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Tredway Family Papers, 1803-1944.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

William W. Tredway was born July 1, 1804, in Ashford, Connecticut. In March 1826 he married Mary Brown of Schenectady, New York, and worked there as a merchant for several years. He served in the New York state militia and also as deputy comptroller of New York from 1839 to 1842. In the latter year he moved to Waukesha County, Wisconsin, where he served for eleven years as justice of the peace. In 1858, he moved to Madison, Wisconsin, and from 1861 to 1862 he served as quartermaster general of Wisconsin. His wife died May 10, 1870, leaving six children. On October 18, 1871, he married Mrs. Huldah D. Foote (nee Merrett). William W. Tredway died in 1889.

William W. Tredway's son Dwight was born August 19, 1843, in Eagle, Wisconsin. Dwight was a student at the University of Wisconsin in 1862, when he enlisted in the 23rd Wisconsin Infantry. He rose to the rank of regimental quartermaster, and in November 1864 was commissioned captain and assistant quartermaster of the U.S. Volunteers. He was mustered out at St. Louis in 1866. After the war he engaged in the grocery business with Greeley & Gale, which later became Greeley-Burnham Grocery Company. In 1871, he married Miss Emma Greeley, daughter of Carlos S. Greeley. He was the founder of a military company known as the Tredway Rifles. Dwight Tredway died March 19, 1912, in St. Louis.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains several loose papers and a scrapbook of the Tredway and Greeley families, which include several military and professional papers of William W. Tredway while he resided in New York and Wisconsin in the 1820s and 1830s; several documents relating to Jefferson Davis that appear to have been taken from Davis' home by Dwight Tredway during the Civil War; several Confederate letters captured by Tredway; papers of Charles S. Greeley, many of which relate to his work with the Western Sanitary Commission during the Civil War; and 255 cyanotypes of a hunting trip taken by Carlos G. Tredway and others in Colorado in 1899.

The Tredway-Greeley family scrapbook has been disbound in order to unfold numerous documents within. The contents of the scrapbook have been retained in their original order, with the exception of items that have been filed in oversize storage.

The collection is arranged in two series: **Loose Papers Series** and **Scrapbook Series**. The documents in the Loose Papers Series are arranged chronologically.

Loose Papers Series

Folder 1

- 1853 Jan 5 Deed to property on Lucas Place sold by James H. and Marie E. Lucas to Carlos S. Greeley and Daniel B. Gale.
- 1860 June 9 Letter signed George M. Beebe, Troy, Doniphan County, Kansas Territory, to Jefferson Davis, regarding the indefinite postponement of Beebe's confirmation for the office of secretary of the Kansas Territory.
- 1864 Feb 6 Form letter of the Adjutant General's Office, War Department, Washington, D.C., to J.D. Treadway, lieutenant and quartermaster, 23rd Wisconsin, requesting that a corrected muster be sent.
- 1884 Feb 25 Invitation to the first annual dress drill and ball of the Tredway Rifles, to be given at the Armory.
- 1885 Jan 28 Invitation to the second annual dress drill and ball of the Tredway Rifles, to be given at the Armory.
- 1897 Stamp book of the Western Union Telegraph Company, containing complimentary franks for family and social messages.
- ca. 1911-1940 Letter signed Emma Tredway to Mrs. Beauregard regarding donation of portraits of her father and husband to the Missouri Historical Society.
- ca. 1911-1940 May 29 Letter signed Emma Tredway to Mrs. Beauregard. Includes biographical information regarding Dwight Tredway.
- 1913 Jan 15 Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States memorial sketch of Dwight Tredway, who died March 19, 1912. Includes portrait of Tredway.
- 1915 Mar 5 Program for the exercises commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Samuel J. Niccolls, Second Presbyterian Church, St. Louis.
- 1915 May 31 Letter signed Emma Tredway to Mr. Pettus regarding donation of portraits of her father, Carlos S. Greeley, and her husband, Dwight Tredway, to the Missouri Historical Society. Includes biographical information regarding Dwight Tredway.
- 1917 Apr 24 Typescript General Order No. 22, headquarters, Military Training Corps of St. Louis, regarding drills and instructions. Includes rosters of companies A, B, C, D and E.

