Morgan,

Rosecrans, General

Weller, C. F.

Types:

correspondence

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Nashville Tenn
Jan 18th 1863

Dear Kate

Once more I seat myself for the purpose of writing you a few lines This I should have done sooner had not communication been cut off between this place and Louisville Morgan has once more made one of his raids into Kentucky tearing up the RR and destroying things generally but that is nothing new for him he always knows when his time comes On our way down here we scouted all through the state of Ky and West Tenn trying to find him but he was no where to be found but no sooner had arrived at Nashville than he was at Elisabeth Town Ky tearing up the railroad I recieved you letter yesterday It had been nearly three weeks on the road It was the first mail we have recieved since coming here

I need not tell you that I was glad to hear from you Kate you know the light in which I regard you so it is not necessary to repeat it here suffice it to say that I think of you often when riding along by myself at night the hours are made pleasant and the road seems shorter while my thoughts are thus occupied I am on duty with a few others of the troop at Gen Mitchells head quarters in this City we were detached from the reg for that service shortly after coming here

Our duty is to carry dispatches to Gen Rosecrans who is now with his army about forty miles from here it pretty lonesome as well as dangerous business as rebel bushwhackers are pretty plenty between this and Murfreesborough we travel mostly at night to avoid these (imps of hell) (excuse the expression) as I can compare them to nothing else. You have probably heard through the papers of the difficulties existing in our regiment but it has no doubt been exaggerated I will endeavor to explain the Cause of the mutany as some call it although I dont Consider it as such On lieving Carlisle an order was recd stating that Gen Rosecrans had sent for us to come to Tenn and to act as his Body Guard also that we would be properly organized and officered after reaching Louisville we accordingly went cheerfully to that place after staying there for over two weeks we were ordered to Nashville we refused to go until that previous order was Complied with We were then told by our officers that there were 25 Com for our reg in Nashville and also that Morgan was between Louisville and Nashville and our duty would be as we went along to clear him out of course we went after ariving here we found that we had been humbugged that no officers were here and that Gen Rosecrans had never sent for us to act as his Body Guard him haveing an esquort of Reg Caly We staid here one night and the next morning were ordered to join Gen Stanley's /Stanley's/ Brigade this we refused to do haveing been told repeatedly that we would not be brigaded so we went into our tents and awaited the result in the afternoon several Military came out and made speeches to us trying to induse us to join Gen

Names:

, Kate
Mitchell, General

Morgan,
Rosecrans, General

Stanley, General

Places:

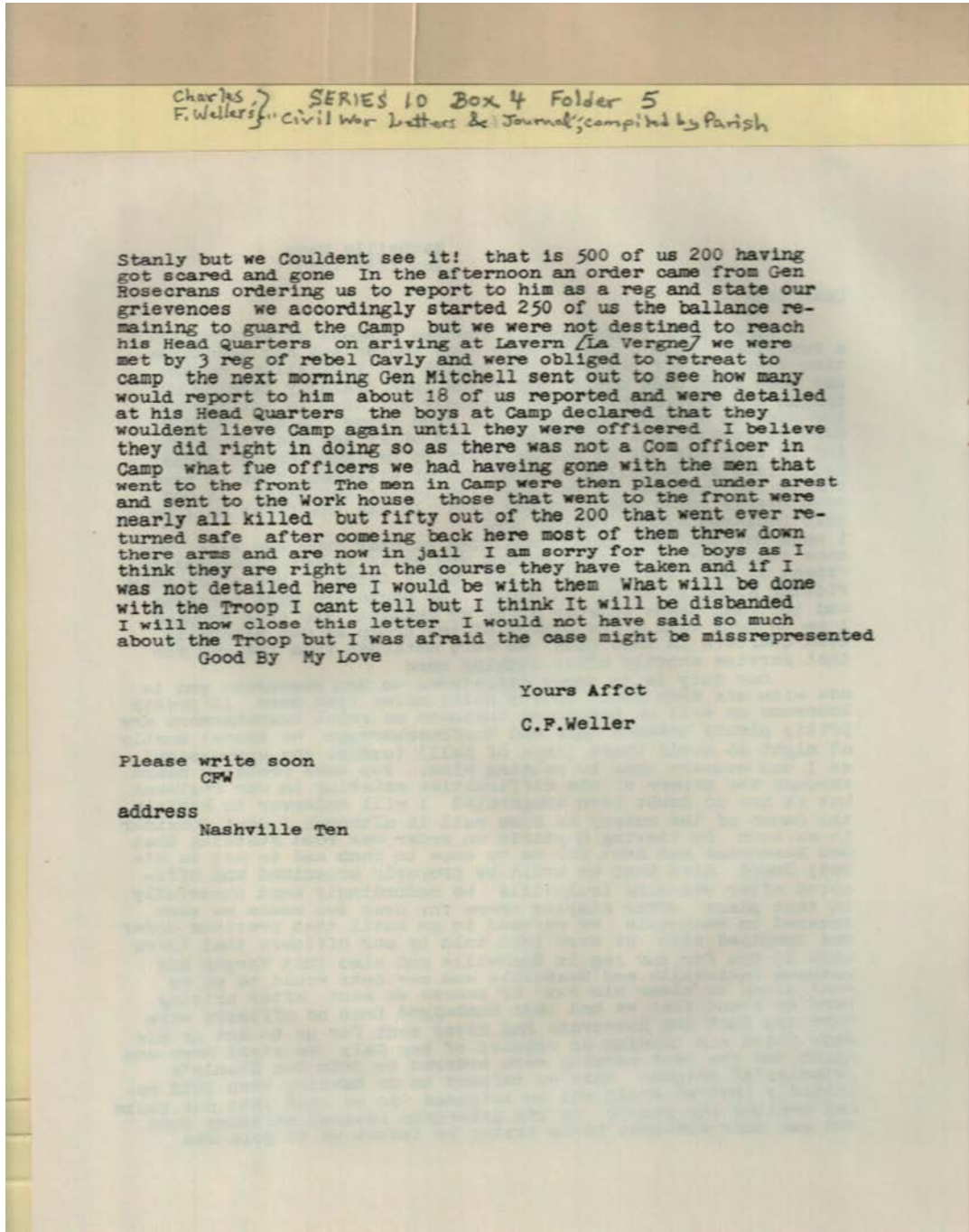
Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jan 18, 1863



Names:

Mitchell, General

Rosecrans, General

Stanley, General

Weller, C. F.

Types:

correspondence

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Nashville Tenn Mar 1st 63

Dear Kate

Your welcome letter of the 3^d ultimo was recieved a fue days ago It found me well and enjoying myself as best I can in this Godforsaken land. Experience has taught me to be contented where ever I am or what ever are my surroundings. So although I am not exactly satisfied with the manner in which things are being conducted in the army yet I have enlisted for 3 years and so I will take things as easy as I can. I am in a position where I can see to some extent how things are carried on and I think I can say that this war is makeing plenty of men sick I was sorry that you had formed such a poor oppinion of the Anderson Cavly but was pleased to learn that my letter had changed your oppinion somewhat I did not think you would senture there conduct when you knew the cause I was sorry to hear of A Dickeys illness although he and I parted not the best of friends and my opinion is that he is no gentleman yet I was sorry to learn that he was sick I believe I told you in my last letter that I was not in the battle of Murfreesboro neather was with those who were arrested being detached at Head Quarters here I dont doubt but what Hamilton and Allison are tired of the ser-vice there is scarcely one of the Troop but what is after the treatment we have recieved

Well Kate I will quit this kind talk about the Army and Troop and say something upon a subject that is at least more pleasant to me and I suppose not unpleasant to yourself Kate you know that I love you and I feel that you reciprocate it if I am de-cieved in this your letters have decieved me Kate do not think I am doubting your love. I believe you to be loveing and truth-ful if I did not this correspondence would never have continued. But dearest will this always continue? we are both young who knows what changes may take place in the next fue years! may not some other person find way to your heart? Kate I ask these questions nearly to cause you to reflect I have thought upon this often and dearest I feel that time may but no person can deprive you of the love that is yours Kate I must close this letter as have to go on duty in the morning If ever I see you again I expect to behold you as one who is mine in confidence and love Good by for the present Please write often and believe me

Yours
C F Weller

address
Gen Mitchells Head Quarters
Nashville Tenn

Names:

, Kate
Allison,

Dickey, A.
Hamilton,

Mitchell, General
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Head-Quarters United States forces,
Nashville, Tenn.,
March 13th 1863

Dearest Kate

Once more I resume my pen to write a few lines to one whom I have learned to love as life its self. although I have not as yet recieved an answer to my last letter to you I do not attribute it to your neglect The mailles come here very irregular This lieves me in good health and spirits We are kept very busy now going night and day the army of the Cumberland is again on the advance Gen Mitchell is going to take the field in a few days and Gen Grainger (Granger) takes command here when this change is made I suppose we will join our regiment which is now at Murfreesboro on duty at Rosecrans's Head Quarters we may however be kept here in Nashville with Gen Grainger I should prefer staying here to going with the Troop as the regiment is still in a very disorganised condition I have not time to write you a long letter as I am on duty to-night I hope to hear from you soon I recieved a letter from home yesterday Father and mother have both gone to Conference I suppose they will remain in West Newton another year
Good night Believe me

Yours Affect
C.F.Weller

PS Excuse this letter as it was written in a hurry dont forget to write often

C F Weller

Names:

, Kate
Granger, General

Mitchell, General
Rosecrans,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Mar 13, 1863

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Camp Gareshee [Garesché]
Murfreesboro Tenn
Mar 24th 63

Dearest Kate

Yours of the 14th inst was recieved yesterday and perused with pleasure This finds me with the regiment at Murfreesboro those of us that were at Gen Mitchells Head Quarters left Nashville on last friday we came in accordance with a special order from Gen Rosecrans every man that belonged to the Troop and was on detached servace had to report he stated as a reason that he needed the whole reg at his Head Quarters He has accepted the reg as his special esquort Our duties will be to carry dispatches from Rosecrans to his different Generals also to act as scouts along the Cumberland river and Chatnooga RR I like this kind of servace very much although it is some what harder duty than we had to preform at Nashville I am pleased to know that I have your love and confidence unreservedly and I sincerely hope that you may never have cause to regret the course you have pursued You are aware of my feelings in regard to you and I have no doubt but that the love and confidence existing between us will be as lasting as life its self Intense excitement prevails along our lines the rebels seem to be advanceing in force we have skirmishing every day bouth on our right and left wing our army is engaged in fortifying this place if the rebels attact us here I have no doubt but what they will be repulsed this town is now nearly as strongly fortified as Nashville the soldiers here are all in good spirits and anxious for a fight I think that in the next battle the Anderson Cavly will take a more conspicuous part than in the fight at Stone River You wished to know how our affairs were settled I will not attempt to give you a detailed account of the Court Martial and its result suffice it to say that it resulted in our favor every thing we asked for at the time of the mutany were granted us Please write to me often letters are very acceptable to soldiers

Yours Affectionately
C F Weller

Address
Co G. Anderson Cavly
Murfreesboro
Tenn

Names:

, Kate

Mitchell, General

Rosecrans, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Murfreesboro, TN

Types:

correspondence

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Camp Garashee
Murfreesboro Tenn
Apr 12th 1863

My Dear Kate

Your letter is just recd and not having any thing particular to do this afternoon I concluded to answer it immediately Since I last wrote you we have been out on a long scout We left camp on the 3^d inst there were 250 of us (all the men in our reg that are fit for duty) under comd of Col Palmer and two regts of Inft and one sec of Artillery the whole under Cmd of Maj Gen Palmer of the 21st A. Core We pceeded without interuption until we Arrived at Woodbury (the Co seat of Cannon Co) here we found a considerable force of Morgans Cavly in command of Col Smith After a few shots they fell back and took position in a small strip of woods on the top of a high hill We took the advance lieving the Artillery and Infantry within supporting distance we fought them for about five hours a skirmish figh driving them back ten miles and within five miles of McMinville the extreme right of the rebel army We captured about twenty five prisoners and killed several we also captured about \$5000 worth of tobacco We started from Camp with five days rations and were away nearly seven so you see we were nearly two days without any thing eather for our selves or horses to eat Our road lay through the town of Readyville and Braidville We are now under orders to go out again on tuesday on the McMinville road by way of Liberty if we go we may expect have pretty much of a brush with the rebs as they are in pretty strong force on that road For my part I dont care how much scouting we do it is much better than laying in camp Six men are detailed every day at Head Quarters and the rest of us might as well be after butternuts as not There is considerable sickness in our Troop at the present time Our Hospital is crowded with sick not less than twenty of our boys have gone to there long /home/ since I joined the reg here we left Carlisle with 950 men for duty and now we number but 250 for duty and in all we have but 575 men in the reg pretty much of a decrease ain't it a goodly number have deserted but a far grater portion have died and others have contracted diseases by exposure and were obliged to be discharged For my part I remain well I believe my health was never better in my life Well Kate I must bid you good by I havent time to write more Please write soon I remain yours Truly

C.F.Weller

The ink and paper in my portfolio got kind of mixed together so excuse blots

CFW

Names:

, Kate
Morgan,

Palmer, Colonel
Palmer, General

Smith, Colonel
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Murfreesboro, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Apr 12, 1863

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Camp Gareshee
Murfreesboro Tenn
May 1st 1863

Dearest

Yours of the 25th ultimo was recieved yesterday which by the way was fast day I think however there was but very little fasting done here we devoured our rations as usual and instead of preying we had a grand Inspection and Muster for pay this was owing to our haveing an Infidel for a Col most of the regiments refrained from doing any duty except what was absolutely necessary such as posting the regular guards and pickets This is very beautiful day and an Aniversary that I should like to celebrate as I usued to do in a grove with a party of Young folks I think I could spend the time both pleasant and proffitably especealy if you was among the number Indeed! I believe that you and I could enjoy a very pleasant May day in a party by ourselves dont you! Since I last wrote you we have been kept pretty busy scouting we are going nearly all the time our horses are litterly played out and we are not in a much better condition I think now that we will stay in Camp a few weeks and recruit It is hard to tell when a fight will come off Gen Rosecrans is very vigilent he cannot advance on Tallahoma with his present force until the fate of Vicksburg is decided Some think the rebels will attact us here if they do I think they will be very apt to get what they did'ent go for as the saying is This is a very pretty country and I see a good many of the planters have returned to there farms and are putting in a crop I think we will live a little better here after a while off the natives I dont mean to say we steal Oh no sogier boy's dont steal We just go for things in the name of Uncle Sam I was very sory to hear of Miss Clarks death I was slightly acquainted with her mother and the family were very greate friends We still have a good deal of sickness in our reg another man died this morning Now Dearest Good Night (it is pretty near night) Write as often as you can

Yours Affct
Fred Weller

PS I would write you a longer letter but I havent time I have hardly time to writ attal I have written home but once in two months

Fred

Names:

Clark, Miss

Rosecrans, General

Weller, Fred

Places:

Murfreesboro, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Camp Garesche
Murfreesboro Tenn
May 22^d /63

My Dear Kate

Your welcome letter of the 10th inst was recieved on the 15th I should have answered it immediately had it not been for other duties which had to be attended to We have been scouting nearly all the time since I last wrote you it is pretty hard work as the weather is quite warm and the roads very dusty it is fully as warm here now as it is in July at home We are now under marching orders and I suppose will lieve here tomorrough I dont know where we are going I think however that Rosecrans intends a forward movement we recieved orders this morning to turn in all our extra clothing including overcoats and dress coats Also our tents I learn that most of the other regements are ordered to do the same I should like very much to comply with your request and send you my Photograph but it is impossible to do so at present from the fact that I have no chance to get it taken You shall have one though before Amanda Agnes does You are right in thinking her a sweet girl I came pretty near falling in love with here once I think I should if Annie had'ent been around I suppose you would hardly know me were you to see me now I have changed considerabl I am six foot tall and weigh 160 lb so you see sogering agrees with me first-rate I wouldnt be much surprised if you and I would have the pleasure of spending a fue hours to-gether before many months I have recieved an appointment in the Gun boat servace and if every-thing goes right I expect to be out of the Anderson Cavly before long my name was sent on to the War dpt for appt I am affraid that owing to existing circumstances in our regement I will have some trouble in getting detached the Col will I have no doubt do all he can to prevent it as he is desirous of keeping all the men in the regement he possible can the boys are all desireous of getting out of the Troop and if the thing is once started the regement will be very apt to go up I can only hope for success if every thing goes right I will come home on a furlough for a fue weeks and Beaver will be about my first stop- ping plaice Well Kate I must close for this time I was sorry to hear of Caresons'/? death but he died in a good cause I hope this war will soon be over and peace once more restored to our distracted country I recieved a letter from home a short time ago they are well and are very well satisfied in there new home

Well Dearest Good By
Write as often as you can Still address as usual if we should lieve here the letters will be forwarded

Yours Affect
Chas F. Weller

This letter was written in a greate hurry so excuse every thing
I rem, yours

Fred

Names:

, Amanda Agnes
, Fred

, Kate
Careson,

Rosecrans,
Weller, Charles F.

Places:

Murfreesboro, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

May 22, 1863

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Camp Penna
June 7th 1863
Near Murfreesboro Tenn

Dearest Kate

Your letter of the 31st ult was recieved yesterday I was pleased to learn that you were well and in good spirits For my part I have been quite unwell during the past week not able to preform any duty I am however better now and I think that in a fue days I will be quite well at least I hope so for it is not a very nice thing to be sick in the Army I suppose you have heard that the Army of the Cumberland were all under marching orders We all have our knapsacks packed and seven days rations in our haversacks I expect that er'e long you will hear of a hevvy battle between here and Tallahoma With regard to my transfer on-board a Gun-boat I have not met with as much success as I expected the War Dpt refuses for the present to sanction the apl on acct of the condition of our reg It is however in the hands of a good man and one that will push the papers through if possible You muse'nt to confidently expect me home for it is very uncertain

If I should not succeed in getting out of the Anderson Cavly I dont expect to see home until the war is over I should love very much to see you and have a good long talk with you but it does no good to wish. I sometimes think this war will never end Our Army has not gained a decided victory since 61 both of the battles at Fredricksburg have proved failures and with all the bombast about Vicksburg it is still in the hands of the Confederates I must confess that when I see the way things are going in the Army and think of the good times at home I feel almost discouraged Still I feel like seeing the thing through and have no wish to lieve the army until the rebellion is at an end

Well Dear Kate I must close so Good By
Write soon

Yours Affct

C F Weller

You indeed met with a narrow escape takeing Camphire a person can-not be two care ful in using such powerful medicines

Names:
, Kate

Places:
Murfreesboro, TN

Types:
correspondence

Dates:
Jun 07, 1863

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Broke Camp at Camp Garesche on Tuesday May 26th 1863
Pitched camp the same evening at Camp Pa on Stone River

Murfreesboro June 24
Commenced the advance on Tallahoma in the midst of a heavy rain storm Advanced ten mi and camped for the night near Hd Qrs

25th Still raining. We were wakened up at 2 oc AM and sent on Courier duty to Bradyville

26th were relieved in the after noon and advanced with the army to Manchester the town was entered with out oposition

27th were plased on Courier duty between the different posts.

28th Our army advanceing on Tallahoma

29th had a skirmish to day with the rebs captureing 15 of Braggs body Guard

30th our forces enter Tullahoma the rebels retreat

[July] 1 Skirmishing at the front

2d Our army laying quiet waiting on supplies

July 4th Our advance 10 mi beyond Tullahoma and still advancing no opposition

5th On Couriere duty near Manchester

6th All quiet front army still advanceing Hd Qrs at Elk River Large numbers of deserters come into our lines daily.

