

January

- 1 The weather is beautiful the church bells ring at Fredricksburg some of the boys from the 37th are over today
- 2 Recieved a letter from Mill today
- 3 Rote home today weather plesant nights cold
- 4 Went over to the 37th stayed with Billey all night
- 5 Stayed till after dinner then went home
- 6 On duty today Corpl of the guard over the guns
- 7 Corpl (Hess) reduced for incompetency Private G.W. Bailey promoted to Corpl in place of (Hess) reduced
- 8 Drew whiskey today sold my ration for twenty five cents
- 9 Company drills at (1) A.M. pretty cold for the fingers
- 10 Tore down an old mill down by the river Johney rebs look quite surprised to see us use this mill so but they say nothing
- 11 Old mill makes good bunks for our shanties
- 12 Looks as if there was going to be some fighting army getting uneasy
- 13 Recieved orders this ~~morning~~ afternoon to be ready to march at 2 in the morning
- 14 Started at 3 A.M. and marched (9) miles up the river to U.S. Ford got there at (9) A.M. and pitched our tents and stayed all night
- 15 Went to work building corderoy roads down to the river saw some rebs on the other side at (2) P.M. started for the old camp arrived there at 6 P.M.
- 16 Recieved three days rations
- 17 Recieved orders to be ready to march at 11 A.M. marched at 1 P.M. arrived at our old camp near U.S. Ford at 5 P.M.

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- 18 Recieved a letter from home
- 19 Worked on the road today made it wider so that three colums could march abreast
- 20 At 1 P.M. marched back to where the Ponton train was halted till dark 6 P.M. started with the train it began to rain marched till 11 P.M. stuck in the mud all night
- 21 At daylight marched 1 mile toward the river halt and stay all day get some straw make a nest and stay all night raining steady
- 22 Marched at 10 A.M. halted 2 P.M. $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Falmouth Ponton train stuck in the mud still raining mud crotch deep
- 23 Comenced to build quarters saw troops passing all day saw Billey and the rest of the boys of the 37th
- 24 Beardsly promoted to 2nd Lieut in (C. 2)
Jim promoted to 1st Sergt
- 25 Went on picket today down by the river weather warm mud deep
- 26 Talked across the river today with the rebs about the Burnside mud scrape
- 27 Was relieved by the (28th) today it begins to snow we return to camp
- 28 Heavy snowstorm weather very dissagreeable
- 29 Sun comes out clouds clear away and the snow goes of
- 30 The paymaster has come weather getting plesant again
- 31 We were payed today I recieved \$22 and 40 cents the boys play poker tonight and the green backs change owners pretty fast some few get rich many get poor poor practice when well folowed sent \$20 home

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February

- 1 Went on picket today had a good time weather pleasant
- 2 Relieved from picket today and returned to camp
- 3 Got a letter from home today and wrote an answer to it
- 4 Got a pass and go over to the 37th and see all the boys get a State jacket and a pair of leggings
- 5 Heard the Regt had marched went back to the old camp find one or two boys and stay all night then snowing heavily
- 6 We start at 10 A.M. and overtake the Regt at Potomac creek where they had stayed all night march to within 1 mile of Stafford C.H. and camp
- 7 We have halted in a pine woods and commence to build houses again.
- 8 We are all very busy building winter quarters get our houses up today
- 9 Built a chimney in our house today it draws first rate it is built out of mud and sticks
- 10 Went up to Stafford and had my picture taken scalded my fingers with a hot pie
- 11 Went over to the 37th stayed with Billey all night
- 12 Came back today had a good visit
- 13 Went out on picket to be gone two days
- 14 It begins to snow and rain have to go through a swamp to post the pickets get into the water up to the knees didnt feel very good
- 15 Relieved by the (28th) and return to camp today

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February

- 16 Billey over and eat dinner with us today
- 17 Got a letter from home today weathers getting moderate
- 18 Rote to Johney today
- 19 On duty today Corpl of the camp guard
- 20 Come of duty today go to bed and sleep all day
- 21 Went on fatigue today get up wood for the officers lay of a good big stick for myself
- 22 Today the batteries are fireing a salute tis the aniversary of Washingtons birthday
- 23 We have a heavy snow storm
- 24 The snow is going of and it is awfull going
- 25 Have a big game at snowballing today nobody killed a few slightly wounded
- 26 The boys have a big time snowballing a grey squirrel we find make out to kill him
- 27 no entry
- 28 no entry
- 29 no entry

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March

- 1 no entry
- 2 no entry
- 3 no entry
- 4 no entry
- 5 no entry
- 6 no entry
- 7 no entry
- 8 no entry
- 9 no entry
- 10 Was ordered to act as Sergt Major in place of Church gone on furlow. promoted to fifth Sergt. warrent to date from 1st of March
- 11 Detailed 8 men with axes to chop wood for Bridage headquarters
- 12 Detailed a Brigad and Brigade Comisary guard today
- 13 Detailed Division guard today
- 14 Detailed pickets today 205 enlisted men from the Regt
- 15 Camp looks deserted the boys all out on picket
- 16 Detailed Brigade and Brigade Comisary guard
- 17 Pickets came in today it is pretty cold to do picket duty without any fire
- 18 Done my washing today
- 19 Nights pretty cold we steal the doctors wood dont like to (back) woods from the woods
- 20 Churches time up today he does not come
- 21 Sergt Coning returns from home on furlow today
- 22 Returned to duty in the company. relieved by Church
- 23 through 31 no entries

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April

- 1 Reviewed today by (Jo) Hooker
- 2 no entry
- 3 no entry
- 4 Our Corpse was reviewed today by the President
it is a beautiful day the troops done well
- 5 no entry
- 6 Ordered to act as Sergt Major. promoted to 5th Sergt
warrent to date from 1st of March
- 7 Had Battalian drill today weather warm
- 8 The companys drill today on the Regimental parade
ground
- 9 Had target practice today the boys shoot well
- 10 Detailed 200 pickets today the weather is fine
- 11 The pickets return today
- 12 Recieved orders to be ready to march at 6 A.M.
- 13 Marched to 8 A.M. for Kelleys ford Bivouaced at
(Gurear) Church for the night marched 17 miles
detailed Brigade guard
- 14 started at 5 A.M. and arrived at Kelleys ford at
2 P.M. marched 13 miles
- 15 Detailed pickets today
- 16 Went out in the country and killed a sheep brought
him in live pretty well at the expense of the cesesh
- 17 Weather wet and very unplesant
- 18 Kill one of the neighbors pigs no business to be
a rebs pig
- 19 Bake pig goes good even if it is secesh
- 20 Detail pickets today and brigade guard

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April

- 21 Went out in the country dutch Sergt tries to arrest me I cant see the point
- 22 Had Brigade drill by Col Bushbeck big thing but I could not see it
- 23 Four of our boys get arrested today for being outside of the picket lines foraging they are to be court marshalled
- 24 Boys get one months pay stoped Corpl (Deming) in adition to one months pay gets reduced
- 25 Another Brigade drill dont understand Dutch orders consequently dont mind very good rather slow to execute
- 26 Expect to fight look for the rebs to come across we stand in line of battle from 3 A.M. till after daylight rains heavy all the time no rebs come
- 27 Troops keep coming up today the rest of our Corps also the 5th and 12th we make preparations to cross the river
- 28 Crossed the Rappahnoc at Kelleys Ford and hold the bank till the (bridge) was laid recrossed at 1 oclock A.M. and returned to camp relieved by Church tonight
- 29 Again crossed the Rapahanock at 9 A.M. and remained near the mill all night get lots of flour and ham with (rudraps) from old Kelley
- 30 At 6 A.M. took up our line of march crossed the Rapahan at Jermania mills took dinner 12 P.M. arrived at Chanselorville having marched 25 miles today

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May

- 1 Feel pretty tired the rebs seen in force in front
 weather quite warm
- 2 In the rifle pits Jackson attacks us on our flank
 after 6 P.M. we are obliged to fall back before
 overwhelming numbers rebs sufferd worst but hold
 the ground
- 3 Our company fight with the 3 ArmeY Corps we being
 seperated from our Regt in the night we join our Regt
 in the rifle pits
- 4 We remain in the rifle pits skirmishing all along
 the line the weather is warm our Regt has lost
 200 killed wounded and missing
- 5 we remain in the pits through the day and take the
 place of the reserve at night a heavy storm comes
 on we pass a very dissagreeable night
- 6 We retreat across the Rapahanoc at U.S. Ford march
 10 miles and camped (2) miles east of (Gurea) Church
 roads very bad
- 7 Arrive at our old camp at (9) A.M. we have been six
 days that we have not had our belts of
- 8 the weather is getting plesant again
- 9 No drill and the weather is fine
- 10 We have preaching today by our chaplain
- 11 The Paymaster is here today and paid part of the
 Regt he had to stop we had to attend a Corps drill
 Sent Johney a dolar
- 12 Our company was paid of today I recieved fifty two
 dolars
- 13 We had a nice shower today I dont feel very well
 went on guard at division head quarters
- 14 Was relieved today bought a watch today for \$17
- 15 The weather is getting quite warm

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May

- 16 Rote a letter to Mill feel a little better today
- 17 Today is sunday we have no preaching
- 18 I feel pretty sick today the weather is fine
- 19 I feel a little worse today I have got a slight touch of the fever rote to Mill today
- 20 Feel some better today weather getting quite warm
- 21 Recieved a letter from Jerome. I am getting well again
- 22 Went up to Stafford C.H. had my picture taken paid one dollar for it
- 23 We were reviewed by Genl Howard today got a letter from Mill and answered it
- 24 Rote to Jerome the teamsters buy out the suttler today they are having a big time
- 25 Saw a man in the 28th march around the camp to the tune of the (rogues) march with a board around his neck with the word theif, he stole \$90 from his bunk mate
- 26 We had target firing today I hit the target two out of three shots, rote a letter to Johney sent my picture to him
- 27 Today we went into the woods and cleared a piece of ground for a new camp
- 28 We strike out tents and move to our new camp; we get our house up today. saw a horse race, they run right smart
- 29 Detailed to act as Srgt Major Protém. Recieved a letter from Mill and answered it
- 30 Had the camp policed today and named camp (Noyce) had a dress parade tonight
- 31 We had a funeral sermon preached today the attendance was unusually large, the deceased was a member of (C or B) his name was Fayett Dicker. Lieut Huntly of the 37th and a quite a number of the boys were over and made us a farwell visit. I sold my watch to Spencer Whitlock for fourteen dolars.

