63 On the March Oct

Oct 20th [illegible] in camp the [illegible] or rather [illegible] out [illegible] picket, the rest of the brigade [illegible] picket, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

21st 22nd Remained in camp

23rd 2 o'clock. Set out on the back trail travelling about 7 miles beyond the river to where had left our wagons.

24th [illegible] went back as far as Mt Vernon

On the March Oct 64

Then turning to the left took the Somerset road travelling about 7 miles.

25th Sat. Went to Somerset the distance from Mt Vernon to Somerset being 2 [illegible] miles

26th 27th Sun & Mon. Remained in camp trying to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the 28th

60 In camp 1865

A new system now seems to be adopted to keep up the picket line thus a regular detail is now made from all the companies in the regiment to go each day, and in this way we do not have so much to do the weather is cloudy one day and fair the next A.C.

March 1st Sund

This morning opens upon us in a bright cheering sun his rays seeming to bid us to throw down the implements of [illegible]

Near Murfreesboro 61

and return to our long desired homes and forget the strife and bloodshed existing. But Mrs March is a very treacherous mouth. for ere bright Sol sinks behind the western hills she may send the wind whistling about our ears causing us to seek shelter from the unwelcome blast.

March 7th Sat. The past week has been one of a character very [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] March [illegible] being rainy [illegible] [illegible] and soon

On the March Oct
Oct 25th Tu. Marched
28 miles in the direction of Columbia
Oct 27th Wed. Marched
15 miles
Oct 30th Thur. Marched
15 miles.
Oct 31st Fri. Marched
to Columbia, distance
6 miles. At this point
are all obtained permit
to go home for an
indefinite length of
time, and I went 12
miles that night.
Nov 1st Sat. ~~Marched~~

Going home Nov
went to Tompk
distance 33 miles
~~Oct~~ Nov. 2nd Sun
Went home
Nov 11th Tu. Started
again to the regiment
via Scottville Allen Co.
Ky. Stayed that night
with Stwood 2
miles to Scottville.
Nov 12th Wed passed
through Scottville
and went 6 miles
on the Gallitan
pike staying with
Suttles that night

About to move 1863
but it seemed that
this evening we were about
to have something of a
more striking character
to effect the general
monotony with which
we were overwhelmed.
About 4 o'clock an
order was issued to the
companies for each
man to have three days
rations in his haversack
and be ready to move
at a moment's warning
all was bustle and
confusion in camp every
one [illegible]
[illegible]

About to move
1865 we would go, and where
to &c. The most popular
opinion being that we
would go to Lebanon
Tenn and from thence
probably to Ky.
March 8th nothing more
about moving, awful
rain and hail last night
but to day the sun comes
out in all the glory of his
formed splendor cheering us
up with the prospect of another
nights rest on dry blanket
&c. without apprehension
of being wakened by the
rustling of the cold march
wind or battering rain

67 going back Nov.

Nov 13th Thur.
went 1 mile beyond the Backhouse staying that night at ___ School house
Nov. 14th Fri went 1 mile beyond Gallitin on the Lebanon Pike staying in Mr. Gill's lot and barn.
Our Squad had by this time increased to 65 Lieut Maize of Co. G. Command g

On the March Nov 68

Nov. 15th Sat. Capt Bryan came up early in the morning with about 100 of our regiment, and on that day we all went to Camp Silver Spring where we found our brigade.
Nov. 16th Sun. Laid off our camp and pitched our tents accordingly.
17th Mon Remained in camp.
18th Tue. Marched to where the Nashville and Lebanon Pike

64 Moving 1863

March 9th sun came out fair and rosy this morning with every promise of an agreeable day of rest and an opportunity to write letters for home &c but alas! a soldier is ever doomed to disappointment for with the rising of the sun came an order to 66 strike tents 99 and be ready to move at a moments warning upon which turning up our eyes we could see tents falling in every direction and every preparation for a general move was apparently on hand

Moving 65

1863 Our regiment and the 79th Ind moved from the ground about 12 o'clock and taking the Lebanon Pike went as far as Stone's River and encamped near the Jordan bridge which was thrown across the river & I cant tell you what the other troops did for none of them had left the camp when we came away.
March 10th Tu. It is raining right straight down to day and has been ever since 2 o'clock this morning but the worst part of it is we have not yet been allowed to pitch our tents, and

