

Zeno Besecker, Co. I

May 17 1864

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Henry Hunter  
Capt.

Drum at Chancellorville  
last night Raccoon Valley —  
that night — At midnight next  
day — Rebs. charged on our div.  
Rebs. driven back — Our army  
had left a gap so that Rebs  
got thru — While these on  
array made the macadamized  
road up on mountain —

While standing on Picket Gen Grant,  
before battle missionary ridge, rode  
up to B. & asked how many  
Rebs had come in on post  
that we had taken there — & how  
Reb lines were — the night before  
we had taken 69 prisoners.  
Grant said we would soon get  
Rebs out of there in few days —  
marked batteries —

Little Hall when had moved  
up on Missionary Ridge in eve.  
he went out & brought Reb  
ammunition — Boys asked him  
where he had been — said he had  
been out in front — didn't  
think there was any danger — He  
said those who knew nothing  
or things —

~~Wounded - Rocky Face  
Burkbeck behind -  
go up day boys or I'll  
Gen of ye -  
I was just at night of road  
Person on left - of 15th  
Creek ~~Col~~ Col Corp - shot thro  
(Co C) & died day or two  
in hospital - Recruit, morden  
shot thro head Co F @ 2/3 way  
up hill - Besker lost his gun on  
hill - lost his swag (blanket  
rolled up & on shoulder & frying pan -  
Besker says he was running down  
hill hauling - (chasing his gun) when  
a rock came rolling down hill after  
him - & rolled on to his gun &  
it jerked out of his hand & he  
left - & the rock rolled by  
his missing gun - Besker  
lost his gun (he went to the  
field hospital at foot of mountain  
to look a gun off from the stock  
of gun of wounded men)  
Dust before getting  
to Rocky Face Ridge boy says  
hauled with 4 tubs of glue on~~

Meranda - I tipped on an  
a woman came out & wanted to  
know why ~~we~~ ~~large~~ ~~you~~ tipped  
her back ~~over~~ for

At Pisaca on charge  
our line was 21 km deep.  
15th Regt went by plank  
road - I then right wheeled ar-  
ound in front of Battery just  
at dark - I relieved the  
post line. I held the Battery -  
on ridge -

Detail made to  
Capt. Jesse F. Green & Res. lay  
there near a little oak tree - Res  
kept firing - hot as ever seen  
but fired over us - Jess said  
lets go back. B. said no just  
good here as back. He was  
shot thro hand that night shooting  
out his left great finger. I went  
back. Then Henry Martin  
came & says we are relieved of  
back. - went back - in morning.

Banking River Creek 2 days  
under fire. Hank Martin was  
mistaken out there - charged them  
about dark -

helped carry man of Co. H. a  
the way Hank sat on side of  
we ~~stump~~ (Corker pin) 4. of us.  
would walk then - Hank said  
resister come here - being Capt  
of Co. B. obeyed - Hank said  
resister I aint going any further  
I cant get an honorable dis-  
charge I'm going to get a dishon-  
orable one - Res. rather 3.  
went on - Hank was detailed  
officer of ~~honor~~ ~~him~~  
Col. of 109th Pa was acting  
Brig Gen. - It was there Hank  
would give ~~of~~ ~~order~~  
~~of~~ ~~order~~  
of what they should be  
the Col - put him under ar-  
rest - I detailed another  
of ~~to~~ ~~command~~ ~~pick~~  
Hank did not drink  
white Lieut - Lt Chatter -  
at his Commission as  
Gen. ~~of~~  
enough - He has  
paper filling high after

Gen.  
Corker  
May 17 85  
Gene