

**CIVIL WAR LETTERS OF**

**CHARLES W. ABELL**

**Musician/Private, Company E**

**154th New York Volunteer Infantry**

**CHARLES W. ABELL--Age 18 years; 5 feet, 8 inches tall;  
light complexion, hazel eyes, black hair;  
born in Westfield, Chautauqua County, New York; occupation, mechanic.  
Enlisted August 22, 1862 at Westfield, to serve three years;  
mustered in as musician, Company E, September 24, 1862;  
grade changed to private prior to April 10, 1863;  
captured in action May 2, 1863 at Chancellorsville, Virginia;  
paroled May 14, 1863 at City Point, Virginia;  
mustered out with company, June 11, 1865 near Bladensburg, Maryland.**

**From the originals in the possession of his granddaughter,  
Jean Schultz**