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June

- 1 Detailed 200 privates and (4) sergts and 7 Corpls to work on the fortifications
- 2 Col Loomis resigned today the Regt regret his loss very much
- 3 Detailed 20 men to police the ground for our Brigade Commisarys I am sick today and am relieved by Sergt Smith of Co. D.
- 4 We recieved orders to be on the flat in front of Brigade Head() in heavy marching order at sunrise. The division assembeled as ordered and then marched to their camps and were ordered to be ready to march at notice.
- 5 Today I go th the 2nd Division Hospital I recieved a letter from Mill today
- 6 I feel some better today I answered Mills letter today
- 7 Jim and Brad came down to see me today Jim is going to send me some butter
- 8 I feel a little better today went to a military funeral today Houck brought down my butter
- 9 I feel pretty weak dont get along very fast. the weather is quite warm
- 10 I recieved a letter from Johney today and answered it. I feel about the same today.
- 11 I recieved a letter form Mill today Jim came down today and I signed the pay rools
- 12 Jim brought down my pay today I rote to Mill and sent a check of twenty dolars
- 13 Wrote to Father and sent Jims check of thirty dolars for him the Regt marched yesterday at 1 P M for (Catlets) Station
- 14 Our hospital moves we take the cars to (Aquia) Crick then I get on board the Mary Washington and start at 7PM and arrive at Washington 12PM

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June

- 15 At 2 AM we start for the hospital on foot 3 hours walk fetch us to the Staunton hospital J Leonard and myself about tired out
- 16 I feel pretty tired today but I am not any worse
- 17 I continue to gain slowley it is a pretty dull place with a guard all around as if we wanted to run away
- 18 Took the Avenew car and went down the the Navy Yard and saw the sights
- 19 We scrubbed the ward today I go down to the ward room and help to iron some clothes Rote a letter to Mill
- 20 Today we go to the patent office and the Armory squire Hospital and see some of the boys we met Lieut Johnston
- 21 Rote a letter to Jim today
- 22 Rained some today (Surice) black Regt (pass) today
- 23 Went down town went to the Smithsonian institute and to the White house
- 24 40 wounded rebels brought in today among them one Col and other officers
- 25 Went to the river today went to the Smithsonian institute saw Col Jones; was glad to see him
- 26 Went down town today went all over the city went to the post office
- 27 The city is put under martial law great excitement prevails
- 28 Today the 2nd D.C. Regt is picking up every niger they can find and press them into their Regt
- 29 I leave the Regt today and cross the long bridge and go to the Camp Distribution rote to Mill
- 30 I go over to the Convelesent Camp and see the boys that were taken prisoners rote to ()

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July

- 1 Went over and saw the boys in the parole camp
rote to Johney
- 2 Went down and ran the guard and went down to the crick
and had a swim
- 3 It is pretty hot today I got a letter from (jo) and
answered it
- 4 Saw the burning battalion pass in review, had speeches
and saw the fireworks at night, dull fourth of July
to me
- 5 It rained some today we hear good news from the army
of the Potomac we had preaching today
- 6 Rained all day I stay in my tent and read
- 7 We hear of the surrender of Vicksburg: one hundred guns
were fired on receipt of news. I rote a letter to Mill
- 8 Very rainey. I recieved a letter from Johney and
answered it dont feel well today
- 9 Passed the guard and went a berrying on old Lees
plantation we are organized into companies and armed
- 10 Went in swimming today. it is very hot, a heavy
shower in the afternonn cooled it of. I rote a
letter to Jim
- 11 Very hot today went over to the Parole camp and eat
dinner with the boys
- 12 Went a Blueberrying in the forenoon had tremendous
heavy showers in the afternoon
- 13 Recieved orders to join our Regt at 2PM. Very heavy
rain all day: the order was countermanded on account
of the heavy rain.
- 14 Left camp at 2 PM and walked to Alexandria embarked
on board the Manhaton and arrived at Washington at 5 PM
(staed) all night at the soldiers (rest).
- 15 Could not get away for want of transportation took a
walk down town got a letter from Father

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July

- 16 We got loaded up to start but it rained very hard and we did not start
- 17 We got started at 8 PM and went () miles when we had to switch of and wait for the express to pass us
- 18 Traveled all day arrived at Berlin at night and joined the Regt
- 19 Crossed the Potomac at Berlin marched through (Levitsville) and Watterville passed near Leesburg marched 14 miles today very hot
- 20 marched 12 miles today over the mountains blackberries very thick today encamped on south bank of Goose Crick very hot
- 21 We do not move today I went a fishing caught a small mess of fish got some apples today and had a stew
- 22 We do guard duty in the Brigade and Divn Masbys Calvay captured some of our teams
- 23 We marched today through Midleburg White (Pr--s) (---st) Thoroughfare Gap to little Baltimore
- 24 Started for conscripts marched to Gainsville 8 miles took the cars to Washington staid in the Soldiers Retreat over night
- 25 Left Washington 6 PM arrived Baltimore 8 PM. left Baltimore 9 PM
- 26 Arrived at Elmira 12 AM eat dinner at the Western hotel then went up to the barracks
- 27 Went down town and had two (cressents) made for Capt Chehey and Crosby
- 28 Went to town and drew some new clothes
- 29 Went on guard today got a furlow and went home arrived at Great Valley 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ PM
- 30 Walked up home arrived there 4am folks all asleep took them by surprise went over and see the rest of my folks

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July

31 Went down to the village with Johney and saw all my old acquaintance Johney came up home with me and we fired at a target we went down and saw Johana in the evening come home and found Mr. Rice and his wife here

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August

- 1 Went over home and stayed all night Mill was with me
- 2 Went to meeting on the (--11) Mr. (jo--) (preached)
went to singing school with (---)
- 3 Left home started for Elmira arrived there at 11½PM
arrested a deserter on the (cars)
- 4 Turned my prisoner over to the provost martial then
went to the barracks
- 5 Went on duty as Corpl of the guard . rote to Mill
- 6 Went down town went in swimming when I came back
- 7 Stayed at the Barracks all day went in swimming at
night
- 8 Went to town and had my picture taken rote to Johney
Lent M B Lamb \$1.00
- 9 Went to town went to church saw a big fire in the
afternoon
- 10 I went to the city saw the remains of the fire Rote
to Jim
- 11 Went to the city and got my picture recieved a letter
from Mill
- 12 Answered Mills letter and went to town at night
took a ride up to the mountain hous
- 13 Went on guard as corpl A (scritt) T. (Hapstader)
started for home on five days furlow
- 14 Went down town when I got back had been detailed
as Sergt Major
- 15 Remained in camp all day Conscripts were paid at
night and started for New York
- 16 Remained in camp today had sunday morning inspection
and heavy thunder showers
- 17 Went down town came back and got some apples in an
orchard

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August

- 18 Got relieved from (act) Sergt Major recieved a letter
from Mill and answered it
- 19 Went to town was subpenaed as a witness on a law suit
- 20 Went to town the suit was adjourned got a letter
from Johney
- 21 Answered Johneys letter got one from Billey Willson
- 22 Answered Billeys letter went to town with a
substitute
- 23 Went to the city went to church
- 24 Went on picket had a big time had lots of roast corn
- 25 Rained hard all day went to town got a canteen full
of whiskey for Frank got a letter from Mill and
answered it
- 26 Went to town stayed all night. came up in the
morning
- 27 Went to town the Cavalry moved over to barracks (---)
- 28 Went to town and drew some clothing bought a pair
of pants
- 29 Went to town in the forenoon
- 30 Went to church in the forenoon and took a walk in
the country in the afternoon
- 31 Today is musterday I was mustered as Sergt Major
warant to daté from July first went to town at
night went to the theater

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September

- 1 We signed the payrolls today and Col Allen started for Washington to get our pay
- 2 Frank got a furlow for six days I went to town and drew an overcoat answered Mills letter
- 3 Cold and rainy I stayed at the barracks all day
- 4 Started for New York with two car loads of substitutes left Elmira at 6 P.M.
- 5 Arrived in New York at 6 A.M. went up to Riekers Island started for Elmira at 5 P.M.
- 6 Arrived at Elmira at 6 A.M. took breakfast at the Western Hotel then went to barracks
- 7 Went to town and got my pay \$76 saw the fire companies all out Saw Lieut Church
- 8 Went to town with a substitute in the fore noon
- 9 Went on guard in the forenoon my furlow came in the afternoon I went to town and stayed all night
- 10 left Elmira 6 A.M. got up to the picknick at 12 (M) had a plesant time got home at night
- 11 Went hunting with Johney killed two partridges went to town to the panorama with Johney in the evening
- 12 Rainey all day my folks come to see me in the afternoon
- 13 Went to Sunday school on the hill Burt stopped and took tea we went down to Amosas after tea
- 14 William, Johney and me went to (Lin--) lake fishing saw Crosby out there
- 15 Went fishing in the forenoon with Mill and down to Amosas in the afternoon
- 16 Went over home went hunting with Capt and Johney killed one partridge