Battle of Liberty gap fought june 28th
Hovers gap 27th inst
Shelbyville 29th

No of Prisoners captured since lieving Murfreesboro 1200
No of Prisoners up to July 7th 2,700

7th Army on half rations roads so bad supplies cant reach us.

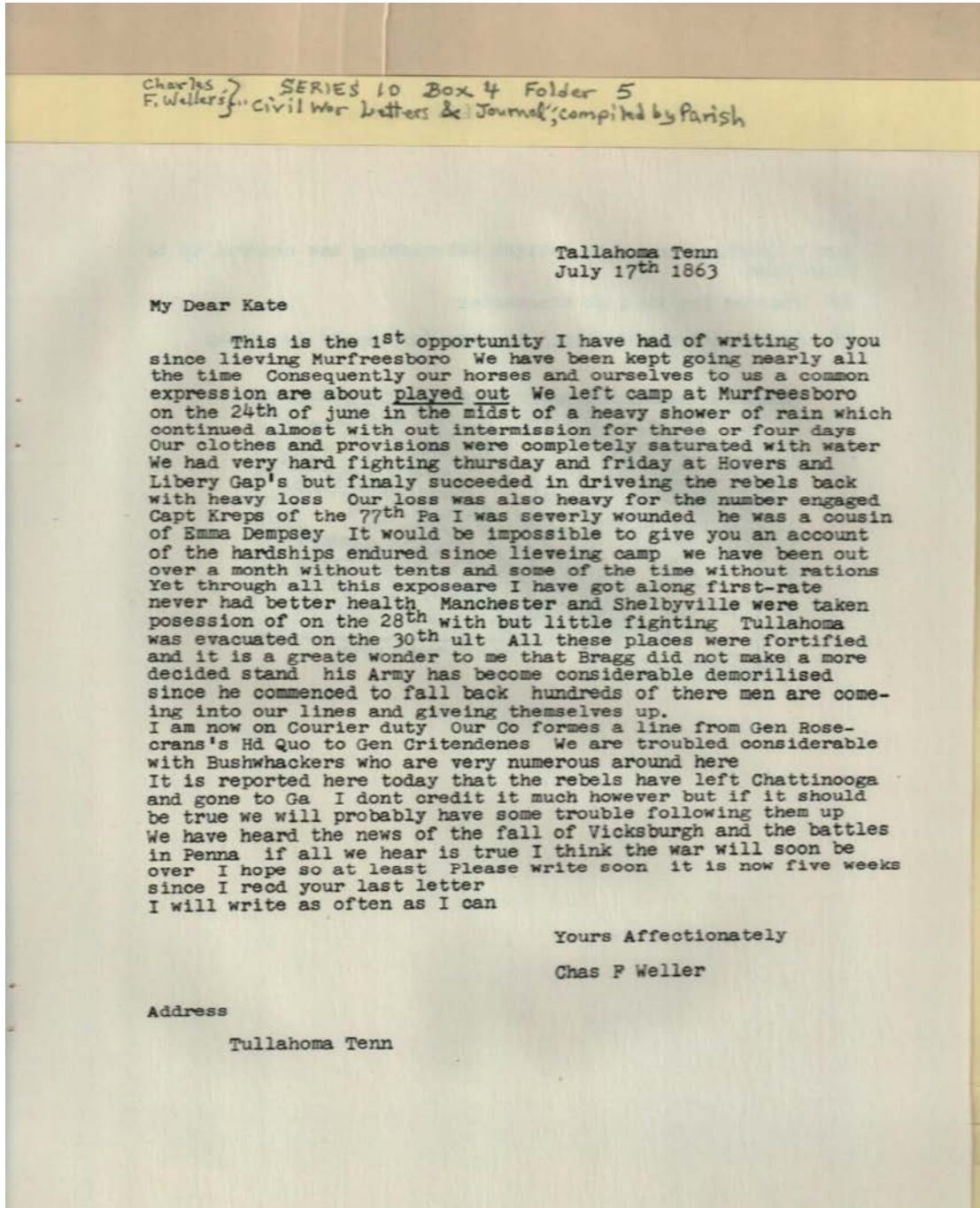
8th Rail Road finsihed to Tallahoma. Supplies comeing in fast better times

July 9th all quiet

10th moved from near Manchester to Concord Church

Names:
Bragg,

Types:
diary



Names:

, Kate
Bragg,

Critendenes, General
Dempsey, Emma

Kreps, Captain
Rosecrans, General

Weller, Charles F.

Places:

Tallahoma, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Aug 1 Nothing but same slight skirmishing has occurred up to this time

2^d Started for Hd Q at Winchester

3^d Arrived all right Staid in camp for nearly two weeks



Names:

Tullahoma Campaign

Types:

diary

map

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Courier Post No 3
Near Tullahoma Tenn
Aug 6th 1863

Dear Kate

I recieved your very welcome letter of the 26th a fue days ago I will now endeavor to answer it although I will not promise you an interesting letter from the fact that I have nothing of interest to write about. Since I last wrote you every thing has been comparatively quiet We have no fighting except an occasional skirmish The main forces of the Rebel Army are at Chattanooga Ten and Atlanta Ga there is some prospect of there making a decided stand at one or the other of those places If so we will probably have a battle soon The army of Bragg is very much demoralized Tennesseans are coming home every day takeing the oath of allegiance and declaring there intention to take up arms against the Govt no more Our Army is in splendid condition all are in good spirits and ready for a forward movement at any time Contrabands are flocking in by the hundreds two regts of them are now at Tullahoma they are to be armed and equiped immediately I have been offered a commission in one of them but I dont think I will accept Several boys from my Company are going as officers I do not altogether approve of the plan of enlisting Nigers as soldiers I think there propper place is on the fortifications Well Kate it is true that greate changes have taken plaice since the 20th of july /62 To me the past year has been an eventful one I have traveled over several thousand miles of terratory and have associated with a greate variety of people and although during that time I have done many things which I have had cause to regret since Yet I have never regreted the day I told you that I told you I loved you nor the day that I recieved tokens of your regard in return I have seen a good many southern Ladies since comeing down here but they are not my stile They are all good talkers however and do considerable of it especially when we go out forrageing and confiscate Chickens Turkie &c They dont make love to us though that's certain. It is the prevailing opinion now that the war will soon be over I hope it will And then Kate in a fue short years I will fill the blank you mentioned if nothing happens to change our views in regard to the subject. Well Good By for the present Address As before

Yours Affectionately
C F Weller

Anderson Cavly

PS This is thanksgiving day We are going to have a big dinner Some of the boys have got a bottle of Brandy and are haveing a Gay and Festive time while I am writing
Our folks were all well when last heard from

C F Weller

Names:

, Kate

Bragg,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Tullahoma, TN

Types:

correspondence

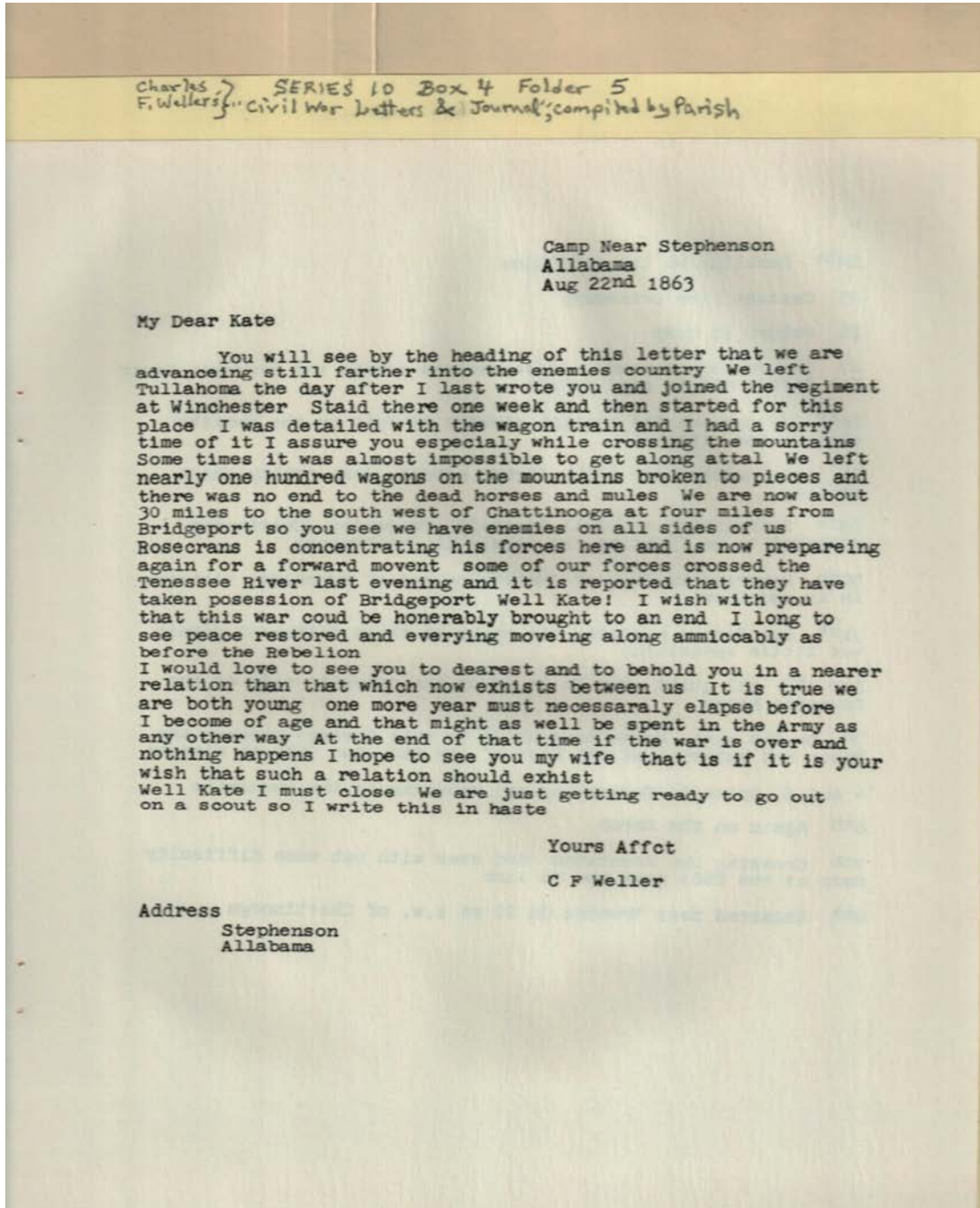
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Aug 17 started for Allabama
Left Winchester Aug 18
18th On the Mountains pretty rough time
19th Still on the mountains
20th On the march Arived at Stephenson Alla at night feeling
very tired.
21st In camp near Stephenson 3 miles from the Tenn River
22d Still in Camp

Types:
diary



Names:

, Kate

Rosecrans,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Stephenson, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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24th Scouting on the mountains
25 Capture five prisoners
26 return to camp
27 Gen Rosecrans makes a reconnaissance across the Tennessee River
Our forces are in good spirit
28th We can see the enemies pickets plainly on the opposite
side of the river
29 The pontoons are being thrown across some pretty sharp
firing
29th Skirmishing at Shell Mountain Crittenden [Crittenden]
reported to be fighting the rebels at Chattanooga
30th Reported capture of Charleston and of Burnside's victories
in Ky and Tenn
31st Our forces crossing the river at three different points
but little opposition
Sep 1st All quiet our folks occupy the opposite side of the
Tennessee River
3d On the move broke camp at 3 1/2 oc this morning crossed the
River and encamped at the foot of the mts Our Camp in advance
4 and 5 Spent in foraging and scouting on the mountains
6th Again on the march
7th Crossing the Mountains Got over with out much difficulty
Camp at the foot near the Ga line
8th Encamped near Trenton Ga 20 mi s.w. of Chattanooga

Names:

Burnside,

Crittenden,

Rosecrans, General

Types:

diary

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Trenton Ga
Sep 8th 1863

Dear Kate

Yours of the 31st ult was recieved a day or two ago It found me in good health although very tired We left our Camp at Stephenson on the morning of the 3^d inst at 3 oc forded the Tennessee River two miles above Bridgeport Our Regement was in the advance We met with no opposition except hot weather and rough roads Crossed the mountains on the 7th and came on to this place Trenton is a very pretty place situated in a beautiful and fertile valey and about fifteen miles south west of Chattinooqa Gen Rosecrans has his H Quo at this place for the present and will remain here until supplies come over the mountains which will be two or three days Then in all probability we will advance on Chattinooqa The Rebels have a heavy force at that plaice and we will probably have quite a fight I suppose you hear but little from us through the papers as corrospondents are not allowed to give any information concerning our movements at present I havent the least doubt that when you do hear from us through the papers you will hear that this Army has achieved a great and signal victory The soldiers are all in good spirits and will when called upon to meet the rebels eather on the plains of Ga or before the stronghold of the rebellion at Chattinooqa give a good account of themselves. I am glad to hear that the little town of Beaver is improveing and that you are enjoying yourself I was acquainted with most of the Graduates whose names you sent me although I never was very particularly interested in any of them Give my Compliments to Amanda Agnes I would be pleased to send my Photograph but I cant get any taken here so she will be obliged to wait until the war is over Well I must close I hope R will succeed this time in getting a wife he has tried long enough Please write soon Address as before all letter will be forwarded to the reg

Yours Affectionately
C F Weller

This is written in a greate hurry

Names:

, Amanda Agnes

, Kate

Rosecrans, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Trenton, GA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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9th Left camp at 12 oc at night to go on Courier duty
10th On Courier post no 4 in Lookout valey between Gen Rosecrans
and Gen McCooks Hd Qrs
12th Changed our post to the Mt
16th Relieved from Courier duty and ordered to report at Hd
Qrs Dpt
18th At Hd Qrs in the field near Chattinooga Ten Skirmishing
along our lines a battle expected
19th the battle has commenced on our right Our men are ad-
vanceing Our reg are detailed at the different H Qrs
20th The Enemy victorious we fall back to Chattinooga our
loss 12000 rebels supposed to be eaquil
21st Skirmishing in front of Chattinooga
22nd Detailed as Field orderly at Gen Thomases Hd Qrs
23 Our forces hard at work throwing up intrenchments The
Rebels can be plainly seen on the ridge in our front
24th Still at work
25 Heavy Skirmishing drive the enemies pickets back one mile
26 Change of bases our forces retire from there position on
Lookout Mt
27th Ambulances are sent out after our wounded in the hands
of the Enemy an armastice for three days
28 & 29 [quiett]
30 Ambulances return
1st no fighting the enemy occupy Lookout Mt
2d The rebels try throwing shells into our fortifications but
fail
3d Our wagons burned by Forrests Cavelry
4th Ordered to join the reg and go on a fue days scout
5th Out scouting in the Sequachee [Sequatchie] Valey in pursuit
of the enemy

Names:

Forrest,

McCooks, General

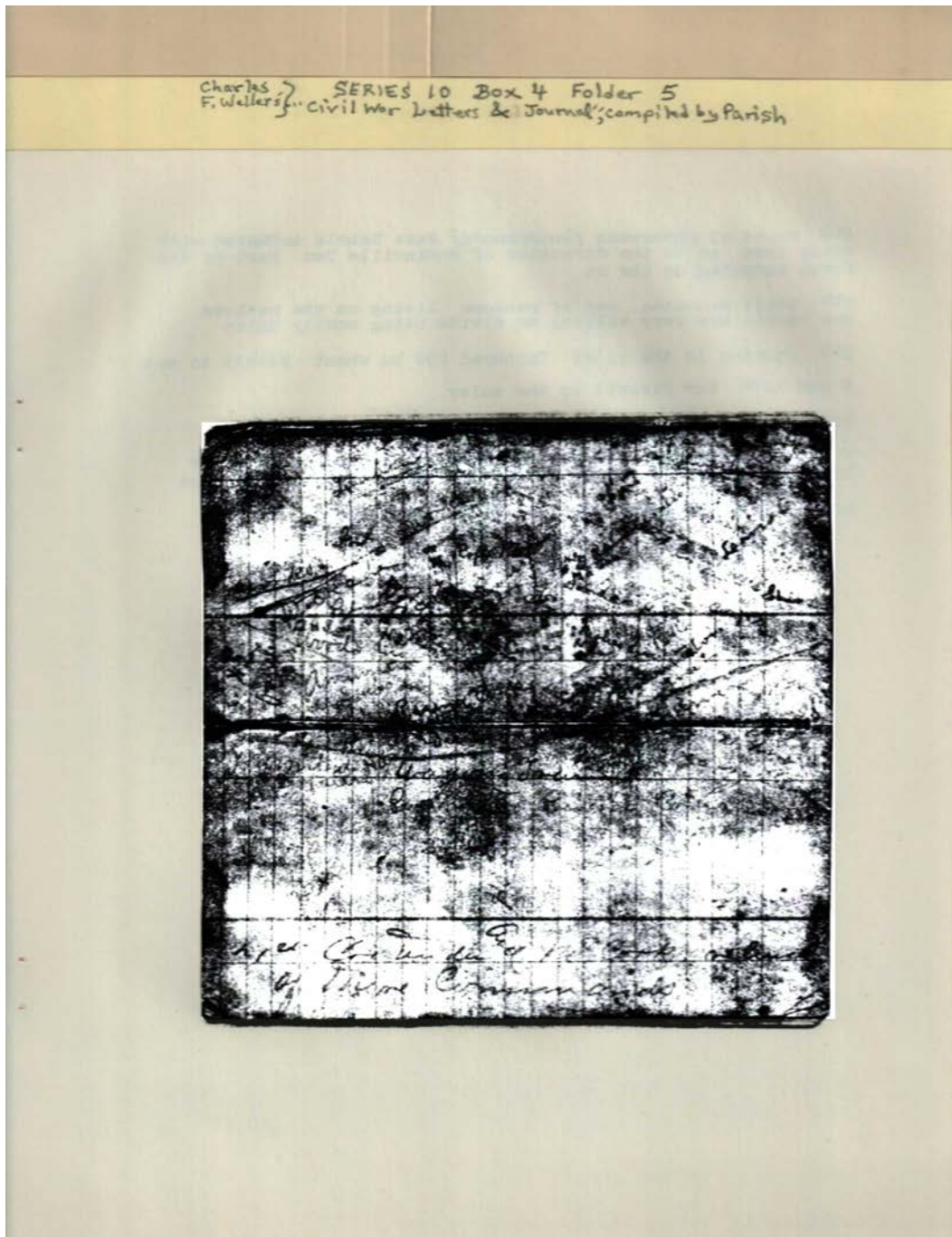
Rosecrans, General

Thomas, General

Types:

diary

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Names:
Crittenden,

McCook,

Types:
note

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6th Fight at Andersens [Anderson's] Pass Rebels defeated with heavy loss go in the direction of McMinville Ten Part of the force scouting on the mt

7th Still scouting out of rations living on the natives the People are very willing to divide being mostly Union

