

- Sept. 16, 1861 - McMinnville, Tennessee. - Left this place 2 o'clock A.M.
- 17 arrived at Chattanooga at night, leaving there early in the morning arrived at Bristol at sunset leaving in a few minutes for Lynchburg. It was on this line of road that I met with the contemptible woman that ordered some soldiers out of the passenger car into the woods. I calmly replied that I was a gentleman and would ride in the car. The subject was dropt.
- 18 Arrived at Lynchburg at 8 in the morning, we not meeting with the
- 19 connexion lay over next morning 3 o'clock taking the car arrived at Charlottesville at noon this I found to be a nice place there was a great many sick and wounded soldiers here they was well treated. I only remained three hours at this place at this place I met some of prisoners that Savage regiment took on realley mountain. Left at 3 o'clock arrived at Millbar at night getting with a train of government wagons going to Edra. Went out 4 miles and camped and lay on the ground without any shelter
- 20 leaving at sun up this morning. Come on to Bathalumn Springs I tasted of the water and found it as strong as the mineral. We eat some dinner and traveled on arrived at warm springs late in the evening at this place I meet some of the boys Jeff Parks, B. J. Hill, I Medannel, A. P. Rys, W. Hammases leaving this place and traveling 15 miles and camped on Isaacs
- 21 River cooked and eat our breakfast and left early this morning traveled hard to day over rough road slept on top of Elk mountain I lay in a barn at this place and eat some good peaches left early arrived at Huntersville at 10 A. M. I find some more of boys at this place. Left here this
- 22 mornig found the regiment at Green Brier River this was happy to me and the
- 23 It had been some 4 month sence I had seen them the boys had no tents and no clean close and no soap to wash any the boys was dirty though in fine health and in fine spirits. It was late when I lay down to rest. I being very lay down on the grass and went off in a sweet sleep waked up well
- 24 rested with orders to cook three days rashes we set about cooking after
- 25 that was done lay down to rest. Left green brier at one o'clock traveled 13 miles incamp in an old field.
- 26 Took up march at day light traveled 17 miles it raining in the evening hard, struck camps at night we having no shelter faired very hard. It rained all night in torrents. I an Hayett fixed us a bed of rails and lay on them all night to keep up out of the water at daylight waked up our feet rails beat by the heavy raines. After bein washed by rain I felt some wat worsted but Col. Savage seeing his man wet an hold give them a dram. It is still raining the world seems to be ful an raining over.
- 27 Left early this morning to day we traveled through the town of Frankfort also Lewisburg and incamp in a barn all of us were very wet and chille. If I had not found shelter I think I would er froze. I lay in the third story of the barn I grabled out me a hole in the oats selp al night by cloth being wet they smelt like spilt foder.
- 28 Bilt us a fire an cooked one days rashes leaving at noon an came to Meadowbluf.
- 29 Took march 7 o'clock traveled 15 miles a great part of the way through mud and water. We waded water rump deep. It was very cold my lages was as red as a doves when I got through at this place I sold some corn and

eat it it was the sweetest food that I ever eat. We arrived on top of big Jewel mount at dark and was ordered to sleep with our gear and make under my head. I was much worn out with hard marching and hunger and we had no tents to shelter us nothing to lie on but the wet ground. I lay myself down and waked up at day light in sight of the yankees they being top of one rig us on another still. Night has come again and I made my self on my humble bed that I have constructed to day it three poles one each side of me a small one in the middle so as to swag a little, saw leaves on them and this furnished me with a place to rest. All is quite to night.

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- Oct. 1 I have took a good look at the yankees to day they plad yankey doodle
2 to day. Nothing new, all is quiet.
3 Have been down in a holler today getting some chestnuts.
4 I am very hungry we have not had ful rashes.
5 Nothing new. Yankees are still on the other side of the holer.
6 We have been in sight of the yankees one week no fight yet. The yankees left last night between midnight and day they took up right an went in dubel quick we took to wagons loading soap and cooking utensils an good many other things we followed them some 8 miles as the roads was so bad we could not follow them an we came back to Jewel and the yankees are gone
7 Nothing to do only to cut chestnut trees and eat chestnuts and kill hogs and eat them for we dont draw much to eat.
8 Washed my cloths to day the first time.
9 Clear today in the evening turned very cold.
10 Nothing new all quiet
11 Rained all day an night. it very bad about sleeping.
12 Orders to be redy to move it was to day that an old man came to hunting the boys that killed his sheep and wanted pay for them we pledg him so much that he was glad to git off without money. Took up march 5 1/2 oclock came 3 miles encamp at the foot of Jewel drill in the morning.
13 There was black possum red yellow and white hawes all at this place.
14 Nothing new
15 I went out and got some hawes say phesant.
16 We made us a shelter today.
17 It rained most all day
18 Still at the foot of Jewel
19 The company drew money for the month.
20 Prepare to march but did not on the account of rain un mud. The amount of money it took to pay the company was \$1960000. I was on gard last night and Poke Evens died while I was on gard.
21 Took up march this mornig at 9 oclock. Incamp at Meadow Bluf it was at this place that Bill got his cabage head and could not git to pay for it.
22 Took up march at 9 oclock encamp at Lewisberg 19 miles. It was at this place that Hall Barker threatened to give me a whipping to he soon blod out as he comely does.
23 Took up march at 9 oclock encamped in an old field 15 miles. We had turnips and chicking and dumplins for super.
24 Took up march this mornig at 9 oclock incamped at Millport. Next mornig Savage give the boys a lector concerning leaving ranks going to neighbors houses an plundering some locked down. Took up march this mornig at 9 oclock and stopt at greenbrier brig. We met B. I. Hill, Harve Rogers, Bill Chaistian encamped one mile from the brig.

