

16th Tenn.



CAPT. JAMES J. WOMACK - 1834-1922

INTRODUCTION

We were prompted to publish this little volume because of the interest shown in recent years by the many historians, students and genealogists who have reviewed the Civil War Diary of Capt. J. J. Womack for data on this period of American history. It was feared that the original would not survive the renewed demands induced by the forthcoming Civil War Centennial.

James J. Womack was an inveterate diarist. Many of his diaries are known to exist at the present time. The one presented here is in the possession of Mrs. Aline Womack Green of Route 2, Rock Island. Another, covering the years from 1872 to 1879, is in the Magness Memorial Library, McMinnville.

In civilian life James J. Womack was at various times a farmer, lawyer and newspaper publisher. He grew up on a farm in Warren County and for a number of years practiced law in McMinnville. In 1875 he established the short lived "Nashville Evening News". He was born July 7, 1834 and died in McMinnville July 18, 1922. He is buried in Riverside Cemetery, McMinnville.

"Capt. Jim" was of a Virginia family who came to Warren County from Rutherford County, North Carolina in 1810. His father was Abner Clemmons Womack and his grandfather the Warren County pioneer, Abner Womack. He married Miss Tennie Amonett of Celina, Tennessee. They left no descendants.

The Sixteenth Regiment, Tennessee Volunteers was raised in Warren and nearby counties. Company E was composed almost entirely of Warren County men. On the next page is reproduced the roll of this company as published in Head's "Campaigns and Battles of the Sixteenth Tennessee and Other Regiments."

Walter Womack

McMinnville, Tennessee
November 1, 1960

MUSTER ROLL of CO. E, SIXTEENTH REGIMENT, TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS, CSA

Company E: Thomas B. Murray, Captain; Alfred P. Smartt, First Lieutenant; James Hill, Second Lieutenant; Thomas York, Third Lieutenant; Moss Mascon, First Sergeant; William Lowry, Second Sergeant; James Green, Third Sergeant; Robert Webb, Fourth Sergeant; Hugh L. Moffitt, First Corporal; H. J. Christian, Second Corporal; S. W. Bratcher, Third Corporal; Duke Blackwell, Fourth Corporal.

Privates: John Best, J. R. Brown, J. H. Brown, Asbury Brown, W. H. Brooks, Aaron Bouldin, R. P. Burks, John Boren, Harrel Byers, David Bonner, Lawson Cantrell, Samuel Cantrell, J. C. Corder, J. R. Countiss, Peter Countiss, John Countiss, W. C. Countiss, James Christian, Enoch Cooksey, Gilliam Clark, Abe Douglass, Dock Douglass, Joseph England, Clark Edge, Polk Evans, W. M. Evans, Newt Fuston, Reese J. Fuston, W. J. Fuston, Joseph H. Goodbar, John Green, A. J. Gribble, B. P. Green, Elias Green, W. W. Gourd, E. H. Green, D. Holmes, J. H. Holmes, Read Holmes, James W. Hill, W. M. Hensley, W. M. Jones, Isaac Jones, E. J. Jones, James Jennings, Pleasant Jennings, Dock Jennings, Tillman Keener, Lawson Keif, Nelson Kirby, Robert Kirby, James Kirby, Jerry Killian, W. Lowry, Polk Lowry, James Laurence, George Martin, Isiah Moffitt, William Moores, John Martin, William Manning, John Medley, Michael Maury, William Mulliken, W. C. Morton, W. T. Mabry, Allen Mason, William Mason, George McNeely, James McGregor, Riley Nunnelly, General Nunnelly, Archie Nunnelly, O. D. Neal, John Perser, Luke Perser, A. J. Paine, John R. Paine, Thomas Paiter, E. W. Smartt, A. P. Smartt, John S. Sanders, Carol Stepp, J. R. Skelton, J. P. Smartt, Bryant Stroud, John Tanner, Isaac Tramble, Stephen Tate, John Van Hooser, J. Van Hooser, L. L. Van Hooser, John Van Hooser, Fate Van Hooser, Newt Van Hooser, Elias Womack, Jesse Walling, Robert Webb, Perry G. Webb, Rowland Ware, John R. Womack, W. C. Womack, R. R. Womack, A. M. Womack, Felix G. Womack, John S. Womack, John B. Womack, John C. Watson, W. R. Wood, U. L. Wood, William Woods, George Wallace, Thomas York, George W. York.

Killed: Lieut. James Green, Franklin, J. H. Brown, Morristown, 1861; Polk Boren, Perryville; David Bonner, Murfreesboro; J. R. Countiss, Perryville; Lawson Cantrell, Murfreesboro; James Christian, Perryville; Abe Douglas, Murfreesboro; Joseph England, Perryville; William Evans, Atlanta; Isaac Jones, Murfreesboro; James Kirby, Murfreesboro; William Lowry, Lost Mountain; Michael Maury, Murfreesboro; Allen Mason, Perryville; James McGregor, Perryville; A. P. Smartt, Perryville; Stephen Tate, Corlith; L. L. Van Hooser, Unknown; Elias Womack, Perryville; Perry Webb, Perryville; Rowland Ware, Perryville; John B. Womack, Franklin; Thomas York, (transferred), Perryville.

Died in service: Maj. J. H. Goodbar, Morristown, 1861; Polk Evans, Meadow Bluff; Reid Holmes, Warm Springs, Va.; Moss Mascon, Prison, Rock Island; O. D. Neal, Huntersville, Va.; J. P. Smartt, Unknown; U. L. Wood, (transferred), Home, 1861.

Wounded: Capt. J. J. Womack, Murfreesboro; Lieut. Jesse Walling, Murfreesboro; Lieut. W. C. Womack, Missionary Ridge; Enoch Cooksey, Perryville; John Medley, Perryville; Archie Nunnelly, Perryville; R. R. Womack, Perryville; George W. York, Resaca; W. T. Mabry, Murfreesboro; G. N. Clark, Murfreesboro; J. B. Womack, Murfreesboro; A. M. Mason, Murfreesboro; Luke Perser, Murfreesboro; John Perser, Murfreesboro; Isiah Moffitt, Murfreesboro; G. W. Wallace, Murfreesboro; A. J. Van Hooser, Murfreesboro; J. S. Van Hooser, Murfreesboro.

Promoted: Thomas B. Murray, Lieut-col., 1861; Joseph H. Goodbar, Major, 1861; J. J. Womack, Capt., 1862; John R. Paine, Adjutant, 1862; Jesse Walling, 1st Lieut., 1862; J. K. P. Webb, 2d Lieut., 1862; Capt., 1863; B. P. Green, 3d Lieutenant, 1864; W. C. Womack, 3d Lieut., 1863.

A CIVIL WAR DIARY

by Capt. J. J. Womack

May 16, 1861. Tuesday---This morning about 8 o'clock I left McMinnville, the county seat of Warren County, Tenn., my native home, a member of a Co. of soldiers, the first organized in that section of the state, styled "Warren Guards", for Altonia, a little ville where the Nashville & Chattanooga R. R. crosses Elk river, and about equidistance from both cities. Here, under the command of Capt. Thos. B. Murray, we went into quarters and began the regular routine of the soldier's life--drilling and otherwise disciplining for the army. Before our arrival however, several other companies had pitched at the above camp. (styled Camp Harris) but as this place had been selected only as a temporary rendezvous, no further organization of the troops took place while we remained here, consequently each and every Captain was Commander-in-chief of his own forces. From this to the 20th inst. during which time I have neglected posting my diary, each day has been almost a facsimile of the preceding. All was life, fun and gaiety, very few, if any, imagining for one moment the requirements of the stupendous undertaking they are now engaging in. Notwithstanding we have enlisted for the defense of Tennessee for twelve months, yet it is believed by very few that our services will be wanted in the field half that period. The idea is prevalent that the seceded states will be an Independent Government, and her soldiers returned home before the expiration of six months.

May 20, Monday---Warm & rainy - Having left Hd. quarters on last Saturday and come to McMinnville for the transaction of some private business, which, being accomplished, I now leave again for Camp Harris - arrived and spent the evening drilling.

May 21. Tuesday---Drizzly & cooler. Wrote a note for the New Era, a paper published in McMinnville. Announced myself a candidate for Major of the Mountain regiment.

May 22. Wednesday---Clear and pleasant - Spent the day drilling - health in camps very good.

May 23. Thursday---Clear and warm - was detailed on a committee of three to investigate a charge of theft against . On examination he was found guilty of taking a blanket, and picking out the letters of the owner's name - Spent the evening drilling - B. R. Womack came to camps and spends the night.

May 24. Friday---Clear & warm. Acted as chief cook for the company today. Had a splendid time baking and boiling in broken skillets and battered pans, not having yet drawn cooking utensils for the Company.

May 25. Saturday---Clear & warm. Today Murray's, Savage's, Coffee's and Shield's companies are ordered to Camp Trousdale, about 45 miles north of Nashville, on the L. & N. R.R. Went myself to Winchester and spent the night at Dr. McCutchen's, where I had a very pleasant time with his family and female boarders.

May 26. Sunday---Clear & warm. Returned to camp Harris, took the cars thence for Nashville, where, after spending a few hours I took them again for Camp Trousdale.

May 27. Monday---Cloudy & warm. Drew and pitched tents at Richland station. Wrote D. F. Wallace a note for the "New Era." Spent the day drilling.

May 28. Tuesday---Very warm. Went about 4 miles west to public speaking at Paine's school house, where we enjoyed a very nice dinner.

May 29. Wednesday---Cool & showery. No drilling today.

May 30. Thursday---Cloudy & warmer. All the troops at this post assembled this evening for the first time to hear general orders - it could not be called dress parade.

May 31. Friday---Warm & cloudy. Drilling as usual. Wrote Miss T. G. A. a letter. Health of the camps not so good as formerly.

June 1. Saturday---Cloudy & warm. Many of the command sick of measles, which contagion is spreading very fast. Wrote father a letter.

June 2. Sunday---Warm & rainy. This has been my first sabbath spent in camps and the first day I have ever been on sentinel duty. I was put on my post at one o'clock this morning and was not relieved till daylight. Visited Capt. L. T. Armstrong at his quarters and returned to my company.

June 3. Monday---Very rainy, making our camps very disagreeable.

June 4. Tuesday---Warm & cloudy. Wrote a letter for the "New Era". Heard today the mournful intelligence of the death of Hon. Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois, who was a statesman of the highest order of intellect, but on account of his political opinions is not regarded as a loss to the southern states.

June 5. Wednesday---Clear & warm. Unable to drill today. Wrote sister Martha A. a letter. General health of the command good, yet there is much suffering from measles.

June 6. Thursday---Clear & hot. Spent the morning drilling and in the evening went about three miles north to creek to bathe and wash some cloths. Borrowed 25 cents from Lt. Dye of Capt. Armstrong's Co.

June 7. Friday---Clear & hot. Wrote off two duplicates of the "Warren Guards" Muster Roll to be used at election tomorrow. R. W. Ware was granted an indefinite sick furlough this morning, and left home.

June 8. Saturday---Clear & hot. Went to Osburn precinct and cast my vote for "Separation and representation," a vote given more cheerfully, if possible, than any previous one I ever cast.

Guarded and members of my company during a drinking spree. Heavy rain late in the evening.

June 9. Sunday---Clear & hot. Spent the day drilling. I am shocked to see such a total disregard

for the Holy sabbath. Commanders of the army may excuse themselves for thus occupying the holy hours given for man's rest and devotion to God, but I do not conclude the Great Ruler of battles will. Six days He has given, in which man is to labor, and on the seventh, which is the Lord's day, he is to rest. Went out to the new encampment, returned and wrote Miss T. G. A. a letter. Enjoyed a fine mess of mulberries. This is the first sabbath I have entirely neglected my bible in many months.

June 10. Monday--Clear & hot. Drilling today as usual. Ten Companies from the 4th Congressional district of Tennessee commanded by Capt's. Thos. B. Murray, L. N. Savage, P. M. Shields, P. H. Coffee, Dan Brown, C. C. Brewer, Harmon York, L. H. Meadows, D. M. Donnell and H. H. Dillard organized themselves into a regiment, by electing John H. Savage Col. Capt. T. B. Murray Lt. Col. (who was opposed by Capt. Donnell and J. H. Goodbar, of Capt. Murray's Co.) major - who had several opponents. I voted for Savage, Murray, and A. J. Paine, but would have voted for Goodbar but for previous obligations. Col. Murray's promotion left a vacancy for Captaincy, for which position I became a candidate.

June 11. Tuesday--Clear & hot. Col. Savage's Regiment removed from Richland Station to Camp Trousdale, where we spent the evening at hard labor, clearing and arranging our camp ground. The situation is a very rugged one, covered with a scrubby growth of red oak and black jack, about 3 miles from the Station, N. E.