8th Camping in the valey Captured 200 bu wheat Plenty to eat

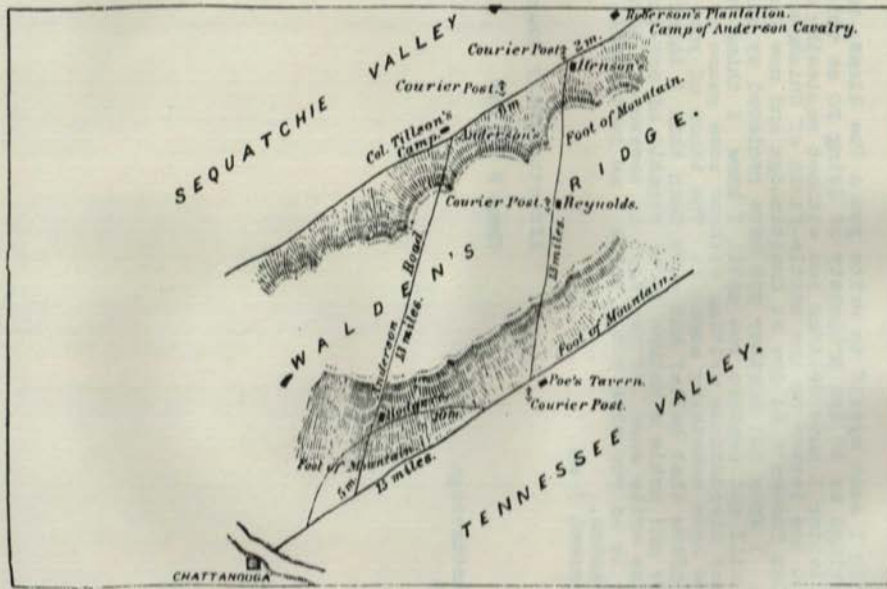
9 and 10th Our Pickett up the valey

11th In camp no Rebels in the vacinity

12th Corn and Potatoes disappearing out of the valey as if by magic Large forage trains in here daily from Chattinoooga

Left Camp in Sequachee Valey on a 20 days scout

Types:
diary

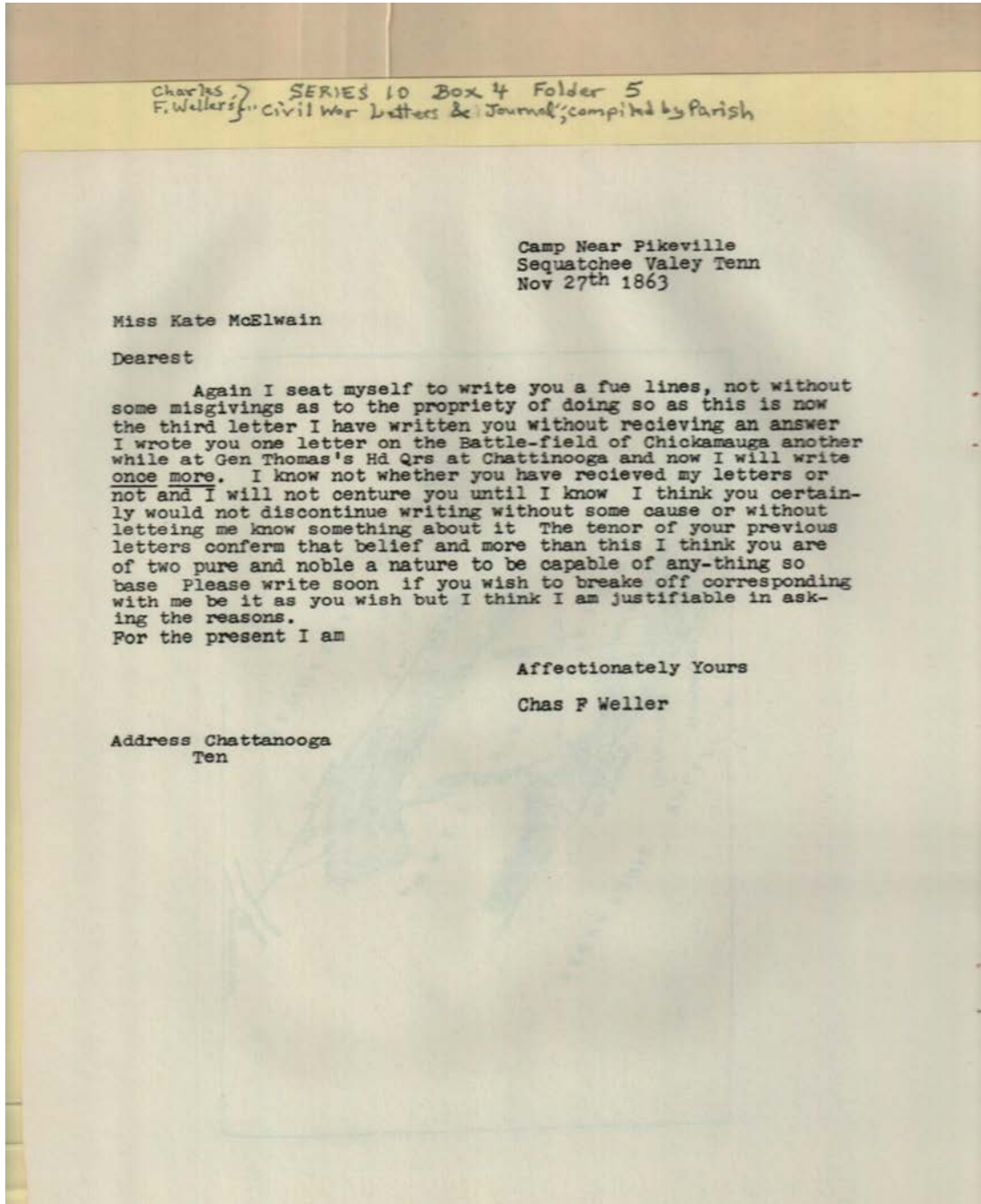


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Names:
Roberson's Plantation

Types:
map

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Names:

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Thomas, General
Weller, Charles F.

Places:

Sequatchee Valley,
TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Nov 27, 1863

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Dec 2^d crossed the mts and camped in Tenn valey

3^d on the march up the valey no rebels so far camped at Kingston on the Clinch river The rebs were driven from here last night by Gen Spers [Spear's] Comd

4th On the road to Loudon the road is strewn with rebel baggage and Artillery Cassons Camped at Andersons

5th Out Foraging on Wills Isle in the Ten river Capture some prisoners of Wheelers Comd

6th Start for Knoxville the rebels are lieving the country faster than we can follow them

7th At Knoxville the Army moveing forward Longstreet reported to be at Strawburey [Strawberry] Plains distant 30 miles

8th Start for Severeville [Sevierville, Tenn.] Ordered back with dispatches to the Wagon Train

9th With train at Knoxville

10th Still at Knoxville expect to go front today a heavy battle expected

The reg encountered Indians on the 10th and after a severe fight with Capt Betts and Clark wounded also sergt White

11th Advance from Knoxville on the Severeville road

12th Arived in Severville Found that the reg had gone to Morristown

13th At Severeville with the trains Indians reported to be in Wears Co near Gattlinburg [Gatlinburg, Tenn.]

14th Boarding at the [Fanning] House takeing times easy

15th Out forageing

16th Heard to day that the reg had left Morristown and [gone to the front]

Dec 17th Forded the French Broad at Evins ford [Evans Ford] went into camp at Shady Grove where we remained until the 22^d inst when we recrossed the river Passed thro Dandrage [Dandridge, Tenn.] and advanced on the Chuckey [Chucky] river road came upon the rebels about dark capturing a number of Prisoners horses and cattle Fell back several miles and camped on Franklin Plantation 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Dandridge on the morning of the 23

Names:

Betts, Captain
Clark,

Fanning,
Longstreet,

Spear, General
Wheeler,

White, Sgt.

Types:

diary

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24th Left Camp at 2 oc this morning in comp with Col Girards Brig Encountered the enemy on the Dandridge and Bulls Gap road After a severe engagement lasting all day were forced to retire the enemy haveing the advantage in point of numbers and position

Christmas the 25th inst Spent the day at Braseltons [James Brazilton's] Plantation on the main road to Strawburey Plains

26th Scouting on [Becys] Mt seen nothing of the enemy Posted Pickets and went into camp on the New Market road

Dec 27th Made a reconescans out the Bulls Gap road gaining some valuable information and returning at night to our old camp

28th Our Picketts were attacked by a party of rebels this morning capturing one horse We [started] in pursuit driveing them seven miles when we came upon a larger force and were obliged to fall back after encamped on the Mossy Creek road

29th Battle of Mossy Creek Our position was on the right supporting two batteries The ground was hotly contested We made three successive charges with indeffinate result but the fourth time we drove the enemy from there position. Our loss of course was heavy Out 1st Lieut Act Ajt [Harvey S. Lingle] was mortaly wounded while charging at the head of the column 10 of our men were wounded some of them dangerously The enemy's loss was undoubtedly heavy they fought desperately On the left and center the enemy for a time had the advantage but finally were driven back with heavy loss The day ended glorious-ly for us We followed them until after nightfall and then re-turned to our original position The reg encamping on [Stokely] Williams plantation

30th All comparatively quiet remain in camp during the day and night

31st On a scout with Lieut Col Lanborn [Lanborn] on the Dandridge road we came upon the enemy about 4 oc PM Chose our position and awaited an attack our force not being sufficiently large to attack them We remained in line all day and part of the night then returned to camp where we arived near morning.

1st jan [1864] in Camp at Williamsis.

2d scouting on the Dandridge road the enemy in heavy force near Dandridge after feeling there position we returned to camp

3d Changed our position and encamped at Flat Gap on the dan-
dridge road where we remained for 2 days

Names:

Brazilton, James
Girard, Colonel

Lanborn, Colonel
Lingle, Harvey S., Lt.

Williams, Stokely

Types:

diary

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5th Learning that the enemy were committing depredations on the opposite side of the French Broad in the vicinity of Muddy Creek we went for them crossed the river in boats on the evening of the 6th Camping at Eleses near the river.

7th Started for Muddy Creek Came upon small parties of the enemy toward evening Captured ten men we then advanced up the river a short distance and were in full sight of the Rebel camp on the opposite side of the river 250 yards distant There force according to the best information we could obtain was 5,000 Cavly and Mt Inft We sat on our horses watching there proceedings They seemed very merry and were talking laughing and enjoying themselves As the River was fordable we thought it best to make ourselves scarce We took a mountain trail and went stumbling over logs and through bushes until near daylight when we arrived at the plantation of Nick Swain one of our quarters where we obtained some refreshment and feed for our horses

8th Left Swans at 5 oc and proceeded down the river twelve miles encamping at Eagr Brimens remained there until evening and then removed to the plantation of Jos Evens a good rebel citizen We of course made good use of rails and corn

10th Recieved order to join a scouting party under Capt McCurdy We proceeded up the river to Duck bottom captured 7 prisoners and several horses traveled all night and returned to camp The weather was uncomon cold and consequently suffered severely haveing no time to warm

11th In camp a Evanses feeling pretty tired after our scout

12th Saddle up at 4 oc in the afternoon awaiting orders to march The rebels said to be crossing the F. Broad at Beaverdam 16 miles above here 6 oc our Battallion was sent out to reinforce the Picketts We remained in line of Battle until near daylight and then hearing that the rebels under Gen Vance had attacked our men at Severeville capturing a wagon Train of 20 wagons we started in pursuit We traveled hard all day the enemy haveing eight hours start of us We came up with them about 4 oc at Cosbys Creek in Joneses Cove completely routing them recapturing the wagons and 40 prisoners including Gen Vance The rebel force numbered 400 ours 150

16th Lying in camp at Severeville the indians reported to be advancing from Gatlensburg on this place

17th Started in pursuit of the Indians they left in a hurry We followed them as far as the NC line and then returned to Severeville

18 In camp at Severeville

Names:

Brimen, Eagr
Evens, Jos

McCurdy, Captain
Swain, Nick

Vance, General

Types:

diary

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19th Sent with a dispatch to Gen Foster in Knoxville
20th In Knoxville
21st Return to the reg was sent to Knoxville with another dispatch
22 Return to reg the Comd captured 17 wagons and 100 pris
23 Detailed to go with Lt Col to Gen Sturgeses [Sturgis's] H Qrs return morning of the 24th Were orderd to saddle up this morn awaiting orders to move Skirmishing with the enemy during the afternoon on the banks of the river
25 This morning we were ordered to move to Severeville taking with us the Captured wagons Arived at severeville and was placed on Pickett on the Flat Creek road
(26 27)th On Pickett
28th Broke camp at 2 oc in the morning started front pursuing the Div of Girard and McCook We took the advance Came upon the enemies Picketts driveing them in captureing 7 men and opening the fight on Indian Creek which lasted for 5 hours the rebels being strongly posted behind a stockade of rails and loggs We were unable to force them from there position so retired after night fall losses on both sides considerable
29th On the march to Wears Cove rebels supposed to be moveing in that direction Forrage scarce
30th In camp at Wears Cove the whole Cavly Com is with us removed in the evening to Tuckaleechy [Tuckaleechee] Cove
31st On the march to Maryville county seat of Blount Co
Monday Feb 1st Arived in Maryville last night Lying in Camp near town
2d On the march to Sequachee Valey Camp at night on Morgan Plantation
4 and 5th Still in camp at Morgans resting and shoeing our horses
No of Prisoners Captured By the 15th PVCavly on the East Tenn Scout 320 Skirmish at Dandridge

Names:

Foster, General

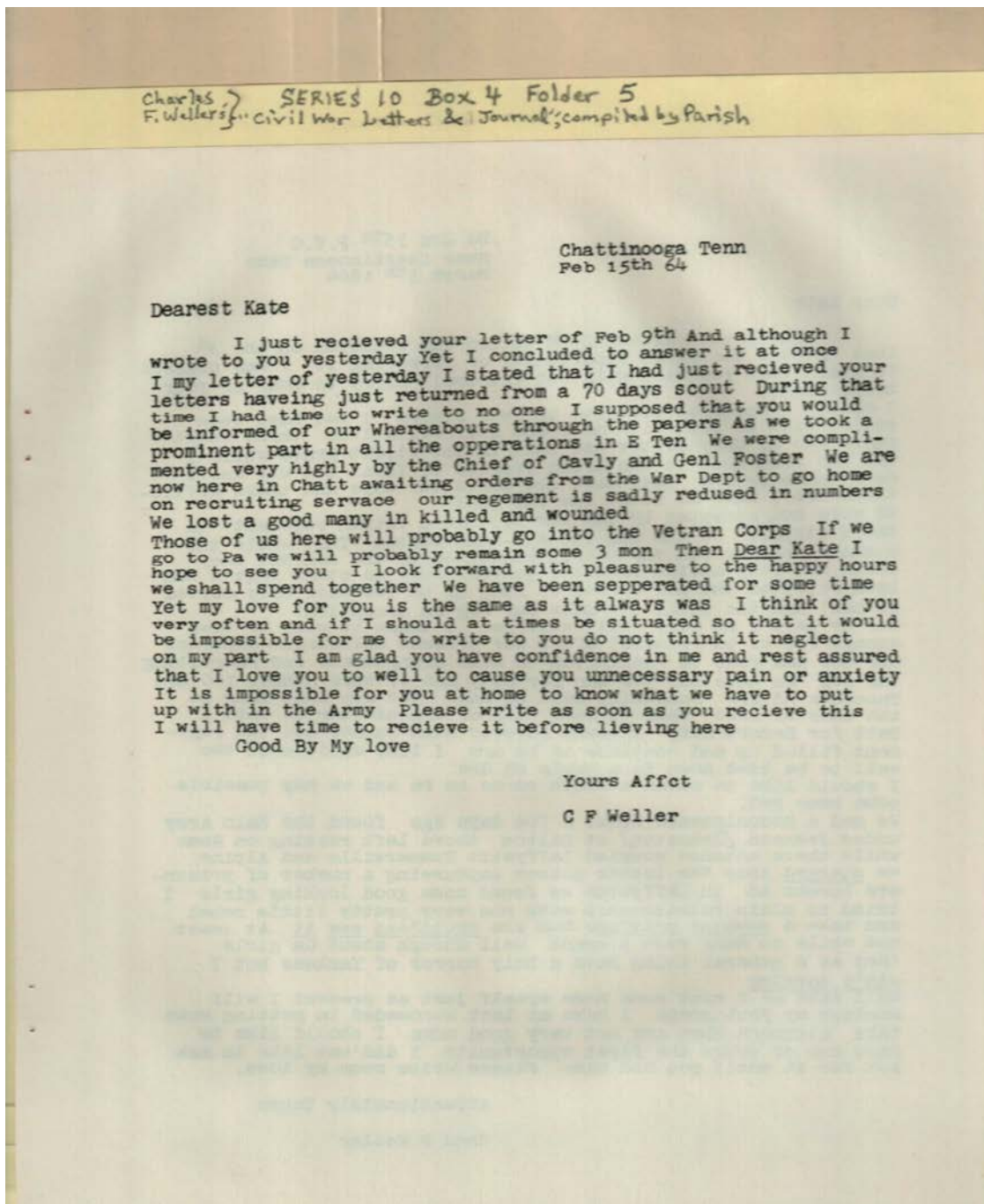
Girard,

McCook,

Sturgis, General

Types:

diary



Names:

, Kate

Foster, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Chattanooga, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Hd Qrs 15th P.V.C
Near Chattanooga Tenn
March 5th 1864

Dear Kate

Your letter of the 27th ultimo was recieved on the 3^d inst I take the first opportunity of answering it I was pleased to learn that you were well but extremely sorry to hear of your berievement.

I deeply sympathise with you in your sorrow I two have been called upon to part with near and dear rellatives three short years ago my only sister was laid in the silent grave while I was far from home on the broad Praries of Iowa But why dwell on a theme so sad Gods ways are above our ways and these afflictions are I have no doubt for our good

We were not accepted by the War Dept as a Vetran regement In there dispatch to the Col the Ajt-Genl stated "That while the authorities admired the spirit exhibited by the men Yet they could not step asside from the general rule as other regt's had been rejected who had served as long as us (we have only served 18 mon) and the could not make our reg an exception"

For my part I am very well satisfied I think it will be time enough for us to reinlist after our present enlistment expires. Our Col has gone to Washington to make arangements for recruiting the reg We have but 300 men for duty and of this number 100 are Thomases Hd Qrs Something must be done 300 men cant long do the duty of 1200 Ther is some talk of organising us into a Batt for Escort duty I would however much rather see the rege-ment filled up and continue as we are I like excitement two well to be tied down to a Genls Hd Qrs I should like to spend a month or so in Pa and we may possible come home yet.

We mad a Reconiscence scout a fue days ago found the Main Army under Johnson [Johnston] at Dalton there left resting on Rome while there advance ocpied Laffyette Summerville and Alpine we charged into the latter places captureing a number of prisoners horses &c In Laffyette we found some good looking girls I tried to claim relationship with one very pretty little rebel and take a cousins privlage but she could'ent see it At least not while so many were present Well enough about Ga girls they as a general thing have a holy horror of Yankees but I ain't careing

Well Kate as I cant come home myself just at present I will enclose my Photograph I have at last succeeded in getting some take Although they are not very good ones I should like to have one of yours the first opportunity I did'ent like to ask you for it until you had mine Please write soon my love.