26 At this place all day nothing to do.
 27 Took up at 1 o'clock arrived at Huntersville at night we here get
 something to eat it was very good as we have been out some two days.
 28 At Huntersville very cold, heavy frost. We are on the green bank road.
 29 Nothing to do all is quiet.
 30 Nothing new we have made us a big fire.
 Nov. 1 All is quiet to day we are around our fire to night.
 2 Nothing to do only to build large fires and sleep before them.
 3 Nothing new
 4 Nothing new
 5 Col. Parks came to us we called him butcher.
 6 Rained most all day very muddy.
 7 No drill to day on account of mud.
 8 Drill in the morning.
 9 Brumby regiment left for Millberg, captain Meadows left for Millberg to
 10 get some clothing. I drew one shirt. Lieutenant Woods left us to day.
 11 Left Huntersville for Lewisberg. I having my ankle hurt went with
 the wagon. We broke down in the mud encamped in an old field 12 miles.
 12 Took up march at 8 o'clock I started with the wagon as I was lame.
 Tom Murry made me leave it and march in ranks. encamped in an old field
 twelve miles.
 13 Took up march at 8 o'clock A.M. It was to day that I almost give out
 in my ankle. Encamped one mile from Frankford. Parson Brooks preached
 for us the ladies of the town came out to see us they sung some nice
 tunes for us. Our boys behaved nice the girls was very pretty.
 14 Took up march at 8 a.m. and encamped two miles from Lewisberg. It
 was at this place that I was on guard the wind blew and rained Waldo
 reported that his horses was stold I put on picket to watch for the thief
 tho did not catch him it rained all night.
 15 Took up march at 8 o'clock and traveled through Lewisberg encamped three
 miles this side tho we was ordered to cross a stream of water which was
 very full and cold Savage would not cross his men over it as it was
 dangerous and there was nothing ergin this charge was a gainst in the town.
 16 Still nere Lewisberg nothing new
 17 Snow at night very cold
 18 Still snowing the road is sheet over with ice very cold.
 19 Our clothing came to us most all the boys have got something we are
 happy to night the boys have had a dram they well clothed and a happy
 set as you every sear. I received a letter from L. A.
 20 All happy yet
 21 It is raining to day
 22 The foudice have broke out on me my skin is yellow as a pumpkin.
 23 I still have no appetite to eat
 24 It is very muddy to day I am still sick have not eat anything much
 25 Nothing new to day
 26 I have begun to eat some
 27 Rain snow and ice
 28 The ground is froze over with ice
 29 Rain and mud to day
 30 Still at this place I want to the river to day.
 Dec. 1 Took up march at 8 o'clock a.m. today we crossed the river on horses
 the horses fel down and some of the boys was ducked clothes froze on them
 encamped on the side of the road.
 2 Took up march at 8 o'clock a.m. the roads very muddy to day traveled
 twelve miles pass Salt Sulphur Springs.
 3 Took up march at day light encamped at the Sulphur Springs. I went

- back to help the wagons up the mountain the ground we had to unload. some things I was almost froze when I got to fire we burnt some rails belonging to Riner, paid 25 cents a piece.
- Dec. 4
5 This morning there was a confusion about haling baggage we left at day light our company rier gard came through Peterstown, Col. Rrtlege was taken sick I stopt to take care of him we stade with Schoomake and wife they was christian hearted people the wife was such a one as filles a house with peace and pleasure and make er mans life glide oer sorrow,
- 6 Still at Shoomakes, Col. not much better.
7. Col. is better this morning I put some fence that some wagoners throd down.
- 8 Took leve of the good man and woman this morning. Crossed New River stade all night with a man and his wife and baby. We join the regiment in the even found well orders to go to Charleston S. C. orders to cook four days rashion in a big stire. Will Etter git a discharg.
- 9 We moved our bagage to the depptote it in the car I was bagage gard I left at 11 oclock for Linchberg.
- 11 We arrived at Linchberg at 2 oclock we here waited for the regiment. The boys came up at night G H. got badly bert by the car running off.
- 12 I left with the bagage in the even arrived at Petersberg three a m
- 13 I dont think I every sufered more with cold in my life the air was very cold. reshiped bagage and left here in the even passed the regiment at Weldon E. C. arrived Willmington E. C.
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- 15 Crossed cape fare river erley this morning loaded the lugage. Left Wilmington at 10 oclock. About 10 oclock in the night our engin cut loca and went on after water our car was left across the track another engin was runin at ful speed and would a nooked us off but we roald the car out of the way. Arrived at Charleston 8 oclock P.M. encamped in the depot house.
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- 17 Left Charleston late in the even campd 3 miles from the city on the battle field of Camden the old diches is still visable.
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- 19 Left for Pocatalige half past 8 oclock arrived at Pocotaligo at midnight.
- 20 Still at the station
- 21 Nothing new to day
- 22 E. M. Safley, B. J. Hill discharged I wrote home to day and said I did not want no Jeff Davis at my house.
- 23 E. M. Safley, B. J. Hill started an me and Puget Hayes sent 50.00 dollars home with the boys. Moved 3 miles incamped in an old field.
24. Drill in the morning. Thomas Brown got shop accidentally by Eips in Yorks command.
- 25 Nothing new today.
- 26 Army regulations was red to the camp
- 27 Washed some today dug some in a well
- 28 Finished the well to day some of the boys put on extra duty for diging in the well an not drilling.
- 29 Drill in the morning and evening.
- 30 Drill in the morning and evening
- 31 Dres parade in the evening.
- January 1, 1862 We was ordered to hold an election for Eager but did not have time to count out the vots we was order to go to gardeners corners as they was fighting at that 10 mile from us. Arrived there after dark fighting had started we was place in an old field. I lay all night in line of battle without blankets. I was much child.
- 2 No yankee come and we was ordered to fall back one mile. I was very hungry. Some boys give me some meat and bread. We got some sweet potatoes to eat.

