

## Between Home and the Front Discussion Questions

- ~ What was your first impression upon hearing a description of this book? What did you expect?
- ~ What was your experience of reading this book like? Did you enjoy it?
- ~ Was there any unexpected or particularly interesting to you information that came out of the letters in the collection?
- ~ One notable feature of the Walters Family Letters is that we have both sides of the correspondence. What does this add to our understanding?
- ~ What were the letters able to illuminate about the relationships between the senders?
- ~ What were the letters able to illuminate about the world that the senders were living in?
- ~ Was any of the content in the letters particularly surprising to you?
- ~ How were these letters able to add to your understanding of the Civil War?
- ~ What other sources would you like to see about the Walters family lives? What other information do you wish you had?
- ~ What historical period would you most like to have a source like this for?

Recommended reading (alongside the book) before the meeting:

[Between Home and the Front: Civil War Letters of the Walters Family | National Postal Museum \(si.edu\)](#)

