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Cape May County Civil War Round Table Newsletter **July 2012**

2012 Meeting Schedule

NEW MEETING LOCATION!! We are now meeting in the Jury Room at the New **Courthouse near the Public Library**

Instructions on how to get to the new meeting location:

- 1) From Rte 9 (Main Street in Cape May Court House) turn North on Mechanic Street, toward the library.
- 2) Turn right at the next intersection (Boyd St.) (The corner the Public Library is on.)
- 3) Turn right at the jury parking sign (about half way down the street)
- 4) Go past the open gate and park in the Court House parking lot.
- 5) As you look at the brick building in front of you, bear to the left and enter between the two large brick pillars.
- 6) Jury room will be the first door on the left. If you have been called up for jury duty in the past, it's the room you entered into to start with before going up to sit in the court rooms.
- 7) Two New Rules: Nothing may be left in the room when we leave, including trash; and NO WEAPONS.

19 July: Presentation by MAC on: *The Victorian Civil War:* Aftermaths. Refreshments: Pat Munson-Siter

16 Aug: Presentation by Wendy Repici on The Gettysburg Cyclorama Painting. Refreshments: Wendy & Lisa

20 Sept: Refreshments: Marty Runner

18 Oct: Eric Buckland will be speaking to us on his research and books on the "Mosby Men." Refreshments:

15 Nov:

?? Dec:

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Minutes of the Business Meeting of the **Cape May Civil War Round Table** 21 June 2012

Pres. Burke called the meeting to order. We saluted the flag and held a moment of silence for those serving us in harm's way.

Minutes of the May meeting were read, motion made to accept them as written, seconded and passed.

Marty Runner has Civil War magazines, etc. for sale, proceeds will go to preservation efforts. He will bring them to future meetings as well.

Pres. Burke told the group about a presentation on Jewish soldiers in the Civil War on 5 August. More information will be in this newsletter.

Reminder of Founders' Days at the Historical Society. David Check mentioned an effort to find out who people in recently discovered Civil War photos. Article appears in this newsletter.

We have been notified that the Cape May Administrative Office Building will probably be closed to the public after 4:30pm in the future. Several possible venues were discussed. One was the Jury Room in the Court House, which we will try to put in for. (See column to left – that is where we will meet in the future.)

Treasurer Marshall arrived and gave the Treasurer's report. Motion made to accept the report and file for audit; seconded and passed.

Mr. Marshall also mentioned that our website is being updated, and shortly will include some videos from re enactments, etc.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting so the presentation could begin. Seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia A. Munson-Siter Secretary, Cape May County Civil War Round Table

Civil War Milestones = August

1861

10	Battle of Wilson's Creek (MO)
11	Union soldiers occupy Hatteras Island

(NC)

1862

9	Battle of Cedar Mountain (VA)
29-30	Second battle of Manassas (Bull Run) (VA)

1863

21 Lawrence (KS) burned by Quantrill

1864

5 Battle of Mobile Bay (AL)

Civil War Related Events in August 2012

Locally: 5 August, noon to 2pm; Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Fierstien: *The Blue and the Gray: Jewish Heroes of Both Sides*. Kosher lunch (dairy) will be served. Cost is \$5 for members of the Temple and \$10 for the general public. Held through Beth Judah Temple on Spencer & Pacific Ave. in Wildwood. RSVP at 609-552-7541 by NLT 29 July as reservations are required.

1	MD	Walking tour, "National Cemetery," at the
		Antietam National Battlefield near
		Sharpsburg. 7 pm. www.nps.gov/anti

- Discussion, "President Lincoln and President Obama," at the Calvert Library, 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick. 7 pm. Free. calvert.lib.md.us/lincoln.html
- Living history, parade, camps and demonstrations on Main Street in Orange commemorating the Aug 2, 1862, battle.

