

DIARY

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JANUARY

- Fri. 1 A very cold morning has come with the new year. Companies H & I march from Lookout Valley to Kelley Ferry, Tenn. Established camp.
- Sat. 2 It is very cold and cloudy. We have a tedious time building Quarters.
- Sun. 3 No great change in the weather. We continue to work on our Quarters.
- Mon. 4 The weather is more mild but is quite rainy. We for the first time unload the boat and load wagons.
- Tue. 5 It is quite warm and pleasant and all things are becoming more agreeable.
- Wed. 6 The weather is not so fine, but comfortable. No change in affairs.
- Thur. 7 It is cold and cloudy and at times a little rain, but all is well.
- Fri. 8 It is more cold than the previous day with a little snow upon the ground.
- Sat. 9 It is more mild and pleasant. Nothing of note transpires.
- Sun. 10 The weather is temperate and part of the time cloudy.
- Mon. 11 Weather unchanged until noon when it becomes more pleasant and warm.
- Tue. 12 The weather is cloudy dark and cold. I work at Morrises Mule Stable.
- Wed. 13 The sun rises clear and sets the same. I meditate sitting around camp.
- Thur. 14 The weather is not so pleasant as the previous day but changeable.
- Fri. 15 It is cloudy and cool the most of the time. Daily affairs unchanged.
- Sat. 16 It is cool and pleasant. All goes favorable.
- Sun. 17 A beautiful Sabbath has come and Natures beauty is set forth. It causes me to meditate upon the past and Brightens future Prospect.
- Mon. 18 The morning is rainy but soon ceases as it is growing cold. We are employed in loading Army Stores.
- Tue. 19 The morning is cold but gradually grows warm and pleasant.
- Wed. 20 The sun rises with splendor and sets so. All is quiet about camp and nothing to amuse.
- Thur. 21 Like the preceeding day it is beautiful. All is the same.
- Fri. 22 The morning dawns as one of May and all is agreeable to camp life.
- Sat. 23 Weather yet beautiful. At 8 PM I start for camp in Lookout Valley. I have a likeness taken.
- Sun. 24 Weather unchanged. In the morning I return to Kelleys Ferry and have a pleasant walk.
- Mon. 25 It is very warm and pleasant. I am on detail in the forenoon to load wagons with forage. The Regt marches from Lookout Valley to Kelleys Ferry and go into camp.

- Tue. 26 The weather is beautiful and everything goes well. Woodworth returns from Hospital to the Regiment.
- Wed. 27 No change in the weather except it is warmer. The Regt rec orders to march at 1 PM and So Do. We go to Lookout Valley and camp near Genl Hooker.
- Thur. 28 Beautiful weather is yet with us. We are building our quarters.
- Fri. 29 It is warm but not so pleasant as days preceeding. We have Genl inspection.
- Sat. 30 A change of weather has come. It rains a part of forenoon.
- Sun. 31 It is cloudy and warm. We trench our camp streets. The afternoon is more pleasant

FEBRUARY

- Mon. 1 The morning comes with rain and clouds but soon clears off. All goes well.
- Tue. 2 The sun rose clear. The day is beautiful. At night it becomes cloudy and windy. I am enjoying camp life.
- Wed. 3 The morning is clear and cold. The day continues beautiful. Everything in camp unchanged.
- Thur. 4 Beautiful weather. We have a Battallion drill. I rec a visit from W. H. Colburn of the 42nd Reg. Ill.
- Fri. 5 Weather unchanged. All quiet in camp.
- Sat. 6 It is cloudy and rainy. Everything goes as usual.
- Sun. 7 It is a beautiful day. I receive some things from home from Lieut Beardsley.
- Mon. 8 The weather is fair. We have battallion Drill. Nothing unusual occurs.
- Tue. 9 The morning is quite cool and cloudy. It is pleasant a part of the day. I with several others explore a cave in lookout Mountain and also visit its heights.
- Wed. 10 It is clear and cold. I am feeling quite lame from yesterdays travels. Nothing new transpires.
- Thur. 11 The weather is not much changed. We have Battallion Drill. All is quiet.
- Fri. 12 It is pleasant and more warm. Everything appears to go well. All are happy.
- Sat. 13 No change in weather and in fact no change at all. All is lovely.
- Sun. 14 The sun rises beneath clouds. It soon rains moderately. The day is quite lousy. I rec three letters and write a long one in the evening to Brother Francis.
- Mon. 15 The weather is very rainy and bad and it looks desolate around camp.
- Tue. 16 It is quite cool and windy also come cloudy. Nothing new transpires.
- Wed. 17 It is clear and cold. The ground is frozen hard. I write a long letter home.
- Thur. 18 It is cold and rainy also cloudy a part of time. The Regt is paid
- Fri. 19 It is more pleasant but very cold. I improve much time in writing letters.

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- Sat. 20 It is pleasant and mild. I walk over to the Rail road Station. All goes well.
- Sun. 21 The morning is cloudy but soon becomes clear. It is quite warm.
- Mon. 22 The weather is favorable. We have orders to remain in camp.
- Tue. 23 It is pleasant and warm. Everything goes well. I buy a picture of Chattanooga to send home.
- Wed. 24 The day is most beautiful. We have a general inspection. All is well in camp.
- Thur. 25 Weather unchanged. Nothing new occurs. We ornament our camp with trees.
- Fri. 26 Weather yet unchanged. I walk about to different parts of the brigade and purchase eatables of Sutlers.
- Sat. 27 No change of weather. I receive some Station ary from home. Also write home.
- Sun. 28 The weather is not so fine as a few preceeding days. It is becoming cloudy and smoky. Divine Services are held in camp.
- Mon. 29 It is quite rainy and is muster day. All goes as usual in camp.

