

Author: Sherman, William T. (William Tecumseh),
1820-1891.

Title: William Tecumseh Sherman papers, 1863-1865.

Description: 6 items.

Notes: Forms part of: Pearce Civil War collection.
United States Army general during the American
Civil War.
Five letters (1863-1865), and one field order
(1865), documenting the Civil War career of William Tecumseh
Sherman. In the first letter (24 Feb. 1863), to Edward Otho
Cresap Ord, Sherman complains of press leaks interfering with
his strategy and his ability to conduct battle; the next two
letters, were written to Philemon Ewing (Ellen Sherman's
brother), from camp on the Big Black River, Miss., shortly
after Vicksburg was taken: (28 July 1863), Sherman describes
the physical attributes of his location and the surrounding
country; (5 Aug. 1863), Sherman writes, "... I still presume
Ellen [Sherman's wife, Ellen Ewing Sherman] to be on her way
here, and have made every preparation in the way of
transportation, subsistence tent & c - if she will cry war,
she must come down to hard tack & canvas," continuing, he
writes "As a nation however we must not commit the Fatal
blunder of Supposing the war over ..."; three weeks after
Sherman's son Willie dies (of typhoid fever while visiting
his father at camp), Sherman, expressing his grief, writes to
Philemon Ewing (24 Oct. 1863), who apparently had sent
sympathies on Willie's death and in the same letter he writes
of his friend Ulysses S. Grant; the last letter (28 Jan.
1865), written to Maj. Gen J.G. Foster, advises him that the
enemy is holding back, taking a wait and see attitude; the
field order (12 Apr. 1865), is a true copy of Sherman's field
order No. 54, written and signed by Sherman's secretary, it
announces the surrender of Gen. Robert E. Lee.
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Subjects: Ewing, Philemon, 1820-1896 -- Correspondence.
Foster, John G. (John Gray), 1823-1874 --
Correspondence.
Grant, Ulysses S. (Ulysses Simpson), 1822-1885.
Lee, Robert E. (Robert Edward), 1807-1870.
Ord, Edward Otho Cresap, 1818-1883 --
Correspondence.
Sherman, Ellen Ewing, 1824-1888.
Sherman, William Tecumseh, 1854-1863 -- Death and
burial.
United States. Army -- Officers --
Correspondence.
Appomattox Campaign, 1865.
Generals -- United States -- Correspondence.

Generals' spouses -- United States.
Big Black River (Miss.)
Mississippi -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865.
United States -- History -- Civil War,
1861-1865.
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-- Press coverage.
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