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September

- 17 I started for Elmira Mill carried me to the village arrived at Elmira 11:30 P.M.
- 18 Rained all day went to town in the afternoon went on guard at night
- 19 Add got a furlow for 7 days I start for New York at 5 P.M. with a load of conscripts
- 20 arrived in New York at 8 A.M. went up to Rieker Island came back and stoped at (Lovejour) Hotel then went to 33 (Hywart) street (** the next two lines have been erased)
- 21 Went to (Barnums) and went up to Central park started for Elmira at 5 P.M.
- 22 Arrived at Elmira a 4 A.M. went up to the barracks got a pass and went to town in the afternoon.
- 23 Went on guard as Sergt of the prisoners the night was quite cold
- 24 Went to town in the afternoon Mill came and I took her to (-----) a house stayed down all night (**next line unreadable)
- 25 Went to the Barracks in the morning came back and took (-----er) with Mill then took a walk
- 26 Mill went up to the Barracks with me and saw (them) drill
- 27 Mill came up and stayed and saw inspection and (-----) (-----) went to (church)
- 28 Walked out with Mill bought some cloth to make jackets
- 29 the paymaster came and (-----) to pay the (-----)
- 30 ** all of this entry is too smudged to read

October

- 1 Mill started for home this morning with the Capt's wife
- 2 Went to town with Frank got a letter from Johny
went on guard at night
- 3 Frank got a furlow for seven days I went to town
with him saw Dr (Vanaus)
- 4 Rote to Johny and Mill had inspection today
- 5 Went to the (-----) went to town again in the
evening got a letter from Mill went on guard
at night
- 6 Went to town with S. Hotchkiss answered Mills letter
- 7 Stayed at the barracks all day and read weather
plesant
- 8 Add and me went up the river and got some chestnuts
- 9 Charlie and me went over the hill east of Elmira
and got some chestnuts
- 10 Add and me went after hickory nuts got a good mess
of them and came down by the mountain house
- 11 Took a walk out into the country with Add and Frank
got some apples
- 12 Went to town with Frank got a letter from Mill
weather beautiful went on guard at night
- 13 Answered Mills letter 12 officers and eight Sergts
ordered to their Regts for ungentelmanly conduct
- 14 Went hickory nutting and got my haversack full
- 15 Charley starts for home today I went nutting again
went on guard at night
- 16 rainey went to town one hundred and fifty substitutes
sent to New York
- 17 Went nutting in the morning went to town on patrol
at night

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October

- 18 Stayed at the barracke all day couldnt get a pass because I didnt have white gloves on dress parade
- 19 Went to town and bought me a pair of white gloves got a letter from Mill and one from Johney
- 20 Answered Mills and Johnneys letters and went to town
- 21 Started for Washington with a load of substitutes and deserters Left Elmira 5 P.M.
- 22 Arrived in Baltimore at 7 A.M. took breakfast at the Union Relief left Baltimore at 10 A.M. arrived 4P.M. Washington arrived Alexandria 6 P.M.
- 23 Left Alexandria 8 A.M. for Washington stayed at the Depot Hotel I went to () theater
- 24 Left Washington at 3 P.M. for Elmira layed over at Baltimore till 9:15 P.M.
- 25 Arrived at Elmira 12 (M) took dinner at the Western Hotel the went to the barracks
- 26 They have shut down on so many passes (---day) so I have got to stay at the barracks today
- 27 Very plesant weather but cold Frank started for Washington with a load of subs I went on guard
- 28 I got a pass and went to town and got me a gold pen and a silver holder
- 29 Stayed in camp all day drill and dress parade as usual
- 30 Got a pass and went to town and stayed all day heard Governor Curtin speak at Eily hall
- 31 Today the detachments are all mustered for pay the weather is verry wet and we are mustered in the mess room after muster I got a furlow for three days and started for home for the purpose of voting went through without paying any fare

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November

- 1 Got home at five oclock in the morning found the folks all well went down to Johanas in the afternoon
- 2 Johney came over and we went hunting and killed 1 mink 4 partridges and 4 squirells went to meeting on the hill in the evening
- 3 Went to town to election put in one vote for the Union saw a number of the boys from my company
- 4 Stayed over home last night went hunting today with the Capt Johney killed 2 rabbits and 2 black squirells
- 5 Started for Elmira at 4 P.M. arrived here at 12P.M. stayed down town all night
- 6 Stayed down town till after dinner went to camp and went on guard at night
- 7 Went to town and stayed a spell then went to the barracks
- 8 There was no inspection today it is cold and rainey Charley and me went to town & got supper
- 9 I went on guard today as Corporal over the prisoners
- 10 Went to town and drew some clothing it snowed some in the morning
- 11 We had inspection today the weather is quite cold recd a letter from Mill & Jim and answered them
- 12 Went on guard today weather verry plesant
- 13 Went up to the female seminary and to the rolling mill and saw them make rails
- 14 I went to town today with charley borowed two dolars of Crosby went to the theater with Charley
- 15 Sunday it is rainy all day we had no inspection today
- 16 I went to town F. Hufstatder was taken to the hospital
- 17 I went to town and got my pay \$42 went on guard at night verry rainy

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November

- 18 Went to town stayed down in the evening (gought)
a new knife
- 19 Went to town today with a prisoner
- 20 Capt Cheney started for the Regt today
- 21 E D Godfry passed through here yesterday it is verry
rainy I went on guard rote to Jim
- 22 Sunday we had no inspection it is very cold but
clear and plesant for this time of year
- 23 It is plesant today I went to town and went over
and saw Francis sent \$10 to Mill
- 24 Went on guard saw a total eclipse of the moon in
the morning
- 25 Went to town got a letter from Mill had quite a
snow storm at night
- 26 Thanksgiving I answered Mills letter and took it
to town
- 27 I went to town went on guard at night rote to
Johney & sent him some shirts
- 28 I drew me a pair of pants and (fixed) them over
Col Allen started for the Regt
- 29 Sunday plesant but verry cold I went to church
- 30 Weather verry cold I went on guard today

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December

- 1 Went to town weather verry cold snows a little
- 2 Weather warmer today the subs and scrips were sent of
- 3 Went on guard today went to town got a letter from Mill & one from Johney and answered them
- 4 Went to town weather quite plesant got a letter from Jo
- 5 Was detailed to go on guard and I wouldnt go cold and wet today got a letter from Jim
- 6 Sunday clear and cold I went on guard today
- 7 I went to town today it is quite cold
- 8 Took some washing to the washwoman went on guard
- 9 Went to town went to the theater at night the play was Romeo & Juliet
- 10 Co. D was consolidated with our Company today it fills the barracks full one Co. of the 16th Invalid corpse came today
- 11 I went to town and stood guard over Stewart went and saw the glass blowers at night some of the detachments went recruiting
- 12 Went on guard over Stewart again today Went up to Concert Hall saw some (Deoromie) paintings & the burning of Moscow
- 13 Sunday quite cold today I went to church
- 14 Went to town as guard for Stewart the court adjourned till Friday
- 15 I was detailed into a Company of recruits as Orderly Sergt
- 16 We fixed up the barracks today and got the Company organized
- 17 I went to town today got a letter from Mill I put Pat Murphy in the guard house for disobedience

December

- 18 Quite pleasant the Volunteers are coming in quite fast we move into our office today
- 19 I put Terance O brine in the guard house for drunkenness got a furlow for seven days went home Johney met me at the depot with the buggy
- 20 Got home six Oclock in the morning It has snowed all day it will make good sleighing
- 21 I went over home and went hunting with Johney I killed two rabbits
- 22 We went over home and took supper Mr Neilsons folks were there
- 23 Johney and me went hunting in the forenoon killed three partridges Mill and me went over home and stayed all night
- 24 Mary and Wm & Mill and me went out to Lundon (Missy) was sick all the time Saw all of Denis folks
- 25 Today is Christmas we came home today Mother and Johana (---) came over to our house and took supper
- 26 Mr. Davis & wife staid all night last night Ma went to quarterly meeting Mill & me went down to Amosas in the afternoon
- 27 Johney and Eddy came over here and took supper it is foggy and wet today
- 28 I start for Elmira today it is quite rainy today
- 29 I got back to Elmira from home and was detailed to go to New York with a company of collard troops started at 6 P.M.
- 30 Arrived at Jersey City at 1 A.M. went over to Castle Garden delivered over our men there put up at the Love Joy Hotel went to the American theater that night
- 31 Went up to the Central park this forenoon, wen to Barnums in the afternoon and saw his giants, started for home at 6 P.M.

