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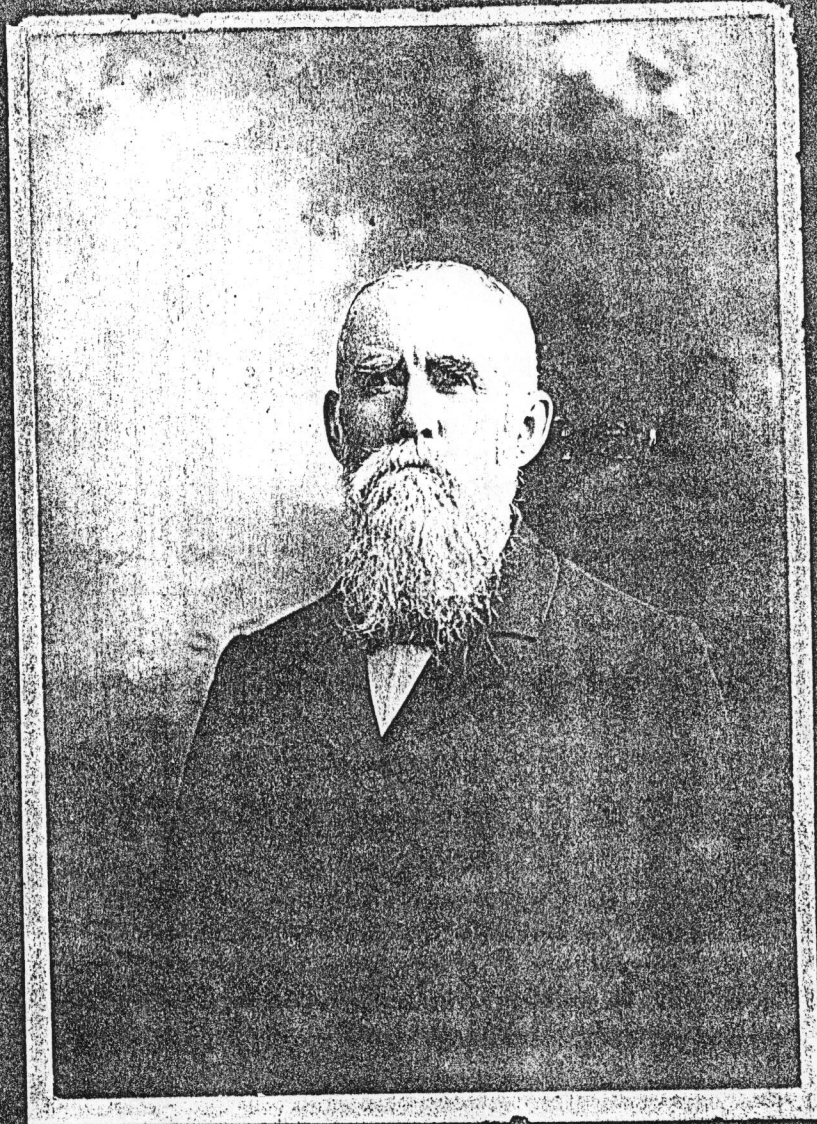
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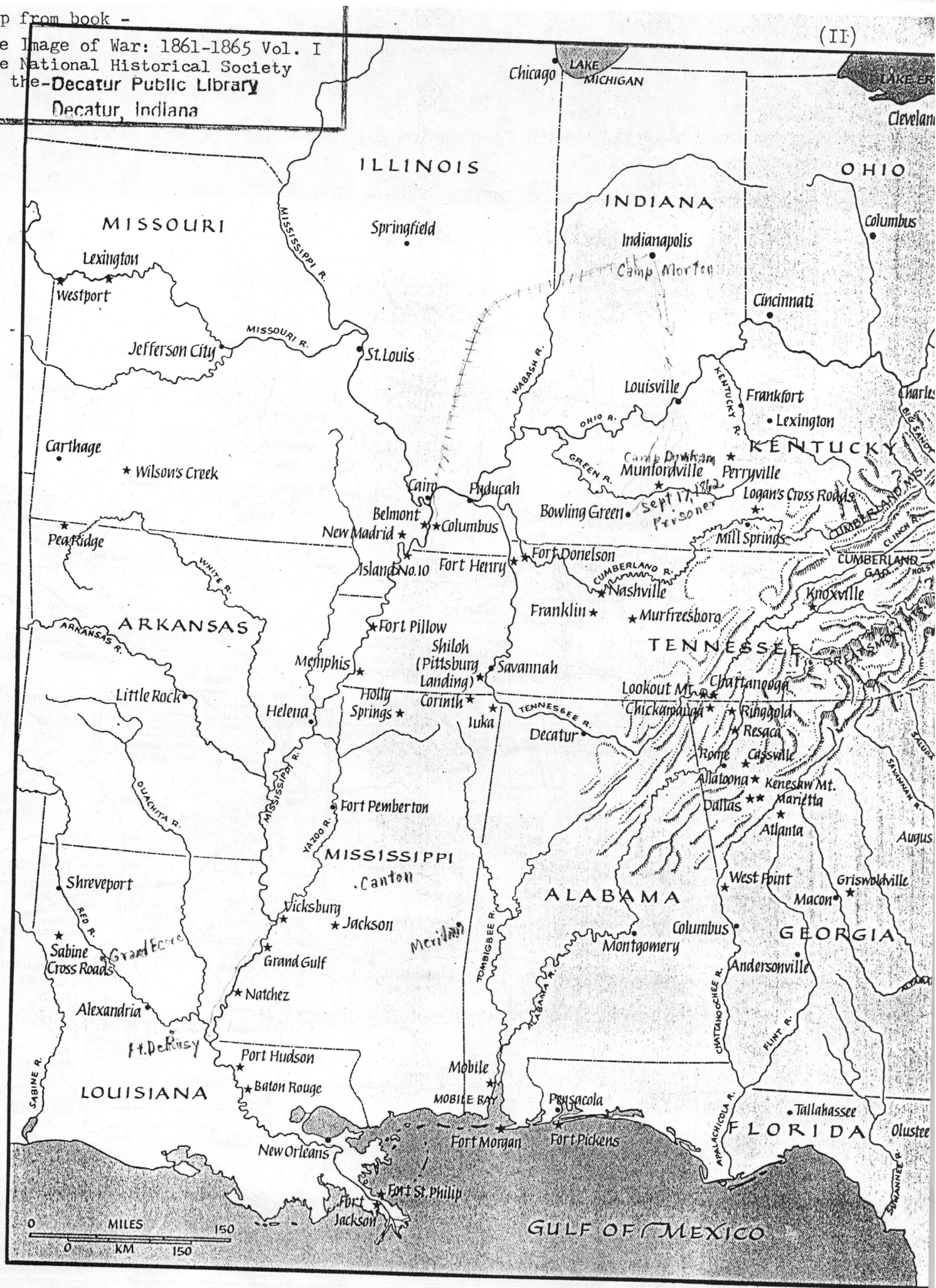
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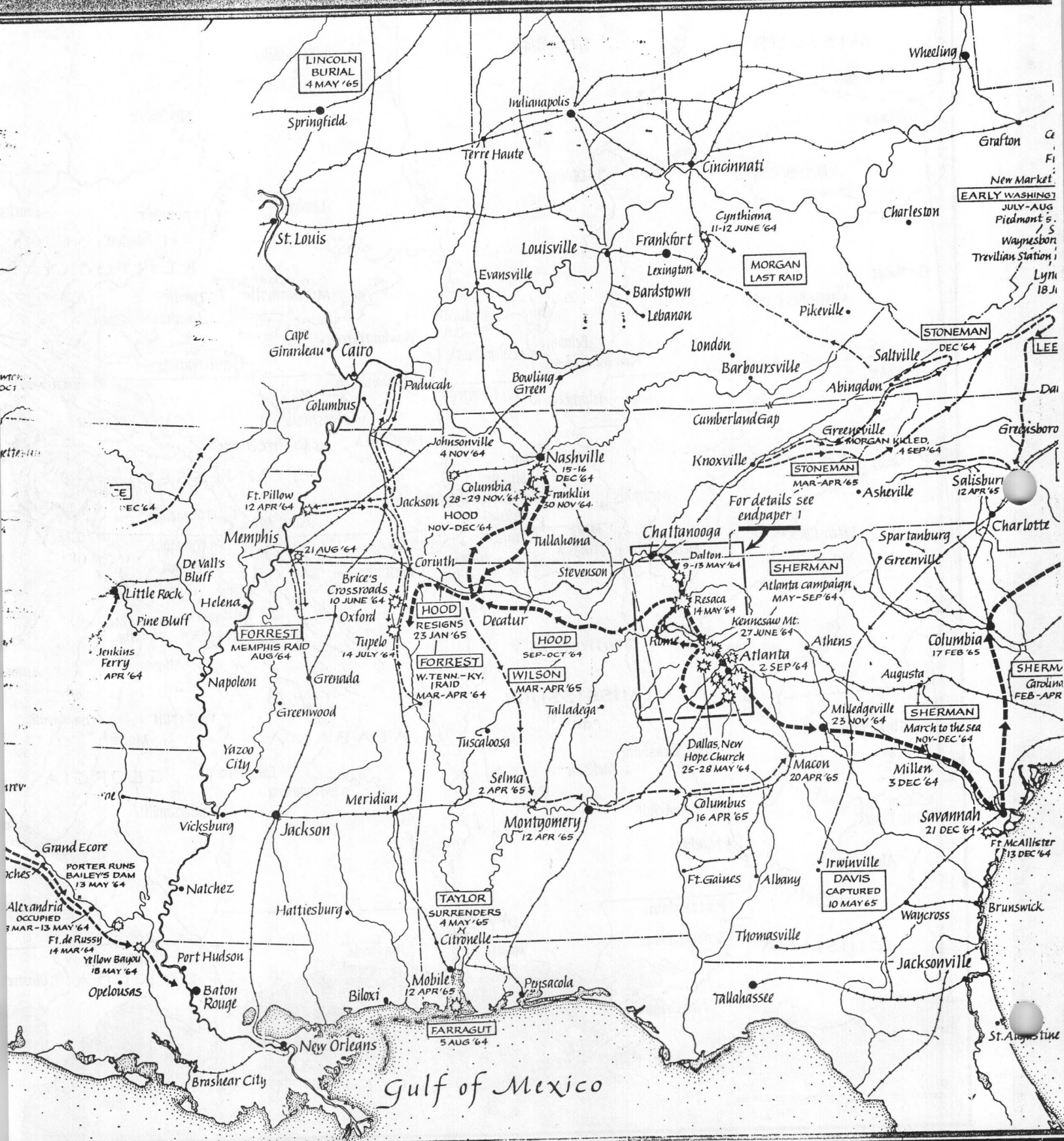


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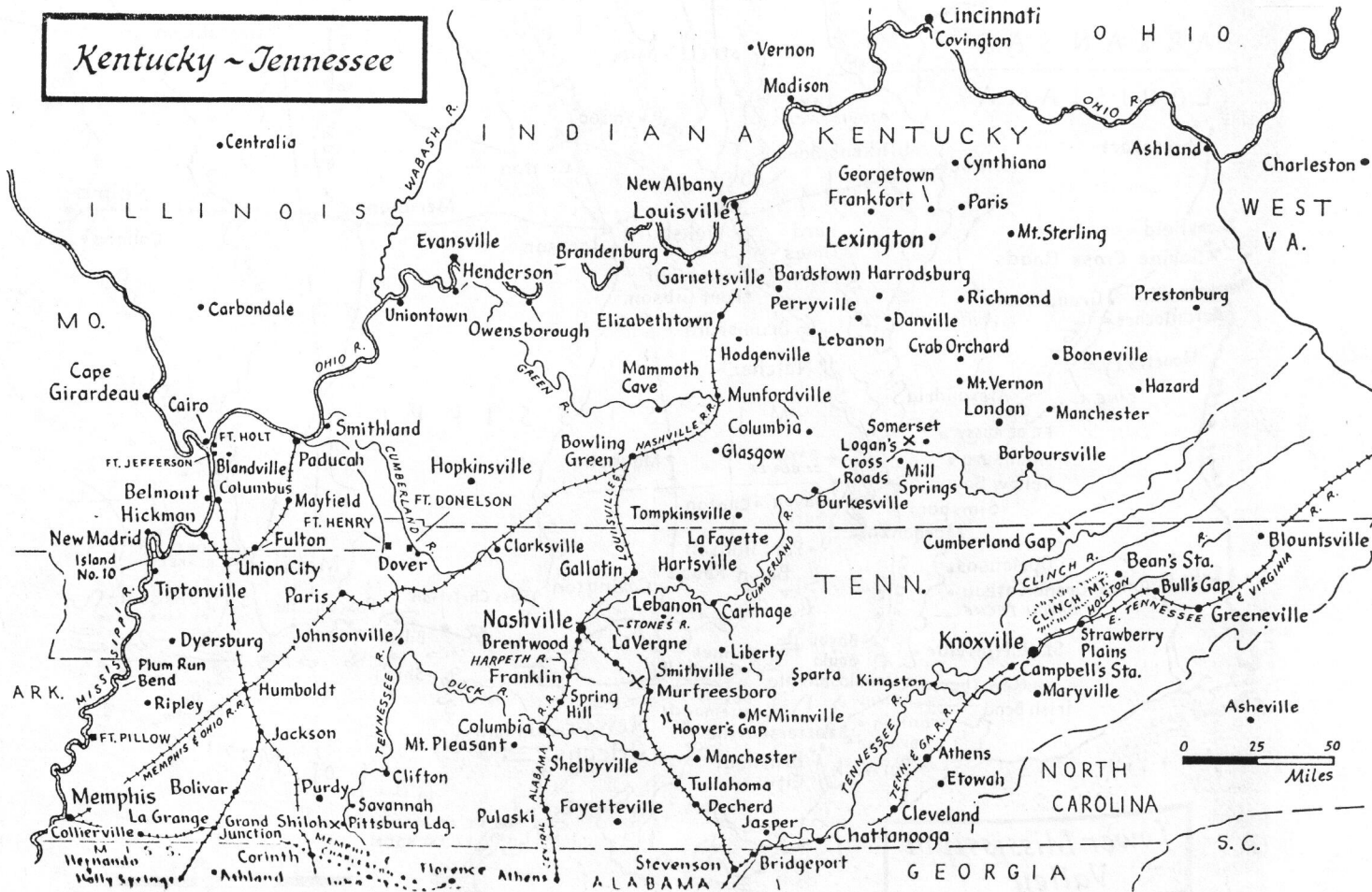




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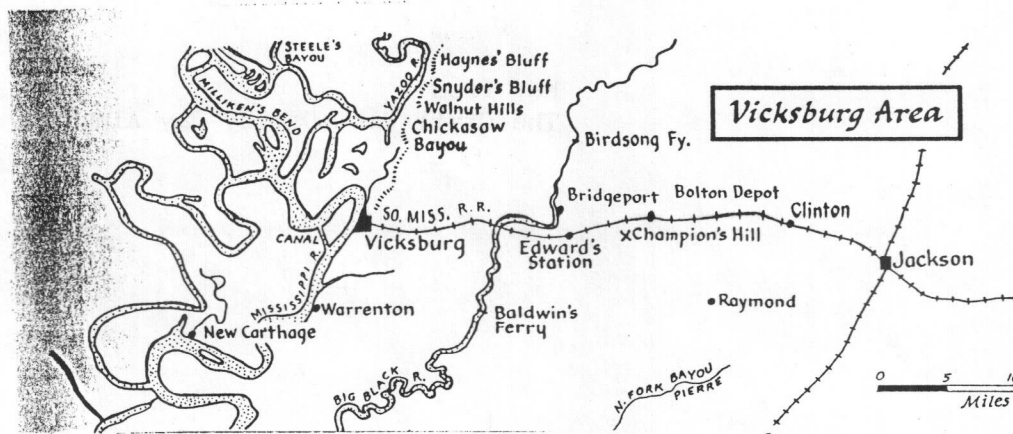


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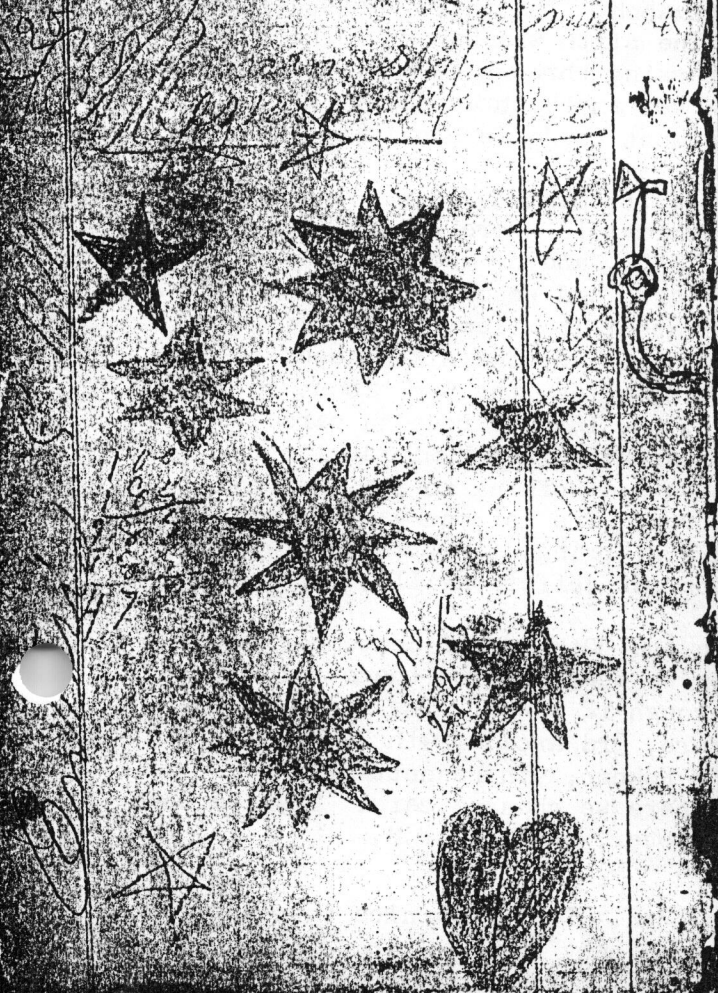


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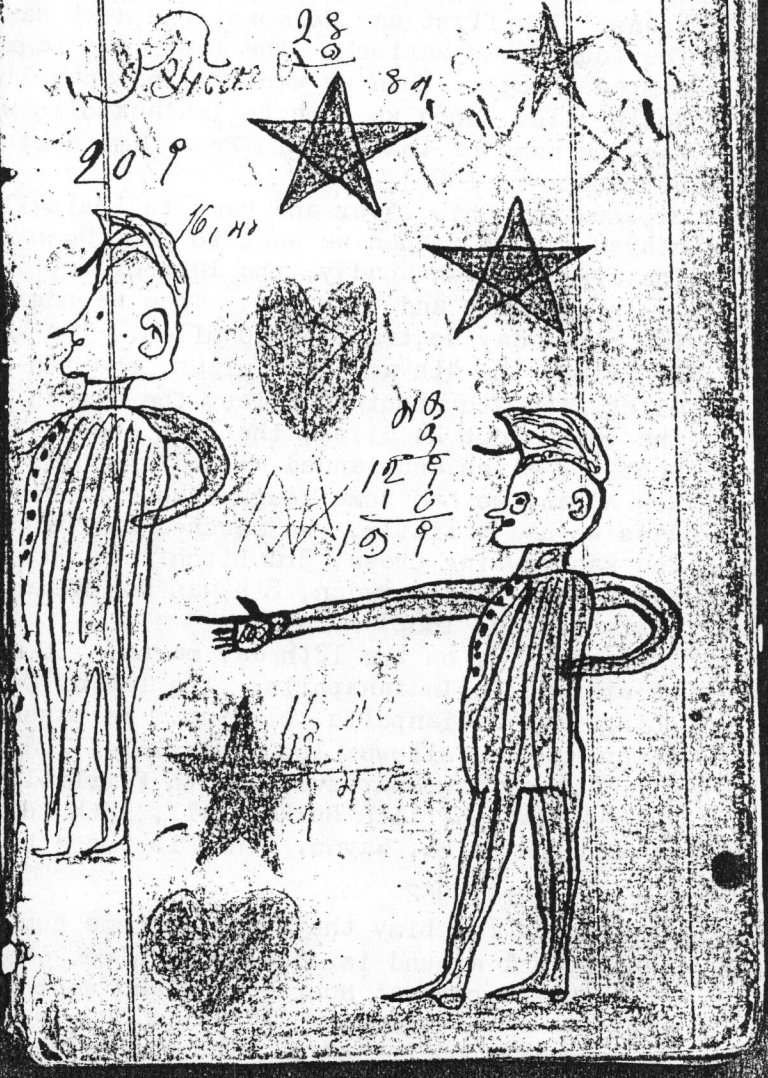




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August 20th A.D. 1862

We started to the army the 20th of August, '62, and was gone just 4 weeks till we was taken prisoners. George Washington Mumma. This was written the 4th of October A.D. 1862.