Affectionately Yours
Chas F Weller

Names:

, Kate

Johnston,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Chattanooga, TN

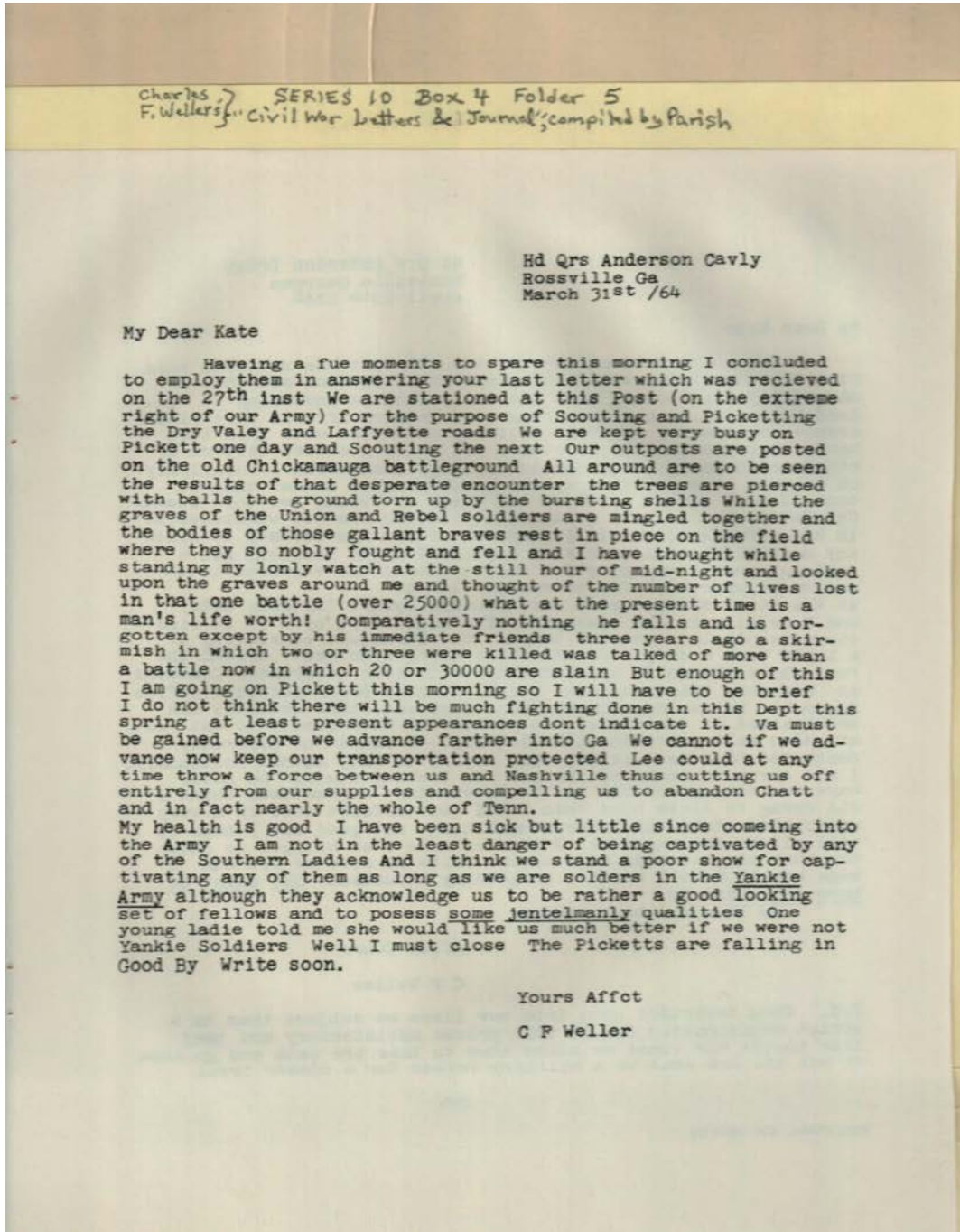
Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Names:

, Kate

Lee,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Rossville, GA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Mar 31, 1864

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Hd Qrs Anderson Troop
Rossville Georgia
April 19th 1864

My Dear Kate

Your very welcome note of the 7th inst was recieved this evening and perused with much pleasure I can-not see that I can employ the evening more pleasantly than in answering it Indeed Kate reading and answering your letters affords very pleasurable employment There's something connected with them that makes them prefferable to others and while I suffer letters of other correspondents to remain for days unanswered I invariably on receipt of yours find myself prepareing to answer them at once I have almost given up any hopes of seeing you this summer Col Palmer has not yet returned to the reg he was unsuccessful in his efforts to recruit As the Sec of War has refused to allow any more Cavly enlistments I suppose I might possibly get a furlough were I to apply for one but while the regement is in active servace I prefer to remain with it We are very well situated here Tommie Dysart (my mess mate) and I rejoice in the possession of a house 6 ft by 4 ft in size (Greacien style) built of boards Our furnature consisting of a table bunk a couple of stools is aranged in order around the room while the walls are decorated with Arms Haversacks Canteens &c Our Mess Chest contains plenty of Pork Bread Potatoes Coffee Sugar &c Butter Eggs Canned fruit fish and other articles can be obtained of the Sutler so you see we have plenty to eat we are also well provided with clothing. I should be perfectly contented here were it not that we are on duty almost continually. I was sorry to hear that Father was looking unwell he never says anything about his health in writing I sometimes think I did wrong to lieve home when I did our affairs were in a very unsettled state and fathers health was not good but I hope it will all be for the best Well Dear Kate I am obliged to close for this time as taps have blown Write as soon as you can I hope Emmily D will succeed in getting a husband She ought to have one Good By
My love and best wishes

Affet Yours
C F Weller

P.S. When deserters come into our lines we subject them to a strict exhamination and if this proves satisfactory and they live inside our lines we allow them to take the oath and go home If not the are sent to a Military Prison for a closer tryal

CPW

Written in haste

Names:

, Emmily D.
, Kate

Dysart, Tommie
Palmer, Colonel

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Rossville, GA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Apr 19, 1864

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Nashville Tenn
May 20th 1864

Dear Kate

Your letter was recieved some time ago I embrace with with pleasure this opportunity of answering it You will probably be surprised at recieving a letter from me from this City and at such a time when our armies are as it seems at last strikeing the finishing blow to this gigantic rebellion (God grant that they may be successful) But so it is This finds me with my regement (except the companies on escort duty) in this place where we have been for the past two weeks We came here for the purpose of drawing horses and equipments. We were on duty so much during the past winter that our horses were completely played out. While the Infnt Soldiers were laying comfortably in in there winter quarters we were out night after night scouting and protecting our lines of transportation. While remaining here we are to act as an escort for the Expres Train between Louisville and Chattanooga this is very plesant duty nothing to do but ride in the cars and if the train should be attacked repell it if possible there is but little danger on the road between this City and Louisville but the Chattanooga trains are fired into almost every day. I returned from Louisville last night I was there for five days I enjoyed the trip very much as I have some acquaintences there The face of the country along the route has changed considerably during the past year When we came down here over a year ago every thing looked dessolate not a fence nor scarcely anything indicative of life or civilization was to be seen but now almost every acre in Ky is under cultivation thousands of reffugees who were driven from there homes in Ga and Ala have settled on the deserted farms of the rebs and are liveing in the enjoyment of plenty In Louisville all is life and activity there is more business done there in one day than there used to be in a week before the war Nashville is also in a flourishing condition although it will take some time for it to recover entirely from the effects of the war It was at one time one of the most beautiful Cities of the west also the wethyest The people were however (a good many of them) blind to there own interests and cling pertinaciously to the south forsakeing every-thing and following the retreating rebels on the advance of our forces

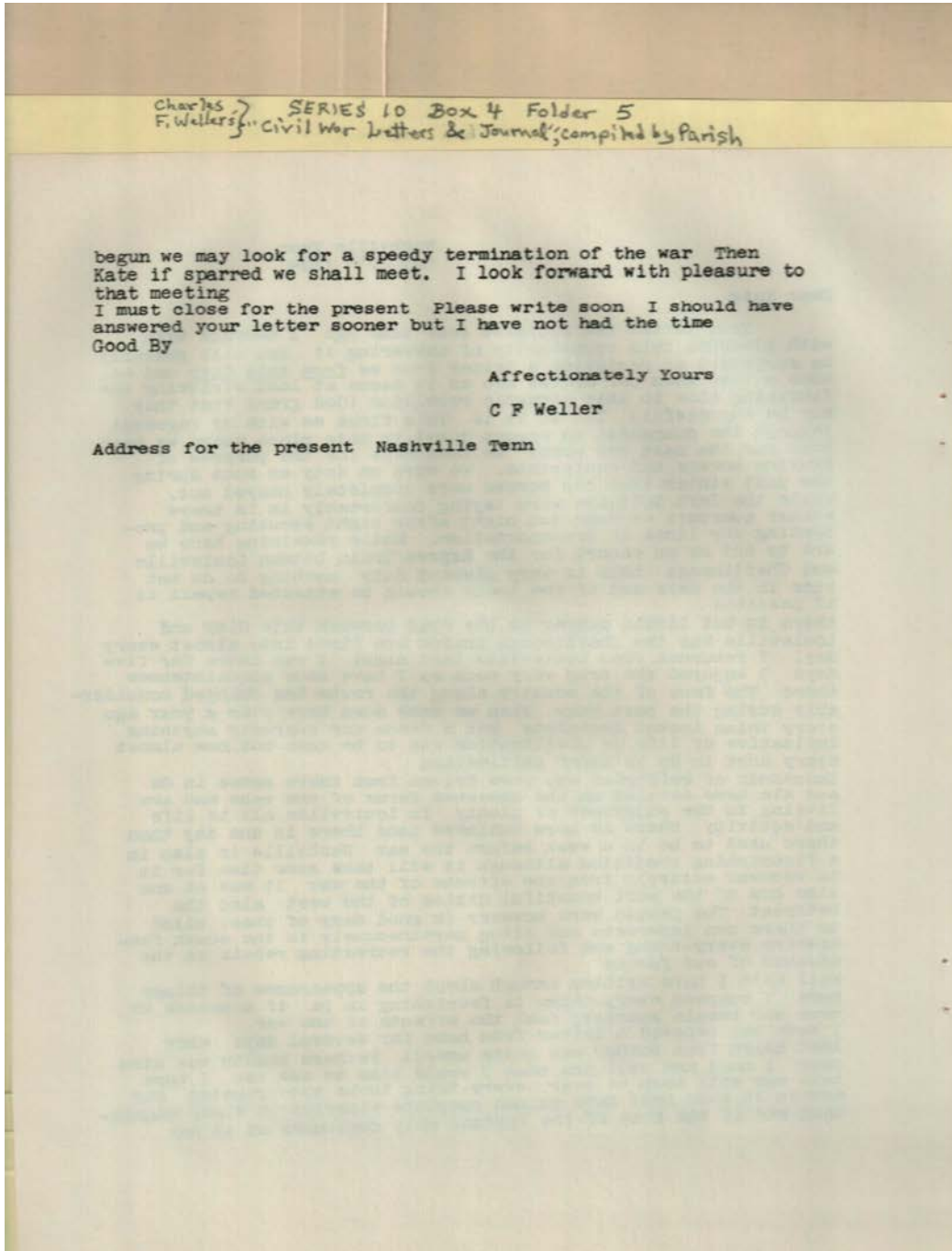
Well Kate I have written enough about the appearance of things here I suppose every-thing is fourishing in Pa if accounts be true our people scarcely feel the effects of the war I have not received a letter from home for several days when last heard from Mother was quite unwell Fathers health was also poor I need not tell you that I would like to see you I hope this war will soon be over every-thing looks encourageing Our armies in this Dept have gained complete viceries in every engagement and if the Army of the Potomac only continues as it has

Names:
, Kate

Places:
Nashville, TN

Types:
correspondence

Dates:
May 20, 1864



Names:
, Kate

Weller, C. F.

Types:
correspondence

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Nashville Tenn
June 8th 1864

Dear Kate

Your letter of the 30th ultimo was recieved this morning I have just returned from a trip to Decator where I have been for the last five days I went down with five others as train guard We had a good time the Geurialas did'ent trouble us any this time with the exception of tareing up a fue railles of track which was discovered however in time to prevent any damage I like this duty very much in day-light we jeneraly spend the time talking to the Ladies of whom there are quite a number (belonging to the San Com) traveling back & forth on the road They are disposed to be quite talkative and friendly to soldiers I think (if we are to judge by appearances) the majority come down here more for the purpose of secureing husbands than to act as nurses and attendants in the Hospitals

Weddings are quite numerous five of our boys have married nurses in the Hosptl's so you see if they come here to get married they are very successful The boys (poor fellows) see so fue of the fair sex that they think every woman they see is an angel if she is any ways pretty For my part these Army-followers make no impression on me I am very well satisfied with the girl I left behind me All the Army movents have thus far been successful in this Div. Gen Sherman has proven himself fully competent to command the Grand Army of the Tenn and with such men as Thomas Howard and Hooker to aid in carrying out his plans success is inevitable Our Army is a third larger than Johnsons Grants Army is almost twice as large as Lees and if success does not crown our efforts this year we might as well close the shop They of the R party may well cry The war can never be ended by fighting The boys around me are all gay and happy we were paid off a fue days ago and the boys are spending money as if each one was a Millionnaire I know some men in my Co who have spent \$50 in the last three days

I was glad to hear that you were going home on a visit I think you Confine your-self to much at Father Munroes for your health. I recieved a letter from home today Mother is about makeing a visit to Beaver but I suppose you will not see her I must close for this time I am going to Louisville in the morning and have some preperation to make I wish you a pleasant visit I wish I could accompany you. Write Soon

My love

Affectionately Yours
Chas F Weller

Names:

, Kate
Grant,
Hooker,

Howard, Thomas
Johnson,
Lee,

Munroe, Father
Sherman, General
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Nashville Tenn
July 6th 1864

Dear Kate

Your letter was recieved on the 30th ult I was pleased to hear that you were haveing such a pleasant time at home For my part I am enjoying my-self very well Since I last wrote you the Battallion to which I belong (the 2d) has been ordered to Springfield thirty miles from here for the purpose of pressing horses from the natives I dont think they will meet with much success as all the horses that were good for any thing have been taken long ago I am one of a detachment left here for the purpose of guarding the Trains on the RR. the kind of duty we were all on when I last wrote you (of course we have good times Yesterday the boys were laying around loose and careless getting over the effects of the fourth of July It was a grand day here All the regements attached to the post were on parad through the City Union flags were seen floating from every window when not displayed by the citizens themselves One from the hands of a Union soldier soon found its way to a prominent place in one instance a native took down a flag that had been fastened on his door by a solder Scarcely however had he done so when he found himself on his back in the street and would probably have been killed had not some officers interferred and took him off to the Provost Marhals Office to answer to the charge of treason Speeches were made at the Capital by Gov Johnson Parson Bronlow /Brownlow/ Genl Miller and other prominent men of the State. I suppose you hear about as much about the movements of the Army as I do. Shermans advance when last heard from was seven miles from Atlanta. A report came in this morning that he had captured the City with seven thousand prisoners this needs confirmation however From what I can learn of Genl Grants movements he occupies about the same possition that McClellenn did over two years ago he has however many advantages which the latter had not he has a larg and well appointed army of which he has complete control and not restricted and snubed around by the Authoraties at Washington as McClellenn was I believe Lincoln was perfectly honest in what he done then and has done but he is no Military man and has been to march under the influence of designing men. Well Kate I know this is very uninteresting but some how or other I always find my-self harping on the topiks of the day when I commence writing Time is passing away very rapidly it has been two years since I had the pleasure of seeing you and one year more will I suppose role round before we will have the pleasure of meeting if our lives are spared by that time I hope this war will be ended and peace once more restored and our union established on a more permanent basis than ever A greate deal depends on the coming election God grant that an honest and true man may be elected to that responsible position Well Kate Good By for this time Write often My Love

Affectionately Yours
Chas F Weller

PS It's awful hot down here

Names:

, Kate
Brownlow, Parson

Grant, General
Johnson, Governor

McClellenn,
Miller, General

Sherman,
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Hd Quarters 15th P.V.C
Nashville Tenn
July 17th 1864

My Dear Kate

This is sabbath morning and as I dont feel much in the Church going humor I will employ the time in answering your letter It is very warm down here dureing the past two months Old Sols rays have been almost unindureable as I sit here in my tent I can see the sentinal as he paces his beat and I notice his hankerchef finds its way to his face very often Yet every-thing looks flourishing The people have raised plenty of every kind of grain vegetables &c The corn looks beautiful we will have roasting ears in a short time we have now all the vegetables we want I was very much pleased with Your Photograph although you have changed some dureing the past two years I think you look better than when I last saw you The past two years have been eventful ones to me I have seen more of the world and human nature than I ever seen in my life before And although I have had hardships and privations to endure Yet what I have learned has fully compensated me Since I last wrote you our Batt has returned from Springfield Those of us on duty here have been relieved and we now find fully armed mounted and equipped This was very unexpected to us We were mounted in accordance with a special order from Genl Thomas there are other regts of Cavly that have been here waiting for horses ever since march I dont know why this preference was shown us had we waited our turn we would not have been mounted befor the first of Sep I was fortunate enough to get one of the best horses in the regiment I have always been luckey in that respect and hope I always will be I would rather be a Dough boy at once than have a poor horse I dont know when we will lieve here but I suppose it will be soon we must be wanted for something or they would not have given us horses so soon The news from the front is very encourageing it is reported that Atlanta is in our possession It is however only a report One thing is certain if we have'nt it now it wont be long until we will Joe Johnsons Army is no mach for the vetrans of the Army of the Cumb We recieved the news here some time ago that the rebels were once more endeavoring to invade Pennsylvania I guess however they wont get far if Penna sons respond promptly to the Call of the Govenor There are enough men yet in the state to vanquish the whole of Lees Army it will do them good to have the rebels give them a call occasionally Mother did not succeed in getting to Beaver she only went as far as Pittsburgh to the San fair her health has been very poor all summer Father and Sannie are both well I dont think Kate from what you say that you are a very ardent admirer of McClellen Well all men have there falts yet I think that if G B McClellen had recieved the unlimited

Names:

, Kate
, Sannie

Johnston, Joe
Lee,

McClellen, G. B.
Thomas, General

Places:

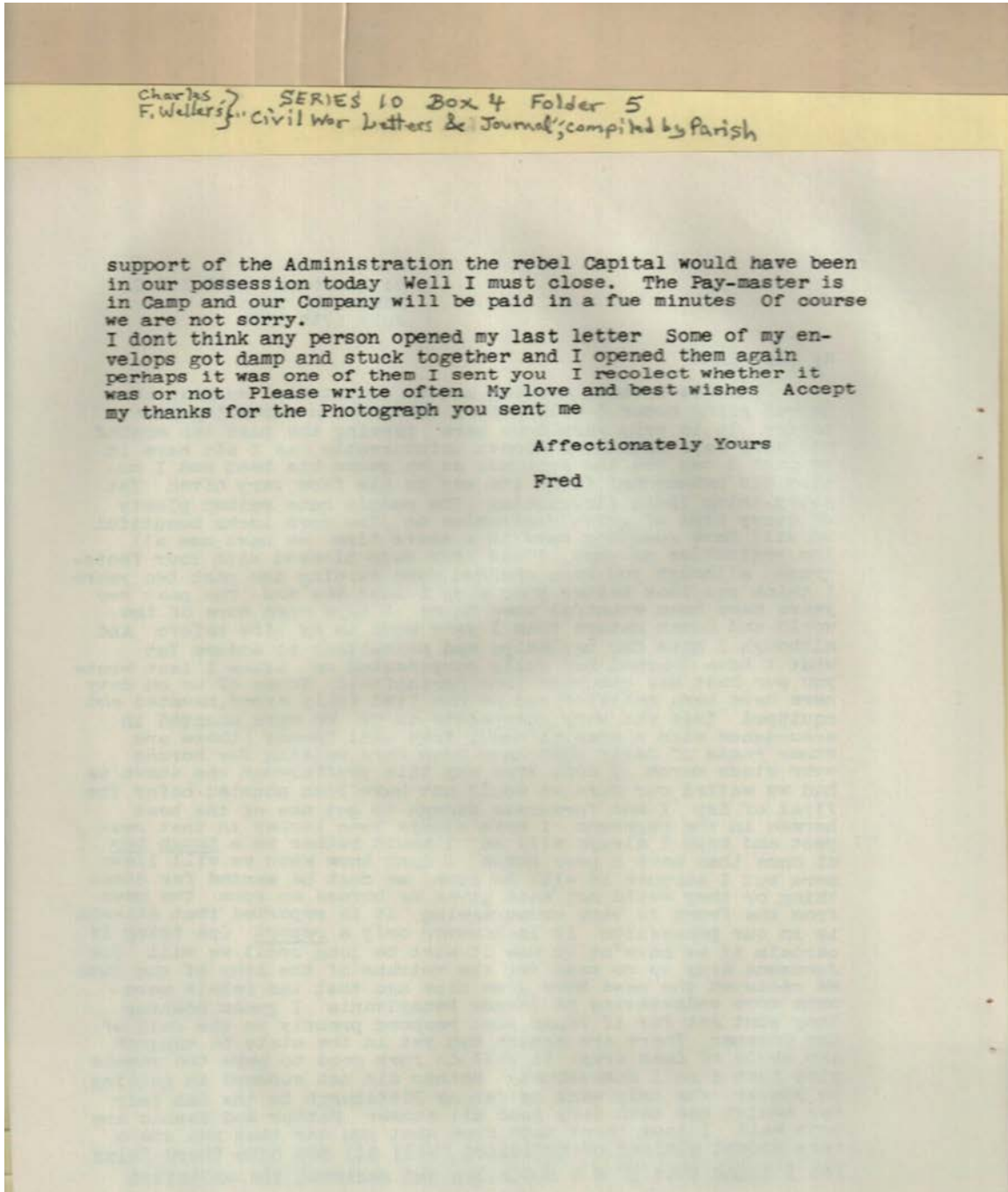
Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jul 17, 1864



Names:

Weller, Fred

Types:

correspondence

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Hd Quarters Anderson Troop
Nashville Tenn
Aug 9th 1864

My Dear Kate

As we are just lieveing for the front and this will in all probability be the last opportunity I will have of writing for an indeffinite period I concluded to drop you a fue lines While I am writing all is confusion around The boys are at work packing and prepareing for the long march before us of over 300 miles All the men are in good spirits and anxious to get front and we are well prepared to preform all the duty allotted to us with credit and if we meet the enemy which we undoubtedly will before many days You may expect to hear that the Anderson Boys have not disgraced the name they bear Our orders are to report at Genl Thomas's Hd Quarters in the field for special duty Our duties will be aduous and we as a rege-ment will be under the inspecting eye of the whole Army I am anxious Kate that you should write to me often arangements have been mad to have all our letters forwarded to the differ-ent Stopping Places we shall have along the route. Col Palmer made a speach to us last night in which he said that he never wanted to see or hear tell of a member of this regt surrender-ing to the enemy as long as a shot remained in Pistol or Car-bine or his Saber hung by his side Hd need have no fears on this account For I dont believe there is a man in the Comd but what prefers death to captivity Well I will close The General will sennd soon and we will be on the march
Good By God bless you

Affectionately
Fred

Address Chattanooga

Names:

, Kate
Anderson,

Palmer, Colonel
Thomas, General

Weller, Fred

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Aug 09, 1864

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Hd Qrs Anderson Cavalry
Near Calhoun Ga
Sep 4th 1864

My dear Kate

I is with pleasure that I seat my-self to answer your last letter which was recieved last evening It found me well although I am very tired I believe I wrote you last on the day of our departure from Nashville Well we marched from N___ by way of Murfreesboro Woodbury McMinnville crossing the Cumberland Mts near the latter place into Sequatchee Valey thence acros't Waldens Ridge to Chattanooga where we arived on the 15th ultimo after a very fatiguing march as it rained every day except one We remained at Chatt until the 17th when we joined Genl Stedmans /Steedman's/ Comd in pursuit of Wheeler who with 7000 cavly was makeing rather too free with our Cracker Line Marched first by way of Graysville Ringold & T Hill to Dalton thence to the Little Tenn River where Wheeler affected a crossing we were then orderd to return lieving Wheeler in charge of Rousseaus /Rousseau's/ Comy Distrct of Ten Who I have since heard is using him up considerably We arived here yesterday evening and have recieved orders to join Gen McCook at Cartersvill where he is concentrating a force for the purpose of makeing a raid where we are going is not known but I think it will be towards Mobile Atlanta is at last in possession of our forces and it is reported that Stoneman with a Cavly force has occupied Macon and is fortifying Hood is retreating towards Andersonville and I have no doubt but that er's this letter reaches you Mobile will be in our possession Farragut has already captured Fourts Gains & Morgan So you see every-thing is lovely in this section of the Army It only remains for the people at home to keek down the Cop's and enforce the draft We have more to dread from Traitors at home than from the enemy in our frount The American Knights are I learn holding meetings all through the north. These will result in no good and the Loyal men should take instent measures to put a stop to such proceedings Well Kate here I am talking about nothing but Polatics & the war but will have to excuse me as these are the two engrossing subjects nowadays Well as we are going on a Raid we probably will have some excoiting times If I get back safe I will tell you all about the country & people I have given up all thoughts of seeing you for another year as I could not get home from here if I wished it I think of you often and reading your letters affords me greate pleasure My love & best wishes Write soon. (In haste)

Affet Yours
C F Weller

Address
Hd Army Cumbd
Atlanta Ga

I was sorry to hear that Sony had made such a fool of himself.

Names:

, Kate	Hood,	Stedman, General	Weller, C. F.
, Sony	McCook, General	Steedman, General	Wheeler,
Farragut,	Rousseau,	Stoneman,	

Places:

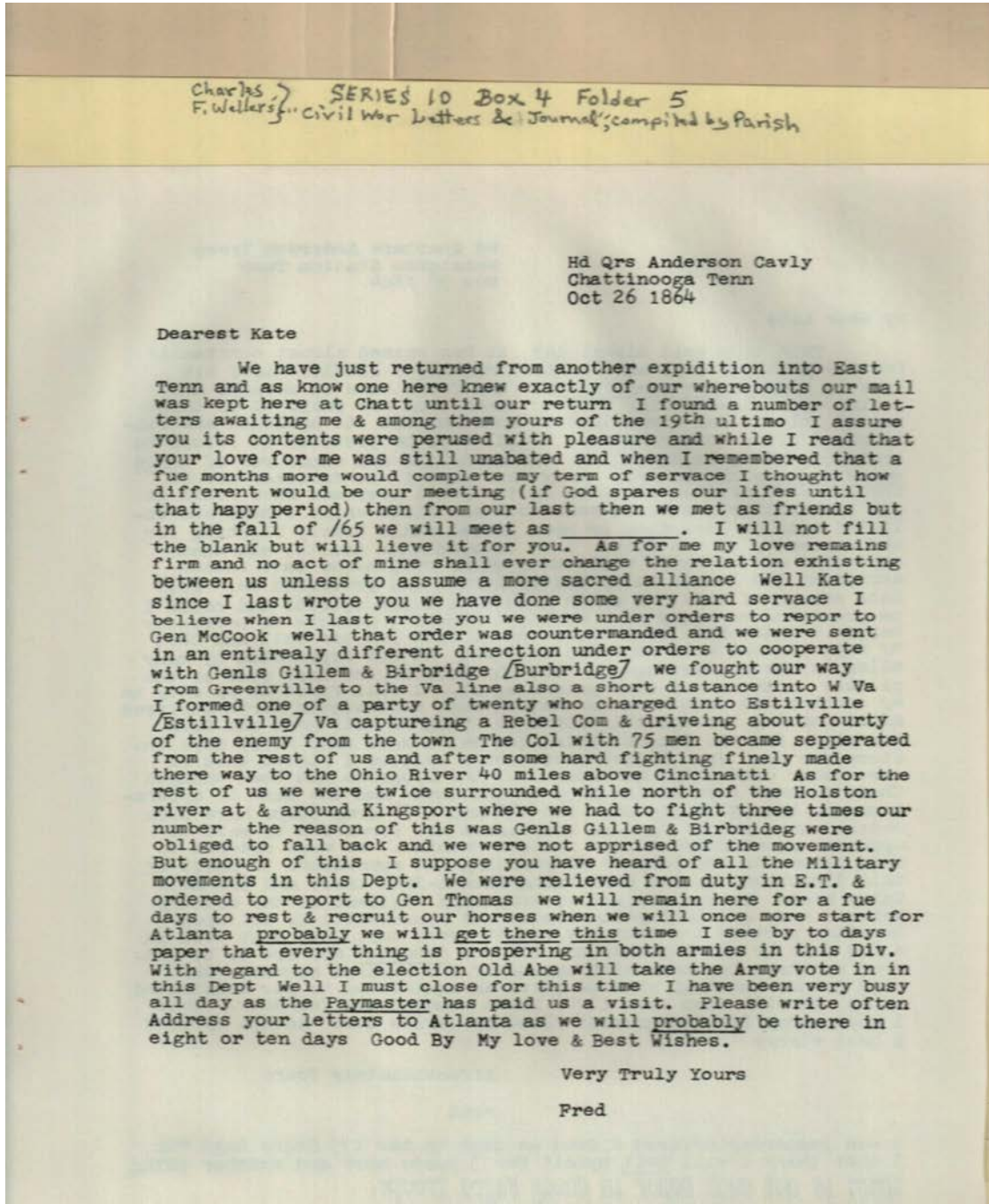
Calhoun, GA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Sep 04, 1864



Names:

, Fred
, Kate

, Old Abe
Burbridge, General

Gillem, General
McCook, General

Places:

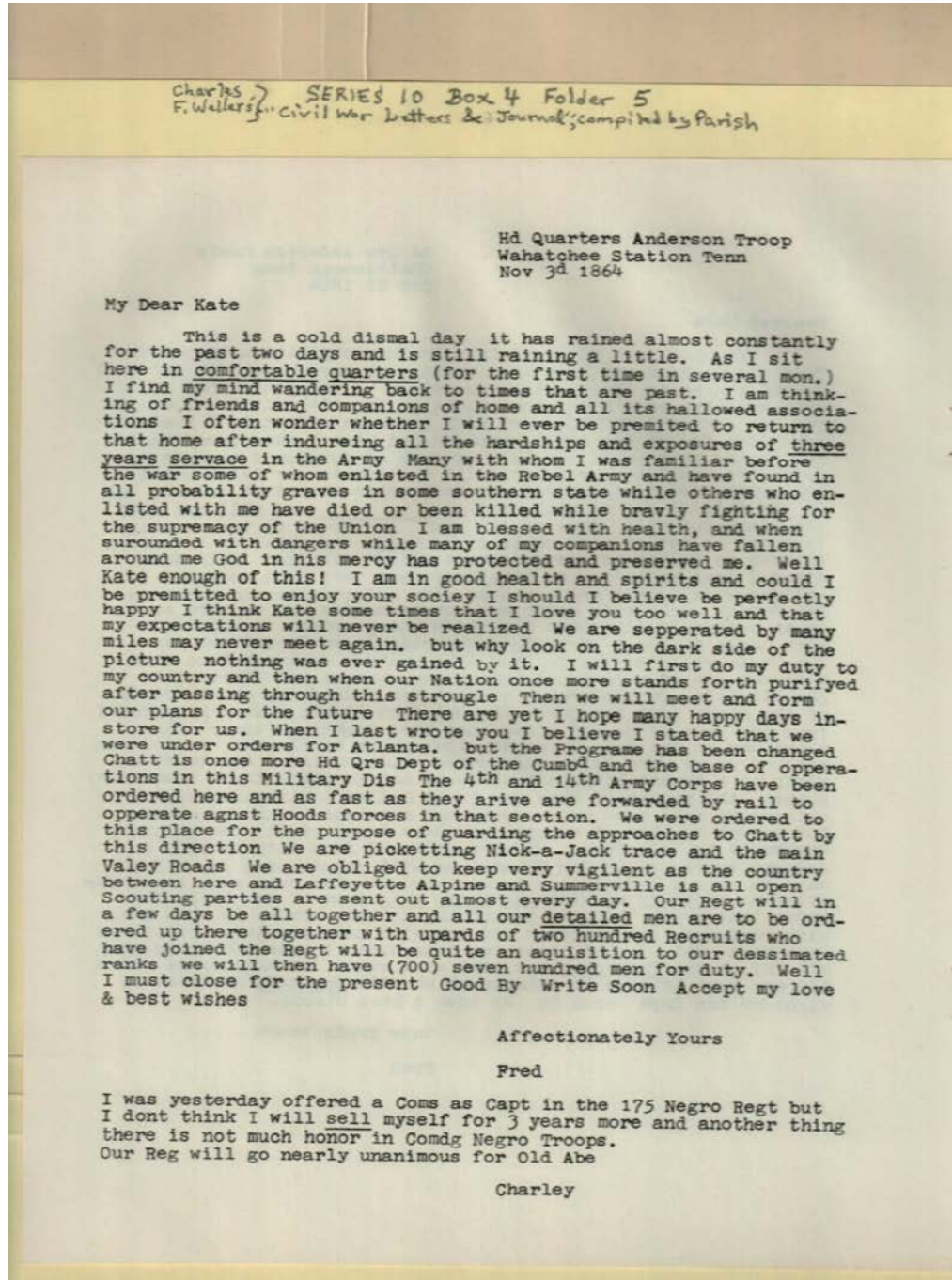
Chattanooga, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Oct 26, 1864



Names:

, Charley , Kate Hood,
, Fred , Old Abe

Places:

Wahatchee Station,
TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Nov 03, 1864

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Sunday, January 1, 1865

Returned to camp 30 miles south of Russleville [Russellville] Ala about 2 ock after burning Hoods Pontoon Train Revelle at 5 oc took the Aberdeen road marched all day stopped at dark to feed but moved out before we had time to get supper marched until 1 oc when we came upon 150 of the Enemies wagons in park near Fulton Itawatamba [Itawamba] Co Miss We charged to camp capturing the Train & 70 Prisoners burned the wagons & resumed the march traveled all night

Monday 2

Went into camp a fue hours when we moved out again takeing the Old Tellegraph Road Captured a number of Prisoners found a large force of Reb's in our front lying for us went into camp at dark

Tuesday 3

Moved out early in the morning took a round about road to avoid the force that was pursuing us As we had a large number of Pris to guard & could not have retained them had we gone into a fight Captured several Prisoners during the day stopped at dark fed & again moved on

Wednesday, January 4, 1865

Marched all night met & routed a force of Rebels under Col Russle [Russell] of the 4th Ala near Mt Hope also burned five wagons belonging to Hd Qrs took 60 Prisoners marched until dark when we stopped & fed our Co Relieved from guarding Prisoners & placed on Pickett moved once again & marched all night until 2 oc oo on Pickett Camped 5 miles from Leighton

Thursday 5

Remained on Pickett until 11 oc am when we again resumed the march via Courtland to Decator [Decatur]

Friday 6

Marched through Courtland to Decator where we arived at 3 P.M. Raining very heavy & freesing went into camp

Saturday, January 7, 1865

Lay in camp at Decator Alabama

Sunday 8

Lay in camp at D_____ Ala

Monday 9

"General blew" & soon after "Boots & saddles" when we moved out on the Huntsville Pike After crossing the river I was detailed to go to H_____ on the cars with forrage Rained all day

Tuesday, January 10, 1865

Reached Huntsville early this stayed around town awaiting the arival of the Regt which came in about 2 PM Marched out 4 mi on the Meridianville Pike & went into camp on Mastons [Mastin's] Plantation

Names:

Hood,

Mastin,

Russell, Colonel

Types:

diary

Dates:

Jan 01, 1965

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Wednesday 11

In camp at Mastons very cold Boots & Saddles blew at 8 oc PM & a portion of the Regt moved out going on a scout after Gen Lyon (Rebel) Crossed the H. Mts Marched until 2 oc when we stopped to feed

Thursday 12

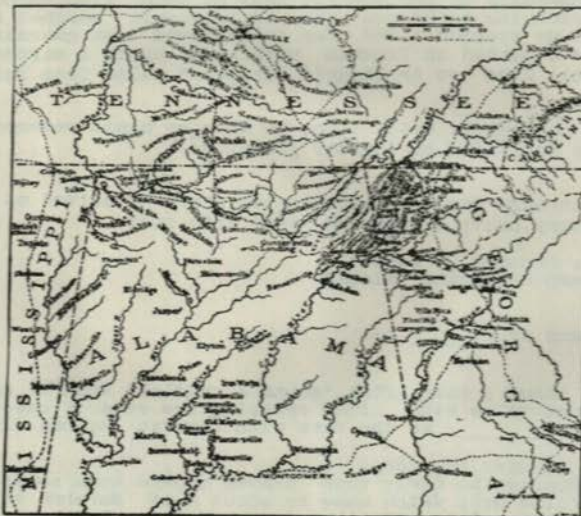
Started at daylight to cross Flint River found it unfordable so the Col postponed crossing Sgt [Arthur P.] Lyon attempted to ford & was almost drowned at noon stopped & fed went into camp 1½ miles from the ford

Friday, January 13, 1865

Forded the Flint River water up to withers Marched all day Went into camp at Chism's 3 mi from Ten River heard the Gun Boat shelling the woods Lyon with the advance guard went to the River to open com with the G.B.