June 12. Wednesday--Clear & hot. In compliance with an order from Col. Savage, issued at the earnest request of the Company, the "Warren Guards" held an election for Captain, to fill the place vacated by the promotion of Col. Murray. John R. Paine and myself being the only aspirants, it resulted as follows, to wit: Paine 27 votes, myself 60 votes. With this result Mr. Paine (who has long been an intimate friend of mine, and one I delighted to esteem) became very much vexed - not to say enraged. Casting his vote more unworthily than I am willing to mention, and more so than his magnanimity will not have ground for regret in future - mine was cheerfully given for him. Health of the regiment generally good.

June 13. Thursday--Clear & hot. Assumed command of the "Warren Guards." My Lts. and one or two others, who succeeded, by caucusing, in carry-every office at the first organization, but whose duplicity now begins to be discoverable, being much opposed to me. Gave P. A. Jennings an indefinite furlough, he being regarded unfit for duty in the field.

About eleven o'clock at night the alarm was given of the approach of the enemy, which was done at the instance of the commanders of the camp to test the courage of the soldiers, and resulted very satisfactorily to them. Companies and regiments were aroused and thrown into line with an alacrity that would scarcely have been expected of troops who had long been injured to the field. And notwithstanding we were entirely unarmed, had an enemy charged our camp he could not have escaped without having been severely flogged - for poles, clubs, rocks, shovels, spades, tongs and various other implements of war filled the brawney hands of the dauntless boys. Received and distributed to my company one bale of straw for bedding.

June 14. Friday--Clear & hot. Spent the day drilling. Acting officer of the day, my first appointment. Countersign from eight o'clock A.M. to 8 P.M. - "Bunevista." from 8 P.M. to 8 A.M. "Mexico".

June 15. Saturday--Clear & hot. Made out a requisition on the Quartermaster Genl., at Nashville, for 98 red and an equal number of gray flannel shirts: 98 pair of gray pants: 98 pair of drawers: 98 gray caps: and 10 pair of shoes. Countersign from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. "Beauregard" - and from 8 P.M. to 8 A.M. "Lee". General health of the command good.

June 16. Sunday--Clear & hot. Spent the morning drilling and had Dress parade in the evening. Countersign for the day "Horse shoe," and for the night "Talladega."

June 17. Monday--Clear with cool winds. Gabriel McCraw, of my Company, died this morning about eight o'clock, the first death that has occurred in the Mountain Regiment. Granted J. R. Skelton a furlough for five days. Countersign for the night "Zollicoffer." Spent the

day drilling. Measels in camp very annoying.

June 18. Tuesday---Clear & hot. Furloughed B. P. Green, J. D. Killian, J. P. Lawrence, W. D. Wood & A. R. Holms for 20 days each, S. C. Corder for 15 days and Jno. W. Saunders for 10 days, and left camp with them to go to McMinnville. We arrived in Nashville about 6 P.M. and put up at the City Hotel.

June 19. Wednesday---Clear & hot. Went to McMinnville and thence to fathers.

June 20. Thursday---Clear & hot. Went to uncle R. P. Womack's and spent the day. Engaged his boy Jim for a cook in the army. Came back to father's and stayed all night.

June 21. Friday---Clear & hot. Visited my brothers this morning and this evening came to McMinnville and stayed all night. Bought a traveling trunk from M. Joseph for \$5.50.

June 22. Saturday---Hot & sultry. Went to Nashville and stayed all night. Spent \$3.25.

June 23. Sunday---Clear & hot. Came to Camp Trousdale and furloughed W. Potter, W. T. Mayberry and Michael Mauzy for 20 days each, and J. R. Paine for 5 days.

Health in camps better. Light sprinkles late in the evening.

June 24. Monday---Clear & warm. Spent the day drilling. Had the pleasure of an introduction to Mrs. Capt. Armstrong this evening, of Celina, Tenn.

June 25. Tuesday---Changable. Acting officer of the day - Countersign "Yorktown". Health of my company very good.

June 26. Wednesday---Cloudy & hot. Spent the day drilling.

June 27. Thursday---Very hot with heavy distant rains. Spent the day drilling. Mrs. Col. Murray visited our Camp. Received a letter from Miss T. G. A.

June 28. Friday---Hot & cloudy. Spent the day

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drilling. Company health good.

June 29. Saturday---Warm, with showers. Mrs. R. P. Womack and other relatives and friends from home are gratifying me with a visit today. Borrowed of W. S. Hackett \$10.00. Heard a sermon by ...

June 30. Sunday---Heard a sermon by Rev. J. W. Poindexter, who has this day been elected Chaplain of the 16th Tenn. Regt. Wrote Miss T. G. A. a letter.

July 1. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Received for and issued to my company 80 pair of pants and 86 red flannel shirts.

Aunt Nancy Womack left for home this evening. A very brilliant Comet appears tonight a few degrees north of west, traveling in a south-westerly direction.

July 2. Tuesday---Clear & rather cool. Drew 96 canteens for my Company. Daniel Dodson returned to camps.

July 3. Wednesday---Clear & hot. Spent the day drilling. Health of my Co. very good.

July 4. Thursday---Clear & hot. The 16th Tenn. Regt. was presented with a most beautiful flag today by the ladies of the Mountain district. Capt. A. L. Davis representing them and addressing the Regt. Col. Savage received it with a few appropriate remarks. Served as regimental officer of the day - conduct of the Regt. commendable. The Pay Master began paying off this brigade.

July 5. Friday---Warm & rainy. Drilling as usual. Drew 26 pair of shoes for my company.

July 6. Saturday---Warm & rainy. Drew pay for my Co. from 15th May to 1st July, \$16.86 for each man. Wrote sister Martha a letter. Received on deposit from G. N. McNelly \$10.00.

July 7. Sunday---Clear & hot. My 27th. anniversary. Wrote brother B. R. a letter asking him to raise a company for the war, be the period long or short. Carried one of my men, William Bell, to the hospital.

July 8. Monday---Hot & showery. Spent the day drilling. Drew from the Regt. 2. M. 2 tents.

July 9. Tuesday---Clear & warm. Wrote J. Henry Vannerson of McMinnville a letter. Health of Co. good. Drilling.

July 10. Wednesday---Clear & hot. Sgt. U. L. & Cpl. W. R. Wood came into camps, to whom Capt. Murray gave sick furloughs. Today we had our first regimental drill. Bought two loads of straw for bedding - cost \$2.50, individual money. Recd. a letter from J. H. Vannerson.

July 11. Thursday---Clear & warm. A deserter by the name of _____ was mustered out of service this evening, with his head bare and half shaved, bare-footed, his pants rolled above the knees, his shoes in hand, with "Deserter" marked in large letters on boards across his breast and shoulders, his knapsack on his back and wearing long white horns painted with red.

July 12. Friday---Warm & cloudy. Served as regimental officer of the day. Moved my markee 30 paces south to the rear. Health of Co. very good.

July 13. Saturday---Clear, with morning & evening. Received from the quarter master 7 pair of shoes.

July 14. Sunday---Clear & warm. Heard a sermon by Rev. J. W. Poindexter. Came to Nashville and stopped at the Commercial Hotel.

July 15. Monday---Warm & rainy. Spent the day in the City and purchased material for a military suit, which, when finished will be worth \$61.50.

July 16. Tuesday---Warm, with heavy rains. Returned to camps and was pleased to find visiting friends from home. Uncles R. P. Womack, Nathan Byars, and others.

July 17. Wednesday---Warm & cloudy. Drilling by Co. & battalion.

July 18. Thursday---Warm & rainy. Spent the day drilling. Health of my Co. very good.

July 19. Friday---Hot & showery. Drilling as usual.

July 20. Saturday---Hot & showery. My regiment received an order to prepare to march and hold ourselves in readiness to move at an hour's warning. We marched up the Louisville R.R. about three miles with guns, knapsacks, haversacks, and canteens all on, the real object of which was to practice the men, but the pretense was that the enemy was approaching.

July 21. Sunday---Detailed officer of the day, and consequently had to get up four days rations for the regiment. In compliance with an order from Hd. Quarters we struck tents at ten o'clock P.M. Heavy rains fell during the night.

July 22. Monday---Rain fell incessantly till 3 P.M. My Regt. left Camp Trousdale at daylight, marched to Richland Station, there took the cars, passed through Nashville at 4 P.M., took the Chattanooga train and passed Tullahoma by 9 P.M. A splendid dinner had been prepared for us in Nashville, which we enjoyed very much. While there many of the men and officers became beastly drunk, some of whom had to be left in the City and many others were remarkably troublesome. While in Nashville we received the first telegrams of the glorious victory just achieved at Manassas, Va.

July 23. Tuesday---Quite pleasant. Arrived in Chattanooga about 9 o'clock A.M. and remained there till after 11 P.M. and then left for Knoxville. Before leaving Chattanooga seven rounds of ammunition were issued to the regiment, the first we had ever received.

July 24. Wednesday---Very warm. Arrived at Knoxville about 2 o'clock P.M., where Col. Savage, out of pretended respect for my sobriety, (there being but few sober officers now in the Regt.) detailed me as officer of the day, while his real object was to have me on duty so that others for whom he entertained kinder feelings might be at liberty to promenade over the City.

During the night my police found a female in camp whom they made prisoner and brought to me. On examination she told me she was searching for her

lover, who had joined the army, and she supposed might be in our command. Her attire was that of a soldier, and being of opinion that she was an abandoned woman living in the City, I released her at the dawn of day to go home.

July 25. Thursday---We left Knoxville about 7 o'clock this morning and arrived at Hainsville about 9 P.M. and here remained the rest of the night.

July 26. Friday---Warm & showery. Moved west of town this morning about one quarter of a mile and pitched tents and then cooked till late at night. During the evening we practiced with our muskets a few rounds.

July 27. Saturday---Cloudy & rainy. Struck tents at 5 o'clock A.M. and moved back to the R.R. where we remained till 1 P.M. and left for Bristol, where we arrived at 5 P.M. & stayed all night.

July 28. Sunday---We left Bristol at 10 o'clock this morning and traveled all day and night.

July 29. Monday---Cloudy, with some rain. Arrived in Lynchburg, Va. about noon and marched south about 3 miles, and pitched tents just beyond the fair ground; in a very nice oak grove.

July 30. Tuesday---Very warm. Spent most of the day preparing my encampment, and in the evening took a walk into Lynchburg, a city situated on the south bank of James river.

July 31. Wednesday---Hot, with some rain. Acting officer of the day. Wrote Miss T. G. A. of Celina, Tenn. a letter.

Aug. 1. Thursday---Very warm with showers. Our regiment held an election today for the adoption or rejection of the Confederate States Constitution, the result in my company was for the Constitution sixty one votes, against it none.
Borrowed of Jas. M. Green \$10.00.

Aug. 2. Friday---Very warm. We struck tents this morning at five o'clock & as soon thereafter as possible the regiment took the cars for Staunton, Va. I remained at Lynchburg for the transaction of

some company business. Discharged Decl. S. Dodson of my company from the service on account of disability and started him to Tennessee. Took dinner at the Norvel House, the best Hotel in the city, but on account of its rooms all being taken had to lodge at the Jordan House. Health of my Co. very good.

Aug. 3. Saturday---Very hot. Took the morning train for Charlottesville where I met with Mr. Lamb, a lawyer from Fayetteville, Tenn. accompanied by whom I went to Montecello, the home and resting place of Thos. Jefferson. A most beautiful mountain location, a superb mansion, and one of the most magnificent landscape views that the eye ever beheld. One unbroken range of mountains encircle the hallowed spot rising in the enchanting distance as far as the natural eye can see. This tomb stone, which stands inside a brick wall ten feet high and about fifty feet square, is very badly defaced, it having long been the custom of his visiting friends, from all parts of the country, to take a small fracture of it away with them. After spending an hour here among the relics of the sleeping hero we returned to Charlottesville, where I soon after took the cars for Staunton, at which place I overtook my regt. and after a short stay here went thence on with it to Millborough, from which depot we were to march across the mountain on foot.

Borrowed this morning of H. L. Meadows (Capt.) \$10.00.

Aug. 4. Sunday---Hot & cloudy. This morning our regiment cleared off a place of encampment and pitched tents near the depo.

I discharged from the service my Orderly Sgt. for disability (U. L. Wood) and practiced my Co. in the manuel of arms - firing one hundred yards.

Aug. 5. Monday---Hot & cloudy. I held an election this morning in my company for non-commissioned officers, and then struck tents, loaded our wagon train and marched three miles west on the road leading to Huntersville, and camped for the night.

