

**Diary of Lewis D. Warner, Major and Lieutenant Colonel, 154th New York
Volunteer Infantry, January 1, 1864 to June 25, 1865.**

(From the original in the possession of Charles H. Warner III)

(Transcribed by Mark H. Dunkelman)

Friday, January 1, 1864

Went out in command of working party to build road. found road all built. Came back and reported. Went to Corps Hd Qtrs. and am to go out and fix road tomorrow. Weather verry cold and disagreeable. Ground froze hard. No snow.

Saturday, January 2

Went out and worked on Road towards Kelleys Ferry, filling up holes, ruts &c. Weather bitter cold. worked until about _____ and returned to camp

Distance from Portville to Chatanooga

Portville to Dunkirk	72
Cleveland	140
Columbus	156
Cincinnati	120
Louisville	150
Nashville	185
Chatanooga	<u>151</u>
Portville to Chatanooga	974

Allanson Crosby Capt Wounded		
C L Barnhart 1st Lt	"	2
Killed T Heafron Co A		
" A Rodgers " "		
" D Brand " D		
" Luther Wright " C	=	4
Wounded Kenyon " A		
" Bryant " "		
" Merkt " "		
" H Wolf " B		
" B M Carter " "		
" Erastus Wright " C		
" H B Hall " "		Slight
" J R Cromwell " D		
" B S Bently " "		
" I M Porter " E		
" J D Quilliam " "		Severe
" J Strain " "		
" J Wilson " "		
" H A Ames " F		Slight
" M Skinner " "		
" C Oyer " G		
" N Cook " "		
" Tom Mason " I		Total 18

Sunday, January 17

Made a trip to Lookout Mountain on Horse back Weather warm & Pleasant Sat for Ambrotype upon the extreme point. Returned to camp about sunset

Wednesday, January 20

Left camp for Chatanooga to take the Cars for home. On arriving found that there was a break near Shell Mound and no Trains run today. So as there was no help, I put up at the Central Hotell and remained over night. Weather pleasent and not verry cold.

Thursday, January 21

Got up from my floor couch, Got Breakfast, and started out to see what was the prospects found a train was to start some time during the day start at 3 PM. and arrived at Bridgeport about 10 PM, Waited a few moments and then mooved on.

Friday, January 22

At daylight were near Tullahoma. Weather pleasent. kept mooving along, and at dusk arrived at Nashville. Put up at City Hotel after supper went out and got some medicine for my cough. Went to bed early, Tired & Sick soon fell asleep

Saturday, January 23

Got up at 5 AM and at 6 walked to the Depot with my Baggage. Got off for Louisville at 7 Weather pleasent. Had a pleasent trip and arrived at Louisville and put up at Louisville House. found Paymaster and Rec 2 months pay. to bed early

Sunday, January 24

Got up early Weather pleasent. Started at 12 on Boat for Cincinnati. Got 25 miles brake engine, turn round and got back in time for Cars for Indianapolis for which place we started at 9½ PM pleasent trip on river, no expense.

Monday, January 25

Arrived in Indianapolis at 5 AM. One hour late. last connection for Cleveland and so had to lay over 16 hours, untill 8.40 PM day pleasent. Started at 8.20 for Crestline took Sleeping Car.

Tuesday, January 26

Arrived at Crestline on time. Got Breakfast Train from Columbus 1 hour late. Arrived in Cleveland to late to connect on Lake Shore Road. Remained untill 3.15. Had to remain in Dunkirk all night put up at Eastern Hotell. Weather Pleasent

Wednesday, January 27

Started at 8 30 on NY & ERR. for Olean arrived at Olean about 12, Dinner at Hokes House. Took Stage to Portville. Found all well. Weather warm & Pleasant

Thursday, January 28

Weather Pleasent

Wednesday, February 3

Wife, self and boys went to Olean today to get the boys photographs.

Thursday, February 4

Miss Robinson, Miss Comst and Miss Mart Wright passed this afternoon at my house.

Friday, February 5

Major Warner & Wife & Charles Wright & Wife spent the afternoon at Doc Bartletts. had an oyster supper.

Saturday, February 6

At Freds. Major Warner and wife--and several of the Wright tribe--beside some others--This is my birthday--they say--getting to be an old maid sure for my eye sight is quite poor.

Monday, February 8

Settled with Parish in the morning. Visited at his house in Afternoon

Tuesday, February 9

Weather squally but not verry Cold. Visited at Dr Capps.

Wednesday, February 10

Weather pleasent, but cold in evening went to Dusenburys in Eve to sociable.

Thursday, February 11

Weather frosty in the Morning. moderated in afternoon. Got Wheelers horse & cutter & went up to Bells, and then up to Albert Crandalls out calling in Eve Mate took cold and so did I.

Friday, February 12

Weather pleasent Mate quite sick with sore throat

Saturday, February 13

Weather pleasent Mate some better Stayed at home nearly all day.

Sunday, February 14

Weather cold, did not attend church. Mr Warden Fred Dill & Hopps at our house in Eve Mate better.

Monday, February 15

Started on my return to camp. Went to Olean with C H Wright. Took the Express to Dunkirk and from thence to Cleveland. Left there about 8 PM for Cincinnati. Weather comfortable. did not take Sleeping Car. distance from Olean to Cleveland, D 65 Erie 45 Cleve 95

Tuesday, February 16

arrived at Columbus at 2 AM (156 mile) where we changed cars. From here to C by C H & D Road. Snow storm turned cold with hard wind. arrived at C (120) about 8½ AM. Bitter cold. Went from Cars to Louisville Boat. took passage. left the wharf at 2½ P.M. arrived at L 150

Wednesday, February 17

Nash 185 at 4 AM. morning cold. left for Nash at 7 AM weather cold. Car poorly warmed. Cold feet nearly all day. dinner at Cove City Nashville 5/30 PM. City Hotel. night cold. visited P M office for Pass to Regt. went to bed at 8 night Cold.

Thursday, February 18

Morning cold. Breakfast at 8. remained in Town done some shopping and some rambling. at 4 PM took carriage to depot to take cars at 4.30. found that in consequence of an accident to train no passenger train would leave this day. went back to St Cloud House for the night

Friday, February 19

Morning cool but pleasant lay around loose until after dinner. Paid Bill and went to Station Got Baggage checked and seat in Cars, where I remained until we started at 4.30. stopped at Murfreesborough for supper did not eat. progress slow night pleasant

Saturday, February 20

Arrived at Stevenson about 7 A.M. morning pleasant. Arrived at Lookout about noon. had to go to Chatanooga to get my baggage. came back on mail train, arrived in camp about 3 P.M. found my horse at the station, and rode to Camp all well.

Sunday, February 21

Weather Pleasant passed most of the day in reading. Divine service at 4 PM by agent of Christian Com

Monday, February 22

Weather pleasant. occupied most of the day making out Ordinance Reports & reading. Rode over to Brigade Hospt. visited Dr Van arn and took dinner. Visited the 134th NY and back to my writing

Tuesday, February 23

Weather pleasant & Warm did not go out of camp today. finished Ordinance Report. Made out papers for Winters, & for Godfrey. Gen Howard visited camp in Evening. attended Dress Parade passed the Evening writing and reading

Wednesday, February 24

Morning pleasant. Inspection at 10 A.M. by Brigade Insp passed most of the day in reading held Dress Parade in afternoon did not go out of camp today weather pleasant and warm, roads dry and in good condition

Thursday, February 25

Morning pleasant Breakfast at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 8 A.M. Col Jones left today for home for 20 days. Lt Col Allen took com of Brigade and myself of Regt. Dress Parade in Evening High wind and appearance of Rain. Wrote to Olean Times.

Friday, February 26

Morning pleasant. Wrote to Wife. Rec Times of 17th went over to Division to get Lt mustered in dress parade. Wrote to C.R.W. and A ___ Weather pleasant. Wood back of camp on fire.

Saturday, February 27

Morning pleasant but cool Dr Day & Lt Johnson returned to camp. Policed rear of camp, and in front of Quarters. Dress parade in Eve. strong indication of rain smoke settles very much. Lt Col Allen still in com of Brig. fire in wood in rear of Camp

Sunday, February 28

Morning Pleasant Company Inspection at 8 AM Service by the Agent of Christian Com at 10 AM in front of Quarters. Dress Parade P.M. Capt Chapman returned to Camp. passed Eve reading Shakespere. Indication of rain.

Monday, February 29

Some rain during the night. Morning and all day wet, but did not rain hard. Mustered for pay at 2 PM. Wrote to John Manley and to my Sister Caroline Read Shakespere most of the day.

Tuesday, March 1

Morning Rainy, which continued until about noon. remainder of the day cool & cloudy. nothing particular going on in camp. wrote to F _____. Took a ride on horseback after supper. passed most of the day in reading Shakespere & Art of War.

Wednesday, March 2

Morning Pleasant Policed Camp, prepared Targets. Officers visited Lookout Mountain. passed most of the day reading & writing. Dress Parade in Evening. Wrote to Mrs Wheeler Even pleasant but Cool.

Thursday, March 3

Morning Pleasant passed the morning in reading & writing. Target firing from 11 to 12 Battalion Drill at 2 PM. Dress Parade in Eve. Col Allen resumed com of Regt. Evening in writing & reading Wrote to Martha Wright.

Friday, March 4

Morning Cloudy with indications of rain, which however did not come but cleared up. Col Allen in comm of Regt. Target practice. Skirmishing in afternoon visited Brigade & Div Hd Qtrs. Dress parade. passed evening writing and reading Evening windy and warm.

Saturday, March 5

Heavy Shower last night. Morning pleasant, and cool. No drill today, passed the day in reading writing and doing nothing Dress Parade at PM Wrote to Olean Times and to Wife.

Sunday, March 6

Morning pleasant. Inspection at 8 AM Religious Service at 10 by Agent of Christian Com. Dress Parade at 4½ Took a horseback ride after Parade. Read some not very well, Head ache, pretty hard.

Monday, March 7

Morning pleasant. went to Brigade Hd Qtrs. luck received letter from home Orders for review. Battalion formed, when showers put a stop to the Proceeding. Returned to Quarters. wrote to Wife, Dress Parade. not much rain. Evening dark and threatning.

Tuesday, March 8

Morning pleasant 100 men & 3 officers on Picket. No Drills today. Went before the military Commission to have my absense Investigated. Visited 73d Ohio to find the effects of J S Washburn Deceased. No Dress Parade to day passed the Evening in Reading.

Wednesday, March 9

Weather cloudy with strong indications of Rain. Rode to Corps Hd Qtrs to see Dr Brinton. Read nearly all day. night Rainy. nothing transpired to day Regt nearly all on Picket.

Thursday, March 10

Rained nearly all night. Morning warm. Cleared up about 9 A.M. warm and pleasant day. Nothing of interest transpired. passed most of the day inreading. Dress Parade in Eve. Warmest night of the Season

Friday, March 11

Morning Pleasant. Relieved Col Long as Field Officer of the Div. visited the Picket line and passed most of the day out of camp. Review of Brigade by Gen Howard at 4 P.M. No Dress Parade.

Saturday, March 12

Morning Pleasant Left camp at 7½ AM attended Guard Mounting at 1st Div visited Picket gone nearly all day. Went over to Station towards night. did not attend Dress Parade some rain in Eve Wrote to Sister Caroline

Sunday, March 13

Morning pleasant. No divine service today Inspection at 9 A.M. Visited the Regimental camps in the Division in afternoon. Received Letter from Mate. Wrote to mate and to Olean Times. Dress Parade in Eve.

Monday, March 14

Morning pleasant Brigade Drill at 8½ A.M. closing with Review by Gen Steinwher which passed off poorly. Visited the camps of the Division after Review. Battalion Drill at 3 P.M. No Dress Parade. Evening cool & pleasant.

Tuesday, March 15

Morning pleasant, but with a cold raw wind Visited the camps of the Division, between 9 & 12 AM Review of the Division by Gen Hooker at 4 PM weather cool and disagreeable No Dress parade

Wednesday, March 16

Morning Cold & Cloudy fozze quite hard. Cold all day. Was relieved at 9 AM by Maj Reed. Inspection at 2 PM by Lt Harding. No Dress Parade on ac't of the cold. passed the Eve visiting officers quarters Eve pleasant but Cool.

Thursday, March 17

Morning Cold but Clear Nothing going on in camp today. Not very well bad head ache, no trains on RR. Track said to have been torn up and train captured. Train came in in Eve. with Papers &c. Wrote to Smith Parish and Miss Bell.

Friday, March 18

Morning Pleasant and much warmer than for the past few days. Staid in camp all day. did not feel very well. Wrote over to Station for excercise in the Eve. No dress Parade as the men are nearly all on Picket

Saturday, March 19

Morning pleasant and warm. Attended the Review of the first Div by Gen's Howard & Hooker. did some reading and a little writing indications of rain which however passed off.

Sunday, March 20

Morning pleasant No Inspection this morn no service today. Recd Letter from Mate. Wrote to Olean Times and two letters to Mate. passed the day & Eve in reading and writing. Head ache all day.

Monday, March 21

Morning Cloudy & Cool. Assumed command of Regt. Col Allen Div officer of the day. Traget Practice and Battalion Drill. Received letter from C H Wright, which I answered in the Eve. Weather pleasant

Tuesday, March 22

Waked up to see 9 inches of snow on the ground which increased to 12 before 11 AM. Col Jones returned today. Moved my traps into old tent Col Allen takes the one I have occupied. Received copy of McLellans Report from Col Fenton. Night cool and cloudy.

Wednesday, March 23

Morning pleasant but cool. day warm. Snow disappearing fast. Passed most of the day in reading. Col Jones in command of the Regt. No drill or Dress parade. fixed my chimney and fixed up some Night pleasant and warmer than last night.

Thursday, March 24

Morning pleasant, froze some last night. Went to see Capt Thornton and back again. remainder of the day in camp reading. Dress Parade in Evening. Weather in afternoon hazy with indications of rain which commenced with high wind in Evening.

Friday, March 25

Morning gloomy with ground white with new snow. Rainy all day. did nothing but read, no drills or parade. no mails today. weather gloomy enough. Reading life of Wellington and Mahans Field fortifications Went to bed not feeling very well. night wet.

Saturday, March 26

Morning and day pleasant and warm. Received Photographs from Washington Letter from Mate, and Olean Times. Wrote to Mate. Dress Parade in Eve passed the day in reading and writing.

Sunday, March 27

Day pleasant and warm. Regimental Insp at 10 A.M. Rode to Division Hd Qtrs, also to 2nd Brigade. Service by Agt Christian Com at 4 P.M. Wrote to Olean Times, and passed the balance of the day in reading. Evening warm with ind of Rain.

Monday, March 28

Morning cloudy with indication of rain. Company Drill, and target practice in forenoon. Commenced to rain about 12 M afternoon rainy with high wind, which continued through the Evening. Rec letter and Photograph from Sand(?). Wrote to San_. passed the Eve in reading.

Tuesday, March 29

Day cool and cloudy with some wind and a little rain. Nothing going on in camp. passed most of the day in reading. Received letter from Mrs Wheeler. Dress Parade in Evening Dr Van Arnam back with Regt.

Wednesday, March 30

About 3 AM Received orders to march at 8 on a Reconisance. Left camp with Regt except sick, and a guard. Marched to 2 miles beyond Trenton and Bivouacked for the night. 134th NY 27th Pa and 100 NJ 33rd were in the party Buschbeck command. Weather cool & cloudy

(Note: Another page has been inserted here with the following entry.)

March 30

Rec orders about 3 AM to march at 8 on a Reconisance in the direction of Trenton. Morning cold with indication of a storm. Started at 8 roads quite muddy. followed the track of the Trenton RR. country very _____. The valley between the Main Mount Ranges _____ with Foot hills from 3 to 800 feet high, covered with timber, principally oak. The valley generally cultivated. Halted for dinner about 3 miles from Trenton in a beautiful Oak Grove. Resumed our march passing through Trenton, where we made a short halt. This is a small town and very much dilapidated. it is the present terminus of the RR although it is graded further on. After leaving Trenton we marched about 2 miles and encamped in an open grove of oak. The night was pleasant and with a large log fire our Bivouac was as pleasant as could be desired. After a good supper of Bread ham & coffee we lay down upon our.....March 31st After a good sleep, awoke at 5 AM and prepared to march at 6, at which time we were

(Note: The regular diary resumes.)

Thursday, March 31

Morning clear and frosty, left camp at 6 AM. Marched 6 miles to Gap and halted to wait the return of Cavalry which was out in the direction of Layfayette Cavalry returned at 3 PM when we countermarched and returned to our camp of the 30 there we remained over night. Weather wet.

Friday, April 1

Morning clear but soon clouded again Started at 6 AM on our ret to camp. Roads very bad in _____ of last nights rain. arrived in camp about 2½ PM, having marched this day about 18 miles, and 48 in all for the 3 days. Men quite lame and foot sore. Afternoon cold & Rainy. Letter from Mate.

Saturday, April 2

Morning cool & cloudy nothing transpiring in camp. Wrote to Mrs Wheeler Mate & Olean Times Receive Times of March 23d. No dress Parade. Evening pleasant but cool. wrote untill bed time, and then retired.

Sunday, April 3

Morning pleasant. Relieve Maj Robins 55th Ohio as Field Officer for Division Visited the Picket line in the forenoon, and the camps of the Division in the afternoon. Received letters from Mate and Mart Wright. Wrote to Mart and to Clarence. Eve Rainy

Monday, April 4

Morning wet and cool visited the Picket line but did not visit the camps of the Division. Received letter from Mate and from Charles Smith. Wrote to Mate and to Parish. Weather very disagreeable all day.

Tuesday, April 5

Morning Wet and cool. Left camp at 9 AM to visit Picket came back at 2 PM took Crosbys horse and visited camps of the division also Corps & Division Hd Qtrs. No mails today.

Wednesday, April 6

Morning and day pleasant visited Picket line in morning and returned about noon. Received order to make alterations, which made it necessary to visit Picket in afternoon, returned at night tired nearly out went to bed early. No mails today.

Thursday, April 7

Morning cloudy with indication of rain which however cleared up and the day was fine. rode up to camp of 1st Div to turn over instruction to F O of that Div. visited camps of Div. no mails to day. passed evening in reading. wrote no letters.

Friday, April 8

Night Wet and windy morning gloomy but not much rain. Went to Div Hd Qtrs at 9 AM to meet Col Long 73 Ohio. returned and passed the day in reading. Rec letter from Miss Bell which I answered in Evening

Saturday, April 9

Morning cloudy but no rain. Battalion drill at 9½ A.M. nothing particular transpired afternoon some rain Dress Parade at Evening. passed Eve reading and writing took Bath before going to sleep. Night rainy.

Sunday, April 10

Morning wet and cool. Company Inspection at 9 AM. Cleared off, afternoon pleasant. Dress Parade Received letter from Mate. Wrote to Mate and Olean Times. passed Evening reading & writing night pleasant and cool.

Monday, April 11

Morning pleasant which continued through the day, appearance of rain towards night. Com Drills fore & after noon. Dress Parade. Received letter from S____, which I answered, also Recd Corr from Peter Keyes with regard to Champlain

Tuesday, April 12

Morning a little rainy light showers through the day. Company drill in morning. Wrote to Keyes, Smith & Surgeon in Charge Convalescent Camp Hospt, with regard to Osgood. Dress Parade. passed most of day & Eve, reading & writing. Evening pleasant.

Wednesday, April 13

Morning and day pleasant. Company Drill in morning, most of the Regt attended ball play at 2nd Brigade. No drill in afternoon. Dress Parade. No mails this day. passed the day in camp reading &c. at eve took a walk onto top of Raccoon Mountain for exercise.

Thursday, April 14

Moring pleasant. Review of Division by Gen Thomas at 12 M. 3 Brigades 3 Batteries in the column. Marched in review by Divisions. Inspection of the Regt at 3 P.M. by Brig Insp'tor. Received Olean Times but no letters. Not at all well. took Physic on retiring.