Alexander Bird

Report of the Georgia Campaign

May 1864

- 4th Broke camp in (Looko--) (Valley) at 4 P.M. and crossed the slope at (Lookout) Mountain incamped in a Chattinouga Crick (1) Regt under the command of Col P (H-f-nes)
- 5th Resumed the march passing through Rossville Gap and on the
7th Crossed Taylors Ridge near Gordens Springs
- 8th Participated in the unsuccessful assault of Rockey Faced Ridge. The Brigade was formed in line of Battle about 2 miles from the base of the main Ridge. The 27 Pa. on the right and the 13 Pa. on the left of the 154th N.Y. Our collors were planted on the crest of the Ridge but we were unable to hold the position. The loss of the Regt was 8 killed 42 wounded & 6 missing Total 56 Col Jones was injured so seriously that he was obliged to return to Chattinouga and his command (devolved) upon Lt. Col D B Allen
- 9th took and fortified a position in front of Divn Hd Qts where we remained until the 12th When we marched for Snake Crick Gap through which we passed and incamped a short distance in front
- 13 & 14
We were engaged in a series of marches and manuvvers which resulted in the engagement of the 15th in which engagement the Regt participated with a loss of 4 men wounded. In this advance the 154th was on the right of the Brig. and the 73d Pa. (next) in line. After dark the 154th with the 27th & 73d Pa. as support were directed to take some pieces of artilery from a Redout on a hill in front of a strong line of works occupied by the enemy. While we were engaged in digging into the Redout the enemy opened a brisk fire from their works. The fire was so sudden that our support broke and fell back to the bottom of the hill acompanied by that portion of the 154th who were engaged with shovels and picks. The ballance of the Regt. stood fast but after the firing had ceased we were withdrawn by orders of the Brig. Commander.
- 16th
The enemy having abandoned their works during the night we were early in the persuit. Lt. Col Allen having been taken sick the command of the Regt devolved upon Major L D (Warner)

Alexander Bird May 1864

The march was continued throughout the 17, 18 & 19th when we incamped near Cassville where we remained until the morning of the 23rd. On the 19th the 154th was detailed to guard the Amunition train.

23rd

Marched at 6 A.M. passing Cass Station and taking a course south. crossed the Elawah River on Pontoon Bridge. continued in same direction without incident untill 25th when our advance encountered the enemy about 2 miles south of Punkin Vine Crick. The colum was halted and formed in line of Battle. the 154th in the 3rd line 109th Pa. on the right and 33rd nj on the left. in this order we advanced nearly 2 miles, the enemy retiring untill darkness put an end to the affair for the day. We lay all night on our arms and on the 26th we were engaged in making breastworks in front of our position. Here we remained untill

June

1st when we were relieved by a part of the 16th A C and we moved to the left our loss during the last 8 days was 1 officer and 10 men wounded After marching for about 6 miles we Bivouaced for the night and the 154th was detailed to picket the Divn front.

2nd Resumed the march and after about 4 miles encamped where we remained untill the 6th when we again moved about 4 miles to the east and encamped where we remained untill the 14th in line of Battle with the 119th NY on our right and 73rd Pa on our left. raining every day since the 1st.

14th

The Regt was detailed for picket 10 A.M. marched out on the Akworth road about 1 mile passed the Picket which was scarcely done when we were ordered to return at once which was done as soon as possible and then the Brigade moved out on the Marietta road about 2 miles and bivouaced for the night near Pine Know which was held by the enemy.

15th

Marched about 11 A.M. to the left of the position which the enemy had evacuated last night after moving about 1 mile by the flank the Brigade was formed in line of Battle and the 154th was (delayed) as skirmishes to (cover) its front in this order we advanced about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile when on reaching the crest of a high hill we were met by a heavy fire from the enemys skirmishes who were strongly posted behind a strong line of detached (pitts) not more than 250 yards in our front our boys each sprang to a tree and returned

the fire with spirit in advancing up the hill our line of skirmishes had become separated somewhat from (120) Brigade which was on our right and the 3d Brig which was on our left had crowded too far to the left and we were ordered to move by the flank to the left which in the present position was a very perilous move as they had no protection except such as was afforded by the trees. The order was, however, carried out but with the loss of several men. After keeping up a brisk fire upon the enemy for about 1 hour when they were driven from their defences and we at once pursued them with loud cheers which was kept up for about 1 mile when we were brought to a halt by a heavy fire from a strong line of works with (Abatis) and heavy slashing in front and where the enemy were in force. Such were the ardour and enthusiasm however of our men that many of them penetrated to the very foot of the Abatis from which they after dark withdrew. Our lines following closely behind the skirmishers formed in front of the works and a heavy fire was kept up into the night as fast as the skirmishers could be got in they were formed in rear of the first line where we rested until near midnight when we were ordered to the right to fill a space on the left of the 1st Brig where we worked hard until after daylight building breastwork when we were marched back to our original position where we remained during the day without defense to protect us from the enemy fire at night we were ordered to the right to relieve the 73rd Pa. and occupied nearly the whole night in building breastworks in front of this position which was much exposed to the enemy musketry. Our loss during these two days was 4 men killed 2 officers and 19 men wounded.

17th

The enemy having evacuated their works during the night we were early on the move occupied the enemy deserted works and after moving by the flank about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles found ourselves again in the presence of the enemy who held a fortified position on a range of hills some distance in our front formed line of Battle being in the 2nd line 154th on the right of the second line in this order advanced about 1 mile, most of the distance through an almost impenetrable jungle after emerging from this into an open field the Brig was placed in position in single line and at dark and after dark erected works in front of the entire line which occupied a large part of the night.

19th

The enemy having again fallen back we moved in pursuit but at a verry slow pace in consequence of the state of the roads. Advanced about 2 miles when we again took position the 154th in support of our batteries passed most of the night in entrenching and slashing

20th

about 12 (M) relieved the 3d Brig which was on our right

21st

7 A.M. was relieved by troops from the 4th Corps and moved farther to the right where we erected a line of works to (---) our front

22nd

About noon advanced about $3/4$ of a mile across a piece of woods in our front to the edge of an open field on the opposite side of which the enemy appeared to be in force Here we erected another line of works and our boys done considerable skirmishing we were under arms until nearly midnight in anticipation of an attack Remained here untill the 27th with a loss of 5 men wounded while skirmishing which was day and night Soon after daylight the Brig moved to the left in front of the position of the 1st & 3d Brigades and then advanced about $3/4$ th of a mile the 154th on the right of the line we advanced so far (ere) the order to halt was given that the right of the line was exposed to a severe flank fire from the enemys skirmishes which rendered it necessary to change front to rear on our right as soon as we were in position we threw up breast works to cover our front which from its proximity to the enemy was verry much exposed and especialy our right We remained here untill the eve of the 30th our loss in this affair was 1 killed and 3 wounded at dark we were relieved by troops of the 14th A.C. and we moved to the rear and to the right and relieved a part of the 23d A.C. this movement occupied nearly the whole night it being 3 A.M. of July 1st when we got into position which was in the 2nd line and on the right of the Powder Springs Road

Alexander Bird 1864

July

- 1st At daylight moved out to the front line to fill a gap there. Remained there until (3) PM when we were relieved by troops of the 3rd Brig and we rejoined the Brig in the 2nd line just before night. The Brig moved to the right to close the interval between that and the 23rd Corps, repaired our works, slashed our front
- 2nd remained here during the day
- 3rd the enemy having again evacuated, we were early on the advance in the direction of the River after marching 5 or 6 miles we again found the enemy in position. Took position in an open field in their front the 2nd Brig in 1st line remained here during the 4th with no incident except the usual amount of skirmishing.
- 5th The enemy having once more cleared the way, we advanced over their deserted works and marched to within 2 miles of the river and near KnifeJack crick and encamped
- 6th In the afternoon moved to the left with the prospect of remaining some days
- 7th Moved camp to the front $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile and here we remained until the 17th with no other duty than Picket and ordinary camp soldiering
- 17th Broke camp at 4 PM and crossed the river at Paces Ferry upon two Ponton Bridges and encamped about midnight on the eastern bank
- 18th At 10 AM the Brig broke camp and crossed Nancey Crick advanced by the flank $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and then formed into line of battle facing south in which formation we advanced about 2 miles through an almost impenetrable forrest the 154th was on the left of the Brig line and conected on the left with troops of the 3rd Divn near sunset we took position which we proceeded to fortify which work occupied fully half of the night
- 19th Marched in the direction of Peach Tree Crick which we crossed in the afternoon and took position on a hill in front and which we proceeded to fortify the 154th in reserve task of fortifying took a good share of the night
- 20th At 7 AM moved out about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the front rested 2 hours and then advanced to a position near the foot of an eminence on which our front line was posted with Artillery The 2nd Brig was in (reserve) in 2 lines the 154th in the 2nd line and on the left of the 134th which formed the

extreme right the 33rd NJ formed the right of the 1st line of the Brig this Regt being ordered to the front the 134th & 154th formed the only support to the single line which was on the top of the hill with no entrenchments in their front when the firing commenced these two Regts advanced up the hill to the support of the first line obliqueing considerable to the right so that the right of the 132nd covered the extreme right of the line these men were here ordered to lay down with their arms in their hands. not many moments had elapsed when the enemy attacked our front and flank in a strong force. The front line at once gave way under the force that was hurled against it and fell back in confusion through our lines to which this panic was communicated and the whole right of our line retreated to the foot of the hill and back to the position we left in the morning here we again formed our lines and moved out to a position on the left of the 1st Divn which we at once proceeded to fortify and which place we held until the 22nd our loss during this engagement was 1 man killed, 1 officer and 4 men wounded and 1 man missing. on the moring of the 22nd we were early on the move and without (-----) we proceeded and took position in front of the defences (proper) of the city behind which the enemy had retired here we proceeded at once to fortify our entire front cut down the timber in our front which might shelter the enemy in an attack on our works remainde here until the 26th engaged in picket fatige & camp duties

26th After dark we moved into a new line of works which had been in process of construction for several days about 400 yards in front of our previous position the 154th was third in the line from the right the 134 on our right and the 109th on our left here we remained until Aug. 25th without any event of sufficient importance to note.

