

# Civil War Draft in Wisconsin

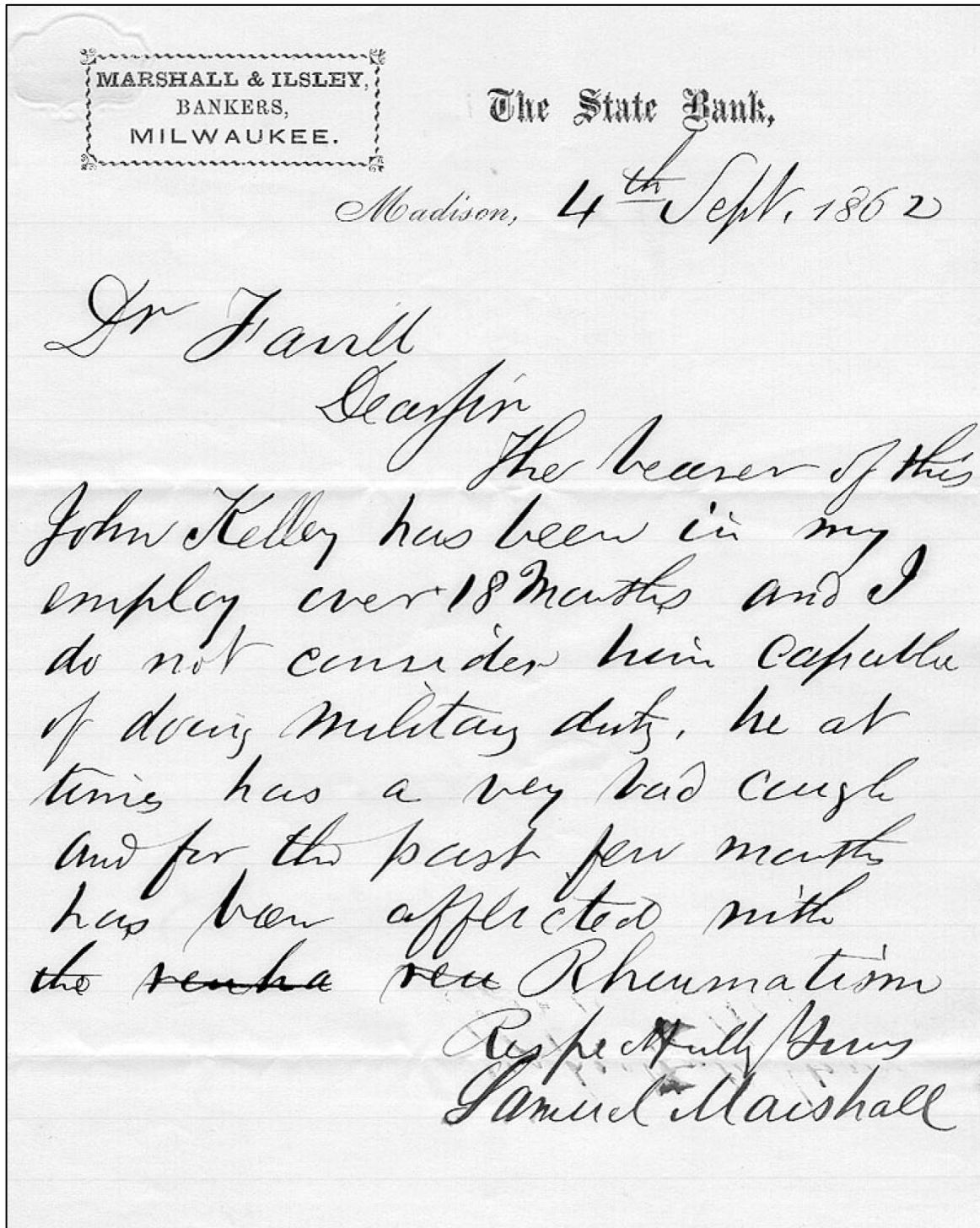
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## Letters – "Letters of Exemption"

Letters written by doctors and acquaintances to help men obtain exemption.  
Dane County, 1862. In Medical Correspondence. Wisconsin Historical Society.



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I hereby certify, that Edward Kullmann  
is suffering on depression of the breast,  
his breast-bones are missformed and  
he has been for several years under  
my treatment. I don't think E. Kullmann  
fit for military duties.

Madison,  
30. August. 1862.

R. Wolff M. D.

State of Wisconsin  
County of Davi  
Town of Bristol

On the first day of September 1862  
I Dr. of med. say and witness that  
Albert Holsman is suffering on a  
rheumatic disease on his left leg for  
two years and a half with time I give  
him medical aid and I grand, that  
in consequence, of that sickness, said persons  
health will be suffering for ever

Madison, 30. Sep. 1862.

R. Wolff M. D.

Witness by hand and seal

Dr. Anthony Weiskopf seal



Albion, Aug. 21, 1862  
Dr Favel

Dr Sir

In reference to the physical condition  
of W. F. Atwood I think I can  
safely say that I do not consider  
him able to endure the hardships  
of a soldiers life

He is subject to a  
periodical sick-head-ache which  
confines him to his bed for the  
time, supposed to be brought on  
by fatigue or exposure, but has  
therefore recovered without  
medical aid

Most respectfully

Alex B. Birdick