On the March Nov
crosses Stone river
19th 20th remained in
camp
Nov 21st Fri. Went
across Stone River
and encamped about
2 miles beyond near
a little hamlet known
as Springfield.
22nd Sat General
inspection
23rd Company
inspection
24th 25th Company
drill.
Nov 25 P.M. Cracks

On the March Nov
up camp and went
in the direction of
Nashville, encamping
in about 2 miles
of that place
Nov. 26th Wed. remained
in camp cleaning up
preparatory to another
start
Nov. 27th Mounted Brigade
gained. Look to your
equipments boys.
P.M. an exortation or
religious address by Maj
~~[illegible]~~ Blankenship
of the 79th Ind.

In camp at 1863
I tell you we are in a
deplorable condition.
8 o'clock P.M. It is still
raining furiously and
the river is rising rapidly
and the picket's haulen
called in from the other
side of the river and the
bridge is taken up.
March 11th Wed. We wake
up this morning with
thanks to an all wise
Creator that the rain
had ceased and the sky
had cleared away, and
we have the promise of
another fine day

Stone's River 1863
We were ordered to pitch
our tents this morning and
all hands to work on pay-
Rolls to draw more money
it should have been remark
that our regiment was paid
off last week for two months
ending Oct 31st /62 and that
our company received no
pay on account of incorrect
up of the Roll. &c. and we
are mad about it"
March 12th Thur. Sent out
Pay rolls to town for
inspection. Weather still
fair
March 13th Friday. The

71 On the March Nov. 1862

Nov 28th Fri.

Marched out on the Murfreesboro road and encamped about one mile to the right of the Pike near the Lunatic Asylum

Nov 29th 30th remained in camp sweeping up and burning leaves &c. have pretty fine times, hourly expecting an order to start on the great Southern campaign.

Dec 1st Marched out to be reviewed by Gen

1862 In camp Nov 72

Rosecrans at 10 o'clock A.M. remained on the field till 2 o'clock then returned to camp without having the pleasure of seeing Gen. Rosecrans.

Dec 2nd again marched out on the field for review.

At 12 o'clock Maj Gen Cruttenden, and Brig. Gen Van Cleve and the staff officers of both rode round the lines in double quick saying nothing to [illegible].

P.M. 4 o'clock went

68 Stone's River

Pay Master came out and paid ~~our regiment~~ the 79 Ind Reg, and returned our Rolls to be signed by the company. Weather still fair and good prospective in view March 14 Sat. Old Sol comes out in all his original splendor, the air is cool and balmy and it seems as if the gay season of Spring has really set in. Oh I want to be at home pleasing March 17th Weather still fair, warm and agreeable

Stone's River 69

indeed we are much pleased with our position and and if we should be kept here all the summer I don't expect anyone would desert on the account of it.

The paymaster came out to day and let us all have a few of Uncle Abbie's photographs to keep our memories sharpened in regard to that old cub and after all Co B has got into the possession of a few green backs and so far as I am concerned I will keep it for hard times

73 In camp Dec 1862

on picket about 2 miles on the Murfreesboro Pike, and to add to fun of the arrangement ~~the~~ Maj. Frider who had been under arrest every since we left arrived at Somerset Ky, on account of a difficulty between him and Lieut Col. Cram. Shouldered his musket fell in on the left of our company and went on picket with us, and went clear to the outpost and stood to his time

74 In camp Dec. 1862

which was 2 hours at a time, and two times during the night, he was on my relief.

The Col was also restored to his command this morning. he had been under arrest every since the day we left Somerset.

Dec. 3rd went to camp.

Dec 4th our regiment furnished brigade guards.

Dec 5th Fri Went out on picket, the major going with us again.

The Colonel was again

70 Murfreesboro 165

March 18th 1862 Wed a fair day Lieutenant Hestand very sick and Captain Clarke gone to town (Clarke came up with the Reg. yesterday) and the narrator endeavors to kill the time by writing letters to his friends &c.