August 1864

25th At daylight the 109th P.A. which was on our left was detailed to accompany (Prisoner) train and we extended our tents so as to hide any change which had been made from the enemy. After dark the whole line packed up and at 9 PM left their works and marched to Paces Ferry arriving there a little after daylight of the 26th Heavy detail from the Regt with axes to slash along the road in front of the position taken by the 3rd Brig in the afternoon moved to the right and took position on a sharp knob the Regt forming the left of the Brig built a strong line of works on our front and established a camp in the rear Remained here untill the 29th fixing up camp and furnishing heavy details for chopping in the extensive slashing on our front and right

Alexander Bird 1864

August

29th At 12 N ordered to strike tents and move to the left of the 1st Brig which was on our right to relieve a portion of that Brig moved to the designated position and proceeded to entrench, lay out camp our Regt occupied 4 detached works and the camps were much extended we furnished heavy details for slashing our front, policing picketing etc. untill

September

2nd recieved orders to pack up at once and join the Brig which was to march to Atlanta immediately struck tents and joined the Brig in the main road from the Ferry marched in the rear of the Artilery, in this order entered the City soon after dark Bivouaced for the night on the corner of McDonough & Fair Streets near the city Hall.

3rd Fell in and marched out beyond the fairground and ocupied a Rebel fort that had 2 abandoned 64 pounders in it put up our tents in good shape and remained until the

5th when we moved out and took posession of the Reb rifle pits on McDonough road we layed out a camp and built comfortable quarters

7th George came and saw me we went and found Jim and took a ramble round town

8th George came over took dinner and started for his Regt

9th Pleasant nothing of importance ocured Jim came over in the afternoon took supper

10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th & 15th nothing of importance ocured. 4 hours drill Friday ordered from Brigade Head Qrs weather fine

16th the Brigade was reviewed by Genl Garey

17th Col Jones took command of the Brigade I bought a guitar today

18th I moved into the house where Brig Hd Qrs had been

20th Signed the Payrolls

25th Division reviewed by Genl Slocum

29th Division drill by order of Genl Garey

Alexander Bird 1864

October

Nothing of importance occurred until the 12th except heavy details daily for picket and Fatigue. On the 12th we were paid 8 months pay

- 14th received a commission as 1st Lieut
- 15th The Regiment went on a raid
- 17th I was mustered as 1st Lieut
- 20th Went on picket
- 23rd Went with the Brigade to guard a working party whilst they tore up the road at East Point we met the Reb cavalry 2 miles from East Point part of our Regt and part of the 33rd were deployed as skirmishes we drove them in fine style wounding three and proceeded to take up track
- 27th Started at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ PM on a raid our Brig went to support a party that went out the day before marched through Decater and encamped for the night there $\frac{1}{2}$ miles North West of Stone Mountain Station I slept in a house
- 28th It began to rain we marched at 7 AM passed through Stone Mountain Station 10 AM. Joined Genl Gareys forces at 12 N and went into camp 2PM our Regt was detailed to guard some waggens while they foraged returned to camp 6 P.M. weather cleared up
- 29th The (--- ----) and myself took a ride out near the mountains 3PM the whole train started back for camp halted for the night 5 miles South East of Decater our Regt went on Picket
- 30th Killed 6 hogs while on picket 11 AM started for camp arrived there 6 PM found alot of recruits the recruits were assigned to companies and we made our monthly return I was assigned to the charge of recruits
- 31st Mustered for pay and made out payrolls

Alexander Bird 1864

November

- 1st comenced drilling the recruits
- 2nd & 3rd made payroll and prepared for a march
- 4th Recieved Bounty and back pay 112.80
- 5th Broke camp and marched outside the City camped for the night
- 6th I went on picket the troops marched back to camp rained all night
- 7th Rebs made an attack on our 3rd Brix and were repulsed
- 15th Left camp 8 AM marched out on the Decator Road Camped for the night near Stone Mountain
- 16th Marched nearly E 15 miles and camped for the night
- 17th Was detailed for picket marched at 5 AM (picketed) for the night on the road (4 miles of Social Circle)
- 18th marched through social Circle took dinner at Rutledge camped for the night near Madison
- 19th Marched at 5 AM passed through Maddison before daylight I stopped and got a bottle of whiskey & Brandy took dinner at BuckHead marched (2) miles beyoun and camped for the night we tore up track till dark
- 20th Marched at 7AM struck the (Ocone) at 10 AM and marched South camped on a nice plantation rained at night
- 21st Marched a 8 AM passed to the East of Eatonton rained all day cleared of at night and froze very hard
- 22nd Pleasant but very cold reached Millidgeville at 5 PM marched through the city in grand stile crossed the river and the Regt went on picket
- 23rd Amos and me took a ride out in the country about 8 miles got a buggy and a good amount of provisions and alot of cigars
- 24th Marched a 7 AM nearly South crossed (Torin /Toun) crick and camped for the night
- 25th marched at 6 AM country rather poor crossed Buffalo crick and camped for the night

Alexander Bird 1864

November

- 26th Marched at 6 AM arrived at Sandersonville at noon took dinner the advance skirmished with the Rebs we marched down to the Depot and destroyed the Road, camped in the woods 3 miles from the Depot had a false alarm in the night got out under arms took a new position and went to bed again.
- 27th Marched at 7 AM and tore up track and burnt up bridges till noon marched till 11 PM crossed the (Ogerche) river and camped at Davisborough
- 28th Marched at 10 A.M. as guard to Corps Hd Qrs Train. marched to Spear Station right wing of the Regt went on picket weather fine
- 29th Marched at 7 AM passed through Betheney 1 P.M. halted at Eastwick station took dinner and tore up track till dark
- (30th) Continued to tear up track and destroyed the Railroad Bridge across the River Had a good deal of fun ferrying a family of Niggers across the River 4 PM marched up the River to Louisville arrived there at 11 PM marched 15 miles

December

- 1st Marched a 7 AM the Regt was detailed for guard to Fonton train the day was pretty warm got plenty of potatoes and pork camped at 5 P.M. came (1-) miles
- 2nd Marched 6 AM South East. foggy in the morning, cleared of bright and warm crossed Dr. Johnstons plantation, a very wealthy place good forageing camped at 4 PM near Buck Head Church
- 3rd Marched East took dinner near Millen I went and saw the boiling spring and the Bullpen where our prisoners were kept we marched in the rear of the corps got into camp at 10 PM rained in the night
- 4th I was detailed with my Co to go forageing we struck to the right crossed the railroad and found a poor country followed the 17th Corps about 5 miles from Station No 7 struck out towards our corps and found plenty of forage got about 150 bushels of potatoes and some pork struck the main road about dark our Divn was behind so we camped for the night
- 5th Joined the Regt when it came along about 8 AM marched through a very poor country today mostly pine forests and swamps marched 15 miles today

December

- 6th Marched at 7 AM road very good in the forenoon the country verry poor in the afternoon the roads were Corderoied and verry poor, camped 4 miles North of Turkey crick rained in the night weather quite warm
- 7th Marched at 6 AM roads verry bad rained most all day Sergt Charles Brown died today Jessie Campbell shot himself through the heart accidentaly while out forageing we camped near Springfield got into camp about 8 PM
- 8th Marched at 7 AM our Divn in advance we passed through Springfield and crossed Little Turkey crick found considerable obstruction in the road found a verry good country to forrage in (Luck) got a lot of chickens pork, Tobaco, Potatoes etc. we went into camp at 4 PM came 12 miles
- 9th Marched at 7 Am marched verry slow and carefull found considerable obstruction in the road we could hear the cannons (----) verry plain the 1st Divn had the advance when within 16 miles of Savanah the Rebs opened on our advance with a piece of Artilery we double (quick) down to support the 1st Divn they sent a party around to flank the gun they got out with the gun but we took the Cason camped for the night within 15 miles of Savanah
- 10th Our Brig was detailed for train guard 7 AM we marched back one mile to the rear of the train and halted untill noon when we followed in the rear of the train the road was good though swampy on each side at 3 PM we struck the Charleston & Savanah Road, 10 miles from the City we heard heavy cannon (---) on the right at 7 PM we (----) through the train and camped for the night within 5 miles of Savanah rained all night
- 11th 9 AM moved to the left of the road towards the river about 1 mile the 3rd Brig had the advance and skirmished considerable halted and had dinner 12 PM it was reported the enemy were massing in our front our Brig was hurried down into line but no charge was made, but we were pretty well shelled for about half on hour but no one was hurt just before dark we moved out and went up the river about 1 mile and went into camp for the night after dark Lieut Watterman & Amis H. Mattison and myself took a boat and crossed the river over to the Island we got forty chickens some corn some meal a hive of honey and lots of stuf that had run the Blockade

