



## Stones River National Battlefield

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Significant Person's Name: Sylvanus Jackson Cleek & Andrew J. Cleek

Unit: Fourth Tennessee Mounted Infantry, USA

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#### List Contents of Donation Below:

- Sylvanus Cleek Military Records
- Andrew Cleek Military Records
- Census Record for Andrew Cleek (1870)

Materials donated to prove possible misidentification for grave H-3020 in Stones River National Cemetery.

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James B. Lewis  
Received By

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March 5, 2009

Mr. Lewis:

Back in September 2008 we talked on the phone and sent a few e-mails concerning Grave H. 3020 in the Stones River National Cemetery. We discussed the possibility of the grave marker being misidentified as A. J. Clegg Company A, 4th Tennessee Mounted Infantry. I have included in the paperwork of all the proof I can gather that the soldier buried in the grave is Sybranus Jackson Clegg. I have included his service record where it shows him being captured and killed by a band of ~~guerrillas~~ <sup>guerrillas</sup> led by Blackburn and Tom Kelly. Also a copy from the pages of the book by Michael R. Bradley titled "With Blood + Fire Life behind Union Lines in Middle Tennessee, 1863-65" describing the incident. I also included a copy of A. J. Clegg's service records, a 1870 Marshall County census showing he survived the war, on the census the name Clegg is misspelled as Cleabe and is highlighted at the bottom of the page. Included in the packet is my family research material containing proof of my relationship to Sybranus as being my Great, Great Uncle. His sister Mary + Barber S. Russell are my Great, Great grand-parents and Sybranus was Mary's brother. If you have any questions feel free to call me or email me. Thanks for your assistance in all this.

Jimmy Walker

306 OAKWOOD LAKE

Jullalaoma, In 37388

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*W. H. Anderson*

Co. C, 4 Tenn. Mtd. Inf.

*Donald B. Barks*

GRAB NUMBERS

1	91145506
2	91224598
3	90224668
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Book mark:

See also

1 (Mounted) Tenn.

*Anderson's Book*

4th Co. A, 1 Regt. Tenn. Mtd. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster-in and Descriptive Roll of the organization named above. Roll dated

*Washville Tenn Aug 15 1864*

Where born *Washville Tenn*

Age *20 yrs*; occupation *Farmer*

When enlisted *Washville Tenn*

Where enlisted *Washville Tenn*

For what period enlisted *Discipline*

Eyes *Blue*; hair *Dark*

Complexion *Fair*; height *5 ft 10 in*

When mustered in *Washville Tenn*

Where mustered in *Washville Tenn*

Bounty paid \$ *35*; due \$ *100*

Where credited *Tenn*

Company to which assigned *A*

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*

Remarks *Washville*

Book mark: *Next roll on file, FEB 1865*

*E. W. Barks*

(339)

*L. (Missing)* **PORT.**

*William F. Hark*

*W. F. Hark*, Co: A, 1st Regt Tenn. Mounted Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for

*to July 25, 1865*

Present or absent

*Not stated*

Stoppage, \$

100 for

Due Gov't, \$

100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks:

Book mark:

(109)

*Wm. F. Hark*  
(Copy)

4 (Mounted) Tenn.

Co. A, 4 Reg't Tenn. Mounted Inf.

Company Muster Roll

for Macell T. C. ... 1865

Present or absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks:

Book mark:

(1859)

4 (Mounted) Tenn.

Co. A, 4 Reg't Tenn. Mounted Inf.

Company Muster-out Roll, dated

for Macell T. C. ... 1865

Present or absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks:

Book mark:

(1861)

Tenn.

