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**Guide to Collection**

**Bulkley, Charles S.**

**Journal and Letters of Colonel Charles S. Bulkley, U.S. Army Telegraph Trail Expedition, 1865-1867**

**MS 49-6**

1 box  
0.2 linear ft. + 1 oversize map

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## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

In 1864 Colonel Charles Bulkley, a former Superintendent of Military Telegraphs, was called upon to supervise the Western Union Telegraph Company Overland project.

## SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

Journal and letters of Col. Charles S. Bulkley during the U.S. Army Telegraph Trail Expedition, 1865-1867, which attempted to survey a route for the Western Union Telegraph Company to lay a line to Europe via Alaska and Siberia. Volume 1 includes map (very fragile).

## INVENTORY

### **Volume 1** (*Located in MS Oversize*)

Photostat of the Journal and Letters of Col. C. S. Bulkley, U.S. Army, Telegraph Trail Expedition, 1865-1867. Included in this volume is a photostat of Bulkley's Western Union Telegraph Expedition Map, "Map of Russian America or Alaskan Territory," n.s., c. 1867. (See also at *Alaska Map No. 0093(photocopy) and 0159(blueline) located in Map Case 1 and G4370.1867.L39 (damaged original) located on Extra Oversize shelf.*)

### **Volume 2**

Carbon copy of the typewritten transcription of Volume 1

### **Volume 2, copy 2**

Photocopy of Volume 2