March 19th 1862 Fifth and bad luck on us had to leave our beautiful camp this morning with all its agreeableness of water wood &c, and are now encamped near Murfreesboro. Lieut Johnson came up today

Murfreesboro 71

165 March 19th Thurs. were relieved by 2 regiments from the 2nd brigade & we went back to town an encamped - Weather very warm.

March 20th Friday have to drill a couple of hours to day, and it is reported that this is to be a camp of instruction and that we will remain here till the Conscripts which are to come out shall have been thoroughly drilled heavy skirmishing in front.

In camp Dec. 1862
retrieved of his command
on this morning, capt
Bryan again taking
command.
Dec. 6th Sat returned
to camp. It snowed
on very hard on yes-
terday and is cold to
day.
Dec. 7th Sun Lieut. Col.
Cram and Major Grider
are restored to their com-
mands on this mor-
ning, and to day our
regiment and the
19th Ohio Go out

after forage, about
7 miles from camp
but return without
any casuality, and
plenty of forage. 51
wagons loaded
8th Mon, and 9th Tu
remained in camp
drilling 4 hours on each
day.
P.M. 9th Our forage
trains were attacked
about 7 miles from
camp; A severe skir-
mish ensued in which
the Colonel and Aft.

March 22nd Sun Weather
still fair nothing of
interest occurring
March 23 Mon still
drilling away in real
earnest 4 hours per day
some rain this evening
March 25th Wed. No rain
everything clear and
the air tolerable Mon
with cold drilling
away.
Sun March 24 Cold Cold
Cold this morning the wind
is blowing almost at a hur-
ricane speed, and likes nothing
in being cook &c and I
just cannot keep warm

any way it seems, or with
what anxiety of mind do I
cast my ideas to a comfortable
home, and fond parents and
affectionate brothers and
sisters, and a well supplied
table of good warm well-
cooked eatables &c. but my
time was half out on the
24th of this Inst. and now
time will be going down
till the remainder of the
term and hurrah for the
union. But we have some
good puddens baked for dinner
and what a fine meal we
will have, but then they are
not puddens that [illegible]

of the 25 Ind were
wounded, about 5
o'clock Bell. Our
brigade started to the
scene of action, but
met the trains safe
and well loaded about
3 miles from camp
Dec. 10th Wed 11th Bri
again on picket, also
on the same day our
camps are moved
about 3 miles back
towards Nashville, or
nearly to Creek
and set up about

one half mile to the
left of the road.
Dec. 12th 13th remained
in camp, sweeping up
and so forth. 10 o'clock
started on a foraging ex-
pedition went beyond Stone
river on the Libanon pike
loaded our wagons and
returned to camp without
any casualty
Dec 18th Set went on picket
near the Lunatic Asylum
Dec. 14 Sure returned to camp
Dec. 15th 16th 17th remained
in camp. undergoing

cased to bake. Company
inspection to day at twelve
o'clock but you me guess
we got it off hands in
quick time.
Mon 30th I have to
go on camp guard to
day but I think it will
not be bad as it is considerably
warmer to day but is
trying to rain or snow
one but I hardly know
which.
April 1st Wed weather pine and
warm, nothing being done &c
but a little work of company
drill.
April 2nd Cold and windy

1863 Murfreesboro
and as disagreeable a day
as I ever saw I think
the narrator rather unwell
and a very sore mouth
cant eat any thing
scarcely at all except
it be something that
I buy and you may
know that that takes
money, when I have to
pay $1.25 cts per peck
for irish potatoes, 50 cts
per can for apple pulp
about one mess in a
can, 15 cents per crazy
&c on
April 3rd about as
usual, no drill to

Strict drills; and
cleaning up and so forth.
Dec 18th Thur. went out on
a foraging expedition and
to Cumberland river 7 miles
above Nashville, and returned
without any casualty.
Dec. 19th Fri. went on picket
Sat 20th returned to camp.
Dec. 21st Sunday. Corporal
of the guard first relief
Dec 22nd Monday. Col.
Kneffler takes command
of the brigade as reported
and Col. Beatty is going
to take his regiment.

from the brigade for
same purpose. The
first thing that Col.
Kneffler did after taking
command was to break
up camp guard swearing
the men were treated
worse than negroes
anyhow. Bully for
Kneffler of the 78th Ga.
P.M. we had a terrible
alarm the other night
(Saturday) caused by the
rebels making a dash
at our pickets, but our
boys were too smart

day, the third brigade
has gone out on picket
on a scout, and we
have to do their pick-
eting, and I tell you
it keeps us busy.
April 4th Weather still
fine. nothing to do
but go on picket
about ever other day
April 5 Beautiful weather
and picket.
April 6th Beautiful
weather, received three
letters from home
to day, plenty of picket
J.C.