MARCH

- Tue. 1 It is an unpleasant and rainy day. Near night rain seases and begins to clear off. I rec a letter from A.
- Wed. 2 It is clear and cold in the morning but grows warmer during the day. All as usual in camp.
- Thur. 3 The weather is favorable and quite warm. The Regt goes out target shooting in fournoon and on Battallion Drill in afternoon All goes well.
- Fri. 4 Weather unchanged except a quite strong and stedy wind. The Regt again goes out on Target practice and in PM Skirmish Drill.
- Sat. 5 Weather is very good. Nothing of note transpires. All seem to enjoy camp life.
- Sun. 6 It is most beautiful and pleasant. Divine Services are held at camp. I also attend the same at the Chapel tent at Lookout Station.
- Mon. 7 It is unpleasant and cloudy. I have orders to go out on Review but do not on account of rain.
- Tue. 8 Again pleasant and warm. I go out on Picket in place of Waterma All goes well.
- Wed. 9 The weather is favorable but night comes accompanied by rain. It rains nearly all night. I slept upon mother Earth.
- Thur. 10 It is warm and pleasant. The pickets return and all is right.
- Fri. 11 No great change in weather. The Regt goes on review before Maj Genl Howard. All is well.
- Sat. 12 Weather yet beautiful. All are at leisure. All is well.
- Sun. 13 No great change of weather nor does anything occur worthy of no
- Mon. 14 The weather is favorable. There is Brigade drill in fournoon an also Review by Gen. Stenwere. Battallion Drill in afternoon.
- Tue. 15 It is not so pleasant and rather cool. Genl Hooker reviews the Division in afternoon. It is quite cold.

- Wed. 16 The weather remains cold. At 2 AM my Shabung takes fire and I have to get up and dust. Genl inspection in afternoon.
- Thur. 17 It is more pleasant but rather cool. Nothing of importance transpires.
- Fri. 18 It is more pleasant and warm. There is a large picket detail from the Regt. All goes well.
- Sat. 19 It is a beautiful day but not very warm. I am not feeling as well as common but go out to see a part of the first division review.
- Sun. 20 The day is beautiful but not very warm. I rec 4 letters by mail which makes me all right. Nothing important occurs.
- Mon. 21 It is not so pleasant but rather cloudy and windy. It is a general time of getting drunk in the Regt. Genl Beauregard is defeated near night - after his ferse struggle.
- Tue. 22 All are surprised as they awake in the morning to see the ground covered with snow. It is about 4 inches deep.
- Wed. 23 It is pleasant and quite warm. Snow is fast Dissapearing. All goes well in camp.
- Thur. 24 The weather is changeable. At night it becomes cloudy cool and windy. It snows a little during the night. Nothing unusual happens.
- Fri. 25 It is very unpleasant and rains a little at intervals. Today is a rather dreary day.
- Sat. 26 It is quite pleasant again. I walk over to Lookout Station to pass away time and get some Pd Stamps.
- Sun. 27 The weather is beautiful and quite warm. We have Genl inspection by Col Jones at 4 PM. Divine Services.
- Mon. 28 The morning comes rather warm and cloudy.. We have company drill and target practice which we are broken off of by rain about 11AM.
- Tue. 29 It is not very pleasant and has the appearance of rain. It is windy. Nothing unusual occurs.
- Wed. 30 Long before daylight we received orders to be ready to march at 7½ am for a reconnoissance. We march to and camp about two miles beyond Trenton, Ga. The weather is cold and unpleasant.
- Thur. 31 We resume our journey at 6 am - march about six miles and halt about 3 hours. At 2pm we commence to retrace our steps. We camp the same place as the previous night. Weather fine.

APRIL

- Fri. 1 On the homeward march at 6am. It is bad marching occasioned by rain the previous night. The day is cloudy and cool. We reach camp about 3 pm very tired.
- Sat. 2 It is cool and cloudy. Nothing of interest transpires. I receive a letter from home.
- Sun 3 It is quite pleasant and warm until about night when it has the appearance of rain. I receive a letter from A and answer. It rains during the night.
- Mon. 4 The morning dawns rather unpleasant. We get new trees to set out in camp. It rains quite hard about noon.
- Tue. 5 The day is unpleasant and to me rather lonely and long. We have Co drill. Nothing unusual occurs.
- Wed. 6 It is pleasant and again a part of the Regt goes on Picket. Everything is quiet and nothing to amuse. Time passes slow.

- Thur. 7 Weather unchanged. Things are still dull. I seek for amusement but can not find it.
- Fri. 8 It is cool cloudy and windy and occasionally rains a little. The day is spent as the preceeding one. All is usual in camp.
- Sat. 9 The sun rises with splendor and the day rolls by likewise. We have Battallion drill in the forenoon. All is quiet around.
- Sun. 10 It is cool and cloudy. Rain a little at intervals. Near night it is very pleasant. Nothing of interest occurs.
- Mon. 11 The day is a pleasant one. We have Co drill in AM & PM. All goes well.
- Tue. 12 It is cloudy again and rains a little at intervals. A.L. Perry returns from home on furlough and brings me various notions.
- Wed. 13 The sun rises clear. It is pleasant and warm. All goes well.
- Thur. 14 It is cloudy and cool. We are reviewed by Genl Thomas. Also there is general inspection.
- Fri. 15 The morning is unpleasant and looks like rain but gradually clears away. A part of the Regt goes on Picket.
- Sat. 16 It is cool clear and windy. There is a great Ball play between the 154thNY and the 33 Mas.
- Sun. 17 The morning is beautiful. Those on recruiting service of our Regt return. Capt Vedder among them. The later part of the day not as pleasant.
- Mon. 18 The weather is changeable from cloudy to sunshine. It sprinkled a few times. Divine services are held at 2 PM in camp by Rev Mr Morton of Chaut Co. N.Y. and a member of the U.S. Christian Coms.
- Tues. 19 It is cool and windy. The sun is behind clouds part of the time. All is as usual in camp. It is rather still time.
- Wed. 20 The weather is fair and quite warm. Drilling and ball playing is the most that occurs to attract ones attention.
- Thur. 21 The forenoon is pleasant and warm. We have skirmish drill. Toward night it becomes cloudy and rains a little.
- Fri. 22 It is pleasant and warm. All is quiet in camp and nothing worthy of note transpires. Times are dull.
- Sat. 23 Again very warm. It is a day of minute occurances, and time appears to move slow. Towards night it becomes cloudy and looks like rain.
- Sun. 24 It is cloudy windy and rainy during the fore part of the day. It clears off about midday & is pleasant during the afternoon. I rec a letter from sister and answer.
- Mon. 25 It is warm and pleasant day. I am not feeling very well. It is dull times. Battallion Drill in the afternoon.
- Tues. 26 The weather is unchanged. I am yet feeling unwell. I rec letter from A. Have Brigade Drill in afternoon.
- Wed. 27 The weather continues the same. I rec a call from Wm Colburn as he is on his way to Chattanooga from the north. I am on the sick list.
- Thurs. 28 It is warm and sultry. The suns rays pierce one with heat when not behind clouds. I send a letter to A. There is Brigade Drill in the PM also sham fight.