Alexander Bird 1864

December

- 13th went up to the train saw Jim got some clean clothes had a good scrubbing made out my monthly return; in the afternoon they shelled us from the(-----) Battery 3 men & 1 Officer was wounded in our Regt Capt Galagher leg slight Sergt Bowen hip slight Z. Besucker thigh severe B. Nickels back severe it was all done with one shell the 1st Divn captured a large Transport that was coming down the River with two gunboats, after a sharp fight with Capt Winegar's Battery the Transport was crippled and captured and the gunboats drove back up the river weather beautiful Saltey captured
- 14th We remained supporting the Battery the 134th went across the river to the Island drove the Rebs of and took possession of the Mill the Rebs shelled them from the gunboats I went over to see Jim staid and took supper with him heard Ft (McAlister) was taken came verry near being cut into with a 100 pds shell when I was going up the road
- 15th Weather fine took a ride in the morning on the river Capt Benson Galagher and me captured a flat Boat that was coming in with the tide in the afternoon the Rebs run a gunboat up this side of the city and shelled the old mill and our Transport
- 16th Rebs shelled us right smart from their gunboat at night I was detailed to take charge of some men to work on a fort in the rear of the 3rd Brig worked all night
- 17th Rebs verry quiet on our part of the line today we had a verry large mail today I got my shirts and stockings policed up the grounds and fixed up the camp
- 18th I went up to Jim's and had dinner he got me some shuggar a flag of truce was sent in today to demand the surrender of the city which was not granted had a verry warm day we recieved our first mail
- 19th I was detailed to work on the fort got shelled pretty lively Rebs fired a good deal today we got our first rations today we were pretty hunary
- 20th Weather lowsey threatening to rain went out squirrel hunting; in the afternoon the Rebel gunboat came up the river and shelled us one shell burst in the Regt severely wounding one of the niggers and slightly wounding a few of the men

Alexander Bird 1864

December

- 21st at 4 AM the enemy were reported evacuating at 5 AM we were on the move for the City marched in at 6 AM our Divn was in first Genl Garey made us a speech we moved up on to the old Parade ground and camped I took a walk down town got a lot of nice tobacco at night a party of us took a walk through the City
- 22nd I went and got a large Hospital tent we put it up the Regt all got pretty drunk
- 23rd We layed out a camp got a load of lumber and we put up some verry nice quarters Jim came up in the evening
- 24th Went and found a stove didnt do much of anything today
- 25th Christmas I went to town Jim and me took a walk (----) the City we went up into the Exchange tower and took a look at the fleet through a glass went up and had dinner with Jim after dinner we had a ride on the river got into a wrestle with Lieut Amis at night and sprained my knee
- 26th Knee verry painfull all night swelled considerable this morning was detailed for guard and was unable to go stayed in my quarters all day made out a payroll Jim came over rainy
- 27th My knee some better today not able to walk much the 15th Corps was reviewed today by Genl Sherman
- 28th Jim came over today I stayed in camp all day at night I rode to town with the Adjut and saw Lt Fuller
- 29th I made a payroll my knee getting better our Corps was reviewed I went on horseback and looked on they done well
- 30th I went on duty down town had a good time went into a house and was furnished a feather bed to sleep on
- 31st Was relieved went to town with Capt Gallagher had a picture taken came back and was mustered for pay it rained all afternoon weather changed at night (grown) verry cold had to get up in the night to (part) a drunken fight

Alexander Bird 1865

January

- 1st Went to church with Jim in the forenoon in the afternoon went over with Jim and got my pin went up in a house and saw the 3rd Divn skirmish with the Reb Cavalry saw the fleet below Ft Jackson
- 2nd Wrote to Mill sent her my picture went over to Brig Hd Qrs in the evening
- 3rd Went on duty down town had a pleasant day went up and saw Col Jones gave him my pin to take home. went down to see Mr Ponce in the evening with Guy & Shanon arrested a Quartermaster of the 17th A.C. for being drunken and noisy
- 4th Was relieved at 10 A.M. went to camp had some Camp & Garrison Equippage condemned took a ride around town hurt my knee again
- 5th was relieved from command of Co "E" Capt Gallagher and assigned to Co "F" made out a report of unservicable equippage in the afternoon took a ride to town to see the Cavalry review it was postponed
- 6th Went on duty down town pleasant day, cold night all went of quiet Major Warner got back from Hilten Head
- 7th Was relieved at 9 AM went to town bought a pair of shoulder straps paid \$5 had Brigade Dress Parade in the evening worked at a writing desk finished it got a letter from Mill & one from Johnie answered Johnies in the evening
- 8th Sunday had Regimental Inspection and Quarters Inspection by Brig Surgeon went over to Jims he came back with me had parade in the afternoon
- 9th Was detailed for fatigue duty worked all day on a fort rained in the forenoon wrote to Mill in the evening
- 10th Drilled in the forenoon weather verry fine went down town in the afternoon had dress parade at night
- 11th Rained most all day I went down town to board hung a door to my cabbn
- 12th was detailed for duty down town got on post no. 1 fine day but cold night stayed in the evening at my boardinghouse ; all quiet in (Tattnal) St.
- 13th Was relieved at 9 AM went to camp took a horseback ride to town with Harry went down and called on Jim

January

- 14th Verry plesant day Jim came over in the afternoon and took tea with me some young ladies called in the evening and we had some good singing
- 15th Sunday the Chaplain preached today the first time since we left Atlanta. we recieved a mail today & i wrote to Mill and Wm acted as Adjutant on dress parade
- 16th Went on duty down at the Wharf guarding Cotton had lots of Cisters took a ride in a boat night pretty cold
- 17th Was relieved at 9 AM saw part of the 19th A.C. come up the river; went to camp and had orders to be ready to march tomorow at 7 AM
- 18th Recieved orders to be ready to march to 7 AM tomorow
- 19th Rainy didnt go as we expected Dr Day got back i wrote to Johney
- 20th Verry rainy and unplesant Jim was here all day took supper with me wrote to Mill
- 21st Rained steady all day Jim stayed over with us all night got a letter from Mill and answered it
- 22nd Sunday I went to St Johns Church the minister skiped three prayers in order to omit the prayer for the President didnt think much of his sermon rained all day
- 23rd Stopped raining wind blew verry cold and hard had an Cister supper Jim dined with us cleared of cold
- 24th Ordered to march at 8 AM tomorow got ready to move and the order was countermanded untill further orders
- 25th Had to drill today dress parade at night verry cold night
- 26th Jim the Dr and me took a ride down to Bonnie Venture orders to march tomorow at 8 AM
- 27th Struck tents at 8 AM and marched out on the Charleston road the boys felt well and we marched out beyond Cherokee hill and camped for the night. got a diary from Mill came 12 miles

Alexander Bird 1865

January

- 28th Marched at 6 AM my toothe ached all night verry cold morning ground froze hard marched about 4 miles and left the main road to the right roads verry bad today a good deal of swamp camped for the night near Springfield
- 29th Column moved out at 6 AM our Brig in the rear of the train our Regt guarded the Amunition train weather verry cold marched through Springfield road verry bad; Through swamp most of the way went into camp at 3 PM 4 miles from Sisters Ferry boys found some hams and sweet potatoes burried took dinner with Jim on the road Cavalry passed us in the evening heard of the fire in Savanah not quite so cold tonight
- 30th We layed in camp all day weather clear but verry cold I made out my monthly return today wrote to Mill detail went across the river with the (proneers) to build road I went up to Jims at night
- 31st We still lay in camp weather no quite as cold changed my clothes today and had them washed had a toothache all day went over to Jims at night had orders to be ready to be reviewed at 9 AM in heavy marching order

February

- 1st Weather moderate considerable quite plesant the Brig was reviewed in the forenoon in heavy marching order by Col Mindle I went over to the train and got my boots topped. Capt Cole taken with Small Pox
- 2nd Quite plesant today Loomis came to the Fegt today got \$20 of him got a large mail today I got a letter from Mill sent my last years diary home
- 3rd Rainy I wrote to Mill Smith went to the Hospital just dark had orders to strike tents and march immediately marched out about the length of the Brigade and the order was countermanded went back to camp pitched our tents and stayed all night rainy
- 4th Marched at daylight weather foggy and rained a little went up to Sisters Ferry layed there till near noon when we crossed on the pontoons day cleared up bright and warm roads were awful bad marched about 5 miles from the Ferry got into camp about 7 PM I went on picket with 40 men

Alexander Bird 1865

February

- 5th Had an awful toothache went up to the Regt and had it pulled got me a darkie Divn marcher at 2 PM called in my pickets and joined the Regt marched through Robertsville which lay in ashes marched 8 miles road good got into camp at 4 PM night plesant no frost
- 6th Our Regt & 134th were the rear guard to the train today the roads were verry good and a fine country we passed through Lawtonville and camped for the night near Barrwell we came thirteen miles today
- 7th Rained all day the roads were in a horrid condition passed through two swamps found verry good forageing recieved a mail got one letter from Will and one from Johnney
- 8th I started out forageing had one bag of potatoes stole got some more and some pork took a double shuffle on a (Pianoe) weather plesant crossed Rofort Bridge and encamped for the night at Crocketsville nothing left of the place but the church
- 9th Our Brig lead today I got a mule and went out forageing got sweet potatoes and sorgum roads verry good pretty cold marched about 18 miles camped near Blackville
- 10th Moved about 1 mile up to town and guarded the train went out forageing in the afternoon got plenty of flour and some hams
- 11th Moved at 7 AM we guarded the train halted for dinner near (Drineans) Bridge after dinner we crossed the road and camped on the South fork of the (Edisto) the train was crossing all night plesant day I sent two men out forageing got some potatoes pork and flour
- 12th Sunday marched at 6 AM crossed the (river) roads verry bad in the swamp the Regt lead the Brig 1st Brig lead the Divn marched to the North fork of the Edisto where the Rebs disputed our crossing with a section of Artilery we had two men killed and five wounded made 15 miles today camped for the night $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the river
- 13th Fell in and marched at day break Rebs had fell back from the first bridge our Regt was the first to cross found the Rebs near a mill after a sharp skirmish they fell back and the rest of our Corps crossed we moved 15 miles and camped for the night