April 7th fine weather
no drill plenty of
picketing to do, but
the 5th Brigade came
in this morning
from their scout
and I suppose the
picketing will be
lighter henceforth
April 8th fine weather
not so much picket
and a little drill.
April 9th Thur. Beau-
tiful weather, a little
more drill.
April 10th Fri. Comp-
drill health a little
better

for them and after
making about 6 shots
or bombs. they hauled
off as our boys say
with the loss of about
200 men taken pris-
oners and a full battery
of artillery. Sd M. Col.
Gridie arrived here
to day from Ky. whither
he has been on important
business. And now I
will bring my short
and illy connected list
of Memorandums as
my book is nearly

full and I have an
opportunity of sending
it home and oh how
I wish I could go
with it but I content
myself with the hope
that I will live through
the war and then loaded
with honor I can re-
turn and read this
book others which I
will have written when
the war is over, and
then Dear Mother I
will live with you
and we will see pleasure

April 11th. Get ready for
inspection, tomorrow at
ten o clock. Weather nice
~~April 1~~ Also mustered
to day at ten o clock,
muster rolls dated from
yesterday.
April 12 Sun. Beautiful
weather certain
inspection to day at
ten o clock.
April 13th Mon. nice
weather. Get ready for
inspection to morrow
at ten o clock — Sun
Monthly inspection.
April 14th Tu. Too

1.65 rainy for inspection
and consequently it
was dispensed with.
Wed. 15th Drizzly damp
day. To disagreeable for
~~drip par~~ drill. a general
examination of all the boys
that are now here and were
not here to be paid on last
pay day, but Lieut. Col.
Gridie will be the man who
will pass sentence on the
boys and therefore it will
not be heavy
Thur 16th we were aroused
at 1 o clock this morning
and ordered to put three

together. Oh the
delight of a mothers
company it seems
to me that I could talk
with mother a week
right now and not
get tired, but I thank
my God that he gives
me strength and pa-
tience to bear with the
many toils, perils,
and hardships that
I have to endure.

Oh my Mother, oh
my Mother!
How of I think of thee
And when I can see you
How happy I will be.

Marching 1.63

days rations in our haven-
sacks and to be ready to
march at shortest notice.
Oh how sleepy I was!
About 3 o'clock we were
ordered to fall in, and
then we set out on the
Lebanon Pike, and reached
Stone River about day light
where we halted and
stacked arms, and then
lay around till about
noon when we were
told to put up our
"Shebangs" alias "Dog tents"
which we did and pre-
pared to stay the rest
of the day and all night

1.63 Stone's River

Fri 17. The clouds have
again cleared away and
spring seems to have set
in in earnest. The trees
are all passing from a dead
wintry destitution to a
beautiful, living green.
The birds sing, sweetly
on every hand and all
what emotions it ano-
kens in my bosom con-
cerning absent friends
and relatives, cleared to
my heart than all
earthly possessions, but
the prosperity, and per-
petuation of the glorious
principles, contained

W. M. Cockcock Dr. to	
Montgomery Waddle	~~+10~~
Tyra Meader	65 - ~~75~~
Joseph Meador	+ 25
W. C. Grissom	+ 25
W. R. Speed	15
J. Almany	+ 10
William Creek	+ 25
T. H. Hestand	+ 5
A. J. Moss	+ 5
C. S. Bryant	+ 5
J. Hopkins	+ 5
D. C. Dixon	+ 15
L. D. Sheffield	+ 10
Levi Grissom	+ 30
J. T. Tade	+ 25

L. Grissom Dr. to	~~+ 5~~
J. T. Tade	+ 10
W. Toombs	+ 25
L. Grissom	+ 15
E. Rhoten	10 + 20
W. C. Grissom	+ 15
W. B. Roddy	+ 1.30
W. C. Gass	+ 1.10
J. Rush	+ 25 - ~~50~~
Levi Grissom	
A. J. Moss	+ 1.00
W. R. Speed	+ [illegible]