- Fri. 29 It is warm and cloudy. The greater part of the Regt goes on Picket. Nothing of interest occurs. Near night it has the appearance of rain. It is a rainy night.
- Sat. 30 It is warm and pleasant at times while at others rainy. We have general inspection and muster. All goes well.

MAY

- Sun. 1 The day is beautiful and warm. I rec a letter from home and answer. It is quiet times.
- Mon. 2 There is no great change of weather. 3rd Division commences moving to the front. It becomes quite cool at night. All is well.
- Tues. 3 It is clear cool windy. We receive orders to be ready to march on the morrow. The afternoon is more warm.
- Wed. 4 It is warm and pleasant. All are preparing to march. We brake camp at 5 PM and march about 6 miles. When it is dark we camp about three miles south of Chattanooga.
- Thurs. 5 The weather unchanged. The Regt lies still until 2½ PM for wagon train to pass and is guard for it. We march and halt until midnight. We are in Georgia.
- Fri. 6 We are on the march soon after day light. We go about 6 miles and halt for the day. The weather is fine. Nothing of importance occurs.
- Sat. 7 We march soon after sunrise turning back and barring to the east. We march until night and camp in a thicket of wood lying in line of battle. Weather fine.
- Sun. 8 We remain in the same position until 11½ AM when we are ordered to march. We march to and attack Mill Creek MT and are repulsed. Have hard times. Weather fine.
- Mon. 9 We ly a little back of the mountains. Move camp about noon into the woods. At night come out again and throw up breast works. All is quiet. It is warm and pleasant.
- Tue. 10 Our position unchanged. We hear good news from Potomac Army. Heavy clouds arise during the day. Soon after dark a mighty thunder storm comes on.
- Wed. 11 It is cool and cloudy. Our position the same. It becomes very cold at night. Genl Howard is fighting on our left and gains ground.
- Thur. 12 It is cold but more pleasant. We march at 7am going in the direction of Snake Creek, Ga. We pass threw it before sundown and camp on the flats beyond.
- Fri. 13 It is cool cloudy and windy. Many troops are passing to the front. Our Brigade moves at 9am but go not far until near night when we move up to where the 15th AC is engaged. We go a little away after dark and take position behind breast works.
- Sat. 14 It is pleasant. Firing commences on our right as soon as daybreak. Severe fighting in the afternoon. The Brigade deploys in the breast works. At 11PM move to the left on Battlefield.
- Sun. 15 We ly still until 10am, then march back a ways and we encounter the Enemy and there is hard fighting nearly all day. At night the Regt goes in front of fort to capture guns. Weather fair.
- Mon. 16 The weather is fine. The Enemy are in full retreat. We start in persuit at 8 AM. We ford the Resaca River at noon. Near night are ferried across the Wachahatcha River. We camped in the woods.

- Tues. 17 It is rainy. We ly still until about noon then on the march. Go about 8 miles and camp in a grove. It is near where the 4th AC have today been fighting.
- Wed. 18 We commence moving at 5 AM. Halt then during the forenoon we march 15 miles camping after dark on a side hill. The weather is fair. All goes well.
- Thurs. 19 We have orders to ge ready to march at daylight but do not. The Regt is detailed to guard wagon train. Troops are moving to the front nearly all day. We march at 5 PM. Halt at 10 PM and camp. There has been some fighting. Our troops capture Casville, Ga. Weather is fine.
- Fri. 20 We ly still all day. Are about 1 mile from Caseville, Ga. Nothing of importance occurs with us. The weather is fine. Rec a letter from home.
- Sat. 21 There is no change of weather nor position. All is quiet. All ly around at our leisure. At Eve am visited by friend Colburn. All goes well.
- Sun. 22 Still no change and all quiet. I go to the 4th AC and visit Cousin Stanley and friend Colburn. I write home on returning. We have inspection of arms.
- Mon. 23 I t is very warm. We march at 3½ AM but only join the Brigade before we halt until 6 AM. Col. Bushbeck starts home. We pass threw Cassville cross the Rail Road. At noon reach the Etowah River. We cross it near night. Camp 1 mile beyond.
- Tues. 24 We are on the march at 7 AM, at 9 are drawn up in line of battle. The Rebs flee. We go about west coming onto a ridge which we follow some way. The day is very warm. It rains at night. We camp in a field.
- Wed. 25 Weather changeable. On the march at 6 ¾ AM. At about 10 AM scouts find the enemy. An attact is soon. There is fighting nearly all day. At about sundown our Brigade advances in line of battle on the left. Have severe fighting until dark taking ground and holding all night. It rains.
- Thurs. 26 Are holding the same ground with continuous fireing. Build Brest works at night. Build breast works in rear at first line and remain all night. There is continual firing. Weather favorable.
- Fri. 27 Yet holding the same position. As soon as daylight three batteries are placed in front of us and heavy cannondading soon commences. Near night the Enemy press our left. Hard fighting. Weather is fine.
- Sat. 28 No change of position during the day. More or less fighting all day. After dark we move to the right and detail from the Regt goes in front to build breast works on the advance line. Weather is fine.
- Sun. 29 We do not move during the day but cut timber and make breast works. Steady skirmishing all day. During the fore part of the night the enemy attempted to break our lines and are repulsed. Weather is fine.
- Mon. 30 Soon after Sunrise we go to the front line works to relieve the 139th Regt. Skirmishing all day as usual. It is generally quiet during the night. The weather is favorable