Alexander Bird 1865

February

- 14th We moved at 8 AM pretty cold I went out in charge of a forageing party went about 8 miles to the left of the road struck the 14th A.C. came back and joined the Regt in camp at dark at the 4 (corners) 16 miles from Columbia had good luck
- 15th Rained all night and cold rainy in the forenoon started at 6 AM 1st Brig lead, ours 2nd in line skirmished with the Rebs all forenoon took several prisoners we lost 1 killed and 2 wounded we followed them to (Lexington) C.H. and camped
- 16th Moved at 8 AM our Divn guarded the train halted within 5 miles of Columbia we built breastworks in the rear to guard against cavalry day quite warm
- 17th Verry fine day marched at 7 AM Columbia taken by the Right Wing we went up the river to (Ziens) Church and camped for the night I turned in a gun to the Major
- 18th Marched at 7 AM crossed the Saluda River our Divn lead the 14th A.C. was ahead of us and we didnt get much forage went into camp at 3 P.M. marched 12 miles
- 19th Our Divn in rear of the train moved at 1 PM about 3 miles and went into camp Regt furnished pickets 7 PM ordered to fall in and marched untill 11 PM in the rear of the train camped on the bank of Broad River the Regt went on picket
- 20th Marched at 1 PM crossed the Broad River on a Ionton bridge /02 boats/ country verry good high rolling land weather plesant camped 8 miles from (Winisboro)
- 21st Marched at 6 AM Country beautiful and rich arrived at (Winisboro) at noon and took dinner in the afternoon went through town and halted and tore up track I went to town after dark and got a hive of honey
- 22nd Tore up track untill 4 PM then went out 8 miles on the Amboy road and camped for the night the town was pretty burnt by the 17th A.C. as they were passing through a good deal of cotton was burnt
- 23rd Marched at daylight I went out with a forageing party didnt have verry good luck crossed the (Catowbu) River (at) Rocky Mount Church country verry rough River banks verry high

Alexander Bird 1865

February

- 24th Moved at 10 AM roads verry muddy rained all day
country rough and rocky made about 7 miles rained
all night
- 25th Lay in camp all day rainy and verry disagreeable
I went over to Jims, took dinner with him Tom Spikins
got back
- 26th Marched at 7 AM our Divn guarded the train weather
cleared of warm made 7 miles camped near hanging Rock
our Regt went on picket country not quite so hilley
- 27th Remained on Picket untill 1 PM when we marched about 3
miles and camped for the night I went over to the
3rd Divn the Major put some of the non Comissioned Officers
on guard for stragling weather pleasant country
better and not so hilley
- 28th Marched at daylight our Divn in advance we had to
corderoy about half the road the country rather poor
weather rainy made 7 miles camped at Hortons Tavern
we were mustered for pay I went over to Capt Shiningers
and got me a horse to forage on

March

- 1st Went out forageing with a small mounted party went near
Lancaster C.H. passed through (Tisial) to Massays Mills
camped for the night dined like princes
- 2nd We started at daylight and went in an Easterly direction
went past Evans & Joplins Mills crossed the Big Black
Crick and took dinner struck the Lancaster & Chesterfield
Road camped for the night 6 miles from Chesterfield C.H.
rained all day
- 3rd Got up and breakfasted at daylight and went down to
Smiths Mill and ground us each a bag full of meal and
went out on the Big road and waited till the Regt came up
weather foggy and wet & roads bad reached Chesterfield C.H.
our Regt went on picket
- 4th The pickets were drawn in at 7 AM we moved up to the
Village and waited till the train pulled out our Regt
was rear guard our boys burnt the C.H. & (Jail)
went into camp at 9 PM 3 miles from the (Pude) River
- 5th Stayed in camp all day got up in the night and pounded
a Jerseyman for stealing my horse
- 6th Marched at 9 AM took the Plank road to Cherow took
dinner then saw Genl (Marions) (ar---) crossed the
Pude River went 5 miles and camped verry fine country
along the river marched 18 miles today

Alexander Bird 1865

March

- 7th Marched at 6 AM our Brig lead the Corps country rather poor pine country saw a pile of (Resin) on fire at night I went out and got some meal got back at midnight camped on the rail road 8 miles from Rockingham
- 8th Marched at 11 AM rained all day roads verry bad Clark captured a fine stallion Col Mindle made him turn it in we got into camp at 11 PM
- 9th Marched at 7 AM with the train verry poor country saw only two houses during the day rained verry heavy all afternoon and we had to corduroy road got to camp at 7 PM
- 10th Marched at 11 AM roads were awful had crossed the Lumber River only moved 3 miles our Peet went on picket cleared of pleasant
- 11th Marched at 7 AM our Regt was rear guard to the Corps crossed the Rock fish crick our Brig Foragers found a barrel of Whiskey and most everybody was drunk didnt get into camp till 4 AM struck the Flank Road 14 miles from Fayetteville
- 12th Marched at 11 AM our Brig in the rear wrote a letter on the road and sent it on by the Chaplain got to town at 6 PM weather fine
- 13th Lay still in the forenoon went and saw the Engineers (batter) down the Arsenel and work shops we moved at 1 PM our Corps was reviewed by Genl Sherman as we passed down the street marched in column by Company crossed the Cape (Fie) River on pontoons saw two of our gunboats laying there marched 3 miles after crossing the river & then went into camp
- 14th Day pleasant lay still all day got our clothes washed and sent out a mail some of our boys were chased by the Rebs and nearly captured Jim save me five lbs. sugar
- 15th Marched at 11 AM rained all afternoon we marched untill 4 AM roads were verry bad we guarded the Cavalry train stole a lot of Hard Tacks
- 16th Started at 7 A.M. in charge of the Cavalry train overtook the rest of the train at noon waited till 5 PM for the train to pull out was on the road all night rained all the time got into camp soon after sunrise

Alexander Bird 1865

March

- 17th Started at 8 AM roads verry bad joined the rest of the Divn at 4 PM crossed the Black River day pleasant and warm camped for the night
- 18th Marched at 7 AM our Brig in the center some shoes were (ishewed) to the troops country rather better crossed the little Coharrie crick & camped at 6 PM our Regt went on Picket
- 19th Our Brig in advance we moved at 7 AM marched 9 miles and camped at 11 PM we were ordered up to go as guard to a train going to the Corps went $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and were ordered back went on Picket the other two Brigs went up to support the Corps
- 20th Pickets were drawn in at 12 N we joined the train and layed there till 7 PM when we guarded train roads verry bad went 7 miles got into camp at 3 AM our Brig in charge of the whole train
- 21st Marched at 9 AM roads verry good pleasant in forenoon rained all afternoon heard heavy firing on the left saw a part of the 24th A.C. saw some of the 112th got into camp 7 PM 4 miles from (----ki--)
- 22nd Marched at 7 AM roads good we went into camp 3 miles from Goldsboro the campain is ended
- 23rd Our Regt and the 109th started at 6 AM as an escort to 200 waggons going to Kinston for supplies day was pleasant had a good time we rode out into the country and got a good dinner we camped for the night (8) miles from Kinston
- 24th We marched at 7 AM got down to Kinston and got loaded up and camped out side of the town saw Genl Jones I wrote a letter to Mill
- 25th Marched at 6 AM pleasant but cold went of on the flank my mule dumped me in the sand camped for the night (8) miles from Goldsboro
- 26th Marched at 6 AM went up through the town found our Brig and had a camp layed out and we went into camp
- 27th Went down to Jims we rode to town he bought me a hat we were ordered to be ready to go foraging tomorrow

Alexander Bird 1865

March

- 28th Our Brig moved 7 AM with 40 waggens went 13 miles North East and got them loaded
- 29th Went to town and got some clothes rained a little
- 30th Worked on my payrolls
- 31st Finished my payroll and made out a monthly (return)

April

- 1st Transferred Co R to Lt Amis had some C. & G.E. condemned
- 2nd The camp was inspected by Genl Garey had preaching in the afternoon I went down to Jims in the evening
- 3rd Made out monthly returns of (C.C. & G.E.)
- 4th Weather verry fine finished my returns John Meloy came to the Regt
- 5th Our Divn was reviewed by Genl (Warber) each Brig had a flas presented to it by Genl Garey
- 6th Heard of the capture of Richmond (Bill) and I went to town wheel ran of from our buggy
- 7th Wrote to Mill, went down to Jims and stayed a spell in the evening rained rard all night
- 8th Went to town weather fine
- 9th Went to town with Jim settled up with Loomis gave Jim my note for \$50
- 10th Broke camp at 6 AM and marched through Goldsboro took the River Road towards Raleigh the 1st Divn in advance they skirmished with the Rebs several times during the day rained all day we made about 14 miles
- 11th Our Divn took the advance our Brig 1st in line we skirmished with the Rebs about 5 miles we entered Smithfield about 2 P.M.
- 12th Our Regt and 73rd were sent back to help the train forward we went forward about 5 miles roads verry bad we got back to the town at 7 PM and crossed the News River and camped 2 miles N