August 20th A.D. 1862

We went from Decatur to Wayne and from Wayne to Wabash, passing through several towns. The first was Roanoke. The next was Portmahon. The third was Huntington. The fourth was Antioch. The fifth was Lagro. The sixth was Wabash. There we camped 5 days. Then we went to Indianapolis, passing through several towns, Peru, Nobleville. Then we came to Indianapolis where we camped three days. Morton was the name of that camp. From Camp Morton we went to Jeffersonville. Then we (September 8, 1862)

crossed the Ohio river and came to Louisville, Ky. to Camp Gravens. There we stayed 2 days. Then we went to Camp Dunham, Mumfordsville, where we had a fight. The fight was on Sunday, the 14th of September, 1862, and on Wednesday we was taken prisoners and paroled. Then we began to march and we marched just 12 days. The first day we traveled 20 miles. The second about 16 miles, the third about 18 miles, the 4th about 10 miles, the 5th about 34 miles, the sixth about 24 miles, the 7th about 20 miles, the eighth about 23 miles, the 9th about 16 miles, the 10th about 24 miles, the 11th about 4 miles, the 12th we rode on cars. We went 162 miles and landed at Indianapolis. On marching from Mumfordsville to New Albany we had some tough times. Some days we had nothing to eat and some days we had a little. We marched through 10 towns. The 1st one was Mumfordsville, 2nd was Bowling Green, 3rd Litchfield, 4th was Big Spring, 5th Brandenburg, 6th Mauck Fort, 7th Corydon, 8th was New Albany, 9th was Jeffersonville, 10th was (October 4th, 1862)

Indianapolis, on the 12th day march. It was on the 30th day of September that we arrived in Indianapolis. The 1st of October we started from there for home going from Indianapolis to Wayne. We passed through 12 towns. The names of the towns are as follows: 1st Nobleville, 2nd Circero, 3rd Arcada, 4th Bunavista, 5th Tipton, 6th Sharpsville, 7th Fairfield, 8th Kokomo, 9th Bennett Switch, 10th Miamatown, 11th Bunker Hill, 12th Peru. There we changed cars. Then we come on through to Ft. Wayne. This is the 4th of October, 1862. G.W.M.

October 23rd 1862

We started for Limy the 20th and come home the 23rd. Limy is a nice town and the country all around is equally as nice. We started back for camp the 27th of Oct. We took the cars at Monroeville and went to Wayne. There we stayed all night. The 28th we started for Indianapolis. We came as far as to Huntington. There we were left on the cars. The engine was taken from our car and hitched to another train of cars so we was left alone.

October 28, 1862

We left Huntington that same day and come to Peru about 6 o'clock in the evening.

October 29th, 1862

There we stayed until the next morning. (28th). Then we come on through to Indianapolis. Then we come down to where we must stay till we are exchanged if we have a mind to stay. From the 29th of October till the 9th of November, nothing very strange happened. The 2nd we had preaching and the 9th we expect two sermons. The one at 10 o'clock A.M., the 2nd 2 o'clock P.M. We drew our dress and over coats the 5th of November, 1862. We come to Camp Morton the 29th of October A.D. 1862

November the 17th we was exchanged. Govenor Morton made a speach here in this Camp and give us the news that we are exchanged. Bully for Morton. Now we are ready for service again and I expect we will go to Dixie in a few days. Then perhaps we will get to see some rebel faces and perhaps have to fight them again. If we have to fight I hope we will gain the day this time. November 17th, 1862



We drew our guns on the 22nd of Nov. and on the 27th we went out on a Grand review and till we come to camp we was midling tired and hungry. But all that we did not mind. We all felt as funny as a monkey in a Band box. Nov. 27, 1962

7th of December

The 7th A.D. 1862. We left Camp Morton on the 5th. We took the cars at Indianapolis and went through Cairo. There we took the Steamboat there and went to Memphis down the Mississippi. On the Steam boat coming from Indianapolis to Cairo we passed through parts of Illinois, one of the nicest countries ever I did see. Cairo is in Illinois on the Banks of the Ohio River. We come to Cairo about 11 o'clock in the night. On the sixth day of December and on the seventh we started for Memphis.

December 8, 1962

On the 8th we landed at Memphis. We come to Memphis on the Steam boat, one of the pleasantest ways to ride there is. We are southeast of Memphis. About 3 miles right east of a secesh and plenty of darkies all around. The first letters I wrote in Tennessee was dated the 9th of December, 1862. George Washington Mumma. It is 365 miles from Indianapolis to Cairo and 242 miles from Cairo to Memphis. All that distance we rode in the cars and Steamboat. 242 miles on the Steamboat. 490 miles on the cars - that was from Ft. Wanyne to Cairo - and then 15 miles from Monroeville to Ft. Wayne.

December 11th 1862

That was the first ride I had after starting out to war the second time. We come to this fort on the 20th. Fort Pickering is west of Memphis on the banks of the Miss. River. The nights of the 21st & 22nd we was called out to the Breast works. Expected to be attacked by the rebels but no come. The recapture of Hollosprings was on the 22nd of December, 1862. That is all for this time. No more. We had snow here in the fort on the 15th of Jan. 1863, and we had rain on the 17th of January, 1863. We had chicken for dinner.

On the 20th of Jan. the boys pressed them one night, when they went up the river on a scouting expedition. They went up thereon the evening of the 19th day of Jan. We must stand guard every other day, dry and wet, and that is rather tough times but I think we can stand it.

It is raining today. This is the 23rd day of January A.D. 1863. I am good for guard tomorrow but I think likely it will quit raining before then. I dont mind standing guard in daytime but after night that is what I don't like very much. That is all for this time. January 23rd 1863

Feb. 6th A.D. 1863

From Jan. 23rd to February 6th. Nothing very interesting. Passed more then what I will state underneath this. I am on guard nearly every other day and no fighting done close here since the fight at Hobblo Springs. That Battle was on the 22nd of December, 1862. In the evening of the 4th of Feb. we went up the river on the Mill Boy and in the morning of the 5th we got some chickens and on that same evening we had them chickens for supper. We had a first rate supper. We have snow here about 4 inches deep. The snow fell on the same evening that we went up the river to guard them coal barges being Feb. 4th A.D. 1863.

Feb. 9th A.D. 1863

Nothing exciting going on here now but very dull times. I never felt as bad in my life as I did yesterday and today I feel sick all over andyet I am not sick now. You can think how I feel but it is dinner now and I must go and eat some but I don't know whether I can eat any or not but I will try and eat a little any how. February 9th 1863

On the 10th I was to town unloading cartridges and it rained nearly all day. So you can see it was disagreeable but that is the way it goes in the army. I think after I get through with this Campaign I shall stay at home. February 12th.

Feb. 16th 1863

Rezin went to the hospital on the 10th of February A.D. 1863. I was to town that day and I saw three rebbels. They just come from Vicksburg. They was a hard looking set of men. It is raining today and it is very muddy. I was down to the river this morning and got lots of turnips. They come down the river with some drift wood. Then I pitched in and got as many as I could eat. This is the 14th of February A.D. Yesterday I was loading bords on a boat. I worked hard and got nothing for pay but my supper and that was only coffee, crackers, and meat. That was on the 15th of Feb. Today is the 16th of Feb. It is raining today. I wrote a letter in the hospital sitting on the bunk besides Rezin. Feb. 16th A.D. 1863

Feb. 17th it rained and in the evening some of our Company went up the river calculating to rout some rebbels but they seen none.

Feb 18th 1863

Nothing going on very exciting but all quiet on the Mississippi.

Feb. 26th A.D. 1863

Nothing happened very strange from the 18th till now. Only it rained every third day. It rained all day yesterday and today till 8 o'clock. Then it cleared up nice this afternoon. The sun shines very nice and warm. It makes a person feel good all over.

February 25th, 1863

I got vaccinated yesterday. It was the 25th of Feb A.D. 1863. The Doctor said the smallpocks are raging at a furious rate. Then I thought it was time for me to do something. So I went to the Doctor and he vaccinated me in a short time. Rezin come from the hopital on the 23rd. I commenced cooking on the 23rd of Feb. Cooking dont go very good with me but I think it will go better after awhile. Nothing very strange happened between February 25th and March 4th. Only a fleet went down the river to Vicksburg. It was Quilmsyes Division that went down on the 3rd of March, 1863. I suppose they will have a share in the fight at Vicksburg. Theodore Kennedy come to camp on the 3rd day of March A.D. 1863

Nothing very particular occured here between the 3rd and 6th of March. Barly and May come to see their sons on the 6th of March. We were glad to see them. Between the 6th and 10th of March there was much rain. It rained on the 7th, 9th, & 10th. I wrote 3 letters home this week and only got one and that was from Reverand Wm. W. Robinson. That was the first letter I received from him and it was a very good one and I intend to answer it tomorrow. The 11th of March, 1863.

I answered Wm. Robinson's letter as stated before on the 11th of March. That was the second letter I wrote to him. Nothing of importance going on here. This is March 12th.

I received Sir Snyders likeness on the 12th of March. Mr. Bailly started for home on the 17th of March. George Bailly died on the 16th of March, 1863. Nothing more than common accured here between the 12th and 19th. Today there are 4 boat loads of soldiers going down the river. They are going to Vicksburg. This is March 19th.

March 22nd, 1863

This morning we are expecting a battle here. We was called out last night to get ammunition and this morning we cas called to be ready for the enemy at any moment. Their are nine boat loads of soldiers anchored here. They intend to start for Vicksburg today sometime.

I am guard today for the first time for 4 weeks. I cooked from the 23rd of Feb. till the 21st of March. Then I stopped cooking and thought would try guard again. Standing guard is much easier then cooking especially when it is warm like it is here in Tennessee and all the southern states. This is March 23rd.

March 25th

Today we went out on a scout. We went about 6 miles. We stopped at the Wolf River bridge for further orders. The order came the foe is captured. Then we come to quarters again. We had quite a jolly time. We had honey and cider. We got it for nothing. So you see we all pitched in and helped ourselves as a matter of course.



This is March 27th, 1863

It rained a little this morning and I am on guard.

Bully for that Valentine Dishmeyer. Started for home on the 28th of March, A.D. 1863. I took 4 pills this afternoon and I feel firstrate on the head of it. Bully for the pills.

March 29th, 1863

Last night it was very stormy and cold. Today the wind blows very hard and it is midling cold. I am on guard today. I got a letter from Mary Mohr. That was the first letter I received from her after she was married to Mr. Hooper. They was on the 10th of February, A.D. 1863. Chaplain E. W. Erick come to camp on the 27th of March, 1863. He brought \$6.00 for Rezin and myself. Father sent it to us. It come rather unexpected but it was thankfully received. Last night was the coldest night we had for 3 weeks and I was on guard. This is March 30th, 1863

On the first of April we had a nice scout. We went up the Mississippi on a boat. We went up ten miles and then we got off and had a little scout but captured nothing but a scift. Then we come to camp again. It was dark when we come to camp.

April 2nd I was to town and got my watch repaired, a crystal put in, and some other things fixed. They charged me 75 cents. That was the first time that I was to town since we are in Tennessee with out being there on duty. I perused the whole city.

Todsy is the 3rd of April. I am on guard up at the Cotton shed on the breast works where the guards sometimes gets shot. This side is full.

April 5th

This is Easter Sunday and I am on guard. Bully for that. Last night the pickets was firing. The probability is that we will have a fight here.

April 9th A.D. 1863

Today Wm. R. Maple and myself washed and the whole Regiment fixed up and are getting ready for inspection tomorrow. And in a few days we will get our money so the Colonel says. Nothing strange happened between the 5th and 9th of April A.D. 1863.

April 17th A.D. 1863

Noah Glass come to camp on the 13th of April. We was mustered for pay on the 14th and expected our money in a few days after muster.

April 27th

Nothing strange happened between the 9 & 17th but one of our soldier mates died last night. Vanran Saler Patterson, he was a corporal and a good first rate fellow as a soldier mate. We got payed on the 24th of April. I got 52 dollars. We had a big hail storm here on the 25th April. I never saw such a hail storm in all my life. We are still on guard every other day. Today is the 27th of April. It is raining some today. Nothing more at the present.

April 29th 1863

Noah Glass is going home today. He is taking some money for Rezin and myself. The amount is \$50. It rained nearly all night last night and today. It looks as though it would rain some more and I am on guard today. Bully for the guard business.

May 2nd

Today we moved a little further north but still we remain in the fort. We moved about 30 rods northward. I was on guard today. This morning I come off of guard.

This is May 3rd

Rezin was to town yesterday. He bought 2 lbs. of dryed peaches, a gold pen, and some cheese. Yes and a cantine full of milk. He paid 15 cents for the milk.

Dried peaches 15¢ a pound, cheese 20¢ a pound. May 3rd

May 7th, 1863

I went to town today. Wm. Danner, Robert Blackburn, John Insten, Joseph Rees, James Feaster, & Pat Mehan, We had quite a jolly time. That was the second time I was to town, unless on duty, since we are in the fort. We are still on guard every other day.

Today is the 9th of May

Nothing strange going on today. It is very warm.

On the 17th day of May, Will & myself was to town. We was to a meeting in the forenoon and also in the afternoon. The first was Presbyterian and the next was Catholic meeting. And on the 19th Will and myself got our picture taken in Memphis, Tennessee. 1863

May 20th 1863

Nothing very strange happened here between the 7th & 20th of May. Nothing more then I am on guard every other day and that I have been doing ever since the 23rd of March, 1863. Bully for the guard Standers. The weather is still warm but a gentle breeze is blowing all the time. That makes it a little more comfortable then it would be otherwise. May 20th, A.D. 1863

May 21st A.D. 1863

Last night we layed on our arms expecting to be attacted but we were not. But this morning several of our wood wagons was captured by some guerrillas but our cavalry soon made them scedaddle. Bully for them I say. Today the weather is very hot.

May 23rd another fleet went down the river. 7 boats, 2000 on each boat. 1,000 mounted infantry, 1,000 artillery men with 40 pieces of artillery.

Today is the 24th of May. Pardner and I are going to town to meeting. Silas Martz is also going. Mr. James Vandymark come to camp this mornign he is the same old looking fellow as ever.

June 3rd

We started for Vicksburg with 58 prisoners. We went as far as Memphis. That day we got on board the Sultana and on the 4th we lay anchored at shore all day untill 7 o'clock in the evening. At 7 o'clock we started for Vicksburg.

We reached Helleny (Helena, Mo.) at 2 o'clock in the night of June 5th. We stopped there till 5 o'clock in the morning. Then we left Helleny and continued our journey, passing several gun boats. The gunboat No 4 went with us from 12 till 6 o'clock. Then the gunboat No 2 went with us till 8 o'clock. The gunboat No 4 shot 10 shots supposing there were some guerillas close but I think there were no guerrillas any ways close but they fired the cannons for fear there might be some there.

June 6th we reached Miligans bend at 7 o'clock in the morning and at 8 o'clock we landed at Youngs Point. There we got off the boat and guarded them prisoners on the bank of the river and the sun was hot enough to scotch a negro. The same day at 2 o'clock we left Youngs Point and went up the Yazoo River. The name of that boat was Venango. We landed at the Yazoo landing at 7 o'clock in the evening. There we stayed all night.

And the morning of the 7th we started from there to go on to Vicksburg. We seen the breast works of Vicksburg at 12 o'clock for the first time. We passed General Grants headquarters. It was a site for me. The Generals quarters are about 10 miles from the Yazoo landing. It is very hilly around Vicksburg.

June 8th

We started from the Yazoo landing about 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock and landed at Youngs Point at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock. Then we went down to the lower landing. There we got off of the boat and Captain reported at the provost marshels. From there we walked up to Youngs Point, Distance 3 miles.



There we stayed till the evening of the 10th. Then we started for Memphis with 140 rebel prisoners. June 10th it rained.

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All day we expected a battle there - Youngs Point- but the rebels did not come. We got on board the Lzetta with the prisoners, about 90 miles below Helleny the boat stopped about 2 hours to coal. If ever I was tired of anything I was of the trip to Vicksburg. Guarding prisoners is something I do not like but I wanted to see Vicksburg. But that is the last trip for me untill I start for home. That would suit me first rate.

We come to Memphis on the 13th of June. We come up on the boat Lzetta. Most a splended boat. We left the boat at 8 o'clock on the 14th and took the prisoners to Memphis and put them in the ? Block. There they may stay till doomz day for all that I care. We guarded 140 prisoners up to Memphis from Youngs Point. I have not seen a girl for 15 days and that seems a long time but that will all come right some day.

July 2nd A.D. 1863

On the first day of July I acted as Corporal for the first time after being promoted. Nothing very particular going on here at the present. This is July 2nd but on the 4th there will be something going on.

This is the 4th of July and we had quite a fine time in the <sup>camp</sup> but Veach did not make the speach that was expected on account of skirmishing on the outside. But our Colonel give us a very good speach but it was short and also Major Eddy of the 15th Regulars give us a few words of encouragement. Then we give three cheers for Eddy, Three for Colonel Murry and nine cheers for Gen. Grant. That ended the sport for that day but I think till next 4th we will be at home to celebrate with our fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters and relations. One year ago today I was at home in the harvest field having had no idea of ever enlisting then. But things changed and then I enlisted and now I am in Fort Pickering with the rest of my neighbor boys. So we are here together and I hope we may be together at home next 4th of July in the year A.D. 1864.

July 22nd A.D. 1863

Today the boys went home on a furlow. A. W. Degarmo, Samuel Burkhead, and Phillip Kistler were the 3 first ones that got furlows out of our company since we are in Tennessee. The weather this morning is moderately cool. Yesterday we had a good shower of rain and on the day before that I had a chill and a high fever. This page is about full.

July 23 A.D. 1863

Nothing of any importance going on in camp today. Clayton, and Smith Martz and a lot more went up the river yesterday. They guarded 150 Rebel officers to Cairo, Ill.

Aug. 21st 1863 (day account written in diary)

On the 16th Inst, we took a 5 day scout. The first day we marched 12 miles and that night we camped at Lake Horn Creek and had corn and goose for supper. The second day we marched 13 miles. That was the point we aimed for. The name of the town is Hernando, in De Soto County, Miss. 17th, last night, the cavalry picket and a small fight but the rebels had to run. One of our men was wounded and we captured one of their men. We was camped in the courthouse grove. Most a beautiful place. This town was burned last spring by General Hatch of the 8th Missouri Regt. This morning the chickens had to take it. The boys just more than pitched in to the chickens and mellons and corn and the women made an awful fuss but that made no difference to the boys. We left Hernando this morning - 18th - at 9 o'clock. We marched till 12 o'clock. Then we stopped at a little Creek - I call it One Lake. There we took dinner, going from Hernando to One Lake.

Aug 18th

We passed more peaches then I ever saw and no end to the elderberries. We first helped ourselves to the peaches and we passed some of the nicest farms I ever saw. Hernando was once a nice town but now it is all destroyed but a few houses.

June 15<sup>th</sup> 1869

All day we expected a  
battle there (Youngs point)  
but the rebels did not come  
we got on board the S. Zetta  
with the prisoners about 90  
miles below Helling the boat  
stopped about 2 hours to coal  
If ever I was tired of any  
thing I was of the trip to  
Arkansas guarding prisoners  
is something I do not like  
but I wanted to see a sailing  
boat that is the last trip  
for me until I start  
for home that would  
Boat one frigate we came  
to Memphis on the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
June we came up on the boat  
S. Zetta most splendid  
boat we left the boat at 8  
O'clock on the 14<sup>th</sup> and took

July 2 1869

The prisoners to Memphis  
and put them in the errand  
place there they may stay  
till dooms day for all that  
I care we guarded 140  
prisoners up to Memphis  
from Youngs point

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July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1869

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as Corporal for the first time  
after being promoted nothing  
very particular going on here  
at the present this is July  
2<sup>nd</sup> but on the 4<sup>th</sup> there will  
be something going on this  
is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and we had  
quite a fine time in the



19th

Last night we camped at Lake Horn Creek on the Hernando and Memphis plank road. 12 miles from Memphis. We had quite a nice time last night. Plenty of beef and fresh pork. 19th. We marched 4 miles. Then we took dinner. We had nothing but goose and in the afternoon we marched 2 miles. Then we stopped for that day.