1000

Dated

24, 1865

24, 1865

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\$ 100

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100

4 (Mounted)

Book

Co. B, 4 Reg't Tenn Mounted Inf

Company Muster roll

1865

Present of absent

for

Stoppage, \$

100 for

Due Gov't, \$

100

Valuation of horse, \$

100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$

Remarks:

Book mark:

(25)

*Edward J. ...*  
 Co. 1st Iowa Inf'ty Reg't 8th

Enclosures

Bad Cards	Final Statements
Discharge Records	Parole or L. of A.
Order of Dis. for Discharge	Med. Certificate
Order of Discharge	Med. Dis. Cert.
Discharge Lists	Orders
Discharge Certificates	Pris. of War Record
Enlistment Papers	Resignations

Other papers relating to—

Purchase or L. of A.  
 Med. Examination  
 Misc. Information  
 Pay or Clothing  
 Personal Reports  
 Rank  
 Transfer to Hosp'l  
 Transfer to V. R. C.  
 Transportation

**DECLARATION OF RECRUIT**

*Andrew J. ...*

I, *Andrew J. ...*, desiring to VOLUNTEER as a soldier in the Army of the United States, for the term of **ONE YEAR**, Do Declare that I am *21* years and *0* months of age; that I have never been discharged from the United States service on account of disability, or by sentence of a court-martial or by order before the expiration of a term of enlistment; and I incur no impediment to my serving honestly and faithfully as a Soldier for One Year.

Given at *Cherryville, Tenn.* this *15* day of *August*, 1914.  
*William Mc ...*

*(Faint, illegible text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page)*

DECLARATION OF RECRUIT

I, Andrew J. Clark, desiring to VOLUNTEER as a soldier in the ARMY of the United States, for the term of ONE YEAR, Do Declare that I am years and months of age; that I have never been discharged from the United States service on account of disability, or by sentence of a court-martial, or by order before the expiration of a term of enlistment; and I know of no impediment to my serving honestly and faithfully as a Soldier for One Year.

Given at *Chattanooga, Tenn* the *4th* day of *August* 1864  
*William Mc Coy*  
*Private*

*Accepted for service*  
*John O. O'Connell*  
*Adjutant*  
*Company*  
*1st Regt*  
*10th Inf*  
*1864*

CONSENT IN CASE OF MINOR

I, the undersigned, do hereby give my consent to his volunteering as a Soldier in the Army of the United States for the period of One Year.

Given at \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1864

(A. G. O. No. 74 & 78)

Notes: 1. In all enlistments and enlistments... 2. In all enlistments... 3. In all enlistments... 4. In all enlistments... 5. In all enlistments... 6. In all enlistments... 7. In all enlistments... 8. In all enlistments... 9. In all enlistments... 10. In all enlistments... 11. In all enlistments... 12. In all enlistments... 13. In all enlistments... 14. In all enlistments... 15. In all enlistments... 16. In all enlistments... 17. In all enlistments... 18. In all enlistments... 19. In all enlistments... 20. In all enlistments... 21. In all enlistments... 22. In all enlistments... 23. In all enlistments... 24. In all enlistments... 25. In all enlistments... 26. In all enlistments... 27. In all enlistments... 28. In all enlistments... 29. In all enlistments... 30. In all enlistments... 31. In all enlistments... 32. In all enlistments... 33. In all enlistments... 34. In all enlistments... 35. In all enlistments... 36. In all enlistments... 37. In all enlistments... 38. In all enlistments... 39. In all enlistments... 40. In all enlistments... 41. In all enlistments... 42. In all enlistments... 43. In all enlistments... 44. In all enlistments... 45. In all enlistments... 46. In all enlistments... 47. In all enlistments... 48. In all enlistments... 49. In all enlistments... 50. In all enlistments... 51. In all enlistments... 52. In all enlistments... 53. In all enlistments... 54. In all enlistments... 55. In all enlistments... 56. In all enlistments... 57. In all enlistments... 58. In all enlistments... 59. In all enlistments... 60. In all enlistments... 61. In all enlistments... 62. In all enlistments... 63. In all enlistments... 64. In all enlistments... 65. In all enlistments... 66. In all enlistments... 67. In all enlistments... 68. In all enlistments... 69. In all enlistments... 70. In all enlistments... 71. In all enlistments... 72. In all enlistments... 73. In all enlistments... 74. In all enlistments... 75. In all enlistments... 76. In all enlistments... 77. In all enlistments... 78. In all enlistments... 79. In all enlistments... 80. In all enlistments... 81. In all enlistments... 82. In all enlistments... 83. In all enlistments... 84. In all enlistments... 85. In all enlistments... 86. In all enlistments... 87. In all enlistments... 88. In all enlistments... 89. In all enlistments... 90. In all enlistments... 91. In all enlistments... 92. In all enlistments... 93. In all enlistments... 94. In all enlistments... 95. In all enlistments... 96. In all enlistments... 97. In all enlistments... 98. In all enlistments... 99. In all enlistments... 100. In all enlistments...

# VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.

STATE OF

*Indiana*



TO WIT OF

*Shelbyville*

I, *Andrew J. Black*  
in the State of *Indiana*  
and by occupation a *Farmer*  
volunteered this

born in *Marion, Ia*  
aged *twenty* years,  
Do HEREBY acknowledge to have  
186 *4*

to serve as a Soldier in the Army of the United States of America, for the period  
of ONE YEAR, unless sooner discharged by proper authority: Do also agree to  
accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law  
for volunteers. And I, *Andrew J. Black*  
do solemnly  
swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and that  
I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies or opponents whomst-  
ever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States,  
and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles  
of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at *Shelbyville, Ind*  
this *11* day of *August* 186 *4*

By *James Northrup*  
*Capt*

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, that *Andrew J. Black* examined the above named Volunteer, according to  
the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental  
infirmary, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

*Wm. H. ...*  
Examining Officer

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, *Andrew J. Black*,  
previously to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment,  
and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-  
bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service.  
This soldier has *long brown, d. n. hair, light complexion, is* 5 *feet 11* inches  
high.

*Capt. Wm. H. ...*  
*Musty Officer*

*4* Regiment of *Indiana* Volunteers, *1st* *Ind*  
The *Dr. Jordan* Recruiting Officer.

Mastered into the service of the United States Army for one year or during the war from the  
Regiment of *Indiana* Volunteers, *1st* *Ind* Company of *Shelbyville*



# VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.

STATE OF

*Tennessee*

TOWN OF

*Shelby*

I, *Amos J. Clark*

in the State of *Tennessee*

and by occupation a *farmer*

volunteered this *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 186*4* to serve as a Soldier in the Army of the United States of America, for the period of ONE YEAR, unless sooner discharged by proper authority: Do also agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law for volunteers. And I, *Amos J. Clark* do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at

this

*6<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*Aug*

186*4*

before

*James Northrup*

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, agreeably to the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmity, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

*Amos J. Clark*  
EXAMINER

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, *Amos J. Clark* previously to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment, and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the enrolling service. This soldier has *light brown* hair, *dark* hair, *light* complexion, is *5' 10"* high.

*4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Tennessee Volunteers*  
*Wm W Jordan*  
RECRUITING OFFICER.

(A. G. O. No. 74 & 75)

Mustered into the service of the United States, for one year or longer, of the *4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Tennessee Volunteers*, on the *19<sup>th</sup>* day of *August*, 186*4*, at *Franklin*.

As they crossed the swamp to get in front of the travelers, they lay in ambush but recognized Blackwell before opening fire. The two parties then joined forces and continued north. Before they had reached Fayetteville they had met seven other guerrillas and had formed a plan to revenge the attack on their home base.

Using information which may have been obtained from female sympathizers in Shelbyville, the men approached the town on September 26. They made their plans to attack the railroad depot on the night of the 27th while they hid in the homes of Confederate sympathizers. They knew there were 21 Union soldiers in the building, but they believed that surprise would be to their benefit. As soon as the men in the depot were asleep, the 11 guerrillas surrounded the building and charged from all sides at once. Blackwell and Tom Kelly entered through the freight doors shouting, "Surrender, d—m you, or die!" The surprised Union soldiers surrendered and were soon on their horses, beginning the 23-mile ride to Fayetteville. As they rode out of Shelbyville flames leapt from the depot where the military supplies had been set afire.

