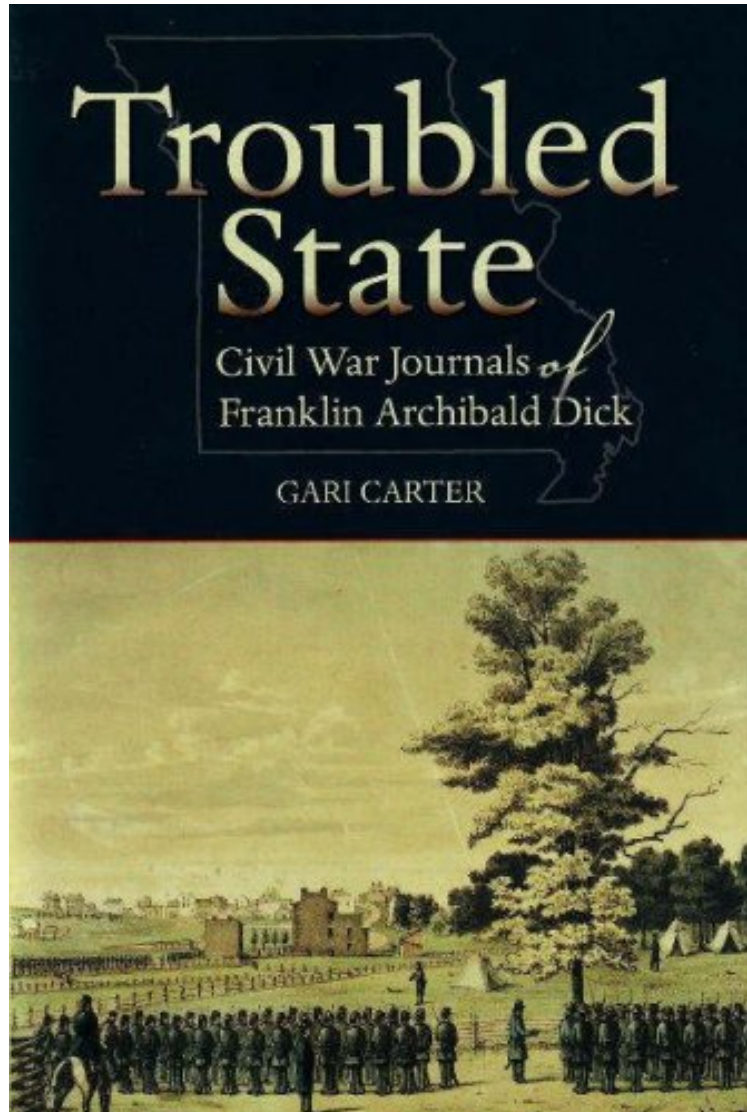


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A benefit to scholars and buffs alike, the journals of Franklin Dick offer readers a different perspective on the Civil War from the contested and bloody battleground that was Missouri. The diaries provide valuable insights on how Unionists reacted to the shifting fortunes of war in Missouri and in St. Louis in particular, and how the life of a St. Louis attorney-turned-provost-marshal changed for all time. The annotations are helpful without being obtrusive, allowing Dick's personality to come through. --David Goldfield, University of North Carolina-Charlotte. Dick's writings are an unusual addition to Civil War literature, valuable for their portrayal of how the war impacted one man in a politically divided border state. --M. Jane Johansson, *Kansas History*, Spring 2009. Gari Carter, the great-great-granddaughter of Franklin Dick and custodian of his wartime journals, has painstakingly transcribed and annotated them into a vivid, accessible, often surprising first-person account of the war in Missouri. --*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. About the Author: Steeped in family history from a young age, Gari Carter spent ten years researching family documents for *Troubled State*. Her first book, *Healing Myself*, was written after her life-changing auto accident. She is a dynamic public speaker for varied audiences, and lives in North Carolina.