Aug. 6. Tuesday---Very hot. We marched 12 miles today and encamped at Warm Springs, which has been a beautiful watering place - the water being as warm as the system can bear.

comfortably.

August 7. Wednesday---Hot & showery. Marched all day over a mountainous country, only traveling thirteen miles, and encamped for the night at Col. Gaitwoods'. The men this evening are very much fatigued.

Aug. 8. Thursday---Warm & showery. Marched to Huntersville today and here pitched tents, about one mile west of town, on a low, wet, and spongy tract of land, very unfit for a permanent encampment. This march from Millborough, a distance of about 35 miles, over a very mountainous country, has been made in very good time, all things considered, but not without the loss of much of our camp equipage and clothing, such as tents, cooking utensils, knapsacks etc.

August 9. Friday--Hot & showery. We spent this day putting our guns in good shooting order, being now in the enemy's country it becomes us to be always ready.

Aug. 10. Saturday-- Hot, with showers. Resumed our old and regular employment today - drilling. Wrote brother B. R. a letter.

Aug. 11. Sunday--Hot & showery. Devoted a part of today to the study of the scriptures. Health of my company fast on the decline.

Aug. 12. Monday---Hot & showery. Bought a small five inch repeater for \$20.00.

Aug. 13. Tuesday---Showery, windy & cooler. Battalion drill this evening.

Aug. 14. Wednesday---Cool & showery. Health of Co. & Regt. still declining.

August 15 Thursday---Cool & cloudy. Drilling. This is the coolest weather I ever experienced in the month of August, enough so to make heavy coats and log fires very comfortable.

Aug. 16. Friday---Cool & cloudy. Wrote a letter home.

Aug. 17. Saturday---Cool, with rain. Drilling by Co. & Regt.

Aug. 18. Sunday---Very rainy. Wrote Miss T. G. A. a letter.

Aug. 19. Monday---Very heavy rains, completely saturating every thing and every body in camps.

Aug. 20. Tuesday---Cloudy & windy. Drilling all day.

Aug. 21. Wednesday---Rainy & cool.

Aug. 22. Thursday---Still raining and very cool.

Aug. 23. Friday---Cloudy & cool. Ice was discoverable at a very early hour this morning. Our regiment removed to a new camp-ground today, south of Huntersville about one half mile, on a very lofty hill, commanding a fine view of the surrounding country, and one which promises more comfort and better health.

Aug. 24. Saturday---Cloudy & cool. Went about three miles and procured a load of plank, returned and with it floored my tent and set up for living on a grand scale.

Aug. 25. Sunday---Clear & pleasant. Heard a sermon by Rev. Dr. Lindsley of Nashville, Tenn. Wrote Mother a letter. Acting field officer of the brigade.

Aug. 26. Monday---Cloudy & cool. Drilling as usual. Col. Robert Webb from Tenn. came into our camps this evening, making all our hearts glad with news from our people at home.

Aug. 27. Tuesday---Cloudy & rainy.

Aug. 28. Wednesday---Rainy & cool. Wrote brother W. P. a letter.

Aug. 29. Thursday---Quite rainy. Col. Webb left for home. Col. Savage convened all the Captains of his regiment today to have them recommand suitable persons for Surgeon, assistant Surgeon, Quarter Master, and Commissary, who after meeting adjourned

till tomorrow.

Aug. 30. Friday---Cloudy & cool. We assembled again today to make the recommendations mentioned yesterday and adjourned sine die without recommending any one at all.

Aug. 31. Saturday---Cloudy but pleasant. Today our regiment was mustered into the Confederate States Service by Maj. Canley of Tennessee.

Sept. 1. Sunday---Clear & pleasant. Acting officer of the day. Heard a sermon by Rev. J. W. Poindexter. Reports say cannonading has been heard today either on or in the vicinity Cheat Mountain.

Sept. 2. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Spent the day drilling.

Sept. 3. Tuesday---Very warm. O. D. Neal of my company died about one o'clock this evening. He was an exemplary boy, a good soldier, and died with a lively faith in the crucified Redeemer. He had no effects in hand, but had due him from the state of Tennessee two months and three days service.

Sept. 4. Wednesday---Warm & showery. We paid the last tribute of respect to the remains of our departed friend and fellow soldier O. D. Neal today, burying him on a high hill south from the Huntersville church about 300 paces, with military honors.

In consequence of either the neglect or inability C. S. government to supply our brigade with clothing Capt. S. government has ordered to ascertain the wants of their respective commands, and report a list of the same, to be sent by a detailed officer to our homes in Tennessee to solicit supplies from them, which order I have this day complied with.

Sept. 5. Thursday---Warm & cloudy. Wrote Hambleton Neal a letter of condolence. Father of O. D. Neal, who died 3 inst.

Sept. 6. Friday---Cloudy & warm. In obedience to orders from the Hd. quarters of this department, we struck tents this A.M. at 6 o'clock and moved for "Big Springs." In consequence of the almost impossible condition of the roads we only marched

about ten miles during the day, halting and pitching tents at an old encampment called Edrey. Here we received intelligence, which, however, wanted confirmation, that an engagement had begun above Big Spring and that the rebels were driving every thing before them.

Sept. 7. Saturday---Clear & warm. No move today. All lying quietly. Battalion drill late in the evening by Gen. D. S. Donaldson our brigadier. Ordered to march at 6 1/2 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Sept. 8. Sunday---Heavy showers. We have marched about twelve miles today over a very rough road, indeed, the mud being so deep that our train has failed to come up, and we are spending a wet and weary night without covering from the weather or rations for the hungry. This, doubtless, is the beginning only of many privations and hardships yet to be endured before leaving this rugged mountain.

Sept. 9. Monday---Clear & warm. Marched to Big Spring, and thence to the top of Valley mountain, over an awful road, reaching the summit sometime after nightfall and there prepared four days rations. Only a few miles now separate us from the enemy, but the country we are told is very broken and rough over which we must travel to reach them.

Sept. 10. Tuesday---Cloudy & warm. We marched out down the mountain this morning at sunrise, in rear of the 8th Tenn. Regt., with which we caught up at Big Spring, and which now forms the right wing of Donaldson's brigade, and the 16th regiment (ours) the left wing, the two composing the first Tennessee brigade. The forces in this department now under Gen. Robt. E. Lee, said to be about sixteen thousand strong, was this morning divided into three columns and started in three different routs in the direction of Cheat mountain. Our brigade, composed of about eighteen hundred men, marched about ten miles, much of the time through the woods, over the mountains, and across ravines, such as one would suppose had never been trodden by the foot of the white man before. It was the duty of our brigade, as I learned, to fall in rear of the enemy encamped in Tygart's valley, six or eight miles south of Huttonville. We marched till after dark and fell noislessly upon our arms for the night, on a farm,

whose owner's name was Winnan.

Sept. 11. Wednesday---Very rainy. We took our line of march this morning at the dawn of day, and, regardless of the drenching rain, continued on in the direction of Cheat mountain, reaching the position assigned us a little after dark. Added to the slippery steeps we had to climb today, was the swollen rivulets and creeks, and although quite cold, the soldiers waded them for miles without a murmur. Today we came in sight of the first Yankee that any of our brigade has ever seen, consequently, all had a greater or less curiosity to see and talk with them. Where we came upon the outer picket our van guard killed one, mortally wounded another, and the third escaped; but at a double quick we moved on about 2 miles to where we came upon the second post, four in number, all of whom surrendered without firing a gun. Still down the run, one mile further, was the company to which these men belonged, and on we rushed hoping to secure the whole picket, so that our approach might not be reported at their main camp. And had not some of the men been out from the post fishing we should have succeeded most handsomely; but these, on coming up in sight, naturally took the alarm and fled. We captured however about 40 of the number and then proceeded. We were now within a short distance of the enemy's camp, and just where we were to leave the main road leading to him, and file across the mountain to our assigned position.

Just as night closed in we marched in single file noiselessly up the mountain to within sight of the enemy fires. Here we closed up, fell upon our arms by the roadside and slept under a drenching rain all night.

Sept. 12. Thursday---Cloudy but more pleasant.

At four o'clock this morning all were aroused, arms inspected, and every thing put in readiness for battle before the break of day, for with the coming of that hour was to begin the battle in Tygart's valley. Just as the scattering rays of the morning sun began to make their appearance over the eastern hills, to the great surprise of the whole command, Gen. Lee and staff rode to the head of the brigade and gave orders for our retreat. This gallant officer and most exemplary man, fearing to risk a courier on this occasion, had spent

the night, dark and stormy as it was, in his saddle trying to reach our command in order to extricate us from the critical position we now occupied. Some part of the general plan of the intended engagement had failed, which left our brigade between two bodies of the enemy, viz. the main body of his forces in our front, in his works in Tygart's valley, and a heavy detached force on Cheat mountain proper, in our rear.

About sunrise we moved down the mountain single file, left now in front. We had scarcely begun to move however, before our rear guard, (now become van.) met a company of about one hundred men, detached from the mountain to come to the camp in the valley, whom they fired upon and instantly charged, killing about fourteen and capturing seventeen, the balance making their escape. We lost one man killed and two slightly wounded.

This little skirmish over and we resumed the retreat in the direction of Big Spring, and after marching till the day was well nigh spent we halted at and fed, the now very hungry brigade, on saltless beef, it being impossible to get bread in this vicinity, and it was still several miles to our train.

This being the first march this part of our men were ever on, absent from the supply train, and not supposing they would be allowed to suffer, had wasted their rations, or rather, eat them up at the outset of the march and had consequently, become very hungry - we called it starving.

Sept. 13. Friday---Clear & pleasant.

We made no move today till three o'clock in the evening, when we took up the line of march for Cheat mountain valley and went about four miles, to the place where we captured the company of pickets on our way out, and here slept upon our arms all night. While at camps this morning I had the pleasure of reading letters from home, the first since I left that state.

Sept. 14. Saturday---Clear & pleasant.

Our command remained quietly on Elk run all day, while a council of war was being held at the commanding general's Hd. quarters.

Sept. 15. Sunday---Warm, with showers.

We left Elk run this morning and continued our

retreat to Gen. Lowring's Hd. quarters, and thence down the Huntersville and Huttonville pike to Mingo-flat, a small village, where we halted and stayed the remainder of the night, it being now nearly midnight and the rain pouring in torrents. I was never more completely exhausted and worn out in my whole life than on this occasion: I was so entirely worn out that I was compelled to turn over the company to my lts. and fall by the way-side, something I had never done before.

Sept. 16. Monday---Warm & rainy.

We resumed our march at daylight this morning and arrived at Big Spring about noon very much fatigued and worn, several of the men being barefooted. Here I had the pleasure of receiving another batch of home letters, which were always a treat in these mountain regions.

Sept. 17. Tuesday---Cloudy & rainy.

No movement made today, which was highly gratifying to the many sore-footed soldiers.

Sept. 18. Wednesday---Rainy & cooler.

Wrote father a letter. Lt. H. Denton left today for Tennessee to procure winter clothing for our regiment.

Sept. 19. Thursday---Clear & pleasant.

All quiet today, with details preparing the road toward Huntersville.

Sept. 20. Friday---Clear & pleasant.

Wrote Cousin Mary Womack, of Pine Bluff, Ark., a letter at Winchester, Tenn. In consequence of the firing of a gun at one of our picket posts we were thrown into line of battle tonight about eleven o'clock and here remained until we were apprised there was no danger.

Sept. 21. Saturday---Rainy & cool.

All quiet, and no move today.

Sept. 22. Sunday---Rainy & cool.

At early dawn this morning our brigade marched from camps at Big Spring on the Huntersville road, and camped at Gipson's. The road being so desperately muddy we only marched about ten miles. Unfortunately for me I had charge of the rear guard

on this occasion, and such another day's prising of waggons out of mud-holes and loading & unloading tents, pots, skillets etc. I hope never to have again.

Sept. 23. Monday---Clear, with the first frost of the season.

Today our march was continued to Greenbrier bridge, over Greenbrier river, six miles west from Huntersville, where we camped all night.

Sept. 24. Tuesday---Clear & pleasant.

We remained in status quo today, meanwhile our regt. was temporarily transferred to Anderson's brigade, and orders given to march early on tomorrow morning.

Sept. 25. Wednesday---Warm & cloudy.

This morning we cooked three days rations and in the evening marched for Lewisburg, traveling 12 miles before dark. Camped one-half mile west of the road.

Sept. 26. Thursday---Warm & rainy.

We continued our march today about 18 miles, through some very beautiful country, and camped at a Mr. Nickolds, three miles north of Frankford. Here we passed a most disagreeable night, the rain fell so incessantly that we could not build fires, and consequently were compelled to take the drenching rain like our faithful horses which stood shivering by.

