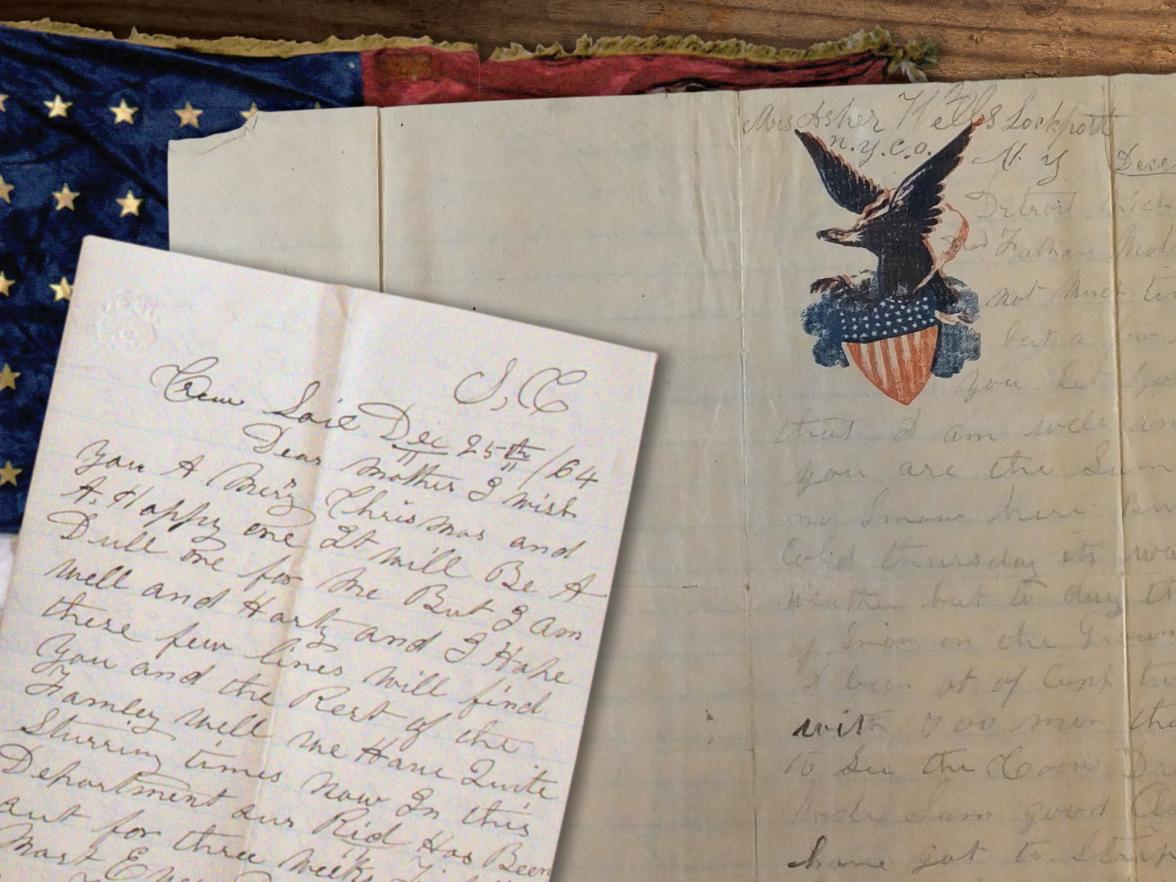


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THE CIVIL WAR LETTERS  
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Crew Laie Dec 25<sup>th</sup>/64  
Dear Mother I wish  
you a very Christmas and  
A Happy one It will be a  
Dull one for me But I am  
well and Harky and I have  
these few lines will find  
you and the rest of the  
family well we have quite  
shrimpy times now In this  
Department our Riel has been  
out for three weeks  
Mark & M

Mrs Esther Wells Lockport  
n.y.c.o. No 25  
Detroit Mich  
Dear Mother I  
not much to  
but a few  
you let go  
that I am well  
you are the same  
we snow here  
cold Thursday its wa  
weather but to day its  
of snow on the ground  
I been at of Camp  
with 1000 men the  
to see the Cooks Dr  
backe I am good Al  
some get to sleep