Friday, April 15

Morning Cloudy & cool. feeling pretty bad. Eat no breakfast, and no dinner. a light supper. Regt out on Picket for 2 days. No drilling in camp. No Dress Parade. Evening cool and somewhat cloudy. Not well. head feels bad & dizzy.

Saturday, April 16

Morning pleasant but Cold. Went over to Br Hd Qtrs came back and received Order assigning me to Com of 73 Pa. after dinner went over and remained some time making enquiries with regard to the Regt &c. Came back to camp. Not very well tonight.

Sunday, April 17

Morning cold, but more moderate at noon. Afternoon cloudy and Evening rainy. Remained at 73 from 9 AM to 1 P.M. return to dinner. No Dress Parade. Wrote to Olean Times, no letter from Home today Capt Vedder Ret from Recruiting service.

Monday, April 18

Morning pleasant and more mild. Went to 73 after breakfast, made order assigning officers to command of Companies, &c. back to dinner, over in afternoon to see McKell and also to Hd Qtrs Brigade passed most of afternoon at 73d. Wrote to Mate in Evening.

Tuesday, April 19

Morning cool but generally pleasant. passed most of the day at camp of 73d. Went to camp of 27th and inspected arms of the men there belonging to 73d. Made out papers of transfer &c. passed Evening writing. pretty tired. No letters today.

Wednesday, April 20

Morning pleasant and not as cold. passed part of day at camp of 73d and most of Balance making out Invoices & Receipts for Ordinance. Made Requisition for Ordinance. Evening very pleasant and mild. passed most of it in writing.

Thursday, April 21

Morning warm & pleasant. Detachment of 73d who had been with 27th Regt today. Attended Drill of 3d Division by Gen Butterfield. passed part of the day at 73d Camp light shower towards Evening. Communicated with Adjutant General with regard to Cresson and Lieut Weingarter.

Friday, April 22

Morning pleasant, day warmest of the season. Passed most of the day at Camp of 73d making out papers &c. Received Olean Times and letter from Mate. Wrote to Major Cresson and A General Pa, and also communication to A.G.U.S.A. Wash. Evening pleasant & warm

Saturday, April 23

Pleasant and very warm, the warmest of the season. Heavy wind towards Evening and some Rain. Passed most of the day with 73d. Received no letters this day. Policed camp of 73d

Sunday, April 24

Morning Rainy, did not have inspection as intended in the morning. Wrote to Mate and to Olean Times. Receive paper from Olean. Cleared off about 10 AM remainder of the day very fine and warm. Wrote most of the day and Eve.

Monday, April 25

Morning pleasant. Not very well, Inspected the Regt in forenoon. Received a letter from Mate. did not answer it today. Passed most of day at 73d. Called on Col Buschbeck. Passed the Eve in Cols tent head feels bad.

Tuesday, April 26

Morning pleasant and warm. head feels much better than yesterday. passed most of the day at 73d. Received letters from C H Wright and Miss Bell. Battalion Drill at 4 P.M. despatch from Cresson at Louisville. Wrote no letters today. Evening warm.

Wednesday, April 27

Morning pleasant and very warm. Remained at camp of 73d nearly all day transacting business for Regt. Rec no letters today Battalion Drill at 4 PM. Wrote to C H Wright in Evening. night windy with some rain.

Thursday, April 28

Morning pleasant and warm. day hot and sultry. Brigade Drill at 4 PM. ending with review. Not very well today, Diareah. Wrote to Miss Bell in evening. Adjt Crosby returned with Detachment from Elmira.

Friday, April 29

Morning pleasant and warm. Cresson returned to his Regt, but I was not relieved of command of 73d. Made Muster Rolls and other reports. Wrote to Mate in the Evening.

Saturday, April 30

Morning wet, it having rained during the night rained considerable during the day. 73d was Mustered for pay by Lieut Harding. remained at the Regt nearly all day. Ordinance came in afternoon. received no mail and wrote no letters.

Sunday, May 1

Day pleasant and warm Battalion Inspection at 8 A.M. Issued Ordinance. Passed most of the day over at the Regt. Received no letters or papers, and wrote none. Passed evening studying Tacktics &c. Evening cool so that I had fire in tent.

Monday, May 2

Morning cool & Pleasant. 3d Division, Butterfields left the Valley for the vicinity of Rossville. not yet relieved of the Command of 73d. Ordered Batt drill at 4 P.M. Regt det to guard Cattle. No drill.

Tuesday, May 3

Orders to be ready to March tomorrow morn attended to insp of un-servicable Ordinance.. Drew rations. Packed up personal Baggage. Rec letter from Mate answered the same. Eve and day pleasant Cresson to Chatanooga

Wednesday, May 4

Morning pleasant and warm did not start on till 4 PM. Broke camp, and marched over the Spur of Lookout and across Chatanooga Valley to near Chatanooga Creek where we Bivouacked just after dark. Night pleasant and somewhat cool. Myself in charge of 73d Regt.

Thursday, May 5

Did not start untill about 8 A.M. having to wait for the balance of division to pass. Passed through Rossville Gap and marched to within four miles of Ringold where we turned to the right towards Lafayette, and encamped near Rock Oak Church. Day very warm.

Friday, May 6

Started at 5 A.M. 2nd Brigade in advance. Marched to Pea Vine Church half way between Ringold and Lafayette and encamped about 10 A.M. Soon after halting the 73d was ordered out on Picket, where we remained through the day & night. Issued Amunition & Rations. day very warm, distance marched about 8 miles.

Saturday, May 7

Drew in Pickets at daylight, day very hot marched at 5 towards Dalton passed Pealors Mills, halted for dinner near Taylors Ridge which we crossed soon after. Halted for a short time at Gordons Springs, quite an important watering place in former days, but now deserted. Resumed our march and halted about 4 miles from Buzzards Roost distance marched about 20 miles

Sunday, May 8

Broke camp about 11 AM on a reconisance towards Dalton. Marched to Dug Gap over Rocky faced Ridge, 4½ miles from Dalton. Attempted to carry the hights and failed. Remained on the mountain untill dark when we withdrew to the open plain in rear where we Bivouacked for the night

Monday, May 9

morning pleasant and day warm summed up the loss of the Regt yesterday at 8 killed 42 wounded 14 missing. Col Jones badly hurt, and leaves today for the rear. Mooved camp about 11 AM to a piece of wood in rear of our post all quiet today. The wounded have left for Ringold and the Hospt is broken up. 9 P.M. ordered to remove to a position near Gen Gearys Head Quarters Worked nearly all night building breast works towards morning got a little sleep.

Tuesday, May 10

remained all day in position, fell some trees in front. Heavy rain storm in Eve which gave us a general drenching. Rec good news from Virginia. All quiet through the day & night. Rebles in force on the Mount.

Wednesday, May 11

Morning Cold & damp, myself the same. Remained here all day which was cold and disagreeable. repaired breast work. Rebbs all quiet on the mountain. firing towards Buzzards Roost. in afternoon Rec Letter from Mrs Masters wrote to Mate but did not send it. Went to bed early

Thursday, May 12

Marched at 7 AM in direction of Snake Creek Gap some 7 miles south through the same range of hills. day cool but roads pretty bad. firing in direction of RR at Resaca and also toward Dalton. halted after passing the Gap. Finally encamped about dark in an open field in front of the Gap. Night cold and disagreeable.

Friday, May 13

Rec orders to be ready to march at 6 A.M. fell in about 8 and mooved ½ mile. Road full of troops and trains. were obliged to halt and remained untill about 1 PM, when we mooved slowly toward Resaca for the distance of 2 miles and took position in a field expecting to remain all night, but were again ordered to fall in and mooved by the left to a range of Rifle pits which we went to work to reconstruct. Staid all night

Saturday, May 14

Morning pleasant. all quiet except some skirmishing on our right. remained in our intrenchments untill near night, when we mooved out to a position near on the right where we remained untill about 11 PM when were ordered to march to the left to a position on the opposite flank of the Enemy. This march took untill 4 AM when we lay down to sleep for a short time. This night march was very fatiguing to the men. We were now on the North of the Enemy, and facing South.

Sunday, May 15 Resaca

got up about 6 and took coffee. under arms untill about 10 when we mooved back by the road we came about 1 mile and advanced upon the enemy's position. During the whole afternoon we were under fire, and drove the enemy from one hill to another for about 2 miles. The enemy made a strong fight but when our boys went in on a charge, they were obliged to give ground. After dark we mooved to the top of the hill where 4 pieces of Reb artillery were in position and went to work to get them out, and to build breast works on the crest of the hill. about 11 we were opened upon with a sharp fire by the enemy.

Monday, May 16

Enemy evacuated during the night and we started early in pursuit. Crossed the Railroad and took a course southeasterly. Crossed the River by wading halted on the south bank. Col Allen taken sick and went to the rear. Halted near the River and I went with 100 men to Fields Ferry where we remained all night running the Ferry.

Tuesday, May 17

Morning Rainy. Started at 6 to return to Division. Run into Enemy lines. Counter march back and took another road. Joined Regt at 10½. March at 1 PM to Calhoun where we Bivouacked for the night Day wet and our boys tired. Country much better. Many fine Plantations

Wednesday, May 18

Rec orders to march at 4 A.M. Started at 5 mooved about 1 mile and halted for the road to clear. Mooved on finally. Halted for dinner at 1 PM. resumed our march and Bivouacked after dark near Adie about 8 miles from Kingston. Enemy reported in our front. distance marched about 16 miles Ordered to be ready to march at daylight

Monday, May 23

Ordered to march at 4 AM Brigade in line, then Stacked Arms, and rested untill 6. Col Buschbeck and 27th left for home. Marched through Cassville & Cass Station. Crossed the RR and took a course south. Crossed the Etowah River on pontoons, and encamp on South Bank. Detailed as Division Officer of the day.

Tuesday, May 24

Ordered to march at day light, but did not get started until near 6, and then moved very slowly. For miles our course lay through one interminable Corn or wheat field, proving that the endeavor to raise only bread was well carried out. In the afternoon we passed about 5 miles of pine barren very hilly, and before sunset. Evening Rainy.

Wednesday, May 25

Morning Cool and Cloudy. Orders to march at 6 3/4, on the road towards Dallas. About 11 AM our advance encountered the Enemy near Pumpkin Vine Creek in force, and halted throwing out the 2nd Div in front. They advanced their Skirmishers and during the afternoon & Eve drove them about 2 miles, and took some prisoners. Our loss heavy in wounded lay on arms all night, rainy & Cold, no _____.

Thursday, May 26

Morning cold. Skirmishing com early, between our front lines and the enemy who are entrenched about 40 rods in front of our advanced line, on which we have erected a good rifle pit. Remained in position all day. Considerable skirmishing in front. None of our men hurt, at Eve erected breast work in front of our line. Slept soundly

Friday, May 27

Morning pleasant 3 Batteries placed in position in our front opened at Sunrise with canister shot.

Tuesday, June 7

Nothing of moment today general time of rest and cleaning up of guns. Col Jones assumed command of Brigade relieving Col Lockman Baggage came over and was overhauled. 119th took pos on our right. All quiet in front

Wednesday, June 8

Remained in camp all day. Engaged in procuring the muster of Capt Crosby Welch & Clark. Received order to march tomorrow. Rec letter from Emma Terrance C H W_____ and from home. Nothing of interest going on wrote to mate but did not send it.

Thursday, June 9

Up at day light expect to march at 6 AM. waited until 7 and then received order that the corps would not march until the 10th. Wrote to Hean Mrs Wheeler and Emma Terrance. Insp at 11 am by Brig Insptr. night pleasant and warm. It is said that we are to advance toward Atlanta

Friday, June 10

Rec orders to march at 9 AM. Struck tents as ordered, and then waited

untill after noon and a heavy rain coming up tents were again put up. 4th Corps passing all day. Made rept of Regt from May 19th to June 7. Wrote to C.H.W. do not move to day.

Saturday, June 11

ordered to be ready to moove at 8 AM. At 7½ ordered to pack up. took down tents and lay around loose untill after noon, when a shower coming up we put up our tents again and remained all day. Afternoon wet. This is the third day we have been under orders to march. Think I will not take down tents again untill we are ordered to fall in in earnest.

Sunday, June 12 Rained nearly all night and throught the day. Not very well. Wrote to Mate and Olean Times Received mail but no letters to me, wrote to Paymaster Nashv with regard to Johnson. Ordered to be ready to march at very short notice Rebs said to be mooving towards our right. McPherson said to be across the River. Trains run to Ackworth. did not moove

Monday, June 13

Morning wet as usual, and cold. It would seem that we are really having a wet spell. the roads are fast becoming impassible for trains and were it not that we are within hearing of the whistle of the Locomotives I should entertain serious fears as to our Hard tack & Coffee. about noon received for the 4th or 5th time since we have been here, orders to march at once, but as before we had got fairly at work packing up when orders came not to strike tents as we would probably not moove today. So tents were again put up and all was as before. rain ceased in afternoon but remained cloudy. Approved & forwarded Lieut Camerons Resignation. Rec notice that Brigade would moove early in the morning to a position in front. Evening cool. Not very well today, on act of head ache. looks like clearing up. hope it may.

Tuesday, June 14

Morning cool and cloudy, but no rain. about 10 AM ordered to fall in for Picket. marched out on the Ackworth road about 1 mile. Posted the Picket, and was eating dinner when I received orders to draw in the picket and return to camp as the Brigade was ordered to moove. This order was complied with at once and we marched back to camp and then out on the Marietta road about 2 miles, near the high hill where the enemy were entrenched, and from which our men had been for some days endeavoring to dislodge them. after some considerable counter-marching we went into camp for the night in an open wood about 3/4 of a mile from the enemys position. It is reported that the 4th Corps are to charge the enemys position and we are to support them. This may be true but nothing done today. night pleasant and drying up fast. Not well tonight.

Wednesday, June 15

Did not rest well last night. Diareah. morning pleasant, did not moove untill about 11 AM. Marched southerly to the left of the

position which the Rebs evacuated last night. Mooved about 1 mile and then the Brigade was formed in line of Battle the 154th as Skirmishers. We then advanced about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and found the enemy on a high hill where we engaged and finally drove them from this position but with a loss to ourselves of 3 killed and 20 wounded, including one Officer. After driving them from their position we pursued them rapidly through the wood about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile to a verry strongly entrenched position on a high hill. Our boys advanced as skirmishers to near the foot of the glacis, and the line of battle came up to within about 200 yards of the enemys works, which pos we held and during the night the Skir withdrew and entrenchments were built.

Thursday, June 16

After passing the night building breast works we mooved to a position in the second line, where we were more exposed to the enemys fire, but lost but 2 men, Capt Crosby wounded and one man killed. during the day the enemy kept up a brisk fire with both Artillery & Infantry without doing however much damage, except to our skirmishers who suffered very much at dusk we relieved the 73 Pa and went to work building a rifle pit in our front and also pitts to protect our skirmishers at this we worked nearly all night, & lay down at 12 nearly tired out with want of sleep and rest. The enemy have a very strong position and one which commands the approaches very effectively. Nothing but a flank moovement will carry them.

Friday, June 17

Waked up at day break to find that the enemy had evacuated their position and gone. We immediately advanced and occupied the pos where remained to take breakfast Made Report of casualties and commenced writing a letter when fall in was sounded and we were off after the Rebbs. Mooved south about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles and formed in an open field into line of battle our Regt in 2nd line, advanced through a thick piece of wood about 1 mile and halted near the enemy who were on a hill in a wood in our front, where our artillery was shelling a battery of theirs. after resting a while we formed the Brigade into single line and took position in front of the enemy. Our artillery told with effect and soon silenced theirs. entrenched in front of our pos. after dark received orders to advance to the crest in our front and entrench there, mooved at 10 PM, at 12 I lay down in the open air to sleep.

Saturday, June 18

Waked at daylight to find the rain pouring down in copious streams and my blankets well saturated as well as myself. sent for pioneers and about $7\frac{1}{2}$ got a tent up, and a fire in front. heavy rain all the morning. Skirmishing on our left but quiet in our immediate front. De-tailed as Division Officer of the day. Arranged for the skirmishers in our front, and saw that we were relieved. Weather very wet and disagreeable. The enemy are using some Artillery and as it is the first time we have had anything of a chance to use ours they are having almost a holiday, peppering the Rebell works and silencing them as often as they choose to open upon us. there are many reasons to expect that they will be digging out tonight as they have been driven some distance on our left.

Sunday, June 19

At 3 AM we relieved the line of Skirmishers and made some noisy demonstrations to find whether the enemy had left, as they had not fired since midnight. At daylight I advanced with the skirmishers and found the Rebell lines deserted and took possession. At about 9 AM the Division was again in motion but slowly as the roads are horrible. The rain poured for about 2 hours today as fast as I ever knew it to do and the whole country around was a vast muddy sea, and we were as a lot of drowned rats. we are now on the Marietta Road, and have again met the enemy after marching about 2 miles and have taken position in front of their works

Monday, June 20

Passed most of the night entrenching does not rain this morn finishing up our entrenchments and again waiting for what may turn up. Constant skir in our front, but as we are not in the front line it does not trouble us much. If we can stay here today and it does not rain we may get dried off. RR Marietta Road in direc of Marietta about 4 miles distant. about noon relieved 3d Brig. at 6 PM ordered to fall in, to be relieved by 4th Corps, we to relieve 3d Div. took down tents and waited all night for relief to come, but it came not. Enemy still in our front but not firing much. Considerable skirmishing on our left. showers at intervalles through the day, but did not rain very hard. not very well today. fasted and hoped to be better tomorrow.

Tuesday, June 21

Got up at day light, after not a very good nights rest without tent. Morning wet, put up tent. eat no breakfast. about 7 the Brigade, which was to take our place arrived and we marched out to rear and halted untill the whole Brigade was relieved, when we marched to the right and took position on the right of the 2d and left of the 1st Div. which our Brig adjoined. proceed at once to put up entrenchment in our front, which is again the first line. heavy firing on our left but little or none in our immediate front. day wet and disagreeable. Severe headache, nearly all day. Wrote to Olean Times. hope to feel better in the morning if not disturbed in night

Wednesday, June 22

Got up after a good nights sleep, feeling much better than yesterday. Our line advanced in the morning, and about noon we left our works and advanced across the wood in our front, and halted just behind a long field, on the opposite side of which the enemy appeared to be in force. our skirmishers were near the center of the field. In the afternoon the enemy made a strong attack upon the 1st Division which was on our right in the same open field. The Skirmishers were driven in, but the first line repulsed the enemy and sent them back to the cover of the wood a demonstration was also made in front of our position but our skirmishers and Artillery sent them back in double quick. before night we mooved a little to the right and entrenched in edge of field slept without putting up tent.

Thursday, June 23

morning pleasant, with prospect of a pleasant warm day. all quiet in our front, enemy either gone or keeping quiet. relieved our skirmishers in the morn Gens Sherman Thomas Hooker Howard along the lines. An attack expected in our front all day but did not take place. heavy firing on our left, and skirmishing in our front. Under arms until nearly midnight expecting an attack during the night. strengthened our works but did not moove today Weather pleasant & warm. The enemy seems to have come to a halt, and turned at bay Trains reported burned on RR

Friday, June 24

Morning pleasant. no moove this morning. wrote to Parish and Mate. nothing of interest to note, constant skirmishing with no particular result so far as I know. Two men wounded, One Co H through the foot while lying behind the entrenchment, and one man of Co F through the hand while on the Skirmish line. day very warm, we seem likely to stay here some days. to warm to sleep much.

Saturday, June 25

Morning pleasant with prospect of a warm day, which was carried out to the letter. No change in affairs in our front as far as I can see, or learn. Constant fire between our pickets. Sherman is probably carrying out some plan of his own, Johnson seems to have come to a stand, and is determined to fight here for Atlanta

Sunday, June 26

Morning pleasant with another hot day in prospect. went over to train and returned to camp with hard head ache, done some policing dug sinks &c. remained in camp through the day, with no change in the situation of affairs to note. The Rebs are evidently making their last desperate stand here, and show no signs of leaving at present they have strong positions in our front which they seem determined to hold, But we will have them out, Reported that there will be an advance tomorrow.