3 Sent out some picket report no yankeys.
 4 We was cald in to line several times to day tho did not march.
 5 Pickets report no yankes
 6 Yankes stold 40 negros last night.
 7 Went to pages point to releave Guniwins regiment. We are now in
 site of the ynakeys nothing but broud river separating us. Capt. Dillard's
 company went on picket down on the coast.
 8 I am at the oowpens. I watched the yankes all day. Night has come
 and it is very dark The little animals is yelping and the sea birds
 are squeling.
 9. Releaved from my post come in to camps I lay down to sleep.
 10 Dillard's men killed two negers that was trying to git to the
 yankeys.
 11 I. G. Cunningham, Samuel Barker went to bery the negr that was
 killed. We was releaved by three companys of Col. Fultens men.
 arrived at camp at night.
 12 I red a letter from E.A. in this letor was the first time that E.A.
 rote to me of the little stranger at home.
 13 Drill in the morning and evening.
 14 Drill in the morning battalion in the evening.
 15 Nothin new to day
 16 Raining this morning no drill
 17 Rain most all day rote a letter to father and Sary
 18 James Mooney starts home today I sent some of my ~~rut~~ cloth and some
 cotton seed home.
 19 Drill in the morning
 20 Nothing new to day
 21 H. M. Moffitt left for home to day. We went down to pages point
 on pickett. I an Fate, C. M., Gyp Parks, Chick Huse stood to gether.
 It was a stormy and raneey night, one that will try the hart of a solger.
 I got very wet and cold. We could not have fire on pickett.
 22 Came in to camp this morning. Dride myself and went to sibep.
 23 Rained all day and night all is wet.
 24 Still raining. Order the election for Mager. I was on picket
 at confederate hill. I come mitenigh shooting a dog for a man tho
 discovered the mistake.
 25 Hel the election elected Tip Falkner.
 26 Nothing new to day all quiet
 27 Nothing new today
 28 All quiet to day nothin new.
 29 Rain in the morning.
 30 On picket to day some yankeys come almost in shooting range of me.
 Col. Savage under arrest. Murry come down and stade all night.
 He was releaved by Fultens men. Went to camp all tired.
 February 1 All in camp to day resting - it is raining hard to day.
 2 Still raining tho it is cold.
 3 No drill this morning
 4 Rain last night very gloomy this morning. I have red some to day.
 5 Orders to be redy to march at a moment warning.
 6 Moved our camping ground some two hundred yards.
 7 I have red in fruments travels where they killed the little and eat
 8 Rain most all day ever thing wet and nasty. very cold.
 9 Still raining and cold.
 10 Rain all night and keeps coming this morning went to Pages Point on
 pickett.
 11 It has clerd off the sun shines again.

- 12 Nothing new to day.
- 13 Clear and quiet cold nothing new
- 14 I have red some in fenants works.
- 15 Raining to day - fighting at Fort Donelson
- 16 Still fighting at fort Donelson, raining here, snowing at Ft. Donel:
- 17 Raining very cold - still fight at Donelson
- 18 Rained most all day Fort Donelson surrendered Buckener an most
of his command prisoners of war. I received a letter from S. A. statein
both babes was sick.
19. Yankeys pickets fired on our pickets to day.
- 20 We was releved by Fultens men to day. returned to camp all tired
- 21 Rained most all day.
- 22 Heavy commanding to day orders to be redy to march at momants warnin
- 23 Nothing new to day.
24. We drewed money to day I sent some money home by Lieutenant Denton.
- 25 Nothing new to day.
- 26 Red most all day in the Bible.
27. Nothing new to day.
- 28 Red some more in the Bible. Cozin Will went to Coosewhatchee.
- Ma28h 1 Clear to day. I got news that G. W. Rutlege was ded.
- 2 We went down on picket to day. I went to Frashers point. I stad
all night. I was almost froze it rained and snowed the wind was so
cold that it numbed me all over while on picket. Fate bout a fat hen
an we cooked an st her with orsters.
- 3 Came off of pickett the boys fixt for me to come home and see all
the folks.
- 4 Nothing new to day.
- 5 very cold to day.
- 6 Le Richey started home to day. I came up to camp to prepair for
startin home.
8. Leave camps at 12 oclok went to Pocateligo. Left there at three PM.
arrived at Savannah late in the even. I walked out through the city. I
found it to be large city in time of peace a place of much business.
Leaving at 10 oclock Pm. traveled all night.
- 9 We arrived at Makon at 3 oclock Pm. leaving here at night thaveled
all night.
- 10 Arrived at Atlanta late in the even. walked out through the town
and back to the deppt. Left at seven oclock came through Marieta
arrived at Chattanooga.
- 11 Four oclock here I met Huston Northcut. Leaving at 7 arrived
McMimville at five. pm. gitting horse from Uncle Sockly came out
home stoped at James Hills left letters and momey. Also stopt at
Miss Huges at midnight.
- 12 I arrived at my house my wife was comfortly situated in the bed.
besid her lay my two little boys one two and a half years old the
other I never had seen it being 3 monts old. It was a pleasant looking
chap. My oldest child knew me that was beyon my prediction all so his
dog that stays with him knew me. Eating breakfast went over to see my
father, mother, brothers and sisters. It was a happy meeting with ps.
I went to the cross roads distributed some letters all so I was at
Thomas Cunninghams. I found Ann quite sick all glad to see me. I left
and went to Carrol Parks. I found them all well and glad to see me
would have me to stay till super came back home at dark.