1944 Mar 30 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* obituary of Mrs. Emily (Tredway) Bissell.

no date Biographical notes regarding Dwight Tredway. Appears to have been written by his wife, Emma Tredway.

no date Article written by Louis LaBeaume titled "Our Church Beautiful: Architecture," regarding the Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis.

Scrapbook Series

Folder 2

Inside front cover

Business card of Carlos Tredway.

Folder 3

Page 1

Business card of Carlos G. Tredway, St. Louis Paper Can and Tube Co.

Printed announcement of death of Michel Limon Caffé de la Ferrière, November 10, 1890 (in French). Sent to Greeley Burnham Grocer Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Reprint of *Missouri Gazette*, Vol. I, No. 3, July 26, 1808.

Printed circular regarding the production of a Japanese cake known as the Okinakan (part in Japanese), circa 1904. (Circular may date from the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904.)

Page 2

St. Louis Post-Dispatch clipping regarding the demolition of buildings on the St. Louis riverfront, including a photograph of the Old Rock House, October 1, 1939.

Fragment of note signed Josiah Macy, no date.

Receipt of Dr. Wm. Beaumont to Mr. Greeley for medical aid and attendance, December 18, 1844.

Page 3

Receipt of the Grand Hotel Royal de la Paix (Florence, Italy) to Ch. B. Greeley and family, October 1870.

Receipt of the City Hotel, Barnum & Moreland, proprietors, to C.S. Greeley, for board, July 5, 1847.

Page 4

Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States memorial sketch of Carlos Smith Greeley, who died April 13, 1898.

Two envelopes.

- Page 5 Undated newspaper clipping titled "Reminiscences of Camp Jackson. Gen. B.G. Farrar Gives Some Personal Recollections of 1860-1861."
- Page 6 Business card of Ethan Allen Hitchcock, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Russia.
- Fragment of newspaper clipping titled "Early History Is Recalled by Deed," no date.
- Page 7 Undated newspaper clipping regarding gift of Carlos S. Greeley for the purchase of a church building.
- Photograph of members of Battery A participating in an artillery drill, showing Capt. Frank Rumbold, Jim Johnson, and others. (Transferred to Photographs and Prints Department, 9/2/2003.)
- Page 8 Receipt of the Hotel de Belle Vue, La Haye, [The Netherlands?], no date.
- Printed circular offering a \$500 reward for the recovery of the property stolen from C.S. Greeley's home, 1535 Lucas Place, signed L. Harrigan, chief of police, St. Louis, September 3, 1875. Circular contains list of stolen property.
- Page 9 Undated newspaper clipping titled "I Alone Remain" includes brief reminiscences of Mr. Lackland and his mansion at 1623 Locust Street, St. Louis.
- Page 10 Memorial card of Carlos S. Greeley, born July 13, 1811, died April 13, 1898.
- Page 11 Photograph of Rev. Samuel J. Niccolls (Transferred to Photographs and Prints Department, 9/2/2003.)
- Photograph of C.S. Greeley in Civil War uniform (Transferred to Photographs and Prints Department, 9/2/2003.)
- Photograph of C.S. Greeley. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Missouri Republican* obituary of Mrs. Carlos S. Greeley, 1878. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 12 Letter signed John W. Taylor, Ballston Spa, [New York], to William W. Treadway, September 10, 1832. Regarding upcoming local election. **(OVERSIZE)**

Warrant granted to William W. Tredway upon his election as sergeant of a company in the 57th Regiment, 14th Brigade, 14th Division of Infantry of the militia of the state of New York, August 26, 1823.

Folder 4

Page 13

Letter signed Bates Cooke to Tredway and Colt and others, deputy and clerks, comptroller's office, Congress Hall, January 28, 1841.

Page 14

[Note in margin of page 14 reads, "Confederate letters captured by Major Tredway, U.S.V."]