 10:30 am-1:30 pm. Free.

 www.visitorangevirginia.com
- Ranger program, "Stonewall Jackson's Shenandoah Valley Campaign: An Overview," at Belle Grove, 336 Belle Grove Road, Middletown. 7 pm. Free.

 www.nps.gov/cebe
- Walking tour, "The Bone Collectors," NPS ranger-led tour begins at the Fredericksburg

- national park visitor center. 7 pm. Free. www.nps.gov/frsp or 540-373-6122.
- 3-5 VA Reenactment, "The Battle of Second Manassas" at the Cedar Creek Battlefield near Middletown. Fee charged.

 www.cedarcreekbattlefield.org.
 - Workshop, "How to Find Your Family's Civil War History," at the Calvert Library, 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick. 10 amnoon. Free. calvert.lib.md.us/lincoln.html
 - 4 MD Lecture, "North Carolina Regiments at Antietam and the Maryland Campaign," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 2 pm. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/anti
 - 4 PA "Songs and Stories of a Civil War Hospital,"
 Civil War music and diary readings at Christ
 Church, 30 Chambersburg St, Gettysburg. 8
 pm. Free. 717-334-5212.
 - Walking tour, "Butler's Offensive at Point of Rocks," begins at Dodd Park, 201 Enon Church Road, Chester. 10 am-noon. \$8.

 Register: www.chesterfieldhistory.com
 - Living history, at Salubria (1757) near Culpeper. Camp and demonstrations on the grounds (free). Tours of the historic home.

 11 am-5 pm. \$10.

 www.germanna.org/salubria
 - Living history tour, "City Point's Tom Sawyer," a kid's eye view of the City War at City Point (Hopewell), part of the Petersburg National Battlefield. 11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm. Free. www.nps.gov/pete
 - Walking tour of Civil War Culpeper. Begins at the Depot Visitor Center. 9:30-11:30 am. \$10/adult. Reservations suggested. 540-825-9147.

- Living history, "Cavaliers, Courage and Coffee," tales from the Mosby Heritage Area at the Burwell-Morgan Mill in Millwood. 7:30 pm. www.mosbyheritagearea.org.
- 4 VA Living history and family activities, "Civil War Medicine," at the Museum of the Confederacy in Richmond. 10 am-4:30 pm. Free with museum admission.

 www.moc.org.
- 4-5 WV Living history, "Under Fire: The Battle of Boliver Heights 1862," at the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park. Firing demos at 1,2 and 3 pm. Free with park admission.

 www.nps.gov/hafe
- 4-5 PA Reenactment, "Battle of Yellow House," at the Museums of Rural Life, 436 Walnut St, Girard. Camps and demonstrations all weekend, with battles. Candlelight tours (\$5/adult) Saturday evening. Free for living history. www.eriecountyhistory.org
- 4-5 PA Living history at Spangler's Spring and Pitzer Woods in the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free. www.nps.gov/gett
- 4-5 PA Living history, "Federal Generals Corps," at the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. 10 am-4 pm Saturday, noon-4 pm Sunday.

 www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org
- 4-5 MD Living history, "Confederates Occupy
 Turner's Gap," at Dahlgren Chapel, Alt.
 Route 40 on South Mountain near
 Boonsboro. Camps and demonstrations
 Saturday 10 am-4 pm, Sunday 10 am-3 pm.
 Free. 301-791-4767.
- 4-5 MD Living history, "Signal Corps Weekend," camp, talks and demonstrations at the Pry House Field Hospital Hospital Museum in Keedysville. 11 am-5 pm.

 www.civilwarmed.org or 301-695-1864.

- Bus tour, "Three Decisive Days at Gettysburg: Day Three," with Ed Bearss. A Smithsonian tour. 8 am-7 pm. \$171.

 Tickets: residentassociates.org (click Civil War).
- 7 VA Tour, "General George McClellan's Civil War Headquarters at Harrison's Landing," special tour of Berkeley Plantation, 12602 Harrison Landing Road in Charles City. 9 am-11 am. Fee charged. Reservations required: 888-466-6018 or www.berkeleyplantation.com.
 - 8 MD Walking tour, "National Cemetery," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 7 pm. www.nps.gov/anti
 - 9 MD Living history, "Clara Barton," at the Calvert Library, 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick. 7 pm. Free. calvert.lib.md.us/lincoln.html
- Symposium, "Battle of Cedar Mountain," at the Daniel Technology Center, 18121
 Technology Drive, Culpeper. Anniversary speakers highlight the battle and battlefield preservation. Begins 8:45 am. \$45 includes lunch. Registration, info, email:

 | hmml@comcast.net |
- Walking tours, music, talks and living history, "An Evening on the Cedar Mountain Battlefield." Begins 6:30 pm on the battlefield south of Culpeper. \$10/vehicle parking fee.