Sept. 27. Friday---The rain continued to pour

till 5 o'clock this P.M. We resumed the march early this morning, and the Regt. continued it all day. I breakfasted in Frankford with the family of a Rev. Mr. Brooke, and spent the day in the village securing rooms and attendants for some of my men who are unable to march. I spent the night with a Mr. Scott, a very kind and hospitable gentleman, and who took care of my sick like a father.

Sept. 28. Saturday---Cloudy & cool. I walked 25 miles today, passing through Lewisburg, and overtaking my command before getting to Meadow-bluff, near which place we camped at night.

Sept. 29. Sunday---Clear & pleasant. We con-

timed our march today to the top of Sewell mountain. We had to cross two small streams today, which, from the rain on Friday, were spread out near a half mile in width, and which the soldiers had to wade, causing us to be late at night when we arrived on the top of the mountain. Here, on the top of this lofty summit we pitched our camps, only one thousand yards from the enemy, who occupied a neighboring hill, separated from us only by a deep ravine. This was the most trying days march I have yet had to make.

Sept. 30. Monday---Clear & pleasant.

We kept closely about our fires today watching the movements of the enemy & resting our weary limbs and worn out feet. We have now been without tents, and nearly without blankets since the 8th inst. and although we have needed them very much in that time, yet on no occasion have we felt their absence so sensibly as here, where the constant cutting winds sweep incessantly across the towering point.

Oct. 1. Tuesday---Clear & pleasant.

All quiet today. Wrote sisters M. T. & M. A. a letter.

Oct. 2. Wednesday---Very rainy.

No movements by either army today.

Oct. 3. Thursday---Cloudy & warm.

All quiet again today, but at 8 o'clock this evening an order was issued to be ready for action by the dawn of day tomorrow morning.

Oct. 4. Friday---Clear & pleasant.

The army spent today erecting breastworks, which indicates an intention on the part of Gen. Lee to act on the defensive.

Oct. 5. Saturday---Clear & pleasant.

All quiet today. Wrote Miss T. G. A. of Celina, Tenn. a letter.

Oct. 6. Sunday---Cloudy & stormy.

Very unexpectedly to our entire army we discovered that Gen. Rosecrans, with his entire force, had evacuated Big Sewell during the night and was too far gone to be overtaken before he

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would reach the position he desired. We started on pursuit but only followed a mile or two, and then returned to our camps.

Oct. 7. Monday---Very rainy, so constantly did the rain fall during both day & night that it was impossible to sleep in our rough brush houses, and we were reduced to the uncomfortable necessity of sitting up all night. I wrote brother S. M. a letter.

Oct. 8. Tuesday---Cloudy & cool.

All quiet today.

Oct. 9. Wednesday---Frosty, cloudy & windy.

Nothing transpiring today.

Oct. 10. Thursday---Cloudy & cool.

All quiet today.

Oct. 11. Friday---Rainy & very disagreeable.

Wrote Miss Kate J. S. of Coffee County, Tenn. a letter.

Oct. 12. Saturday---Clear, cool & windy.

Our regiment received marching orders today at twelve o'clock and late in the evening moved back down the mountain, four miles, in the direction of Lewisburg, and encamped on Sewell Creek. I received from Maj. Glover, C. S. A. Gr. master \$390.00 pay for the months of July, Aug. & Sept. Paid Capt. L. H. Meadows \$10.00 and Lt. Worthington \$20.00.

Oct. 13. Sunday---Clear & cool.

We remained quietly in camp on Sewell Creek all day.

Oct. 14. Monday---Clear & frosty.

Spent the day drilling.

Oct. 15. Tuesday---Warmer & cloudy.

Drilling again today. Loaned Geo. W. York twenty dollars to carry with him to the Hospital, which his brother Thos. J. refunded. Wrote Uncle R. P. Womack a letter.

Oct. 16. Wednesday---Cloudy & warm.

Wrote Miss Mary E. Henderson of McM. a letter. Drilling by company.

Oct. 17. Thursday---Cloudy & rainy.
Spent the day drilling.

Oct. 18. Friday---Warm & cloudy.
Wrote a letter to father.

Oct. 19. Saturday---Light showers.
Jas. K. Polk Evans, of my Company, aged about twenty years, a good soldier and a faithful christian, died this A. M. at 2 o'clock.

Oct. 20. Sunday---Clear & pleasant.
All quiet today.

Oct. 21. Monday---Cool & rainy.
We moved from Meadow Creek early this morning and marched to Meadow bluff and camped for the night.

Oct. 22. Tuesday---Cloudy & cool.
Marched our regiment today to Lewisburg and thence two miles north on the Huntersville road and bivouaced for the night.

Oct. 23. Wednesday---Very disagreeable.
Marched to Frankford, and here fell behind the regiment to attend to some sick soldiers I left here on my way to Big Sewell. Found them doing very well. Loaned F. G. Womack \$20 and Elias N. Green \$5 for contingencies. My waiting boy, Reese, whom I also left here with the soldiers, is still here, but very low - past recovering.

Oct. 24. Thursday---Clear & cool.
Paid Mrs. Scott \$20 for her kindness to my sick, and then set off alone to overtake my command, which I did just at night, after walking twenty-four miles.

Oct. 25. Friday---Heavy frost & cloudy.
Marched to Greenbrier bridge and pitched for the night. Here I drew 75 shirts and 85 pr. of drawers for my Company.

My boy at Frankford died this P.M. at 2 o'clock. He was a faithful servant, and expressed a lively hope in the atoneing blood of the Lamb of God.

Oct. 26. Saturday---Changable.
Remained at the bridge all day.

Oct. 27. Sunday---Clear & pleasant.
Received for and paid out to my Company \$1702.42. Paid B. J. Hill & Co. \$40.00 on a note they hold against me and took their receipt for the same. (Received on deposit from R. W. Ware \$15.00.) Paid B. T. Green \$5.00. We marched this evening to Huntersville & camped 2 mi. N. of town.

Oct. 28. Monday---Clear & cool.
After an absence from our tents of nearly two months, we again pitched them this morning and spent the day clearing our encampment of all trash & litter. Alsey Jones of Warren County, Tenn. arrived at our camps today, on a visit. As agent for Col. Robt. Webb, I recd. for him of the soldiers today \$119.00

Oct. 29. Tuesday---Clear & cool.
Discharged for disability today, Isaac Traummel and W. A. Potter. Paid Enoch Cooksey \$22.00.

Oct. 30. Wednesday---Cloudy with cool winds.
Made out muster pay rolls for my company today, and paid H. H. Faulkner \$20.00 for Col. Robt. Webb.

Oct. 31. Thursday---Cloudy & cool.
Wrote and started letters home today by the kindness of Alsey Jones, one containing \$170.00.

Nov. 1. Friday---Cool, with some rain.
Completed my rolls and company reports.

Nov. 2. Saturday---Warmer & rainy.
Remained in bed most of the day.

Nov. 3. Sunday---Cloudy & cool.
Wrote Miss A. M. A. of McMinnville a letter.

Nov. 4. Monday---Cloudy & cool.
I arrested _____ of my company today, charged with having stolen from A. C. Bowlin \$32.20, of which offense he acknowledged he was guilty.

Nov. 5. Tuesday---Pleasant but cloudy.
Drew up charges and specifications against _____ and began making out a set of muster & pay rolls.

Nov. 6. Wednesday---Rain & sleet.
This day an election for the first president and

vice president of the Confederate States of America has been held throughout the government. Jefferson Davis of Miss. and Alexander H. Stephens of Geo. being the only candidates for the respective offices. They received my ballot most cordially, and when installed, I hope the welfare of the whole country may be their chiefest aim. Sold R. W. Ware a Colts repeater for \$17.00.

Nov. 7. Thursday---Clear & cool.
Wrote mother a letter enclosing her \$40.00. Also wrote to brother B. R.

Nov. 8. Friday---Clear & pleasant.
W. A. Potter left for home today.

Nov. 9. Saturday---Rainy & disagreeable.
Delivered my watch to Adjt. McKinney of the 8th Tenn. Regt. to be repaired. Wrote Miss Mollie Scott of Frankford, Va. a letter.

Nov. 10. Sunday---All quiet today. Received orders to march tomorrow.

Nov. 11. Monday---Rainy & disagreeable.
Struck tents and marched ten miles in the direction of Lewisburg.

Nov. 12. Tuesday---Clear & pleasant.
Marched fourteen miles today.

Nov. 13. Wednesday---Warm & cloudy.
Marched to Frankford and stayed all night. We had the pleasure of a sermon in our camp this evening by Rev.

Nov. 14. Thursday---The brigade moved on to Lewisburg today and I remained at Frankford. Miss M. S. Wrote in my diary the following lines: "And will Capt. W. remember his Frankford friends. And when this war ceases will he return here and visit those who are his friends. And there is one friend at heart who will never forget him - it is not necessary to mention the name as he well knows." This philanthropic hearted young lady was a noble soul, every fiber of her heart was in unison for the South, and she was truly the "friend" of every good soldier engaged in its cause. May she see the "war cease" and her

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beloved South freed from oppression, is the sincere wish of him whom she so cordially invites to her happy Frankford home.

Nov. 15. Friday---Cold & disagreeable.
Confederate thanksgiving day. Heard two sermons before leaving Frankford. Went to Lewisburg and stopped at the Lewisburg Hotel. Snow fell at night covering the ground. Wrote Miss Mollie Scott a letter.

Nov. 16. Saturday---Cloudy & cold.
Bought two pair of shirts for thirteen dollars, an army hat for six dollars and fifty cents, paid two dollars for repairing my watch, and two dollars, Hotel bill.

Nov. 17. Sunday---Cold & cloudy.
Attended church in Lewisburg, where we had excellent music, both vocal and instrumental, and a most splendid sermon.

Nov. 18. Monday---Changeable.
Capt. Brewer, Lts. Hackett and Stone, and myself were the members of a Court-Martial convened today for the trial of _____, of Capt. Dillard's Company, found him guilty of drunkenness & profanity.

Nov. 19. Tuesday---Cloudy & cold.
Wrote a puff for Col. T. B. Murray and sent to the "New Era." Discharged W. C. Stepp and P. A. Jennings for disability.

Nov. 20. Wednesday---Cold & Rainy.
Today the hearts of our regiment were made glad and our bleeding feet and protruding knees comfortable by the arrival of our winter goods, prepared for us by our friends at home. All honor to our Mothers, wives and sisters who have not forgotten our perils in these dreary mountains.

Nov. 21. Thursday---Clear & cool.
Wrote sister Martha a letter.

Nov. 22. Friday---Cold & rainy.
Having learned that Lt. Thos. J. York of my company had written and spoken words derogatory to me, and which I knew had been written and spoken,

not because there was even the semblance of truth in them, but out of desire to spot my reputation only. I therefore called upon him today for satisfaction in the matter. After repeating to him what I had been informed he had said and written, and which I am still satisfied he had done, he stated to me positively that I had been misinformed, and that the statement, whether made by himself or anyone else, was to his knowledge utterly false; and in order to satisfy me that he was wrongfully implicated, he agreed to write a letter satisfactory to me and send to the "New Era" a paper published in his and my county town for publication.

Wrote a letter to Maj. Jo. H. Goodbar at Morristown, Tennessee.

Nov. 23. Saturday---Cold & cloudy.
Borrowed from D. W. Blackwell \$10, ten dollars, from R. A. Webb \$10 and from E. N. Green five dollars. Went to Lewisburg and gave ten dollars for a pair of heavy boots.

Nov. 24. Sunday---Cold & snowing.
Capt. H. H. Dillard and I went to Frankford and spent the day.

Nov. 25. Monday---Cold & still snowing.
Spent the day in Frankford, where I had the pleasure of introducing Capt. H. H. Dillard to Miss Boone Tompkins of Kanawha valley.

Nov. 26. Tuesday---Very cold.
Returned to camps and wrote mother a letter.

Nov. 27. Wednesday---Cold & showery.
Wrote uncle Nathan Byars a letter.

Nov. 28. Thursday---Cold rains.
Discharged Peter Countiss and E. N. Green on account of disability. Paid E. N. Green four dollars for D. W. Blackwell, also paid nine dollars coach fare for the above parties to the Rail Road.

Nov. 29. Friday---Cold & rainy.
All quiet today. Borrowed of W. C. Womack six dollars.

Nov. 30. Saturday---Clear & pleasant.
Made out a monthly company report. Wrote Miss Temple Ware a letter. Received marching orders for Red Sulphur springs.

Dec. 1. Sunday---Cloudy & cold. In obedience to orders we marched from our encampment in the muddy hills near Lewisburg about sunrise and moved on about ten miles in the direction of Red Sulphur Springs over a very rough road.