Monday, June 27

Breakfast at daylight. ordered to fall in soon after, and mooved to a position in front of the 3d & 1st Brigades. about 8 AM we advanced in line, the 1st & 3d in our rear about 3/4 of a mile, when we found ourselves near the enemys works and also exposed to flank fire on our right halted and entrenched our position and remained through the day & night. firing heavy all day particularly the artillery, of which the Rebs made good use having I think the better of ours. remained in constant watchfullness, through the night, as our position is much exposed. Slept but little.

Tuesday, June 28

Morning pleasant. Circular to Gen Hooker to get ready to move with ten days supplies, and the fewest possible wagons. Our Artillery opened with spirit, and was faintly replied to by the enemy. Detailed as Division Officer of the day. Visited Div Hd Quarters, visited the skirmish line, and looked over the line detailed the picket for the night. In the Eve there was some firing on the right which soon subsided, and we passed the most quiet night that we have enjoyed for some time threatened rain but did not

Wednesday, June 29

Morning cloudy with indications of rain. the day however passed without a shower. Skirmishing as usual. Monthly returns for May & June made out by Com commanders. nothing of importance transpired. Directed the building of Lunette on bald hill in front of line. Was relieved by Col Lockman Received letters from mate & Hotchkiss night quiet and pleasant.

Thursday, June 30

Morning pleasant. Mustered for pay by Capt McMasters 134 NY. Orders that we will be relieved in Eve by 14th Corps. heavy shower in afternoon, cleared off pleas after dark was relieved by the 14th Corps and marched to rear and then to the right past the 1st & 3d Div and then to the front, and relieved a Div of the 23d Corps. The distance marched was about 4 miles and it took until 3½ AM to get into position. the road was nearly all the way through the wood, and very bad, and the march was heavy and hard. the 154 brought up the rear. our position was in the second line. the 1st & 3d Brig in the first. as soon as halted 13 men ordered for picket. lay down just at day break. We are now on the right of the Corps and connect with the 23d on our right. line facing nearly due east, and on the right of the main Marietta road.

Friday, July 1

Wakened at day light by Capt Brown and directed to have the Regt fall in at once. got the men into line and marched out to the front line where we found it in a vacant space between the 1st & 3d Brig. the line is near the crest of a hill and the balls fly thick and fast but too high to do any harm at this point. wrote to Olean Times, tried to sleep but could not, day pleasant but warm. At 3 PM was relieved and returned to the rear, fixed up tents and policed the ground, at near night had to move again to the right, and help build breast works. did not put up tent

Saturday, July 2

Got up this morning at day light and remained under arms until sunrise, dug sinks and policed camp. Nothing of importance today The enemy are still in our front and we are sending out a large picket force, the lines in our front are withdrawn so we are once more in the front line. Some rain today Retired to bed early, some head ache.

Sunday, July 3

Ordered to have breakfast at day light, and to be ready to move as there are strong indications that the enemy have left our front. Into line about 8 and marched out to the front. found their works deserted. many prisoners are being brought in by our men who are scouring the woods in all directions. Marched east to the Marietta road and then south about 2 or 3 miles, to within about 4 miles of the River when we encamped for the night. The enemy are on a high hill in our front and seem to be fortifying. They have evacuated Kenesaw Mountain and Marietta and seem to have fallen back to near the River. it is reported that they have been crossing for several days, our boys in high spirits, and all eager to go out on the skirmish line.

Monday, July 4

Morning pleasant. Canonading on our left quiet in our front. The bands discoursed sweet music this morning, play all the national airs, no orders to march at 7 AM. The enemy are in our front, with what force, I have no means of knowing, but I think their force here is small. they are keeping up a bold front while their main force is crossing the River. This morning passes without any particular demonstrations here, other than some of the men & Officers were drunker than usual, As whisky flows pretty freely here as well as at home. Our skirmishers are pressing back those of the enemy, and my opinion is that they will withdraw from our front during the coming night. If so we will follow them again on the morrow. well so mote it be.

Tuesday, July 5

as anticipated, the enemy have gone and we are on the move after them. In passing over the range of hills where they were yesterday, we found the most extensive system of entrenchments we have yet met with, one line behind and within an other, forming a perfect network of rifle pits, embrasures for Artillery and rifle lunettes. It would seem that they really intended to have made a stand here for the defense of Atlanta. Much of the work was evidently done yesterday, though some has been built for a longer period. Our course lay down the Nickajack Creek and over some rough hills toward the River. After marching about 4 or 5 miles we came to a halt upon a high ridge which runs parallel to and about the distance of 1½ miles from the river, where we encamped for the night. from this ridge, a very fair view of Atlanta is obtained, particularly in the afternoon when the sun is shining upon this side of the white buildings the city is probably about 10 miles distant. When will this be passed over. The enemy are on the opposite side of the River.

Wednesday, July 6

After a quiet sleep morning is once more here, and skirmishing is going on in our front. Whether we will move this morn remains to be seen. at 6 AM no orders yet. At about 10 ordered to fall in and marched to the front about ½ mile, about face and back to camp. Remained untill 3 PM when we fell in and marched to the left across Nickajack Creek, and into camp where we were supposed to remain some days. our camp is in a meadow, ordered to dig sinks and prepare to remain some days. Weather verry warm and dry. the enemy seem

determined to hold to this side of the river, and Sherman seems in no hurry to drive him out. some skirmish between the picket lines. The country here is extremely rough and hard to get over, nearly all covered with heavy timber and dense undergrowth. went to bed not at all well. did not eat any supper. !

Thursday, July 7

Went to work this morning fixing up camp, got in good order, and then the bugle sounded for a fall in, as we had not got into the right place from camp and must moove a short distance. packed up, and marched about five miles and found ourselves 3/4 of a mile from where we started. Went into camp on top of a hill, the Brigade in a verry cramped and irregular position. weather verry hot. Detailed as Division Officer of the day to relieve Col Jackson. went out to the picket line, found the Col and Recd my instructions, made some changes and returned to camp. about 9 P.M. heard some firing, went out and remained out all night which passed verry quietly. Lt Col Allen & Surgeon Van Aernam returned today, looking verry well and hearty.

Friday, July 8

Got up early and returned to camp to breakfast and then returned to the front. Visited the line and then went to Division Hd Qtrs. to report. was relieved by Col Allen, and went with him around the lines wrote to Olean Times and to Mate. The weather is warm and this rest is verry acceptable. the Company commanders are making the muster Rolls for May & June. Hope they will bring the greenbacks soon. The Paymaster will hardly venture out here to pay us, however, and if he did the chance to send our money home would be slim. Considerable firing on our right and left all quiet in fron. we hear but little of what is going on in the world out side our army, as we do not even get the Chatanooga Papers. Hear that the Alabama is sunk. dont know whether to believe it or not. Hope it is true. We are about 2 miles from the river, or so say they who pretend to know.

Saturday, July 9

This morning is hot as usual with prospect of another scorcher. Eat breakfast and lay around loose. overhauled clothing, and tried to write some but failed Rec a letter from Mate. nothing of interest transpiring today. work on Muster Rolls going on in the companys. general time of resting. The Rebs are still in our front and may stay. There is no particular prospect of a close to this campaign feel much relieved in giving up the command of the Regt. No responsibilities now for anything in particular. had a good wash in the evening in the creek near by. the 23d Corps are said to be over the river, and we expect to moove at day break tomorrow to relieve a part of the 14th Corps who are going to support the 23d. Weather very oppressive.

Sunday, July 10

Waked up at day light and were ordered to pack up and be ready to march at a moments notice. were not even to await Breakfast. Ordered to fall in. Then ordered to rest. Then we could get Breakfast, &c

It seems that the Rebbs left this side of the River last night, so the program today will be somewhat varied, and we may not move. morning cloudy, but warm. Remained in camp all day, and may stay here several days or not. Camp very much crowded. Rebbs said to be all over Jordan. nothing of interest transpired today. Weather warm with light rain

Monday, July 11

Morning warm but cloudy. day very warm. Made Return for 73d Pa. which occupied a good share of the day. Some policing of camp. Inspection at 5 PM. Received letter from home. Received order, that the movements of this army would be governed by that of the enemy. Reported that the Paymaster is coming to pay the troops to July 1st, would like much to see him and his money.

Tuesday, July 12

Night cool. morning warm with prospect of a warm day. Our Camp is called Camp Hess in honor of Capt H of 73d Pa. who was mortally wounded on the 15th of June. The Brigade in our rear having moved out, we changed our camp taking ground to the rear and making a roomy camp. One Officer & 32 men detailed to go on Picket to relieve 15th Corps. Rec letter from home.

Wednesday, July 13

Morning warm. Policed camp dug sinks &c. Rode over to the Ordinance Train to see Capt Wilson. passed the day in reading & writing. Capt Martin returned today from Chatanooga. Received Olean Times of July 6th. Nothing new in our front all quiet except a little picket firing in some places

Thursday, July 14

Morning warm with indication of a hot day. Nothing of interest transpiring in our front. passed the day in quiet, wrote to Times and to Parish. Worked some on Ordinance Returns. The enemy seems to be very quiet at present. Is it not the quiet that precludes the storm. Some rain in the evening with wind.

Friday, July 15

Morning cool after last night's rain. Worked nearly all day on Ordinance Returns, with some reading thrown in for a variety. All quiet along our front today. Received notice of the death of Capt Crosby, at Nashville July 9th. Another Officer gone, who a short month since was in full health and expecting long life.

Saturday, July 16

Morning warm. Inspection by J G Harding. worked hard all forenoon on returns, got them finished and Mailed. Expect some berries for supper to pay for going without dinner. Berries come in afternoon, fully realizing all expectation nothing new today all Quiet along our line

Sunday, July 17

Quite a shower last night which makes the morning pleasant. Ordered to prepare for Inspection by Gen Hooker Camp cleaned up and Guns stacked, Order Countermanded, and in lieu thereof an order to prepare to Moove at 3 P.M. At 4 ordered to fall in, were a long time in getting started but at length got under way, towards the river, crossed the RR at Ruffs Station, and the river on pontoon bridges by moonlight about 4 miles above the RR bridge. Marched about 1½ miles from crossing and halted for the night about midnight.

Monday, July 18

Morning pleasant and warm. did not moove untill about 10 AM, then our Brigade marched out and marched to Nancy Creek, where we halted some 3 hours while the pioneers built a bridge over the creek, crossed and marched about ½ mile and then formed in line of battle and in this manner advanced some 2 miles in a southeasterly course through the most tangled woods that ever man penetrated in this formation. we met no enemy however and finally came to a halt on a hill about 5 or 6 miles from Atlanta which lies a little west of south from our position. here just at sunset we bivouacked for the night, the Brig in a single line. just as I was preparing for sleep, I was directed to superintend the construction of a line of breast works in front of our brigade, which occupied the time untill about 1 AM when I lay down but slept but little.

Tuesday, July 19

Orders to march at day light. could not sleep, at all, up at daylight, eat breakfast and waited to moove. Morning pleasant. seem to be in no hurry. marched at about 7 and made about 4 miles in the direction of peach orchard creek which we crossed just before night and after a considerable time spent in arranging lines and positions, we finally about 10 PM got into camp for the night in the third line. Did not entrench our positions. Col Jones relieved of his command by Col Lockman, by order of Gen Geary, for alledged disrespect. the Division seems to be the only one over the creek, and to be pushed considerably forward, our Division picket line resting upon the creek, both on the right and left. Night very quiet, and pleasant.

Wednesday, July 20

Morning pleasant. at 7 AM mooved out about ½ mile to front and then rested about 2 hours when we mooved further to the front and formed in line of battle, near the foot of a hill on the summit of which our front line is posted with artillery. Col Allen having been relieved as Div field Officer and resumed his command I went up to the front, out with the 33d NJ to a hill about 400 rods in front of the first line where the Regt was expected to entrench here the enemy opened a heavy fire upon the Regt, which was compelled to fall back in disorder with considerable loss. The Rebbs followed up their advantage and made a heavy attack upon the front line the right of which was thrown into confusion, not being protected, the left of the line with the artillery with the first Div on the left caused them to recoil with great loss and at night they gone and retreated out of reach of our guns. We entrenched nearly all night which was quiet, slept but little.

Thursday, July 21

up early in the morning. the attack yesterday resulted in the repulse of the enemy at every point. the loss in the 20th Corps is estimated at from 12 to 1500, the enemy loss must have exceeded ours. did not move this morning except to advance the picket line Col Allen was unwell yesterday but is in command again today. Strengthened our works and prepared to receive our friends should they conclude to give us a Call, which they did not do. Was detailed as division Officer of the day. went out and relieved the Picket and came back about dark. all quiet along our part of the line some firing on our right & Left. went to bed about 10 PM did not sleep well.

Friday, July 22

Got up and eat my breakfast early and went out to Picket line, found that the 1st Div had gone forward Ordered the 2nd Div picket forward as the enemy had evidently left our front. advanced about 1 mile to a strong line of deserted works, which we crossed and advanced about 1 mile further when we found the enemy entrenched on a high ridge about 1 mile ahead, and about the same distance from Atlanta. Advanced the Skirmish line to the foot of the hill where we encountered the pickets of the foe. Halted and formed picket line. The troops forming in line on a hill nearby where we erected a strong line of works, and where we remained through the night.

Saturday, July 23

Morning cool and cloudy. The enemys Artillery keeps up quite a fusillade upon various parts of our lines with but little apparent effect. Our Guns occasionally reply, with what effect is not known. It looks as if we were to remain here through the day. McPherson reported killed. we are now within 2 miles of Atlanta and when the Rebels retreat once more the city must be ours. considerable Artillery firing through the day, and well into the night, mostly on the part of the Rebels. picket firing along our front, pretty sharp at times. the enemy are wasting a good deal of Amunition without hurting any one. what effect our firing is producing is more than we can tell. they are strengthening their works and we ours. Atlanta seems to be now pretty well invested and the siege commenced. when it will end is only known above.

Sunday, July 24

Morning cool. rested well last night morn verry pleasant and quiet untill about 8 when the Enemys Artillery again broke the silence and awoke the echoes of the surrounding hills. Strange notes to spend upon a Sabbath morn. There was no change today in the situation of affairs in front. The enemy seem to have awoke to the fact that Atlanta is in danger of being taken and are determined at last to make a stand in its defence. The firing of Artillery during the evening was verry lively and the exhibition a grand one. The flight and bursting of the Shells, amid the surrounding darkness was beautifull to behold no harm was done among our men by the enemys missiles. What effect ours produced upon them is only conjecture. night cool. slept pretty well after the firing partially died away.

Monday, July 25

Awoke this morning which was quite cold, pretty early. thick fog covering the hills. Making preparations to advance our lines to the crest of a hill some 400 yards in advance of our present position. Details of men to construct works, before moving out. day hot and sultry. Heavy Artillery practice all the morning. worked on lines in front, but did not move out today. nothing of importance transpired along the lines, Col Allen not very well, but not much to do. The enemy appears determined to make this the battle field, and to dispute the possession of Atlanta to the last moment. Their Artillery does a great deal of work with but little effect. weather very warm expected to move this evening but did not.

Tuesday, July 26

Morning warm, followed by a hot sultry day. worked upon the new line, enemys fire not quite as heavy as usual. Received letters from home. Col Allen lame. My health good. Congratulatory Order from Gen Thomas read to the troops. Moved out and occupied our new works in the evening. The enemys Artillery annoying but hurting no one. Worked nearly all night completing works. several alarms during the night.

Wednesday, July 27

Nothing unusual today, except that the picket line was advanced somewhat, and there was quite heavy firing on the left. The 3d Div seems to have been withdrawn to the reserve and we now occupy their front as well as ours. The Army of the Tennessee was moving to our right all day, it is said that Gen Howard takes the place of Gen McPherson. Reported also that Gen Hooker is relieved and ordered to Washington. Who is to be his successor in the 20th Corps does not yet appear. The Enemy threw some heavy shells today. One 32 burst on our regt, but hurt no one Col Allen has gone back to the Hospt and so I am alone once more. considerable skirmishing today, but nothing else of importance, expect stirring times tomorrow. afternoon rainy but warm

Thursday, July 28

Morning cloudy and warm with indications of a pleasant day. last night was unusually quiet. up and in the trenches at day light. Gen Hooker took leave of the Officers of the Corps today he being relieved of the command and about to start for Washington the parting was very affecting, we regret to lose so good a commander and one in whom so much confidence is reposed by Officers & men. Gen Williams is in temporary command of the Corps. Howard took possession of the RR to Macon, Enemy made three attempts to drive him from the position but was each time repulsed with heavy loss. heavy canonading along our part of the lines with some skirmishing, but no change of importance weather pleasant, but very warm. Entrenching

Friday, July 29

Morning foggy. Last night was the most quiet of any I have experienced since we have been in our present position. Wrote to Mrs Wheeler enemy very quiet, our Artillery active but get no reply up to noon

have the enemy fell back from our front is the question often asked but not satisfactorily answered. nothing of importance transpired today. all remained as usual. Received letter from Capt Hotchkiss at Murfreesborough. Col Allen yet at Hospt. The Enemy in our front are remarkably quiet today. probably resting and strengthening their works. The place I think will have to be reduced by regular investment and siege, as the defences could not be carried by assault with out heavy loss to us, and we do not wish to lose the men if the end can be attained without. Weather very warm, and disagreeable.

Saturday, July 30

Morning hot as usual. Our pickets made a demonstration this morning the pickets of the first division advanced upon those of the enemy and captured one hundred & three men, and held the position the pickets in our front did not gain any ground. The enemy kept up a lively fire all day today with their artillery which proves beyond doubt that they are yet in force in our front. I was detailed to relieve Maj Cresson as Officer of the day for Div. went with Cresson along our lines in afternoon. Visited the lines in fore part of evening, and again between 9 & 11 PM. all usually quiet weather very warm. Gen Gaery very much alarmed for fear the enemy would retaliate upon our pickets for the game that was played upon theirs this morning. Lay down with boots and sword on, about 11 PM for sleep Severe head ache all day today.

Sunday, July 31

Up at 3 AM and out to rear of picket line to 1st Brigade reserve, remained untill 5 A.M. returned for breakfast and then visited the entire line. Returned and found Gen Geary who directed that I should ascertain whether we were picketing our proper front. Made the examination and found that the 1st Div had 8 posts in our front and we had 4 in front of 4th Corps. Ordered that the fault should be corrected this afternoon, which was done under my direction. Relieved by a Capt of the 137th NY. Enemys sharp shooters very troublesome this day. heavy shower of rain in the afternoon and the evening wet and rainy. had several narrow escapes today from the enemys musketry, but a miss is as good as a mile. Pretty tired and went to sleep early. evening quiet except the firing upon the picket lines

Monday, August 1

Morning damp and cloudy, but not raining. Waked up early by a fusillade on the picket line which was kept up for some time on both sides our Artillery opened upon the enemy, who did not reply therto. May have withdrawn their guns, but think not. cleared off about 11 AM rest of day fine no change along our lines brisk picket firing all day. the enemys shells come over our works more plenteous than is really agreeable no men hurt in our Regt. Artillery firing quite brisk in afternoon. Wrote to Capt Hotchkiss, Sister Caroline, Mate and Thomas Hafron, besides communication to Adjutant General with regard to George Greek. Evening pleasant. fixed up the back of my house, to keep off the bullets.

Tuesday, August 2

Morning cool and cloudy. Col Allen gone to Chatanooga. Col Jones gone to Hospt. sick. Col Lockman in com of Brigade. Receive letter from cousin Mart, which I answered at once. day fine. 23d Corps mooving to the right. reported that 3500 of our Cavalry have been captured by the Rebbs some where between here and Macon. Rebbs very quiet on our front today. in fact all our demonstrations failed to bring them out received Olean Times and a letter from Mate. 23d Corps mooving to the right, no moove in our front. The enemy seem to be in no hurry to leave the city and Sherman seems in no hurry to force them out, dont know whether we have the Macon RR yet but suppose we have. weather cool and pleasant. strengthened our works enlarged the ditch closed up the parapet and got ready for the Rebbs if they come.