As the men rode through the night Blackwell and Josh Kelly began to discuss what to do with the prisoners. Upon arriving in the village of Fayetteville the two men reached a compromise. Blackwell agreed to allow Josh Kelly to parole the "more respectable" prisoners, but the rest would remain in Blackwell's care. Kelly wrote out paroles for 11 men, which allowed them to begin the long walk back to Shelbyville. The other 10 were taken south of Fayetteville to the top of Wells Hill where they were shot. Local residents found their bodies the next morning. A note containing the words "Remember Massey" was pinned to each of the bodies.<sup>62</sup> Each of those who had been executed were Tennesseans who had joined the Union army, some of them after having been in Confederate service. One of their widows later testified:

I live on Flat Creek Bedford County. My husband belonged to Wortham Co Home Guards. He was mustered

as a U.S. troop. He with twenty six others of the company was stationed at Shelbyville on the 28th of last month, when he with the other twenty-six of the company was captured by Blackwell's Co of Bushwhackers, who took the 26 to Wells Hill, where my husband with nine others of his company was shot by the bushwhackers. My husband's name was Berryman Bruton. I understand he lived two days after he was shot staying at the house of a citizen named Lamberson; and when he died was buried at Patricks Grave yard.

He was not in the Rebel Army.

I am satisfied that the families of Mr Samuel Broadway and David Wise used their influence to have him shot. They had threatened to have them shot before.<sup>63</sup>

Upon hearing about the raid and the subsequent killings Milroy was furious. Soon after he received the news, Milroy telegraphed his superior officer, George Thomas:

Ten of the home guards captured at Shelbyville by Blackwell were taken out and shot in cold blood. This was unprovoked and should be followed by a terrible retribution. Blackwell's wife lives in Shelbyville. I would recommend that she with the secesh women of the place be sent through the lines and his house burned, and that I be given an adequate cavalry force and about ten days time among the guerrillas of Lincoln County.<sup>64</sup>

Guerrillas were elusive and dangerous, and women, such as Blackwell's wife, were a much easier and safer target. Milroy's idea was fleshed out two days later by the receipt of a report from the mysterious K.D.

A LIST OF THE DISLOYAL LADIES OF SHELBYVILLE  
Tullahoma Tenn Oct 14/64

Maj Genl Milroy

Sir, the government of the United States of America should know and understand its enemies whether male

or female. And treason alike, I am not making every brave man loves and but when she stoops from the character of a traitor of the male gender the best government on high regard and become of the whole human family name of woman, but will subject for anything. It is this country, so beautiful more noble purposes is and blood. And have them distilled in their phantoms among the people they seek people and give information lieve it just and we are reward patriotism and express a desire to go south of their complexion, and one portion of their will leads their minds and cities. Not he that is tintured with a list of applicants for a job should not be disappointed. WALLACE of Shelbyville from justice now in the south and has sold off all her property her place to go south. He is greatly when Blackwell I think surely Miss Curran passport from a letter into your hands. Her brother father is in the south. My daughters of Robt Mat

