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#### Education

2011- present	University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia Ph.D., History <b>(Degree Expected May 2016)</b>
	Committee: Stephen Berry (chair), Stephen Mihm, Julia Ott, and Daniel Rood
2008	Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine Bachelor of Arts, History with Honors
Publications	

## **Edited Volumes**

- "We Are in His Hands Whether We Live or Die:" The Letters of Brevet Brigadier General Charles Henry Howard (University of Tennessee Press, 2013.)
- "Blessed Boyhood:' The Early Memoir' of Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain (Bowdoin College Press, 2013.) Co-edited with Tom A. Desjardins.

#### Articles and Book Chapters

"Financing the War," in Aaron Sheehan-Dean ed., *The Cambridge History of the American Civil War* 3 vols. (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming, 2018).

"Like a Cord Through the Whole Country': Union Bonds and Financial Mobilization for Victory," *The Journal of the Civil War Era*, forthcoming, 2016.

"Oliver Otis Howard: Reassessing the Legacy of the 'Christian General." American Nineteenth Century History Vol. 10, no. 3 (September 2009): 273-98.

#### **Book Reviews**

Reviews for The Alabama Review, Civil War History (2), Civil War Monitor (2), H-CivWar, North Carolina Historical Review (2), The Southern Quarterly, and Virginia Magazine of History and Biography.

# **Popular Pieces**

"The Election of 1860 and Secession," The American Yamp (Spring 2014).

"Lehman Brothers Goes to War," Disunion Blog, New York Times (September 2013).

"Why the Belmont is Named for a Rothschild Banking Agent," Echoes: Dispatches from Economic History, *Bloomberg* (June 2013).

"Bowdoin's Other Civil War Sons," Civil War Monitor (August 2012).

"Oliver Otis Howard," *The Essential Civil War Curriculum*, William C. Davis and James I. Robertson, editors, (August 2012).

# **Conference Presentations**

- "Removing Prejudices and Solidifying the Nation': Union Bond Sales in the Confederacy," 2016 Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, November 2016, forthcoming.
- "Internationalizing the American Civil War: The German and Dutch Impact on Union Bond Sales, 1862-1865," 2015 Business History Conference and European Business History Association Joint Meeting, Miami, Florida, June 2015.
- "The Bonds of Empire," Roundtable on Emotional History in the Civil War Era (roundtable organizer), Society of Civil War Historians Fourth Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, June 2014.
- "A Man without Faith, Party, or Country (but not without means): August Belmont and the Politics of Capital Citizenship in the Civil War Era," 2013 British American Nineteenth Century Historians Conference, Madingley Hall, Cambridge, England, October 2013.
- "The Civil War as an 'Act of God:' Life Insurance and the Impact of the Fourteenth Amendment," From Property to Personhood: The Intents and Unintended Consequences of the Reconstruction Amendments, Third Biennial UnCivil Wars Conference, Athens, Georgia, October 2013.
- "God's Providence Seems to Have Been Showing Forth from All Quarters': George Cheever, Matthew Simpson, and the Ministerial Pursuit of Emancipation," Baptist History & Heritage Society Annual Conference, Richmond, Virginia, May 2013.
- "A Catholic that Loves Not His Country Does Not Understand His Religion': Catholic Influence on Union Civil War Diplomacy, Politics of Citizenship, and State Formation," The Politics of Religion: 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student Symposium, Department of Religion, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, February 2013.

"The Will of God Prevails': Ministerial Influence on Union Diplomacy," The Transnational Significance of the American Civil War: A Global History, German Historical Institute, Washington D.C., September 2012.

### **Invited Presentations**

- "Like a Cord Through the Whole Country': The 7-30 Bond Drive and the Evolution of National Financial Markets," Civil War Studies Seminar, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, November 2015.
- "The Nation's Banker: Jay Cooke and the 5-20 and 7-30 Bond Drives," Library Company of Philadelphia Colloquium, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 2014.
- "Bonds of War: Capital and the Evolution of Financial Markets in the American Civil War," University of Liverpool, Liverpool, England, May 2014.
- "Otis,' Charles, and Rowland: Sourcing the Wartime Legacy of the Howards," The Afterlife of the American Civil War, Bowdoin Alumni College, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, August 2013.
- "Bowdoin Alumni: Disunion and Dissent," Bowdoin and the Civil War at 150: Brothers in Arms, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, April 2013.

## Fellowships

- Program in Early American Economy and Society Fellowship, The Library Company of Philadelphia, 2014.
- Marty and Bruce Coffey Fellow, The Huntington Library, San Marino, California, 2014.
- Gilder Lehrman Fellowship, Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York, New York, 2014.
- New York Public Library Short-Term Research Fellowship, New York, New York, 2014.
- Everett Helm Visiting Fellowship, Indiana University, 2014.
- Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Travel Fellowship, Harvard Business School, 2013.
- History Project Research Grant, Harvard Center for History and Economics, 2013.
- University of Georgia Franklin College—University of Liverpool Doctoral Student Short—Term International Research Fellowship, 2013.

Rothschild Archive Research Bursary, The Rothschild Archive, London, England, 2012.

- Business History Conference Doctoral Colloquium Participant, Business History Conference, 2016.
- Gregory Graduate Research Award, History Department, University of Georgia, 2012-2015.
- Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Travel Fellowship, Business History Conference, 2015.

Emory Thomas Research Award, University of Georgia, 2015.

- Carl Vipperman Teaching Assistantship Award, University of Georgia, 2014.
- Gregory Graduate Travel Award, History Department, University of Georgia, 2013.
- Willson Center Graduate Research Award, The Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia, 2012.
- Sherman David Spector of the Class of 1950 Fellowship for Graduate Study in History and Teaching, Bowdoin College, 2011.
- National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, Landmarks of American History and Culture Workshops for School Teachers (2), 2009.

Class of 1875 Prize in American History, Bowdoin College, 2008.

#### **Professional Service**

Advisory Board Member, O.O. Howard NHPRC Digitization Project, Bowdoin College, 2014-2017.

Chapter Editor, American Yamp, 2015-present

Submissions Reviewer: Enterprise & Society

- Chair, Graduate Student Connections Committee, Society of Civil War Historians, 2012-2016.
- Contributing Editor, The Civil War Monitor, 2012-2015.
- Associate Editor, The Southern Historian, 2011-2012.
- Primary Contributor and Co-Editor, Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Bowdoin College Digital Archive, 2008.

### **University Service**

UGA History Department First Year Committee, 2012-2014.

History Graduate Student Association Treasurer, 2013-2014.

Mentor for first years in UGA History Department, 2012-2015.

History Graduate Student Association Professional Development Workshop Coordinator, 2012-2013.

# **Teaching Experience**

Instructor of Record: American History to 1877 University of Georgia, History Department

Teaching Assistant for American History to 1877 as well as American History 1865 to Present.

### **Scholarly Affiliations**

Organization of American Historians The Business History Conference The Society of Civil War Historians The Southern Historical Association