 www.friendsofcedarmountain.org.
 - Living history, "Sewing Circle," life in the 1860s at the Bushong House on the New Market Battlefield State Park. 10 am-4 pm. Free with park admission. 866-515-1864.
- 10 VA "A Soldier's Nightfall: A Campfire Program" meets at the Fredericksburg national park visitor center. 8 pm. Free. www.nps.gov/frsp or 540-373-6122.

11	VA	Car-caravan tour, "Brandy Station Battlefield: Kelly's Ford & Stevensburg," begins 10 am at the Graffiti House in Brandy Station. \$10. brandystationfoundation.org			Battlefield. 9 am-5 pm Saturday, 9 am-noon Sunday. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/pete
11 150	MD	Lecture, "Frederick, One Vast Hospital," at the National Museum of Civil War Medicine in Frederick. 2 pm. Free with museum admission. www.civilwarmed.org or 301-	15	MD	Lecture, "The Story of John Wilkes Booth," at the Calvert Library, 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick. 7 pm. Free. http://calvert.lib.md.us/lincoln.html
11	MD	695-1864. Lecture, "Rhode Island Artillery, Cavalry and Infantry Units in the Antietam and the	15	MD	Walking tour, "National Cemetery," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 7 pm. www.nps.gov/anti
		Maryland Campaign," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 2 pm. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/anti	17-18	PA	Music, annual Civil War Music Muster in Gettysburg at the Gettysburg National Military Park visitor center and the Dobbin House Courtyard with evening concerts on
11	PA	"Songs and Stories of a Civil War Hospital," Civil War music and diary readings at Christ Church, 30 Chambersburg St, Gettysburg. 8	17-19	VA	the battlefield. Free. www.nps.gov/gett Living history and tours during the Civil
11	PA	pm. Free. 717-334-5212. "An Evening with the Painting," a special look at the famous Cyclorama at the Gettysburg National Military Park. 5 pm. \$20. www.gettysburgfoundation.org			War Weekend at Montpelier, home of James Madison, near Orange. Camps, demonstrations, skirmishes and tours of Confederate winter campsite on the grounds. Free with admission. www.montpelier.org or 540-672-2728.
11-12 ** 150	MD	Living history, "Before the Storm," programs focused on the civilians in the Sharpsburg area prior to the Battle of Antietam. Programs on the battlefield. in Sharpsburg and South Mountain. Includes artillery demonstrations. www.nps.gov/anti	18 150	VA	Bus tour, "Stonewall Jackson's Bold Sweep: Second Manassas," a tour of this critical movement to the Second Manassas battlefield, includes Marshall, Thoroughfare Gap and Bristoe Station. 8 am-5 pm. \$85. Reservations: 703-367-7872.
11-12	PA	Living history, Confederate camp and demonstrations at the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. 10 am-4 pm Saturday, noon-4 pm Sunday. www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org	18 150	VA	Walking tour, "War so Terrible: Richmond 1862," Begins at the Museum of the Confederacy in Richmond. 10:30 am. \$9. More info, tickets: www.moc.org .
11-12	PA	Living history at Pitzer Woods in the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free. www.nps.gov/gett	18	VA	"Burial Practices of the Civil War," ranger program at the Petersburg National Battlefield. 1 pm. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/pete
11-12	VA	Living history, "Digging the Dimmock Line," constructing the Confederate line at Petersburg at the Petersburg National	18	VA	Living history, "Jacob Bushong's Birthday Party," life in the 1860s at the Bushong House on the New Market Battlefield State