Wednesday, August 3

Morning cool & pleasant. Nothing of importance transpired today. Heavy firing on the right but a long distance off. probably the 23d Corps or else Howards Command were engaged. Report with regard to McCook disputed. hope he is all right. Enemy quite active today. Considerable skirmishing along the lines, and some artillery firing also on their part with none on ours. passed the day reading writing policing camp and so on a little rain with wind in afternoon but pleasant in evening with pleasant night. once or twice the troops were out into line in anticipation of an attack by the enemy which they did not make. evening passed off quietly. Col Jones still at Hospt. sick. feeling first rate if not better.

Thursday, August 4

Morning cool and pleasant with indications of a fine day. wrote some with regard to Fayette McClure of Co D went to Division Hd Qtrs to see about the muster of Lieuts Gallagher & Welch did not succeed in getting them mustered today but a promise for tomorrow. quite heavy firing on our right. our large guns on our right kept up their fire at intervals all night. Artillery mooved away from our position Ordered to be in readiness to repell any attack which might be made upon our part of the lines, as the right was to advance upon the RR and obtain possession at all hasards. Quite heavy firing toward the right in afternoon and evening. reported that Schofield had secured the RR with out much loss or trouble on his part. Received no letters today, and wrote none. fixed up ordinance receipt for Rummell at Chatanooga. Evening pleasant & warm not much change in our front

Friday, August 5

Morning warm and pleasant. considerable skirmishing through the night but very quiet this morning. Went to division Hd Qtrs to see about muster. came back and read and bounced around some fixed up bed in my tent &c. Visited Col Jones at Hospt. About 3 PM heavy firing on our left caused by the advance as was reported of the left of the 4th Corps. Considerable fighting nearly all day on our right with what results I have not learned. Quite a brisk opening in front

of the 1st Div just before night. very quiet in our immediate front. A train of cars came across the River today and ran up to the rear of our works, where the Steam whistle was set to work to announce to the denizens of Atlanta that the road was open and that we were ready to transport passengers or freight on the most reasonable terms. rather aggravating I should think to the Rebels, this knocking right at their doors of the yankee whistle.

Saturday, August 6

After a quiet night comes a warm pleasant morning. some canonading on the right, and the usual amount of skirmishing all along. nothing of interest this morning. afternoon heavy firing on the right particulars not known. Gen Schofield engaged, demonstrations along the rest of the line to draw attention from him. afternoon and evening rainy. an unusual amount of firing on the left in front of 4th Corps. Lieut Johnson returned this evening, and reported for duty but went back to the Hospt for the night. did not rest well this evening. up at 11 PM and remained up some time. Green Corn for supper. The enemy still shows no signs of leaving Atlanta and we now I think calculate on a regular investment. Well it is all in the three years, while staying here we are not marching.

Sunday, August 7

Morning pleasant and very quiet except the usual amount of picket firing, which was kept up all night and halts not with the usher in of the Sabbath. The enemys ball come singing over our works quite briskly but hurt nobody. the weather is beautiful the air balmy and pure after the rain. Would like to attend Church in Atlanta today but dont know the hour of service and of course cannot be sure of not disturbing others by getting in late. nothing of interest transpiring today. Col Mindoll returned from Chatanooga. Lieut Ellsworths Resignation accepted his papers made out. Lt Johnson Assigned to the command of Companies F & H. Wrote to Mr Ogden, and to mate weather pleasant and warm. Col Jones still at Hospt. He will probably remain some time now that Col Mindell has Returned to Com Brigade. Gen Geary feared an attack tonight, and cautioned extra vigilance in the lines. Men to sleep with their Straps on &c.

Monday, August 8

Night passed without any disturbance of an unusual nature. 4 deserters from the Rebel lines came in this morning early. they report that they have but 2 days _____ on hand, that they have been reinforced from Mobile, which place has been taken by our forces under Farragut, that they have got done assaulting our works &c. cant tell how reliable this report may be. Col Mindell ordered to take command of Brigade and relieve Col Lockman. Some rain in the morning but not much. Col Mindell assumed command in evening. considerable firing on our right, where Gen Schofield probably manouvering for the possession of the RR with how much success is not very clear. weather showery, which is a relief after the great heat of the past days. no change in our position front. Not very well myself today. Col Jones it is said is going to Chatanooga

Tuesday, August 9

Morning pleasant and warm some showers during the day. rode over to the Ambulance train, borrowed ten dollars of Dudley Phelps, and went over to the Hospt to visit Col Jones found him about as usual, said he should be back in a day or two, doubt it very much. Capt Martin's Resignation accepted and he directed to go to Chatanooga to have the papers made out by Maj McMichael. Glad he is going for he has long hung like a dead weight upon the regt demoralizing both Officers & men, both by his conversation and brutish habit. Reported that some heavy guns are to be mounted on the high ground occupied by part of third Brigade. This looks much like a siege or at least as if we expected to reduce the place by slow approaches. No letters today or papers either.

Wednesday, August 10

Monring wet. considerable rain last night. did not rest at all well. enlarged precincts of camp preparatory to spreading out tents and making more room. detail of men for fatigue to place the heavy rodman guns in position on our left. went up to see them after dinner. Generals Sherman Thomas, Howard &c were there in the fore part of the day. guns in position and opened on the enemy towards evening think they must be anything but soothing to the rebs over there in Atlanta. Heavy rain towards evening, and a wet night quite heavy canonading on the right do not know the situation of affairs there. Capt Martin gone. Farlee sick and went to Hospt. dont know how I should manage to get along without him. Made application for Benson to go to Bridgeport for Books & Papers. head ache all day. rest poorly at night.

Thursday, August 11

Morning damp. considerable cholic pain through the night, not at all well this morning. Firing by our Artillery kept up all night, did not rest any better in consequence. Went over to division hospital saw Col Jones and Farlee. Bensons order to go to Bridgeport came. pro-cured Pay Rolls and intend to try and get some pay from Chatanooga by Benson. The usual amount of skirmishing without any apparent result. head ache and disiness all day. some rain in afternoon. rearranged camp so as to take greater intervals. Nothing worthy of note today. it is all days alike nothing but monotony of regular siege. If we could get payed off and know something of when we should leave here we would know better whether to fix up camp or not. Atlanta is not ours and may not be for weeks to come as yet, and it may be ours any day.

Friday, August 12

Morning pleasant followed by a very warm day. My health is not at all good, feel very bad today. nothing of interest today. did not leave camp except to go to the 2nd line of works in the evening. fixed up _____ of Camp Equipage condemned. head to bad to read or write much heavy skirmishing at intervals along the front of the 4th Corps. quiet on our front. quite heavy firing last night and today on our right. did not learn the particulars. Received Olean Times, but no

letters today. Col Jones still at the Hospt. men fixing up camp. Benson started for Bridgeport after Regimental Books sent for my pay. hope I may get it. took a wash at evening and went to bed head feeling badly. went to sleep after a while.

Saturday, August 13

Morning warm & pleasant. feeling better than yesterday, but head not wright yet tried to write a letter and failed. last night was one of the most quiet for some time. four Deserters came in to our lines and report that another squad will be in tonight. well let them come. we may better take them prisoners than to fight them, and we have spacious accomodations up north in Abrahams bosom. day very warm. done some writing upon ordinance matters. not at all well today, though better than yesterday. nothing of interest, in fact it is particularly dull. if we could have a fight if nothing better it would be some alleviation from the present monotony of this sort of semi siege. the boys would have something else to do besides getting sick which many of them are now doing for want of better business.

Sunday, August 14

Morning pleasant, and quiet. No disturbance last night. Our Artillery kept up the bombardment at regular intervals through the night, which was not a very quiet one over in the city, judging by the fire which was seen and the ringing of bells heard there. whether these fires are the result of our shelling or whether they are incendiary I have no means of knowing. this day passed off very quietly. Insp at 11 AM and prepared blank Reports for inspection tomorrow. Service in the evening by Chaplain of 33d NJ. heavy musketry & canonading on our right towards evening. What Corps was engaged or what was the nature of the affray not informed. the evening was warm and I did not sleep well. in fore part of night wrote to Mate. feel some better than yesterday guess I shall get along without being sick this time.

Monday, August 15

Morning pleasant, but foggy before daylight. roused up at about 3 AM by firing on our right probably in front of 1st Division. did not amount to much. Made Ordinance Report, Effective force report and Report of casualties. Monthly Inspection at 10 A.M. with Reports to follow. Miss Farlee very much in making Reports. Rode over to Hospital to see Col Jones. went to see Bundy to try and trade horses, did not find him. some rain in afternoon. Evening pleasant. no change of any importance to note. the usual amount of picket firing and canonading along our part of the lines. heavy firing on the right, the particulars of which I did not learn. Went to bed early tonight & sleep well.

Tuesday, August 16

Aroused about 2 AM by firing on our right seemingly in front of 1st & 3d divisions. Morning quite foggy. men ordered to fall in by Brigade Commander. under arms for about ½ hour when the disturbance ceasing we went to bed again, and slept untill morning. Worked today

on Returns for Co E for 2nd Qtr reported in the afternoon that the enemy were massing on our front. Men ordered under arms and kept so for some time untill evening rendered it impossible that any mischief would be attempted here tonight. did not believe the yarn that was told at the time. night very quiet and pleasant. slept pretty well. I do not think there is even a possibility of the enemy's making an attack upon our position, night or day. They evidently know better than to march upon certain destruction.

Wednesday, August 17

Morning pleasant and warm. all quiet along the lines. went over to the baggage waggon to get blanks. finished up Returns for Co E and mailed them. Wrote to Ordinance Office for Blanks. pretty sharp skirmishing in front of 4th Corps at intervals nearly all the afternoon. all quiet in our front. Reported that we are to moove soon. That the whole Army except the 20th Corps are to moove to the right while we are to remain and hold the Bridge across the River. Some great flank enterprise I presume. Well success to the moovement be it what it may. Sherman I think knows what he is about. If Hood is obliged to leave Atlanta perhaps the 20th will march in and occupy the Town. who knows what may occur. It seems we are to be left behind at any rate. so mote it be.

Thursday, August 18

Order for a moove countermanded as it seems that Killpatrick has accomplished all that is desired at present, he having made a break upon the Macon road and destroyed several miles of track. so we are to remain as we are for the present. The enemy seems to have been suspicious that we were mooving last night as they opened up with their Artillery at day break this morning and gave us a pretty sharp revelee which was well responded to on our part. The day passed off in quiet, except some fusillades on our left. Wrote to Olean Times. Recd no mails today. It is said the road is cut off at Dalton and that there will be no (rest of passage too faint to make out)

Friday, August 19

Awaked at 4 AM by the (passage too faint to decipher) the air was literally full of flying _____ bursting shells for anout 3/4 of an hour. the fire was not responded to by the Rebbs. what the effect of our fire upon the enemy was I dont know. They must have had a sudden awakening to say the least. about _ AM one of our shots blew up a casen over in the Rebell lines, which made quite an explosion, and was loudly cheered by our boys. day generally pleasant with no unusual disturbance in our front. heavy shower in the evening. Went over to the Hospt. Tim traded off Tom for a brown horse, pretty good rider. no mails today, though one is talked of. there must be a large one some where.

Saturday, August 20

Morning damp with indications of more rain, and the indications proved true this time. Worked all the morning making Reports &c. which

obliged me to get up early. Detailed as Division Officer of the day. went up to head quarters at 2 PM. back and walked over to the left of Division and back along the picket line and back to camp. All quiet. Received mail today and among the rest a letter from Capt Hotchkiss, containing 5 dollars in money, very acceptable at this time. hope to make a good use of the cash. Lt Benson did not come back today as was expected. night wet, remained in camp and left the Picket run. no news yet from Killpatricks enterprise on the Macon RR. hope he is successfull, and hope the Rebbs have but short rations with them.

Sunday, August 21

After a quiet night, got up and after breakfast went to the Picket line which I visited the whole length of Division made examination of ground in front of left of line, with view to throwing the line forward on to a ridge in front. Went up to the Hd Qtrs at 2 PM. and was relieved by Col Flyn 28th Pa. came back and wrote to Mate and Capt Hotchkiss. received no letters today. weather showery and cool. wrote some read some and lounged some. no news yet from the right or from Killpatrick. Benson not back yet. This has been a very quiet sabbath, even the enemy seeming to be impressed with the peculiar claims of the day.

Monday, August 22

Monring cool and cloudy. slept last night more soundly than in any previous night for some time. this morning the quiet was almost oppressive. Even the 4th Corps seems to have got out of amunition, or for some other cause they have stoped firing entirely, and as if by mutual agreement the Rebbs have stoped also, and there is silence along the line for the space of--well who knows how long. Nothing going on in camp of any impotrance today. weather warm and pleasant. rode over to Hospt to see Col Jones, and staid there some time. found Col some better but not fit for duty yet. He is detailed on Court Martial. Evening passed quietly as the day. Benson not back yet. strange that he does not come. Reported that the RR is again cut.

Tuesday, August 23

Morning pleasant, and all very quiet along the lines. nothing of importance today. Gen Killpatrick has returned from his raid, having destroyed considerable RR and lost 200 men. he made the circuit of the Rebell army. firing on picket seems to have stoped, for the present, which is quite rational. there has even been some traficing along the lines. trade springs up as soon as shooting stops.

Wednesday, August 24

Morning pleasant, day warm Nothing of interest today. Benson Return-ed brought me no money. Received letters from Mate, Mrs. Wheeler, & C. H. Wright. Wrote to C. H. Train ordered to the rear indications of a moove to the rear, for the 20th Corps. probably the same moove is now in contemplation that was to have been made ere Killpatrick made his raid upon the Macon R.R.

Thursday, August 25

Morning pleasant. The 109th Pa left this morning with the Brigade Pioneers, for the new camping ground. we are probably to move to-night. Nothing of note going on through the day, although the note of preparation is heard like the almost imperceptible rumble of the distant storm. when the Picket went out at 5 PM they took all with them but tents. at length darkness cast her mantle over the earth, and as her sombre folds were drawn closer and closer, we all felt the reality of an important move upon us, and prepared each to act his part. we were to leave our works at 9 PM mean while the lights were kept up as usual, the Tattoo was beat, taps for the extinguishment of lights follow at the usual time and to all outward appearances, the camp was sunk in its usual slumber. But an inside view would have disclosed a very different state of affairs. As the hour approached, tents were silently struck, packing up was done and at length we filed out of our trenches and directed our course to the rear. at Div Hd Qtrs we were detained 2 or 3 hours for the 4th Corps to pass.

Friday, August 26

at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 we resumed our march and without any particular incident we arrived near paces ferry at about 1 hour after day light, and Picket came in one hour later. after breakfast our whole force was set to work slashing timber in front of the position of the 1st Brig on the main road. in the afternoon we were moved to the right and placed in position between the 1st & 3d Brigs, where we went to work with a will entrenching our position which was well done before night. Towards night the enemy cavalry made a dash upon our pickets, on the main road, but were repulsed and driven back with some loss. no other attack was made and we went to bed pretty early, completely tired out. I went to sleep soon and knew nothing until day light.

Saturday, August 27

I was awakened by the rain dripping into my face. we got up soon and had another days work completing our fortifications and laying out and arranging camp. heavy details for Picket and fatigue were made, especially for axemen, and as all the tools were required to work on the defences, we made but little progress on our camp work. had a swim in the River at dusk.

Sunday, August 28

Morning pleasant. did not sleep well last night, and do not feel well today. heavy detail for axemen today. worked on our camp what we could which was but little. In want of tools. There is no enemy now in our front, as our men have gone some distance outside the Picket lines without meeting any force of the enemy. anxious to hear the state of affairs down the River where Sherman is operating, he is said to be in the neighborhood of sandtown, with Hood in his front. No mails or papers today, although the cars are in motion over the river. We have a long front to defend and are stretched out forming a weak line were it not for our entrenchments and slashings, which make our position a strong one and not to be easily carried. fixed up my quarters some what this afternoon, which is warm and pleasant.

Monday, August 29

Morning & day pleasant. worked nearly all the forenoon policing and fixing up camp. about noon received order to tear down and pack up and prepare to moove to the right of the Brig and relieve a part of the 1st Brig. mooved to a new position which was 4 or 5 detached lunettes, which required considerable work to put them in a proper state. passed the rest of the day in fixing up quarters and camp as well as entrenchments.

Tuesday, August 30

This day was employed in fixing camp slashing in front, and preparing Muster Rolls Monthly Returns &c. very busy writing as I have no clerk or Adjutant, and this is a time of considerable clerical work. Got in Company Returns and partially Consolidated. No signs of an enemy in our front. The indications are that this is to be a permanent camp. went to bed tired.

Wednesday, August 31

Morning pleasant, arose early and went to work on returns, finished one and set Watterman at work to copy. Mustered for pay by Lieut Harding at 8 A.M. Officers all hard at work on Muster Rolls & other papers. Made Rolls for Field & Staff. Hear nothing from the main Army with Sherman. would like to know the State of affairs down there about this time. No letters from home in some days.

Thursday, September 1

Morning & day pleasant and quite cool. another hard days work with returns reports &c. are getting along pretty well with Muster Rolls &c. Nothing of any importance transpiring here, and we are in complete ignorance as to what is transpiring around us no papers or letters today. It is reported that McLellan is nom for the Presidency at Chicago.

Friday, September 2

Morning pleasant as usual. worked on slashing in our front policing an extended area of camp &c. untill about noon when we received orders to pack up and prepare to march to Atlanta which was reported as occupied by our troops, the enemy having evacuated last night. packed up and marched as soon as possible, formed the Brig on the main road from Paces ferry, and mooved toward Atlanta our Regt being rear guard and marching behind the battery. halted about one hour at peach tree creek and then mooved on and arrived within the defences of Atlanta at dark. Marched through to near the City Hall, where we bivouacked about 9 P.M. on a common where we remained through the night.

Saturday, September 3

Heavy showers of rain early in the morning. remained in camp untill about 9 AM when we fell in and marched out to the defences on the south side of the City where we took position in a strong fort which had lately been evacuated by the enemy, the carriages of 2 64 pound parrots being still burning. the balance of the Brigade were deployed

at 5 paces within the breast works, about 300 yards in rear of our redoubt. here we put up our tents and prepared to remain. the day was stormy and in the afternoon very cold for the season, and very unpleasant. Well Atlanta is ours this time without any question. The enemy evacuated in great haste yesterday morning destroying a vast amount of military stores which they could not transport, among the rest 80 car loads of amunition. Shermans success in his last flank moove has thus brought the campaign so far as Atlanta is concerned to a close. Gen Slocums Hd Qtrs were established here yesterday

Sunday, September 4

After a stormy & disagreeable night we have a pleasant morning, with however signs of showers. Not very well today. Orders to moove again as soon as troops arrive to relieve us. we are to moove to the right about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, so says the Col Comdg Brig. Bells in Town ringing for church today. wish I was there to attend service once more in tabernacle built with hands. hope we may get into some place where we will stay for a few days at least, so we can finish up our clerical work, and fix up a little more comfortable. Detailed as Div Officer of the day visited the lines and returned to establish our new camp which is on the McDoner road, our Regt the left of the Div. out on line untill dark.

Monday, September 5

Morning cloudy with showers during the day visited the Div lines and back to camp which the boys are engaged in fixing up. Back to Div Hd Qtrs. had a spat with the Gen come out with a whole head, out to the right of the line, heavy shower back to camp. not at all well. night damp

Tuesday, September 6

Morning pleasant & cool. Ordered to prepare camp for Inspection by Gen Slocum who however was in better business than poking around among the tents of a camp. Worked nearly all day policing the ground, got into very good shape. Ordered to forward at once an Official Report of the campaign.

Wednesday, September 7

Nearly sick. Bowells in very bad order. took medicine this morning. work on report. got one done and found it was not what was wanted. 17 men detailed to guard train to Chatanooga. Not at all well but went to work compiling a new report wrote untill late in the Eve. which was cold & windy.