20th

We reached camp at 8 o'clock on the night of 19th. We camped at a creek called Nonconno, about 6 miles from the fort. We had one of the pleasantest time imaginable. We had some hard marching. That is true but still we marched along cheerfully and had plenty of fun all the time. We are in the old fort again. Philip Kistler came to camp on the 21st of Aug. all sound and safe.

Aug. 25 A.D. 1863

We drew our money today and then there were some funny boys before night.

On the 29th we moved our quarters to the new camping ground just a little north of the first camp we had in Ft. Pickering.

Oct. 18th A.D. 1863

To day we moved out of the fort. We are camped at the head of Poplar Street. Most a beautiful place. Lots nicer then Fort Pickering. We go on picket every other day. On the evening of the 17th 100 of our men went to releave the 27th O. V. I. from picket and that night we had a dreadful time. It rained nearly all night.

Oct. 17th A.D. 1863

On the 17th George Raver started for home after being discharged from the U.S. Army.

Oct. 28th A.D. 1863

Today we drew two months pay in camp near Memphis, Tennessee.

November 13th A.D. 1863

The weather is nice and pleasant. The roads are nice and smooth. We have Battalion drill every day.

December 2nd 1863

Tonight we was ordered out in line of battle. Expected to be attacked but the rebs did not come. The weather is still nice and pleasant. John I. Gilliam come to camp on the second of December. He was home on furlow.

On the 4th of December we went to Germantown in Tennessee and from there we went to Coliarsville. There we thought we would be attacked but we was not. We stayed at Coliarville till evening.

December 6th

Of the 5th then we started for Memphis again, landing at Memphis at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock. There was a fight at Mosko on the evening of the 4th but our men whipped the rebs like Boston. Mosko is east of Memphis about 34 miles.

On Christmas day some of our Regiment went on a scout. They had a little fight on Sunday evening. They returned to camp on the 31st of December A.D. 1863.

On the first day of January, 1864, we had a little snow storm.

This is the 4th of January. It is so icy that a person can hardly get about and tolerably cold but I suppose it will get still colder yet for a while. The snow fell on New Years night and on New Years day. I was on picket. We had a nice time only it was rather cold but we had a big fire all night.

Jan. 8th A.D. 1864

Today we received some provisions from home. Some apple butter, sausages, beef steak, and fat cakes. I tell you that tasted good.

On the 11th we bought a barrel of apples. We paid \$3.60 for it. The weather is tolerably cool.

This is January 13th. Tomorrow I'll be on the picket if I stay well. Jones Kline come to camp on the 14th of January, 1864, stout and hearty.

This is the 17th of Jan. It is raining today. I had calculated to go to church but I shall not go on account of it raining. R. F. & P. S. Martz went up the river. They started on the 14th, Inst, They took 6 days rations with them.

January 18, 1864

Today I was on picket and we had lots of fun. We killed a hog that weighed 200 lbs. William Edmonson, Joseph Parish, Abner Parish, and myself killed the hog. We went about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the picket post. We had plenty of whisky but we kept sober. We shot 3 times, wounded 2 hogs, and only got one and that was as much as we could manage.

On the 20th we had General Review. General Hunter was the General that reviewed the troops and on the 21st there was Regimental inspection. One of Harlburths Staff inspected our Regiment. The weather is nice and pleasant. January 22nd, 1864

Jan. 26th A.D. 1864

We left camp east of Memphis today at  $5\frac{1}{2}$  going to the landing. There we stayed all night.

Jan. 27th

We are still at the landing. The weather is pleasant today. We got on board the Rose Hambleton at  $1\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock and landed in Arkansas at 2 o'clock. There we prepared 5 days rations to eat while going down the river.

Jan. 28th '64

We got on board the Rose Hambleton again after having cooked our rations. We went on board the boat at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  and landed at Memphis at  $8\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, lying there till  $11\frac{1}{2}$ . Then we started down the river.

January 29th, '64

We passed Helleny, Ark. at 8 o'clock afternigh. Today we passed White and Arkansas River. The weather very foggy.

Jan. 30th '64

We are still on the boat. We landed at Vicksburg today at 4 o'clock P.M. The weather fair.

Jan. 31st '64

We are still at the landing. Last night it rained like everything.

February 1st '64

We left the River and moved north of Vicksburg about 7 miles. We left the landing at 11 O'clock and stopped marching that day at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock. Last night it rained like everything.

February 2nd '64

Today we left the Vicksburg hills. Starting at 6 o'clock marching till 9 after night. The weather still fair.

Wedns. February 3rd

We still continued our march, stopping for dinner 6 miles from Black River. We reached Black River at 5 o'clock P.M. and eating supper at 9 o'clock. We crossed the river. The weather still fair.

February 4th, '64

We left Black River at 8 o'clock marching till noon by spells. We had to double quick at one o'clock. Our Division was formed into line of battle. We were then 23 miles from Jackson. We had no fight. Then at 4 o'clock the rebels opened their battery on us, but soon had to leave. We marching in line of battle till night. We camped for the night where the Rebels had planted their Battery the second time. The weather fair.



February 5th '64

We again pursued the rebels, skirmishing with and shelling them like everything. The rebels made a charge on our Battery but was badly whipped. We took one piece of artillery tonight. We are 4 miles from Jackson. The weather fair.

February 6th '64

Our Company was sent out on picket. Veach and his staff passed us.

Sat. Feb. 6th A.D. 1864

We layed in camp all day four miles from Jackson.

Sun. Feb. 7th A.D. 1864

We got to Jackson at 10 o'clock today marching 12 miles beyond Jackson. There we camped in the woods. The weather fair.

Mon. Feb. 8th A.D. 1864

Passing through Brandon at 9 o'clock this morning, the boys taking everything they could get. The weather fair.

Tues. Feb. 9th A.D. 1864

Rations issued this morning,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  crackers for three days. Today we captured 300 Rebels and 3 pieces of artillery. Marching till 11 o'clock after night. The weather fair.

Wed. Feb 10th A.D. 1864

Marching 12 miles. Camped in the woods. 22 miles from Decatur. We had slabjacks for supper. The weather fair.

Thurs. Feb. 11th A.D. 1864

We left camp this morning at 8 o'clock, marching slowly all forenoon. In the afternoon we was cracked through marching till 10 o'clock after night. The weather fair.

Frid Feb 12th A.D. 1864

We got up this morning at 4 o'clock, marching like forty. We neither give the rebels time to eat or sleep. We captured 3 cannons & 40 prisoners.

Sat. Feb. 13th A.D. 1864

Marching moderately slow owing to some obstructions which being put in the road by the rebels. We routed the rebels out of their camp this evening. We marched till 10 o'clock after night. The weather fair.

Sun. Feb. 14th A.D. 1864

Had a fight near Meridion. The rebels had to leave double quick. We got to Meridion at 4 o'clock. We camp west of town. The country hilly. The town all destroyed.

Mon. Feb. 15th A.D. 1864

It rained like everything this morning. We left Meridion today at 3 o'clock. Marched 2 miles there we camped that night. The weather cool.

Tues. Feb 16th A.D. 1864

Very foggy this morning. Today we destroyed part of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, east of Meridion.

Wed. Feb. 17th A.D. 1864

We left Meridion today at 3 o'clock. Come to Marion Station at 5 o'clock P.M. We camped two miles north of Marion. The weather fair.

Thurs. Feb. 18th A.D. 1864

A little snow this morning. Laying in camp all day. The weather cold.

Frid. Feb 19th A.D. 1864

Still in camp. The weather cold and windy.

Sat. Feb. 20th 1864

Started back this morning. Our grub was parched corn & rye, coffee. The country hilly. The weather fair.

Sun. Feb. 21st A.D. 1864

Marched hard all day and nothing to eat but ham, rye, coffee, & parched corn. We drew no grub for 9 days. All we got to eat we had to forage. We marched 19 miles today. The country hilly. The weather fair.

Mon. Feb. 22nd A.D. 1864

Marched 18 miles. The country hilly. A little fight today. Some of our men captured. The weather fair.

Tues. Feb. 23rd A.D. 1864

Marching  $9\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Then resting  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Hillsboro. Marching to Hillsboro today. The country hilly. The weather fair.

Wed. Feb 24th A.D. 1864

Marching 16 miles. Guarding the train. The country hilly. Weather fair.

Thur. Feb. 25th A.D. 1864

Marching 5 miles. Camped near Pearl River. 12 miles from Canton. The country level. Weather fair.

Fri. Feb 26th A.D. 1864

Crossed Pearl River at 8 o'clock. Marching 14 miles. Passed through Canton at 8 o'clock. Marched 2 miles beyond Canton. There we camped. The country level. The weather fair.

Sat. Feb. 27th, A.D. 1864

Laying in camp all day. We had a bully breakfast. We had honey, molasses, corn cakes, coffee, pork, & ? . The weather fair.

Sun. Feb. 28th A.D. 1864

Laying in camp all day. Bully grub. The weather windy and cloudy.

Mon. Feb. 29th A.D. 1864

Our company was grinding corn all day at McBrides Mill 2 miles from Canton. The weather fair.

Tues. March 1st A.D. 1864

This morning we again took up our line of march. It rained like everything all forenoon. Marching 18 miles. Going through Livingston at 2 o'clock. 13 miles from Canton. The roads very muddy.

Wed. March 2nd A.D. 1864

The rear of our Army had right smart fight. Cannonading going on all forenoon. We marched about 10 miles. The weather fair.

Thur. March 3rd 1864

Marched 20 miles. Passed through Brownsville at 10 o'clock. Intersected the road where we went out on where we was formed into line of battle going to Meridion. There we ate our dinner. Come to Black River at sunset. There we camped for the night. The weather fair.

Frid. March 4th A.D. 1864

Left Black River at 9 o'clock. Marching to Vicksburg that day till sunset. Distance 20 miles. The country hilly. The weather fair.

Sat. March 5th A.D. 1864

Lay in camp all day. We had Company inspection. The weather fair.

Sun. Mar 6th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and no grub for dinner. Drewed rations in the evening. The weather fair.

Mon. March 7th A.D. 1864

In camp all day. Plenty to eat. R. F. was to town. The weather fair.

Tues. March 8th A.D. 1864

Very foggy this morning. Today we left camp east of Vicksburg and went to the landing below town. Stayed on the levee all day.

Wed March 9th A.D. 1864

We got on board the boat Chouteau at 11 o'clock. We lay there till evening. Then the boat moved up the River about  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile. There we lay all night. The weather foggy.

Thurs March 10th A.D. 1864

At 10 o'clock we moved back again where we got on the boat. Started on the expedition at 6 o'clock this evening. Passed along smoothly all night.

Frid March 11th 1864

Passed Natchez at daylight. Come to Red River landing at  $1\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock.

Sat. March 12 A.D. 1864

Left Red River landing at 11 o'clock and went up Old Miss. Passed the mouth of Red River at 2 o'clock P.M. Stopped in Atchafalaya Bayou, 15 miles from the Mississippi River.

Sun. March 13th A.D. 1864

We went out on a scout, expecting a fight. I went with them about 4 miles. Then I turned back, being sick. The weather fair. In the evening the Regt. come back again to where they got off of the boat.

Mon March 14th A.D. 1864

We again pursued the rebels. Had a fight at Fort Derusy on Red River. Took 300 & 65 prisoners & 10 cannons. The weather fair.

Tues March 15th '64

Lay at Ft. Derusy all day. The transport came to us in the evening. Then we got on the boat again. Leaving for Alexandria. The weather still fair.

Wed March 16th A.D. 1864

On the boat all day. Arrived at Alexandria at 5 o'clock in the evening. The Rebels had all left town. Just in time not to be taken prisoners.

Thur March 17th '64

In camp south of Alexandria. Our Company was on duty in town patrolling the streets. The weather fair.

Frid March 18th A.D. 1864

In camp all day. Eating Belly garts - as baffy - nearly all day. The weather fair.

Sat March 19th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink and to sleep.

Sun March 20th

Still in camp and plenty to eat. We drew rations today.

Mon March 21st '64

Started on a scout. We had a little scratch with them. We marched 20 miles till  $1\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock. Then we stayed there while some of our forces surrounded the rebels. At 11 o'clock after night we made them surrender. Their were 300 & 65 of them and they had 4 pieces of Artillery and it rained all night like everything.

Tues. March 22nd A.D. 1864

Camped within  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles of where the Rebels was when in camp at 12 o'clock. We started for Alexandria again. We marched within 9 miles of Alexandria. There we camped for the night.

Wed. March 23rd '64

Come to camp at Alexandria at 12 o'clock. Then we fixed up our huts again. The weather fair.

Thurs March 24th '64

In camp all day & drawed beef. Then for some beef for Dinner. It was raining all the time we was cooking dinner but we took it patiently.

Frid March 25th

In camp all day. Drawed rations today. Preparing to leave in the morning. The weather fair.



Down March 15<sup>th</sup> AD 1861  
 We went out on a boat  
 (expecting a fight) I went  
 with them about 4 miles  
 then I turned back being  
 sick the weather fair.  
 In the evening the boat came  
 back again to where they  
 got off of the boat

Down March 17<sup>th</sup> AD 1861  
 We again pursued the rebels  
 had a fight at Fort Derry  
 On the River. took 65 & 65  
 Prisoners & 10 Cannons the  
 weather fair

Up March 15<sup>th</sup> 61  
 Lay at Ft. Derry all day  
 The transports came to us  
 in the evening then we  
 got on board the boat again

Leaving for Alexandria  
 the weather still fair

Up March 16<sup>th</sup> AD 1861  
 On the boat all day arrived  
 at Alexandria at 5 o'clock  
 in the evening. The rebels  
 had all left the town  
 just in time not to be  
 taken prisoner.

Down March 17<sup>th</sup> 61  
 In Camp South of Alexandria  
 Our company was on duty  
 in town patrolling the  
 streets the weather fair

Up March 18<sup>th</sup> AD 1861  
 In Camp all day eating  
 belly cots (or happy) nearly  
 all day the weather fair

Sat March 26th '64

Started for Shreveport. Marched 18 miles. Went out on the same road we went before the time we took them prisoners and 4 pieces of artillery within 7 miles of Red River. The weather fair.

Sun March 27th A.D. 1864

Marched to Red River. Distance from Alexandria 25 miles. There we camped several days. It rained after night.

Monday March 28th A.D. 1864

In camp all day. We had a fine game of ball for the first time since we left Indianapolis, Ind. The weather fair.

Tues March 29th '64

In camp all day and nothing particular going on.

Wed March 30th '64

Got on the boat and went down the River 2 miles to get wood for the boat. The weather fair.

Thurs March 31st A.D. 1864

We had monthly inspection. Then in the evening we went on picket. We killed a beef, taking nothing but the heart and livers.

Frid April 1st A.D. 1864

We was relieved from picket in the evening. Taking two hogs with us. Plenty of meat for several days.

Sat April 2nd A.D. 1864

We got on the boat at 8 o'clock, laying there till 1 o'clock. Then we again sailed for Shreveport. The boat running nearly all night. The weather fair.

Sun April 3rd A.D. 1864

Still on the boat. Sailing along smoothly. The weather fair.

Mon April 4th A.D. 1864

Got off of the boat this morning and got plenty of fresh meat. Had Company drill in the afternoon. The weather fair.

Tues April 5th A.D. 1864

We had Battalion drill in the fore & afternoon and fine times in camp. The weather fair.

Wed April 6th '64

We got up at 4 o'clock and got ready to move by daylight but we did not get off that soon. At 7 o'clock the order was countermanded. Then we had company. At 7½ o'clock we got on board the Steamer Desmoins and crossed the river foraging all afternoon. We got to camp at 8 after night.

Thur April 7th '64

Started this morning for Shreveport. We marched 15 miles and it raining all afternoon like forty.

Frid April 8th '64

Marching slowly all forenoon. But in the afternoon we was part through. We marched till 8 o'clock after night.

Sat April 9th '64

We got up at 1 o'clock and drew 2 days rations to eat while engaged in fighting. The fight was at Pleasant Hills. It began at 1 o'clock and lasted till dark. Two of our company wounded. Aaron & Joshua Parrish. The weather fair.

Sun April 10th '64

Retreated 20 miles. Then camped for the night right in the woods, the rebels skirmishing with our rear. The weather fair.



Mon April 11th '64

Arrived at Grandecore this evening at 5 but we did not get in camp till dark.

Tues April 12th '64

In camp north of GrandEcore. Nothing particular going on. Drewed rations in the evening. I got 4 letters.

Wdnes April 13th

In camp all day and nothing to eat of any account. In the afternoon we was drewed up in line of battle expecting a fight but had none. The weather cloudy.

Thur April 14th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. We drewed rations in the evening. Our transport came down the river. Landed here in the evening. They were right smart cut up by the Rebels but none captured.

Fri April 15

In camp all day policeing our quarters, taking all the filth off. That is all we had to do that day.

Sat April 16th '64

We had Brigade inspection. Nothing else particular going on in camp. I wrote several letters in the afternoon.

Sun April 17th

In camp all day. Wm. Shaffer come to our camp. We was glad to see him. We had a gay old time.

Mon April 18th

Still in camp and nothing particular going on in camp. The weather fair.

Tues April 19th '64

We was ordered up this morning long before day to be ready for the enemy but he did not come. The weather fair.

Wednes April 20th '64

We left GrandEcore at 2 o'clock. Marched to Natchitoches nearly on the double quick. We got to Natchitoches at sunset. There we camped all night. Our Company was on picket. The rest of the Regiment was in line of battle.

Thur. April 21st 1864

In line of battle all day west of Natchitoches. The pickets changed a few shots with the Rebels. At 10 o'clock in the night we left Natchitoches. Marched across the Bayou. There we lay till 4 o'clock. Then we again took up our line of march. The weather fair.

Frid April 22nd 1864

Marched all day and all night till 3 o'clock. Skirmishing with the rebels all afternoon.

Sat. April 23rd '64

Heavy cannonading all forenoon. The rebels had to leave on the double quick after we charged on them. We captured 90 prisoners and 3 pieces of artillery.

Sun April 24th '64

Marched hard all day and till 10 o'clock after night. We arrived at Sandy Point at that hour of the night. We had a small fight this morning but the rebels had to leave on the double quick.

Mon April 25th A.D. 1864

Marched within 14 miles of Alexandria. There we camped for the night. Skirmishing with the rebels by spells all day. The weather fair.

Tues April 26th '64

We tried to catch the rebels in a trap but they smell a mice and did not come in but they come to our lines, then retreated. We just more then pored the lead into them. We come to Alexandria in the evening.

Wed April 27th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink. We saw uncle Rezins boys.

Thurs April 28th 1864

In camp till dinner. Then we was ordered in line of battle. In line all day and all night. The 13th & 19th Army Corp had a small scratch. The weather fair.

Frid April 29th '64

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather very hot.

Sat. April 30th '64

In camp all day. Everything quiet in camp and nothing going on in front.

Sun. May 1st A.D. 1864

All quiet in camp.. In the evening we moved out 4 miles to Derusy. Weather fair.

Monday May 2nd 1864

The rebels fired into our forage train. Then our men took after them and made them scedaddle. We camped on the Centerville road 4 miles from Alexandria.

Tues May 3rd A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing particular going on in camp. But some skirmishing on the picket lines. The weather warm and the roads dusty.

Wed May 4th A.D. 1864

Some hard fighting this morning 5 miles from our camp but we did not go out. Our Cavalry was enough for them. They made the rebels leave.

Thur May 5th '64

Moved about 3 miles further. Then we stopped. The Calvary had right smart of a fight. Our Company was on picket. The weather fair.

Frid May 6th A.D. 1864

Fighting like forty all day. The rebels crossed the Bayou Bridge, then burned it. We camped on the west side of the Bayou.

Sat. May 7th A.D. 1864

Skirmishing commenced at 8 o'clock. The 8th Battery opened on them at 10 in the afternoon. Our Company was sent out as skirmishers. A general engagement commenced at 5 o'clock in the evening. Three of our Company wounded and one killed. John W. Smith was killed. We drove the rebels till dark. Then we fell back across the Bayou. There we took a bite of supper. Then we started for Alexandria. Marched with in 7 miles of Alexandria. There we camped.

Sun May 8th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink. Some firing on the picket line but not much. The weather fair.

Mon May 9th A.D. 1864

We lay in camp all day and nothing of any importance going on. The weather warm and dry.

Tues May 10th 1864

We have a shower of rain. Then clear weather. Skirmishing commenced at 7 o'clock. The rebels were repulsed and driven back.

Wed May 11th 1864

All quiet in camp. We drew two days ration. Companies A. & H. are detailed for picket. We go to the Widow Flowers plantation, a northeast direction from camp. The Calvary pickets were fired upon.

