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Subject Fw: Photos of the LTC Whaley star, CDV, and letter.

For Follow Up:

History:

Jim, here are six photos of the letter, envelope, note, CDV, and star concerning LTC Whaley written by Act Asst Surgeon William Carey to his wife Alice in 1863.

The 1st photo is the note that was with the star. It says "This is a rebel star off of the collar of LT. Col C.A. Whaley, 2 Reg, Ga Cav...mortally wounded...last fall...but alas for him he has gone to his long ..., Murfreesboro... (dated) January 28, 1863

The 2nd photo is the star that was removed from LTC Whaley's uniform.

The 3rd photo is the CDV of William Carey who was a contract surgeon who had the title of "Acting Assistant Surgeon".

The 4th photo is of the letter, the note, the CDV, the star, and the envelope.

The 5th photo is of the other photos of Doctor Carey with the officers of the unit he was serving with. These were tin types and were sold to a doctor who lives in California and is a Civil War collector.

The 6th photo is the envelope. The envelope reads "Act Ast Surgeon W. B. Carey, Battery H 4th Artillery, General Palmer's 2nd Division, W????? Vol, Murfreesboro.

The letter that appears in photo 4 that was written by Dr. Carey to his wife Alice reads in part, " The rebel Lieutenant Colonel of the 2nd Ga Cavalry (Whaley) who was wounded at Stanford is dead. He died on the last Thursday the 23rd confessing his sins. The rebel was a large fine man and an accomplished gentleman (only he was a Rebel). " The rest of the letter concerns Dr. Carey being recommended to Govenor Morton for a commission and having \$310.00 due him up to September 30th.

Doctor Carey's National Archive records are vague. It shows him in the field with the Army of the Ohio from 1 July 1862- 30 April, 1863. Then at Murfreesboro, 1 May 1863 to 31 May 1863. Then in the field again from 1 June 1863 to 31 March 1864. Then in Nashville 1 April 1864 to 1 July 1864 with the 1st Division, Army of the Cumberland. Then 1 July 1864 to 31 October 1864 in Nashville with the 1st Division, Reserve Artillery. Dr. Carey died 20 January 1865. Cause of death unknown.

In his records there is a copy of a letter that he wrote to the Divisional Surgeon explaining that he was in Nashville because the 4th U.S. Artillery had been recalled to Nashville and he was their only medical support so he stayed with them to provide medical care. He then asked if the Division Surgeon wanted him to stay with the 4th Artillery in Nashville or report to another unit some where else. There is no copy of a response in the archive records.

The other thing in his records is an inventory of all of his medical equipment.

Doctor William B. Carey was from Taylorsville, Indiana and was married to Alice Carey.

LTC Caleb A. Whaley was with the 2nd Georgia Cavalry, Cobbs Legion. He was from Jones County Georgia and was married to Mary P. Whaley.

Jim if you would please acknowledge this email so that I know that you got it and the photos came through all right.

Regards, Brian Davis

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From: Mahoney <patmarmurf@mindspring.com>

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Sent: Tue, June 1, 2010 12:43:28 PM

Subject: civil war photo

Here are the six photos

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Jan 27 - 1863

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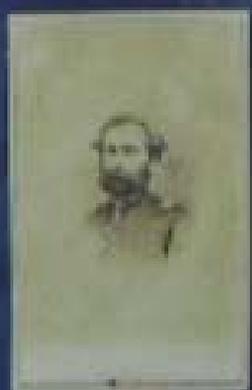


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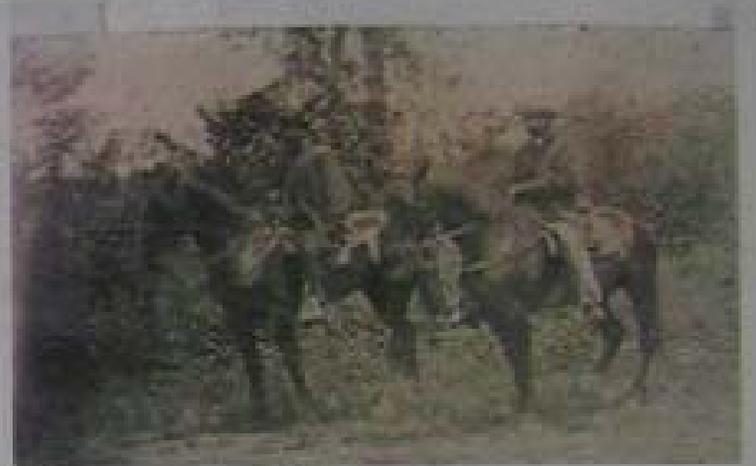
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DOCTOR A.J. PHELPS SENT A REQUEST TO THE GOVERNOR OF INDIANA
E.P. MORTON TO HAVE DOCTOR CEARY COMMISSIONED AS A SURGEON OR
ASSISTANT SURGEON IN THE ARMY.

DOCTOR WILLIAM B. CEARY DIED ON JANUARY 20TH 1865



Act. Ast. Surg. W. B. Conroy
Batt. "E" 4th Art. (Gen. Palmer's)
2^d Div. M. C. A.
Murphy's Cove