Thursday, September 8

Morning really cold, so much so that a fire was comfortable do not feel at all well yet. Worked hard all day on report with 2 copyists to multiply coppies. did not get through untill late in evening when we finished up 2 Coppies from the original. went to bed late, tired and sleepy

Friday, September 9

Morning pleasant and much warmer than yesterday. worked in office nearly all day. Wrote home for the first time since we mooved back to the River sent in several Reports which became due. Muster Rolls completed. day pleasant. Gen Thomas said to be around visiting the camps. ordered to be ready to fall in when he came which he did not do

Saturday, September 10

Morning pleasant. Worked on Reports some. prepared to moove camp again farther to the rear to accomodate myself to the new line of the Brigade. Rode over to attend the funeral of Col Ireland arrived to late. Came back and lay around the rest of the day not at all well. nothing new or interesting going on.

Sunday, September 11

Morning pleasant followed by a warm day. Inspection at 8 AM after which we started out, and laid out our new camp and the boys at once set to work changing their locality. Service at 10 AM at Brig Hd Qtrs. Several Reports to make today. tired and not well. Evening very pleasant.

Monday, September 12

Nothing of interest today. Worked on our new camp, which was nearly completed and makes a fine appearance. Made the usual Monday Reports. Not at all well. we have now entered upon the real monotony of camp life. hope we may have time to enjoy our repose ere we are again in M

Tuesday, September 13

Morning beautifull, but nothing new in camp. drew some clothing but not enough of anything to go round. Dress Parade for the first time since our campaign opened. went off very well. will probably commence drilling in a few days, if we are allowed to stay so long.

Wednesday, September 14

Morning pleasant as usual, day very warm, nothing of interest transpiring in camp. did some policing and myself some reading Dress Parade at Eve. Col Jackson came back today. forwarded Applications for furloughs for 5 men from the ranks. Col Jones expected in a very few days.

Thursday, September 15

Morning pleasant and cool Squad, Company & Battalion drills today, as per Gen Order 4 hours drill with other camp & Picket duties leaves little time to rest. Lieut Cameron Ret today Nothing of note transpiring outside the camp to my knowledge Prepared Reports for tomorrow Insp. Rec letter from Elder Ogden

Friday, September 16

Morning fine as usual. Inspection at 9 AM. No drills today except Dress Parade. Made Consolidated Inspection Report, and other Reports as Called for. Commenced monthly Report of Absentees, worked pretty late. feeling better than during the past weeks. letter from Mate Wrote to Mate Nothing new

Saturday, September 17

No drills today except dress papade. Review at 5 PM of the Brigade by Gen Geary, and some drilling after. did not get into camp untill after dark. Review went off pretty well, but drill not so well. Nothing new or interesting transpiring in our vicinity.

Sunday, September 18

Morning damp and considerable rain during the day. Detailed as Division Officer of the day. Visited Div Hd Qtrs. then visited camp of 3d Brig and then the entire picket line of the Division, getting plentifully wet at the same time. mooved into the house the family having left.

Monday, September 19

Fixed up things somewhat and got into living order. visited the Reserve, the camp of the 1st Brig and then to Div Hd Qtrs where I remained some time and then back to camp. Col Jones in command of Brig. Made bed stead in Evening and went to bed early.

Tuesday, September 20

Nothing of interest transpiring today. Expect a Review by Gen Slocum tomorrow weather permitting. Have very good quarters in the house, hope we may keep them for some time. Even all winter would not be at all disagreeable. Wrote to Elder Ogden

Wednesday, September 21

Nothing of interest today Review postponed untill tomorrow on account of the weather. Made effort to get Corps badges. got them towards night and nearly every man had them on at dress papade. Weather wet & disagreeable. letter from C. H. W. & Mate

Thursday, September 22

This is another quiet day Review again postponed untill tomorrow. Col Loomis came today with some goods little however except beer and tobacco, for which I have no use. No dress parade on act of the weather nothing new. letter from Manley & Col Allen.

Friday, September 23

Another wet and disagreeable day. Review again postponed untill tomorrow. guess it had better be indefinitely postponed. no dress

parade tonight. no letters or papers today. Wrote to C. H. Wright and Mate. Nothing new today.

Saturday, September 24

Weather more settled Review came off today passed very well Gens Sherman & Slocum both present

Sunday, September 25

Weather pleasant. Regimental Inspection in the morning Nothing new today.

Monday, September 26

Weather pleasant and cool. Nothing of interest today

Tuesday, September 27

Weather pleasant. Division Drill this afternoon went off very well with our Brigade which was under the command of Col Mindall. Drill closed with a review

Wednesday, September 28

Nothing but the regular routine of camp duties Westher pleasant

Thursday, September 29

Nothing new today weather pleasant Worked on Quarterly Returns of Ordinance

Friday, September 30

Made Ordinance Returns today. Division Drill which was appointed for today postponed untill tomorrow in consequence of wet weather

Saturday, october 1

Heavy Showers last night morning pleasant. Division Drill at 3 PM Went off very well indeed got back to camp just at dusk

Sunday, October 2

Morning gloomy but cleared up about 9 or 10 AM. Detailed as Division Officer of the day. Went to Div Hd Qtrs then visited the camp of 3d Brig then out to the Picket line visited entire length of line and back to camp

Monday, October 3

Morning moist, but cleared up with pleasant day. preparations for work upon the new line of defences heavy details expected for some days to come Our Regt to furnish Picket for tomorrow, and heavy detail ordered for fatigue.

Tuesday, October 4

Morning damp, but cleared up pleasant. The whole Regt Comp Cooks included on duty on Picket and working party. In afternoon repaired 7 strengthened the works in our front, in expectation of an attack tomorrow morning passed Eve at Brig Hd Qtrs

Wednesday, October 5

Detailed to take charge of working party. Reported with men at Div Hd Qtrs at 6 AM. Went to work on No 12 with my own Brig party and 150 from 1st Brig, making 400 in all. day fine for work did not get into camp until dusk.

Thursday, October 6

Detailed again for fatigue. Morning and forenoon very rainy. Kept at work all day. Cleared up in afternoon. Got very wet, and muddy. took dinner at Gen Gearys came into camp near dusk tired and wet early to bed.

Friday, October 7

Was not on duty today which was very pleasant and the mud dried up fast. after dinner went over to Post Quartermaster and purchased Boots Pants & Socks. No communication with the outside world for several days. Rebs on the road.

Saturday, October 8

Not on duty today. Took a walk up Town to find a horse. Failed to find one. Weather pleasant heavy detail on fortifications Weather cool. had a fire in Evening.

Sunday, October 9

Morning Cold but pleasant a good fire not at all uncomfortable. Regimental Inspection immediately after Guard Mounting. No detail for fatigue today. In Evening Recd despatch that Richmond was evacuated By the Rebs. Hope it may be true.

Monday, October 10

Detailed to take charge of working party of Brigade. Up at 5 AM and off. Morning cold, but pleasant. Worked on No 12. home to dinner. Quit work at 4 PM and back to camp. Extra detail for Picket to relieve 33d NJ which is to go out foraging tomorrow

Tuesday, October 11

Morning cool but pleasant day fine. The whole Regt on Picket. Rode to Div Hd Qtrs and back. Maj Campbell paid 134 NY to pay us tomorrow. Report of Evacuation of Richmond not confirmed. Wrote to Mate. dont know when it will go.

Wednesday, October 12

Day fine. The Regt paid today up to Sept 1st by Maj Campbell. Detained as Division Officer of the day. visited the Picket line and attended to paying the Regt Gen Geary out with foraging party Col Jones in command of Division

Thursday, October 13

Got up at day break and visited the Picket line. back to breakfast and up to Hd Qtrs at 9 and was relieved from duty. Nothing of interest transpired today.

Friday, October 14

Weather pleasant and warm nothing unusual going on today. Foraging Party came in heavily loaded with corn, which is much needed by the animals but will not last long if the trains do not run soon

Saturday, October 15

Detailed to take charge of working party on fortifications. Got up at day break and at Div Hd Qtrs at 6 AM. Got off at 4 P.M. Orders to prepare to march on a foraging expedition tomorrow. busy this evening preparing Soldiers votes.

Sunday, October 16

Johnson & Benson mustered as Capt. Marched at 6 AM halted out near burnt foundry for some time. halted for dinner about 8 miles out. was rear guard in evening went round on the right flank and did not arrive near flat rock shoals untill about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 PM distance marched about 21 miles slept in open air

Monday, October 17

Ordered to be ready to march at day light. up and eat breakfast. at 8 marched to the shoals crossed the River and went out as rear guard to foragers about 5 miles. staid untill dark and then came in and went into camp about 11 P.M. went to sleep in open air indications of rain

Tuesday, October 18

awake about 3 AM with rain falling in my face got up and fixed up a shelter and went to sleep. at 7 AM my Regt went out with 30 waggons to the Robinson farm and loaded with corn, and then came back to camp before dark got supper and then mooved up on the hill where train was parked and bivouacked for the night

Wednesday, October 19

Morning cold. Train started for home at 6 AM but as we were rear guard we did not get on the road untill $\frac{1}{2}$ past ten. Mooved very slow.

parked train for dinner, 8 miles out started from here at 5 PM did not arrive in camp until 11 P.M. then got supper and went to bed tired enough and glad to get home

Thursday, October 20

did not get up very early or do much when I did get up. remained in camp all day not very well. feel rather used up by our jaunt. The men pretty tired and I called upon them for no work. this day detail for Picket in the evening. No Dress Parade

Friday, October 21

Morning & day pleasant. Bought horse of J R Sanders paid 100 down note for 50 had him shod. Policed camp and had dress Parade in the evening. have taken some cold, but not much. evening cool. had fire built in my quarters. Wrote to mate & to Sister Caroline

Saturday, October 22

Morning Cool, but pleasant rode up Town to Quarter Masters &c. Men at work building up Quarters did not do much myself. Received a large mail letter from Mate. Dress parade in evening Ordered to be ready to march at 5 AM tomorrow as guard to a working party to East Point.

Sunday, October 23

Up at 4 and into line at 5½ marched to Brig Hd Qtrs. Then back stacked arms and waited until about 9 when we started. got aboard the cars and went to East Point to bring up RR Iron. Had some skirmishing with the Reb Cavalry, nobody hurt rode back and to camp before dark.

Monday, October 24

Marched at 6 to RR. got on train at 7½ rode out about 1½ miles and then deployed as skirmishers and advanced 2 miles to the end of the track. train followed and took up 2 miles of track returned to camp about 3 PM. Weather pleasant and warm.

Tuesday, October 25

Only a small guard sent out today with party on R.R. as they had to go but ½ mile outside Picket. Did not go myself. wrote to Charly Wright. Visited the camp of 119th for Order N.Y. to find order of Promotion. Weather warm & pleasant nothing new today

Wednesday, October 26

Morning Cloudy with signs of rain. 109 Pa out on foraging expedition. at about 12 M Rec orders to fall in and go out and Reinforce the Detachment. The Brig marched at once Col Mindall in Command. Marched three miles beyond Decatur and encamped just at dark

Thursday, October 27

light shower of rain before day started at 6 to join Gen Geary. Commenced raining soon and rained very hard nearly all day. Marched about 6 Miles and encamped north of Stone Mt. in afternoon went out as guard to a train to load. got back in to camp about 1 hour after dark. night damp and cold.

Friday, October 28

Morning cloudy but soon cleared up and pleasant day followed. Remained in camp untill about 3 PM when we started toward home as advance guard to the train. Marched through Stone Mt. St. and 1½ miles toward Decatur where the train parked for the night. I was Div Of. of the day and posted the Picket &c.

Saturday, October 29

We were centre guard today and did not get started untill 10 AM. 374 waggons having passed. Marched through Decatur and arrived at Camp about 5 PM pretty tired after our 4 days jaunt found all quiet and no letters from home

Sunday, October 30

Morning pleasant and did not get up very early. No Inspection today Service by Elder Norton at 2 PM. No dress parade. Reported that we are to get ready to march for some place. dont know or much care where. time of leaving not designated wrote to N P Wheeler letter from Mrs Wheeler & Ogden

Monday, October 31

Morning pleasant and warm with indications of rain. Mustered for pay by Lt McFarland. we have 45 recruits who came yesterday, and were assigned to Companies. today they are at work constructing quarters. dress parade in the Evening. Capt Vedder on duty. no letters today.

Tuesday, November 1

Morning pleasant. all quiet in camp nothing of importance transpiring. Preparation for moove going on. Ordered to have all surplus baggage ready to send to the rear by the 4th, as we are to have but a limited amount of transportation

Wednesday, November 2

Weather pleasant. nothing further developed with regard to the moove. packed up spare papers and books to ship to Nashville. All sorts of rumors with regard to our destination. But all is speculation. Sherman probably knows what his plans are, and we will know in time

Thursday, November 3

Morning wet. day rainy and cool. Called upon the Paymaster, and received my pay for Sept. & October. Maj Campbell leaves for Louisville tomorrow and our Regt will probably not be paid again before January. Think I can stand it now untill that time.

Friday, November 4

Morning and day cold and raw, to cold to rain much. find a fire very comfortable indeed. Sent off our baggage to the Depot. several men went to Hospt today, and had 26 Guns turned in as surplus. worked hard on Receipts & Invoices

Saturday, November 5

Morning pleasant with quite a heavy frost. Received orders about 1 PM to march at 2 turned over surplus Ordinance and about 3 mooved out of camp and out on the right of the McDoner Road and encamped about 1 mile out side the works in a thicket where we remained all night. Evening very pleasant.

Sunday, November 6

Morning pleasant with indication of rain. waggon came up and set up desk under my fly. Service at 11 A.M. at 1 P.M. ordered to pack up and prepare to return to camp. at about 2 marched back to our old camp which the boys soon fixed up as good as before returned to my quarters feeling very much like getting home again.

Monday, november 7

After some rain during the night we had a warm pleasant day. nothing of interest transpired today. are under orders to be ready to march at a moments notice. Received 2 new recruits, and some men returned from Hospt some head ache during the day.

Tuesday, November 8

Election day. Polls open in the two Pensylvania Regts of our Brig. day warm with some light rain. preparing for a march. Received orders relative to Rations &c. reported that we are to march tomorrow Would like to learn the result of this days votings in the northern states. But will have to wait.

Wednesday, November 9

This mornin, the Enemy made a dash upon the Picket on the Sandtown Road and East Point RR. they drove in the Picket and opened with Artillery upon our lines but were soon driven off with some loss no loss on our side. Heavy rain in the Evening.

Thursday, November 10

Morning clear and cool, followed by a fine day. up at Revalee and stacked Arms on the color line. nothing of moment today. awaiting anxiously to hear the result of the Elections. Report last night that Lincoln's Election is sure

Friday, November 11

Morning pleasant. Ordered to arm every man in the command. Made Requisition for 13 Guns. failed to get them, for which I am thankful. nothing of importance transpiring. Wrote to Mate. Received a letter from her. in Evening fires in Town. Ordered to keep Arms in Stack and to sleep with straps

Saturday, November 12

Morning cold & clear pleasant all day. Nothing of importance transpired today. preparations for the coming Campaign Communication By RR closed track destroyed to Marietta. Incendiary fires in Town last night. no report from Elections expect to leave on the 15th

Sunday, November 13

Morning & day pleasant but cold. Regimental Inspection at 8 AM. Service by Chaplain at 2 P.M. This is probably the last Sabbath in Atlanta. Fire along the RR all day and in the night. Our Troops are destroying all the Government Buildings and Depots.

Monday, November 14

Another pleasant day, with south wind indications of a storm. Nothing of interest today. prepared to march procured rations &c. quite a row in the 109th Pa in the evening. Orders to march at 7 AM tomorrow the 15th packed up before going to bed. Expect to be off tomorrow.

Tuesday, November 15

Broke camp at 7 AM and marched out on the Decatur Road, passed through Decatur and after marching about 15 miles encamped within 3 miles of Stone Mountain. We are now entered upon a campaign which for brilliancy of conception has not been Surpassed during the War. May Success attend us

Wednesday, November 16

Marched at 8 AM our Brig leading the Corps. day fine with good roads. Made 15 miles and encamped at 4 PM. Country rolling but no high hills. Soil generally Sandy. Timber Oak Chestnut Hickory and Pine. Foraging begins to be good.

Thursday, November 17

Marched at 5 AM. Morning cold but mid day warm and pleasant. Passed some 4 miles north of Covington. Made some 16 miles nearly due East and encamped just at dark. Country much as yesterday, but more land under cultivation. Many fine plantations passed today.

Friday, November 18

Marched at 5 AM, the Brigade divided up and moving with the Pontoon Train. Passed Social Circle about 9 AM and after marching about 18 miles, encamped at sunset, near Madison. This has been the best days march we have made and through the richest country

Saturday, November 19

Marched at 5 AM. Passed through Madison at day break. continued easterly along the Georgia RR which we halted several times to tear up, and encamped about 2 miles west of the Oconee River, the Bridge over which had been burned.

Sunday, November 20

A wet night followed by a rainy disagreeable day. Marched at 7 AM. Course south, down the Oconee. We are now moving toward Milligeville. Country rough but productive. Soil Clay & Sand alternating no lack of forage. Passed many fine plantations today, well stocked with what nature requires

Monday, November 21

After a wet night entered upon a squally day. Marched at 7 AM Marching very bad owing to the rain. passed about 6 miles east of Eatonton made about 12 miles today direction same as yesterday, and encamp about 16 miles north of Milligeville which place we expect to reach tomorrow.

Tuesday, November 22

Marched at 6 AM. Morning very cold, with cutting wind. ground considerably frozen. walking better than yesterday. Struck the RR from Eatonton about 10 AM. Crossed the Little River on Pontoon Bridge. Entered the City about dark, crossed the River and encamped about 9 PM. Regt on Picket all night

Wednesday, November 23

Rested today, for the first time since we started. Established the Picket line and then remained in camp all day did not visit the City which is about 2 miles from our camp. This seems to be the end of the first stage of our journey. May the 2nd be equally successful.

Thursday, November 24

Marched at 7 AM of a cold frosty morning. Progress very slow and we did not make more than 12 miles, Encamped at 10 PM. Our course is SE toward the Georgia Central RR we are to form a junction with the 14th Corps at Sandersville passed today through extensive Pine forests, but few Clearing

Friday, November 25

Marched at 6½ AM of a cold frosty morning. Passed through Hebron. Halted about noon near Buffalo Creek the Bridge over which had been partially destroyed. Our Engineers rebuilt the Bridge and just after dark we crossed and encamped on the Eastern bank.

Saturday, November 26

Marched at 6 AM. Morning cold but pleasant. Course East toward Sandersville which we reached about noon. Some Skirmishing today in our front. halted here untill near night and then mooved to Tenille Station on R.R. Mooved east along RR 2 miles and encamped.

Sunday, November 27

A false alarm which caused us to change position about 1 AM. Marched at 7 AM along the RR halting occasionally to destroy a section. followed this about 5 miles and then left the RR and marched to Davidsboro where we arrived about 10 PM. and encamped but without putting up tents

Monday, November 28

Morning pleasant & warm Brig detailed to guard train Hd Qtrs 11th Corps to Spear Station distant 11 miles Started at 10 AM and arrived at Station just at sunset. Regt on Picket Country today the finest we have seen. very levell

Tuesday, November 29

Morning pleasant, day very warm. Brig marched at 7 AM to Station No 10 distant 7 or 8 miles, where we halted and passed the balance of the in tearing up the track from here to the Ogeechee River. tore up and burned about 4 miles of track and encamped near the River just at dark. Ou course is marked by a line of fire

Wednesday, November 30

Morning warm and pleasant occupied nearly all day in destroying the RR Bridge over the Ogeechee which are three in no on trestle work. About 4 PM we started up the west side to the neighborhood of Louisville where we crossed the River, and about 10 PM joined the Division and encamped. very foggy night

Thursday, December 1

Marched at 8 AM the Regt as guard to Hd Qtr Train Left Wing our course easterly toward Millen Country very levell. Soil Sandy. The principal feature here is the numerous swamps which border all the streams large and small, and which might be turned to good account in impeding our progress

Friday, December 2

Marched at 6 AM. Roads dry. country very fine. passed some of the finest plantations we have yet met with, which furnish an abundance for both men and animals. Weather very fine for the season. One can hardly realise that he is in the midst of winter. Every where he is reminded of Sept and not Dec. Camped near Buck head Creek.

