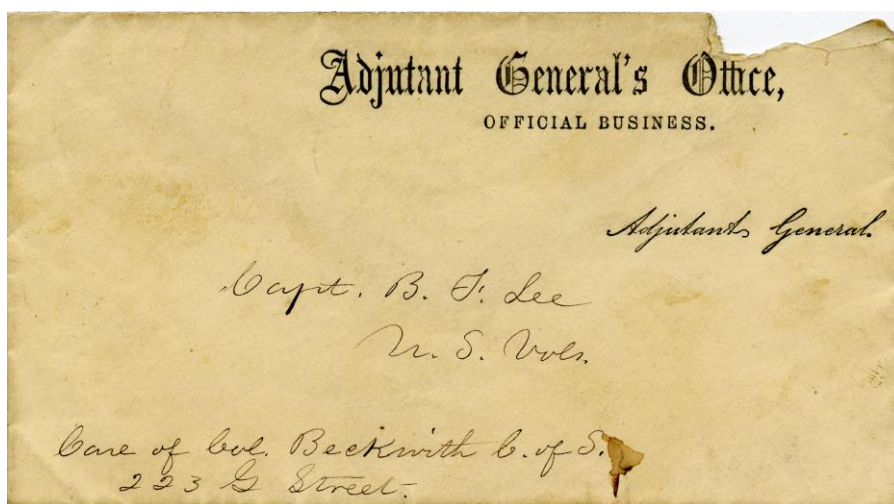


**Guide to the  
Captain Benjamin F. Lee Collection  
regarding 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry  
and John W. Geary**



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## **MS-079: Captain Benjamin F. Lee Collection regarding 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry and John W. Geary**

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### **Biography**

Benjamin F. Lee was mustered into service on June 28, 1861 as Quartermaster for the 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry. He remained in that position until September 18, 1862. At that time he resigned to accept a commission as Captain and A.C.S, [Adjutant Commissar of Subsistence]. He remained in the service for three years. After the war, Benjamin F. Lee was the personal secretary to his brother-in-law and former Colonel, Pennsylvania Governor John W. Geary.

**Source** <http://www.pa-roots.com/~pacw/infantry/28th/28thofficers.html>

### **Series Description**

The series is divided into three series. **Series I:** 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry; **Series II:** Correspondence; and **Series III:** Miscellaneous.

### **Scope and Content**

The Benjamin F. Lee Collection consists of three series which contain documents relating to requisitions by the 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry and correspondence of Lee and John W. Geary between themselves and various other individuals.

### **BOX 1**

(Box/Folder)

1/1 Finding Aid, Internet printouts regarding the John W. Geary, description of collection that is posted on the Special Collections website, and National Archives Correspondence

### **SERIES I - 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry**

1/2 General

- “Names of those who enlisted in the Army from New Cumberland”
- 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry Muster Roll Index – entries for Colonel John W. Geary
- Circular dated February 1, 1862 from Division HQ regarding blacksmiths and wheelwrights

- Receipt of Pay, dated March 31, 1862
- Manuscript notes describing the death of Col. Geary's son in battles, as well as others

1/3 Requisitions - September 1861-February 1862 (not continuous)

- Letter dated September 6, 1861 in camp near [Adamstown], Maryland from Capt. E.G. Beckwith regarding requisition of potatoes.
- Copy dated October 10, 1861; Receipt by Benjamin L. Berry of uniforms.
- Receipt regarding payment to Mrs. Catherine Eider of Sandy Hook, Maryland for providing for prisoners of war in September and October of 1861.
- Letter dated November 18, 1861 in Sandy Hook, Maryland, from Hector Tyndale to Benjamin F. Lee regarding deduction from pay.
- Letter dated November 18, 1861, to Benjamin F. Lee, regarding requisition of pork, hard bread and beans.
- Letter dated November 26, 1861 in Point of Rocks, Maryland from Benjamin F. Lee to J.D. Bingham regarding requisition of clothing and garrison equipment.
- Letter dated November 27, 1861 in [Adamstown], Maryland, from J.D. Bingham to Benjamin F. Lee, response to letter dated November 26, 1861 regarding requisition of clothing and garrison equipment.
- Receipt dated December 1861 confirming payment of medical supplies for the surgeon of the 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry.
- Special Requisition dated January 4, 1862, received at Point of Rocks, Maryland, regarding plank and scantling.
- Statement of Differences dated February 11, 1862 fro the Treasury Department, Third Auditor's Office, regarding December medical supplies.
- Receipts for prisoners issued to boatmen, February 19-22, 1862 in Point of Rocks, Maryland [6 total]
- Receipt of rations list [8 transactions] dated February 22, 1862 in Point of Rocks, Maryland
- Receipt of ammunition dated February 27, 1862 in Point of Rocks, Maryland

