

**The Filson Historical Society**

**Edward Winkler, 1841-1886  
Papers, 1863-1879**

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**Size of Collection:**

.33 cu. ft.

**Location Number:**

Mss. A/W775

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**Scope and Content Note**

Collection contains 5 letters written by Winkler, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt., 28<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Inf. Regt., to family members in Louisville, Ky., while stationed in Tennessee and New Orleans, La. In addition, there are several miscellaneous military documents and records, including military promotions, an affidavit pertaining to a request for a pension, and depositions regarding reputed thefts aboard military ships. The collection also includes an account book detailing purchases of food items and supplies by members of his regiment and typed transcriptions and photocopies of the letters and accounts book. The collection also contains copies of a photograph of Winkler as well as three unidentified photographs – the originals have been transferred to the Filson Photographic Collection.

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**Biographical Note**

Edward Winkler was born 4 April 1841 in Louisville, Ky., the eldest child of Philip and Rosina Winkler, German immigrants. He was a bookkeeper at the time he enlisted as a private in the 28<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry Reg. on 23 Jan. 1862. He was re-enlisted as a commissioned officer and promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. on 15 Nov. 1862 and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. on 24 Nov. 1862. His regiment saw action in various battles in Tennessee and Georgia. Following his discharge from the army on 14 December 1865, he returned to Louisville where he was employed as a retail grocer. He died in Louisville 13 June 1886 at the age of 45.

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**List of Folders**

Folder 1: Correspondence, 1863-1879

Folder 2: Military correspondence, orders, certificates, muster rolls

Folder 3: Account book, 1863-1865

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**Added Entry List**

Affidavits – United States  
Courts-martial and courts of inquiry – United States  
Depositions – United States  
Emancipation Proclamation  
Military Offenses – United States  
Military Pensions – United States  
Rosecrans, William S. (William Starke), 1819-1898  
Tennessee – History – Civil War, 1861-1865  
Trainor, John b. ca. 1820  
United States – History – Civil War, 1861-1865 – Underground movements  
United States. Army – Clerical work  
United States. Army – Courts-martial and courts of inquiry  
United States. Army. Kentucky Infantry Regiment, 28<sup>th</sup> (1862-1865)  
Warships – United States – History – 19<sup>th</sup> century  
Washington's Birthday