Dec. 2. Monday---Cold with quite a snow storm in the evening.
Marched through the little village of Union, passed Salt Sulphur Springs and camped at night on the road side.

Dec. 3. Tuesday---Cold & cloudy.
Marched to Red Sulphur Springs, about 12 miles, but finding no rations there as was expected we fell back one mile to where we could get level ground to camp upon, & spent the night supperless.

Dec. 4. Wednesday---Clear & cool.
Left camps today about noon and marched about eight miles in the direction of Newbern.

Dec. 5. Thursday---Clear & cold.
Marched twelve miles today, passing through Peterstown and crossing New river about noon. The road was hard frozen and our encampment at night a ledge of loose rocks.

Dec. 6. Friday---Clear & pleasant.
Marched through Parisburg early this morning and on up New river 12 to a bridge & encamped for the night.

Dec. 7. Saturday---Clear & pleasant.
Marched nine miles today, to Dublin depo, on the East Tenn. & Va. R. R. and pitched tents till further ordered.

Dec. 8. Sunday---Cloudy & warm.
All still and quiet today. We were ordered to-day to Charleston, S. C. much to the surprise of every one, for we were expecting orders to Bowlinggreen, Ky.

Dec. 9. Monday---Warm & cloudy.
Cooked four days rations preparatory to starting to Charleston. Received a letter from brother B.R.

Dec. 10. Tuesday---Quite warm.
Remained in camps all day. Wrote a letter to the "New Era."

Dec. 11. Wednesday---Cooler.
Left Dublin depo at nine o'clock this morning and arrived at Lynchburg, Va. at five in the evening. One of our cars ran off the rails today slightly bruising Capt. Donnell and 3 or 4 men. No other casualties befell us.

Dec. 12. Thursday---Clear & cool.
On account of the lack of transportation for the whole of our regiment, my company and one or two others had to remain over at Lynchburg all day, which gave us an opportunity, to some extent, to outfit ourselves for living again, and which we could have done much more fully had we not have been almost out of money. I borrowed \$20.00 of W. D. Wood of my Co., then loaned Capt. C. C. Brewer \$5.00 and Robt. Kerby two dollars. Bought seven bakers for the use of my company, at \$1.50 each, paid five dollars for taking my daguerreotype, and loaned Maj. Cullom of the 8th Tenn. Regt. \$5.00. Discharged John R. Bost of my Co. for disability, and started him home; by whom I sent to sister Martha my likeness.

Dec. 13. Friday---Clear & cool.
We took the cars at Lynchburg this morning at nine o'clock, and without any casualties, arrived in Petersburg at five this evening. The command of the whole force now with us having devolved on me, I procured quarters for the night in the City Guard Hall, on Broad street, then went to a bakery and procured bread, then to a cookery and had one hundred and fifty rations of bacon fried and broiled.

Dec. 14. Saturday---Clear & cold.
After spending the day in Petersburg we took the cars at 5 o'clock in the evening for Wilmington N. C. We reached Weldon at nine o'clock P.M., immediately changed cars and started on for Wilmington again at ten.

Dec. 15. Sunday.
Arrived in Wilmington at twelve o'clock today, crossed Cape Fear river at two o'clock P. M. and took the cars for Charleston, S. C.

Dec. 16. Monday.
Passed Florence this A. M. at one o'clock, arrived in Charleston at 3 P. M. and quartered the Regt. in the Charleston depo, where a supper was awaiting our arrival. Took a walk in the City.

Dec. 17. Tuesday---Clear & warm.
This morning our command marched over..... to the Savannah depo, and encamped on one of the battlefields of the Colonial Revolution. In the evening I returned to Charleston, perambulated many of its streets, visited the Charleston battery, situated on the shore at the south eastern part of the City, from which I had an imperfect view of forts Sumpter and Moultry, and Castle Pinkney. After spending the day very pleasantly in the very heart of rebeldom (much of which I had forgotten to say now lay in smoking ruins) I returned, much fatigued, to our recently established quarters near the Savannah depo.

Dec. 18. Wednesday---Clear & warm.
We left Savannah depo at three o'clock this evening and reached Pocotaligo Station about nine. Here we threw our baggage from the train and remained till morning.

Dec. 19. Thursday---Clear & warm.
This morning we again pitched our tents, and for the first time in many a long and weary day set up in regular military style. Far removed from the rugged hills and mountains of western Virginia and situated on the sandy planes of South Carolina, we hope to do a greater amount of good with a much less degree of fatigue and exposure.
Received a letter from Miss T. G. A. of Celina, Tenn. also one from Mrs. Eliza Puston and wrote one to father.

Dec. 20. Friday---Warm & cloudy.
Heavy cannonading on the coast this morning. Being quite unwell I kept my bed most of the day.

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21. Saturday---Cooler & cloudy. All quiet
On account of severe cold I was compelled
to remain in & about my tent all day.

Dec. 22. Sunday---Cloudy & cool. All quiet to-
day. Major A. J. Brown commenced paying off our
Regt. today.

Dec. 23. Monday---Cool, with light showers. This
morning our regiment about five miles south from
Pocotaligo on the road leading to Mackey's Point,
Col. Murray, with Capt. Shields and my company
were detached and sent two miles further down
toward the coast and quartered in a large cotton
field. I received various sums of money from
different members of our detachment, amounting in
all to \$1700.00, with the view of getting it
changed off for smaller bills.

Dec. 24. Tuesday---Clear & cool. Went to
Charleston and put up at the Charleston Hotel, room
No. 55. Bought a vest for five dollars and a gold
pen for \$3.25.

Dec. 25. Wednesday---Christmas---Clear & cool.
Bought a gold watch for \$60.00. Went out to Fort
Sumpter and spent the day, where I made several
acquaintances, had the pleasure of a telescopic
view of Fort Moultrie, the Yankee blockading
fleet, and the other surrounding batteries, and
returned to Charleston just as the King of day
sank behind the calm and placid waters. At night
I wrote Miss T. G. A. of Celina, Tenn. a long
letter.

Dec. 26. Thursday---Clear & pleasant. Spent the
day in Charleston procuring some of the wants of
my company. Bought one hundred and twenty six
pounds of tobacco for \$42.00, ten pounds of soda
for \$5.00, four cloth stools for \$5.50 and various
other small articles amounting in all to about
\$100.00. Went to the banks and exchanged about
\$2000 dollars in large bills for smaller ones.
Wrote Rufus Simpson of McMinnville a letter, also
one to brother B. R. at Bowlinggreen, Ky.

Dec. 27. Friday---Clear & pleasant. Left
Charleston this morning at ten o'clock and arrived
at camps at sunset, found the command all doing
well.

Dec. 28. Saturday---Clear & cool. Refunded the
money to the men received from them on the 23rd
Inst. Received a letter from Miss A. M. A. of
McMinnville, also one from Miss M. C. S. of
Frankford, Va.

Dec. 29. Sunday---Pleasant but cloudy. All
quiet today. Wrote brother B. R. a letter, also
one to Miss Mollie C. Scott.

Dec. 30. Monday---Clear & pleasant. Spent the
day making out Muster & Pay rolls for November &
December.

Dec. 31. Tuesday---Clear & warm. Cannonading
on the coast today. Wrote Miss A. M. A. of
McMinnville, Tenn. a letter.

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Jan. 1. Wednesday---Clear & windy. Some
fighting near Port Royal today, which causes con-
siderable excitement.

May I spend the incoming year more usefully and
prayerfully than I have the one just closed, and
may God the Father guide and direct me in all I
say and do.

Jan. 2. Thursday---Warm & cloudy. Skirmishing
at Port Royal again today. Wrote R. P. Womack a
letter.

Jan. 3. Friday---Light showers. Cannonading
this evening in the vicinity of Page's Point. Re-
ceived a letter from Miss M. S. of F-d, Va.

Jan. 4. Saturday---Warm & cloudy. Went to
Pocotaligo Station today to procure implements for
fortifying.

Jan. 5. Sunday---Very rainy. Wrote Miss M. S.
a letter of condolence.

Jan. 6. Monday---Clear & cool. I was detailed
as topographical engineer to take ten men and
examine the country between our Post and the
Coosawhatchie river, and render a report, which I
did. I found the country impassable to artillery,
almost so to cavalry, and but few places where

Infantry could be moved with much alacrity; much of it being thick chapperel and canebreak. Wrote father a letter inclosing \$100.00.

Jan. 7. Tuesday---Clear & cool. My company began work on the Rocky Point fort. I drafted a set of Resolutions of condolence, expressive of the deep regret felt by the 16th Tenn. regt. at the death of their much esteemed fellow soldier and Major, Jo. H. Goodbar, forward copies to the Nashville Union And American, The McMinnville New Era, and to the Major's parents.

Jan. 8. Wednesday---Cloudy & cool. Cannonading off Mackay's Point began at one o'clock this P.M. and continued till five. Received the daguerreo-type of Miss T. G. A. of Celina, Tenn. & acknowledged it by letter.

Jan. 9. Thursday---Warm & cloudy. All quiet on the coast today.

Jan. 10. Friday---Clear & warm. All quiet today. Received a letter from sister Martha.

Jan. 11. Saturday---Cloudy & warm. Superintendent the work today on Rocky Point fort. Received from Misses A. M. A. & M. E. H. of McMinnville a most beautiful pound cake and fine bottle of peach cordial. Long may those dear and worthy friends live to enjoy the sweets of a happy life.

Jan. 12. Sunday---Clear & warm. Jas. Spurllock sen., of McMinnville, paid us a visit today. He carries to father for me \$100.00. Wrote Misses A. M. A. & M. E. H. a letter.

Jan. 13. Monday---Warm & cloudy. All quiet today. Spent the night at Mackay's Point, on picket duty.

Jan. 14. Tuesday---Quite cool & cloudy. Remained on duty at the Point all day and night. Received a letter from brother B. R. Today I saw an oyster bed.

Jan. 15. Wednesday---Pleasant but cloudy. Returned from Mackey's Point and wrote brother B. R. a letter.

Jan. 16. Thursday---Light sprinkles. All quiet today. Received a lot blank Muster and Payrolls. Employed Fred Green, a boy of color, for a cook and waiter, for ten dollars per month.

Jan. 17. Friday---Cool & rainy. Made out two Muster & payrolls.

Jan 18. Saturday---Cloudy & dull. Battle of fishing creek, Ky.

Jan. 19. Sunday---Cloudy & very warm. All quiet today. Asa Faulkner of McMinnville paid us a visit today.

Jan. 20. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Discharged for disability W. H. Byars.

Jan. 21. Tuesday---Warm, with thunder showers. Gave W. Jeff Fuston a furlough for fifteen days and started him home with W. H. Byars.

Jan. 22. Wednesday---Cool & rainy. Superintendent the work on the western portion of Stony Point Fort. Wrote Mrs. Mary J. Kent a letter.

Jan. 23. Thursday---Rainy & cold. All quiet.

Jan. 24. Friday---Cold & rainy. All quiet. Received a letter from brother W. T.

Jan. 25. Saturday---Clear & cool. Held an election for Major of our Regt. to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Maj. Jo. H. Goodbar. My Co. voted unanimously for H. H. Faulkner, of Capt. Donnell's Co.

Jan. 26. Sunday---Clear & cool. Studied the scriptures.

Jan. 27. Monday---Cloudy & cool. Went to Pocotaligo station, and received a letter from Miss M. S. of F-d, Va.

Jan. 28. Tuesday---Clear & cool. Received a letter from Miss C. J. S. of Coffee county, Tenn., and replied to it, also wrote a letter to father. Cannonading in the vicinity of Savannah this P.M. for one hour.

Jan. 29. Wednesday---Clear & pleasant. L. Col. W. L. Moore of the 8th Tenn. Regt. took command of this detachment today. Some pieces of artillery were brought down to the fort. W. C. Womack and M. Mauzy of my Co. were arrested today, while on duty on the R. R., by a drunken Lt. of Col. Starks Va. Regt. He deserved reducing to the ranks.

Jan. 30. Thursday---Warm, with light rain. Detailed as officer of the day. Visited Mackay's Point and other posts on the line. Sold J. P. Green a gold watch for \$60.00. Sold a pair of boots for \$6.00.

Jan. 31. Friday---Cool sprinkles. Wrote Miss A. M. A. a letter.

Feb. 1. Saturday---Rainy. Received a letter from J. Henry Vannerson.

Feb. 2. Sunday---Cloudy & cool. All quiet today.

Feb. 3. Monday---Cloudy & warm. Cannonading all the forenoon near Savannah. Went to Pocotaligo and to Mackay's Point.

Feb. 4. Tuesday---Pleasant but cloudy. Wrote Miss M. S. of F-d, Va. a letter. Received of J. P. Green twenty dollars for a watch.