- 13 The day went and helpt father load some stock. Went to Henrys
(Miss R. M. McDaniel came and stade all night with us.)
- 14 Rain all day I stay all day with my wife and little boys. Ean
Huges, Mary Vickers, Cousin Cristine, Cousin Lum all here to night
Girls and boys take a game of snap.
15. Go up on the river to see Mr. Clendenen and Thomas Brown come back h.
16 Me and Lum go to see Polley Woodlee.
17 At home this morning a great many persons here to see me. Mrs. Parks
Isac Rogers, old man Mitchel ; I fix up to start, leave at 12 oclock.
Bill and Cousin Lum bring me to McMinnville .
18. I leve McMinnville at 9 oclock A.M. arrive at Tulahoma at 12 oclock
arrive at Chattanooga 11 oclock Pm. Lay down in the depot house sleep
till 6 a.m.
- 19 Left Chattanooga at six am. arrived at Atlanta 4 oclock P.M. lay over
all night.
- 20 Leaving Atlanta at six A.M. arrived at Macon at 12 oclock leaving at
half past 12 arrived at Savannah 11 oclock.Pm. lay over all night.
- 21 Left Savannah at half past 5 A.M. I learned that the rement had gone
to Blufon to meet the reported command enemy. I arrived at grayhammill
at 12 oclock and fixt to go to the rement but learned that the enemy
had not landed and the regiment was coming back to camps at night.
Most all the boys came in much worn out many had their feet badly
blistered they traveled some forty miles through deep sands.
- 22 All is quiet to day most all the boys are sleeping.
- 23 Colonel Savage took command of us to day after being under arrest
some time. Some of the boys went to meeting I stad at camp and red
some in the bible.
- 24 Drill in the morning. Dress parade in the even. Savages was red
on the field he was reprimanded and relat.
- 25 Company drill in the morning. Battalion in the evening.
- 26 Drill very hard the wether is very warm to day.
- 27 Skirmish drill in the morning. Battalion in the evening.
- 28 Skirmish drill in the morning. Battalion in the evening.
- 29 Company in the morning Battalion in the evening.
30. Sundy, some of the boys is gon to msting. I have red in the Bible.
- 31 Nothing new to day.
- April 1 Yankeys landed at Pages Point burned house. Orders to go
there. Cooked 2 days rashens tho we did no went to the depot with G. W.
he started home.
- 2 Company drill in the morning. Battalion in the evening.
- 3 Company drill in the morning.
- 4 Drill in the morning and evening.
- 5 Drill again to day. Waldo left his post to day and got a buggy
and run all over town. I was one of the police that went after him. Searching
the town we caught him at midnight. We put him in the gard hous. I retired t
rest after a hard walk.
- 6 Sunday the great battle commenst at Shiloh Tenn. Our men repulst
them and drove them back to their gunboats. Many of our noble solgers fel
to rise no more. Among them was the brave and galliant Albert Sidney Jonson.
his place can not be filled with a better man. Captan Hamer also fel a
victim of horror of war. He is to be lemented by those who love a friend
of the South there was two little girls found dead in the yankey camps.
Cousin Lum Etter was killed or taken prisoner in the battle. Burt Jones was
killed our men captured a great many government stores many prisoners among
them was preacher Curtis Proffit who wonce preached in my neighborhood.
- 7 The yankeys was reinforced and fought desperately untill 3 oclockPm

- 8 Nothing new to day.
9 All quiet to day
10 Drill in morning orders to march at 3 oclock a.m. to reinforced
Beaugard.
11 Went to the depot Sun, midnight left Grayhamhill at 4 oclock PM
arrived at Charleston 3 oclock AM.
12 I and made us a big fire lay down and never waked up until the
regiment had gone and left us. We folowed on and slept in Charleston and got
our breakfast found the boys at the depot fixing to start. Left Charleston
at 10 oclock and arrived at Augusta Ga. three oclock AM.
13 Left Augusta at 8 oclock am. arrived at Atlanta after dark.
14 Left Atlanta 4 oclock am. went seventy five miles towards Chattanooga
and turned back to go by the way of Mabile the yanks have got Huntsville
Ala. We went 50 miles and turned back and came to Dalton Georgia.
15 Left Dalton and came to Atlanta at sunset leaving in about an hour for
Westpoint Ga. We came 60 miles the train run off the track nine boxes
turned over killed one man by the name of Green and wounded 25 more,
killed seven horses. It is a wonder it did not kill all in the boxes.
16 Still waiting for the boxes to git redy to move. Got off at 8 oclock A.M.
Stopt at Georgia. I went up in town and got my diner. They would not
charge me a cent and said they would never take money from a solger. She said
that she had a son out and she would think hard of any person that would not
give him something to eat when hungry. The ladies came down to the depot with
nice flowers and gave them to the boys. A girl by the name of Ware give me
a nice bunch of flowers. Arrived at West Point late in the evening expected
to git something to eat but got nothing.
17 Left West Point 11 oclock am. arrived at Montgomery Alabama half past 1
marched to the Boat landing got aboard of the boat and left for Mobile at
sundown. The privates was not allowd to ride up in the cabin and I did not
feel hapy and free lik I did when I rode on the broad Mies. with the ladies
and et tht the first table.
18 Pass Selma at daylight. Bill North got on at Selma he was wounded in the h
19 Arrived at Mobile at sunup. Stade here all day and night. I went to the
hâspitle and say Asa Hill whâ was there wounded he was kindly treated by the
good females of the city.
20 Still here rain most all day. Left Mobile 4 oclock pm. stopt at same
station and cooked 24 hours rashens. left at 3 oclock PM. moving on to Corinth
21 We cross the missisipi valley.
22 The corn was ploud over once.
23 Got to Corinth at one oclock A.M. Stade in the cars till daylight. Cousin
Will heard of us came to the cars hunting us. I saw him and knew him by favor.
He told me that Lum was lost. I saw L. P. Carson and a great many old
acquaintence. Went out encamped near town.
24 Dresparade this morning. I went and seed Ben Mires. He is wounded in the
hip and I was glad to see him no wors than he was. He was glad to see me.
25 Rain all night I went over to Hills regiment and saw the boys.
26 Clear this morning. nothing new.
27 Cousin Will came to see us to day.
28 I went to see Ben Mires again.
29 Orders to move. they did not as we got no wagons.
30 Moved 4 miles on the left wing of the army in Pokes division.