Saturday, December 3

Did not march untill 12 M. Our Division guarding Train. Mooved very slowly, as there were some bad places for the Trains to get through.

Passed near the Stockade where our Prisoners were confined. Crossed the Augusta RR just at dark and about 4 miles north of Millen which we are leaving on our right. distance marched today about 10 miles

Sunday, December 4

Marched at 10 AM in rear of Corps and Cavalry train. Canonading heard on our left. Supposed to be our Cavalry engaged with Wheeler or perhaps the 14th Corps are meeting with some opposition. Made not more than 5 miles today in consequence of the numerous swamps which we had to cross with our trains. Course S.E.

Monday, December 5

Marched at 7 AM. in rear of Train. Roads much better than yesterday. Made about 14 miles today encamping at 8 P.M. The country here not as much improved as farther back. Soil sand Timber principally pine. This whole section a dead levell. Plenty of Potatoes & Pork as well as corn ot be had. Encamped 48 miles from Savannah

Tuesday, December 6

Marched at 8 AM towards Springfield Weather warm & pleasant. Progress slow in consequence of the roads which are swampy, and besides the enemy have commenced Slashing in our front which impedes our progress. Some skirmishing in our front. Made about 9 miles today. Some Bridges also destroyed by the enemy.

Wednesday, December 7

Marched at 8 AM. Morning wet & disagreeable. roads very bad. Made about 9 miles today encamping at 8 PM 1 mile from Springfield. Country nearly all one vast pine forest. Plantations small and widely separated. foraging poor. distance to Savannah 30 m iles.

Thursday, December 8

Marched at 6½ AM. passing through Springfield. Progress slow in consequence of the obstructions in the Roads. Made about 11 miles encamping at 4 PM. Country much as yesterday except that there are fewer swamps. Foraging pretty good. But little oposition as yet. Some Skirmishing in front this P.M.

Friday, December 9

Inspection in the morning. Marched at 7½. Firing heard on our right and in front. If the enemy intend to defend Savannah they will fight soon. They placed a battery in position in front of a short piece of road through a swamp, after slashing the timber across the Road. A flank moovement on the part of our advance Division caused them to beat a hasty retreat

Saturday, December 10

Rear Guard today. did not march untill near noon. roads good. advanced to within 5 miles of the citty where we encamped at 8 P.M. Considerable firing on our right today very little on our front. Crossed the Charleston RR ten miles from the City. ~~weather-still-fine~~

Sunday, December 11

After a wet night and gloomy morn it commenced Clearing about 8 AM and Old Sol showed his face for the first time in several days Our lines are being formed in front of the Enemys lines which we have at last found. Mooved into position on the left upon the bank of the River only about 3½ miles above the City which is in full sight from our camp

Monday, December 12

Last night we expected to take part in an assault upon the Enemys works on the River bank and were under arms from 12 Midnight to 4 AM when the matter was abandoned and we returned to camp. Considerable Shelling today on the part of the Enemy which we cannot reply for want of Artillery of sufficiant Calibre.

Tuesday, December 13

Morning cold But clear. Considerable firing in our front. took possession of the Island today. 3 men of the Regt seriously wounded by a Spherical Case shot. Mooved our camp a little back from the River No moove of importance on our part. No news from the right provisions getting decedely scarce. Reduced to Rice and Coffee

Wednesday, December 14

Morning pleasnt & warm No particular change on our part except that our Skirmishers were advanced which caused an extra amount of firing. A Rebell Gun Boat came up the River and threw a few Shells into the works doing some damage and causing considerable confusion. The Enemys heavy Artillery gives them a decided advantage at present. Fall of Fort McAlister announced.

Thursday, December 15

Morning warm & pleasant. Considerable canonading during last night as well as today. No change to note today. It is reported that we are to have some heavy guns up from McAlister & the fleet in a few days when we will be able to reply to the attentions of our erring brethren over the way. Another visit from the Gun Boat.

Friday, December 16

Bateries opened very brisk this morning doing some little damage. Teams gone to the landing on the Ogeechee for rations of which we are in much need. This Eve we commenced work on a Redout in which to place our heavy guns. 300 men from the Brig to work all night.

Saturday, December 17

Detailed to take charge of 150 men who are to work on the new Redout which was commenced last night on the Rivers bank in rear of the line of the 3d Brig worked from 8 AM to 6 PM when I was relieved by another party considerable shelling through the day but no one hurt that I am aware of. Received a large mail today

Sunday, December 18

Weather warm & pleasant. Work upon the new fort prosecuted day & night. It is reported that Sherman sent in today a flag of truce demanding the surrender of the City which was declined so we must fight for it. Enemy kept up their firing as usual which is somewhat annoying even when nobody is hurt.

Monday, December 19

Received today our first hard bread Coffe & Sugar from our new Base. day very quiet untill the Evening when the Enemy opened a very heavy firing from all their batteries upon our lines which was continued well into the night. Working party returned to camp untill morning

Tuesday, December 20

First Mail for the north leaves today. Rebell Batteries quite troublesome. Gun Boat made another visit coming up nearly oposite our camps on the oposite side of the Island and made quite a muss among our camps. Our batteries opened upon them, when she quickly retreated down the River. Redan Complete and guns to be placed to-night

Wednesday, December 21

Awakened at 4 AM by the intelligence that the Enemy had abandoned their works and also the City and all we had to do was to March in and occupy, which was certainly pleasing intelligence and true. We marched in early in the Morning and encamped in the South Side of the City weather stormy today.

Thursday, December 22

Nothing of importance today it is probable but not certain that we are to remain and Garrison the Town as our Div was the first to enter. Gen Geary expects to be Military Gov Hope we may stay. Weather Cold all day. visited the City. In charge of Guards & c

Friday, December 23

Morning Very Cold. Took means to procure lumber to build camp got order from Gen geary to take such as we needed. Got teams and drew lumber. Commenced building up camp for permanent quarters. Strong probability of our remaining here hope we may do so. Heavy detail for Guard duty in Town.

Saturday, December 24

Morning very cold, but more moderate in the middle of the day. Worked hard on our Quarters. Got fixed up pretty comfortable except we have neither stove or fireplace 15th Corps reviewed today by Gen Sherman. Nothing of importance transpiring.

Sunday, December 25

Christmas. But no Christmas dinner for me. remained in camp all day. writing letters and fixing quarters Rain in the Evening which ran through the roof of our house much to freely for comfort. passed the Evening reading and writing

Monday, December 26

Morning wet & Gloomy every thing in the tent in the same condition. Went to the River in search of a Stove failed to find one. put a fly over the tent to keep out the rain. News from Nashville all right. Made report of campaign. Savannah loyal Georgian out in second No

Tuesday, December 27

Morning warm and followed by a beautiful day. Attended the Review of 14th Corps which took place on Bay street and passed off very well indeed. Generals Sherman, Howard, Slocum, Ousterhaus, Davis, Blair and many of lesser note present. Wrote to Tribune Office for Semi weekly &c

Wednesday, December 28

Rainy day followed by cold wind. Review of 17th Corps which was to have taken place today postponed on act of the weather. 119th NY & 73 Pa detailed on duty with Gen Easton no mail facilities as yet. Hope this state of things may not long continue.

Thursday, December 29

Morning cold and disagreeable day Do. 17th Corps reviewed today. did not attend on account of the weather. Hope the weather will become more moderate by tomorrow when the 20th is to be reviewed It is rather strange that we have no mails from the north as yet. hope this state of things will not last

Friday, December 30

A cold clear morning followed by a fine day. Moved out of camp for review at 9 AM Formed our Division line on Liberty St where we were reviewed by Gen Sherman and at 12 broke into column and passed in Review in front of Exchange on Bay St. It is said the 20th corps has won the prise

Saturday, December 31

Morning cold. Kept close to my quarters. Mustered for pay by Capt Harding Fire Dept Reviewed by Gen Geary. Thus closes 1864. Young 1865 comes upon the stage tomorrow. May it witness the end of this unnatural strife and its end find us all at home enjoying the blessings of peace

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Sunday, January 1

The past night the coldest of the season. day cold but pleasant. Attended church in the Morning Independent Presbyterian Cor Bull and South Broad. Rev Dr Acton. Having no fire in our tent all writing dispensed with on acct of the cold. hope the weather may moderate or we find a stove for our house

Monday, January 2

Morning cold, but after the sun got up the weather became more moderate. Worked nearly all day making Ordinance Rep for 4th Quarter 1864. Nothing of importance transpiring either in the camp or City. The new machinery of Government seems to work well and all its parts to harmonise.

Tuesday, January 3

A mild morning, day warm finished Returns and rode over to the River. Called on Col Jones who has leave of absence and expects to leave for home tomorrow. wish I could go with him, but that is out of the question at present, as I am all alone in the command of the Regt. and could not well leave.

Wednesday, January 4

Morning pleasant and warm. procured Brick and built fire place in our tent. Received permission to go to Hilton head with Col Jones tomorrow. Mailed Ordinance Returns. procured transportaion to Hilton Head. Expect to go early, and so went to bed early. Col Jones gone on board the boat tonight.

Thursday, January 5

Up early. eat Breakfast and went to the River and on board the Steam Boat Louisa, where I found the Col & Capt Catony. The Boat was to start at 8 AM but did not leave the dock untill 11. Took the Mayflower in tow which retarded us so much that we did not reach Hilton Head untill after dark

Friday, January 6

Not being able to get a bed last night slept on a lounge at the Hotel. Got a good Breakfast went out and made some purchases, visited the Hospital, &c. and then took passage on the steamer W W Coit for Savannah. had a rough ride across the sound, but without accident reached our port just at dark. went out to camp pretty tired, and glad to get home.

Saturday, January 7

After a raw windy night followed a cold disagreeable day. Nothing of importance transpiring in camp. Held Brig Dress Parade on the ground in front of 33d NJ. Wrote to Mate in the Eve. Received a small mail, but no letters for me. Our Mail facilities are very poor indeed hope they will improve with time.

Sunday, January 8

Morning more mild than yesterday. Attended the Baptist church today, on Chipewa Square discourse very good indeed. No mail today. Afternoon raw and windy. Dress parade. passed the Evening in reading. Regt drew partial supply of clothing today, which will enable the men to make a better appearance

Monday, January 9

Morning cold and disagreeable. passed the day in reading & writing. Drill at 2½ PM Dress Parade as usual. Report that we are certainly to move within ten days. Well I would prefer to remain here but it will make no great difference. It is better for the morale of the men to go than to stay. Night windy but not very cold.

Tuesday, January 10

Morning very rough. 15th Corps moved today to embark for Beaufort. The 17th has gone there already. We have orders to be ready for marching on very short notice nothing worthy of note today, except that it rained nearly all day. No Dress Parade, owing to the state of the weather

Wednesday, January 11

Morning cold but no storm visited the City to make some purchases, which however I failed to make. Received a small mail. One letter for me, from Mate. Hope for more favors of the same sort. There must be a large amount of mail matter some where afloat will it ever reach us?

Thursday, January 12

Morning very pleasant Witnessed the Review of our Artillery by Gen Barry, and of Gen Killpatricks Cavalry by Gen Sherman, in Company

with Sec Stanton, Gen Foster, Meigs, the surgeon General and some other notables Review very creditable day very fine and every body in the best of Spirits.

Friday, January 13

A warm pleasant day Rode over to the River, called at the Pulaski House to see Col Jackson. Went to C C Millers for dinner & Supper. Nothing of any importance transpiring. I yet seem to be uncertain whether the 2nd Div are to go or stay here the balance of the winter the probability is we shall go.

Saturday, January 14

Morning pleasant day cold Nothing of note. No Drills. Mac reported to be in the City. Lieut Ludlow arrived and reported for Muster. Think it doubtful whether he can be accomodated at present. Regt drew clothing today. Dress Parade. Col Jones reported a Brig Gen. Gen Geary Brevetted a Major Gen by Sec Stanton

Sunday, January 15

Another very fine day. Attended Presbyterian Church today. did not feel very well. Service in camp in afternoon. The Church was densly crowded this morning mostly by the Military. Dress Parade as usual. It is pretty certain that Gen Geary is to leave here and that we are to go with him. Well so mote it be.

Monday, January 16

Morning Cold Cloudy & Raw but no rain during the day. Called upon Capt Howard with regard to Ludlows muster and upon Gen Geary with regard to Loomises Invoices, and upon Brevet Brig Gen Barnum to pay my respects Bad head ache nearly all day. Wrote to Loomis and to Col Jones.

Tuesday, January 17

Pleasant but windy. Went over to Town in the Morning Made communication to AAG with regard to Church Wrote to Mate and K. Bell. Received Orders to be ready to March on Thursday the 19th A Regt of the 19th Corps just from Baltimore encamped in our rear. They are to relieve us

Wednesday, January 18

Morning pleasant but frosty. Completed Loomises papers and mailed them. Learned of the capture of Fort Fisher Gathered up the Surplus Ordinance of the Regt preparation to turning it over to Ordinance Officer. Think we will not march tomorrow as the roads are blocked with troops and Trains.

Thursday, January 19

Rained nearly all day. did not march today and probably will not untill the weather clears up and the roads improve. Roads over the River said to be impassible. Part of 15th Corps crossed and came back again. Dr Day and Bosley arrived today. Wrote to Dr Van Aernam and to Mate

Friday, January 20

Day rainy and gloomy enough. Expecting to moove but failed to get Order to that effect. Roads entirely blocked and under water. Many Mules reported drowned among the Rice fields over the River. Hope to remain in camp untill this storm is over, if not longer.

Saturday, January 21

Weather still wet. No moove today for which I am thankfull. Received Gloves and letter from Caroline, and letter from Mate. Wrote to Col Jones. prospect of staying here for some days if not longer, as every thing is now in Statu quo on acct of mud & water. Corps Hd Qtrs said to be coming back if they can get back

Sunday, January 22

Weather still wet. did not attend church today. Received quite a respectable mail, the largest since we came here. 53 men det to relieve 33d at pontoons. Heavy rain in Eve. The rain will postpone our moove for an indefinite period Well if we must go I would prefer to go at once, rather than to be kept here in suspense.

Monday, January 23

Morning damp & misty, but toward noon began to break away, and the Evening clear and cold. The mud has dried fast this afternoon and if we get no more rain, we shall probably moove ere many days Wrote to C H Wright in the Eve No mails today. Visited Town to see about Musters. Detail 31 men

Tuesday, January 24

Morning clear and very cold, with wind N.W. It looks as if the rain might be over for the present. Drills &c resumed today. Dress Parade in Eve. Wrote to Philadelphia for Maps. The weather remained clear & Cold. The mud is fast drying up, and we will probably moove in a very few days. Care little how soon

Wednesday, January 25

A cold raw day. Clear in the morning but cloudy towards noon, strong indications of a storm. Ordered to be ready to march tomorrow morning at 8. Made preparations accordingly in the Eve the order was countermanded, and we are not to moove untill further Orders. Dress Parade as usual. no details out tonight.

Thursday, January 26

The coldest day of the season, but clear, wind NW and brisk. Remained in camp all day Wrote to Mrs Wheeler. Dress Parade in Eve. Received Orders to be ready to march at 8 AM tomorrow. There is not much doubt this time with regard to our going tomorrow. A cold tedious night for a Bivouac.

Friday, January 27

Morning very cold with brisk wind from N.W. Marched at 8 AM on the Augusta Road Ground frozen and roads rough. As we were in advance of the Train we made very good time, and encamped before night 12 miles from the City in the worst place I ever encamped in, the ground being very wet. Weather Cool

Saturday, January 28

Marched at 6 A.M. towards Springfield. Morning cold ground frozen hard. The weather moderated some what after the sun came up, but was cool all day. Made about 12 or 14 miles and encamped about 3 PM. in an open pine wood, where we cut down trees and made a rousing Bivouac fire. Took hard cold last night not well today.

Sunday, January 29

Morning Cold & Clear. Marched at 7 AM in rear of train Mooved slowly in conseq of bad roads, Made about 10 miles and Encamped at 3 P.M. Passed through Springfield this morning. Have as yet seen nothing of the Enemy. Weather more mild in afternoon Night pleasant

Monday, January 30

Morning pleasant day warm and lovely. Did not march today, but lay quiet in camp Wrote to Mate & to Albany. 15th Corps 1 Division of came past in the afternoon. Details are out at work on the Road over the River we shall probably moove tomorrow Mails leave tomorrow Morning Received no mails today

Tuesday, January 31

Another pleasant day and warm. Remained in camp. Detailed as Division Officer of the day, to Relieve Lt Col of 5th Ohio. Visited the Picket line and made some changes therein. Wrote to M B Cheney The probability is that we will remain here some days while the road is being repaired to and over the River.

Wednesday, February 1

Morning pleasant, and day warm. Brigade Reviewed by Col Mindill at 10 AM followed by an Inspection. Mooved camp in afternoon visited Picket line, and was Relieved by Capt of 149 N.Y. No prospect of mooving. We are loosing much fine weather, but the Roads are improving.

Thursday, February 2

Morning cloudy with indications of a Storm which however failed to come. Col Loomis came today, but without any stores. Received Mails and among the rest, my Commission as Lt Col. also a letter from Arly informing me of the sickness of Mary. Wrote home in Evening, which was very cool.

Friday, February 3

Some rain today. Nothing of interest transpired until just before night when we received order to pack up and move at once. Struck Tents and fell in moved to near Div Hd Qtrs about faced, marched back to camp, put up tents and staid all night, which was wet but not cold.

Saturday, February 4

Struck tents and marched soon after daylight. Moved to Sisters Ferry where we crossed the River on Pontoon Bridge. Moved up the River 2 miles to a landing where we halted for dinner and to draw 3 days Rations. Moved on to within 1½ miles of Robertsville where we encamped just after dark. Regt on Picket.

Sunday, February 5

Detailed to take charge of working party to build road through the swamp for the passage of the trains. worked in the mud until noon and then returned to camp just in time to fall in for a march. Moved about 7 miles and encamped before sunset. Roads this day good. weather warm & pleasant

Monday, February 6

Head of column moved at 6. 2nd Br with train 154 in rear did not move until 11 AM weather raw. commenced to rain in afternoon. Train made good time and we got into camp soon after dark. Made 12 or 14 M Night wet. Nearly all the buildings on our line of March today have been burned. Only the tall chimney stacks left.

Tuesday, February 7

Morning wet. Ordered to March at 6. Order countermanded not to break camp until further order. About 8 Broke camp and started, the rain pouring finely. Continued wet nearly all day, and quite cold. altogether a very disagreeable day Made about 10 miles and encamped about 1 hour after dark.

Wednesday, February 8

Morning cold and windy, but clear. Marched at 6 AM. Made slow progress during the first part of the day, owing to the bad roads and the trains. Made about 12 miles and encamped before sunset, just after crossing Bufords Bridge and swamp Country becoming more _____ foraging very good. Night clear & cold.

Thursday, February 9

Marched at 6 of a cold morning, toward Blackville on the C & A. RR. distant 18 miles. Weather cold and cloudy with a few flakes of snow. Made good time and at 3½ encamped within ¾ of a mile of Blackville where Gen Williams has his Hd Qtrs and where the Corps is to concentrate. Blackville is about 30 miles from Branchville toward Augusta. Eve clear but cold.

Friday, February 10

Orders to march at 7 AM. Mooved up about ¼ mile and encamped on main road leading into Town expected to stay. At 12 M Ordered to fall in. Mooved out into fird near waggon train and took position to guard. Posted picket on the two roads in our front and remained here all night, which was clear & cold.

Saturday, February 11

Morning clear & cold. Not very well. Marched at 7 AM as guard to Train, towards Duncans Bridge on the Edisto, distance 8 miles. arrived there about 11 AM and encamped on the south side of the River. Engineers and Pioneers building bridge for passage of Trains which commenced crossing

Sunday, February 12

Mooved at day break across the River and on the road to Joneses Bridge north fork Edisto distant 13 miles. arrived in the neighborhood of the Bridge about 1 PM. halted. The bridge was burned and the Enemy were in some force on the opposite side. Some Skirmishing in which we sustained some loss. Their Artillery also did some damage at the bridge which the Engineers are rebuilding.

