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Ithaca, NY--Among the piles of knickknacks, haystacks, dust, and debris abandoned in her historic barn Katie Aldridge discovered a box containing the Civil War letters of Charles Freeman Biddlecom. Painstakingly transcribing and lightly editing more than 100 letters written by the soldier to his wife during his service, Ms. Aldridge resurrected the voice of the Civil War combat soldier. The tone and character of "Charlie's" detailed accounts of the war compelled Ms. Aldridge to find out more. The result is *No Freedom Shrieker: The Civil War Letters of Union Soldier Charles Biddlecom*.

From letters written throughout Grant's Overland Campaign the reader gains an insider's view of the war: fear, hunger, sickness, longing and concern for those left behind, and detailed insights about the political climate. Writing from a perspective shaped in an Upstate New York community closely linked to the abolitionist cause and the Quaker philosophy, the reader learns how Charlie's background shaped his actions and view of the war.

Katie Aldridge is a marathoner, elite class, and first-time author. She lives with her family on an historic farm in Upstate New York where she is still sorting through the box of letters and working on her next book.

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