No scene prospect of results.

Tues. 31 Morning comes and all more or less favorable. We are relieved from the front after sunrise. The day passes and nothing new occurs. Continued skirmishing all day. The weather is fine.

JUNE

Wed. 1 Yet in the same position. All about the same today. At Midday the 20th Corps is relieved by the 15th Corps. We march to our left until dark. The Regt goes on Picket. Weather fine. Moderate fighting is in cession.

Thur. 2 Morning comes and all is well. We ly still until noon and then fo farther to the left. A heavy rain storm comes on. We go to where the 23rd Corps is engaged & halt. Here we camp for night.

Fri. 3 We do not move during the day. Steady skirmishing at the front. The weather is changeable. It rains a little. I write a letter home. Things appear to work favorable.

Sat. 4 Yet lying still the 2nd Div skirmishing in front as usual. Some cannonading. It is rainy and unpleasant. It is reported that our troops occupy Maryettie. All appears to work favorable.

Sun. 5 No more for us today. The Rebels have fallen back. No fighting is heard near us. The weather is becomming fine. Troops are changing positions.

Mon. 6 We march at 6 AM go to the left 4 or 5 miles and halt at a new house and take dinner. At about 1 PM go a little farther and build Brest works. Stay over night. Weather quite favorable - rains a little. I rec a letter from home.

Tues. 7 We are lying still. All is quiet. Nothing new transpires with us. Near night I take a journey to the 4th AC. I write home. Weather changeable.

Wed. 8 Yet lying still. Nothing of importance transpires. I am visited by friend Colburn. The weather is very fair. It rains during the night.

Thurs. 9 We have orders to march but are countermanded so ly on our oars. Some skermishing heard in front. There is not much stir. Weather is very fair. I am feeling poorly.

Fri. 10 Again ordered to march but do not go. The 4th AC is passing us all day. Have a heavy rain storm in the afternoon. It is quiet times. I am feeling quite unwell.

Sat. 11 Yet again ordered to march but do not. We pack up. There is but little going on as one here can see. Some skirmishing by the 4th AC. The afternoon is a rainy one.

Sun. 12 No move or orders today. It is very rainy and dismal. There is some moving of troops and skirmishing. Time passes rather slow as there is not much to amuse.

Mon. 13 It yet continues to rain and is very cool. At about 1 PM we rec orders to pack up for a move but we do not go. Skirmishing & cannonading in front.

- Tues. 14 The rain has ceased but is very cloudy, and cool. Brisk skirmishing and cannonading to our left and front. At 10 AM the Regt goes to the left on picket. Are ordered back at noon. The Division goes to the front and camps. It has become quite pleasant.
- Wed. 15 We move forward at noon. Our Division advances on the Enemy. Some War. The Regt goes on skirmish line. Several are wounded. A Rogers killed. The weather is fine.
- Thurs. 16 The Regt lys in reserve but under continual fire or skirmishing. At night the Regt goes to the right and builds brestworks. The Rebels fall back during the night. Weather is fine.
- Fri. 17 Weather fair. Before it is daylight we advance to the Enemy's works and ly some time. At 11 AM advance about 1 mile and form in line of battle & advance. There is brisk artillery fighting. All goes well. We build brest works at night.
- Sat. 18 The day is cold and rainy. Severe fighting on our left. All day and artillery cracking around us. It is a tedious time. The Rebs again fall back during the night.
- Sun. 19 We move forward at 8 AM. A heavy rain storm comes on. Go about 1½ miles and again find the Enemy. The Regt goes to support a Battery. There is much skirmishing. We build brestworks and camp.
- Mon. 20 It is not so rainy. Affairs are not much changed. At 11 AM our brigade moves to the right and relieves the 5th Brigade. Have orders to move at night but do not. We rest at night with our arms by our sides.
- Tues. 21 It is more or less rainy all day. We are relieved in the morning by 4th AC troops and go to the right of 8th Div and fortify. We are somewhat weary but all is favorable.
- Wed. 22 The weather is fine. The Enemy fell back a little and we advance threw pieces of woods and fortify near night. The Enemy charge on the 1st Div and are repulsed. We move to the right and fortify.
- Thur. 23 Weather just fine. We are strengthening our works. Some fighting on our left. Skirmishing in front. I rec a letter from home.
- Fri. 24 We are holding the same position. It is warm and pleasant. All quiet except skirmishes. At about 4 PM I am wounded and in an hour have my ankle amputated at Divis Hospital.
- Sat. 25 I am yet at Divis Hospital. Am suffering much from wound. Perry brought me a Bed and Pillow. It is pleasant and warm.
- Sun. 26 Yet at Division Hospital. I am feeling better. The day passes with but little suffering. It is pleasant and warm.
- Mon. 27 Today I have to endure more pain. The Hospital is shelled and we move in confusion. Go about 1 mile. Very warm.
- Tue. 28 My limb is sore and painful. At about 11 am we start for Big Shanty. It is very warm. Reach there at 4pm. A high wind arises.
- Wed. 29 Good luck breaks upon me. I find myself in the hands of a Cousin, Dr Milton Woodworth. I pass the day with some pain. It is very warm.