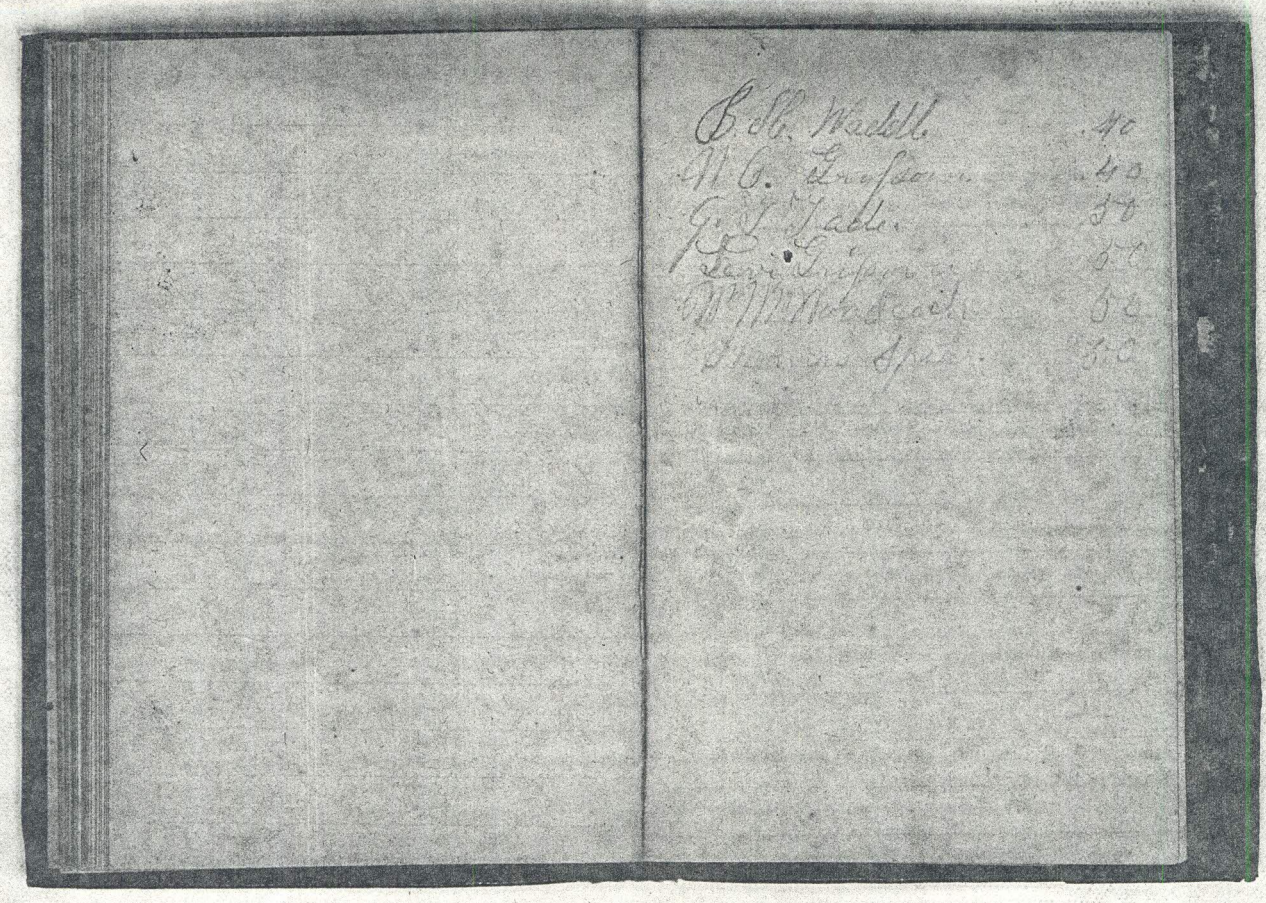
in the glorious old Constitution so gallantly won by the blood of our forefathers.

If at any time ~~it~~ while I am in the army I feel a degree of home sickness, it is when I see all nature passing from the chilling effects of winter, and yielding to the genial warmth of lovely spring.