1/4 Requisitions, March 1862-January 1872 (not continuous)

- Dated March 14, 1862 in Harper's Ferry from Capt. Charles B. Penrose regarding the closure of accounts.
- "List of clothing, camp and garrison equipment shipped to Frederick, Maryland from Point of Rocks, Maryland" dated March 20, 1862
- Receipt dated March 1861 confirming payment of medical supplies for the surgeon of the 28<sup>th</sup> PENNSYLVANIA Infantry.
- Letter dated April 9, 1862 in the field from a 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant regarding copies of requisitions as well as requesting more provisions.
- Provision Return for a detachment of the 66<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry dated August 20, 1862
- Consolidated Provision Return for a detachment of the 66<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry dated August 27, 1862

- Invoice of Subsistence Stores for the 28<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry dated September 3, 1862
- List of received provisions in Harper's Ferry dated December 6, 1862
- Letter dated January 28, 1872 in Frederick, Maryland from [G.B.] Black to Colonel Geary, regarding the Joseph [Faroley] case.

1/5 Orders to Benjamin F. Lee

- Orders # 178 dated May 7, 1862 from Col. John W. Geary
- Special Orders # 36 dated July 20, 1862 from Brig. Gen. John W. Geary
- Order # 278 dated [July] 14, 1862 from Lt. Col. Hector Tyndale

1/6 Depositions of Benjamin F. Lee

- Regarding subsistence of army off the land in Virginia in the Winter and Spring of 1862, undated (typed transcript attached)
- Regarding the claim of John T. Ross of Virginia, dated August 8, 1873

**SERIES II** – Correspondence

1/7 John W. Geary to Benjamin F. Lee

- Dated June 8, 1863 in Acquia [*sic*] Landing, Virginia
- Dated December 21, 1863 in Wauhatchie, Tennessee; original envelope and carte-de-visite attached.

1/8 Pennsylvania Attorney General Benjamin H. Brewster to Governor John W. Geary

- Dated 28 May 1867 in Harrisburg on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 20 June 1867 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 27 June 1867 in Philadelphia
- Dated 2 August 1867 in Philadelphia
- Dated August 27, 1867 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 18 September 1867 in Philadelphia
- Dated 26 September 1867 in Philadelphia
- Dated 2 November 1867 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 20 November 1867 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 30 June 1868 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated August 26, 1868 in Philadelphia on Office of Attorney General Stationary
- Dated 6 February 1869 in Philadelphia
- Dated 9 February 1869 in Philadelphia
- Dated 19 March 1869 in Philadelphia
- Dated 24 [May?] 1869 in Philadelphia

1/9 Benjamin L. Berry to Benjamin F. Lee

- Dated November 1, 1861 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania regarding supplies
- Dated November 23, 1861 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania regarding supplies
- Dated November 25, 1861 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania regarding supplies

1/10 To/From John W. Geary

- Dated December 3, 1868 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to Col. George R. Corson regarding appointment of a Notary Public in Norristown.
- Dated July 12, 1872 in Washington City, from A.B. Eaton, Commissioner General of Subsistence, regarding claim of Mrs. Catharine Eader of Sandy Hook, Maryland

1/11 To/From Benjamin F. Lee

- Dated March 10, 1870 in Harrisburg on behalf of Governor John W. Geary to Hon. Warren J. Woodward regarding the murder trial, conviction, and sentence of execution of John Deal.
- Dated April 1, 1873 in Washington City from W.M. Dunn, Asst. JAG, regarding claim of John W. Neer and alleged services as a scout for Col. John W. Geary.
- Dated May 31, 1873 in Washington City from A.B. Eaton, Commissioner General of Subsistence, regarding the use of voucher by Lee while quartermaster. A draft of Lee's reply is attached.
- Dated October 18, 1875 in Washington, D.C. from A.M. Gangerver, Acting Auditor of the Third Auditors Office for the Treasury Department, regarding claim of J.H. [Besant?] and Co.

### **SERIES III – Miscellaneous**

1/12 Miscellaneous

- Check dated March 18, 1870 in Harrisburg, Paid to the order of Jay Cook & Co. in the amount of \$560.00, from B.F. Lee
- Envelope addressed to Capt. B.F. Lee from the Adjutant General's Office.
- Abstract of Proposals regarding the completion of Brick cavalry barracks, undated
- "Questions for the Agent," undated