May 1 Left this morning erley with two days rashens for a scout and to blockade the ford of Cipress creek. I traveled all day Tenn. soil among some of the finest timber and best of land after traveling hard to day we being very tired build us a fire and lay myself down to sleep. I having no cover and nothing but the Tenn. soil to sleep on rested well waked up in the morning in the land of my birth.

2 Left for camps 9 miles distant arrived at camp 1p oclock a.m.

3 We moved our tent some two hundred yards to a beter place.

4 I went picket out near the enemy. I was detailed to help the doctor take care of the wounded as they was fighting on the right wing of the army. We expected to be attacked on the left. all quiet yet.

5. All the regiment is on picket. Rain all night very hard. All is wet and cold, have no shelter.

6 All quiet to day with us.

7 Regiment return to camp orders to reorganize.

8 All is confused to day we have to elect officers or have them appointed. This was much against our feeling as we did not like to be compelled to do anything of the kind. We wished to return home when the present expected battle was fought and reinlist again as it suited us tho we was not allowed that privilege but few of our company votted. I never give a vote in the regiment and I never will under no such a law. Cousin Will was elected Capt. H. L. Sims first lieu. I. M. Parks secon, John H. Akeman third, Cousin Will and H. L. Sims resigned would not except the place assined them. I think the more of them for not excepting the office over us under the present circumstances.

9 Fighting the right wing Price and Vandorming killed and taken a good many prisoners and would a capterd some more of the yankee if a deserter had not betrad us.

10 All is quiet this morning.

11 Election to be held to fill the place of those who would not except the offices. I. M. Parks elected captan Cousin Will first lieu.

12 Orders to cook three days rashens and be redy to march at a moments warning up most all night cooking.

13 All resting this enemy reported to be advancing on us. leave at one oclock go and take our position in the ditches.

14. Our men taken over hundred head of beef cattle from the yankees. heavy commadering to day.

15 I went 2 miles this morning after water and when obtained it was inferior drink there is no good water here. I and Cousin Will went to the 19 regiment to see Cousin Will. Ike Howard died and was beried he was a member of Yorks Company. Our men taken some more cattel from the yankees.

16 Our regiment went on picket this morn. The pickets have been fighting some to day. Tom Murry was liberated to day tho we are not alloud the privilige to go home you see a great difference in the privilege of man kind. Our water very scarce here we have to pack it a long ways. the pickets have fought some to day.

17 We have been diging in a well. tho have found no water. the water is very bad. Our men have taken a few prisoners they say the yankees is advancing. We are ordered to hold an election for a lieutenant our time is out they will not let us go.

18 Our regiment went on picket we thought the yankees would attack us tho our wing has not fought none yet they have been fighting on the write. The enemy is advancing on us slowly and perhaps we will be ingaged soon. Our regiment is in camps to night. Had an election and elected Lafayette Hayes secon lieutenant. Night some pickets have been firing all night. Our regiment is yet quiet and resting on our bed of earth.

- May 19 Our regiment is ordered to be in rediness to march. ~~xxxx~~ There has been a few yankees brought in to day. Night has come our regiment has gone out on picket. It is a very bad night it is raining very hard and we have no shelter.
- 20 We are all ordered to be ready for a fight. Send off all of the baggage and some cooking utencels. Orders to cook 5 days rashens. We expect an attack soon. There was some two hundred yankees killed to day an some taken prisoner.
21. We are all quiet yet. Orders to meet the enemy in morning. Col. Savage made a speach to us this evening it was animateing inthead.
- 22 We are now redy to be off for the deth strugel. I hope to get through safe we did not fight to day on the account of the wright wing of our army not being succesful in gitting the artilery through the swamp. It is a rains night.
23. The pickets have been fighting we lost one man killed and some wounded rained all day and night.
- 24 The air is pleasant. The yankeys is reported to be advancing tho they come slow. The picket fired all night no damage done. Some of our boys run away. Our new officers takes command of us to day. Dns. men capterd one battery and some 90 prisoners to day.
- 25 Our men taken more prisoners to day. I an Cousin Will orders come to go t the brestworks. Returned to camper in a short time again.
- 26 Orders come to go on picket. Went out to hold the yankees in check. No one of us killed to day.
- 27 Yankees comenced shelling us.
- 28 They run in our pickets they plade upon us all day with grape canester and sall. Steve Yates was show in the side. he dide the next day. he was a good solger allso a man named grissen and Curley had their legs tore almost off with a grape shot. they died soon after they was hert. Three others was hert slitley. At sun set we came to camps. We are at rest to night for we are much worn out with fatigue and excitement.
- 29 We are ordered to be ready to march. all is quiet to day at night all are ordered to go to the brest works. We remained at the diches untill eleven oclock when all of the army had moved off. We withdru our solgers from the brestworks and slowly march off. marched four miles and stopt.
- 30 At day light I went one mile and got me a good drink of water. it was very good as it was the first I had drank in the state.
- June 1 All quiet with us the nothing to eat. Some fighting above us today.
- 2 Still at Tuscumby R. one little beef without salt. Reported that the yan have us cut off. Ordered to march at 5 PM took up march at the hour, marched all night. I give out in my legs and could not walk. J. B. Eitchey walked and let me ride his horse. it was a great favor as the yankees was close.
- 3 We marched all night and next day still nothing to eat. Put up at night lay down to rest.
- 4 I waked up this morning somewhat rested tho sore and warty yet we are begin to git hungry as we have lived some 7 days on a days rashens, save a little beef. W took up march in the morning and joined our Brigade. cooked rashens and eat plenty and fild up our gant stomachs. Night is here and I am permitte to lay down on my bed of erth without cover tho I sleep sweetly.
- 5 We are all quiet and resting from our tiresom march. Have plenty to eat.
- 6 Still at this place. all quiet. Yet some of the boys are sick James Green and A. J. Kore have gone to the hospitle.
- 7 Our regiment goes on picket nothing strange has ocured on picket.
- 8 Returned to our Brigade at Boldin. Yet at this place.