Saturday 14

Went to the river went aboard the G.B. Thomas & crossed to the other side fed at a house close to the River marched late unsaddled slept 2 hours



Names:

Alabama &
Tennessee Areas

Lyon, Arthur P., Sgt.
Lyon, General

Mastin,

Types:

diary

map

Dates:

Jan 11, 1865

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Hd Quarters Anderson Cavly
Decatur Ala
Jan 8th 1865

Dear Kate

I suppose you think very strange that you have heard nothing from me for so long a time and probably feel very anxious to know something of my where abouts. Well Kate it has'ent been my fault that you have not heard from me Mr Hood interfered slightly with our communications and even if that had not been the case I have had no opportunity of writing to any-one. Since the 1st of Dec we have been in the saddle almost constantly. While Gen Hoods Army was in front of Nashville we were kept scouting along our line of R.R. and through the Mts of Northern Ga & Ala and after the battle & victory at N we took the Advance of Steedmans [Steedman's] force on the Tenn River moving with his Comd to Decatur The Rebels being in position four miles from town We Advanced on the 29th ult (the Inft being within supporting distance in case we should be defeated) very quietly made a night attack Charged the enemy with Sabers & Pistols captureing two pieces of Art & seven prisoners. The next day we were joined by a detachment from the 2^d East Tenn Cavly of 75 men also 200 men from the 10th Ind Cav With these we advanced fighting nearly all the time (a skirmish fight) The Inft still following Thus we advanced until we reached Courtland When we left the Inft marched right through Gen Roddys Div of Cavly & Inft (Rebel) and went for Hoods wagon & Pontoon Trains makeing as Gen Steadman says one of the most daring and succesful Raids of the war On the 31st ult at 5:30 P.M. we charged the enemy near Russleville captureing 200 wagons & 80 Pontoons we spent the night in burning them The train was 12 miles long and we had them all burning at once makeing the country for miles around almost as light as day You may imagine the magnificence of the scene The next morning we again resumed the march only halting long enough to feed our horses and on the night of the new year the earth was again illuminated and the smoke again ascended from 100 more Rebel wagons on the Plains of Miss After this we started on the return trip After marching upwards of 300 miles crossing the state of Ala and captureing & destroying 300 wagons 80 Pontoons 1500 head of mules & horses and 150 Prisoners we were obliged to kill most of the mules also a large number of cattle that were captured on account of our not being able to drive them along Our loss on the whole Raid was but five men and 75 horses killed and 8 men captured. On our return we encountered Gen Russles Brig & had a sharp skirmish but came out all right captureing Gen Rs Hd Qrs wagons (which we destroyed) & 50 Prisoners We arived here last night feeling very tired I was never so near played out in my life for four nights I never closed my

Names:

, Kate
Hood, General

Roddy, General
Russle, General

Steedman, General

Places:

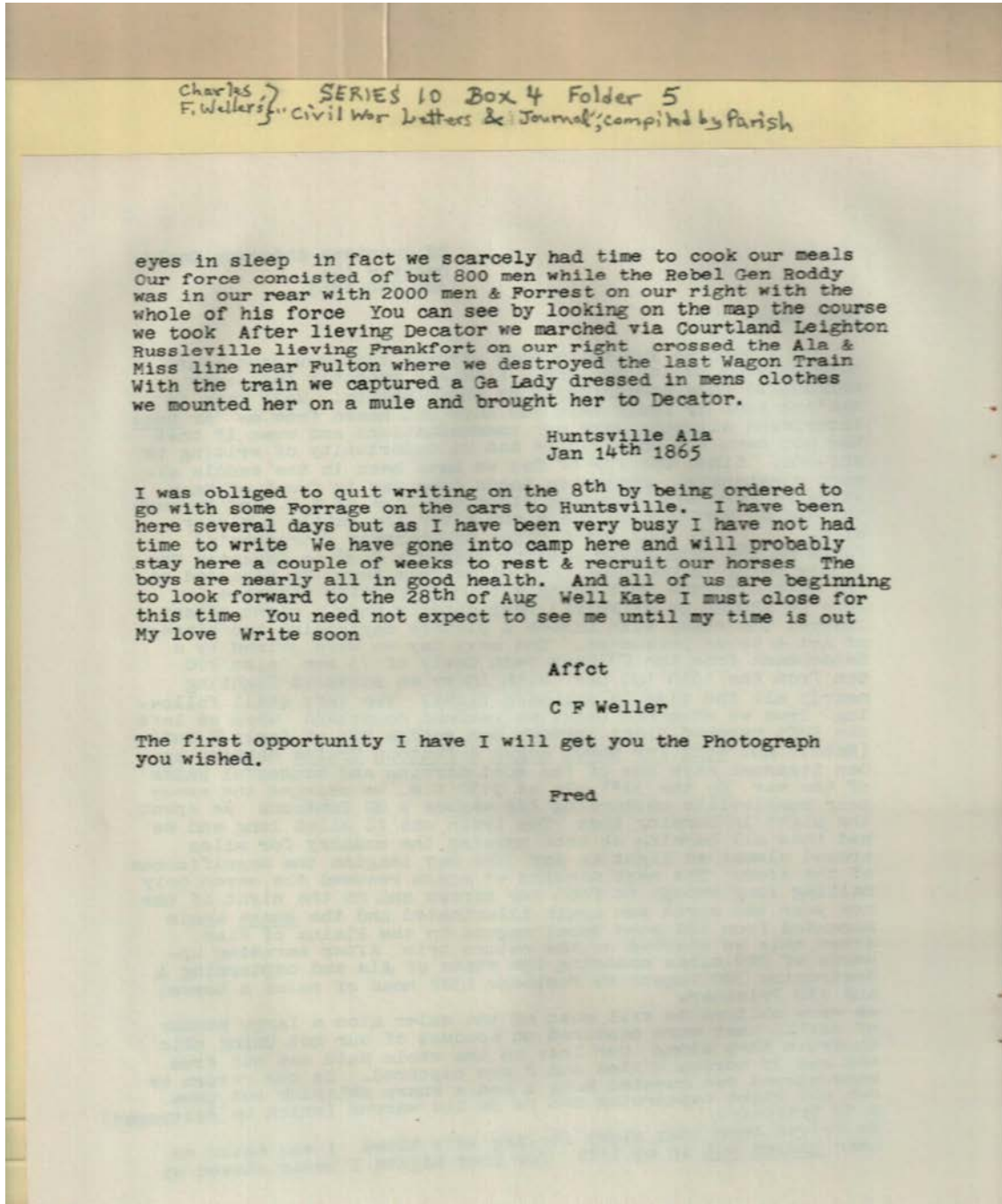
Decatur, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jan 08, 1865



eyes in sleep in fact we scarcely had time to cook our meals
Our force consisted of but 800 men while the Rebel Gen Roddy
was in our rear with 2000 men & Forrest on our right with the
whole of his force You can see by looking on the map the course
we took After leaving Decator we marched via Courtland Leighton
Russleville leaving Frankfort on our right crossed the Ala &
Miss line near Fulton where we destroyed the last Wagon Train
With the train we captured a Ga Lady dressed in mens clothes
we mounted her on a mule and brought her to Decator.

Huntsville Ala
Jan 14th 1865

I was obliged to quit writing on the 8th by being ordered to
go with some Forrage on the cars to Huntsville. I have been
here several days but as I have been very busy I have not had
time to write We have gone into camp here and will probably
stay here a couple of weeks to rest & recruit our horses The
boys are nearly all in good health. And all of us are beginning
to look forward to the 28th of Aug Well Kate I must close for
this time You need not expect to see me until my time is out
My love Write soon

Affct

C F Weller

The first opportunity I have I will get you the Photograph
you wished.

Fred

Names:

, Fred

, Kate

Forrest,

Roddy, General

Weller, C. F.

Places:

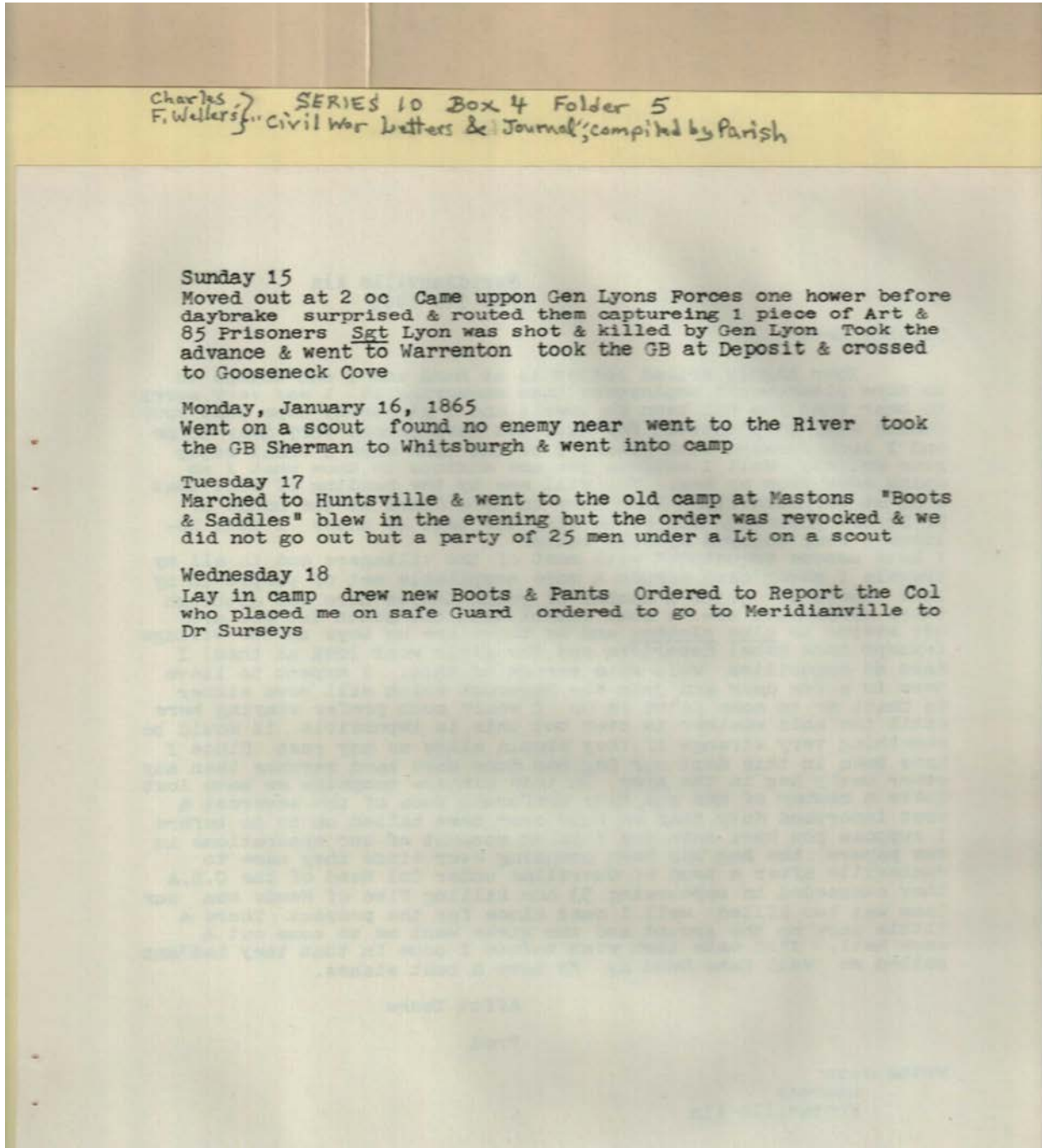
Huntsville, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jan 14, 1865



Names:

Lyon, Sgt.

Lyons, General

Mastin,

Surseys, Dr.

Types:

diary

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Meridianville Ala
Feb 7th 1865

Darling Kate

Your highly prized letter is at hand and I can engage in no more pleasurable employment than answering it I was very sorry to hear that you had been so unwell and I sincerely hope that your health will be preserved for Kate you have become very dear to me and I look forward with pleasure to the time when I shall enjoy your society Well I suppose you are anxious to know what I am doing away from my Reg. You will see by the heading of this that I am at Meridianville I am here on Safe Guard at the house of Dr Sercey [Searcy?] and am haveing the best of times I dont believe I ever enjoyed my-self better I have become acquainted with most of the villagers and in all my travels I never came across a more hospitable set of people in my life There are quite a number of young Ladies here who although there sympathies are to some extent with the South Yet the are not averse to blue clothes and as there are no boys in the village (except some Rebel deserters and the girls wont look at them) I have no opposition Well Kate enough of this. I expect to lieve here in a few days and join the Regement which will move either to Chatt or to some point in Ga I would much prefer staying here until the cold weather is over but this is impossible it would be something very strange if they should allow us any rest Since I have been in this dept our Reg has done more hard servace than any other Cavly Reg in the Army In this winters campaign we have lost quite a number of men and have preformed some of the severest & most importand duty than we have ever been called on to do before I suppose you have seen ere this an account of our operations in the papers the Reg has been scouting ever since they came to Huntsville after a band of Guerillas under Col Meed of the C.S.A they succeeded in captureing 33 and killing five of Meeds men our loss was two killed well I must close for the present There a little snow on the ground and the girls want me to come out & snow Ball. I'll make them wish before I come in that they had'ent called me Well Kate Good By My Love & best wishes.

Affct Yours

Fred

Write soon
Address
Huntsville Ala

Names:

, Fred

, Kate

Meed, Colonel

Searcy, Dr.

Places:

Meridianville, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Feb 07, 1865

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Tuesday, February 21, 1865
Relieved from S Guard In camp on Maston Plan

Wednesday 22
Washingtons Birthday celebrated in H_____ by the Post
Troops firing Salutes Detailed & went on Pickett at the mill

Thursday 23
Relieved from Picket Rained all night

Friday, February 24, 1865
In camp at Mastons

Saturday 25
Still in camp Rained & stormed in fornoon cleared off after dinner

Sunday 26
In camp

Monday, February 27, 1865
In camp at Mastons

Tuesday 28
"

Wednesday, March 1
"

Thursday, March 2, 1865
Was detailed to go to Shell Md with Forrage to await the arival
of the Regt which was to march through Rained all day & night

Friday 3
Arived at S. Md Took lodgeing Still rainy

Saturday 4
Went up on Train to Chatt to draw Rations staid all day &
night in C_____

Sunday, March 5, 1865
Returned to Shell Md

Monday 6
Remained at Shell Mound St still it rains

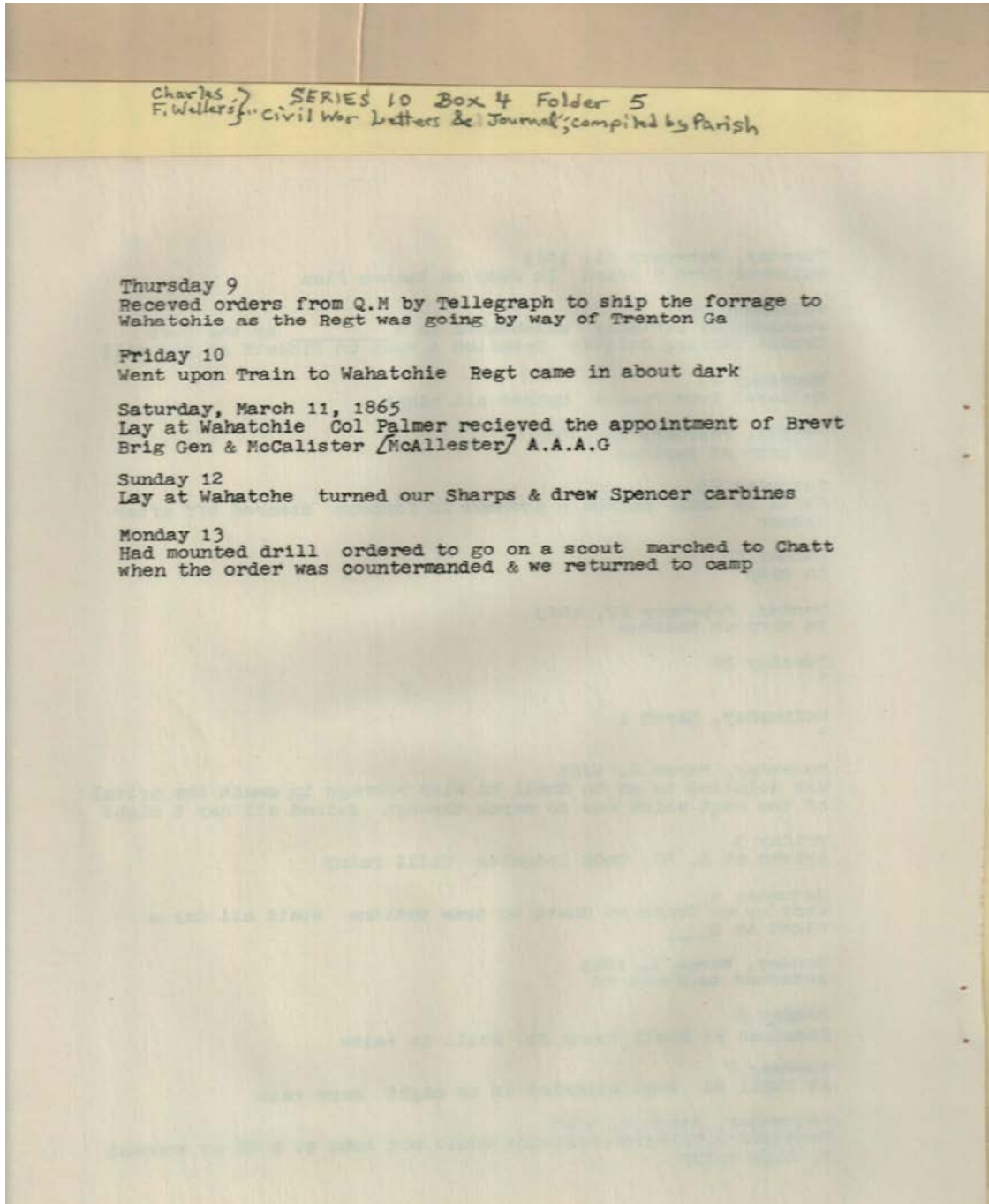
Tuesday 7
At Shell Md Regt expected in to night more rain

Wednesday, March 8, 1865
Recieved a Telegram stateing could not come to S Md on account
of high water

Names:
Mastin,

Types:
diary

Dates:
Feb 21, 1865



Names:

McAllester, General

McCalister, General

Palmer, Colonel

Types:

diary

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SERIES 10 Box 4 Folder 5

Hd Quarters 15th P.V.C
Wahatchie Tenn
March 13th /65

Dear Kate

Your letter was recieved in due time. I should have answered it long er'e this but as communication has been interrupted by the recent rains I did not think it worth while to write until all was again right You will see by this that we are once more in our Old Camp at Wahatchie We arived here last Thursday after a hard march from Huntsville The Mountain streams were all very much swollen by the snow melting off the Mts also by the late rains We were obliged to swim our horses on several occasions which was a very dangerous opperation while crossing Battle Creek we had a man drowned also three horses.

We are now preparing for an important expidition into East Tenn and perhaps into North Carolina or Va We are well mounted and our equipments are of the very best quality we have turned in our (Sharps) Carbines and have drawn the Spencer (seven-shooting) Carbine which is conidered the best weapon in the U.S. Service We have orders to march from here to Knoxville on the 20th inst where we are to join Gen Stoneman who is to comd an expidition of importance some where his comd is to consist of the 2^d Mo c 12th & 13th Ky 15th P.V.C & the 9th & 1st Tenn Cav The object of the expidition is not yet known but I think we are going for the Sunny South R.R. which is now Lees only outlet from Richmond Well enough of this. I left Meridianville on the 20th ult I must confess that it was with regret that I bid adue to the People of that village it was almost like lieving home. I never enjoyed my-self better than I did dureing the five weeks spent at Meridianville I did not however fall in love with any of the Ladies I am not easily taken in Your supposition in regard to southern girls is to some extent correct They are more talkative and much easier to become acquainted than the Northern girls. Those of the P.F. are generally well educated and accomplished All more or less sympathise with the South in this rebellion. Well I must close for this time if any thing whould occur so that you will not hear from me for some time dont be uneasy I will take care of my-self and will write to you every opportunity I have We will in all probability have some hard servace to preform during the comeing six months they have not given us good horses & Spencer Carbines for nothing Well Kate good By for the present six months more if all goes well we will see each other after a long sepperation Accept my love and best wishes for your happiness and welfare

Affot Yours
Chas F Weller

Miss Kate McElwain
Address Chattanooga Tenn All letters will be forwarded to us by our R.P.M who is to remain here

Fred

Names:

, Fred
Lee,

McElwain, Kate,
Miss

Stoneman, General
Weller, Charles F.