Thur. 30 Nothing new occurs. I am feeling about the same. Am receiving good care from the hands of a lady, Mrs Jackson.

JULY

Fri. 1 About the same today. Nothing worthy of note transpires.

Sat. 2 No great change of my feelings. A rain storm comes on. Genl Hooker dines at the hospital.

Sun. 3 Yet about the same. We take the cars at 8 am which ly still until nearly night when they start for Cartersville which reached after dark. Have a tedious time.

Mon. 4 I am placed in a tent. Am doing very well but enduring considerable pain. A dull 4th for me. Weather fine.

Tues. 5 I am feeling very well. It is very warm. I write home. Nothing of importance transpires.

Wed. 6 The weather is about the same and so am I. All goes very well. A train of cars loaded with Rebel Prisoners pass Cartersville.

Thurs. 7 Am feeling about the same. At about 11AM I am placed in the cars as is the whole Hospital for to go to Marrietta. We move at 2PM and reach there at 6. Very warm.

Fri. 8 I ly in a grove until noon then taken to a large house which is Head Quarters of the Hospital. I am enduring considerable pain. Very warm.

Sat. 9 I am feeling about the same. Nothing very important transpires.

Sun. 10 I ly in my room all alone a greater part of the time and am lonesome and uneasy. Am not feeling so well. Quite warm.

Mon. 11 All about the same but a little more comfortable. Mrs. Jackson returns with a sister.

Tue. 12 I pass the day quite comfortable. There is not much of importance going on as I can discover. No great change of weather.

Wed. 13 The pain in my limb is very slite. At noon I awake from sleep much frightened. During the afternoon I have spells of sweating and become weak.

Thur. 14 I am on the gain a little. Have steady but not very severe pain. It is very warm.

Fri. 15 There is no great change in affairs. I am slowly gaining. Have quite steady pain. It is quite severe in the later part of day.

Sat. 16 All about the same with me. Am doing well. Write to Waterman. It is warm as usual.

Sun. 17 There is no great change in affairs. I am feeling very well. Write to Colburn. In the afternoon am carried to the porch and hear a sermon preached.

Tues. 19 There is no great change with me. There are orders to move the Hospital to Vining. Weather is fine.

Mon. 18 Nothing new seems to be in progress. I am doing and feeling fine.

Wed. 20 I am not feeling quite so well today. The Hospital moves but a few of us remain. It is very warm. Severe fighting before Atlanta by Genl Hooker.

Thur. 21 Not quite so warm. I am feeling a little better. No great change in affairs. Have a jubellant time in the evening.

- Fri. 22 Genl McPherson is killed. Weather about the same. I am feeling yet a little better. There is nothing new going on about. I learn that Atlanta is taken.
- Sat. 23 I am feeling very well. At 4 pm am put aboard the cars to go to Vining but do not go until morning. Weather fine.
- Sun. 24 Start for Vinning about 7am. Get there all right. I feel very well until near night when I endure much pain. I am taken to a house. Weather fine.
- Mon. 25 No change in affairs. I am not feeling very keen. I write home. Not much news can I hear. Weather fine.
- Tues. 26 All about the same today except I am feeling better. All goes very well.
- Wed. 27 I am feeling very well. Nothing of importance transpires. It is warm and pleasant.
- Thur. 28 I am not feeling quite so well. It is very warm. Have a heavy rain storm near night. Nothing new.
- Fri. 29 All about the same with me today. It is very warm. Mrs. Dirst comes to the Hospital but little news today.
- Sat. 30 I am doing and feeling well. Nothing of importance occurs.
- Sun. 31 I am feeling fine and getting along well. Have a heavy rain storm. Nothing new.

AUGUST

- Mon. 1 All about the same with me today. All goes very well. No particular news. Very pleasant.
- Tues. 2 Still feeling and doing well. I sit up in a chare for the first time. It is very warm and pleasant. No important news.
- Wed. 3 I am feeling and doing about the same. Nothing of importance occurs. Weather favorable.
- Thur. 4 All the same with me. Am doing well. Nothing new is learned. No change of weather.
- Fri. 5 Am feeling about the same. I sit up and write letters home. Nothing new to account for.
- Sat. 6 Yet feeling and doing well. I write to Cousin A. Have a hard rain storm toward night. Fighting at the front.
- Sun. 7 It is very pleasant today. I am feeling very well. The day passes about as others with me.
- Mon. 8 No great change in me nor no change of anything. Cousin Milton returns from Nashville. Weather fine.
- Tues. 9 I am doing fine. All goes well. Fighting is heard at the front. Nothing of great importance occurs at the Hospital.
- Wed. 10 I am feeling fine. I for the first time stand on my foot and am hobbled about the room. Weather fine. Fighting heard at the front.
- Thur. 11 All goes very well with me yet. As usual nothing new transpires and no great change of weather.
- Fri. 12 All the same as previous day.
- Sat. 13 Yet no change in affairs. I am doing well.
- Sun. 14 It is very pleasant. I am doing fine. Services are held at the Hospital.