March 18 all clear and bright, rations growing scarcy, — nothing to change the general monotony of the scene

1.63 except an occasional pugilistic performance which some of the boys persist in indulging in, — for the gratification of evil passion I suppose.

This evening late our wagons came out with a load of rations which we began to be considerably in need of and the Q.M.S. began to issue rations to us, and tongues were now busy in speculating as to how long we would remain here &c. When the order to "fall in" resounded through the camps



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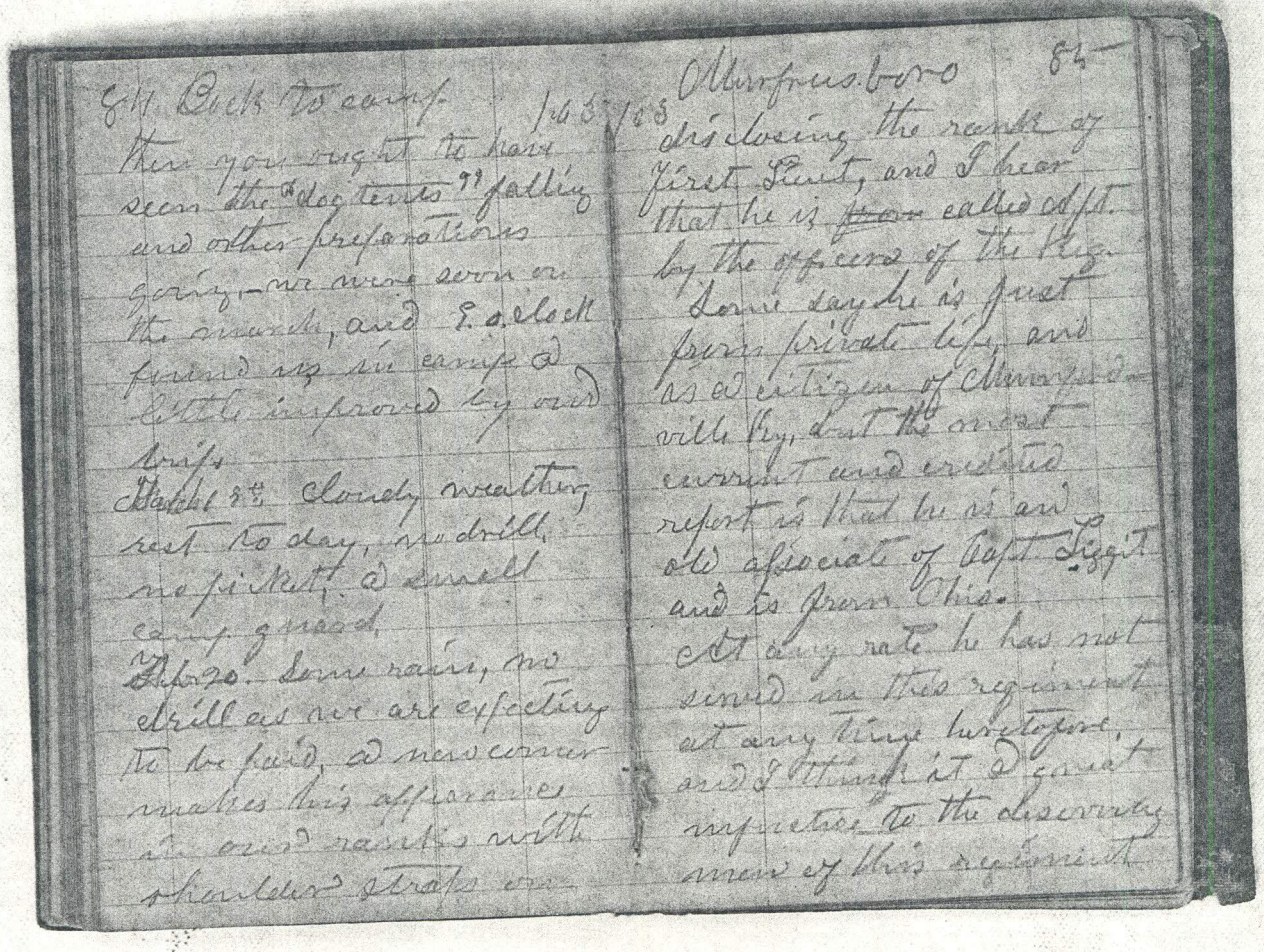

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then you ought to have seen the "dog tents" falling and other preparations going, we were soon on the march, and E. o. clock found us in camp a little improved by our trip.