Places:

Wahatchie, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Mar 13, 1865

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Tuesday, March 14, 1865
Lay at Wahatchie

Wednesday 15
In camp at W _____

Thursday 16
Took the cars to go to Knoxville about 3 oc were until morning
going 16 miles

Friday, March 17, 1865
Traveled as far as Sweetwater Ten

Saturday 18
Arived at Knoxville in the morning at day light

Sunday 19
Lay in camp at K _____

Monday, March 20, 1865
In camp near Knoxville had Reg Review



Names:

Chattanooga Area

Types:

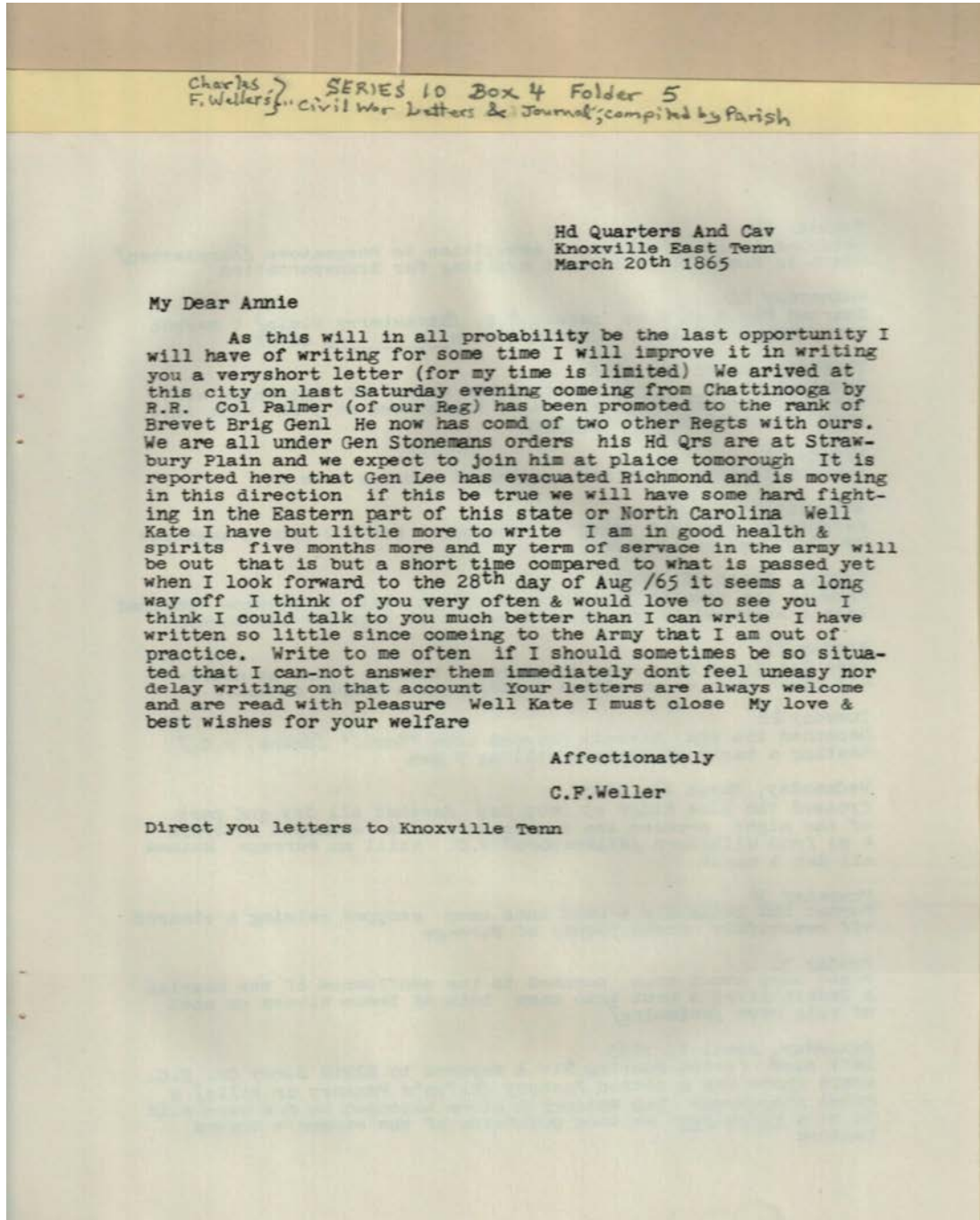
diary

map

Dates:

Mar 14, 1865

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Names:

, Annie
, Kate

Lee, General
Palmer, Colonel

Stoneman, General
Weller, C. F.

Places:

Knoxville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Mar 20, 1865

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Sunday 2
Left camp at Elkin & passing through Dobsin [Dobson, N.C./
went to Mt Airy A Capt & detail failing to capture a Reb Train
our Co was sent out

Monday 3
Left camp at Mt Airy 3 oc A.M & marched to near Floyed [Floyd]
C H [Va] Our Co after after the Wagon Train & was on advance
guard We came up with the Train Captured it & halted to feed
at Hillsville

Tuesday, April 4, 1865
Left camp and passing through Jacksonville went to Christainsburg
[Christiansburg, Va]

Wednesday 5
Reveille at 3 oc AM got Breakfast moved camp 2 mi & then went
to work tearing up the track of the E.L. & Va RR Recived tide-
ings in the evening of the fall of R[Richmond]

Thursday 6
At Christainsburgh Montgomery Co Va went out 4 mi for forrage
returned to camp General Blew at 8½ oc & we moved out on the
Jacksonville Road

Friday, April 7, 1865
Decended the Allegeny Mts after marching all day & the night
preceding halted to feed

Saturday 8
"Boots & Saddles" at 3 A.M moved out without Breakfast had
nothing to eat for 24 hours marched to Henry C.H. "Martainsbury"
[Martinsville, Va.] found the 10th Mich Cav in town had a fight
in the morning

Sunday 9
"Boots & Saddles" at 3 oc moved out marched all day passed
by Danbury [N.C.] & encamped on the Dan River

Monday, April 10, 1865
I was was detailed to go out with a detachment from Brig Hd
Qrs after horses scouted the country for miles around getting
quite a number of horses had an exciting time

Tuesday 11
Started after the Reg marched all day & night Arived at Hd
Qrs & learned that our reg had gone out on special duty

Wednesday 12
Joined the Regmtl Pack Train moved on to Huntsville crossing
the Yadkin River & went into camp

Thursday, April 13, 1865
Reg came in moved on to Salsbury [Salisbury, N.C.] attacted
the town and after a pretty sharp fight captured it with a large
amt of Gov Stores & a larg number of Prisoners

Names:

Blew, General

Types:

diary

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Friday 14
Marched to Statesville passed through town & went into camp

Saturday 15
Scouting the country around Stateville

Sunday, April 16, 1865
Reveille at 4 oc AM marched to within 6 mi of the Catauga
[Catawba River, N.C.] Riv & went into camp

Monday 17
A party of Mechanics went out to Repair the Bridge over Catawba
River Crossed the Bridge at 10 oc AM Marched by way of Hickery
Station [Hickory, N.C.] went to Lincolnton & encamped

Tuesday 18
Started on a scout with the 2^d Batt at 2 oc AM out the Rethor-
fordton [Rutherfordton, N.C.] Road 10 mi & returned in the eve-
ning Parties from Lees Army passed thro our lines on there
way home I captured a [fine horse]

Wednesday, April 19, 1865
Remained in camp at Lincolnton on Reg Provost in Town

Thursday 20
Remaned on duty in town. First heard of the Armastice between
Johnson [Johnston] & Sherman general order read prohibiting
our takeing horses or prov

Friday 21
On Provost Duty in town Reg had Dress Parade in the evening

Saturday, April 22, 1865
In town Boarding at Mrs Wileys Reg had Dress Parade in the
evening

Sunday 23
"General" blew at 3 PM struck tents & march toward Rotherdton
After going ten miles I was detailed to go with 6 others to
Gen Gillam [Alvan C. Gillem] with a dispatch

Monday 24
Marched all day & night making over 100 miles in 24 hours
Arived at Gen Gillums H Qrs in the evening tired & hungry

Tuesday, April 25, 1865
Moved out with Gillams Hd Qrs Passed through Ashvill [Asheville
N.C.] under flag of Truce & marched to within 40 miles of Green-
ville Tenn when our Party was ordered back with a dispach to
Gen Palmer

Wednesday 26
Returned to Ashville under a Flag of Truce remained in town
with the Rebs all day awaiting the arival of Gen Palmer started
out in the evening to meet Gen Palmer Armastice violated
made a narrow escape of being shot by our own men

Names:

Gillem, Alvan C.,
General

Johnston,
Lee,

Palmer, General
Sherman,

Wiley, Mrs.

Types:

diary

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Thursday 27
Started to join the Reg marched hard all day captured a Capt & 3 men belonging to the Rebel Q M D

Friday, April 28, 1865
Armastice all up again on the War Path marched to Rutherfordton & encamped

Saturday 29
Marched to 1st Broad River Co G on Pickett Relieved at 12 oc PM & marched back 8 miles to Div Hd Qrs

Sunday 30
Marched to Spartainsburg [Spartanburg] S.C. On Div Provost Guard in Town

Monday, May 1, 1865
Moved out of town 20 miles & went into Camp Captured several good horses during the day

Tuesday 2
Marched to Anderson C.H. [S.C.] Passed thro Honia Path [Honea Path, S.C.] Spent a portion of the day hunting horses Crossed the Saludy [Saluda] River Marched all night

Wednesday 3
Crossed Lugal & Sinecu & the 2 Broad Rivers went into camp haveing marched about 60 miles

Thursday, May 4, 1865
Marched to Athens Ga passing through Donaldsville [Danielsville, Ga.] On Provost Duty in Town

Friday 5
In Athens made the acquaintance of a good many citizens Was Invited to Mrs Hampdens to dinner

Saturday 6
Took a ride into the country with Hammel Stopped & took dinner at Dr Whites Edt of the Southern Cultivator

Sunday, May 7, 1865
Went out to the Armories on the Oconie [Oconee] River 400 of [Gen] Dukes [men] came into town & surrendered & were Paroled Boots & Saddles at 4 oc P.M marched all night crossed the 3 oconee Rivers

Monday 8
Halted at 4 oc AM to feed Left again at 5 oc A.M marched all day passed through Stateville 6 mi from Covington forded the Alcovva River & encamped at Gus Lees Plantation

Tuesday 9
Passed thro Mechanicsville Captured Gen Bragg & Party marched to Concord Church & encamped On Pickett on the Mounticello [Monticello, Ga.] Road

Names:

Bragg, General
Dukes, General

Hammel,
Hampden, Mrs.

Lee, Gus
White, Dr.

Types:

diary

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Wednesday, May 10, 1865
Went on a scout with 6 men along the Ocmulgee River After Old Jeff

Thursday 11
Took an other direction passed thro Mechanicsville Stopped back with one of our men who was sick The Batt marching on

Friday 12
Started after the Batt marched 57 miles stopped for the night 16 miles from Atlanta Batt passed at 3 A.M

Saturday, May 13, 1865
Arived in Atlanta at 8 oc A.M drew Rations & started on marched 20 miles Crossed the Chattihoochee River met 4 men of the 4 Mich comeing back they reported the road lined with B.W.

Sunday 14
One of the 4th M.C. shot by B.W. Returned to Atlanta found 9 of our men in town Made out a Reg drew forrage & rations

Monday 15
seen Jeff this morning on the Train for Augusta Left Atlanta with one man to go & join the Regt joined 3 men of the 10 Mich Marched 10 miles & lay over all night

Tuesday, May 16, 1865
Started with one man from our Regt & 4 from the 10th Mich to join the Brig Encamped 10 miles from Atlanta

Wednesday 17
Marched to Marietta took the Kingston Road Passed the Kennasaw & Altona [Altoona] Mts marched on to Kingston Drew rations & encamped

Thursday 18
Resumed the march at day light after going 8 mi met 4 of our men with a Dispatch for Gen Palmer left the 10 M Boys and started for Regt

Friday, May 19, 1865
Marched 47 miles halted & fed marched 10 mi further & encamped near Gadson [Gadsden, Ala.]

Saturday 20
Resumed the march on the Jacksonville road Captured the horse & Equipments of a Bushwhacker Left Jacksonville to our right Crossed the Coosie [Coosa] Riv & fed at Coats Plantation

Sunday 21
Went to Guntersville. Gen Palmers Hd Qrs Reg in Murfeys Valey

Monday, May 22, 1865
At Gen Palmers Hd Qrs Guntersville Reg came in at 4 AM joined the Co went down on the bank of the Riv & encamped

Names:

, Jeff

Palmer, General

Types:

diary

Dates:

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Tuesday 23
Went on board the Transport & crossed the Ten Riv marched 10 miles & encamped

Wednesday 24
"

Thursday, May 25, 1865
Arived at Huntsville at 12 M. Went into camp in Robisons Grove 1 mi from town

Friday 26
Went out to Meridianville found all the folks well had a good time

Saturday 27
In camp near H_____ Went to town in the evening

Sunday, May 28, 1865
At Gen Palmers Hd Qrs Had Co Inspct & Dress Parade

Names:

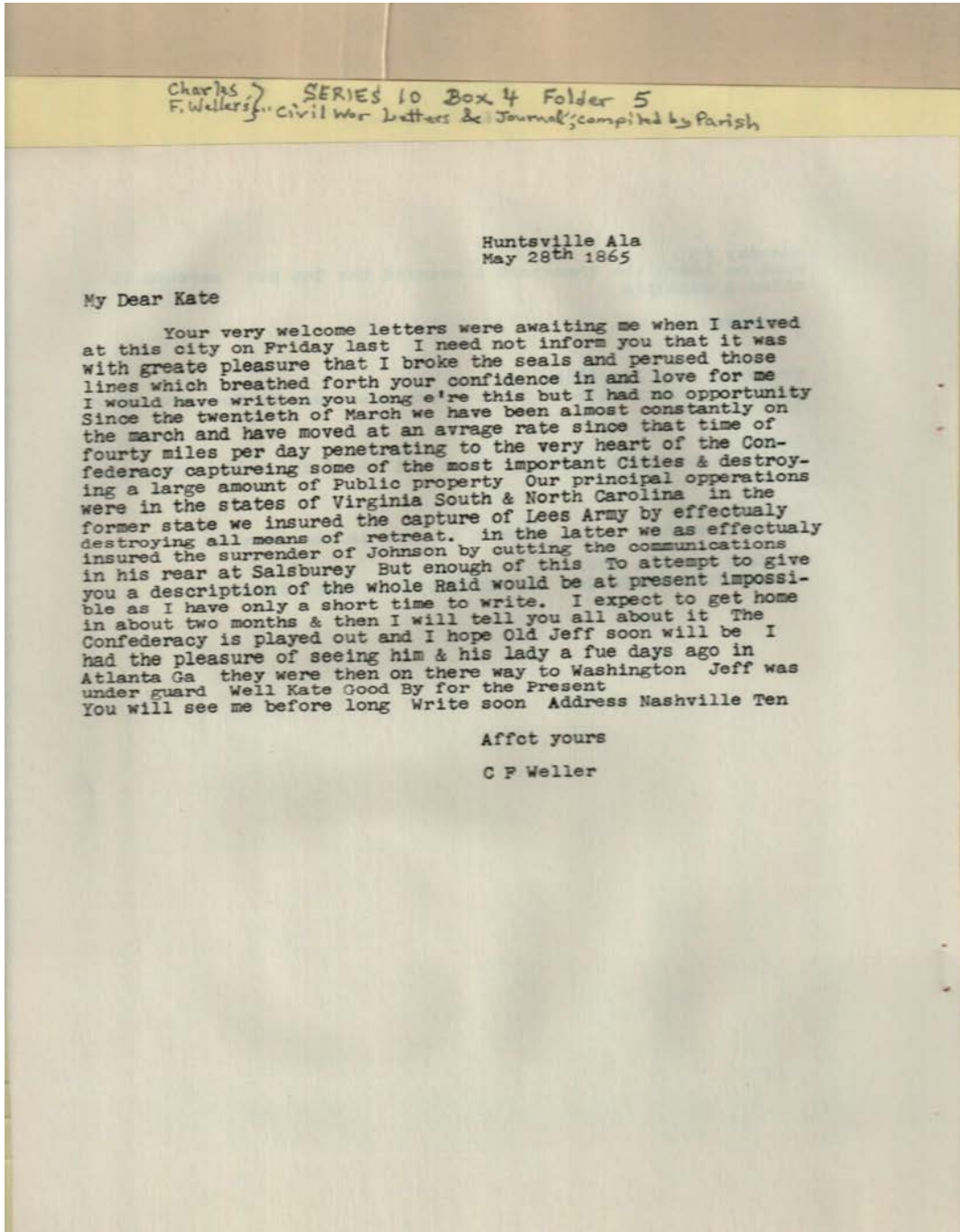
Palmer, General

Robison,

Types:

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Names:

, Jeff
, Kate

Johnson,
Lee,

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Monday 29
Went to the country Staid until 1 A.M 30th Returned to Camp

Tuesday 30
In camp

Wednesday, May 31, 1865
Went to city after Forrage & Rations

Thursday, June 1
Went to Meridianville Returned to camp at 2 o.c. A.M.

Friday 2
In camp Inspot & Dress Parade

Saturday, June 3, 1865
In camp Regtl Inspot by Genl Palmer

Sunday 4
Co Inspection in the morning At 4 PM Regemental Review & Drill

Monday 5
In camp

Tuesday, June 6, 1865
In camp Co Inspot

Wednesday 7
Went to the country at 5 PM after Dress Parade Remained until
1 AM & Returned to camp

Thursday 8
In camp At 5^h had Regemental Inspot Drill & Review The Band
from town being in Attendance

Friday, June 9, 1865
Went to M _____ Returned at 5 oc PM Went on Guard at
Brig Hd Qrs

Saturday 10
Relieved from Guard The 1st Batt started on Train for Nashville
Rained very hard all our things got wet

Sunday 11
"General Blew" at 3 oc P.M Struck Tents marched into H _____
& took the cars for Nashville where we arived safe at 4 Oc AM
12th inst

Monday, June 12, 1865
Had a severe Head Ache Went up town & got Breakfast Returned
to the Depot found the Batt in line joined the Comp & marched
out the M _____ Pike 2 miles and encamped

Tuesday 13
Went to the camp of the 77th Pa.V.I Seen Capt Kreps & some
more of the N.J. Boys Returned to Nashville & stayed all night
went to camp in the morning

Names:

Kreps, Captain

Palmer, General

Types:

diary

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Wednesday 14

In camp Went to City in the evening Moved camp to the Mur-
freesboro Pike

Thursday, June 15, 1865

In camp Turned in our Horses Equipments & Arms Rained occa-
sionally during the day & night

Friday 16

Went to the City on Pass Attended Theatre Hellen Western in
the Play of Nusba & the Pet of the Pettycoats

Saturday 17

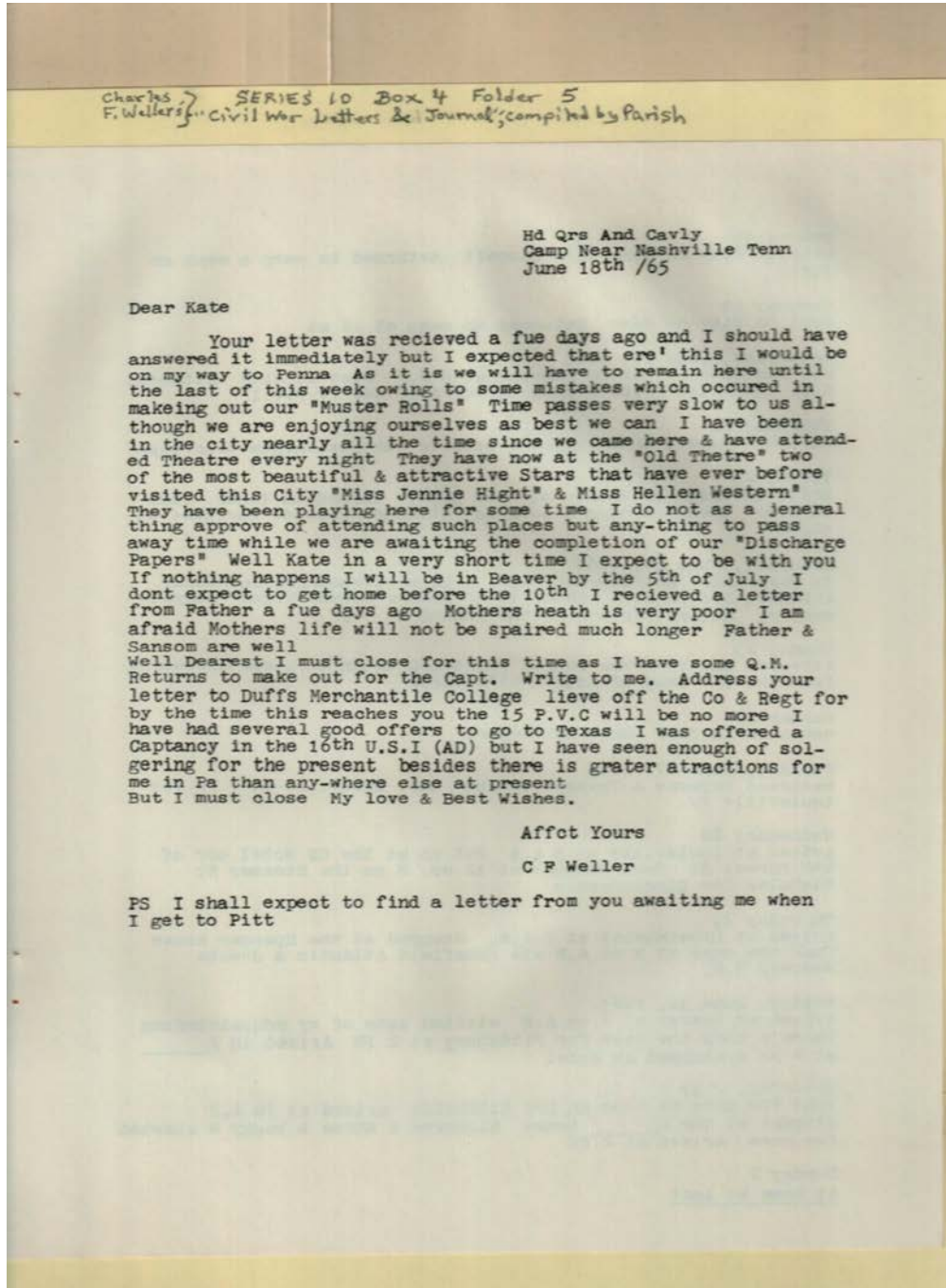
In camp Co papers all made out Expect to be a citizen in a
few days Went to City in the evening

Sunday, June 18, 1865

In camp Went to Mill Creek & washed Returned to camp & spent
the day in writing.