Thur May 12th 1864

We remained on picket till 6 o'clock in the evening. Co. G & C. releaved us. We drew two days rations of coffee, beans, pork, and hard tack.

Frid May 13th 1864

All quiet in camp. We got orders to leave in the morning at 5 o'clock. Co. E., I., and F. go on picket. The 119th Ill. moved out tonight.

Sat May 14th 1864

We left camp this morning at 5½ o'clock. Started for Fort Dirusy. Distance 30 miles. The rebels fired into our transports but the gun boats soon made them leave. The weather warm and the roads dusty.

Sun May 15th A.D. 1864

We lay by this morning till the 19th & 18th Army Corp train passed us. They passed all night. Marching slowly all day. Come to Fort Derusy at 11 o'clock after night. The 19th Army Corp had right smart fight in the evening. They captured 6 pieces of artillery & 300 prisoners. We marched about 15 miles. The weather fair.

Mon May 16th A.D. 1864

We got up at 4 o'clock and marched till sunrise. Then we stopped and got breakfast. Some fighting in front. After breakfast we marched about 3 miles, then formed into line of battle. Heavy cannonading all forenoon but the rebels had to leave. The battle was on the big prairie, 8 miles from Fort Derusy.

Tues May 17th 1864

The 47th come up to us this morning at daylight. They marched nearly all night. The weather very foggy this morning. Marching to Scurries fortification. There we stayed for the night. Fighting in the rear all day, in the evening heavy cannonading. The rebels had to leave.

Wed May 18th 1864

Crossed the bayou this morning. Formed in line of battle along the bayou, 3 miles from Simsport on the Atchafalaya Bay. Some skirmishes in the rear. The darkies tearing down the Breastworks in front of our Regiment. The weather cloudy. A little rain this morning. At 9 o'clock we went out on the double quick. At 10 o'clock the ball opened. Our Company were ordered out as skirmishers. Our troop charged twice. The rebels had to leave. Our Brigade was cut up nasty. 4 of our Company wounded. Phillip Kistler, Henry Myers, Johnathan M. Pyle, & Henry M. Headington. The fight lasted till dark. The heaviest cannonading ever I heard, a continual roar all day. After dark we crossed the bayou again. Camped at the same place we started from in the morning. The weather hot.

Thur May 19th '64

The weather warm and sultry. All quiet in the rear this morning. No fighting today. We lay in camp all day. At 11½ o'clock last night we was routed up to guard the train across the Bayou.

Frid May 20th '64

Helped the train across the Atchafalaya Bay. The weather hot and dry. We crossed the Bay at 9 o'clock P.M. in the evening. Our Company marched up the Bay about 6 miles. There we camped for the night and waited till the Regiment came by. Banks troop passed all night, the 19th & 13th Army Corp. The weather fair.

Sat May 21st '64

The Regiment came to us in the morning at 7 o'clock. Then we marched to the Mississippi. Distance 5 miles. We lay at the river till 8 after night. Then we got on board the Steamer Marmora. There we lay all night.

Sun May 22nd A.D. 1864

Started for Vicksburg at 10½ o'clock, passing along smoothly. Drawed pork for the first for a long time. It tasted good. The weather very warm and we are so crowded that we can hardly live but we can stand it till we get to Vicksburg. At least I think we can.



Mon May 23rd '64

Still on the boat, going like forty towards Vicksburg. We passed Natches at 12 o'clock last night. Our boat stopped awhile there.

Tues. May 24th 1864

Landed at Vicksburg this morning at 3 o'clock. We got off the boat at 8. The weather fair.

Wed May 25th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink. We drew rations in the afternoon. The weather fair.

Thur May 26th 1864

Still in camp and nothing particular going on.

Frid May 27th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and sleep of which I can do my share at all time.

Sat May 28th A.D. 1864

In camp all day. The weather cloudy. Some prospects of rain. All quiet around Vicksburg.

Sun May 29th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather fair.

Mon May 30th A.D. 1864

In camp all day. We had dress parade this evening, the first time for a long time. The weather fair.

Tues May 31st '64

In camp all day. A little rain in the evening. Nothing particular going on in camp.

Wed June 1st A.D. 1864

Drew rations today. We drew potatoe, sour crout, ham, sugar, coffee, and light bread. We had dress parade this evening and a little shower of rain.

Thur June 2nd 1864

We had Company drill. Sergt. Patterson drilled the Company. The weather warm.

Frid June 3rd A.D. 1864

We got on board the Choteau. We lay on the boat all day. It rained some.

Sat June 4th 1864

We left Vicksburg today at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, passing along smoothly all afternoon. The weather fair.

Sun June 5th A.D. 1864

On the boat till evening. Then we got off at Sunny Side Landing. We lay there that night. A little rain through the night.

Mon June 6th A.D. 1864

Marched slowly all forenoon. The front was fighting all forenoon. A general engagement commenced at 12 o'clock. The rebels had to leave after our men charged. Our men suffered dreadfully by Canister and Grape. We lost 100 & 4 in killed and wounded. 25 killed dead on the field. Our Regiment buried the dead. We marched to Lake village. There we rested for the night. It rained till 1 o'clock. We had a nasty time of it.

Tues June 7th A.D. 1864

Started for the river this morning. Distance 8 miles. We come to the river at 12. A mighty hot day on the Yankees. The rebels did not show their faces today. We got on board the boat at 3 o'clock at Smith's Landing. Lake village is in Chicat Co., Arkansas. Chicat Co., Ark.

Wed June 8th '64

We left Smith's Landing this morning at daylight. It rained a liile through the night. The weather cloudy today. We come to White River Landing in the evening. We stopped there about two hours.

Thur June 9th A.D. 1864

Passed Helena at 9 o'clock. Moved on steadily all day. It rained in the afternoon. Nothing strange occurred on the way. We come to Memphis at midnight. Everything quiet here.

Frid June 10th A.D. 1864

Memphis looks very natural. The Landing is just crowded with bread peddlers. We left the landing at 12 o'clock. Marched beyond Memphis about 1 mile.

Sat June 11th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink but my appetite is not good. We drew rations today. The weather fair.

Sun June 12th 1864

Still in camp but we are under marching orders with three days rations in our haversacks. It is only for a scout down towards Corrinth to settle Forest in his wild career.

Mon June 15 1864

In camp yet and no particular news. All quiet in camp. The weather fair.

Tues June 14th A.D. 1864

We are still in camp nothing to do but drill one hour in the morning from 7 till 8.

Wed June 15th A. D. 1864

In camp yet. We have orders to be ready to march till 2 o'clock tomorrow. The weather fair.

Thurs June 16th 1864

Wm. A. Wisner & J. Blood come to camp this morning at an early hour.

Frid June 17th A.D. 1864

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather fair.

Sat June 18th A.D. 1864

Still in camp and nothing particular going on.

Sun June 19th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat and drink. The weather fair.

Mon June 20th 1864

We drew 4 months pay. I went to the city and bought two shirts. I payed \$4.00 for them. I bought them on Peel Street below the market house.

Tues June 21st 1864

All quiet in camp today. I went to town and bought a coffeepot. I payed 60 cents. A little rain in the afternoon. The weather most mighty hot.

Wed June 22 nd A.D. 1864

Still in camp and nothing particular going on. All quiet on the picket lines. The weather fair.

Thurs June 23rd 1864

Had reville at the regular hour. We then got orders to pack up and get ready to leave at 8 o'clock. We marched to Jackson Depot. There we got on the cars and started for Coliarsville where we arrived by noon. Then we guarded the wagon train to Moscow.

Frid June 24th 1864

This morning we again marched. We got to Moscow at 8 o'clock today. We camped on the west of Wolf River right in the woods.

Sat 25th 1864

All quiet in camp. Still more troops coming in. Colonel Murry comes out and the remainder of the Regiment or rather Brigade and also a Brigade of colored troop come out.

Sun 26th

We have Division review and inspection at 8:30 A.M. We were received by Colonel Moore of the 21st Missouri Regt commanding the 3rd Division, 16th Army Corps. The weather is very warm.

Mon June 27th 1864

We leave camp at Moscow at 5 o'clock and started for LaGrange marching slow and steady. We got to LaGrange at 12 o'clock and camped west of town right on the banks of Wolf River. The weather warm.

Tues 28th '64

All quiet in camp. We fixed us up some shade. The Captain and Orderly are busy making out the mustering rolls. The weather very warm.

Wedns 29th

All quiet in camp. Luent. Browing came to the Company. The weather very warm and sultry.

Thurs June 30th 1864

All quiet in camp. We got late Northern paper but no particular news from any front. The weather very warm. I went to the river to take a wash off.

July 1st 1864

All quiet in camp. We got some dried fruit from the commissary. We had a good dinner. The weather warm. I go to the river and take a bath.

Sat July 2nd 1864

All quiet in camp. We get no mail or papers from the north. We had a nice shower of rain in the afternoon. That is what we wished for long ago.

Sunday July 3rd 1864

Our Company took up quarters about 200 yards further up the creek. We have the nicest place for camp of any Company in the Regiment.

Monday 4th '64

Still in camp and nothing particular going on. The weather very warm.

Tues 5th 1864

We left Moscow at 5 o'clock, marching 5 miles. There we stayed for the night, near Davises Mill. The weather pleasant.

Wednes 6th 1864

We have reville at 3 o'clock. We traveled very slow and steady. We went in camp at 4 o'clock. The weather warm.

Thurs July 7th 1864

Have reville at 2½ o'clock and started our march at sunrise. The 3rd Division goes in front and the 1st Brigade goes in front of the Division and the 89th goes in front of the Brigade. We camp at 3 o'clock within 4 miles of Ripley.

Friday 8th

We have reville at 2½ o'clock. We start at 7 o'clock. The 89th being in the extreme rear. We guarded the supply train. We got into Ripley at 11 o'clock and go into camp at 4 southwest of town traveling 8 miles. The weather warm.

Sat. July 9th A.D. 1864

Have reville at 2 o'clock. Started out at 5. go very slow and steady. We cross Talahatchie River and camped at New Albany. We drew 2 days rations and some beef. The weather warm.

Sun 10th '64

Have reville at 2 o'clock and started out at 7. We go a steady gate. We go in camp at 2 o'clock. Slight skirmishing in front.

Monday 11th

Have reville at 2. Started at 6 and went as far as Pontotoe. 7 miles distance. The cavalry had a little skirmishing with the rebels.

Tuesday July 12th 1864

Have reville at 3:30 A.M. Then lay in camp all day. We drew half rations of hard bread, sugar, coffee, and pork. We forage and get some potatoes and fresh pork. The weather very warm.

Wednes 13th 1864

Have reville at 2 o'clock. We then started on the Tupelo Road. We go within one mile of Tupelo. There we lay in line of Battle.

Thursday 14th

We got up at 4 o'clock. Moved our line up on the hill further. The whole army was in line. The enemy made the attack at 7 o'clock. They were driven back. Their loss was heavy.

Friday July 15th A.D. 1864

We started out on the skirmish line at 6 o'clock. We relieved Co. I. We lay in line till 9 o'clock. Then we was ordered back to the Regiment. Then we started for LaGrange. Camped 5 miles from Tupelo. The battle was at Harrisburgh, 2 miles from Tupelo.

Saturday 16th

The first Division started out in front. Some skirmishing in the rear. We go into camp one mile south of Elis after traveling 12 miles. The rebels attacked our rear and drove the skirmishers in, but a few shots from the 3rd Indiana Battery settled them for the night.

Sunday July 17th 1864

We come off of the picket line at daybreak. We go as far as New Albany, 13 miles distant, and go into camp on the east side of the river.

Monday 18th '64

Have reville at 2 o'clock and started out at 4. We went very slow while passing the 1st Division but marched steady till 5 o'clock. Then go into camp. We marched 20 miles. The weather warm and sultry.

Tuesday 19th '64

Started out at day light and traveled steady. We go as far as Salem, 15 miles distant. There we go into camp. There a supply train meet us coming from LaGrange. We drew some grub.



Wednesday July 20th

Have Reville at 3 o'clock and started out at 8 o'clock. We go in Camp at Daviss Mill at 5 P.M., marching 12 miles today.

Thursday 21st

We have Reville at 3 and start out at 5 for LaGrange. Distance 5 miles. We got to LaGrange at 8 o'clock. We go in our old camp again. We drew three Days rations of Hard Bread, sugar, and coffee.

Friday 22

We lay in camp till 1 P.M. We got orders to pack up and be ready to leave at any time. We started at 3 for Moscow. Distance 9 miles. We get to camp at Dark. The weather warm.

Saturday July 23rd

Have Reville at 2. Started at Day Brake for Colliarsville 15 miles Distance. The 2nd Brigade in front, then the 3rd, then the 1st. So, you see, we was in the rear. We got to Colliarsville at 11. Got on the cars and started for Memphis. After we get to Memphis we go to our old camp.

Sunday 24th

We got some mail from the north. We move our camp further towards town and handy to water. The weather fair.

Monday 25th

We drew 4 days rations. Got our knapsacks and our clothing that we left in our knapsacks. I wrote 7 letters. The weather fair

Tuesday July 26th

In camp all day. We drew some new clothing. We had a good mess of Beans for Dinner. I wrote a letter to Addie Wisner and Cordilla Cully and to my Kind Father and Mother. The weather cloudy.

Wednesday 27th 1864

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. We had Biscuits for Dinner. The weather very warm and sultry. I got two letters today from father and one from Hiram Rohk.

Thursday 28th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do but eat, drink, & sleep. We had new corn for Breakfast, Dinner, & Supper. I foraged it last night. The weather fair.

Friday July 29th 1864

Still in camp and nothing to do of any account. We had Apple Dumpling for Dinner. They were very good. The weather fair.

Saturday 30th

All quit in camp and no especial news. The weather most mighty hot. Some appearance of Rain a little rain in the evening.

Sunday 31st '64

We had Regimental inspection. Colonel Cravan inspected the Regiment. No particular news from the north. A little rain today. We had Beef for Dinner.

Monday 1st Aug.

All quiet in camp. Drewed two Days rations, Some rain in the afternoon. William R. Maple returned to Memphis. R. F. went to see him. (R. F. is brother, Rezin F. Mumma)

Tuesday 2nd '64

Rezin (brother) and I went to market. We sold \$1.80 Worth of rations. Bought one peck of potatoes, Some Red Beets, and some cucumbers. We had a good Dinner. The weather fair.

Wednesday 3rd

We packed and stored our knapsacks. The ambulance & surgeons started out this evening on the Pigeon Roost road. The weather fair. We had all the Mellon that we could eat and some pop Beer too.

Thursday Aug 4th 1864

Nothing particularly going on today. We had some mellon. it rained right smart last night and a little to day. We had mackerel for supper.

Friday 5th 1864

All quiet in camp, no particular news from the north. The 2nd Brigade went out this morning. The weather cloudy.

Saturday 6th 1864

Still in camp and not much sign of leaving this day. The weather is extremely Hot. This is my Birthday making me 25 years old. We had cabbage for Dinner. I went on guard in the evening at Brigade Head quarters.

Sunday August 7th 1864

Leave camp at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock AM. Go to depot there. We lay about 2 hours. Orders then came to go back to camp again and remain there till further Order. We had tomatoes for supper.

Monday 8th '64

Leave camp at 7 o'clock. Go to the Depot and got on the cars. Started for Hollow Spring at 9 o'clock. Passing White Station, German Town, Colliarville, Lafayette Station, Moscow Station, Lagrange, Grand Junction, Lamor station. Then we came to Hollow Spring. Got off of the cars and went in camp on the east side of the railroad. Drew two days rations. The weather warm and Sultry.

Tuesday Aug. 9th 1864

Loadening our Supply train and preparing to leave as soon as the train is loaded. Some rain in the afternoon. Everything quiet on the picket line. Two years ago today I enlisted in the town of Decatur, Indiana.

Aug. 10th 1864

Still in camp. Nothing particular going on. Rezin & Smith Martz got some pork and elderberries. Some rain last night and today.

Thursday 11th 1864

Left camp at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock and moved out west about 4 miles. Then orders came for us to go back. We went back and at 3 o'clock we got on the cars and started for LaGrange. Landed here at 12 afternigh.

Friday Aug. 12th 1864

Ate Breakfast at the Depot. After breakfast we went into Camp in a grove near the LaGrange Colledge House. A heavy rain in the Afternoon.

Saturday 13th

We go on picket this morning. Nothing particular going on. All quiet on the picket line. The weather very hot.

Sunday 14th

I am on picket South of town with 4 of the 119th Ill. boys and one of our boys. We had a nice time. The weather fair.

Monday 15th 1864

In camp all day and nothing Strange going on. We have Drill in the fore & afternoon Dress parade in the evening.

Aug. Tuesday 16th 1864

Left camp at 11 o'clock A.M. Went on the cars as far as Holly Springs. There we lay all night. The weather warm and Sultry



Tuesday Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> 1864

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 the town of Decatur, Ind.

Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 1864

Still in camp, nothing  
 particular going on. Carried  
 4000 lbs of wheat got some  
 pork and elderberries some  
 rain last night and to day.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 1864

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Friday Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> 1864

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 After breakfast we went into  
 Camp in a grove near the  
 Haystack Colledge House  
 a heavy rain in the afternoon.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>

We go on picket this morning  
 nothing particular going on  
 all quiet on the picket line  
 the weather very hot.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

I am on picket South of  
 town with 4 of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ill  
 Boys and one of our boys  
 are well & nice time the  
 weather fair.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 1864

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 strange going on and  
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 afternoon Dress parade in  
 the evening.

Wednesday 17th '64

Reville at 4. Orders were to be ready at 6 o'clock to March. Moved out at the appointed time. Come to Waterford Station at 12 o'clock. A hard shower of rain while we were eating dinner.

Thursday 18th

Moved out at 8 o'clock. Marched 2 miles beyond the Hatchie River. There we camped. We passed the 1st Division one mile from the river. Our Brigade was in the rear of the Division and the 89th in the Rear of the Brigade.

Friday August 19th 1864

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on, the third Brigade moved out and it rained all day steady. It kept us close to our Shebang.

Saturday 20th '64

Left camp near Abbeville at 4 o'clock. Marched 4 miles. Crossed Cain Creek. There stayed for the night. The roads very muddy, the weather warm.

Sunday 21st 1864

Marched in line of battle about 2 miles but the rebels would not show much fight. We camped 2 miles from Cain Creek. The rebels used to camp on the same ground. The weather fair.

Monday Aug. 22nd

Marched within three mile of Oxford, then we got the word that Forest was in Memphis. So we were ordered back. We marched across the Creek, Cain Creek. There we camped for the night.

Tuesday 23rd

Marched to the Hatchie River. The rebels come up in our rear and attacked us but we made them leave faster then they came up. We followed them about 2 miles taking 12 or 15 prisoners. The weather fair.

Wednesday 24th

Reville at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Our company went out on the Skirmish line at 9 o'clock. We lay there all day. We had nothing to do. We drew three days rations. The weather fair.

Thursday Aug. 25th 1864

Came to Waterford Station at 2 P.M. Went into camp West of town. We had hog for Dinner or rather Supper. The weather nice and warm.

Friday 26th 1864

Left camp at 6 A.M. Come to Holly Spring at 3 P.M. Went into camp at the old place. the first Division went on front. The weather most awfully hot. We had Hog for Supper.

Saturday 27th

Drew 4 days rations. R. F. went out a forageing. We had stewed apples for Supper, also corn and hog. The weather very Dry and hot. Some appearance of rain. We drew some beef in the afternoon.

Sunday Aug 28th 1864

Left Holly Springs at 7 A.M. Marching steadily all day. Arrived at Coal Water at 6 P.M. The country Hilly. Plenty of fruit and pork. The weather moderately warm.

Monday 29th

Reville at 3. Started out at 6. Crossed Coal Water at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Marched tolerably fast. Come to Olive Branch at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ . There we camped for the night. Marching 14 miles. The country Beautiful. The weather fair.

Tuesday 30th

Leave Olive Branch at 5 o'clock. Marched to Nonconar. There we ate dinner. After Dinner we again took up our line of march. Come to Memphis at 3 P.M. I am on guard at Division Head Quarters.



Wednesday Aug. 31st

Wm. Clayton come to his Company well and hearty, also J. Parrish, Wm. Rides, Wm. Brokaw, J Boyd, and John Smith. Some rain in the forenoon. Drew Sow Belly for the first 15 days.

September 1st 1864

Drew 5 days of rations. Sugar, coffee, beans, rice, salt, and pork, light bread. We draw by the day. The weather is warm and dry. Everything quiet here.

September 2nd

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. I received a pair of boots from home on the 31st of Aug. brought by Joshua Parrish. The weather warm.