- June 7 Took up march at 1 o'clock, camp near Guntown. I an Cousin Will got permishan to go and stay with Cousin Rogers and family. We arrived there at dark. It had been some 13 years since I had seen Cousin Minervey. She looked familiar tho somewhat broken. They have a nice family and living in prosperity. We eat plenty and sleep on a feather bed.
- 8 Left early in the morning joined our regiment 3 miles travel on the march came 8 miles camped near Saltillo at 12 o'clock. have nothing as the wagons have gone ahead.
- 9 Wagons come back this morning orders to not leave camps. Still at this place. Same except Lamberth deserted.
- 10 Up this morning at day light marched 12 miles came to Tupelo about one o'clock then marched 3 miles west of the place encamped near Bare creek. Water is bad at this place and scarce.
- 11 Wether is warm all resting.
- 12 I went to hunt me some water and found me a snake. came back and went a fishing tho we never caught many.
- 13 C. D. Carson came to see us to day he staid till late I was on guard today
- 14 Skirmish drill in the morning. We got some cooking utensils to day. Went to the creek and washed off.
- 15 H. E. Bass died to day. I went to dig his grave.
- 16 We went and bered Bass in a very desen manner. He had a coffin and nice cloth. I puled off my shirt and washed it, as I have no other in my possession. I have at this time one shirt, one pair of pants, one coat, no blanket. You see I don't have much trouble in caring my clothing.
- 17 Nothing new. Dresperads.
- 18 Some rain this morning Drill to day.
- 19 It is clear and pleasant this morning. Drill today.
- 20 Company drill in the morning, Battalion in the evening.
- 21 Drill again
- 22 Orders to cook 6 days rashes.
- 23 Drill in morning
- 24 Went on picket on bare creek
- 25 I went out in the country and got some plums.
- 26 We was released from picket and came to camp.
- 27 Bilt us a shed to lie under. ~~Kxx~~ We are all under our great shed. The wether is oncomon hot. I have had a toth broke off and my jaw paines me much.
- 28 Drill to day very hot to day. I am some better with my jaw.
- 29 Sunday clear and very warm. Drill in the even. An old man comes from our county and says the yankees was camped at McMinnville in rought to Chattanooga. He said that they was taking men, property and many deppredation upon our rights.
- 30 All of our brigade went out to be reviewed by Major General Pokes and by Brigader Donelson. It was so hot we allmost melted. We was inspected guns. canteens, knapsacks, clothing and all some of us had was what we had on.
- July 1 Cloudy this morning. Some rain. My jaw has hert me all day and night. Battalion drill in the evening. News that they are fighting at Richmon.
- 2 Battalion and company drill.
- 3 Wether very hot
- 4 We was expecting to here some cannons fire to day tho they was none.
- 5 News to day that our victory is compleat at Richmon over McClelen and his retreating army. Many canons have been fired in behalf of the news, I trust it is so.
- 6 Still after McClelen army. We went on picket again on Bare Creek. hot weth
- 7 Still on picket, all quiet.
- 8 We was released this morning by Col. Chester. Come to camp and washed.