Monday, February 13

Waked at day Break by the word that the Enemy had left. Ordered to fall in and advance at once crossed the river and halted for breakfast. Some Skirmishing. Waited for the 3d & 1st Div to pass with their trains and then just at dusk fell in and marched toward Columbia about 5 miles and Bivouacked for the night which was clear and cold.

Tuesday, February 14

Marched at 8 AM in the direction of Lexington C.H. Morning cold and dreary. Marched about 8 M and at 2½ PM encamped for the night just as it commenced to rain. Stormy all the afternoon and night. the 14th Corps are now on our left. We are 13 miles from Lexington and about 15 from Columbia. Country good for foraging which is well carried on

Wednesday, February 15

Morning cold and wet. Marched at 7 AM toward Lexington. 1st Brig leading 2nd Div leading Corps. some skirmishing with the enemys

Cavalry, who attempted to burn the Bridge over the Congaree, but failed. followed them close to within 1½ miles of Lexington where we encamped at 2½ P.M. rain ceased, but still cloudy. It is said that Hamptons Cavalry from Virginia are here in our front. ;

Thursday, February 16

Marched at 8 AM toward Columbia as escort to Train and in rear of 3d & 1st Div. Marched about 6 miles and encamped at 2 PM 5 miles from Columbia. It is reported that the 15th Corps are in our front they having arrived oposite the City last Evening. put up breast work to guard our rear. Skirmishing across the River, between the Enemy & the 15th Corps

Friday, February 17

Morning pleasant and mild. Ordered to march at 9 AM to Zions Church 2nd Div in middle. Mooved Slowly about 5 miles and halted. remained resting untill dusk when we went into camp. Heavy wind and indications of rain. Hasens Division 15th Corps occupy the City today. The left wing are not to enter the City but go to the left

Saturday, February 18

Ordered to be rwady to march at 6/30 the 2nd Div leading. did not leave untill about 8½ when we crossed the Saluda River on Pontoon Bridge and mooved northerly about 7 miles, and encamped, 15 miles from Columbia. weather pleasant. Columbia was nearly all burned to the ground last evening by the drunken soldiers of the 15th Corps. Loss of life said to be heavy

Sunday, February 19

As the 2nd Div is in rear we did not moove untill 1½ PM. and then not more than 4 miles, before we went into camp, in position to guard the approaches to the trains. Received orders today that our subsistance must be made to last 40 days which is computed to be the length of the Campaign.

Monday, February 20

At 9 last night we were ordered into line and marched to near the River where we encamped at Midnight today at 2 PM crossed Broad River as rear guard to Train Marched about 7 miles and halted at 8 PM. The country around Broad River is very Rolling and much like the country bordering on the Rappahannock. Weather fine. Foraging good, and plenty

Tuesday, February 21

Marched at 6 AM 2nd Div leading in the direction of Winnsboro which we reached about noon, and halted for dinner after which we mooved out on the RR and passed the balance of the day in destroying the track. A large portion of the Town was burned by our advance, before the arrival of the main column which labored to extinguish the flames. 1st Brig guarding Town. Gen Slocum in Town tonight. weather fine

Wednesday, February 22

Continued destroying track near the Town. Balance of Brig moved up to White Oak Station. At 3 PM. reported to Gen Pardee and marched with him towards Rocky Mount. Marched 7 miles and encamped. The Brig camped near the same place. 17th Corps passed through Winnsboro today and set fire to a quantity of Cotton weather fine

Thursday, February 23

Marched at 6/30 with Brig. to R M P.O. where we crossed the Catawba River and moved out about 2 miles where we encamped at 8 PM distance marched 16 miles At 2 PM it commenced to rain and the night was very wet. The country here is very rough and the crossing with the Trains was the worst I ever experienced Slept in an old hovell or stable

Friday, February 24

Morning very wet and disagreeable as our Brig is in rear we do not move early. The rain is making the roads very bad, and if it continues we shall find it very difficult to move with our trains. Moved about 10 AM Marched about 2 miles and halted until near sunset when we fell in rear of the Train and moved 1½ miles and encamped for the night day wet all day. Roads very muddy and bad. Trains find great difficulty in moving at all. If this weather should continue we shall find hard times before we reach our destination. hope it may clear up soon.

Saturday, February 25

Morning rainy and gloomy continued the same all day Remained in camp. Foraging party went out but did not return. What effect this storm is to have upon our present campaign remains to be seen I am fearful that we shall find hard work and slow progress, before we reach our destination

Sunday, February 26

Ordered to be ready to move at 7 AM. Rain has ceased and we have a clear warm day Regt moved with train having 25 waggons to help through. Roads bad but made very good progress and reached Hanging Rock about 2½ PM where we encamped. 154 on Picket for the night. Evening warm & pleasant.

Monday, February 27

Morning pleasant. Ordered to march at 6/30 to Lynch Creek. Order suspended until further orders. Country still rough. soil alternate sand & clay. Timber pine oak hickory &c. At 2 PM Ordered to change camp. fell in and moved about 3 miles and encamped for the night. This has been a warm pleasant day, and the mud is drying up fast. Our foragers came in pretty well loaded and the men have enough to eat tomorrow our Brig leads the Corps.

Tuesday, February 28

Morning wet and disagreeable. Marched at 6/30. rainign all the forenoon. halted near Lynch'es Creek to repair the road so that the trains can follow. Made about 9 miles and encamped at 1 PM. Mustered for pay by Capt Harding. Our present encampment is 2 miles E of Lynch Creek.

Wednesday, March 1

Morning wet. as we are rear guard to the whole corps Train we do not moove untill late in the day. Mustered in as Lt Col last Eve at Claybourne store. Mooved at 1 PM in rear of train mooved about 8 miles crossing Big Lynch creek. Encamped at 9 PM Roads very good for such weather.

Thursday, March 2

Mooved at 8 AM 2nd Brig in rear. Regt in charge of 16 waggon. Made about 9 miles before dinner, halting near Black Creek for the building of a Bridge. Encmaped on same ground for the night just before dark. weather still wet, but no heavy rain. Roads very good. mooving toward Chesterfield.

Friday, March 3

Marched at 6/30 towards Chesterfield 154 leading the Division, which is in rear of 3d Div. Morning wet raods bad. Made slow progress, and got into camp at Chesterfield about 9 P.M. Det as Division field Officer. did not get the pickets all in position untill 1 AM the 4th. It is reported that the Enemy have evacuated Cheraw, leaving 18 pieces of Artillery and have crossed the great Pedee and burned the bridge. The right wing is concentrated there. The left wing mooves higher up the river into North Carolina. The Enemy are said to be in force behind the Pedee and may dispute our passage of the River. But it will not avail over we must and will go.

Saturday, March 4

A Shower in the morning but of short duration. day cloudy with some mist. did not get under motion untill near 1 PM, as we are in rear of Division train. C. H. & Jail burned as we left Town mooved slowly towards Stainboro N.C. roads very bad in places, owing to quicksands, which seem to abound in this region beyond any section I was ver in. reached camp about 9 P.M. we are now in N.C. whether the wholesale destruction of property will be continued as we advance remains to be seen. I hope a better spirit will prevail. North Carolina has shown considerable union sentiment during the war and I believe a proper course by our Army would cause the slumbering fire to burst out into a flame, which could not be quenched. Today is undoubtedly a great day at Washington.

Sunday, March 5

Morning cold, but not as cloudy as yesterday. some indications of a clearing up. The 14th Corps are said to be laying a pontoon Bridge over the River and we will probably wait here untill they cross which may take some days. Forage and subsistence stores are rather short and I fear will be shorter before we get through. We are now in North Carolina having left the other State behind, and also our mark, which it will take years to obliterate. Sherman will long be remembered as was Atilla as the scourge of God, to Carolina

Monday, March 6

Mooved at 7 AM towards Cheraw, to cross the River as the crossing there is better than here. 2nd Div in advance. Reached the Town about 1 PM. but did not commence to cross untill 4 PM. In consequence of an accident to the Bridge my Regt did not get over untill 8 and then marched 4 miles and reached camp at 10 PM

Tuesday, March 7

Marched at 6 AM Brig leading the corps, towards Rockingham. Made 13 miles and encamped at 1 PM on the RR 4 miles from the Town. Destroyed a large amount of Rosin today. the heat was so great that the melted Rosin ran in a stream down a ravine making quite a creek

Wednesday, March 8

Marched at 1 PM raining hard, toward Lumber River. Owing to the conditions of the Roads our progress was very slow and we made not more than 6 miles at 10 PM, when we encamped the Roads were the worst I have yet seen and as our Brig was in rear of the entire corps we had the wait the motion of the entire Train.

Thursday, March 9

Mooved at 6/30 our Div still in rear. Morning fine but towards night the rain again set in and the heaviest rain of the season was experienced. we made some 10 miles today and did not get into camp untill 8 PM. in a very wet uncomfortable condition. we are now within 30 miles of Fayetteville whither we are undoubtedly bound.

Friday, March 10

Ordered to be ready to moove at 6/30 morning lowry and disagreeable. crossed Lumbarton River, 154 leading Div cleared up in afternoon. Marched some 6 miles and encamped on Buffalo creek Regt on Picket. Roads quite bad our progress is slow owing to the roads. Enemys scouts quite bold on our left flank, one man of 2nd Brig shot near our line of march

Saturday, March 11

Marched at 7 AM. 154 rear guard to entire column. 1st & 3d Div ordered forward unencumbered 2nd Div to cover entire train. Made about 14 miles, but did not get into camp until 4 AM 12th. Crossed Rockfish Creek and several small streams. Rebel cavalry crowding close to our left flank. Reported fighting in front. Weather fine.

Sunday, March 12

To march at 8 in same order as yesterday 2nd Brig in rear went to bed at 4½ this morning arose at 7. Marched at 12 towards Fayetteville where we arrived at dark and encamped on the US Arsenell Grounds. We expect to remain here over tomorrow, before we cross the River. Wrote a line to Mate today to be sent by small Steamer to Willmington. Weather pleasant

Monday, March 13

Morning cool but pleasant. passed the morning in airing clothes &c. The engineers are engaged in leveling the Arsenell Buildings. Moved at 2 PM across the River and out about 2 miles where we camped for the night. As we passed through the Town we were reviewed by Gen Sherman, Who stood upon the balcony of the Hotell with a large no of Officers Army & Navall.

Tuesday, March 14

Morning warm & pleasant. Drew rations for men & Officers. Two Gun Boats are in the River here which have come up from Willmington. It is said that transports are below with stores for the army here which will be here tonight. whether clothing or rations or both I have not learned. The enemy are said to be in our front. some skirmishing yesterday Remained in camp all day about 4 miles from Fayetteville on the Raleigh Road. Our foragers today have encountered the Enemy pretty generally in our front. They are said to be in force with Artillery behind Black River some 15 miles from here. Wrote to mate again today. Some prospect of a mail reaching us here, before we leave. march to be resumed tomorrow. we may have to fight our way through yet.

Wednesday, March 15

Army ordered to strip for a fight. Rumored that Lee has evacuated Richmond and that he is in our front. 2nd Div to remain behind as escort to entire Corps Train, while the other Div's move ahead. The trains of the 4 Corps to be placed in rear of the centre of the Army. Gen Sherman expects to fight especially if Lee is in his front. The Enemy said to hold Goldsboro. Moved at 4 PM in charge of waggons. made 3 miles before dark and then was until 4 AM making the same distance. This slow movement is very fatiguing to the men especially in the night. Halting for 1 hour and then perhaps moving 20 rods, or less. Evening wet. A tedious night.

Thursday, March 16

Rested at 4½ AM. Eat breakfast and then slept about 2 hours. got up and mooved with the train about 4 miles to where the balance of train was parked. Got dinner and remained untill near dark before we started and then owing to the state of the roads we were all night mooving not more than 2 miles. Night wet and very disagreeable indeed 1st & 3d Div have been engaged in a fight and lost 4 or 500 men in killed & wounded. the enemy were driven from their line of works and 3 or 400 prisoners taken. Our Brig is in rear the past two days, and I have been in charge of Cavalry waggons. Country level and generally sandy.

Friday, March 17

Did not camp last night but kept on all night which was a very disagreeable one, and but little progress made. this forenoon we were engaged in Corduroying the road for the passage of the trains. crossed Black River about 2 PM and then advanced over a very good road for 3 miles and encamped for the night, tired sleepy & hungry having been up 2 nights and eat scarcely any thing since yesterday noon. Eat a good supper and went to bed early, with the full intention of sleeping Weather today very fine. The late rains have rendered the roads very bad and almost impassable to our trains. Tomorrow our Brig will take the centre.

Saturday, March 18

Marched at 6/30 Regt leading Brig and in charge of 40 of the head waggons of the train. progress slow. did not make more than 3 miles and encamped just at sunset. The Regt on Picket. Crossed creek just before night. Reported that Gen Sheridan has communicated by Courier with Gen Sherman. his force is said to be 12000 Cavalry. If the report is true there will be a commotion in the Enemys lines soon. The weather is fine and the Roads are fast drying up, and if we meet no Enemy I hope that not many days will elapse ere we are in a permanent camp. drew some shoes today. country good and quite thickly settled. peach trees in bloom.

Sunday, March 19

Marched at 7 AM in rear of Brig and in advance of the Train. Brig engaged in corduroying the Road. Weather fine. heavy firing in our front and left. 14th Corps and 1st & 3d of 20th engaged about noon received orders to turn the train off the Goldsboro road and take to the right. Mooved about 3 miles in this direction and encamped just at night. About 11 PM awoke with the order to get the Regt ready to march at 12 as escort to a train of waggons for the front. Our troops have been engaged quite sharply today but with what result I have not learned. Our Army has been concentrating and we expect a battle tomorrow unless the Enemy should choose to evacuate to night, which is not improbable Goldsboro about 25 miles

Monday, March 20

Soon after 12 at night, the train having all come in and parked the regt started as escort to the waggons from corps Hd Qtrs. mooved about 1 mile when order was countermanded and I returned to camp where I was directed to relieve the 149th NY on picket, the 1st & 3d Brig having been ordered to march at once to the front, where preparations are making for a vigorous advance tomorrow. About 3 AM lay down for a nap After daylight the train was packed and camp entrenched. Picket line drawn closer to camp. about noon received orders for train to moove to Goldsboro by the shortest road. Did not get on the road untill 9 PM. made some 7 miles and encamped at 3 AM Enemy said to have retired from the front of our Army. weather fine

Tuesday, March 21

Morning cloudy some indications of rain. did not start untill late 8 AM. with train. Halted after marching about 7 miles, to build a bridge. mooved on at 4 PM. and encamped at dark after making in all some 8 miles. Afternoon & Evening very rainy and disagreeable. Troops from Willmington under Gen Terry arrived today, crossing the road in our front. Quite heavy canonading on our left towards Evening Tomorrow we are to moove some 5 miles which is said to end our campaign for the present. Trains are to unload and the waggons to be sent to Kinston for supplies The Rail Road will be in order to goldsboro in a few days and in the mean time supplies will be hauled from Kinston in waggons.

Wednesday, March 22

Morning cool followed by a clear windy day. marched at 8 AM towards the River. Made about 9 miles and parked the train, where it is supposed that it will remain for the present. The Army is at work in front of the enemy up the river. Gen Sherman expects to capture a good part of the enemys forces, and as he has not much less than 100000 men now under his command he ought to be able to do it. I expect the 154th will have to go to Kingston tomorrow with train for supplies, Kingston is said to be 30 miles distant and it will take 5 days to go load up and return.

Thursday, March 23

Marched at 6 AM as escort to supply Train, for Kinston 154th & 109th forming Escort under my command. day pleasant roads good, crossed the River and marched through Goldsboro and then down the River. Made some 20 miles and encamped 8 miles from Kinston. Country fine all the way. The best I have seen since leaving Savannah.

Friday, March 24

Marched at 6 AM. passed through Kinston and across the river and down about 2 miles to the landing where we loaded up 200 waggons and returned to Town leaving Capt Galligher with a part of the troops to load up and come on with the balance. Gen Jones met us today.

Saturday, March 25

Marched at 6 AM towards home Let Gen Jones ride my bay Mare. Roads good. Made within 8 miles of Goldsboro and encamped before night. Going down the men rode in the waggons, today they walk, repairing the roads where necessary. RR nearly completed to Goldsboro.

Sunday, March 26

Two Trains passed up the Road last night loaded with supplies. We moved at 6, and reached Goldsboro about 9½ AM learned that the corps had removed to this side of the River. reached camp about 12. Got dinner laid out and partilly fixed up camp. Received the first mail, since leaving Sisters ferry.

Monday, March 27

Morning cold and clear. did not hurry up. passed the day in building up and policing camp. The campaign seems to have closed for the present and we are promised a season of rest, and supplies preparatory to another and a final campaign which I trust is to close up this long and tragic war.

Tuesday, March 28

Ordered to be ready to march at 6 AM on a foraging expedition after corn. fell in and started. was detailed as Div Officer of the day. Turned the command of the Regt over to Capt Benson. Went to Div at 10 AM Relieve Officer, visited Picket line &c. passed most of the day in camp wrote to C H Wright

Wednesday, March 29

Morning damp and showery Visited the picket line in the morning, Reported at Div Hd Qtrs at 10 AM and met the Officer who was to relieve me. Visited the Picket line with him and then returned to camp, where I pass the day, Making Ordinance Returns &c. Policed camp and fixed up generally. Not very well.

Thursday, March 30

Morning wet and gloomy Rainy all day. Remained in camp, working upon Ordinance Returns &c. Reported that we are to be paid before we leave here. hope it may be true. Gen Jones took com of Brig. 109th to be consolid with 11th to leave tomorrow no letters from home today

Friday, March 31

Pleasant and mild. Rode to Town to see about Ordin and other Blanks. did nothing but work on Returns feel pretty lazy 109th left us today. Camp building going on. Det as Military Commission Met and adjourned to Mon Report that we are to move on the 11th. Dont believe it

Saturday, April 1

All fools day, and a very pleasant one. visited Div Hd Qtrs to see about changing the Arms of the command. Regt drew Clothing. did considerable writing. Nothing of interest transpiring in camp. having a lazy time generally. Wrote to Chief of Ordinance and also to Col D B Allen

Sunday, April 2

Morning pleasant and warm Regimental Inspection at 9 AM. Gen Geary Insp the camp at 11 AM Nothing of Interest occurring Service by the Chaplain. Dress Parade in the Evening. We are having an easy time just now but it will not last long.

Monday, April 3

Morning pleasant. Busily engaged in writing and Making Returns. Made a finish of camp today Organized Military Com and tried one case Col Walker. passed the day busily engaged upon my Returns. Reported that we are to leave here in a few days

Tuesday, April 4

Morning pleasant. Insp of Arms at 11 AM by Gen Geary. Inspection passed off very well, was not present myself, as I was at the Commission. Wrote some letters today. Wish we might receive our mail a little more regular, but must not complain

Wednesday, April 5

Morning pleasant. passed the morning in writing. Attended the Commission but adjourned early to attend the Review of the Div by Gen Mower our new Corps Commander Review passed off very finely presentation of new Div & Brig flags.

Thursday, April 6

Morning pleasant as usual. attended the Com at 10 AM Glorious news from Richmond Lee retreating toward Danville, followed by Sheridan 25000 prisoners & 500 Guns captured. If all is true it is the crowning triumph of the war and it seems must end it.

Friday, April 7

Morning pleasant. nothing of importance transpiring in camp. Com did not meet today rode over to Capt Shenighers Quarters and back. No addition of news from Virginia. Received letter from Mate which I answered Wrote to Henry Van Aernam. Made report to Agt Gen N.Y. Received Commission as Colonel. Shower in the Evening.

Saturday, April 8

Morning cold and pleasant Additional good news from Virginia. Hold Session of Military Commission today. Nothing going on in camp. very quiet. Great rejoicing over the news from the north. Received a mail but no letters for me. Wrote to B renk Bell.