March 1st. Cloudy weather, rest to day, no drill, no picket, a small camp guard.

Apr. 20. Some rain, no drill as we are expecting to be paid, a new comer makes his appearance in our ranks with shoulder straps on disclosing the rank of First Lieut, and I hear that he is ~~from~~ called Apt. by the officers of the Reg.

Some say he is just from private life, and is a citizen of Murfreesville Ky, but the most current and credited report is that he is an old associate of Capt. Liggit and is from Ohio.

At any rate he has not served in this regiment at any time heretofore, and I think it a great injustice to the deserving men of this regiment

R. G. Frazier.
J. F. Street.
Nathan Woodcock.
~~A. J. Moss.~~
Henry Bacon
Ross Epemon.
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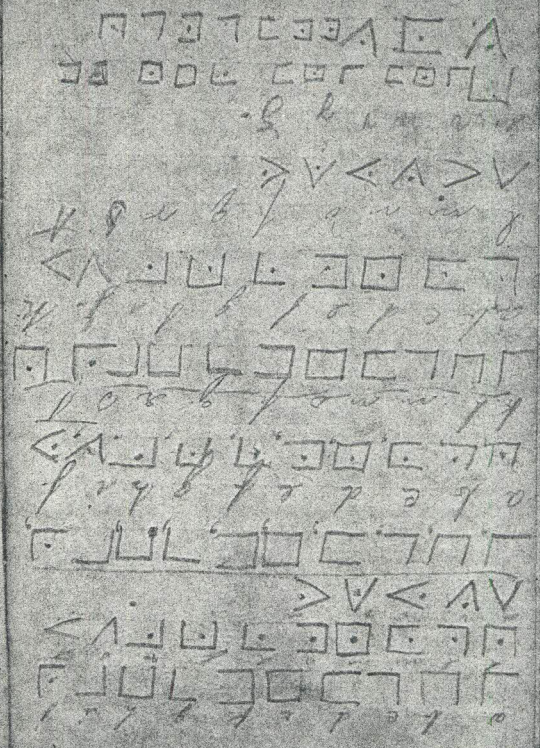

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of which there are not a few to bring men from private life or from other states, or even from other regiments.
Feb 21st heavy detail for picket, — cloudy weather, sometimes, — received two months pay this evening from Maj. Osborne.
March 22 Wed. heavy detail, one of the most beautiful I think that I ever expierenced, — The air is cool and balmy. The trees are part assuming a lively green, the birds sing swiftly on every hand and, — but here the thought of home and absent friends interfires and stops all my pleasant meditations, and leaves but one comforting thought to the mind and that is the hopes in a spruce being and the thought of being prepared for a future state of existence.
Apl. 23. Beautiful weather, company drill, heavy details