- July 9 Drill this morning. wether is very warm the night extremely hot.
- 10 Cloudy this morning and has rained some. Our regiment was inspected.
- 11 There was a man preached in our reg. to night. His name was Lane. He was a plane man allso a solger. His surment was very good.
- 12 This is wash day. We have not much to wash. Drill in the evening.
- 13 Drill today
- 14 We have to clean up our camps, and all around the Regiment. I have been policing this evening.
- 15 Dresparade in the evening. Orders red to men all in our Brigade over 35 and under 18 years of age and turn them loos.
- 16 The men was sworn to day to give a statement of their age. 15 in this company loosed.
- 17 It has rained a good rain after a drouth of near two months save a few tite sprinkles. Also the wether has been very hot. Mr. H. L. Hays has taken command of us as secon Lieu. Harve Buling died last night. He was orderly Sergeant in Cap. Vance Company.
- 18 I went to gard a cornfield to ~~ix~~ keep the boys from stealing the corn. There was some wimen come along and give me some applies. One of them had with her a little babe.
- 19 Brigader drill to day. Ginerall review in the evening.
- 20 Perry and Brown put on extry duty for not answering to their name.
- 21 Wether very hot. Ordered to cook 3 days rations and be redy to march erly tomorrow up most all night cooking.
- 22 At two am. all up we drewed a few cloth 6 pair of pants to the company a few shoss a few draws. I got one pair of pants. needed a shirt very much butthey was none for me. At daylight loaded bagage and left for the deopt. marched 4 miles and taken the cars at Tupelo. Left at 9 A.M. today. we crost Missisipi valley. It was in all its lovelyness the fields was beautiful covered with corn in ful rosting ears. In the evening the car made a halt nee a peach orchard. Its fruit was tempting. I could not bare the temptation. I mounted the fence and filling my hat returned to car. Capt. Parks was arrested and most of companys. Stopt at station 219 miles from Mobile.
- 23 Today we traveled through some of the finest of country and some of the poorst of land. the country is very level. the poor part and thinly settled. It is a fine grazeing country. Timber is allmost universely long leaf pine, save the swamp the groth in it is maple. Willer, oak, elm and sewat gum. We arrived at Mobile 9 P.M. marched off got aboard of a boat. Lay down and slep the remainder of the night. I rested myself upon the bow of the boat.
- 24 I woke up this morning somewhat rested. The boat is fixing to git off the cent carry us to Montgomery. We git aboard of another left Mo. at 2 Pm. came across the bya 25 miles to the Pale Rode got aboard of the cars come through one corner of Florida. The ~~partixix~~ section is mostly ppor and pin. We traveled in open boxes was much crowded. I could not sleep and had a gooc opportunity of seeing the country as I past along. We changed engines at Pollerd after leaving this we got down a mountain and dont think I ever saw a car run as fast. I think she run at the rate of sixty miles and hour. I was frightful to see the wheels jump. I felt uneasy the most of the rest of the boys knew nothing about it as they was sound asleep.
- 25 At daylight this morning we came in a nice country. The corn in places was very fine. arrived at Montgomery at 9 A.M. Come from one depot to the other. I went to the river and washed off. Left Montgomery 2 P.M. Some of the crops look fine some look bad. Arrived at West Point 9 P.M.
- 26 Left West Point between midnight and day. I lay on top of the car all night. Country is mostly poor. Arrived at Atlanta at 9 oclock in the morning. left there 2 P.M. Great rejoyesing on the way. The ladies was on all sides of the road chering us and gave us aples and many other things.

- 26 I was awake when I came through Dalton also was awake when I came to Chattanooga.
- 27 Arrived at Chattanooga at 4 A.M. At day light went and took a good wash. Left town encamped on Chattanooga Creek. I went back in town bought one peck of irish potatoes give one dollar for them.
- 28 Wash my shirt to day. I have no other to put on while it is drying.
- 29 R.M. Safley left for home this morning. Rob Bass and John are on extra duty for not being present when the role was cald. They knew nothing of the role calling.
- 30 I and Cousin Will got permission to go and see Aunt Poley and Cousin Caratin and Mrgret. They was very hapy to see us Aunt put me in mind of old Miss Sterlens. Returned to our camps at sunset. This has b a day of recreation to us. We had aples peaches and a good diner.
- 31 Made and eat a pie out of the aples that Aunt Polley give us. Gant Brown came to see us. Rain some to day.
- August 1 James Hughs of Altamont came to see us and Old Phillip Hugh of Warren came to see us. Rained most al night.
- 2 Carol Parks and Marten Hays came to see us. They brought us fresh news from home. Good tideings to the boys in camps.
- 3 Sunday. Preaching in the regiment. John Akemon old man akeman and Ee Turner wifes come to see them. Allso David Safley came with them.
4. We lern that the enemy is at McMinnville. Drill to day.
- 5 Move to a new camping place one mile and a half. News come that the yankees had advanced to the Cross Roads. I am on gard to day. A good many sitens come in to see us drill in the evening.
- 6 Drill to day.
- 7 We clean off a drill ground to day. a little rain, very warm.
- 8 Dresprade in the evening.
- 9 Went in town to day went to work at a slaughter pen. Tho did not work at it on the account of it being so nasty we was releaved. Went in a washing in Tennessee river. Returned to camps at dark.
- 10 Cousin Will and J. B. Ritchey went to Cravins to day some of our sitens started home to day. I went bn Tallers Ridge and got some peaches. Returned to camps and baked a pie. The country that I went over reminded me of the riges in Arkansas.
- 11 Drill in the morning. We have to clesn up our guns. Dresprade in evening. Some of Brusters men came in our camps to day Report many yankees in our country. They say they are laying wast all as they go.
- 12 I went on the mountain and got some peches. Baked a pie out of them it was extry good. Drill in the evening.
- 13 I was detaled to go to Chattanooga on fatigue duty. I loded suger and bred up most all day. Went in a washing in the river returned to camp.
- 14 We turn in our old gunes that we have had ever sence we have been in the servis. We get in place of them endfield Rifels. Thax that had never been used any. The boys are proud of them.
- 15 Our wagons arrived her to day. Some sitense came in to see us. Had a peach pie for diner. Dresprade.
- 16 Orders come to us this morning at daylight to be redy to march at 8 A.M. Pack up our things. No trunks aloud to be hauld and onley one