		Park. 11 am-3:30 pm. Free with park admission. 866-515-1864.	22	MD	Walking tour, "National Cemetery," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 7 pm. www.nps.gov/anti
18	VA	Walking tour, Fort Huger, 15080 Talcott Terrace in Isle of Wight County on the James River near Smithfield. 10 am. Free. 757-357-0115.	23	VA	Fireside Stories at Ben Lomond: "With Fire in His Young Eye," the life of a soldier wounded at Second Manassas. Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Drive,
18	VA	Boat tour, "Potomac River Blockade," includes surviving batteries that enforced the Confederate blockade (September 1861-March 1862). 10 am-1 pm. \$30 includes	24-25	VA	Manassas. 6-7 pm. Free (donations welcome). 703-367-7872. Anniversary commemoration of the Battle of
		lunch. Reservations: 703-792-4754.	± 150	VA	Second Manassas. Living history camps and demonstrations and special ranger tours of
18-19	MD	Living history, "Thunder on the Mountain," artillery demonstrations on South Mountain, Fox's Gap, Reno Monument Road, near Middletown. Firings at 11 am, 1 and 3 pm			various parts of the battlefield at the Manassas National Battlefield Park. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/mana
		Saturday, 11 and 1 pm Sunday. Free. 301-791-4767.	24-25 150	VA	Living history, "Clara Barton at St. Mary of Sorrows and Fairfax Station," tending the wounded of Second Manassas, those sites in
18-19	PA	Living history, Confederate camp and demonstrations at the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. 10 am-4 pm Saturday, noon-4 pm Sunday.			Fairfax Station. Service and luminary Friday night, living history, forums and music Saturday. Free. www.fairfax-station.org
		nationalcivilwarmuseum.org	24-26	VA	Commemoration of the Battle of Second Manassas in Old Town Manassas. Living
18-19	PA	Living history at Pitzer Woods and Spangler's Spring in the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free. www.nps.gov/gett			history, tours of the Confederate Cemetery, lectures and tours of Liberia Plantation. Friday and Saturday bonfires. Blue and Gray Ball Saturday night. www.manassasmuseum.org
18-19	VA	Reenactment, "Battles of Orange Court House and Cedar Mountain," at the Luray	25	PA	"High Tea with author of 'The Jennie
		Valley Museum (Luray Caverns) in Luray. www.lurayreenactment.com.	23	IA	Wade Story: A True and Complete Account of the Only Civilian Killed during the Battle of Gettysburg'" on the Rupp House lawn,
19	MD	Book talk, "Escape Across the Potomac," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 2 pm. Free with park admission.			451 Baltimore St, Gettysburg. 1:130-1pm. \$26.95. Tickets: 877-874-2478.
		www.nps.gov/anti	25	VA	Car-caravan tour, "Brandy Station Battlefield: Fleetwood Hill," begins 10 am at the Graffiti House in Brandy Station. \$10.
19	VA	Anniversary commemoration of the Battle of the Weldon Railroad, ranger program at the Petersburg National Battlefield (Western			brandystationfoundation.org
		Front Stop 3). 11 am and 3 pm. Free. www.nps.gov/pete	25	VA	Living history, tours, "Telegrams – Not Texts," a look at the "new" technology used during the war at the Dabbs House Museum,

3812 Nine Mile Road, near Richmond. 1-4 pm. Free. Details: <u>this link</u>.

Luminary, "Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Run," walking tour at the Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, off Iron Brigade Unit Avenue in Bristow (near Manassas). 8-10 pm. \$10. 703-366-3049.

Living history and special tours, "Battle of Kettle Run," 150th anniversary commemoration of the Aug. 27, 1862, battle. Activities at the Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, Iron Brigade Unit Ave, in Bristow. 11 am-4 pm Saturday, 11 am-3 pm Sunday. Free. 703-367-7872.