Feb. 5. Wednesday---Pleasant but cloudy. Made out a Muster Roll, stating the ages of all the men, to be forwarded to the Sect. of war at Richmond. Appointed Michael Mauzy Penny Post for this detachment.

Feb. 6. Thursday---Cloudy & warm. Went to Pocotaligo, thence to Regtl and Brigade Hd. Qrts. Received of Maj. A. J. Brown Ast. C. S. A. Gr. M. \$260.00 pay for the months of Nov. & Dec. 1861.

Feb. 7. Friday---Warm with heavy rains. W. Jeff Fuston returned from Tenn. bringing me home letters and something rich to eat. Fort Henry surrendered to the Yankees.

Feb. 8. Saturday---Warm, with drenching rains. Took a detail of 16 men and went to Mackay's upper dwelling to prevent the landing of a small crew of the enemy, but contrary to our expectations

they did not come. The night was black & rainy and passed without sleep.

Feb. 9. Sunday---Rainy & disagreeable. Furloughed Lt. J. D. W. Hill to Charleston for 2 days.

Feb. 10. Monday---Cloudy & cooler. Acting officer of the day. Visited the pickets at Mackay's Point & other posts. Heard with deep regret of the surrender of Ft. Donaldson, Tenn. which occurred on yesterday.

Feb. 11. Tuesday---Clear & cool. Went to Savannah, Ga. and took room No. 80 in the Pulaski House. Savannah is quite a nice city, will compare well with any in the Confederacy; its streets are broad and beautifully shaded, and its squares most elegant in appearance. Spent \$24.85 for stationary.

Feb. 12. Wednesday---Clear & pleasant. Remained in the city all day. Spent \$28.25 for sundries for my company. Was presented with three testaments and a No. of religious tracts, published in Nashville, Tenn. Wrote Miss L. C. of Warren Co. Tenn. a letter.

Feb. 13. Thursday---Clear & pleasant. Returned to camps today, where I found all quiet.

Feb. 14. Friday---Warm with showers. Had a whisky melee in camp this morning before day, resulting in the stabbing of W. T. Mayberry and severe bruising of 3 or 4 others. Acting officer of the day. Mailed to sister Martha 1/4 of a ream of nice France note paper. Received an exquisitely nice little Valentine from "Hilda" (alias A. M. A.) accompanied by some most excellent original stanzas of poetry.

Feb. 15. Saturday---Showery. Cheering telegrams from Ft. Donaldson today.

Feb. 16. Sunday---Cold rains. Wrote Miss "Hilda" or (A. M. A.) a letter.

Feb. 17. Monday---Cold & drizzly. More favorable telegrams from Ft. Donaldson.

Feb. 18. Tuesday---Cool, mirky & dripping. Acting officer of the day. Went to Pocotaligo, where I received intelligence of the certain fall of Ft. Donaldson and surrender of Nashville together with the loss of 13000 men. This sad reverse casts the deepest sorrow & gloom over every Confederate soldier, especially the brave and gallant Tennesseeans, who are now more fully determined than ever before to sacrifice their lives, if need be, for the invaded soil of their bleeding Country. If Nashville has fallen, as it possibly has, the infant Confederacy has sustained a heavy loss, and one too, from which she cannot soon recover. This sad lamentable information has caused every patriot heart to resolve that our Country's independence must and shall be established, or we will fall in its attempt. The chivalrous Volunteer State will not be allowed to pass under Lincoln rule without still more desperate struggles, and the fall of a far greater number of his hireling horde than have yet been slain at the hands of those who are striking for their liberties, homes, firesides, wives and children. Received a letter from brother B. R. Permanent Congress convened in Richmond. May their proceedings be directed by that everruling Providence who directs all things after the will of his own counsel.

Feb. 19. Wednesday---Showers. Received dispatches confirming the fall of Ft. Donaldson and surrender of Nashville. Wrote out an article and presented to my Co. for two-year volunteers, the company when made to be styled "Warren Guards". Loaned Wm. Bell five dollars.

Feb. 20. Thursday---Clear & pleasant. Dispatches today deny the surrender of Nashville and the capture of Gens. Pillow & Buckner.

Feb. 21. Friday---Light showers. Yankees maneuvering on Broad river but without making their object known to us. Subscribed for the Daily Charleston Mercury.

Feb. 22. Saturday---Clear & Warm. Acting officer of the day. Went to Brigade Hd. Qrts. where I received from Maj. A. J. Brown \$1854.25 for my Co., which I returned with, and paid out to them. Brisk

cannonading from 12 to one o'clock today in the vicinity of Savannah.
First President of the Confederate States inaugurated.

Feb. 23. Sunday---Changeable. Carried Capt. Dillard down to see the curiosities of Mackay's Point, one of which was a sea crab dinner. Returned and wrote sister Martha a letter.

Feb. 24. Monday---Clear & windy. Gave Lt. A. P. Smartt a furlough for 48 hours to go to Savannah. Went to Regtl Hd Qrts. where I collected from Maj. Cullum five dollars, which I loaned him at Lynchburg, Va.

Feb. 25. Tuesday---Clear & cool. Attended, as a witness, the trial of Col. Jno. H. Savage, at old Pocotaligo. Received a letter from Miss A. M. A. of McMinville.

Feb. 26. Wednesday---Cool & rainy. Attended Col. Savage's trial again today at old Pocotaligo. Wrote Miss C. J. S. a letter & sent by Capt. Brewer. Paid J. K. P. Webb \$50.00 & R. A. Webb \$22.00.

Feb. 27. Thursday---Clear & cool. Attended Col. Savage's trial. Wrote father a letter and enclosed him \$100.00 per Lt. H. H. Denton. Received of Wm. Bell \$5.00, loaned money.

Feb. 28. Friday---Clear & cool. General inspection by Lt. Col. W. I. Moore. Made out Muster and pay Rolls for Jan. & Feb. 1862.

Mar. 1. Saturday---Changeable. Spent the day preparing discharges and pay certificates for members of my Co. heretofore discharged, but were not settled with. Sent \$50.00 to Charleston by Lt. J. D. W. Hill for a navy pistol. Received on deposit fifty dollars for B. P. Green.

Mar. 2. Sunday---Pleasant but cloudy. Spent the forenoon reading the scriptures and in the afternoon wrote Miss A. M. A. a letter. Received on deposit from A. M. Mason \$20.00.

Mar. 3. Monday. Rainy & changeable. Attended Col. Savage's trial at Pocotaligo station it being removed to that place for continuance. Received a letter from cousin Samantha B. Womack of Athens, Ala.

Mar. 4. Tuesday---Clear & cool - some ice. Attended the Court Martial at Pocotaligo. Lt. Hill returned and brought me a navy-cost \$50.

Mar. 5. Wednesday---Clear & cool. Attended the Court Martial which closed today. Was detailed by Col. Murray to go to McMinnville, Tenn. Furloughed Asberry Brown for 20 days to go to Warren Co. Tenn. Received \$185.00 to carry to different persons at home.

Mar. 6. Thursday---Cool, with some rain. Left Pocotaligo at 3 1/2 P. M., for McM. Tenn., arrived in Savannah, Ga. at 5 1/2 P. M., took supper at the Pulaski House, and left for Macon at 10.

Mar. 7. Friday---Clear & cold. Arrived in Macon this A. M. at 9 o'clock, took breakfast and left for Atlanta at 10, where we arrived at 5 P.M., took supper at the Washington Hall and left for Chattanooga, Tenn. at 7 P.M.

Mar. 8. Saturday---Clear & cold. Arrived in Chattanooga at 5 this A. M. and left for Tullahoma at 6 1/2. We ran upon some crushed cars near Tunnel Hill, where we were detained about two hours. Missed the cars at Tullahoma, therefore took private conveyance to Manchester and stayed all night.

Mar. 9. Sunday---Clear & cool. Visited Miss C. J. S. at Concord station. Went to McMinnville, where I met with many of my old friends, a few of whom seemed to disrelish the Confederate uniform, and were therefore cool and distant. Went with Dr. Armstrong to his house, where, together with his family I unexpectedly met with Miss T. G. A.

Mar. 10. Monday---Cool rains. Called to see Miss T. G. A. this morning, then went to father's and spent the evening in the family circle, around the old homestead hearthstone - was delighted to meet with and find my people all well.

Mar. 11. Tuesday---Clear & cool. Went to Col. Robt. Webb's and paid his wife \$15, thence to B.H. Womack's, thence to Jno. W. Burk's and paid Mrs. Burks \$60, also paid W. N. Lowery \$12, money sent to them by their sons in the army, thence to R. P. Womack's and stayed all night. Found the people generally depressed in spirits on account of the near approach of the enemy, many believing the country will soon be overrun by them.

Mar. 12. Wednesday---Pleasant. Returned to father's, wrote a letter to the boys in camps, and then went to town. Received of father \$60.00. Bought a gold watch from L. D. Kent for \$35.00, paid fifty dollars and executed my note for the remainder. Called on Miss T. G. A. at 6 in the evening at doctor Armstrong's.

Mar. 13. Thursday---Pleasant. Went to father's and spent the night, where I met J. M. Womack and brother B. R.

Mar. 14. Friday---Warm with showers. B. R. and I went this morning to uncle E. H. Green's; this evening to S. V. Greens, and paid Margaret Green \$50.00, money sent her by her son J. P. Green; thence to uncle Nathan Eyar's and spent the night.

Mar. 15. Saturday---Warm & rainy. We went to the Central factory and paid Mrs. Margaret Countiss \$10.00, money from her son J. M. Countiss, thence to father's and spent the day.

Mar. 16. Sunday---Cloudy & cool. Went with J. M. Womack to McMinnville who left today for his command at Decatur, Ala. Heard a sermon by Rev. J. M. McMaury. Called on Miss Tennie G. Amonett this evening and arranged the preliminaries necessary to our marriage on the 20th Inst.

Mar. 17. Monday---Clear & cool. Purchased dry goods to the amount of \$11.50 and then went to father's, thence A. C. Clark's and spent the night.

Mar. 18. Tuesday---Clear & pleasant. Went to McMinnville and thence to father's and spent the night.

Mar. 19. Wednesday---Warm & cloudy. Went to McMinnville, bought sundry little articles, and

Apr. 9 Wednesday---Heavy rains & high winds. Made out the proceedings in the case of the C. S. vs. E. J. et. al of Co. (C) 8th Tenn. Regt. Capt. P. C. Shields Pres. of the court.

Apr. 10. Thursday---Clear & cool. Dispatches announce the falling back of Gen'l Beauregard to Corinth.

Apr. 11. Friday---Cool & cloudy. Marched at dawn this morning to Pocotaligo - left there for Grahamsville at 11. Remained there till 5 P.M., then reversed engines and left for Charleston. Loaned D. W. Blackwell \$10.

Apr. 12. Saturday---Cool & cloudy. Arrived in Charleston at 8 A. M. and left for Augusta, Ga. at 10 P. M. Loaned W. C. Womack \$10 and J. M. Countiss \$5.

Apr. 13. Sunday---Cool rains. Arrived in Augusta at 3 A.M. and left for Atlanta at half past 8, where we arrived at 8 P.M.

Apr. 14. Monday---Rain. Left Atlanta at 4 A.M. went 60 ms on the Chattanooga R. R. halted, at 12 M. reversed engines and were at Marietta at 5 P.M. were again ordered to Chattanooga, reversed engines for that place and again started.

Apr. 15. Tuesday---Cloudy but more pleasant. Day-light found us at Dalton, where we received an order from Beauregard to return to Atlanta and come to Corinth via Mobile, Ala. So at 8 A.M. we left Dalton and arrived in Atlanta at 7 P.M. and the command again left at 8, for West Pt., where it was expected to stop and cook rations, there being none on hands. Being very unwell, I took room No. 31 in Washington Hall.

Apr. 16. Wednesday---Cloudy & warm. Spent the day in Atlanta. Wrote Mrs. W. & sister M. A. a letter. Our train ran off the track this morning at Newman mashing nine boxes, killing one man & wounding several other, also killed 6 horses.

Apr. 17. Thursday---Cloudy & warm. Made the acquaintance of Mrs. Gen'l Donaldson, also that of W. A. Carson of Celina, Tenn., by whom I sent Mrs. J. J. Amonett a letter.

Apr. 18 Friday---Warm & Cloudy. Received of Mrs. T. B. Murray \$50.00, money due from Col. T. B. Wrote father a letter, also one to Mrs. W.

Apr. 19. Saturday---Rain & sunshine. Left Atlanta at 3 A.M., having in charge Mrs. Col. W.L. Moore and children, and arrived in Montgomery at 3 P.M. and left on the steamer, Jeff Davis, at 6, for Mobile. Received of Mrs. Moore \$100 expense money.

