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**Chesley D. Bailey b.1836  
Diary, 1863-1864**

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**Biographical Note**

Chesley D. Bailey enlisted in the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry on 19 March 1862 as a Captain. He was promoted to Lt. Colonel on 18 May 1863. He was married to Elizabeth Berry. He commanded the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky from 3 May to 26 June while Col. Cram was ill. He was wounded in the femoral artery at Jonesboro outside of Atlanta was discharged in October 1864 due to his injury.

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**Scope and Content Note**

Diary of Lt. Col. Chesley D. Bailey of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry during the Civil War. The diary starts in Nov. 1863 but Bailey begins to keep it faithfully in Feb. 1864 with few gaps before he is wounded during the battle for Atlanta. In the back he has noted various expenditures, where and when he is stationed, and items such as cartridges issued. Bailey describes the skirmishes and battles of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky in Tennessee and Georgia.

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**Folder List**

Folder 1: Diary 1863-1864.

Folder 2: Transcript of Diary.

Folder 3: Photocopies of Diary.

Folder 4: Photocopy of history of the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry.

Folder 5: Photocopies of biographical information.