Living history and tours at Chapman's Mill on the Thoroughfare Gap battlefield near Haymarket. Military and civilian camps. Talks and tours every two hours both days. Free (donations welcome).

www.chapmansmill.org

25-26 VA Tours, "War on the Home Front," at
Oatlands Historic House and Gardens near
Leesburg. 11 am and 1 pm Saturday, 1 pm
Sunday. Fee charged. www.oatlands.org

25-26 MD Living history, "Artillery at Antietam," camps and demonstrations at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/anti

25-26 PA Living history, Confederate camp and demonstrations at the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. 10 am-4 pm Saturday, noon-4 pm Sunday.

nationalcivilwarmuseum.org

25-26 PA Living history at Pitzer Woods in the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free. www.nps.gov/gett

26 VA Lecture, "The Campaign of Second Manassas," at the Graffiti House in Brandy Station. 2 pm. Free, donations welcome.

brandystationfoundation.org

28-30 VA Anniversary ranger-led tours covering various parts of the Second Manassas battlefield at the Manassas National Battlefield Park. Times focus on historic battle events. Free with park admission. www.nps.gov/mana

Walking tour, "National Cemetery," at the Antietam National Battlefield near Sharpsburg. 7 pm. www.nps.gov/anti

Tour and service relating to the Battle of Second Manassas at Sudley Methodist Church, 5308 Sudley Road (Route 234, north of the battlefield). Ranger-led tour begins 6 pm followed by service at the church. www.nps.gov/mana

Civil War photos: Help sought to solve old mystery

By STEVE SZKOTAK | Associated Press – Mon, Jun 11, 2012



Ann Drury Wellford, manager of Photographic Services for The Museum of the Confederacy, a Civil War battlefield photos at the museum in Richmond, Va., Friday, May 25, 2012. Private Thomas W. Timberlake of Co. ...more G, 2nd Virginia Infantry found this child's portrait on the battlefield of Port Republic, Virginia, between the bodies of a Confederate soldier and a Federal soldier. Eight photographs are publicly releasing the images in the admittedly remote chance a descendant might recognize a facial resemblance or

make a connection the battlefields where they were found. (AP Photo/Steve Helber) less

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — The names of the two little girls are an enduring mystery, their images found among crumpled bodies on Civil War battlefields. Each is posed primly on chairs, ringlets cascading past the rouged cheeks of one, the other dressed in a frilly hoop dress.

But no one knows the identities of the girls in the photographs, or the stories they might tell.

The photograph of one girl was found between the bodies of two soldiers — one Union, one Confederate, at Port Republic, Va., 150 years ago this June. The other was retrieved from a slain Union soldier's haversack in 1865 on a Virginia farm field days before a half-decade of blood-letting would end with a surrender signed not far away at Appomattox.

Though photography was in its infancy when the war broke out, its use was widespread. Many soldiers carried photographs of loved ones into battle and for the first time, photographic images of war were available — and the Museum of the Confederacy has its own vast collection of images today, many of them identified.

But now museum officials are releasing the unidentified images of the two girls, along with six other enigmatic photographs, on the admittedly remote chance someone might recognize a familial resemblance or make a connection to a battlefield where they were found.

There is no writing on the backs of these photographs. No notes tucked inside their wallet-sized frames. For a museum that prides itself on knowing the provenance of its holdings, the photographs offer few clues.

"We don't know who they are and the people who picked them up did not know who they were," said Ann Drury Wellford, curator of 6,000 Civil War images at the Richmond museum that has the largest collection of artifacts of the Confederate states, civilian and military. "They evoke an utter and complete sentimentality."

Museum officials can only speculate on the children and adults, including soldiers, shown in the photographs. But whether they were sons and daughters, fathers and mothers, or siblings the prospect of identifying each grows dimmer with the passage of time.

Typically they were found by another soldier and handed down through generations. Ultimately an attic would be cleared or a trunk would be emptied and the photo would be given to the museum. Some have been in the museum's possession for 60 years or more.

Even in its infancy, photography was booming during the Civil War. Photographers were assigned to Northern divisions and traveling photographers were the early version of photo booths as they visited encamped troops between battles and photographed them.

Photography was evolving from daguerreotype to ambrotypes and other mediums in which images were produced through a wet emulsion on glass and were more accessible to a wider audience. "It had more versatility than it had ever had," according to Jeffrey Ruggles, a historian of photography. "It was the early blossoming of photography. The war just happened to hit at a time when people were very interested in seeing these pictures."