Apr. 20. Sunday---Cool & rainy. Arrived at Selma at 6 A. M. and left nine.

Apr. 21. Monday---Cool & cloudy. Arrived in Mobile at 2 P. M. and stopped at the Battle House, Room No. 119.

Apr. 22. Tuesday---Cool & cloudy. Bought a small pistol for \$20. Left Mobile at 4 P. M. for Corinth, arrived at Meridian at mid night, where I put Mrs. Moore in the care of Lt. W. Bonner and she left for Vicksburg, and I for Corinth.

Apr. 23. Wednesday---Clear & pleasant. Arrived at Corinth only one day behind my Regt. Met with brother B. R. of the 5th Tenn. and spent the night with him. Had the pleasure of seeing many old friends & acquaintances.

Apr. 24. Thursday---Cloudy & warm. Joined my Co. at Corinth, Called on Gen. Donaldson at the request of his wife. Saw many friends.

Apr. 25. Friday---Rainy & disagreeable. Wrote father a letter.

Apr. 26. Saturday---Clear & pleasant. Regtl. inspection today. Drew sixty four Canteens for my Co. Received of W. C. Womack \$10.

Apr. 27. Sunday---Clear & warm. Read 20 chaps. of the Acts of the Apostles.

Apr. 28. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Went to Corinth thence to the 5th Tenn. Regt. and made out my Muster and Pay rolls for March & April.

Apr. 29. Tuesday---Warm & rainy. Heavy skirmish-

ing today. Gave Monroe Goodbar \$10 to purchase me a hat. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter and received one from her, also letters from my brothers and sisters. Made out Pay Roll for arrearages due from the state of Tennessee.

Apr. 30. Wednesday---Some Rain. Wrote father a letter. Moved from our camp east of Corinth to a more agreeable place about three miles north of town.

May 1. Thursday---Bright, clear & pleasant. A most lovely and tranquil May day. Nothing disturbs our quiet repose today, yet the enemy is cautiously feeling his way toward our line.

May 2. Friday---Clear & warm. Moved one half mile back in the direction of Corinth. Received a hat from Memphis, cost \$10.

May 3. Saturday---Clear & pleasant. Brisk cannonading from 4 this P. M. to 5, at Farmington, in which engagement we lost a few men in killed, wounded and prisoners. My Regt. was sent on the Purdy road on picket duty. Went to the 5th Tenn. and was presented with a nice Yankee sash by brother B. R., a trophy from the battle field of Shilo.

May 4. Sunday---Very rainy & disagreeable. Lay at the rifle pits all day.

May 5. Monday---Cloudy & rainy. Remained in the pits all day, the enemy four miles distant from us.

May 6. Tuesday---Clear & pleasant. Still on picket duty at the outer pits.

May 7. Wednesday---Clear & warm. We were relieved from picket this morning by the 154th Tenn. and returned to our camps.

May 8. Thursday---Clear & pleasant. Reorganized the 16th Tenn. Regt. today by reelecting Col. Savage, electing Capt. D. M. Donnell Lt. Col., and Capt. P. H. Coffee Maj. I was retained at the head of my Co. although I did not ask the position, while others did. None of my lts. were retained. I received of A. J. Brown \$260 pay for the months

of Jan. and Feb. Paid Lt. J. D. W. Hill \$155 and B. P. Green \$20. Sold B. P. G. a pistole for \$23. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.

May 9. Friday---Warm & cloudy. Our brigade went to the rifle pits at 4 o'clock this A. M. but as the enemy did [not] appear, we returned at 6. Our extreme right engaged part of today, result unknown. Acting officer of the day. Loaned R. R. Womack \$10. Wrote sister M. A. a letter.

May. 10 Saturday---Warm & clear. All quiet today. Drilling in skirmish drill.

May 11. Sunday---Warm with showers. Heard a sermon by Rev. Mr. Hill of Nashville, founded on the 10th verse of the 48th chapt. of Jeremiah. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter, also heard from her verbally.

May 12. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Went to Corinth. Great activity throughout the army. Five days rations issued and three cooked. Enemy advancing and we anxiously await his approach.

May 13. Tuesday---Clear & warm. Went to the rifle pits at night, where we remained undisturbed till morning.

May 14. Wednesday---Clear & warm. We remained in the rifle pits, 3 miles north of Corinth, till 11 o'clock A. M. and then returned to camps.

Twelve months ago today I left my happy & prosperous home in McMinnville, Tenn., to battle for my country's freedom and Independence, which were then denied her, and still are, by a vaunting and insulting enemy. In consequence of the odious and intolerable tyranny and duplicity beginning to be forced on the people of that, and other states, I felt it to be my duty not only to my country, but also to myself and family, to enlist in the C. S. army. So regarding it, I was instrumental in organizing the first Co. raised in my county, styled "The Warren Guards" (a title of my own selection) which has twice honored me with its Captaincy, and upon whose gallantry I fully rely, and of whose members its friends will in a coming day be proud.

During the year we have undergone many privations

and hardships; especially was the fall and winter campaign among the mountains in western Va. severe. Here we were frequently deprived of even the few comforts that the soldier in the field might reasonably expect, having to sleep on the cold, wet and sometimes frozen ground, with no other covering than the canopy of Heaven. Day after day we marched over muddy roads and snow covered mountains, sometimes barefoot and almost without clothing. Notwithstanding all this, and notwithstanding the clouds of war grow thicker & darker still, yet we have never seen the hour when we would give up the struggle for Southern Independence. And we never will, but by the help of God Liberty and Independence will yet be ours.

May 15. Thursday---Very warm. Acting officer of the day. Went to Corinth and thence to the 5th Tenn. Regt. Borrowed of R. A. Webb, J. C. Watson, W. N. Kerby, J. P. Lawrence, and Luke Purser twenty dollars each. Loaned R. R. Womack fifty dollars. Gave Capt. J. S. Gribble \$100.00 to carry to Mrs. Womack. Countersign for today Blythe.

May 16. Friday---Cloudy & very warm. Borrowed from Ibs. Hackett & Etter, for brother B. R., one hundred dollars each. Gave him a lady's gold watch to be given to Mrs. W. in Atlanta.

I went this P. M. in search of them, but found them not.

May 17. Saturday---Very warm & cloudy. Board of examiners for the examination of the newly elected officers of our Regt. are with us today. & _____ returned today to duty.

May 18. Sunday---Cloudy & cooler. The army was rushed to the entrenchments at daylight this morning, some skirmishing on the right during the day, the left all quiet. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.

May 19. Monday---Warm & cloudy. Cooked two days rations and went out on pickett. Heavy thunder & rain storms at night.

May 20. Tuesday---Heavy thunder showers. Carried my Co. on outpost duty and remained all day.

May 21. Wednesday---Bright & clear. Relieved from outpost duty and returned to camp at 6 o'clock this P. M. Received orders to move against the enemy tomorrow morning at daybreak. I feel sanguine of success, and that God of battles will never forsake a people battling for right and justice.

May 22. Thursday---Clear & hot. Moved at sunrise against the enemy and took position four hundred yds. in his front, where we remained till 3 in the evening, when, on account of our extreme right having failed to make the attack we returned within our intrenchments & remained during the night.

May 23. Friday---Rainy. Received a letter from Mrs. Womack, by the kindness of L. D. Kent. Considerable skirmishing today, our command moved in double-quick to the trenches. Sold R. W. Ware a pistol for \$20, ten of it on W. C. Womack.

May 24. Saturday---Cloudy & cooler. Some skirmishing today. Our Regt. spent the day quietly in camp. The new officers of the reorganization took their position in their companies.

May 25. Sunday---Cool & cloudy. All quiet along our lines today. At 4 P. M. we were ordered to the trenches, but there being no approach of the enemy we returned to camp.

May 26. Monday---Cloudy & warmer. Cooked two days rations and went to the Chambers house on picket, across the Tennessee line. Was assigned to the command of the line of skirmishers, where we had considerable sharp shooting, but at too great distance to effect a great deal - no loss on our side.

May 27. Tuesday---Clear & warmer. Remained on the skirmish line till 4 P. M., getting occasional shots at the Hessians as they dodged from tree to tree, when I was relieved and returned to my Regt. in the rear.

May 28. Wednesday---Clear & hot. The enemy advanced on our skirmishers this morning about ten o'clock, driving them as they came. A few of

our men were wounded, among them was Stephen Tate of my Co., mortally. He was an extra soldier and fell at his post. About one o'clock P. M. while my Regt. was falling back before the enemy, my navy and canteen were shot from my left side by a small cannon ball or grape, the same cut off the legs of two men of Capt. Randal's Co. who were just in front of me. We returned about 3 P. M. and retook our position, with some loss however to the 41st Ga. Regt., which fired a few rounds, and held it till we were released at dark.

May 29. Thursday---Clear & hot. Acting field officer of the day. Our camp equipage has all been shipped today to the rear and we ordered to be ready to march at 6 P. M., at which time we went to the rifle pits and there remained till 10, when we began the retreat from Corinth.

May 30. Friday---Clear & hot. After a toilsome, dark and muddy night's march, we reached the bridges on Tuscumbia river about 6 o'clock this morning and after blocking the road by felling trees, and destroying the bridges over the river halted in the swamp and lay quietly the balance of the day, - and that too without rations. The enemy occupied Corinth this morning and cautiously pursued.

May 31. Saturday---Hot & clear. We lay snug and still in the swamp all day, subsisting on such food only as we could procure from the negroes on the neighboring farms.

June 1. Sunday---Warm & showery. Acting officer of the day. Took charge of the line of pickets on the Tuscumbia river, where I remained on duty till 4 o'clock in the evening, at which time we resumed the march and continued it all night in the direction of Okalona.

June 2. Monday---Warm, with heavy rains. Continued our march till nearly night this evening, making about ten miles, to where Gen. Breckinridge's command had halted, where we halted and fell by the roadside to spend the night, the men being almost worn out and tired down. We drew some poor beef and roasted over the fire which constituted our rations, not having drawn before in 8 days.

June 3. Tuesday---Hot & showery. Moved this morning to Gen'l Donaldson's Hd quarters, distance about 3 miles, and about the same distance west from Baldwin depo. Here we cleared off a camp ground, erected brush tents, drew two days rations and eat till the craving appetites of the hungry soldiers were once more entirely satiated. Received a letter from Mrs. W.

June 4. Wednesday---Cloudy & warm. All quiet today. Made out a report of the casualties and conduct of my company in the engagement with the enemy before Corinth, on the 28th ult.

June 5. Thursday---Hot & cloudy. Our regiment went 2 miles north, to Twenty mile creek, on picket duty and remained during the day. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter. Paid A. M. Mason \$20.00

June 6. Friday---Warm & cloudy. Remained on outpost duty till 4 P. M. when we were relieved and returned to camp.

June 7. Saturday---Hot with light showers. Moved from camp at one o'clock P. M. and marched about 8 miles in the direction of Tupelo. Brother J. B. left the command on account of ill health.

June 8. Sunday---Clear & hot. Marched about five miles today and camped near the Rail Road. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.

June 9. Monday---Clear & hot. All still and quiet today.

June 10. Tuesday---Clear, hot, & dusty. Moved from camp this morning at daylight and reached Tupelo about 2 o'clock P. M., and without halting marched four miles north and pitched tents on Town Creek. Acting officer of the day.

June 11. Wednesday---Clear & hot. All quiet today. Total eclipse of the moon at midnight.

June 12. Thursday---Clear & hot. All quiet. Marched some of the boys before the regiment for unbecoming conduct during the skirmish before Corinth on the 28th ult.

- June 13. Friday---Clear & hot. Began drilling.
- June 14. Saturday---Very hot. All quiet.
- June 15. Sunday---The companies of our regiment were reestablished in their order from right to left, which changed my letter from the position of H to that of C.
- June 16. Monday---Thunder showers.
- June 17. Tuesday---Cooler
- June 18. Wednesday---Showery & much cooler.
- June 19. Thursday---Clear & cool.
- June 20. Friday---Clear & cool. The respective captains of the regiment met at my tent today, by order of Col. Savage, to nominate a suitable man for Regt'l Quarter Master, which resulted in the nomination of Frank Marchbanks. The last ballot was between the nominee and A. J. Paine, both of whom I regarded unfit for the duties of the office, therefore voted for neither.
- June 21. Saturday---Clear & pleasant. Received my Pay Rolls from Okalona and began preparing them for the Pay Master, filling out the bounty and commutation columns.
- June 22. Sunday---Clear & warm. After a week's confinement I began today to sit up again.
- June 23. Monday---Clear & hot. Worked a while on my Pay Rolls.
- June 24. Tuesday---Hot, with signs of rain. Made out one Pay Roll. My company and three others of the regt. were sent to a picket post on Bear creek, for 2 days.
- June 25. Wednesday---Clear & hot. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.
- June 26. Thursday---Warm & cloudy. Made out two Pay Rolls.