Saturday Sept 3rd 1864

I was to town today. Everything quiet in camp. No particular news from the east. We drew hard tack for tomorrow. The weather fair.

Sunday 4th '64

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. Some talk of us leaving in the morning. I think we will leave Memphis for good this time if we do leave. The weather warm and dry.

Monday 5th 64

It rained like everything this morning. We get order to be ready to leave at any time when called upon. We left camp at 3 P.M. Marched to the river, got on board the Steamer L. M. Rennett ~~Lay~~ at the landing all night.

Tuesday Sept. 6th 1864

Signing the pay roll to be ready for our money when we get to Cairo. We lay at the landing all day. A shower of rain in the afternoon.

Wednesday 7th

We leave Memphis at 6 o'clock and 45 minutes, It is nearly 2 years since we first seen Memphis. Now we leave it for good. So I think any way. Passed M. C. Forsyth at 8:20 Stopped to wood at 12:20 Passed the Steamer Bell St. Louis at 1 o'clock Come to Island No. 16 at 1:40, passed Ft. Pillow at 5:15, passed the Steamer Yankee at 6:30. Passing along smoothly all night after the Storm was over.

Thursday Sept. 8th 1864

Passed the Steamer Memphis U.S. Mail line at 6:30. Passed the Steamer Brilliant at 7:30. Stopped to wood at 8:20 Passed New Madrid at 2:45. Passed Island No. 10 at 4:15. Passed Hickman, Ky. at 7:15 Passed Columbus, Ky. at 91 Landed at Cairo at 1: after night.

Friday 9th

We got 4 months pay while on the Steamer L. M. Rennett at the landing at Cairo, Ill. We got off of the Boat at 12:20 Between Cairo and Mound City. I went to Cairo and bought a pen knife and shirt and a pair of suspenders.

Saturday 10th

All quiet in camp. No particular news from the north. The weather fair.

Thursday Sept. 15th 1864

Passed the Steemôr Olive Branch at 12:35. Passed the Steamer Benton at 2:30. Passed the Steemor Schuyler 2:45. Passed the Steemor J. B. Ford at 3:50 P.M. Passed the Steemor Albert Pearce at 4:40. Come to the city of Commerce, Mo. at 5:50. Passed the Steemor Joab Lawrence at 6:10. Passed the city Thebes at 6:25 Ill. Passed the Steemor Shain Rock at 6:50. Come to Cape Girardeau at 7:50. Lay there all night.

Friday 16th 1864

Started at 8:30 going so far as Devils Island, There we got off of the boat, marched 15 miles. Then we rested for the night.

Saturday 17th

Marched 4 miles. Then we got on Board the Boat again at 4. Passed the Steamer Ontario at 5:75 P.M.

Sunday Sept 11th '64

In camp all day, nothing particular happened. The darkies had meeting west of our camp. The weather warm and dry.

Monday 12th

I went to Cairo. Bought some potatoes and light bread. Everything quiet in camp. No news from the north. The weather very warm.

Tuesday 13th '64

All quiet in camp. Had several fights in the regiment in Companies G. & C. No one very badly hurt. The weather very warm and dry.

Wednesday 14th

In camp till evening. Then we got on board the Steamer Rennett again. Lay at Cairo all night on the boat. The weather fair.

Saturday 17th

Got off of the Boat again at a town called Preston in Illinois at 6. Lay there all night. The weather moderately cool.

Sunday 18th 1864

Left Preston at 9:00. Come to Mud Creek ferry at 10:15 4 miles from the Mississippi River. Come to Evens landing at 3:40. There we got on Board the Rennett again. We marched about 10 miles. The weather warm. Passed the Steamer Imperial at 3:30. Passed the Steamer C. E. Hillman at 4:00 Del. Asses. Landing at 4:45. Passed the Steamer Argonaut at 6:30. Come to Marion, Mo. at 10 o'clock after night. Lay there all night. The weather cool.

Monday Sept. 19th

Left Marion at 5:30. Passed the steamer Jarvess at 6:15. Passed the Steamer City of Memphis & Hannibal at 7:30. Passed the Steamer Enterprise at 8:20. Passed the Steamer J. D. Perry at 8:30. Passed a town called St. Jeneva at 9:00. The Steamer Monsoon passed us at 10:30. Passed the Steamer Adelia at 11:45. The country very hilly. Stopped to wood at Harrisonville, Mail Landing, Ill. at 2 P.M. Come to Sulphur Springs at 4:30 15 miles from Jefferson Barracks. Landed at Jefferson Barracks at sunset. Got off of the boat, go in camp south of the Barracks. The weather moderately cool.

Tuesday 20th A.D. 1864

Major Gen. A. J. Smith was presented with quite a fancy sword. It was presented to him by the commissioned Officers of the 3rd Division 16th Army Corp. The weather fair.

Wednesday 21st 1864

In camp all day. Nothing strange going on. There is some talk of us going home to vote. Nothing sure of going though.

Thursday 22nd '64

I was out in the country. Got all the cider I could drink. I bought several heads of cabbage and some apples.

Friday 23rd '64

Drew some beef. We had onions & beans for dinner. The weather dry and windy. The river is very boisterous.

Saturday 24th AD 1864

Moved camp  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile further north on the Carondelet & St. Louis road. Drew clothing. I drew a tent and a pair of pants. The weather very nice.

Sunday 25th '64

In camp all day. No particular news from the east. We drew 5 days rations of coffee, sugar, salt, beans, and rice. We drew 140 lbs. of flour and one days ration of beef. The weather moderately cool.

Monday 26th 1864

Orders to be ready to move at a moments warning. We did not leave till after night. The weather fair.

Tuesday Sept. 27th 1864

Left camp at 2 o'clock this morning. Going to the Depot. There we lay till day light. Then we got on board the cars and started for Mineral Point. Came to Desoto Station at 9:15. Stopped here to get dinner. A little rain this morning.

Wednesday 28th 1864

Still at Desoto Station. The first Brigade was formed. In line of Battle yesterday evening. Shelby Coal was hung this morning for killing one & stabbing 4 men the evening before. He was served just right to my opinion. He is to hang there till some one of his friends take him down and burries him. Some appearance of rain in the evening.

Thursday Sept 29th '64

Left Desoto at 6:40. Came to Marymack River. There we cut off. Lay there all day. Our Company was on picket. Distance to St. Louis 19 miles.

Friday 30th AD 1864

Still on picket. Nothing particular going on. We had potatoes for Dinner and Supper. The weather fair.

Saturday Oct. 1st

Left Marremack this morning at 6:30. Came to Jefferson Barrack at 7:15. Went to our old camp and packed our knapsack and stored them. Orders were to leave at 11 o'clock. The weather rainy. We did not leave today.

Sunday Oct. 2nd 1864

Left Jefferson Barracks at 8:20. Marching steadily till 3. Then we stopped to camp. We camped at a town called KirkWood 12 miles from St. Louis on the Pacific Railroad. The weather moderately cool.

Monday 3rd 1864

Left KirkWood at 8:30. Marched hard all day. Passed through Manchester at 1:15. marching three miles further. Then we passed through Ballwin. That was at 2:15. We marched till 8:30 after night. The weather moderately cool.

Tuesday 4th 1864

Left camp at 6:30. Came to Summit Station at 11. Then we went into camp. It rained nearly all afternoon.

Wednesday Oct. 5th '64

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. The weather moderately cool.

Thursday 6th 1864

Still in camp and no particular news from the eastern Armies. We had Slabjacks for supper. The weather very pleasant.

Friday 7th 1864

The 122 Ill was taken out of our Brigade and put in the 2nd Brigade. We leave Summit Station this evening. Marched 12 miles. Camp at Merremack River. The weather pleasant.

Saturday 8th

Left camp at 7. Marched 37 miles. Camped at Bear Creek. The weather pleasant. The country stony & hilly.



Sunday Oct. 9th 1864

We lay at Bear Creek all day till the malitia came up. We bought some Sow Belly. Payed 25 cts a pound. Rather steep but we could do no better. The weather clear.

Monday 10th

Leave Bear Creek at 7. Marched 18 miles. Camped at Gascanade River. We waded the river. It was only crotch deep. Our Brigade was in front. Our Regiment was in the rear of the Brigade. The country stony and hilly. The weather very pleasant.

Tuesday 11th 1864

Left the Gascanade River at 8. Marched 25 miles. Passed a town called Linn at 2 P.M. then being 8 miles from camp.

Wednesday Oct. 12, 1864

Left camp at 7. Marched hard all day. Crossed the Osage River at 11. Marched within 3 miles of Jefferson City. There we camped for the night, The weather fair.

Thursday 13th 1864

Left camp at 8. Come to Jefferson City at 10:30. Marched 13 miles today. Camped at Shaws Creek 9 miles from Jefferson City. The weather fair.

Friday 14th 1864

Left camp at 8. Marched 20 miles to the town called California. A very nice town indeed. The country around the town is level. The weather moderately fair.

Saturday Oct 15th '64

Left California at 8:30. Marched 30 miles. Passed Tipton at 2:30 P.M. Come to Cyrecruse at 6 P.M. Marched to the Lamean River. There we camped for the night. The country between this and California is a Prairie, most a beautiful country. The weather fair.

Sunday 16th 1864

Left Lamine River at 7. We went on the cars. Passed two towns. The first was Otterville, 2nd Smithston. We got off of the cars at Sedalia. 14 miles from Lamine River. We landed here at 8 o'clock. This is the nicest country that I have seen since I am in the Army. The weather fair. We had biscuits for Supper.

Monday October 17th 1864

Bought me a pair a goggles for 40 cents. In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. The weather moderately cool.

Tuesday 18th 1864

In camp till 3:30. Then we went on picket. We had the best kind of times. Biscuits and milk for supper. The weather fair but cool.

Wednesday 19th

Left Sedalia at 8:15. Our Regiment is in the rear of the Brigade. We lay between Sedalia and Georgetown till 2 P.M. Then we started again. Passed through Georgetown at 3. Marched till 9 afternigh. 20 miles from Sedalia. Prairie nearly all the way. The weather fair.

Thursday Oct. 20th 1864

Left camp at 7. Marched 18 miles. Went into camp at 5 P.M. at Mud Creek. The country beautiful and level. The weather fair.

Friday 21st 1864

Left camp at 7. Marched hard all day come to Lexington at 5:30. We marched 23 miles. The country level. The weather cool. A little snow in the morning.

Saturday 22nd

Left Lexington at 9A.M. Marched 20 miles. Camped at Bear Creek. The country hilly. The weather fair. The Rebels are reported to be within 10 miles. I think we will catch them tomorrow.

Sunday Oct. 23rd

Left camp at Bear Creek at 9. Marched 20 miles. Camped at Blue Creek. We had plenty of hog meat. The weather fair. The country hilly.

Wednesday 26th

Left camp at 4:15. Marched 30 miles. Prairie country all day to march through. Some of the nicest land I most ever saw. Come to Harrisonville at 3:30. Camped within one mile of town. The weather moderately fair.

Thursday 27th

In camp all day near Harrisonville. Nothing particular going. Plenty to eat and drink. There were 12000 rations taken from us yesterday because we foraged some that day. I think that was playing hob with us on the rations business but we live midling anyway. The country around here is beautiful. The weather moderately cool.

Friday 28th 1864

In camp all day. A great excitement about going home to vote for the president. No particular news from the east. All quiet here. The weather moderately fair. Captain making out the muster rolls today for pay.

Saturday 29th

In camp all day. Rations come to us this morning from Warrensburg, Mo. The weather still nice.

Sunday Oct. 30th

Left camp at Harrisonville at 8:30. Marched 12 miles. Camped near Pleasant Hill. The country level. The weather moderately cool.

Monday 31st 1864

Mustered for 2 months pay. Left camp at 11:30. Marched to Pleasant Hill. There we lay about  $\frac{1}{2}$  an hour. Then we started for Lexington. Marched 22 miles. Then we camped for the night. Our Company went on picket. The country midling hilly. The weather fair.

Tuesday Nov. 1st

Marched 20 miles. Come to Lexington at 6 in the evening. Camped for the night. It rained some in the forenoon. Country hilly.

Wednesday Nov. 2nd 1864

Left Lexington at 9. Marched 20 miles. Passed Dover at 1:15. Come to Waverly at 5:45. Camped here for the night. The nicest country ever I saw lay between Dover & Lexington. The weather moderately cool. We had Slabjacks for Supper.

Thursday 3rd

Left camp at 9:15. Marched 22 miles. It snowed nearly all day. Marching went awful hard. The snow was about 5 inches deep. The country beautiful. We had hog for supper. Passed through Fairview at 5:30 then being 2 miles from camp. Got into camp at 7:30. The snow all gone.

Friday Nov. 4th 1864

Left camp at 9. Marched 19 miles. Come to the River 3 miles above Glasgow at 4:45. Camped above the town on the opposite of the River. We had hog, beef, potatoes, cabbage, and Sun of a bitch. The weather cool. The country nice. Nearly all the way prairie.

Saturday 5th

Crossed the River at 12. I bought 50 lbs of flour. Payed \$2.50. We had Slabjacks for Supper. The news come to us today that Dr. Porter, Major Henry & Hard Ashly was killed by a lot of bush whackers on the first of November. When we passed through Wheaton, they stopped to get a bite to eat. While they were there the bush-whackers came in the town and took them prisoners. Dr. Porter & Major Henry were shot in the head. Hard Ashly was hit in the back and head. We suppose he tried to escape from them and in attempting to get away was shot in the back, then in the head. Them Bushwhackers should be ground to powder. They are worse then robbers. That is my opinion, The weather today is nice and pleasant in camp  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from town.

Sunday Nov. 6th '64

In camp all day at Glasgow. Nothing particular going on. Everything quiet at this place. The weather nice. The country around town is very hilly and broken with deep gullies. The town is nearly all destroyed.

Monday 7th 1864

Left Glasgow at 9:30. Marched 12 miles. Come to Fayette at 2:15. Went into camp 1 mile from town. The country hilly. The weather fair.

Tuesday 8th 1864

Today is election day. Hurrah for Old Abe. The regiment is casting a vote. Only temporarily, just to see how it will go. The weather rainy and cold. Plenty of hog to eat.

Wednesday 9th 1864

In camp all day near the town of Fayette. It rained and snowed the major part of the day. Nastly getting about. We went on picket in the evening.

Thursday 10th 1864

Left camp at 9. Marched 15 miles. Come to Rochepost at 3:30. Camped near the town on the banks of the Missouri. The weather nice for the time of the year. The country hilly.

Friday 11th 1864

Left camp at 10. We were the entire rear. Marched 15 miles. Camped at Columbia. The weather moderately nice. The country hilly.

Saturday Nov. 12th 1864

Left camp at 9. Marched 23 miles. Camped in woods. We had three chickens for supper. The country nice and level. Some snow in the morning.

Sunday 13th

Left camp at 9:15. Marched 18 miles. Passed Williamburgh at 4:00. Come to camp at sunset. The country beautiful. The weather moderately cool.

Monday 14th '64

Left camp at 9. Marched 20 miles. Passed through Danville at 1 pm. Come to High Hill at 4. There we camped for the night. The country moderately level. The weather nice but rather cool to march.

Tuesday Nov. 15th

Left High Hill at 9. Marched 17 miles. Camped near Warrenton. The country moderately level. The weather cold. We got into camp at 2:30.

Wednesday 16th

Left camp at 9. Marched 21 miles. We got into camp at 4 P.M. The country nice. The weather moderately cool.

Thursday 17th

Started for St. Charles at 9. Marched 19 miles. Come to St. Charles at 4 P.M. Crossed the river at 7:30. Went into camp  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from the River. St. Charles is the county seat of St. Charles county. A nice little town. The weather fair.

Friday Nov. 18th 1864

Drew rations this morning. Flour, sugar, coffee. Left camp at 10. Marched 19. Come to St. Louis in the evening, I rode in the ambulance all day. I cut my foot the evening before. The country nice. The weather fair.

Saturday 19th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. We got our knappsacks. Then we put on a clean suit. It makes me feel so much better.

Sunday 20th

Signed the pay roll this morning to draw two months pay. In camp all day. The weather cold.



Monday Nov. 21st 1864

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. The weather most mighty cold. We drew clothing. R.F. got me an Albem in the night by the slight of hand.

Tuesday 22

Drew two months pay. A little snow in the morning. The weather most awfully cold. We had no tents to go into. Bad enough indeed it is so cold that the ink (is) freezing on the pen while I am writing.

Wednesday 23rd

Still in camp and nothing particular going on. The weather very cold.

Thursday Nov. 24th '64

Leave camp at 12. Went to the river. There we lay till evening. Then we embarked on the Steamer America. Lay there all night. The weather wet very cold.

Friday 25th

Leave St. Louis at 9. Started down the river. On the boat all day. The weather fair.

Saturday 26th

On the boat all day. The weather very stormy. We couldn't travel on account of wind.

Sunday 27th

Come to Cairo at 12:30. Lay there till evening. Then we started again. The weather moderately fair.

Monday Nov. 28th 1864

Come to Smithland at 2:15. Got off of the boat  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from town. Lay on land all night. The weather nice.

Tuesday 29th 1864

Left Smithland at daylight. Smithland is at the mouth of the Cumberland River. The weather is nice. The country along the river is not much cultivated.

Wednesday 30th

On the boat all day. No particular news. Only that Hood is marching towards Nashville but he will not come in that I understood by Smiths Guerrillas as we are called. The weather fair.

Thursday Dec. 1st 1864

Landed at Nashville at 1 o'clock after night, unloaded the boat and was ready to march to camp till 9 A.M. Went into camp south of Nashville. 2 miles from town. The weather like summer.

Friday December 2nd

In camp till noon. Then we moved out nearly  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile and formed a line of battle and was ready for the rebs at any time that they may make their appearance. Cannonading on our left going on rapidly. Rained some this morning. Lay in line till dark. Then we began to entrench our selves. We worked till midnight. Then we lay down to take a little rest.

Saturday Dec. 3rd 1864

Got up at 5 o'clock. Lay in the rifle pit till daylight. Then we stacked arms and cooked a bite of breakfast. After breakfast we leanythined our line of entrenchments. The 9th & 14th Ind. Battery being between the right and left lines of our Regiment on the road. Some skirmishes in our front. Moved to the left of the battery in the evening. The 17th Ill. took our place.

Sunday 4th 1864

Cannonading all day and sharp skirmishes all day also but no regular engagement. The calvary made a charge on the rebs and scatteres them taking 5 prisoners. The weather nice.

Monday Dec. 5th 1864

Nothing particular going on. Some cannonading and a little mshetrying working at the Breastworks all day. The enemy in sight. The weather fair.

Saturday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1864

got up at 5 o'clock lay in the rifle pits till day light then we stocked arms and cooked a bit of breakfast after breakfast we lengthened our line of entrenchments the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Batteries being between the right & left wings of our Regiment on the Road. Some skirmishing on our front moved to the left of the battery in the evening the 4<sup>th</sup> took our place

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 1864

Cannonading all day and sharp skirmishing all day also but no regular engagement the Cavalry made a charge on the reb. and scattered them taking 5 prisoners the weather nice

Monday Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 1864

nothing particular going on some Cannonading and a little musketry going on at the Rear all day the enemy in sight the weather fair

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 1864

nothing particular going on the enemy still in sight some Cannonading going on the weather moderately fair

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>

Cleaned up our quarters and set our tent in regular order in camp till evening then we went on picket line released C. & A. all quiet on the picket line

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>

On picket till evening then C. & G. released and the weather was tremendous cold nothing strong going on



Tuesday 6th 1864

Nothing particularly going on. The enemy still in sight. Come cannonading going on. The weather moderately fair.

Wednesday 7th

Cleaned off our quarters and set our tent in regular order. In camp till evening. Then we went on picket. We relieved Co. A. All quiet on the picket line.

Thursday 8th

On picket till evening. Then Co. G released us. The weather most tremendous cold. Nothing strange going on.

Friday Dec. 9th AD 1864

The weather very cold. Some snow and hail. Nothing particular going on. Everything quiet on the picket line.

Saturday 10th

In camp all day. The weather most awfully cold. All quiet in front. No news of any importance from the east.

Sunday 11

The weather most awfully cold. A person nearly freezes to death out doors. This is soldiering for sure.

Monday 12th 1864

In camp all day and nothing to do. The rebels are very quiet. The weather very cold.

Tuesday Dec. 13th 1864

In camp all day. The rebs are still in our front. Nothing particular going on. The weather still cold.

Wednesday 14th

In camp till evening. Then I was detailed for guard at the commissary. The weather moderately warm.

Thursday 15th

Got up at 4 this morning. Orders were to be ready to march by daylight, some skirmishes all night. Cannonading commenced at 8. Heavy cannonading all day. The infantry made several charges. Routed the rebels every time. Our loss was light. The rebels much greater then ours. We captured 16 pieces of artillery.