G. W. Mitchell
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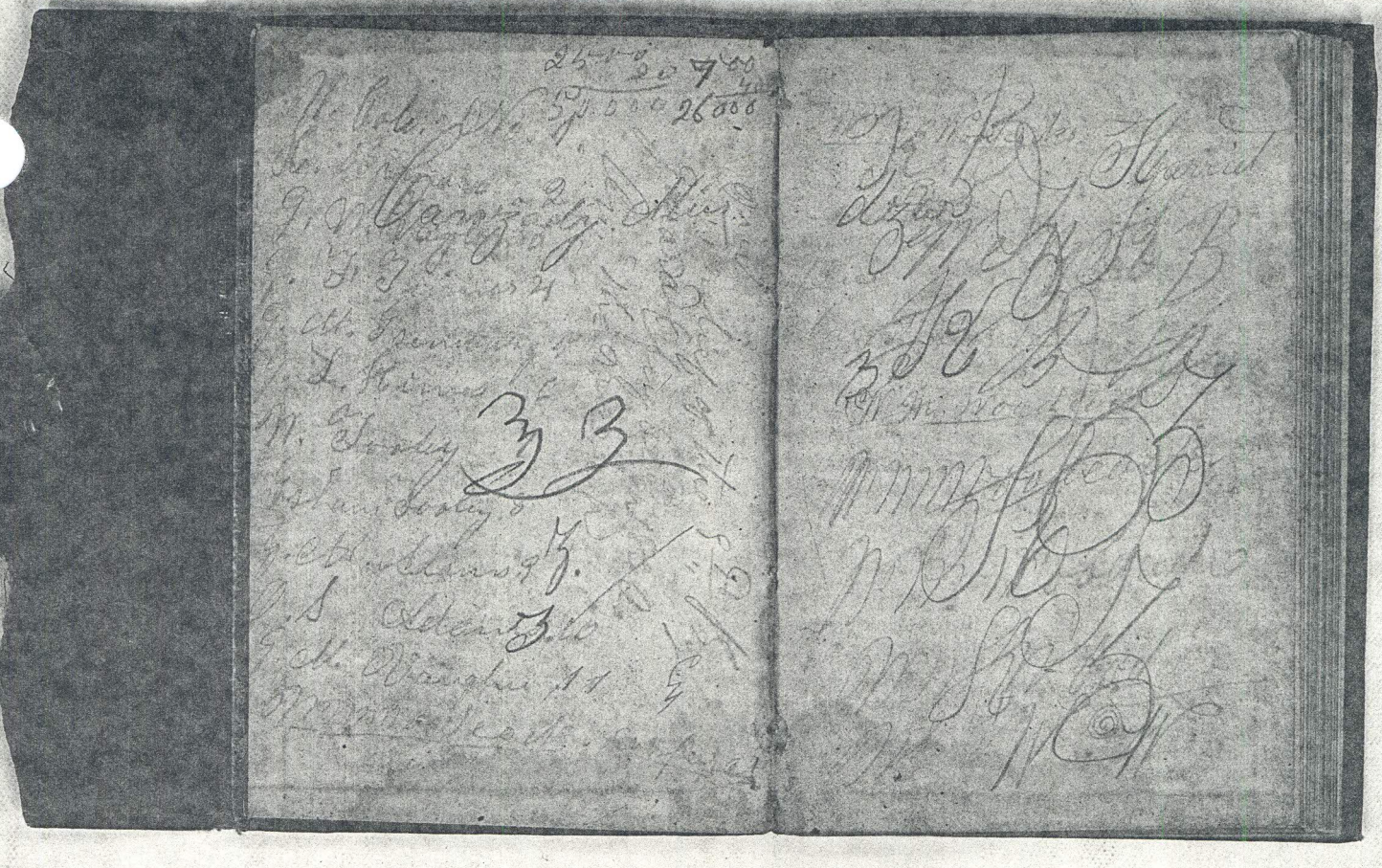
April 24. Beautiful and heavy detail for pickets
April 25. Cloudy weather and a little rain, heavy detail for picket, guard duty, and fatigue duty
April 26th, weather fine and clear, rather warmer than usual, heavy picket and guard detail and the truth of it is our poor boys have to go on at least every third day and frequently oftener.
April 27th weather cloudy and drizzly.

and looking very unfavorable, detail for picket a little lighter than usual, but that for camp guard a little heavier, as the guard lines have been extended
April 28th fine weather, had to pack our Libby tents to day and substitute for them, our "dog tents", and I tell you I am not in the least pleased by the transaction. We now have no way of tacking care of the 10 days.



rations that we are compelled to keep on hand.

29. fair weather and nothing else,

30th General muster to day by Capt. F. Harling also general inspection, &c, each captain inspecting a company not his own.

May 1st hail thou bright, pleasant, fruit full, pleasure bringing month, but alas, all messengers have ceased to bring pleasure to me, other than that enjoyed by a poor soldier

1863 hoper of better days all turn out blasted &c.

May 2nd Wetherdamp and cloudy and a little rainy beginning to get reconciled to our dog tents as they prove so impenetrable to rain, and afford so many advantages for ventilation so much needed in summer.

May 3rd sun, Company inspection, fine weather, &c.

May 4th Raining a little again, a change in camp gone. Beatty going to have the finest camp in the