- June 27. Friday---Hot & sultry, with thunder showers. Drew new knapsacks for my company, and distributed to them. Borrowed of Dr. Charles K. Mauzy \$100.00.
- June 28. Saturday---Warm, with showers. Received glorious tidings from Richmond. McClelland defeated and routed. Paid Lt. W. S. Hackett \$100.00 borrowed money.
- June 29. Sunday---Clear & hot. Read 16 chapters of the gospel recorded by St. Luke. Wrote Mrs. Womack a letter.
- June 30. Monday---Clear & hot. General review of the army and inspection for pay. Finished reading the gospel of Luke.
- July 1. Tuesday. Cooler & showery. Read half of the book of St. John. The news from Richmond continues of the most satisfactory character, the Confederates driving the Yankees at every point. Gen. Bragg's address to the soldiers, announcing himself the successor of Gen. Beauregard as commander of the army of the Mississippi, was read this evening to the troops.
- July 2. Wednesday---Clear & hot. Finished reading the book of John. Borrowed of Capt. Ben Randals \$100, and paid to A. D. Mason of my company.
- July 3. Thursday---Clear & hot. Prepared discharges for Jno. R. Bost and I. R. Jones. Wrote to father and Mrs. W. Borrowed of Dyon Randals and A. C. York \$100 each, and of J. P. Lawrence \$5.00. Sent \$200 to Mrs. Womack, at Atlanta, by Lt. W. S. Hackett, and paid him five dollars borrowed from him at Corinth.
- July 4. Friday---Hot & sultry. All quiet. Read the book of the Acts of the Apostles.
- July 5. Saturday---Clear, & very hot. Read the book of Romans. A salute of 13 guns was fired today on receipt of the news of the glorious victory just achieved at Richmond, which is believed to be complete.

July 6. Sunday---Exceedingly hot. Read first & second Corinthians. Wrote Mrs. W. a scriptural letter. Heard a sermon by Mr. Culloom, of Tenn., who has been recommended for Chaplain of our Regt.

July 7. Monday---Hot & dry. My 28th anniversary. Capt. J. M. Womack paid me a visit, to whom I gave Pay Certificates on his Regt. Qr. M., for collection, for \$200. May July 7, 1863 find this government peaceful and tranquil, and it's people quietly enjoying its placid serenity; and may I, fill then, be more useful, prayerful & profitable than in any past year, is my humble prayer.

July 8. Tuesday---Clear & hot. All quiet today. Read the book of Gallations.

July 9. Wednesday---Hot & sultry. Read the books of Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Thessalonians, 1st & 2nd Timothy, 1st & 2nd Titus, and Philemon, also Jackson's Proclamation on the nullification question.

July 10. Thursday---Warm, with general showers. Read Hebrews & James.

July 11. Friday---Warm, with thunder showers. Read 1st & 2nd Peter. 1st, 2nd & 3rd John, and Jude. Heard a most splendid sermon by Rev. Mr. Lane, of Ga.

July 12. Saturday---Clear & hot. Made out Pay Certificates for A. C. Edge, Wm. Countiss, Asberry Brown, Tillman Keener, S. C. Corder, W. C. Morton, and John P. Garretson, all of whom are non-conscripts and to be discharged from the service on the 16th inst.

July 13. Sunday---Exceedingly hot. Read the book of Revelation. Heard a sermon by a young Mr. Heiskell. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.

July 14. Monday---Clear & hot. Wrote father a letter by Robert Jones, Esqr. of Mechanicsville, Tenn.

July 15. Tuesday---Very hot with distant showers. Finished the Pay Certificates and Discharges of my non-conscripts.

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July 16. Wednesday---Hot, with fine rains. Suffering considerably from flux.

July 17. Thursday---Cooler, with light showers. Borrowed of W. T. Moores and W. E. Jones ten dollars each. Bought of Clay Eastham a trunk and dry goods amounting to \$20.50.

July 18. Friday---Clear & hot. Received a telegram announcing the capture of Murfreesboro, Tenn. by Genl. Forest. Received for E. N. Green and J. N. Fuston \$87.00. Received a letter from L. D. Kent.

July 19. Saturday---Clear & hot. All quiet today.

July 20. Sunday---Clear & very warm. Wrote bro. S. M. a letter.

July 21. Monday---Clear & hot. Received of A. D. Mason \$20 and paid E. N. Green \$40.00. Drew a lot of clothing for my company. Received marching orders for tomorrow morning.

July 22. Tuesday---Clear & hot. At sunrise my regt. marched for Tupelo, and on our arrival there went aboard of a waiting train which left for Mobile at 9 o'clock A. M. Maj. Martin, of Gen. Donaldson's staff, did me the lasting favor to carry me down in his buggy, seeing I was very feeble, and I left on the one o'clock train, which carried the 8th Tenn. Regt.

July 23. Wednesday---Cooler, with gentle showers. An accident occurred to one box in our train today causing several men to leap off, 7 or 8 of whom were badly bruised, and one broke his leg.

July 24. Thursday---Clear & hot. Arrived in Mobile at 8 o'clock A. M. where I joined the left wing of my Regt. under Maj. Coffee, the right having left for Montgomery up the river, and at 2 P. M. took the steamer Dawrence for the Montgomery depo, 20 ms. up the Bay, on arriving took the cars for Montgomery.

July 25. Friday---Clear & hot. Arrived in Montgomery at 9 A. M. and left for Atlanta at 3 P. M., reached West Point at 10 P. M. and left at 11. Borrowed of Dr. C. K. Mauzy \$50.00.

July 26. Saturday---Clear & very hot. Arrived in Atlanta at 5 o'clock this morning, and after obtaining a leave of absence for eight days, left on the train for Chattanooga at 3 this evening.

July 27. Sunday---Clear & hot. Arrived at Ringgold, Ga. at 4 A. M. and stopped over till 2 P. M., then left for Chattanooga, where I arrived at 3 1/2 P. M. and without delay left for McMinnville and went 12 miles and stayed all night at a Mr. Rodgers.

July 28. Monday---Clear & hot. Traveled all day alone and stayed all night at Isaac Hill's - just at the top of the mountain.

July 29. Tuesday---Very warm. Went to Col. H. L. W. Hill's for breakfast and on to McMinnville by noon, where I had the pleasure of meeting my wife. Came thence to father's and spent the night, where I found the family all well.

July 30. Wednesday---Fine rains. Remained at father's all day, where I met with many relatives and old friends.

July 31. Thursday---Showery. Went to Col. P. M. Armstrong's near McMinnville and spent the night.

Aug. 1. Friday---Clear & hot. Went to McMinnville and thence to father's and stayed all night.

Aug. 2. Saturday---Warm & cloudy. Went to McM. and back to father's. The enemy were reported to be within five miles of the place when I left there, and marching upon it.

Aug. 3. Sunday---Hot, with showers. Went to Concord church, and from there to uncle E. H. Green's and stayed all night.

Aug. 4. Monday---Left uncle E. H. G.'s early this morning for Chattanooga. Crossed Caney-fork at Frank's ferry, went thence across the mountain,

following little by-paths, and crossed it again at Mills, went thence to Spencer and on ten miles to Gillentines on the mountain and stayed all night. In our flank movement today we have narrowly escaped the enemy at different points on the route, especially where we crossed the McM. & Sparta road, at which place a regiment was filing by as we rode up.

Aug. 5. Tuesday---Hot, with thunder showers. Went to Sam Robinsons in the valley for dinner, where I met with and made the acquaintance of Genl. Forest, thence to F. S. Card's, on the mountain, and stayed all night.

Aug. 6. Wednesday---Hot, with showers. Arrived in Chattanooga, and after spending a short while, rejoined my command south east of the city about 4 miles.

Aug. 7. Thursday---Hot & showery. Went to Chattanooga after my trunk and returned to camp. Was relieved of my command by order of Col. Savage; an act that has every appearance of malice, and one which I am satisfied has been prompted by ill will toward me, and not because Justice demanded it.

Aug. 8. Friday---Very hot, with showers. Wrote an application to Gen. D. S. Donoldson to be restored to my command, to which, Col. Savage objected in extense, and forwarded to Brigade Hd. Qrts. Gen. Donoldson, after examining the papers, wrote a letter in my defense and forwarded it, together with all the papers, to Gen. Cheatham, Col. Savage's relative. Here the whole matter rests. The charges made against me by Col. Savage, as I learn them from Gen. Donoldson, not having an opportunity to see them myself, are false as he could have proved; which only confirms the opinion that I have long entertained of him, that is, he is corrupt and will not do to rely upon. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter.

Aug. 9. Saturday---Clear & hot. All quiet today.

Aug. 10. Sunday---Hot, with showers. Heard two sermons, one by Rev. J. W. Poindexter, and the other by Rev. J. M. McCutchin.

Aug. 11. Monday---Clear & hot. Received of Maj. G. V. Young Jr. M. \$130 pay for the month of March. Sent my sword to Atlanta to have a new scabbard made for it.

Aug. 12. Tuesday---Thunder showers. Paid Dr. C. K. Mauzy \$50 and J. P. \$10.

Aug. 13. Wednesday---Hot, with showers. Made out another set of Pay Rolls for March and April, leaving out the columns for Bounty & Commutation.

Aug. 14. Thursday---Very warm. Paid H. L. Moffitt \$30, R. A. Webb \$20, Luke Purser \$20, A. J. Vanhooser \$12, W. E. Jones \$10, J. P. Lawrence \$15, W. T. Moores \$10, and J. B. Womack \$10. Our Regt. was today furnished with new End-field rifles.

Aug. 15. Friday---Hot & cloudy. Paid W. T. Moores \$10 and Isaiah Moffitt \$10 for a pistol leaving three dollars unpaid. Sold a mare of father's for \$180 to Isaac Garretson.

Aug. 16. Saturday---Clear & hot. Struck tents and marched for Chattanooga this A. M. at eight o'clock, crossed Tennessee river at 2 P.M. and marched about 3 miles on the McMinnville road, or rather the Anderson road, and pitched our tents along a little branch.

Aug. 17. Sunday---Hot & clear. Heard a sermon by Rev. J. W. Poindexter. Resumed command of my company, and went to the ferry expecting to cross into the city and receive pay for my company, but returned without it.

Aug. 18. Monday---Clear & hot. Drew for the use of my company 27 pr. pants, 12 pr. drawers, and 10 pr. shoes. Received marching orders.

Aug. 19. Tuesday---Warm & cloudy. Loaned brother J. B. \$10 and sent him back to Chattanooga, he being unable to march. The brigade left camps at 11 A. M. and marched to Dallas, a little place 12 miles above Chattanooga, and camped in the woods.

Aug. 20. Wednesday---Cloudy & hot. All still and quiet today.

Aug. 21. Thursday---Hot & clear. Was detailed as president of a Regt'l. Court marshal convened for the trial of _____ of Co. K. who was found guilty of the charges preferred, and sentenced to perform 15 days fatigue duty, and forfeit to the Government one month's pay. Dol. Donald commanding

Aug. 22. Friday---Hot & cloudy. Resumed the march at 7 A. M. and went about 8 miles, to the Blue Springs, and encamped. Acting officer of the day.

Aug. 23. Saturday---Hot, showers. All quiet today. Sent Mrs. W. and brother S. M. letters.

Aug. 24. Sunday---Received of Lt. E. C. Reed & R. W. Hays \$100 each to get exchanged for them for small bills. Went to Chattanooga and thence with Sam Donaldson to Tunnel Hill and spent the night.

Aug. 25. Monday---Clear & hot. Returned to Chattanooga by sunrise, and left at one P. M. and rejoined my command at night, where I left it. Paid E. C. Reed and R. W. Hays \$100 each.

Aug. 26. Tuesday---Very warm. Received for and paid out to my company \$5783.60, their pay for the months of March & April. A. D. Mason paid me \$80, R. W. Ware \$11.50, and W. H. Brooks \$10.00.

Aug. 27. Wednesday---Warm & cloudy. Paid Capt. Ben. Randals and A. C. York \$100 each, borrowed from them at Tupelo, Miss.

Aug. 28. Thursday---Hot, with showers. Struck tents and left Wallace Chapel at 5 A. M. and marched up the Washington road about 10 miles and camped.

Aug. 29. Friday---Clear & hot. All still today. Drilling.

Aug. 30. Saturday---Clear & hot. Wrote Mrs. W. a letter. Paid J. W. Bratcher \$10, the money due W. H. Byars from the state of Tennessee. Made out a Roll and mustered my company for pay. Marched 8 miles.