Bob Zeller, president of The Center for Civil War Photography, said soldiers carrying photographs of wives, children and other loved ones off to battle was common. Finding a photo on the battlefield without a clear connection to a dead soldier was uncommon and highly evocative.

"Much of it is the unknown factor that the image carries," he said. "It's something that everyone cherishes, a photograph of their loved ones, but there it is out on this battlefield with these seemingly nameless, faceless corpses."

Zeller, the author of several books on Civil War photography, including "The Blue and Gray in Black and White: A History of Civil War Photography," described such photos as the link for many Civil War combatants to "a reality that, for many of them, had just disappeared."

Sometimes, the story behind an unidentified photo is eventually told. Zeller relates the story of a Union soldier who died at Gettysburg, clutching a photograph of his family. Widespread efforts in the North to identify the family ultimately proved successful in tracing his family to upstate New York.

As for the girl's photos, there is no hint of who these subjects are and the connection to the combatants who once cherished them is lost.

Unlike modern soldiers, few Civil War troops had the modern-day version of dog tags and few carried identification. The Civil War also did not have the kinds of mortuary units that now strive to collect all the possessions of the war dead and return them to their families.

Each photograph is in a hinged case with a leather or composite exterior. The cases protected the fragile images, which include early photographic processes such as tintypes and daguerreotypes.

"We're very fortunate that we know where they came from and how they were found, and many people who donated them were hopeful a family member would see them and identify them," Wellford explained. But the museum official said it would be too costly and time-consuming, she said, for curators to do their own detective work.

Pvt. Thomas W. Timberlake of the 2nd Virginia Infantry found the portrait of the girl with the ringlets and hand-colored pink cheeks on the battlefield of Port Republic between the bodies of the two dead soldiers.

Fought in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley, Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson's forces turned back Northern troops led by Brig. Gen. James Shields, who lost 67 men. The Union troops hailed from Ohio and Pennsylvania.

The other girl, who had short hair parted down the middle, was found by Pvt. Heartwell Kincaid Adams of the 3rd Virginia Cavalry in the haversack he found on a Union soldier's body at the battle of High Bridge in Virginia, only days before the war ended at Appomattox in 1865

"I think they're utterly compelling, especially the little girls," Wellford said. "You can see that they're dressed well and they're posed in elaborate studios. There was a lot of thought and effort that went into taking those pictures."

The other photographs released by the museum offer scant information on their origin. Many lack the dates they were found and locations, but Wellford hopes the public at large could help.

They show:

- A Confederate soldier, standing ramrod tall and staring intently, who left an ambrotype of himself with Mrs. L.M.C. Lee of Corinth, Miss., on the eve of the Battle of Shiloh. The soldier never returned and is presumed to have been killed in battle.
- An officer, the epaulettes hand-painted a still-glinting silver, found on a battlefield near Richmond. The museum identified him as a lieutenant but was unable to determine for which side. It was not unusual for a militia officer from the South to wear a U.S. Army issue uniform dating from before the nation was divided by the Civil War.
- An unidentified woman found in the effects of a soldier identified as Joseph Warren. Her cheeks were painted a pink blush; her earrings, rings, and necklace were painted gold.
- Two young girls flanking a somber-looking woman, found in the effects of Joseph Warren.
- An unidentified couple with two young children. A Union soldier known only as Kilmartin found the photograph on the Fredericksburg battlefield. It was later passed on by Mrs. Walter Blunt of Richmond to the museum

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— An unidentified man found in a tent somewhere in North Carolina during the war.

Wellford said the photographs show there was more to the war than combat and death.

"You have these guys out their killing each other and all sorts of bloodshed and he's carrying a picture of a little girl," Welllford said. "It shows the humanity."

Museum officials said, even 150 years later, it remains important to return the photos to families who had a link to the Civil War. The two girls, they said, still evoke powerful emotions.

"You think about these little girls at home and their daddies never return and they don't know what happened to them," said Sam Craghead, a spokesman for the museum. "It's just a really, really human story."

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Online: The Center for Civil War Photography: www.civilwarphotography.org

Museum of the Confederacy: www.moc.org