Friday Dec. 16th 1864

Fighting commenced at day break and lasted all day. Our Division captured 3000 prisoners and 16 pieces of artillery. Fighting continued all day. We drove the rebels about 2 miles, charging them three times. Routed the rebs at every charge. The weather raining. 2 of our company wounded, John Sacket & Henry M. Headington.

Saturday 17th

Gen. Hood left last night. We started after him. The calvary had a little fight but the infantry was not engaged. Hood is leaving as fast as possible. The calvary captured 8 pieces of artillery. The weather fair. 10 miles from town.

Sunday Dec. 18th 1864

Left camp at 8. Marched 10 miles. Moved out on the Franklin Pike. Camped near Franklin, The weather rainy. No fighting today.

Monday 19th 1864

Leave camp at 10. Marched 12 miles. Camped near Spring Hill. Raining all day. The weather cold. The rebels took 4 pieces of artillery but the calvary are still driving them.

Tuesday 20th 1864

Lay in camp till 4 in the afternoon. Then we started for Duck Creek but we only went about 2 miles. Then we stopped. It rained like baston. 12 of our company stopped before we got to camp. The weather cold and rainy.



Wednesday Dec. 21st 1864

Snowing by interval all day. The Pontoon bridges passed here all day going to Duck Creek, the bridge there being burned. The weather cold. Plenty of fresh hog meat to eat.

Lay in camp all day. The weather very cold. Part of the 23rd Corp passed us in evening. Some snow in the evening. The ground froze solid through the night.

Thursday 22nd

Left camp at 2. Marched 5 miles. Camped near Duck Creek. The teams stayed back on account of the supply train being on the road. Weather cold.

Friday Dec. 23rd 1864

In camp all day. We drew three days rations of sugar, coffee, salt, and hardtack. The weather tolerably cool. No fighting in front. The rebels are in a tight place. Gen. Granger is in their front. No news from the east.

Saturday 24th '64

Revelry at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Left camp at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Marched to Duck River. There we lay till day light. Then we crossed the river. Marched 4 miles. Then we stopped for dinner. After dinner we marched a piece further. Marching in all today about 8 miles. Rezin & W. Malonee went out to get something good for Christmas. The weather moderately cool.

Sunday Dec. 25th 1864

We had chicken for breakfast. It tasted very good. 9 of us ate 3 chickens for breakfast and honey for supper. The 4th Corps train passed here all day. The weather fair.

Monday 26th

Left camp at 1P.M. Marched 11 miles. Camped near Linnville. The rebs are leaving as fast as possible. The 4 Corps is in front, 16 Corps in the center, and the 23rd Corps in the rear. The weather is moderately fair.

Tuesday 27th

Left camp near Linnville at 12. Marched 8 miles. Camped on a hill in the woods 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Tulaski. The weather moderately warm.

Wednesday Dec. 28th '64

No particular news from the front. Only Hood is trying to get away if possible. The report is that he is in a tight place. In camp all day near Tulaski. The weather fair.

Thursday 29th 1864

Left camp at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Passed Tulaski at 11. Marched 14 miles. Left the Franklin Pike at Tulaski. The roads bad. The country hilly.

Friday 30th '64

Left camp at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Marched 13 miles. Passed though LorangeBurgh at 11. Then being 4 miles from camp. The country very hilly. Commenced raining at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Rained slowly all afternoon. In the night it rained hard.

Saturday Dec. 31st

Left camp at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Marched 8 miles. Camped in the woods 3 miles from the pike. Rezin & William Malonee got 5 chickens for our breakfast on New Years Day. It snowed some last night. The weather moderately cold. The country level.

Sunday Jan. 1st

Left camp at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Marched 14 miles. Camped near Waynesborough on the Clifton Pike. 16 miles from Clifton. The country very hilly. The weather fair. We had five chickens for our breakfast. I tell you it was good.

Monday Jan. 2nd 1865

Marched 16 miles. Come to the Tennessee River at 4 o'clock. I come mighty near playing out for the first time. The country very hilly. The roads good.

Tuesday 3

Got on board the Steamer Huntsman. Started for East Port. Went about 20 miles. Then we tied up. The weather fair.

Wednesday 4th

Lay at Pleasant Point all day. Nothing particular going on. The weather still fair. We had molassas for supper. O wrote 2 letters in the evening.

Thursday 5th AD 1865

Still on the boat. Going up the river slowly. No particular news. The weather moderately cool.

Friday 6th 1865

On the boat all day. We lay on the Alabama side at East Port. The weather tolerably cool.

Saturday 7th

Got off of the boat at East Port. Marched about one mile from the river. There we went into camp. The say is Winter quarters a nice place to camp. Indeed. Clayton and I have a good Shebang for winter if the weather does not get to cold for us. We had slabjacks for our dinner. They tased good.

Sunday Jan. 8th 1865

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. All quiet along the Tennessee. The weather cool.

Monday 9th 1865

Rained all day. We commenced working on the Breastworks. A nasty day to work, that is true. We had slabjacks for dinner and biscuits for supper.

Tuesday 10th 1865

In camp all day. Everything quiet around here. No news at all. The weather rainy and tolerably cool.

Wednesday 11th

Commenced building our shanty in the afternoon. The weather moderately fair. All quiet in camp.

Thursday Jan. 12th

Finished building our shanty. We worked. Busy all day. We have things fixed just to soot us. The weather tolerably warm.

Saturday 14th

A forageing party of 100 men went out of our regiment. They got plenty of forage and were not molested. The weather fair.

Sunday 15th

Company inspection. Nothing particularly going on. We got a heavy mail. The first mail we had since we are here. The weather fair.

Monday Jan. 16th A.D. 1865

We had regiment inspection at 10 o'clock A.M. The Inspector passed our company as having things in order. The weather pleasant.

Tuesday 17th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather nice.

Wednesday 18th

Left camp at 8. Marched to the river. Got on board the Steamer Caroline. Arrived at Clifton in the evening. Our business was to load Gen. Thomas supply train. It being turned over to Gen. A. J. Smith. Some of the 23rd Corp went on the boats and started for Louisville, Ky. The weather fair.

Thursday Jan. 19th '65

Commenced loadening the wagons at 1 P.M. Each Company had to put on an equal share according to the amount of men in the Co.

Friday 20th

Still loading on wagon. Our Regiment has 260 to load on the boat. We had biscuits for dinner. The weather fair.

Saturday 21st

Commenced raining this morning at 3 o'clock. It is a nasty job to loaden wagons while it is raining. The prospects are good for us to stay here several days yet. We will have beans for supper. That will toote bully good, I'll bet.

Sunday Jan. 22nd 1865

Still loading the wagons. The weather warm and very muddy under foot. Some rain in the afternoon.

Monday 23rd

The oats started for East Port to unload their loads. We done nothing all day. Some snow on the ground. The weather cold.

Tuesday 24th

Commenced loading mules at 7. Finished loading wagons in the evening. Our Company put on 27 in 2 hours. The weather fair.

Wednesday 25th

Nothing to do all day. We had homony for dinner. Clayton got some pork at a house  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles from camp. The weather cold.

Thursday Jan. 26th 1865

Nothing particular going on. Rezin got about 100 lbs of flour out of a small branch  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from camp. We had slabjacks for supper. The weather cold.

Friday Jan. 27th

We made about  $\frac{1}{2}$  bushel homony. We had slabjacks for dinner. No News from East Port. The weather still very cold.

Saturday 28th

7 boats at the landing this morning. We loaded everything on the boats till evening except a few wagons and some mules Companies D. F. H. loaded 1000 oats sacks in the afternoon. The weather cold.

Sunday Jan. 29th 1865

Got on board the Steamer Superior at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock. Started for East Port at 11:15. The Steamer Superior and Melnotte were lashed together having a barge of oats to toat. Arrived at East Port at 11 after night. Lay there till morning. The weather cold.

Monday 30th 1865

Got to camp at 7:30. Everything was right yet in camp. We had slabjacks for supper. The weather fair.

Tuesday 31st

Inspection at 1 P.M. Nothing particular going on. The weather tolerably fair.

Wednesday Feb. 1st 1865

On camp guard all day. The weather fair. No particular news from the east.

Thursday 2nd

Drizelling all day. The roads muddy. Everything quiet here at present.

Friday 3rd 1865

Drew clothing in the afternoon. The talk is that we will leave in several days. Anytime will soot me because this is a sickly place. Some rain.



Saturday 4th

We had slabjacks for dinner. Drew catridges. Every man is to have 40 round. That sounds a little like we would get into a fight some of these days.

Sunday Feb. 5, A.D. 1865

A little snow. The weather tolerably cold. Preaching in the afternoon by our Chaplain. His name is McCarty.

Monday 6th

Nothing particularly going on in camp. No news from the front. The weather warm.

Tuesday 7th

Snow now 3 inches deep this morning. Quite a change in the weather. The snow is all gone this evening again.

wednesday 8th

Some of the 6th Ill. Cavalry boys come to see us. We had our baggage taken to the river. The weather fair.

Thursday Feb. 16th 1865

Preparing to move. Out in camp in the rear of town. Moved out in the evening. 4 miles beyond town. The weather fair.

Friday 17th

Drew rations today. The Sanitary drew something for us. They gave us some potatoes. The weather fair.

Saturday 18th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather warm.

Sunday 19th

Orders came at daybreak to be ready to march to the river at any time. Called upon during the day. Marched through town at 2:15 P.M. The weather fair. Embarked at 9 P.M.

Monday Feb. 20th A.D. 1865

Left Vicksburg at 4 A.M. Passed Natchese at 2 P.M. Come to Red River at 7 P.M.

Tuesday 21st

Passed Batenrouge at 4 A.M. The river tremendous ruff. Come to New Orleans at 5 P.M. Got off of the boat at sunset. Marched 1 mile. Went into camp. It rained like everything. The country beautiful here.

Wednesday 22nd

Raining by interval all day. The roads very muddy. Part of Gen. Steels troops went down the river in the evening on ships. Nothing particular going on.

Thursday 23rd A.D. 1865

Still raining. Rezin was taken to the hospital. Everything quiet here.

Friday 24th

Rained nearly all day. Lt. Colonel Craven come to the Regiment after night. He bought Patterson & Wisner commission.

Saturday 25th

Some rain in the morning. We got some sanitaries, such as potatoes, onions, and sour crout. John Bradly was sent to the hospital.

Sunday 26th

Nothing particular going on. No news at all. The weather very pleasant today. the first nice day we had for 6 days.

Monday Feb. 27th A.D. 1865

Raining by intervals all day. Preparing for inspection tomorrow. No news yet from home. A salute was fired for the fall of Sumpton.

Tuesday 28th

Good news in the papers, the evacuation of Charleston and Ft. Sumptor. No news from the north. The weather moderately warm.

Wednesday March 1st 1865

I saw the cannons that Jackson took from the British. Packingham was the British commander. He was killed at this place. The first Division started down the river this morning. The weather fair.

Thursday March 2nd 1865

Everything quiet in camp. No news from home. The weather fair.

Friday 3rd

Drew 2 days rations. The weather fair. No news at all. Everything quiet here.

Saturday 4th

All quiet in camp. No news from the north. Everything going on smoothly with General Sherman. The weather moderately fair.

Sunday 5th

To me came sad news. The death of father and brother Charles. It was almost more than I could bear but all things work for good and to the glory of God. The weather fair. Charles died the 12th and Father the 20th of February, 1865.

Monday Feb. (March) 6th 1865

Got on board the Steamer Col. Colburn at 1 P.M. Started down the river at 2 P.M. The weather warm. Rezin come to the Regiment. Come to Telegraph Island at 12 after night.

Tuesday 7th

Lay at Telegraph Island till 2 P.M. Then we sailed across the river to a better place if a storm should come which we look for. Lay there all night.

Wednesday 8

Sailed to the Steamer Ship on the Steamer Fairchild. Got on the Guiding Star at 2 P.M. Started down the Gulf at 7 P.M. Sailed along smoothly all night.

Thursday 9th 1865

On the Guiding Star till 2 P.M. Then we got on board a Steamboat and sailed to Ft. Gaines. Landed there at 4 P.M. Marched about 3 miles. Went into camp. Rained like forty.

Friday 10th

Changed camp. We have a beautiful camping ground in a Pine bottom. I think we will stay here a while. At least I hope so. The weather tolerably warm.

Saturday 11th

I was down to the 27th Ind. I ate dinner with Simon Barkly. We had a mess of oysters for supper. We can hear cannonading plain towards Mobile. The weather tolerably fair.

Sunday March 12th 1865

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. Some of the 27th boys ate dinner with us. The weather fair.

Monday 13th

Nothing particular going on. No news from the north. Plenty to eat and drink. The weather pleasant.

Tuesday 14th

Raining nearly all day, quite disagreeable to be out. No news at all.

Wednesday 15th

The weather fine till 2 P.M. Then it commenced to rain and rained all afternoon. A large mail for the Regt. but I got no letters. We had a fine game of ball today. Some of the 27th were here to help us draw rations.

Thursday March 16th 1865

In camp all day exercising ourselves by playing ball. The weather fair. Company drill in the forenoon.

Friday 17th

Comapny drill as usual at 10 o'clock. We had biscuits for dinner. The 27th left today for Mobile. The weather fair.

Saturday 18th

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. Drew rations in the afternoon. Drew some ham. The weather fair.

Sunday 19th

Orders to be ready to march at an early hour this morning. Left camp at 10 o'clock. Got on board of the Steamer Tarascon at 7. Went to Ft. Jackson. Lay there all night.

Monday March 20, 1865

Started for Mobile at 9 o'clock. The Bay tolerably ruff. Went up Fish Creek 15 miles. Got off of the boat at 6 P.M. Went into camp 2 miles from the creek. The weather warm.

Tuesday 21st

Rained all forenoon. Nothing particular going on. In camp all day. Wrote a letter home.

Wednesday 22nd

20 babtized today. 15 of the 119th and 5 of the 122 Illinois Regiments. The weather fair.

Thurseday 23rd

Building Breast works all day. Some skirmishing in the morning. Some prospects of a battle here. The weather warm and beautiful.

Friday March 24th 1865

In camp all day. Some cannonading heard in the evening towards Mobile. The weather fair.

Saturday 25th

Left Fish Creek at 9:30. Marched slowly till 3 P.M. Went into camp. Marched today about 10 miles. Building breast works. The weather fair.

Sunday 26th

Left camp at 6:30. Marched 10 miles. Slight skirmishes all day. One of our men killed and one wounded. The weather moderately warm.

Monday 27th

Our Division guarding the train. Right smart fighting. Our men have the fort surrounded. At least that is the report. Some rain.

Thursday March 28th 1865

Cannonading all day and also some musketrying. Our Division is guarding the train. Built breast works nearly all day. Come off of picket at 10 P.M. The weather fair.

Wednesday 29th

Building breast works all day. Our teams came to us in the evening. Cannonading all day, The fort remains untaken. Some rain in the evening.

Thursday 30th

Heavy cannonading all last night. Everything seems to be quiet this morning except our Sharp Shooters. They keep pecking away at the Rebels. The weather fair.

Friday March 31st 1865

Went on picket. Heavy cannonading all day. The gunboats had a fight. Ours comeout bully. The weather fair.



Saturday Apr. 1st

Relieved from picket at 8:30. George Kline come to see us. He is the same George as ever. Not much cannonading today. Everything seems quiet. The weather fair.

Sunday 2nd

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. Everything tolerably quiet at the fort. The weather fair.

Monday 3rd

We have orders to be ready to march at any time. Left camp at 12 M. Marched to Ft. Blakely. There formed a line and drove in their skirmishes. The weather moderately warm.

Tuesday April 4th A.D. 1865

In camp all day went out on the skirmish line in the evening at 8 o'clock. I expended 20 rounds of ammunition. The weather fair.

Wednesday 5th

Out on the skirmish line all day. One of Co. E. was killed. We were relieved by the 13th Corp at 9:½. The weather moderately fair.

Thursday 6th

Ordered into line at 4 A.M. The rebels tried to drive our skirmishes back but they could not do it. We moved camp in the afternoon towards the Bay. The weather fair. Everything quiet on the skirmish line in our front.

Friday April 7th 1865

In camp till evening. Then we went out on the skirmish line. The rebels tried to drive our men back but could not do it. The weather rainy.

Saturday 8th

On the skirmish line till evening. Then we were relieved. No one of our company hurt today. The rebels shelled us for all that was out but done no harm to us.

Sunday 9th

Everything quiet till evening. Then we charged the fort and we went in without losing a man in our company. Cowan of Co. I was killed. Several others wounded in the Regiment. Our Brigade captured about 500 Johnnies & 20 pieces of Artillery. Weather fair.

Monday April 10th A.D. 1865

All quiet this morning. Not a shot do we hear from the Rebels because they surrendered to us yesterday evening. Jacob Synder come to see me in the evening. The weather fair.

Tuesday 11th

Nothing particular going on. Drew 5 days rations and a little Sanitary eatables. The weather warm.

Wednesday 12th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. The weather fair.

Thursday 13th

Left camp at 12 M. Marched 10 miles. Camped near a little town called Stocton. The weather moderately warm.

Friday April 14th 1865

Left camp at 7 A.M. Marched 18 miles. Had slabjacks for supper. The weather fair.

Saturday 15th

Left camp at 10 A.M. Marched slowly all day. Went into camp at 6 P.M. It rained like everything before we got our tents struck. Marched 10 miles.

Sunday 16th

Left camp at 1:30. Marched 15 miles. No Easter eggs this time but some hog that was just as good. The weather fair.

Monday 17th

Revellee at 4. Started out at 6 A.M. Marched 18 miles. The country very thinly inhabited. We passed 4 farms in our march today. Our Division was in front. The weather moderately warm.

Tuesday April 18th 1865

Left camp at 10 A.M. Guarded the train. Marched 12 miles. Passed some good farms. The weather fair.

Wednesday 19th

Left camp at 7 A.M. Marched 15 miles. Passed Midway at 4 P.M. Camped 4 miles from there. The news come to us that Gen. Lee had surrendered his entire army To Gen. Grant and Forest to Washburn.

Thursday 20th

Left camp at 6, marched 16 miles. Crossed Sullavin's Creek at 2 P.M. being then 7 miles from camp. Went into camp at 5 P.M.

Friday 21st

Left camp at 10 A.M. Marched 6 miles. Rained all day. The roads very bad. We was guarding the train.

Saturday April 22nd 1865

Left camp at 10 A.M. Marched 8 miles. Passed through Greenville at 4 P.M. A salute of 200 shots was fired at Greenville this evening. The roads bad. The weather fair.

Sunday 23rd

Left camp at 8. Marched 17 miles. The roads tolerably bad. The country hilly.

Monday 24th

Chicken and turkey for breakfast. Left camp at 6 A.M. Marched 18 miles. The country thickly inhabited. Plenty forage. We had ham and eggs for supper.

Tuesday 25th

12 miles from Montgomery. Marched in the entire rear. Started at 12:30 P.M. March 7 miles. Went into camp at 5 P.M. 5 miles from town. Weather fair.

Wednesday 26th A.D. 1865

Jelly, butter, chicken, coffee, and slabjacks for breakfast. Lay in camp all day. Nothing particular going on.

Thursday 27th

Left camp at 8 A.M. Marched  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Passed through town at 10:30. The country around town is beautiful. Part of the city has been burned by the Yankies. In camp  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the city. The weather fair.

Friday 28th

In camp all day. Our rations are tolerably scarce. The river is blockaded at or near Selmy so that our rations cant come up till the obstruction is removed out of the river. The weather fair.

Saturday April 29th 1865

I went to town; bought paper and envelopes, soap, and salt. Montgomery is a nice town. We have nothing but corn to eat. Hard living indeed.

Sunday 30th

Today we muster for 2 months pay. In camp all day. The boat landed here this afternoon. The weather very warm.

Monday May 1st

Drew rations, the first government rations we had for 8 days. Hardtack tasted mighty well. The weather warm.

Tuesday 2nd

Policeing our camp all day. Dug a well, Companies E. & H. Plenty of good water. We have the nicest camp in the 16th Corp.

Wednesday May 3rd 1865

Everything going off smoothly in camp. No news from the north. The weather pleasant.

Thursday 4th

Nothing particular going on. I went to the Commissary to buy grub any amount of peace news.

Friday 5th

We had pudding for dinner made of flour and hardtack. Drew 5 days rations. The weather very warm and sultry.

Saturday 6th

In camp all day and nothing particular going on. A two day meeting commenced today at 10 A.M. Meeting every night. The weather warm and sultry.