Letter signed Frances Blackburn, Hall County, Georgia, to her husband, May 8, 1862. It appears that her husband was in the Confederate army.

Letter signed M.A. Smith, Catawba County, North Carolina, to friend George, May 3, 1862.

Letter signed J.F. Colson, Bowers Hill, Virginia, to wife, Mrs. Louizan Colson, May 9, 1862.

Unsigned love letter, May 8, [no year].

Page 15

[Note on scrapbook page 15 reads, "Miss Nellie was a sweetheart of D.T. when he was about 14 yrs.]

Calling card of Nellie Eyeleshimer, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Page 16

General Orders signed Levi Hubbell, headquarters, Albany, May 24, 1834. Regarding the reorganization of the 6th Regiment of Horse Artillery.

Page 17

Letter signed Joseph H. Dwight, Oxford, Chenango County, New York, to Capt. W.W. Tredway, Eagle, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, March 25, 1844. Regarding land holdings and taxes. **(OVERSIZE)**

Page 18

Printed circular titled "City Meeting," circa after January 21, 1832, regarding resolutions adopted at a meeting of the citizens of Schenectady to consider the passage of the railroad through the city. **(OVERSIZE)**

Page 19

Appointment of William W. Tredway of Schenectady, New York, as deputy comptroller, signed Bates Cooke, March 4, 1839.

- Page 20 Signed letter [signature unclear], Albany, to friend Tredway, July 18, 1838.
- Page 21 Appointment of William W. Tredway of Albany as deputy comptroller of New York, signed John A. Collier, February 1, 1841. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 22 Commission of William W. Treadway as postmaster at Genesee, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, December 23, 1851. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Account of sales of items from [the estate of Elizabeth Brown], indicating to whom sold, appraised value, and selling price, 1831.
- Page 23 Account of W.W. Tredway with the estate of Elizabeth Brown, 1831-1832.
- Page 24 Receipt of the quartermaster, Confederate army, to Fearn Watkins, for 400 pounds of hay received at Jackson, Mississippi, April 4, 1862.
- Note signed Fred [Starkweather] to Geo. A. Starkweather, Jr., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (Written on back of envelope with illustration of Confederate flag.)
- Page 25 Blank
- Page 26 Letter signed J. Gadsden, Mexico, to [Jefferson Davis], April 17, [1853-1856]. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 27 Estimate of cost of maintaining a regiment of cavalry and a regiment of infantry for one year, no date. [Later note on document reads, "Above was found in Jeff Davis house near Jackson, Miss. by D.T.]
- Page 28 Pamphlet titled "Sovereign Rights of the States: A Reply to the Consolidation and Force Doctrines of the Whigs, as Set Forth by the National Intelligencer in Advocating the Norfolk Speech of Senator Douglas," by Justinian of South Carolina. Handwritten note on cover reads, "Hon. Jefferson Davis with best respects of the author, Lewis Cruger, South Carolina."
- Page 29 Daily record of passing events on Dryburgh Plantation, [Mississippi?], May 17-June 5, 1857. Also contains quarterly inventory of stock and implements. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 30 Letter signed E.C. Wilkinson, Yazoo City, to Hon. Jeff Davis, July 8, 1851. "I sent you the answer of Genl. Foote to your note to him of the 31st instant. It appears to me that it ought to be all sufficient for your

purpose. If it should not be however, you are at liberty, as you will see, to continue the correspondence with him.”