57. *Fayetteville Times*, Apr. 15, 1915. Article on local history.
58. *Fayetteville Observer*, Apr. 6, 1919.
59. Interview with Jerry Mansfield, Historian, Lincoln County, Tennessee.  
A small marker to these three victims of the war stands on the courthouse lawn in Fayetteville.  
Lincoln County is named for General Benjamin Lincoln who received the sword of Cornwallis at Yorktown in the American Revolution.
60. *O.R.*, ser. 1, vol. 8, pp. 568-69.
61. Walter T. Durham, *Rebellion Revisited. A History of Sumner County, Tennessee, from 1861 to 1870*, pp. 190-91.  
This book contains a full description of the career of Paine while in Gallatin and provides an interesting addition to the conditions which came to exist in Tullahoma where Paine had as his commander a man of like mind in General Milroy.
62. Interview with Milan Hill, author and researcher, Tullahoma, Tennessee. Unpublished manuscript of Mr. Hill.  
Killed that night were the following men of Company A, 4th Tennessee Mounted Infantry:  
Private Berry Bruton, age 22. From Bedford County, Tenn. Buried Patrick Cemetery on Wells Hill.  
Private Sylvanus Jackson Cleek, age 20. From Bedford County, Tenn. Buried Stones River National Cemetery, Grave H. 3020.  
Private Moses C. Day, age 24. From Wilkes County, N.C.  
Private James Hashaw, age 19. From Bedford County, Tenn.  
Private John Hyde, age 26. From Bedford County, Tenn.  
Private Hillard J. Johnson, age 17. From Bradley County, Tenn.  
Sergeant Pleasant M. Melton, age 27. Previously a member of Company C, 23rd Tenn. Infantry, CSA. Buried at Stones River National Cemetery, grave H. 2907.  
Private George Ross, age 25. From Nashville, Tenn.  
Private William J. Shaw, age 23. From Bedford County, Tenn.  
Private Henry F. Sutton, age 22. Previously served in Company G, 24th Tennessee Infantry, CSA. From Bedford County, Tenn. Buried at Stones River National Cemetery, grave H. 2921.
63. UPM, MC 416, roll 27.
64. *O.R.*, ser. 1, vol. 39, p. 238.
65. UPM, MC 417, roll 77.
66. UPM, MC 345, roll 27.
67. *Ibid.*
68. *Ibid.*, roll 157.
69. UPM, MC 416, roll 81.
70. *Ibid.*, roll 42. Courtner's Mill is still a landmark on the Duck River and is today a restaurant. The Troxler family still lives in the vicinity of the Railroad Bridge over Duck River.
71. UPM, MC 416, roll 38.
72. UPM, MC 345, roll 201.
73. *O.R.*, ser. 1, vol. 32, pt. 1, pp. 101-2.
74. UPM, MC 345, roll 261.
75. *Ibid.*
76. *Ibid.*

## CHAPTER 3: THE

1. Milroy Letters, To Mary, Jan.
2. UPM, MC 345, roll 225.
3. *Ibid.*  
James Edwards, the "artist,"
4. UPM, MC 345, roll 205.
5. *Ibid.*, roll 250.
6. UPM, MC 416, roll 50.  
Moses Pittman had a large distiller. One notes that he was the guerrillas.
7. Milroy Diary, entry for Jan.
8. *Fayetteville Observer*, Apr. 1.
9. UPM, MC 416, roll 50.  
The Motley family mentioned was the uncle of Jack Danforth, nephew. As any devotee of the much in business.
10. UPM, MC 416, roll 50.  
There are a total of 54 names
11. Milroy Diary, entry for Jan.
12. *Ibid.*, entry for Feb. 2, 1861
13. *Ibid.*, entry for Feb. 15, 1861
14. *O.R.*, ser. 1, vol. 35, p. 118
15. UPM, MC 345, roll 283.
16. *Ibid.*, roll 230.
17. *Ibid.*, roll 213.
18. *Ibid.*, roll 297.
19. UPM, MC 416, roll 54.
20. UPM, MC 345, roll 43.
21. *Ibid.*
22. *Ibid.*, roll 242.
23. "Reminiscences of the War," Argie Cooper Library, Shelby County.
24. UPM, MC 345, roll 215.
25. *Ibid.*, roll 203.
26. *Ibid.*, roll 241.
27. *Ibid.*, roll 276.
28. *Ibid.*, roll 270.
29. *Ibid.*, roll 261.
30. *Ibid.*
31. *Ibid.*, roll 129.
32. *Ibid.*, roll 43.
33. UPM, MC 416, roll 80.
34. *Ibid.*, roll 88.
35. Milroy Diary, entry for Feb.
36. UPM, MC 416, roll 46.