Sunday, April 9

Morning pleasant but cool Ordered to make Report of the last campaign which occupied nearly all day. Detachment of Convalescents &c arrived. Made Requisition for Ordinance which was drawn and Issued. Made preparations to leave early tomorrow morning on the new Campaign which is expected to last 30 days, and to finish the war.

Monday, April 10

Revalee at 2½. Breakfast at 4. Assembly 5½. Mooved out of camp, Regt leading Brig. Marched through Goldsboro and out on the direct road to Smithfield. Progress Slow owing to bad roads and some resistance made by the Enemy. Made about 14 miles and encamped at 11 P.M. Afternoon & Eve rainy Eve very wet & uncomfortable.

Tuesday, April 11

Mooved at 5½ morning wet & gloomy. 2nd Brig leads the column. Some skirmishing, and considerable marching through the woods in line of battle. day very warm and the march was very fatiguing to the men. Reached Smithfield about 2 PM and encamped. The 14th Corps beat us in.

Wednesday, April 12

Received tidings of the Surrender of Lee & his entire Army to Gen Grant. Great rejoicing. Detailed to escort the Div Train to Raleigh. Mooved back on the Goldsboro Road about 5 miles, and awaited the arrival of the Train. The rear did not come up until dark. Mooved on and got into camp across the River about 9 PM. rear of Regt did not get in until 2 AM

Thursday, April 13

Morning damp. Started head of train at 6/30. 2nd Div Train 2nd in line. Road much better today than yesterday Made to within 9 miles of Raleigh where the head of the Train arrived about 4 PM. Head of 2nd Div about dark, rear about 10 PM. Capt Lacy received orders to send the Hd Qtrs and a portion of the supply waggons to Raleigh tonight. Weather pleasant

Friday, April 14

Morning pleasant. Started at 6 AM. 2nd Div Train in rear of Corps Hd Qtrs Train. Reached Raleigh about 11 AM. Marched about 1½ miles out and park the Train, and joined the Brig in camp where they have been since yesterday Eve and will remain over today. Weather very warm

Saturday, April 15

Ordered to march at 6 AM toward Salisbury. To pass through the City in review order. Morning very rainy. Struck tents & fell into line. remained in this position some time and then ordered to put up tents and await further orders. Wet all day. rode over to Town in the afternoon Reported that Johnson is about to surrender. Orders for foraging countermanded. full rations ordered.

Sunday, April 16

Morning cool and pleasant prospect of remaining in camp today. No Inspection in the morning. Service at 11 AM. Nothing new from the front until about 9 P.M. when word was brought that Johnson would surrender on the same terms as Lee. A great drunk through out the camps around Raleigh which was kept up nearly all night.

Monday, April 17

Waked up with very severe head ache. day very warm. Received tidings of the great Washington tragedy, which cast a gloom over the entire Army. Hope it may not be as bad as represented. Johnsons surrender still undecided. Troops thinking of going home soon. Mooved camp and cleaned up some

Tuesday, April 18

Day excessively hot. Not at all well. Detailed as Div Officer of the day. Reported at Hd Qtrs at 10 AM. Visited the picket line and return to camp. Received a small mail. Heavy shower with high wind in the Evening. my tent stood the blast, but all were not so.

Wednesday, April 19

Morning cool and pleasant. Middle of the day very warm Was relieved at 10 AM. rode over the line and back to camp. The surrender of Johnson still progressing. Major Cheney arrived in camp today. Hotchkiss & Wellman still at Goldsboro Trains come in direct from Newbernm with mails & forage.

Thursday, April 20

Morning pleasant. day very warm. Review of 10th Corps by Gen Sherman. Division Drill by Gen Geary in the afternoon. Military Commission convened today. The corps is to be reviewed by Gen Sherman on Saturday. prospect of remaining here some 8 or 10 days longer.

Friday, April 21

Morning warm. day hot attended Commission and looked after caps for the men for the Review tomorrow Afternoon rainy. Tomorrow is to be a great day here as the 20th Corps is the subject of considerable jealousy on the part of the other corps, hope we may have a fine day for the show

Saturday, April 22

Morning cool and cloudy with promise of a fine day which was realised. Mooved from camp about 8 AM. halted in the City to rest and await the passage of the 1st Div. Then passed up Fayetteville Street passed Gen Sherman. The day was fine and so was the display. Raleigh never witnessed a greater military assemblage.

Sunday, April 23

day very cold for the season in this climate. Inspection at 10 AM. Service at 2 P.M. nothing new yet with regard to the arrangements with Johnson we shall probably learn ere long, whether we are to go home or whether we are to go after Johnston. hope it may be the former.

Monday, April 24

Morning cool but pleasant. Military Commission in session, after which rode over to Town to witness the Review of the 17th Corps, by Gen Grant who is new in Town. Orders to be ready to march tomorrow morning, in search of Johnston The terms sent to Washington have been rejected there

Tuesday, April 25

Morning pleasant and warm Orders to march at 8 AM to Jones X roads, 1st Div leading, 2nd Brig leading 2nd Div. did not get under motion before 9. marched slowly roads pretty bad and 1st Div train in our front. Reached the X roads before sun set and encamped. No orders for marching in the morning. Capt Hotchkiss & Lieuts Wellman & Smith with convalescents joined this morning.

Wednesday, April 26

Morning warm & pleasant Orders are to remain here untill further Orders. parties detailed for foraging. We do not yet know whether Johnson has or is about to surrender or disperse his command. remained quietly in camp all day. Foragers sent out who did not return tonight.

Thursday, April 27

Morning pleasant and warm remained in camp all day. Report that Johnson has surrendered. Train Ordered back to Raleigh in the afternoon. Troops to follow in the morning. The campaign ended in a very short time. Not very well, some head ache.

Friday, April 28

Marched at daylight. Morning warm & pleasant. mooved slowly, reached our old camp at 10½ AM. found things pretty much as we left them. some rain as we got into camp. Received Orders with respect to our coming march for Richmond, which is to come on the 30th. Some fire works in the Evening in the City.

Saturday, April 29

Nothing of importance transpiring today. Procured Muster Rolls and made one set. Preparations for the homeward march tomorrow, When we are to set out for home via Richmond & Washington. A march of more than 300 miles before us, but we are homeward bound, and every day brings us near the loved spot.

Sunday, April 30

Marched at 7 AM. Passed through Raleigh in Column by Company in cadenced step with music Saluted Gen Slocum & Terry's Hd Qtrs. Crossed the Nuse just before night and we having marched 15 miles. weather fine & roads good. 2nd Div 2nd in line, 2nd Brig 2nd 154 leading Brig. We have full rations in the trains, no foraging

Monday, May 1

Another very fine day, which we improved by making 23 miles crossing Tarr River some time before night. 2nd Div & 2nd Brig leading today. 154 in rear of Brig. Men some what foot sore tonight The country through which we are passing is very fine and does not appear to have suffered much from the army. Many returned soldiers are now at home and farming is going on on a good scale.

Tuesday, May 2

Another day as yesterday. 2nd Brig in rear, and in charge of the Train. 154 Marched with train. Made about 18 miles, encamping 2 miles short of Williamsboro. Should have went further but the 14th Corps cut us off and we were obliged to encamp before night. passed through a rich rolling country today.

Wednesday, May 3

Marched at 4½ AM. through Williamsboro, and arrived at the State Line about 11 AM having marched about 12 miles. Encamped here for the night, as the 14th Corps is in our front and crossing the Roanoke. The 1st & 3d Div came up and encamped here and tomorrow we will probably fall in rear of the corps, and not get in front again for some time

Thursday, May 4

Marched at 7 AM. Crossed the Roanoke on pontoons, left Londonville on our left and took the road toward Saffords Bridge across the Meherrin River. Made about 20 miles and encamped about 2 miles west of the River. Weather warm roads dusty. Country Rolling and well cultivated Timber Oak & Pine, with some Chestnut

Friday, May 5

Marched at 5 AM. Crossed the Meherrin and marched towards Crapes Bridge across the Nottoway River. Took dinner at Flat rock Creek and encamped for the night about 2 miles short of the Nottoway. Country much as yesterday. Weather very warm and roads dusty.

Saturday, May 6

Marched at 5 AM. Made slow progress, in consequence of the 1st Div in our front. Crossed the Nottoway. took dinner at the little Nottoway. Struck the South Side RR at Black & White Station. Moved easterly along the RR to near Willsons St where we encamped. This has been the hardest days march with the least progress of any day on the march.

Sunday, May 7

Mooved at 7 AM, morning cool and pleasant. made slow progress in consequence of 1st Div in front. 2nd Brig leads today. left the RR and struck for the Appomattox River which we crossed just before night at Kirkes Ford. Encamped near the River. Country today well cultivated and very fine. Distance today about 20 miles.

Monday, May 8

Marched at 6 AM 2nd Brig in charge of the train. Mooved toward Richmond through Clover Hill and along the C.H. RR toward Chesterfield C.H. left this on our right. Crossed Swift & Falling Creeks, encamping on the north bank of the latter, & about 7 miles from Richmond. Expected that we will remain here several days. Made 20 miles. weather warm

Tuesday, May 9

Rec Orders to be ready to march at 9 AM. supposed to be a change of camp. some rain last night. Mooved about 2 miles toward the City, and again encamped. Overhauled baggage, Orders to march tomorrow through the City, to be reviewed by Gen Halleck. Drew Rations. washed up and prepared for our final march for Washington

Wednesday, May 10

Packed up and got ready for a moove when the Order was countermanded and we remained in camp through the day. It seems that Gen Sherman has arrived and concluded to run his own machine, and order his own reviews. Weather very cool and pleasant. a good day for marching.

Thursday, May 11

Ordered to march at 9 AM to, and through Manchester & Richmond. day very warm and disagreeable, for marching. 24th Corps drawn up in line along the main street of Manchester to receive us. Crossed the River Marched in column through several streets of Richmond and then out 4 miles towards Ashland Sta and encamped. Heavy shower in the Evening, rain all night.

Friday, May 12

Morning wet and disagreeable. Marched at about 7 154 leading the Div. Roads very bad in consequence of the rain. Weather cool and delightful. Arrived at Ashland just before night. 154 on Provost duty in Town Slept in a house, and feather bed. Distance from Richmond 16 miles. Cars running to here.

Saturday, May 13

Morning cool, day pleasant and comfortable. 154 Rear Guard to Div Train, got started about 8 AM. progress slow until we crossed the South Anna River when the roads were better and we made good time. Crossed the New found & the Little River and encamped on the north bank of the latter about 4 P.M. Distance 15 miles

Sunday, May 14

Marched at 7 AM toward Chilesburg, crossing the Central RR. and then the North Anna at Andersons Br. crossed the track of the 14th Corps at Chilesburg, and from thence toward Spotsylvania C.H. Encamping for the night between the Mat & Ta Rivers. Distance marched 15 miles weather pleasant.

Monday, May 15

Marched at 7. passed Spotsylvania C H and from thence to Chancellorsville, and U S Ford when we crossed the Rapidan encamping on the north Bank Passed through much of the battle field of last may and visited the scene of the conflict of May 2nd 1863 the first engagement in which we were engaged distance marched 20 miles

Tuesday, May 16

Passed the First Div last night on the south side of the River and this morning the 2nd Div leads, marching at 5 AM toward Catlett Station via Heartwood Church. Made 15 miles & encamped near a branch of Cedar Creek. Day very warm. The men suffered much from the heat and want of water. Encamped about 3½ PM. Our Brig has the train today.

Wednesday, May 17

Marched at 5 AM 154 leading the Brig. to Brentsville, where we arrived at 1 PM and encamped for the night. distance marched about 12 miles. This has been the hottest day of the season and the men have been much wearied, and there has been a good deal of falling out. 14th Corps along the RR on our left. We are now 20 miles from Arandale which is our destination.

Thursday, May 18

marched at 9½ AM. 2nd Div in rear 2nd Brig leading Div. Day very warm. Made slow progress. Crossed Broad & Bull Runs, and encamped 2 miles south of Fairfax Station. Evening wet. Encamped after dark in a very heavy shower. Passed a very uncomfortable Evening. Tomorrow will probably end our journey for the present. Country very fine through here.

Friday, May 19

Marched at 6 AM in rear of Div. 154 in centre of the Train. Roads bad in consequence of last nights rain. Crossed the RR at Fairfax Station and thence down the RR toward Alexandria about 10 miles from which we struck the Pike leading to Fairfax C.H. followed this to within 3 miles of Alexandria where we encamped. Day cool and very pleasant for marching

Saturday, May 20

Morning cool and cloudy. Our journey for the present seems to be ended, and we are now to prepare 1st for a review and 2nd for home. The latter much the most agreeable. Day wet and showery. Nothing going on in camp except a little fixing up tents & Co

Sunday, May 21

Day showery and disagreeable. Nothing of any note transpiring. The Army is to be reviewed on Tuesday & Wednesday of this week. Rec a large No of Convalescents today as well as some new recruits. No Inspection or service today.

Monday, May 22

After heavy rains last night it appears to be once more clearing up, with prospects of fine weather. day very warm received some Wall tents today. Sold my gray Horse and realised 50. dollars thereby, which I shall use tomorrow for a coat perhaps

Tuesday, May 23

A clear cool pleasant day. The Army of the Potomac reviewed today at Washington. Visited the City of Alexandria, and made some purchases, returned to camp and made preparations for an early move tomorrow morning.

Wednesday, May 24

Morning pleasant. Broke camp at 5 A.M. Marched at 6 toward the Long Bridge, which we crossed, and then marched in Review as per orders, and then out on the Bladensburg Pike about 5 or 6 miles where we bivouacked for the night. day very warm and we had a heavy march

Thursday, May 25

Another cool pleasant day. Lay around until afternoon when we moved into camp near the RR Dr Van Aernam visited the camp this afternoon remaining but a short time and then returning to the City. He is to return home tomorrow. Gov Fenton expected tomorrow.

Friday, May 26

Morning wet. Cleaned up camp, &c. Governor Fenton visited the Brig Hd Qtrs in the afternoon rained all day, which was disagreeable enough expect to move camp tomorrow in case it clears up in season am to Go to the City

Saturday, May 27

Morning wet as usual. Started for the City after breakfast. rainy and very muddy. reached the City about 9 AM. Called upon Gov Fenton, and Col Allen Drew 2 months 18 days pay, made some purchases and returned to camp rained ceased in the afternoon

Sunday, May 28

A very fine pleasant day. Moved camp to a field opposite and in front of Brig Hd Qtrs. a great improvement in camp. Wrote to Wife, and did some other writing after fixing up camp. Day passed of very quietly Report that we are to go home in a few days.

Monday, May 29

Morning and day pleasant. Rode to the City in the Morning. Visited the N Y State Agency for Commissions, went to the Ordinance Office to see about Returns from 2nd Qtr 1863. Made some purchases and back to camp.

Tuesday, May 30

Morning pleasant. Governor Fenton visited the camp at 10 AM. and presented our new stand of Colors. The Brig was drawn up in Column by Div to witness the Ceremony The Governor was received with the honors due a Major General, and afterward the boys gave him three rousing cheers

Wednesday, May 31

Nothing of importance today. General work preparatory to our final discharge from the service.

Thursday, June 1

Mooved camp today to the oposite side of the Road. Weather very warm. fixed up camp. Mr. Barden (?) visited me today at camp, and went over again.

Friday, June 2

fixed up came and resumed work upon Rolls Returns &c. We are to go home as soon as all the preliminaries are perfected

Saturday, June 3

Day very warm nothing of importance transpiring. hard at work all round hope to get ready to go home in one week. Mr Barden returned today to stay over the Sabbath.

Sunday, June 4

Another warm day. Nothing going on but work. As the Chaplain is sick we had no services today.

Monday, June 5

Hot as usual today. Hard at work on my reports. Fixed awning in front of my tent. prospects of rain in the evening. Mr Barden left for home this Evening. Sent 100 dollars to Mate.

Tuesday, June 6

Weather much cooler than for the past few days. a little rain but not much. there must have been Rain around. John Grierson called today. He belongs to the 14th heavy Artillery and is now encamped near the Capitol.

Wednesday, June 7

Warmer than yesterday but yet, not so bad as the previous days. Making very good progress on our rolls. 119th Mustered out today. Our Rolls will probably be completed tomorrow Troops are going home now very fast.

Thursday, June 8

Nothing of importance transpiring today hard at work perfecting our preparations for departure. 119th started this afternoon for home Detail for Military Commission. Think we will get away about Monday Visited Gen Slocum in the Evening

Friday, June 9

Military Commission in session through the forenoon. Sick all the afternoon, so as to be confined to camp. 137 Mustered out today. 134 are to be Mustered tomorrow and we next day.

Saturday, June 10

Morning cool and cloudy. Went over to Com. which was dissolved for want of business. Rode to the City. Visited the Ordinance Quartermasters & Subsistance Depts. took the Preliminary steps toward getting Certificate of non indebtedness from the Depts rode home in rain

Sunday, June 11

Day very warm but pleasant. Marched over to Div Hd Qtrs at 2 PM and were mustered. returned to camp 134th Broke camp and marched to the City. We have 303 Enlisted Men & 25 Officers present to go home

Monday, June 12

Rode over to Div. got Order for Transportation went to Corps Hd Qtrs, and from thence to the City. procured Transportation for men and horses. back to camp. packed up and at 1½ PM broke camp and marched to the City. did not get started from there untill near Midnight.

Tuesday, June 13

Reached Baltimore about 6 A.M. got Breakfast at the Soldiers home. Marched to the Kamdan Depot. Started about noon passed Harrisburg about 6 P.M. making good time toward Elmira Weather pleasant

Wednesday, June 14

Reached Williamsport just after daylight, and Elmira about 11 A.M. got dinner at the Soldiers Rest, and then marched out to camp near Barracks No. 3, where we put up tents drew Rations &c. we are to stay here for an uncertain period ere we can go home

Thursday, June 15

There are 6 or 7 Regts and several Batteries to be paid here before we come on, which will probably detain us several days. There seems to be but one Pay Master here, which will make slow work Procured Board at Mr Shermans 267 Charles St.

Friday, June 16

Several Officers & men left for home today to be gone a few days. I would like to do so myself but It will not do for me to leave I have a very pleasant place to board, and could be quite contented myself

Saturday, June 17

if the men were paid off and discharged and I relieved of the Responsibility. But the men are impatient and want to get home and they get some whiskey which renders the thing interesting

Sunday, June 18

A pleasant day. I did not attend Church today. passed most of the day in camp. There is an increase of the force of Paymasters and we hope the thing will be hurried some what. Dress Parade in the Troops of the V.R.C. at the Barracks

Monday, June 19

Some encouragement that we will get away by the middle of the week. Officers perfecting the Rolls. Received the Ordinance of the Regt preparatory to turning over to the Ordinance Officer Heavy rain today

Tuesday, June 20

Morning wet and disagreeable. Send of my Ordinance, made out my Ordinance Returns and mailed them in the Evening. Rolls in the hands of the Paymaster this afternoon dont know whether we will get paid tomorrow

Wednesday, June 21

Morning pleasant. Col Gibson says we will not be paid before Friday probably. Encouraging really. Rolls sent up in the afternoon for signing with report that we will be paid in the morning procured Certificate of Non indebtedness today

Thursday, June 22

After some rain last night we had a very fine pleasant day. Passed the forenoon at camp. men very impatient for payment, which we have the promise of tomorrow Went down town and made some purchases in the afternoon. passed most of the day in my room writing.

Friday, June 23

Day very fine. Did not get paid untill toward night. Regt all paid off except Officers. Delivered a farewell address to the men. Got my pay in the Evening. Mate came in the afternoon. Boys nearly all went home tonight. Feel much relieved with regard to responsibility I recon.

Saturday, June 24

Passed the morning fixing up matters for some of the men. Went down Town in the afternoon with Mate. Bought some Toys for the boys. Started for home at 4 PM. arrived at Olean at 11 P.M. Found Parish there with carriage. Arrived at home about 12 Midnight. went to bed tired enough.

Sunday, June 25

A fine pleasant day. called upon Mr Parish in the morning. Attended church in the morning.