- Page 31 Honorable discharge of Dwight Treadway from Ransom Post No. 131, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, St. Louis, March 9, 1901. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 32 Fragment of undated newspaper article regarding Lucas Place. Includes information on the home of Carlos S. Greeley in St. Louis. (Article is continued on page 38.) **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 33 Printed General Orders No. 202, War Department, Adjutant General’s Office, Washington, December 9, 1862, regarding clothing and camp and garrison equipage for the army.
- Page 34 Names of the subscribers to the donation fund for James E. Yeatman, president of the Western Sanitary Commission, 1863-1864.
- Accounts of Western Sanitary Commission, C.S. Greeley, treasurer, 1864-1865.
- Printed Special Orders No. 159, Headquarters, Western Department, St. Louis, Mo., September 10, 1861, regarding establishment of Western Sanitary Commission.
- Page 35 Letter signed James E. Yeatman, Western Sanitary Commission, St. Louis, to C.S. Greeley, June 13, 1864.
- Newspaper article regarding the Western Sanitary Commission, October 6, 1941.
- Page 36 Sketch of the Treadway family crest.
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- Page 37 Telegram of F.S. Starkweather, New Berne, to Capt. J.D. Treadway, April 15, 1865, regarding unloading of lumber at the harbor.
- Military pass granted to Mr. Orner and three men to Goldsboro, North Carolina, dated Morehead City, March 28, 1865.
- Page 38 Fragment of undated newspaper article regarding Lucas Place. (Continues article on page 32.)
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- Page 40 Certificate of appointment of S. Caro as special agent to solicit donations and collect monies for the Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair, St. Louis, March 7, 1864.
- Page 41 Indenture of mortgage of John Brown of Schenectady, New York, to Angelica Van Peten [or Patten or Petten] of Schenectady, for a house and lot in Schenectady, January 12, 1803. Recorded as paid, March 4, 1809. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Letter signed Archibald McIntyre to the attorney general, dated Comptroller's office, July 27, 1818. Encloses account between the state and William Gilliland, late assistant commissary of military stores for the Eastern District. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Pages 42-43 Typescript reminiscences signed C.S. Greeley, January 1894, relating to the seizure of material at the U.S. Arsenal at Baton Rouge in 1861 and its subsequent shipment to Camp Jackson at St. Louis on the steamboat *J.C. Swon*. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 44 Blank
- Page 45 Undated fragment of newspaper clipping regarding the Western Sanitary Commission.
- Page 46 Blank
- Page 47 Blank
- Pages 48-49 Appointment of W.W. Tredway as notary public at Waukesha County, Wisconsin, July 24, 1854. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 50 Receipt of W.B. Armstrong, assistant quartermaster, U.S. Army, for military stores to be delivered to Lieut. J.D. Treadway, assistant quartermaster at Alexandria, Louisiana, April 1, 1864. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Undated newspaper clipping titled "First American Flag," reprinted from the *Cincinnati Times Star*. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 51 Commission of Carlos S. Greeley as major and brigade quartermaster on Brigadier General A.G. Edwards' staff, 1st Military District in the Enrolled Missouri Militia, October 25, 1862.
- Photograph of General A.G. Edwards.
- Page 52 Unidentified photograph of man in military uniform, 1911[?].

- Page 53-54 St. Louis newspaper article titled "Flourished for Half a Century: Interesting History of the Second Presbyterian Church of This City," 1895[?].
- Page 54 Undated newspaper article titled "Calls Washington Best Type of Time. Rev. Dr. Niccolls Finds Present in Greatest Debt to the Past." Regarding Rev. Dr. Samuel J. Niccolls. **(OVERSIZE)**
- Page 55 Newspaper article titled "Dr. Niccolls Sounds Note of Farewell in Jubilee Sermon," March 7[?], 1915.
- Page 56 Undated newspaper article regarding the wedding of Emily Bissell and Paget Cady.
- Folders 6-7**
- Page 57 Typescript letter signed Geo. R. Throop, chancellor, Washington University, St. Louis, to Carlos G. Tredway, December 22, 1928. Requests photograph of Carlos S. Greeley.
- Pages 58-103 Two hundred fifty-five cyanotypes illustrating a hunting trip in Colorado in 1899. Those on the trip who are included in the images are Dr. W. Baumgarten, P.A. Dickinson, Carlos G. Tredway, Jack Liggett, Karl Baumgarten, Jack Abeles, and Fred Albin. Also includes images of hunting, fishing, camping, ranch life, chuck wagons, horses, mining, Colorado landscapes, towns and cities, and a school house.
- Page 66 Log of the trip, 1899.
- Page 104 Blank
- Page 105 Portrait print of Carlos S. Greeley.