- Mon. 15 All well with me. Much excitement caused by expectations of a raid. Weather fine.
- Tues. 16 All well and fine weather. Mrs Jackson goes to see her friend. I live alone.
- Wed. 17 Nothing new today. I am alone most of the time. Mrs J. returns and is quite unwell.
- Thur. 18 All goes well. Weather fine. I write home. Time passes quite pleasantly.
- Fri. 19 All goes well with me. Cousin Milton is sick. It is very warm and pleasant. No important news.
- Sat. 20 Everything yet progressing fine. I walk on crutches for the first time. The weather is favorable.
- Sun. 21 No great change in affairs. I am feeling fine. It is quite rainy and still times.
- Mon. 22 It is a fine day but nothing new in action. Cousin's wife arrives in the evening.
- Tues. 23 It is very pleasant. I sit up a large portion of the time. Cousin Jennie is sick and in my room. No particular news today.
- Wed. 24 Very warm today. I walk about 10 rods from the house for the first time going out. I write home.
- Thur. 25 All is about the same today. Nothing of great importance occurs at the Hospital. Weather fine. Walk about some.
- Fri. 26 Nothing particular new today. All goes well. Weather fine.
- Sat. 27 Today is about the same with me. I walk on my stump. The folks are cleaning house. Beautiful weather.
- Sun. 28 I am feeling fine. I walk to the Hospital for the first time to attend Church. The day is beautiful.
- Mon. 29 All well today. I am at the Hospital most of the time. Nothing of importance happens. Weather fine.
- Tues. 30 It is very warm. I go to the Hospital in the afternoon. There is a ride to the front on engine. Mrs Jackson starts for Resacca in the evening.
- Wed. 31 I am not quite so well. I remain in the house all day. I write home. Nothing of vast importance happens.

SEPTEMBER

- Thur. 1 All about the same with me to day. All goes very well. Great explosion in Atlanta at night. Weather fine.
- Fri. 2 All very well with me today. Mr. VanDine comes to my room to stay. We learn that Atlanta is taken. Weather fine.
- Sat. 3 I'am about the same and alone a great part of the time. It is quite rainy and high winds at times.
- Sun. 4 I am feeling fine. I go to the Hospital and attend Church. Mrs Jackson returns from Resacca. It is very pleasant.
- Mon. 5 All goes very well. Have a thunder storm at noon. Nothing of importance occurs. I move about some.
- Tues. 6 The morning is pleasant. Have a thunder storm in the afternoon. all goes about as usual.
- Wed. 7 It is cloudy & dark. The Hospital moved to Atlanta. I remane at Vinings with few others. All goes about as usual with me.

- Thur. 8 Again cloudy and dark. The remainder of us start for Atlanta at about 8AM. We reach the hospital position near night.
- Fri. 9 It is warm and pleasant. The Hospital is being put in order. I take quarters in the Brick house. All goes fine.
- Sat. 10 No great change in affairs today. All at work putting up Hospital tents. All about the same with me today. I write home.
- Sun. 11 It is very pleasant and warm. I go to visit the the 2nd Div Hospital. All goes very well with me. Nothing very new transpires.
- Mon. 12 It is very pleasant and warm. I am doing and feeling fine. Nothing of importance occurs.
- Tues. 13 Fine weather. All goes well with me. Nothing of importance occurs.
- Wed. 14 It is pleasant. All is well. I take a ride to my Regt. Have a good time. About sun set visit the cemetary at Atlanta.
- Thur. 15 All about as usual today. I enjoy myself well. Nothing important occurs. Weather beautiful.
- Fri. 16 Everything about as the previous day. Five Soldiers are wounded during the night in Atlanta.
- Sat. 17 Very pleasant today. All goes well with me. Nothing new today. At evening it is cloudy.
- Sun. 18 It is quite rainy today. I am feeling well except a hard cold. Write home. All goes very well today.
- Mon. 19 The weather is favorable. All goes about as usual with us. Nothing new.
- Tues. 20 It is rather unpleasant. Rains a little. I go up town in the morning. Nothing of importance occurs.
- Wed. 21 It is dark and cloudy. Have a heavy rain storm in the afternoon. Mrs. Jackson goes to Rough and Ready under flag of truce. I am not very well.
- Thurs. 22 It rains at intervals. I am not feeling very well. No change in affairs.
- Fri. 23 Have frequent showers. I am about sick. E. J. Finley visits me. Weather in general about the same.
- Sat. 24 The weather favorable. I dont feel very well. Mrs Jackson goes to see her husband at the Barracks. I rec a letter from Amasa.
- Sun. 25 The morning is very cool but pleasant. Have Divine Services in Camp. Attend Mrs Jackson's wedding at evening. and stick my foot in the ground.
- Mon. 26 It is pleasant. I am doing very well. Nothing of importance occurs. Write to G. P. Thorp.
- Tues. 27 Today is very pleasant. Applications are made for my furlough. I am passing off time about as usual. Visit L. S. Willises grave.
- Wed. 28 Not so pleasant today. Rains a little. All about the same at the hospital.
- Thurs. 29 The morning is cloudy and dark. I am not feeling very well. Everything goes about as usual.

Fri. 30 It is warm and pleasant. Amused myself in the usual manner. Nothing new today. Am feeling very well.