Sunday May 7th '65

Went on picket. Got 5 letters. Plenty of news now. Some rain afternight.

Monday 8th

Released from picket. Every thing looks refreshed with the rain and the birds sing sweetly. Cleared off a parade ground. Had dress parade.

Tuesday 9th

In camp all day. No news at all. The rebels coming every day from Johnsons Army. The weather pleasant.

Wednesday 10th

The first Division left for Selmy. The 3rd and 2nd are still here. We got mail.

Thursday 11th

In camp all day. Raining the most of the day. Drew rations. The weather cool.

Friday May 12th A.D. 1865

I went to gather blackberries. We went first 5 miles. They were plenty there. The weather fair.

Saturday 13th

Inspection at 3 P.M. Major Heely of the 58th Ill. Vol. Infantry inspected us. Everything went off smoothly.

Sunday 4th

Company inspection at 8:30 A.M. In camp all day. Went to meeting in the evening. The weather very warm.

Monday 15th

Went on picket. Company drill at 7½. Smith Martz went after berries. Rebels coming in by the 100.

Tuesday 16th

Released from picket. We had pie for dinner. No news from the north. The weather fair.

Wednesday May 17th 1865

Gathering blackberries on the other side of the river. Crossed in a canoe.

Thursday 18th

In camp all day. No news from the north. The weather fair.

Friday 19th

Battalion drill in the morning. Boats came up in the evening. Plenty of rations of all kind. The weather very warm.

Saturday 20th

Bought flour and beans. Had biscuits for supper. The rebels still coming in. The weather fair.



Sunday 21st

In camp all day. Nothing particular going on. Company inspection at 9 A.M. Some of the boys went to town to meeting. We had biscuits for dinner. The weather warm.

Monday May 22nd A.D. 1865

I went to town, bought some paper. Several officers got on a bust of our Regiment. The weather warm.

Tuesday 23rd '65

Writing nearly all day to the friends at home. Nothing strange going on. Plenty good news.

Wednesday 24th

Got a mail. Had biscuits for dinner. Smith Martz went after berries. Everything in camp. Battallion Drill every morning at 6:30.

Thursday 25th

Drew rations. No drill today. Cleaned up around our quarters. Had biscuits for dinner.

Friday 26th

On picket today. Some rain last night. Everything looks refreshed this morning. The air tolerably cool. Biscuits for supper. Beans for dinner.

Saturday May 27th 1865

Cleaned off ground for grand review that is to come off on the 28th at 8 A.M. The weather cool.

Sunday 28th

Grand review at 8A.M. The weather moderately cool. No particular news from the north.

Monday 29th

Battalion drill. Some rain on drill. The weather moderately cool.

Tuesday 30th

Grand review at 9 A.M. Our whole Division was together. General Gilbert reviewed us.

Wednesday 31st

General review at 4 P.M. The nicest scene I saw for some time any amount of ladies present from town. The weather warm and the roads dusty.





Death of the boys of our Co. H. when and where they died

John Christ died Oct. 20th, 1862 At home Palpitations of the heart

William Quinn died Dec. 4th, 1862 In the hospital in Ft. Hick - measles

Henry A. ick died May 8th, 1864 in the smallpock hospital in the city of Vicksburg, Miss.

Isaac Poulison died July 1st, 1864 in the hospital in St. Louis, Missouri,  
Disease Diarhea, He was a good sodier.

Daniel Essex was killed Feb. 22nd, 1864, near Hills Borrow, Mississippi, on our way back to Vicksburg.

John A. Sackett was wounded December 16th in the battle of Nashville, Tennessee.  
Died of his wounds January 7, 1865.

John Bradly died March 17th, 1865, at the U.S. Barracks near New Orleans,  
Louisiana with Chronic Diarhea.

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Lieutenat Wm. McDermott died on the 6th of Oct. 1863, in Memphis. His disease was the flue. He was loved by all the boys in Co. H. He died in the officers Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

Henry Lunnam died Nov. 10, 1863 in Regt. Hosp. - Typhoid fever. Private of Co. H. 89th Regt. Ind. Vol. Inf. near Memphis, Tennessee.

Benjamine S. Johnson was killed in battle at Ft. Derusy on the 12th day of March, 1864 on our way to Shreveport.

John M. Smith was killed May 7th A.D. 1864 in the Battle at Bayou Beth, 16 miles from Alexandria.

Phillip Kistler died on the 19th of May by a severe wound received on the 18th in battle near Atchafalaya Bay.

Wm. Smith died Mar 29th, 1864 at his residence in Adams Co., Ind. His disease was dropsy. He was a private in Co. H. 89th Regt. Ind.

Wm. H. Suttles died Sept 11th 1864 in Cairo, Illinois, His disease was Cholory Morbus. A private in Co. H. 89th Regt.



Sept 27<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1869

Money matters that I sent  
to my father in 1869 + 1864  
this is but a partial account

Of the money sent:  
In August I sent \$ 6.00  
In November I sent \$ 40.00  
In June I sent \$ 25.00  
In Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> (64) I sent \$ 50.00  
In Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 64 I sent \$ 20.00

141  
80  
221

All the money that I sent  
home before August 1869  
I did not keep any account  
of but I think I sent about  
\$ 15. or \$ 20.00 This is as near  
as I can come to the amount  
at this time not having kept  
any account of it at all  
G. W. W. Mumme Sept 27<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1869

H. Clayton owes me \$ 1.80

Jan 27th AD 1863

The young folks at home

1. It was in the northern grove I dwelt No sorrow ther I knew (bright  
And it seemed that every hour was Which gaily oer me flew  
The little ones that clung around Ere I from them did rome  
Made every hour still happier seem With the dear young folks at home

Chorus

I am very sad no joys for me Why did I ever roam  
And shall I never, never see Oh the dear young folks at home.

2. We played the banjo tamborine and danced beneath the shade  
While all around did love to here The music that we made.  
The mawking bird sang sweetly there The wild birds they did come,  
And made the grove with music ring With the dear young folks at home.

Chorus. I'm very sad etc.

4. But now I know I'm far away Where no such pleasures shine,  
I never thought that sorrow would come To this poor heart of mine.  
So take me back to that good old spot There never more to roam  
And lay me in the cold, cold ground With the dear young folks at home.

Chorus

3. But now poor broken heart I go Too warren they all dispise  
I grieve oer all the happy past With bitter tears and sighs  
I'm scorned by all the careless crowd No matter where I roam,  
And shall I never, never see Oh the dear young folks at home.

Chorus

I'm very sad no joys for me Why did I ever roam  
And shall I never, never see Oh the dear young folks at home.

Written by

George W. Mumma

On the 27th day of Jan. A.D. 1863

This long to be Remembered

after returned to my Fathers Home.

Jan. 27th A.D. 1863

George W. Mumma

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Nov. 21st 1862

The Sailor and his bride

What a constitution strong and brave A sailors scheme is a watery grave  
It's o how many has found a grave Which lies beneath the ocean waves.

Chorus

la la la la la la la la

It's scarce six months since we was wed But O how swift the moments fled  
We had to part at the dawning of the day And the proud ship bore my love away.

Chorus

It was early spring the year was young The flowers they bloom, the birds they sing,  
But not a bird so happy as I When my loved sailor boy was nigh.

Chorus

The moon had risen over the eastern hills, The stars they shown at midnight still,  
The sailor boy and his bride Were walking on the ocean side.

Chorus

Was a long time since and he comes nor To his weeping maid on the ocean shore  
The ship went down at the ranting of the storm And the waves closed over my lovers form

Chorus

Oh that I were a resting, too, Beneath some wave of the ocean blue,  
May soul to God my body in the deep And the blue waves rolling over me.

Written by G. W. Mumma

on the 21st day of November, 1862



1. My dearest friends in bonds of love, Our heart in Sweetest union prove  
Your friendship like a drawing band, Yet we must take the parting hand  
Your presence sweet, your union dear, Your words delightful to my ears  
And when I see that we must part, You draw like cords around my heart.
2. How sweet the hours have past away, Since we have met to sing and play  
How loath we are to leave the place, When Jesus shows his smiling place.  
O Could I stay with friend so kind? How it would cheer my struggling mind.  
But duty makes me understand, that we must take the parting hand.
3. And since it is God's Holy will, we must be parted for awhile.  
In sweet submission all in one, Will say our Father's will be done.  
Dear fellow youth in Christian ties, who seek far mansions in the sky  
Fight on, you'll win that happy shore, Where parting hands are known no more.
4. How oft I saw the flowing tears And heard you tell your hopes and fears.  
Your hearts with love have seemed to flow, Which makes me hope we'll meet again.  
Ye mourning Soul in sad surprise, Jesus remembers all your cries  
O, trust his grace in all that land, We'll no more take the parting hand.

Written in Camp East of Memphis, Tennessee,  
on the 22nd of December, in the year A.D. 1863

by

G. W. Mumma

1. My buried friend can I forget, Or must the grave eternal sever  
They linger in my memory yet, And in my heart they live forever  
They loved me once with sincere And never did their love deceive me  
But oftentimes in my conflicts here, They rallied quickly to releave me.
2. I vain would weep but what of tears, No tear of mine could eer recall them'  
Nor would I wish that gravling cares, Nor cares like mine should e'er befall them.  
They rest in relms of light and love, They dwell upon the mount of glory,  
They bask in beams of bliss above, And shout to tell the pleasing story.
3. I hear them bid the world adieu, I saw them on the rolling billow  
Their far off home appeared in view, While yet they pressed a dying pillow  
I heard the parting pilgrim tell While passing Jordans stormy river  
Adieu to earth for all is well, Now all is well with me forever.
4. Oh how I long to join their wings, and range their field of blooming flowers.  
Come Holy watchers come and bring A mourner to your blissful bowers  
I'd speed with rapture on my way Nor would I pause at Jordans river,  
With songs I'd enter in endless days, And live with my loved friends forever.

Written in Camp east of Memphis, Tennessee,  
on the 1st of December, In the year A.D. 1863

By

G. W. W. Mumma



Aug 31st A.D. 1864

Dear Friend

As if in Compensation for past Disappointments, we have been cheered by the receipt of two kind letters from your pen within the past week; to both of which I shall now reply after posting up current events to the present date.

Sept. 8th AD 1864

Friend Sarah Many

Jacob B. Snyder

Co. H. 114th O.V.I.

3rd Brigade 2nd Division

13th A.C.

Benjamin Snyder

Co. I. 114th O.V.I.

3rd Brigade 2nd Division

13th A.C.

There is a fish whose head is 6 inches long & the tail is half as long as the body & the body is as long as the head and tail-required the length of the whole fish?

Penmanship By G. W. M.  
March 19th A. D. 1863  
Ft. Pickering, Tennessee

Penmanship By G. W. M.  
January 11th AD 1864

Memphis, Tennessee, December 1st, 1863

There is a spot to me more dear, Than native vail or mountain  
A spot to which affections tear, Spring greatful from its fountain  
Tis not where kindred Souls abound, Though that is almost heaven,  
But where I first my Savior found And felt my sins forgiven.

Hard was my toil to reach the shore, Long tossed upon the ocean  
Above me was the thunders roar, Beneath the waves commotion  
Darkly the poll of night was thrown, Around me faint with terror  
In that dark hour how did my groans Ascend for years of error.

Sinking and panting as for breath I knew not help was near me,  
I cried, Oh save me Lord from death, Immortal Jesus save me.  
Then quick as thought I felt him mine, My Savior stood before me,  
I saw His brightness round me shine, I shouted Glory, Glory.

Oh Sacred hour, Oh hallowed spot, Where love divine first found me,  
Where ever falls my distant lot, My heart shall linger round Thee,  
And as from earth I rise to soar, Up to my home in Heaven  
Down will I cast my eye once more, Where I was first forgiven.

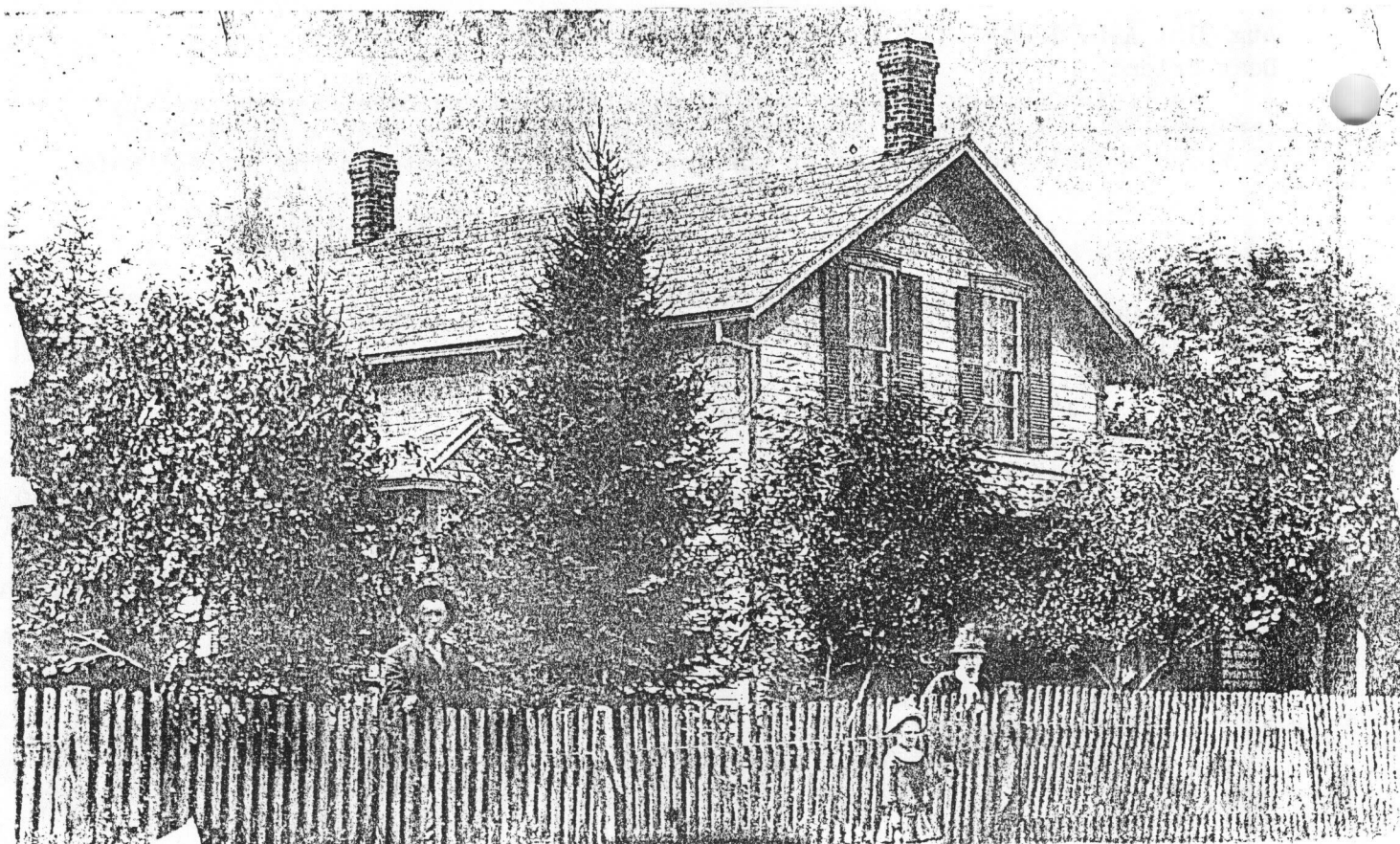
Written east of Memphis, Tennessee  
In the year of 1863 and on the  
1st day of the month of December

Written by

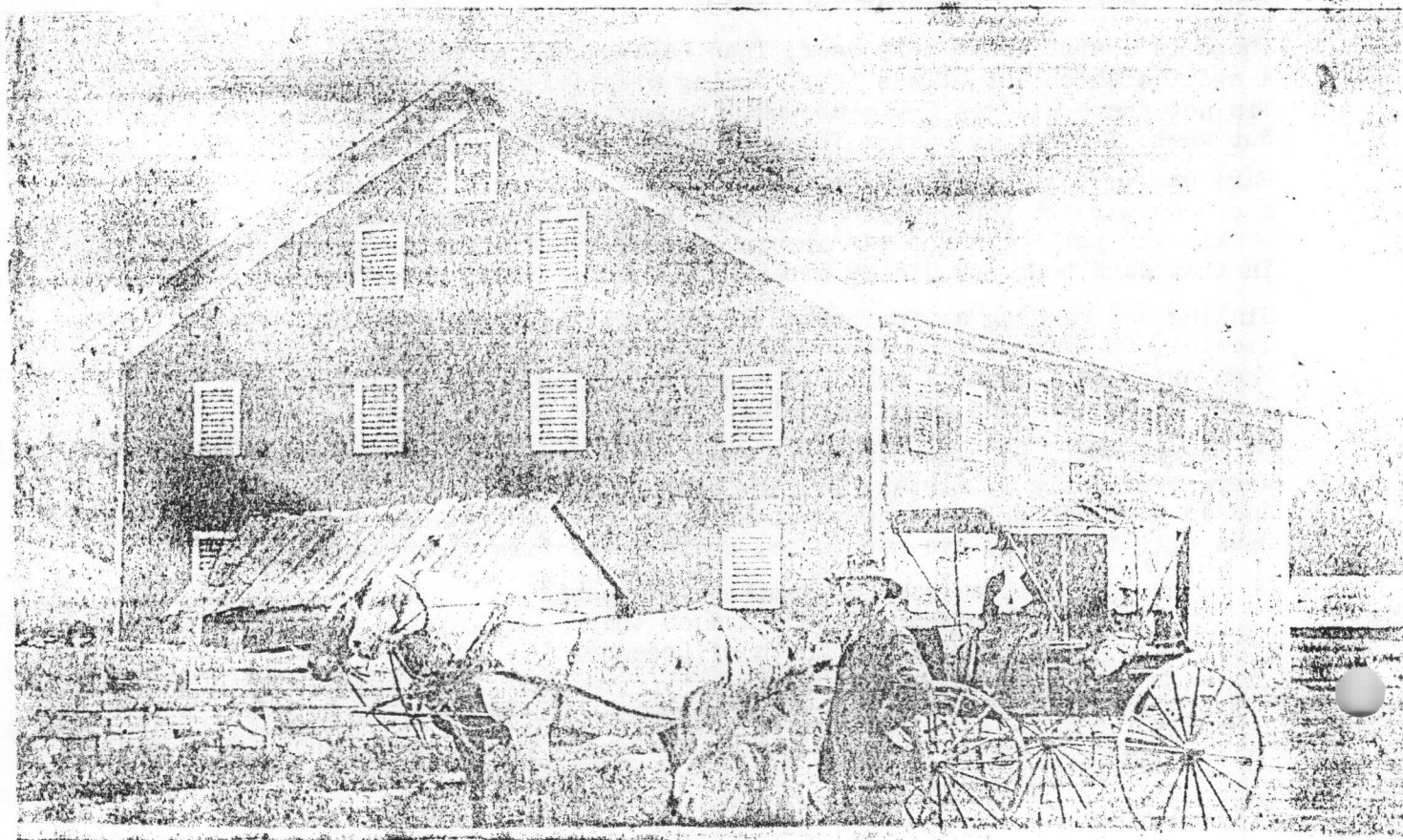
Geo. W. W. Mumma

Gerge W. Mumma home and barn located in Sec. 32, Monroe Twp. Allen County, Indiana.

Picture taken in 1889



On pictures are George Washington Mumma and wife Nancy and daughter Clare, age 7





# To all whom it may Concern.



Paid in full  
B. L. Martin  
Paymaster, U.S.A.

Know ye, That George Morrison  
Corporal of Captain Robert D. Patterson's  
Company. (No. 1) Eighteenth Regiment of Indiana Infantry  
VOLUNTEERS who was enrolled on the ninth day of August  
one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two to serve Three years or  
during the war, is hereby **Discharged** from the service of the United States  
this nineteenth day of July 1865 at Mobile  
Alabama by reason of Gen. Order No. 94, War Dept. A. G. O. May 15, 1865 and  
Gen. Order No. 64, Div. West Virginia May 31, 1865  
(No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.)

Said George Morrison was born in Marion County  
in the State of Ohio, is Twenty-two years of age.  
five feet nine <sup>inches</sup> high, Dark complexion, Dark eyes.  
Black hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a Farmer.

Given at Mobile Ala. this Nineteenth day of  
July 1865.

E. M. Burdick  
2d Lt. Bat. 5th Ala. Inf.  
and Adj. Gen. Dis. Ala. Inf.

\* This sentence will be erased should there be anything to the conduct or physical condition of the soldier rendering him unfit for the Army

(A. G. O. No. 99.)