Alexander Bird 1865

April

- 13th Rained some roads verry bad we started at 8 AM folowed up the Railroad towards Raleigh passed through Clayton pretty place camped for the night 8 miles East of Raleigh
- 14th Marched at 7 AM roads better got to Raleigh at 10 AM and went into camp after dinner went to town saw the Insane Asylum and the State house and every thing to be seen then went down to the 112th NY
- 15th Rained all day verry disagreeable we struck tents at 7 AM and got into line to move 10 AM the order was countermanded and we pitched out tents again heard that Johnston wished to surrender
- 16th Sunday bright and pleasant we had preaching in the evening we heard that Johnston had come to terms and everybody got slightly enebriated
- 17th Heard that President Lincoln had been assassinated the Army feels verry bad (shot) in the citty had to be double guarded to keep it from being (burnt)
- 18th Pleasant and verry warm thunder showers in the evening rained all night Jim moved
- 19th Pleasant I went to town in the forenoon verry warm Major Cheney came to the Regt today I was detailed for picket at 4 P.M. good news tonight loud cheers all through the camp
- 20th Division drill today by Genrl Garey I was relieved from picket at 5 PM rained hard at night
- 21st Pleasant and verry warm I worked verry busy all day making out my Ordnance Return
- 22nd Our Corps was reviewed by Genl Sherman in the streets of Raleigh we made a good appearance saw lots of pretty girls day pretty warm
- 23rd I went to town called on Loomis then went down and had dinner with Jim
- 24th Ordered to be ready to move tomorow at (6) AM day pleasant had some convalescents come back I went to town in the evening
- 25th Capt Hotchkiss, Lieuts William & Smith got back early in the morning we marched at 8 AM roads verry good course South West camped for the night at Jones cross roads marched 12 miles

Alexander Bird 1865

April

- 26th Weather verry pleasant and warm no news of any kind we lay in camp all day
- 27th Weather continues warm and pleasant we recieved a mail I got one letter from Johny and one from (Monrie) we remain in camp all day
- 28th I recieved a letter from Mill and answered it I went to town with Smith in the evening and saw a grand torch light parade
- 29th Wade out a Muster roll and prepared for the march toward home I went over to Jims in the evening and got a (star) with a picture in it rained at night
- 30th Broke camp at 5 AM marched through the city up Layfaett Street to the Capital the boys all felt verry gay and done some fine marching a good many of the cittyens came out to see us go home we took the road North the road was good and we went slow Mustered for pay at dinner we crossed the mews River at Forrest Mills and camped for the night 1 mile from the river weather fine came 15 miles

May

- 1st 2nd Divn lead, we marched at 5 AM roads were verry good and day was pleasant rained a little in the morning crossed the Tar River and camped five miles from the river made twenty miles today
- 2nd Marched at 5 AM our Divn leading roads verry good passed to the left of Cxford camped 2 miles from Williamsboro I went up to town and got my supper we marched 20 miles today
- 3rd Marched at 5 AM 2nd Divn leading verry fine country passed through Williamsboro roads good crossed the Railroad at (Townsboro) and camped at 11AM near the Virginia line came 12 miles today
- 4th Marched at 8 AM 2nd Divn in the rear crosses the Roanoke River at Taylors Ferry struck the Boydtown Plank roads verry dusty left the Plank to the right camped for the night 4 miles from the River

Alexander Bird 1865

May

- 5th Marched at 5 AM rained a little in the morning layed the dust and made good marching crossed the (Maherring) River at Saffords Bridge struck a plank road made 22 miles today
- 6th Marched at 5 AM went about 3 miles and struck the 1st Divn train we layed in the sun about 2 hours crossed the Big and Little (Mottoway) Rivers (-----) the Rail Road at Black & White Station camped 5 miles from the station made 15 miles
- 7th Marched at 5 AM our Brig lead the Divn verry hot day and roads verry dusty crossed the Appomatus River and camped 1 mile from the river made 22 miles
- 8th Marched at 5 AM crossed Falling Crick passed through Clover Hill Coal mines I drove a six mule team all afternoon roads rather rough camped within six miles of Richmond made 22 miles
- 9th Moved at 9 AM about 1 mile and went into camp rained most all day Lieut McDade got back
- 10th Was ordered to march at 5 AM order was countermanded remained in camp all day sprained my knee jumping went over to the comisaries and laid in a good stack of provisions for the march got a mail
- 11th Marched at 8 AM day fine and verry warm broke into column as we entered Manchester the 24th A.C. was paraded along the street crossed the James River and passed the Libbey Prison and Castle Thunder I left the Regt and went up town and got my dinner went up on the Capital square saw Washington monument and Henry Clay great many pretty girls out on the streets as we passed marched 4 miles out on the Mechanicsville Pike and camped for the night
- 12th Marched at 6 AM day pleasant cleared of cold roads were verry bad crossed the Chickahominy camped at Ashland Station our Regt done safeguard duty I went to a house and got some Strawberries and milk got some biskits baked and got some onions
- 13th Marched at 8 AM our Regt in rear of train roads were verry bad I rode in an ambulance in the afternoon crossed the South Ana & Little Rivers passed Forks Church

Alexander Bird 1865

May

- 14th Marched at 5 AM crossed the North Anna River on Pontons roads verry good rode in the ambulance in the afternoon passed through Childsborough (cut) of part of the 14th A.C. camped for the night within 6 miles of Spotsylvania C.H.
- 15th Marched at 6 AM I went back to the waggon and rode we passed through Spotsylvania C.H. and across Grants old battleground saw a great many boddies laying on the ground unburried went up to Chanslorville passed over our old battleground went down to U S Ford and crossed on the Pontoons it took 18 we camped on the top of the hill on the North side made 22 miles today
- 16th Marched at daylight passed Eagle Mill Gold mines went past Hartwood Church roads were verry good day warm our Divn leading camped for the night 6 miles from (Cattel) Station made 21 miles today
- 17th Marched at 5 AM our Divn leading day was verry warm I rode in the waggon the scenery was beautiful all day could see the blue ridge in the distance crossed Cedar Run passed through Weaverville camped at Brentsville
- 18th Marched at 9 AM our Divn in the rear crossed Broad Run and Bull Run rained hard all afternoon camped for the night within 3 miles of Fairfax Station
- 19th Marched at 7 AM crossed the Railroad at Fairfax Station struck the Pike and passed through Anandale and camped near Clouds Mills
- 20th Went to the City with Jim and Shannon got pretty wet before we got backsaw Hank Low he came over to the Regt
- 21st Rained most all day verry unpleasant S Huntley and Harry Bailey & H Smith came over from Washington had a good time down to Gen Jones
- 22nd went to town and got a pair of pants and shoes and several other things weather cleared of warm
- 23rd Jim came along and I got a pass and went over to Washington with him went down to the Navy yard called on Harry Bailey stoped all night at the (Erenen)
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Alexander Bird 1865

May

- 24th I joined my Regt at the head of Maryland avenue and marched down Pennsylvania avenue past the White House went out on the Bladensbury Road and camped for the night near Bladensbury
- 25th Verry fine day we moved camp down near the Rail Road Charley Lottin and Ed Morris came up to the Regt Jim came up in the evening
- 26th Made out my April Return rained all day sent some papers home & some to Mill
- 27th Moved camp across the Pail Road got a nice place for a camp weather cleared of
- 28th Went to work on our Pay Rolls weather fine went to the City
- 29th Finished my Pay Rolls (Leasis) Bryants brother came up from the City verry fine day
- 30th Verry fine day had two flags presented to us had the honor of shaking hands with the Govenor the whole Brig was out they are verry fine flags
- 31st Moved across the road

June

- 1st Began on my (Master art Rolls) / Spoiled one went up to town at night
- 2nd worked on my (master art Rolls) Si Huntly came up
- 3rd Verry fine weather but pretty warm had dress parade Jim came down in the evening
- 4th Worked on my (Master Art rolls)
- 5th Hart Smith came up today worked on my Muster Out Rolls
- 6th Went over to Livn Hd Qrs had one of my rolls examined
- 7th Sergt Green promoted to Sergt Maj (Vic) Farlie promoted (Vic) Clark promoted to Captain
- 8th Finished my rolls rode to town in the evening
- 9th Weather fine Co B & C spoiled their rolls rained in the afternoon 134th went over to Muster Out

Alexander Bird 1865

June

- 10th Weather cooler rained a little Jim came back to the Regt
- 11th Our Regt went over and was mustered out the rolls were all right the 134th started today
- 12th We broke camp at half past one and marched to Washington got loaded up at 5 PM and started at 11 PM there were 72 carloads of soldiers in the train
- 13th We got to Baltimore at 8 AM I took a car and went up to the Calvert Depot and took breakfast I went up into the Washington monument with Jim & Farlee had a good view of the City got started again at 11 AM got something to eat (York) Passed Harrisburg before dark got some hay and made up a good bed weather warm
- 14th Had a good nights sleep Passed Williamsport in the morning arrived at Elmira at 11 AM the Regt marched up to the (Chomuny) Camp and went into camp
- 15th Took the 6:50 AM train for home arrived at Great Valley at 1 PM rode up to Pas with Edd Rust then walked up on the hill to see Mill Stayed all night at Amasas
- 16th Went down to Mas in the forenoon stayed all night Jim came up and stayed all night
- 17th Started back for Elmira at 6 AM arrived in Elmira at 3PM
- 18th Sunday I went up to camp & stayed a little while most of the boys had gone home
- 19th Verry warm day I got certificate of nonindebtedness from Capt Mc(Kibin) went to the theater in the evening Jim and Harry got back
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- 22
- 23rd Borrowed \$.100 of William
- 24th We recieved our pay and were discharged