OCTOBER

- Sat. 1 Not very pleasant. Have a shour at 11 AM. At 11½ take the cars for home. At 1 PM at Marietta. At Cartersville at sun down.
- Sun. 2 Reached Chattanooga at about 2 AM. Ly in the cars until morning, then go to Hospital No. 1. It is cloudy and dark. Time passes slowly and dull. It rains.
- Mon. 3 It is cloudy and rainy. No prospect of going on to Nashville. Time passes slowly. I am tired of staying here.
- Tues. 4 It is unpleasant and rainy. We are some expecting to go away but do not. Some go at 10 PM. This is an unpleasant delay.
- Wed. 5 Yet bad weather. At about 10 AM we go to the cars. Start for Nashville at 6 PM. Reach Stevenson Ala at midnight.
- Thurs. 6 I awake at Stevenson. We leave there at about 8 AM. Reach Normandon, Tenn at sun down. Proceed to Murfréesboro, Tenn. reach there at 10 PM.
- Fri. 7 Arrive at Nashville at 1 AM. Soon after daylight go to the City Hotel and take breakfast & dinner. At 1 PM go to Louisville Depot. Leave north at 4½ PM.
- Sat. 8 Arrive at Louisville KY at 4 AM. Go to Louisville Hotel before noon take the steamboat (General Anderson) for Cincinnati, Oh. It is very cold and windy.
- Sun. 9 Reach Cincinnati at 3 AM. At day light take a hack to the Gibson House. Remain there until 10 PM. Leave on cars 10½ PM. Very cold.
- Mon. 10 Arrive at Columbus Oh at 3 AM. Change cars for Cleveland. Reach there at 10½ AM. Reach Erie at 12½ P.M. Reach Dunkirk at 3 PM. Reach Salamanca at 5½ P.M. I go to Mrs. Watermans.
- Tues. 11 At Salamanca. The weather is becomming fine. Take the cars at 4 PM for Little Valley. All goes well.
- Wed. 12 It is cold and stormy. I am doing well at home. Here do nothing of importance.
- Thurs. 13 It is cold and unpleasant. Father sells, Rob, Mrs Perry is at our house. I write to Dr. Wheeler and send him \$15.00.
- Fri. 14 It is quite pleasant. Father goes to Little Valley. Andrew & Clarrisa come home. Everything works favorable.
- Sat. 15 It is very pleasant. Mr & Mrs Wells are here and also Helen Wilcox. Andrew and Clarrisa go to the Fair at R. I am doing and feeling well.
- Sun. 16 It is rainy and cold. It is rather dull times. I write to cousin Milton Woodworth. John Phurrogood comes to our house.
- Mon. 17 It is quite pleasant the most of the time today. I walk over to Laurens with Andrew. I write a letter to G. E.

- Tues. 18 It is cold and unpleasant. Andrew and Clarisa are here. They go chestnutting. Nothing of importance occurs at home.
- Wed. 19 It is rainy and cold. Andrew and Clarrisa start for home. Pa & Ma go with them to Mr. Stories. Mr & Mrs Miller come to see me. I write to Mrs. J.
- Thur. 20 The weather is favorable. I am doing very well. Uncle & Aunt Merchant come to our house. Francis comes home.
- Fri. 21 It is cloudy and cool but no storm. Uncle & Aunt go home. I am not feeling very well.
- Sat. 22 It is yet cloudy & cool. Nothing of importance is going on at home. I am feeling rather poorly on account of cold.
- Sun. 23 The weather yet remains the same. Francis goes back to Ellington. I am not feeling very well.
- Mon. 24 The weather is cool and unpleasant. Pa & Ma go to Randolph. I go over to Laurens. Am feeling about as usual.
- Tues. 25 The day is quite pleasant. I am feeling pretty well. Mr. Stone comes to trade colts. Folks are digging potatoes.
- Wed. 26 The day is rainy and unpleasant, also lonely. But little is going on about home.
- Thur. 27 The weather favorable. I am feeling very well. It is still times at home.
- Fri. 28 It is very cold and rainy and a lonely day to me. Father goes to the Po and gets me a letter from Mrs J, K, and Francis.
- Sat. 29 The weather remains about the same. Not much is going on at home. I write to my Kate. No news of importance.
- Sun. 30 The weather yet very bad and stormy. I write to Frank Congdon. Commodore Battles comes to our house just at night.
- Mon. 31 Yet no change in the weather. The day passes about as all others with but few events worthy of note.

NOVEMBER

- Tues. 1 It is cold and unpleasant. Father goes to Randolph. Andrew, Clareisa and Amelia come home with him. I am feeling very well.
- Wed. 2 It is cold and cloudy. We are preparing to go to Dunkirk. Reach there at 6PM. At 9½ Cousins come to convey us to Uncles. Are soon there and a good time.
- Thur. 3 Today is cold and pleasant. We are having a good time at Uncles.
- Fri. 4 It is very cold and windy also cloudy. In the afternoon Ama, Andrew, Clareisa and myself go to Dunkirk.
- Sat. 5 The weather remains about the same. We start for home at 7:20 AM and reach home at 3:10 P.M. It is very cold & some snow.
- Sun. 6 The weather is somewhat changeable but generally unpleasant. I write to Phil Gates. It is a still and lonesome day at home.
- Mon. 7 To day the weather is quite favorable but it is still times about home. I amuse myself in reading.
- Tues. 8 It is very unpleasant and rains often. I go to election and also to Randolph.
- Wed. 9 The weather is about the same as previous day. I am at home all day. Nothing worthy of note transpires.

- Thur. 10 It is cold and windy. At 2PM I start for the Corners with Father. I go to Uncle Ashbels and stay over night.
- Fri. 11 Today is cold and windy. There is a little snow on the ground. At 8 AM I start for Cattaraugus with Mr. Donavin. Take the cars at 2 PM for Dunkirk. Reach there at 3:30 Get to Uncles at 7.
- Sat. 12 Snow is about 2 inches thick. Today cold and unpleasant. I am having a good visit with my friends in Fredonia.
- Sun. 13 There is not much change in the weather. I attend church in Fredonia.
- Mon. 14 At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ AM I start for Buffalo. Reach there at 11:30. Take dinner at Soldiers Rest then go to Sisters Hospital.
- Tues. 15 It is a cold and snowy day. I am doing very well except my hand which is very bad. I am at the Hospital all day.
- Wed. 16 To day is quite pleasant. It is quiet times at the Hospital. I am in doors all day. I write home.
- Thur. 17 It is not very pleasant to day. It thaws, the snow dissapears. Not much transpires at the Hospital.
- Fri. 18 The weather is quite cool today but favorable. I amuse myself as best I can about the Hospital.
- Sat. 19 The day is pleasant but cool. I walk down upon the green for the first time. All goes about as usual.
- Sun. 20 The greater part of the day is very pleasant. Becomes cloudy during the afternoon. I remain at the Hosp all day.
- Mon. 21 It is rather cold and dreary to day. I write to Sister C. Nothing unusual at the hospital.
- Tues. 22 The weather is cold but favorable. I rec a letter from A and reply. Affairs unchanged at the Hospital.
- Wed. 23 Not very pleasant today. It is cold and windy. All goes well with me.
- Thur. 24 A little snow has fell during the past night. It is cold and unpleasant. We have a good Thanksgiving dinner at the Hospital.
- Fri. 25 The weather is favorable. It is not very cold. All goes very well with me. Nothing new at the hospital.
- Sat. 26 The weather is quite mild today. It thaws, snow all melts. I am feeling very well. Nothing new.
- Sun. 27 It is very pleasant today and rather cool. I pass the time about as usual. I write to Laura.
- Mon. 28 Today it is rainy but mild. Nothing new occurs with me or my affairs at the Hospital.
- Tues. 29 It is not very pleasant but favorable. Nothing new occurs. I pass the time as best I can. Write to S. P. Thorp.
- Fri. 30 There is no great change in the weather, but a little more cloudy.