Types:
diary

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Names:

, Kate
, Samsom

Hight, Jennie, Miss
Weller, C. F.

Western, Hellen, Miss

Places:

Nashville, TN

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Monday 19
Went to City on Pass with Hammell Returned to camp & went on Guard

Tuesday 20
Went to City on Pass Returned to camp at 12 mi

Wednesday, June 21, 1865
Was mustered out of US Service at 4 P.M Went to City Attended N.T. with Will Kreps & some officers of the 77 P.V.I

Thursday 22
In camp Expect to be payed & recieve our discharges tomorrough

Friday 23
Still in camp Paymaster not yet Ready Turned in Tents Went to City took boarding & lodging Attended Polands varities at night

Saturday, June 24, 1865
In Nashville Boarding at Keys Will be discharged on Monday. Attended Old Theatre Bennefit of Messrs Oates Wight complimentary Hellen Western as the French S p

Sunday 25
Attended the 1st Pres Church listened to an Eloquent discourse from the 9th Chap of Acts & 11th verse

Monday 26
Remained in City Went to Theatre

Tuesday, June 27, 1865
Recieved Payment & Transportation Left Nashville at 7 PM for Louisville Ky

Wednesday 28
Arived at Louisville at 5 A.M Put up at the US Hotel cor of 4th Market St Took Passage at 12 oc. M on the Steamer St Nicholas for Cincinnattie

Thursday 29
Arived at Cincinnatti at 2 A.M. Stopped at the Spencer House Took the cars at 9 oc A.M via Mansfield Atlantic & Greate Western R.R.

Friday, June 30, 1865
Arived at Beaver at 2 oc A.M visited some of my acquaintences there & took the cars for Pittsburg at 2 PM Arived in P_____ at 4 PM & stopped at Hotel

Saturday, July 1
Took the cars at 7 oc AM for Kittaning Arived at 10 A.M Stopped at the C_____ House Highered a horse & buggy & started for home Arived at 2 PM

Sunday 2
At home at last

Names:

Hammel,

Keys,

Kreps, Will

Wight, Oates

Types:

diary

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Worthington
Armstrong Co Penna
July 14th 1865

My Dear Kate

After lieving you on Saturday every-thing worked pleasantly and I arived home on the same evening since then I have been enjoying my-self as best I could sometimes rideing around the country but most of the time at home makeing preparations for going to Pittsburgh I will lieve here for School on Monday and expect to remain in P about four weeks after which I will commence makeing preparations to start for Missouri I cannot fully make up my mind to go West and lieve you in Beaver Thousands of miles will sepperate us and even should life and health be preserved and our love for each other remain I may be engaged in business that it would be difficult for me lieve and come back to Penna I think Kate when we take into concieration the two trips that I would be obliged to make to Mo and the probability of my having to sacrifice a good situation in business that it would be better for us to get married this fall if at all For my part I am just as well prepared to get married now and in just as good a position as I will be in five years to come so it only remains for you to decide I would not have you decide to hastily and reflect on your-self afterwards I suppose you know my situation as far as this Worlds Goods are concerned I am not blessed with a superfluous Amt of them In fact I am comparatively a poor man and am dependant on my own resourses I cannot expect much from Father as he only recieves the salery of a Methodist Preacher But enough of this Think of what I have said and in your next letter give me an answer I do not want you to go to Mo against your will and if this is the only objection you can offer to our union let me know As to makeing preparations I know that it takes Ladies some time to get to get ready for such important Events, so I will say that I can delay starting for Mo until the 1st of Oct Father however if he goes will have to start the first of Sep Well Kate I will enclose Photographs of Pather and Mother Mine came to hand yesterday but I do not like them I will however enclose one. My love to all

Affet Yours
C.F.Weller

Address
Duffs M.C
Pittsburgh
Pa

Names:

, Kate

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Worthington, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Jul 14, 1865

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Duffs Mercantile College
Pittsburgh Pa
July 23^d 1865

My Dear Kate

Your letter was recieved last friday and perused with much pleasure I was very glad to hear that you loved me well enough to lieve home and rellatives and go with me to the far west especialy to a portion of it that has lately been the theatre of War and dessionation All this however will change in a fue years and Missori with the new State Constitution and a rigid enforcement of the Laws combined in it together with its greate weath of mineral Can but be one of the first states in the Union But Kate the disadvantages under which the State is now laboring are many the society is to a greate extent rough and uncultivated the cities & towns are to a greate extent laid waste and present a very desolate appearance Well enough of this I should not have said what I have did I not have your welfare and happinness at heart. I would not have you unhappy I love you two well to wrong you. therefore I have made a statement of the facts as they are. I would rather go and battle with the disadvantages consequent to a removal to Mo and then after things are settled and society improves come back for you than to take you there now and have you unhappy Kate do not think that because I have not painted our future in glowing collers or spent fifteen or twenty minutes in building Air Castles (as some would do) that I regret the step I have taken that is not my style I look at things as they realy are and prepare my-self accordingly. I love you Kate and would make you mine tomorrough were you willing. So you see that the matter rests wholly with you If you have decided to go this fall make your preperations as soon as possible. The formal part of the arrangements can be made as you desire Well Kate I shall expect to hear from you by return Mail I cannot well lieve here at present I may however be down Saturday and stay until monday moring If I cannot come down I will address your Uncle & Aunt a letter on the subject.

Well Kate Good By for this time My love to Father & Mrs Monroe

Yours Affectionately

C F Weller
Duffs M.C.
Pittsburgh
Pa

Names:

, Kate

Monroe, Father

Monroe, Mrs.

Places:

Pittsburgh, PA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

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Tuesday, July 18, 1865
Commenced Boarding at Mrs Gilberts Cor of Congress St and Penna
Av

Pittsburgh Pa
Aug 7th 1865

My Dear Kate

AS I sit in my room reflecting over past times and events my mind wanders to the village of Beaver and I find my-self thinking of her whom I love so well and in whos society I have passed so many pleasant hours I fell happy Kate when I think that the day is not very far distant when I can call you mine I think that my cup of happiness will then be full I look forward anxiously to the day and yet when I reflect seriously on the subject I often think that I have done wrong in thus asking you lieve home and friends and go with me to a new country when I have nothing but love to offer you as a compensation. Father was in the City today and I was talking with him on the subject he said nothing whatever against it and eaven seemed pleased with the choice I had made I think however that he would have been better pleased had I waited a fuee years. Well enough of this You may expect me to see you Thursday night if nothing happens to prevent me from coming. Father intends starting for Mo in about three weeks mother however will not go until I go Well Dear Kate good night My love

Affct
C F Weller

Tuesday, August 8, 1865
Left Mrs Gilberts & commenced Boarding at Mrs Stokeys cor of Sandusky and Robenson Sts Allegeny City

Worthington Penna
Aug 24th 1865

Dear Kate

You will doubtless be some-what surprised at recieving a letter from me from this place when I left you on Monday morning I did not expect to be at home on the same night When I arived in Pittsburgh I found a letter from Father stateing that he intended to start for Mo on Wednesday week so I concluded that I would go up and see him before he started So here I am Our folks are makeing preperations as fast as possible for lieving and it will be impossible for us to delay starting

Names:

, Kate

Gilbert, Mrs.

Stokey, Mrs.

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Pittsburgh, PA

Worthington, PA

Types:

correspondence

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longer than the 7th of Oct I am comeing down to Pittsburg
again the 1st of next week and will probably be down to see you
one night during the week if not I will come down on Saturday.
Well I must close as the mail is about starting for Kittanning
Write to me at Pittsburg.
My Love to all

Yours Affct

C.F.Weller

Pittsburgh Penna
Sep 3d 1865

Dear Kate

Your letter was duly read and I would have answerd it
sooner but since comeing back to the City I have had no time
I left home on monday morning and arived here the same evening
I am now boarding on Wiley St Pitts I came here for the pur-
pose of being nearer the College dureing the examination Father
passed through here Wednesday on his way to Missouri and by this
time he is in Jefferson City. I believe I stated in my last let-
ter that I would be in Beaver on last Friday or saturday Well
after thinking the matter over I concluded that it would not be
best for me to come again so soon for if I should the good people
of B_____ would either go the way of all the Earth or have there
mind on our affairs to such an extent that Bart would have to
preach from now until the day of Synagogue to bring them back
to conider the subject of there souls salvation I am afraid
that some of our friends have entirely forgotten the Eleaventh
commandment which is "Every man mind his own business" Well
enough of this I expect if nothing happens to come and see you
the last of this week. dont look for me though until you see
me Write on receipt of this. My Love

Yours Affct

C.F.Weller

In Haste

Pittsburgh Penna
Sep 5th 1865

Dear Kate

Your letter is just recieved I am well and will be in
Beaver tomorough (Thursday) Evening if nothing happens to pre-
vent me It matters little to me what the people say I know
that there curiosity is very much excited so they are to some

Names:

, Bart

, Kate

Weller, C. F.

Places:

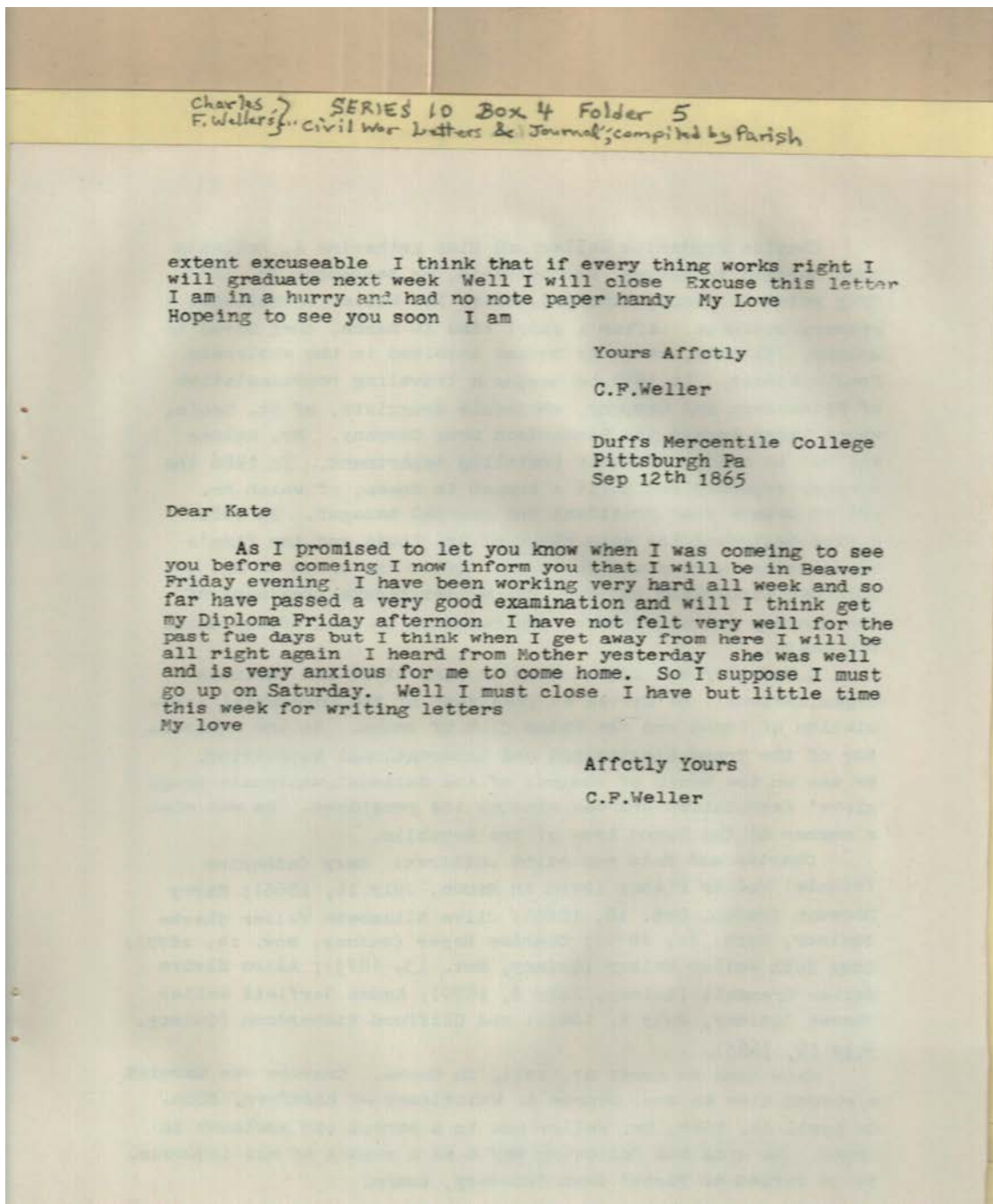
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Names:

, Kate

Weller, C. F.

Places:

Pittsburgh, PA

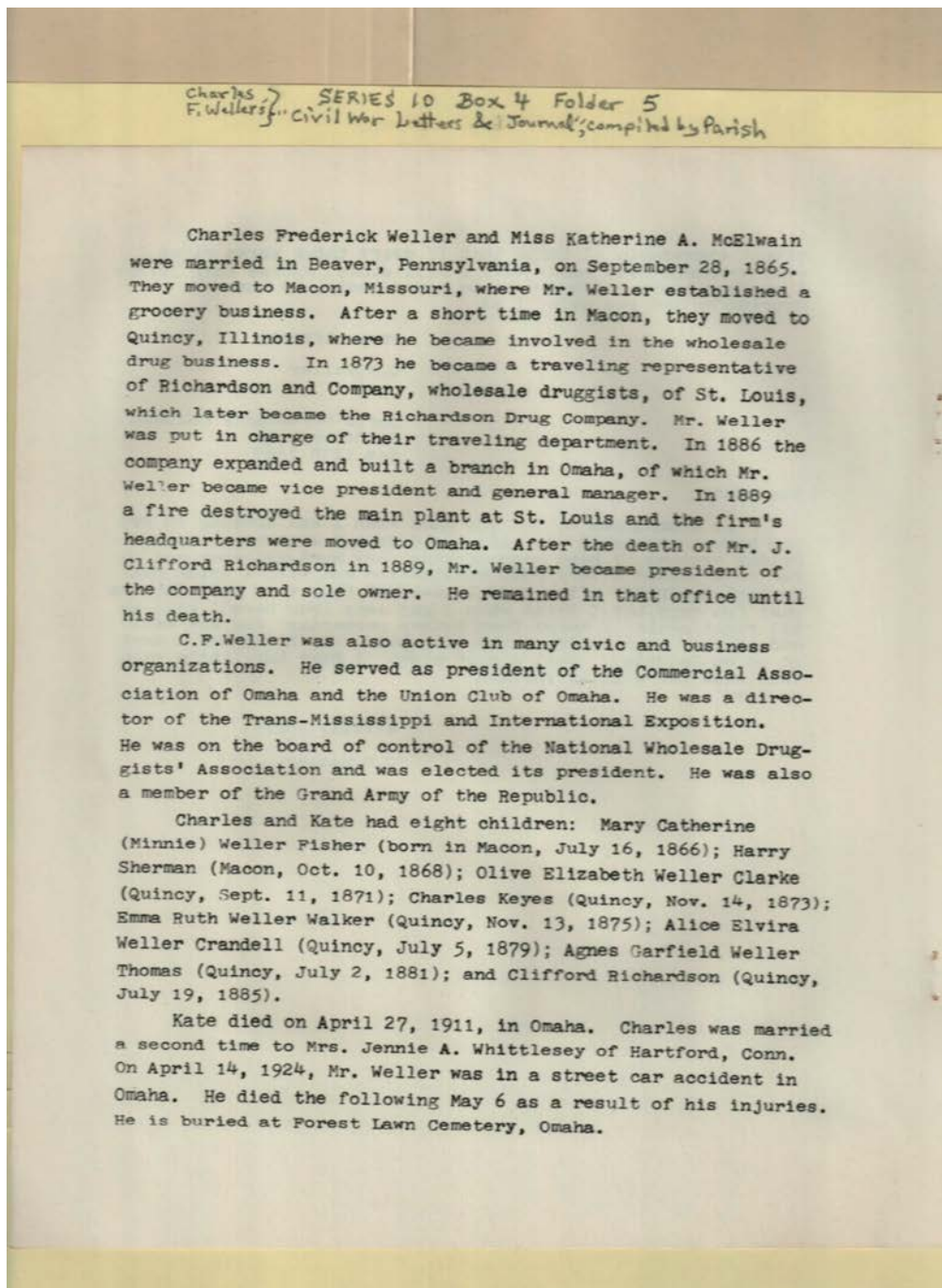
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Elizabeth Weller
Crandell, Alice Elvira
Weller
Fisher, Mary
Catherine (Minnie)
Weller

McElwain, Katherine
A., Miss
Richardson, J.
Clifford
Thomas, Agnes
Garfield Weller

Walker, Emma Ruth
Weller
Weller, Charles
Frederick
Weller, Charles Keyes
Weller, Clifford
Richardson

Weller, Harry
Sherman
Whittlesey, Jennie A.,
Mrs.

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