R. D. Patterson Capt.  
Company No 16th Ind Inf.



I Certify that - the Within Named Listed Man was in the following  
 named battles to wit -  
 Murfreesboro Ky Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 1862 Pleasant Hill La Apr 2<sup>nd</sup> 1864  
 in the Battle of Bayou de la Poudre La May 1864  
 Vicksburg Miss Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 1864 Siege and Capture of Fort-  
 Blakely Ala from April 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> 1865  
 R. D. Patterson Capt  
 Comd'g Co 16. 89<sup>th</sup> Ind Inf 1<sup>st</sup> Div

## OATH OF IDENTITY.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of the town of \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of \_\_\_\_\_

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_

one thousand eight hundred and sixty \_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared

before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace for the county

and \_\_\_\_\_ above mentioned \_\_\_\_\_

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the

identical \_\_\_\_\_ in the company commanded by \_\_\_\_\_

who was \_\_\_\_\_ in the regiment \_\_\_\_\_

commanded by \_\_\_\_\_

that he enlisted on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

and was discharged \_\_\_\_\_

for the term of \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_ by reason of \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year above written.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ before

whom the above affidavit purports to have been made, is a Justice of

the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths, and that the above is

his signature \_\_\_\_\_

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my

official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

in the year \_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of \_\_\_\_\_

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## Elopers...

...Clyde (left) and Edna Harden — shown with their son, Warren — recall their January, 1917, wedding date. They secretly eloped in a horse and

buggy and made their way to Hillsdale, Mich. for the occasion. That was 72 years ago. (Staff Photo)

By MELANIE McCULLOUGH

He asked her once. She didn't answer. Three weeks later, he asked her again. They wanted it to be a secret. Most of their family members didn't even know. What was the secret? Their wedding day—72 years ago.

It was January 27, 1917 when Clyde and Edna Harden slipped away from their homes to elope. Edna's sister drove them in a horse and buggy to Monroeville, where they caught the interurban to Fort Wayne. There they boarded a train which took them to Hillsdale, Mich.—a popular site for eloping couples.

Their son, Warren, remembers stories about their elopement.

"The conductor just knew the couples who were going to get married," he said. "The courthouse had a big dome over it and he pointed it out to them and said, 'See that? That's where you're going.' He didn't even know their names.

"They met another couple on the same train and they witnessed each other's weddings. They didn't know each other previously."

After the newlyweds exchanged vows, they returned to each of their homes, not mentioning it to their families, Edna

said.

"We thought we'd keep it a secret," she said. The two didn't have enough money to move into their own home and thought keeping their marital status on a low-profile would be best.

But it was only two days after they returned home that the secret was soon revealed. Warren recalled how the rest of the family discovered their special secret.

"The courthouse reported it to the Democrat and a reporter from the paper called Dad's aunt to see if it was her nephew," he said. "Aunt Mary let the cat out of the bag."

Edna said their families extended congratulations to them.

"His mother said, 'If you would have told us, we would have had a wedding for you.'"

Struggling financially, the two lived with his family for a year. Edna said financial reasons weren't the only ones keeping them from setting up their own home.

"This was before World War I started and in the back of our minds, we couldn't make too many plans," she said. "He was on the next list to be called, but the war closed before they called him."

Now, with their son, they live in the same house in Union Township (route 5, Decatur), in

which Clyde grew up.

Warren said that except for four years, his mother and father have never lived so far away they couldn't see the house each grew up in. Edna was raised in a house just down the road. The two have known each other since they were children. Warren said Clyde's mother and Edna's grandmother were friends.

Warren said his father, a quiet man, was an only child. Edna had two sisters and was raised by her grandmother. Her mother died of tuberculosis when she was only three and a half years old.

Edna said she missed her mother while growing up, but had fond memories of her grandmother. One of her favorite memories was when the two made lye soap from wood ashes and pig's grease.

Though Edna didn't grow up with her own mother, she became mother to three boys: Warren, Paul and Fred. Fred was killed in France's 1944 Battle of the Bulge.

Though times were hard, Edna believes raising a family then was less complicated. "I think it was easier to raise a family then, than it is now. There wasn't so much going on. People were home."

While Clyde was working, Edna was home raising her family and "raising the animals," she added. Clyde worked on their farm for a while, then sold farming equipment in Berne. Later, he became a mechanic for the Adams County Highway Department garage and moved on to work at Decatur Truck & Tractor Supply.

Warren said they were also active in church activities. He remembers his mother gardening during the day and then taking a large tub of vegetables to church. Edna said she enjoyed giving food away as much as she liked preparing it.

Now, because of health problems, the two stay home together. Warren said his mother has had five strokes and has a pin in one of her hips. His father was the victim of nine strokes, and is blind in one eye and hard of hearing as a result. The two are still on their feet, something they consider a blessing.

"We've always worked hard and that didn't hurt us. Maybe that's why we've lived so long," Edna said. "It wasn't all joy. We've had sickness, sorrow and death in our lifetimes but we've had everyday blessings—just being able to work and do what good we could, helping wherever we could and remembering the golden rule.

"I always tried to be content with what we had. I never wanted so many new things. I was glad for what we did have. You have to not expect everything to go your way. You have to give and take."

Through all the sorrows and blessings, Clyde and Edna watched the country make a lot of changes since they were first married. From horse and buggy days, to the first automobiles, to today's fast-paced sports cars; from outhouses to indoor plumbing; from no radio to televisions and video cassette recorders; and from washboards to automatic washers. And though their lives have changed with the rest of the world, one element of their lives hasn't changed—the vows they made that day they travelled down the road in a horse and buggy.



Edna T. Harden, 96, route 5, Decatur (Union Township), died at 6:30 a.m. Sunday in the Adams County Memorial Hospital, where she had been hospitalized one week.

She was born January 30, 1894 to William S. and Rosa Ulrey Welty. She married M. Clyde Harden on January 27, 1917. They celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary two weeks ago.

Mrs. Harden was a lifelong resident of Adams County and was a member of the Decatur United Brethren in Christ Church and the Women's Missionary Association. She was also a charter member of the Live & Learn Home Demonstration.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Paul L. Harden and Warren W. Harden, both of Decatur; six granddaughters and eight great-grandchildren. A son, Fred R. Harden was killed in France during World War II. A grandson, Daniel P. Harden, and two sisters, Bertha Burger and Goldie Nidlinger, also preceded in death.

A prayer service will take place at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Haggard & Armes Funeral Home, followed by funeral services at 11 a.m. at Decatur United Brethren in Christ Church, Revs. Jim Sturgeon, Lynn Melferd and Sylvester Martin officiating. Burial will follow in Decatur Cemetery. Visiting hours are 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today. Memorials are to the United Brethren Missions, Huntington headquarters.

Active pallbearers will be Jonathan Bruner, David Hall, Steven Bittner, Mark Bittner, Thomas Bittner and James Bittner. Honorary pallbearers will be Clare Eddy, John Shepler, Robert Burger, Leonard Shepler and Fred Shepler.

*d. Feb 13, 1990*



# Family history of George Washington Mumma

George Washington Mumma, author of the Civil War diary, was the son of Christian and Rebecca Synder Mumma. Christian Mumma was born May 12, 1812, in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, to John and Magdalena Overholt Mumma. Other siblings were Martin, Barbara, George, Isaac, John, Catherine, Abraham, Esther and David Mumma. The father, John Mumma, died September 16, 1865; Magdalena preceded him in death in 1862. Both died in Union Township, Adams County, Indiana, and were buried in Pleasant Valley cemetery located in Root Township not far from their home.

Christian Mumma was married in Ohio on November 5, 1835, to Rebecca Snyder who was born on October 13, 1815, in Washington County, Maryland. In 1851, Christian and Rebecca sold their property in Tuscarawas County and moved with their young family to Adams County, Indiana, settling in Root Township. Christian sold this farm in 1861 and bought another across the township line in Union Township. The family was an active member of the Pleasant Valley United Brethern Church nearby. The area became known as the "Frog Eye" community. Christian died February 20, 1865, just eight days after his sixteen years and ten months old son, Charles, died. Both died of spotted fever and at a time when Christian and Rebecca's three older sons were away from home serving in the Civil War. Rebecca died in 1909. They are buried in the Pleasant Valley Church cemetery where a number of their relatives are also buried. Christian and Rebecca were the parents of nine children: John Henry, George Washington, Malissa, Rezin F., Permelia, Charles, Rebecca, Lydia, and Eliza.

1) John Henry Mumma, the oldest of the children of Christian and Rebecca, was born in Tuscarawas County on November 26, 1837. On February 20, 1859, he married Catherine Lower. She was the daughter of William and Catherine Lower who had settled in Union Township in 1852. John H. enlisted in Company I, 12th Indiana Volunter Infantry in December of 1864. After the war, he returned to his family and farm in Section 18 in Union Township. Mrs. Mumma died June 12, 1895, and John H. died May 5, 1925. They were also laid to rest in the Pleasant Valley cemetery. Their children, all born in Adams county, are as follows:

Wesley W. Mumma was born on August 2, 1861. He married Mary A. Shaffer on March 24, 1877.

Marietta Mumma was born September 12, 1864, and died December 31, 1893.

She had married William H. Harden on March 16, 1893.

John Logan Mumma was born May 10, 1867, and died July 4, 1868.

Katie Mumma was born May 10, 1869, and died July 4, 1868.

Charles Sumner Mumma was born May 24, 1871. He married Clara Hannah Tabler on January 13, 1894. They resided in Section 18 of Union Township.

Milton F. Mumma was born December 15, 1873, and died in 1919.

## Ralph F. Etzler

Ralph F. Etzler, 83, Convoyn, Ohio, died at 9:20 p.m. Monday in Convoyn Care Center. He lived on route 2, Monroeville for 56 years before entering the care center in 1985.

He retired in 1966 after a 42-year career with International Harvester in Fort Wayne and was a lifelong member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, rural Convoyn.

The Convoyn native married Pearl M. Lare, who survives. Other survivors include two sons; one daughter, Mrs. Loren (Colleen C.) Grabner, route 2, Monroeville; two sisters, including Elma Thieme, route 3, Decatur; and a brother.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Thursday in Redeemer Lutheran Church, with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation is at Marquart and Jacobs Funeral Home, Monroeville, 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, and at the church, 10-11 a.m. Thursday.

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2) George Washington Mumma was born in Tuscarawas County on August 6, 1839. In August of 1862, George W. enlisted at Decatur, Adams County, in Co. H 89th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers. He served three years during which time he was taken prisoner, parolled, and returned to service. His regiment was in thirteen battles and he received a shell wound while serving in the battle at Tupelo, Mississippi. He was discharged as a Corporal on July 19, 1865, in Mobile, Alabama, and returned to Adams County. On October 17, 1870, he married Nancy J. Friedline, daughter of John and Addie Lower Friedline. After their marriage, George W. and Nancy purchased land in Section 32, Monroe Township, Allen County, which was located just a few miles north of the Mumma family farm in Adams County. George W. died June 16, 1918, and Nancy died in 1928. They were buried in the I.O.O.F. cemetery in Monroeville, Allen County. They were the parents of two children.

William Dennis Mumma was born July 21, 1874, and died February 16, 1875. Clara Mumma was born February 20, 1882, and died December 12, 1981. Clara married Orren Lare on January 12, 1909, and they were the parents of one daughter, Pearl, who married Ralph F. Etzler. It was through Pearl Lare Etzler that the Civil War diary of her grandfather became available to the Adams County Historical Society.

3) Malissa A. Mumma was born in Tuscarawas County on May 13, 1841. She remained single and died February 10, 1907. Her grave is also in the Pleasant Valley cemetery.

4) Rezin F. Mumma was born in Tuscarawas County on July 9, 1843. He also enlisted at Decatur and served three years in the same unit as his brother, George W., - the 89th Indiana Volunteers, Co. H. On March 28, 1867, Rezin F. married Ellen Sophia Steele. Ellen died in 1918 and Rezin in 1922 and they were buried in Decatur Maplewood Cemetery. They were the parents of the following twelve children.

Idella Belle Mumma was born April 24, 1868. She married Lewis Harden on September 2, 1886.

Curtis Lawrence Mumma was born October 30, 1869. He married Effie Shackley on May 13, 1897.

Lockey Luella Mumma was born January 23, 1871, and died July 17, 1899. She married James N. Hert on April 28, 1873.

Levi Franklin Mumma was born February 26, 1873. He became a well-driller in the Decatur and Adams County area.

Sarah "Sadie" Rebecca Mumma was born July 5, 1875. She was married to Joseph G. Allehouse.

Permilla Ann Mumma was born July 16, 1877. She married Philip Auth on October 10, 1900.

Elsie Ellen Mumma was born December 16, 1879. She married Harvey Ferguson on July 3, 1900.



## Clara E. Hitchcock

Clara E. Hitchcock, 77, 1140 Madison St., died at 7 a.m. today in Adams County Memorial Hospital after an extended illness.

She was born in Decatur on June 7, 1912 to Roy and Blanche Jeffers Mumma and married Herald R. Hitchcock on December 4, 1941; he survives.

She was a homemaker who retired after 20 years of service with Leland, Smith Insurance Agency in Decatur. She was a member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church and its Hope Circle and Builder's Sunday School class and was also church organist for several years.

Other survivors are one son, John Randy Hitchcock, Portage, Michigan; two daughters, Mrs. Jim (Nancy) Teeter, 710 E. Monroe St., and Mrs. Steve (Marta) Rumschlag, route 2, Decatur; and nine grandchildren. One brother, Harold Mumma, and one son, Stephan Hitchcock, who died on May 13, 1956, are deceased.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Haggard and Armes Funeral Home, Revs. James S. Hook and Fuhrman Miller officiating. Burial will be in Decatur Cemetery. Visiting hours are 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Monday. Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's United Methodist Church. *Nov-25, 1989*

Nellie Emma Dean Mumma was born March 15, 1882.

George Calvin Mumma was born May 28, 1884. He married Orah M. Drake on June 9, 1906. She died in 1931. His wife Nellie died in 1954.

Rezin ElRoy Mumma was born November 1, 1886. He died June 11, 1953.

Mary Elizabeth Mumma was born November 12, 1889, and died November 6, 1972. She was married to David Cook.

One infant died unnamed.

5) Permelia Mumma was born July 5, 1845, in Tuscarawas County. She remained single and died July 20, 1934. Her grave is also in Pleasant Valley cemetery.

6) Charles Mumma was born April 27, 1848. He died February 12, 1865, of spotted fever eight days before his father died of the same disease and while his three brother were serving in the Civil War.

7) Rebecca J. Mumma was born August 15, 1850, and died April 17, 1927. She married Benjamin P. Harkless on April 7, 1872. They had three children.

Nancy Jennettie Harkless was born October 25, 1872, and died April 10, 1939. She married Ross Harden.

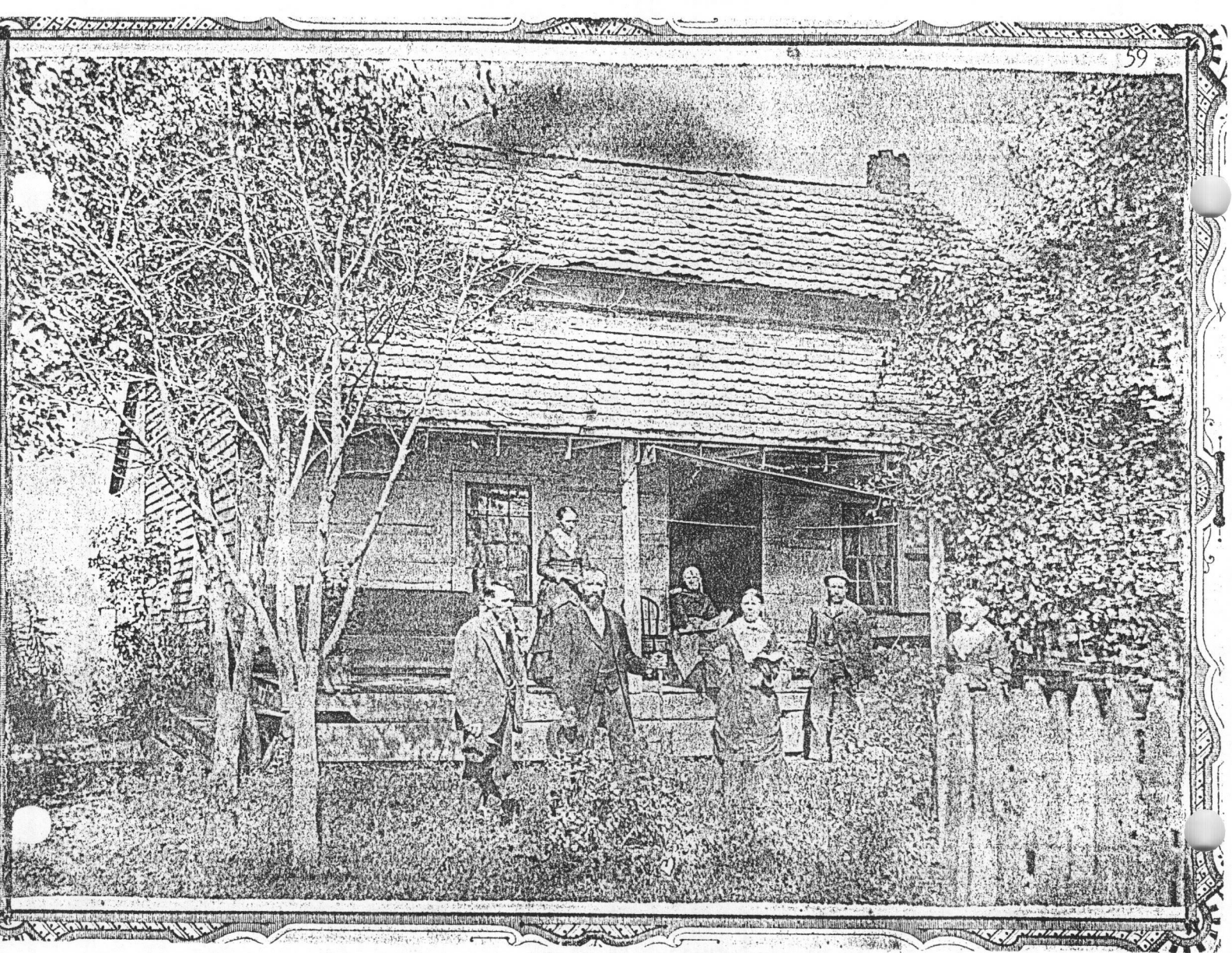
James Clifford Harkless was born February 4, 1879, and died September 7, 1940.

Mary Malissa Harkless was born June 3, 1882. She married Edwin Ahr.

8) Lydia A. Mumma was born May 1, 1854, and died August 25, 1861. She was laid to rest in the Pleasant Valley cemetery.

9) Eliza C. Mumma was born November 13, 1856, and died September 3, 1861. Her grave is also in Pleasant Valley cemetery.

*Pleasant Valley Cem. on R 1000N*



The Christian Mumma family home in Sec. 7, Union Twp., Adams County, Indiana

On the porch are Rebecca, standing, and Mrs. Christian (Rebecca Snyder) Mumma, sitting. Standing in yard, left to right: John H., George W., Malissa, Rezin F., and Permelia

The three sons were serving in the Civil War when their brother, Charles, died on February 12, 1865, age 16 yrs. 10 months. One week later, their father, Christian, died. Both were victims of spotted fever.





### M. Clyde Harden

M. Clyde Harden, 94, Lakeside Manor, a former resident of route 5, Decatur, died at 9:58 a.m. Friday in Adams County Memorial Hospital.

He was born on January 14, 1897 in Union Township to Ross and Nettie Harkless Harden and married Edna Welty on January 27, 1917; she died on February 10, 1990.

He was a retired employee of Decatur Truck and Tractor, former owner of Case Implement in Berne, and a former mechanic for the Adams County Highway Department. He was a member of Decatur United Brethren in Christ Church and was a former trustee of the church and an official of the church board.

Surviving are two sons, Paul L. Harden, 620 Jefferson St., and Warren W. Harden, 18 Woodcrest Villa; six granddaughters; and eight great-grandchildren. One son, Fred R. Harden, was killed in France while in the military in World War II. One grandson is deceased.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Sunday in Haggard and Armes' Funeral Home; Revs. Lynn Mefferd and James Sturgeon officiating. Burial will be in Decatur Cemetery, with private graveside services Monday. Honorary pallbearers are Steven Bittner, Mark Bittner, Tom Bittner, Jim Bittner, Jon Bruner, Jim Bruner, and Dave Hall. Visiting hours are 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today and after 10 a.m. Sunday. Preferred memorials are to United Brethren Missions or the donor's choice.

*d. Feb 15, 1991*



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