DECEMBER

- Thur. 1 Today is quite beautiful. Is not very cold. I pass the time pleasantly by reading Julia Ormond.
- Fri. 2 The morning is cold and dreary. It gradually becomes warm and rains. I am favored with a visit from Abel Woodworth.

- Sat. 3 The fore part of the day is rainy. Before night it is more pleasant. Is more cold. Nothing new today.
- Sun. 4 It is quite cold today, also cloudy. I write home. Attend Benediction in the evening at the hospital.
- Mon. 5 There is no great change in the weather. Nothing of interest transpires.
- Tues. 6 The day is dark and dismal. It is not very cold but damp. All about the same at the hospital.
- Wed. 7 Weather about the same as previous day. It becomes cold and windy at night. I rec a letter from home.
- Thurs. 8 It is a tedious day. It is very cold windy and snows a little. I am disappointed by not getting a furlough. I write to Francis and A.
- Fri. 9 The weather is more agreeable today, is not so cold. Nothing worthy of note transpires at the hospital.
- Sat. 10 It is very agreeable weather for the season. About 4 inches of snow has fallen during the night. Sleighs are running. All well with me.
- Sun. 11 I am at the hospital and all is as usual. The weather is favorable until near night when a terrible snow storm comes on. I write to Clarissa.
- Mon. 12 It is quite cold today. Sleighs are running rapidly thru Buffalo. All as usual at the hospital.
- Tues. 13 There is no great change in the weather which is favorable. I go down town to draw clothing.
- Wed. 14 Not any material change in the weather. I trade my blouse for a jacket. I write home.
- Thurs. 15 No change of weather except it is not quite so cold. Nothing occurs at the hospital worthy of note.
- Fri. 16 The weather is still favorable is moderated a little more. I busy myself at the hospital.
- Sat. 17 It is thawing today is cloudy and warm. It is rather dull times at the hospital. Nothing new.
- Sun. 18 It is a very pleasant day. It thaws a little. I write to Miss Colburn and friend T. A. Case. I attend church at the Hospital chapel.
- Mon. 19 Today is unpleasant and a little rainy. It is rather dull time. It freezes at night.
- Tues. 20 It is quite cold today although weather is favorable. I amuse myself ways, but nothing of interest occurs.
- Wed. 21 The day is stormy and tedious. Snow falls sufficient for sleighing. I write to A. nothing new.
- Thurs. 22 The weather is cold. Tedious in the AM. At 1 PM I start for home. I reach Little Valley at about about 7 PM. Go to the Gano House and put up for the night.
- Fri. 23 The weather is about the same as previous day. I leave Little Valley at about noon ride to Mr. Millers with A. Newell. Mr. Miller takes me home at night.
- Sat. 24 The weather is favorable. It snows a little. I am passing time at home as best I can. Father goes to Randolph.

- Sun. 25 Today is very pleasant and quite warm. There is good sleighing. I am at home all day. Is rather a dull Christmas.
- Mon. 26 It is quite warm and thawing fast. Clarissa goes home. Frank Congdon comes to see me. I go to the corner. Write to Andrew & Kate.
- Tues. 27 The weather is very mild today. I spend most of my time writing letters. All about as usual at home.
- Wed. 28 The weather is more cold today but favorable. I go to Mr. Thorps, Mr. Sibleys and Mr. Wilcoxes visiting and return in the evening.
- Thurs. 29 It is a tedious day. I am at home but doing nothing of importance. I rec a letter from J.A. Case.
- Fri. 30 Again quite tedious today. At 11 AM I start for Buffalo which place I reach at about 5 -40 PM. I stop over night at the Soldiers Rest.
- Sat. 31 The weather is mild but not very pleasant. I take breakfast at the Soldiers Rest, and then go to Sisters Hospital. We are mustered. Nothing more worthy of note transpires before end of 1864.

Notes: Martin Dewight Bushnell was born Feb 15, 1842.
 Attended Chamberlain Institute, Randolph, N. Y.
 Enlisted Army of the United States - Aug 15, 1862 (age 20)
 Official Army records show his daily duty as color guard
 (Jan thru Apr 1864) (Not mentioned in Diary)
 Army Medical Report - leg amputated 4" above ankle two
 hours after being wounded. Chloroform used. Transferred
 to Central Park Hospital, New York City early 1 1865.
 Army Medical Discharge here given on Aug 12, 1865.
 Following discharge, breveted a 1st LT for gallant and
 meritorious service. Awarded a full pension of \$7.00
 monthly.
 Died in Warren, Ohio on June 5, 1866 during surgery to
 re-amputate leg.
 Buried in cemetery, Napoli, N. Y. (Cattaraugus County)