- wagon to the onehundred men. We have to leave some of our blankets. Leave at 8 A.M. march to Chattanooga. Cross the river came out on this side 2 miles encamped. Got some peaches and made us a pie. Went and staid picket all night.
- 17 Came off of picket this morning at 8 a.m. I got some peaches made a pie for diner all quiet in camp. News came to me all that I had was destroyed by the yankees. We expect to find the country lade wast.
- 18 Some young men brought in as prisoners. They was caught trying to shoot our picket. Orders to cook and be redy to march at daylight.
- 19 All up at 3 A.M. Drew some clothing, pants, shoos and drawers no shirts. Put on a peach pie tho did not have time to bake it. We left at 11 A.M. Came the Harrison road the country is full of riges and very rocky though there is some good lands an a creek. Came 12 miles encamp one mile from Harrison Ferry.
- 20 I wake up this morning very sore feet verry sore. Bake a good pie. We have the finest spring you ever sean. All resting some of the wagon brake down some of them have not yet arrived. I got my diner. I and the rest of the boys went to the river to wash off. I swam across and back again. One of our men in the Brigade was shot on the wayside on the marc supposed to be shot by a yunion man. Some of our men went to look for him tho we have not found the thief.
- 21 Still at camps near Harrison's Ferry. Orders came to us after we had lade down to sleep to be redy to march at daylight.
- 22 All up at 4 A.M. giting something to eat and loading the wagons. L camps at 9 A.M. Came the Washington road. The country we came through to day is very broken and rocky and poor some of the hills are covered with white flint graveld timberd mostly post oak and blackjack. Took up camps near Waldens Rige I went out on picket at a bank near the top of the mountain. In the evening I went out on top of the mountain. I found nothing but one house inhabited by one woman and 4 little children, and one old man that was cripeld they was verry poor tho of union centiments. I was sorry for them. All tho they was against us I wanted something to they said if they had it they would give it to me. I returned to picket post and staid all night it rained all night.
- 23 I was releaved on post at 8 A.M. Returned to camps. They was inspec arms I washed my shirt and pants without soap. Battalion in the evening OrdSrs red to take two men from each company to go to the artillery. 15 men went out of our regiment. We drew ration to day after being without for 24 hours.
- 24 There was a man preached in the regiment by the name of Cross. He preached very well tho his coat was most to fine to suit wa. There was an old man came in from our country he reports the yankees leaving McMinnville. Weather warm and dry.
- 25 Drill this morning I did not go out I staid in camps to bake a pie out of some apples that we bout. everything we git is high this is a union settlement. It is the place where Colonel Clift made up his union Battalion. Some wimsn came in camps to day to hunt connection, though they looked as if they did not care who they found.
- 26 Still at this place. Drill morning and evening. Bill Hunley from McMinnville came in camps to day he says the yankees left Sunday in quitak time.

- 27 I am detailed to go on picket. I have to go on Walden Ridge. I went out to a house I found an old man one woman several children. Her husband had went to the yankey army. She said he was dead. She said that she was in favor of the South and done all she could to keep him with her tho his influence prevailed not. I could not help feeling sorry for this poor woman. She has 5 little children none able to help her. She was raised East Tenn. where our kindfolks lived.
- 28 Drill to day.
- 29 All up this morning cooking us a peach pie. I wash my shirt and pants tho we have no soap to wash with. Samuel McCorkle is missing we think he gone home. Savage says he will shoot him if he gets him. We are for bid to go in any cornfield or orchard we pass by. All the fine peaches and not git any to eat.
- 30 Ordered to cook 2 days rations and be redy to march at 4 oclock.
- 31 All up and redy to start at 3 A.M. Off on the march we take the mountain at daylight. It was very steep my knapsack is heavy and three days ration made me sweat very much. There is a great deal of fine fruit on the mount tho we was not allowed to brake ranks to git water we almost perist for water. We came over the mountain without water. Arrived on this side half past one P.M. encamped at Young James Roberts 4 miles bel Pikeville. C. M. Rutledge want to see some of his kin folks. The days march was some 18 miles.
- September 1 All up half past 3 A.M. Pack up march at 4 A.M. came through Pikeville encamp at 11 A.M. the valley is a dark spot of the world the people are mostly union man.
- 2 Left Pikeville one hour by sun it being very hot our lads being heavy I was very wet with sweat when I got at the top of the mountain traveled all night many of the men fell out not being able to keep up with us I never was much more worn out in my life. After moon down it was so dark that I could not see the road we was halted at the top of the mountain and wated untill marched down encamp on Cane Creek the day and nights march has been 30 miles.
- 3 At this place all day many ladies have come in to see us.
- 4 Left at 8 A.M. the rode has been lined with mothers, sisters. Many have prest their son to them a solger as when he was an infiant. I have felt for them much. Encamped nere Sparta 11 miles march.
- 5 The camps have been full of wimen all day wives have come, brother sisters fathers all have come. Tho I see none of my folks.
- 6 Left Sparta at 6 oclock A.M. The rode was very dusty. Many came to see us travel 18 miles encamp on Kne branch. Father and Uncle came to see us. It was a hapy meeting.
- 7 Took up march at 4 A.M. Uncle and Father travel with us. I an Cousin Will go in the rear with our pas. They give us all the news of our country allso what the yankees done in that part. Encamped at Culblin R. I and Cosin Will started over the river to git feed for some horses. Cosin W. got throwed out in the river with his cloth on. I got the corn came back at dark.
- 8 All up at 2 A.M. I go on gard. father and uncle leave us for home. We leave at 10 a.m. encamp 6 p.m. I stand gard all night. I found a apring that turnes a mill then enters the erth again thirty paces from its head.
- 9 Up erly travel through the hills that are very rough. cross over them and then pass over a poor county. March hard all day encamped on Kentucky soil. At Tomkinsville after a march of 23 miles. I slep all night on my knap.

- Sept. 10 We are ordered to wash our clothes at this place.
- 11 Draw half ration. Leave at 10 a.m. we came through some fine country. The crops very good encamped 12 miles from Tomkinsville. I went out to hunt something to eat I found nothing. They are only giving half ration.
- 12 Start at 4 a.m. the crops are fine. We got to Glasgow. We are tired and hungry marched 18 miles.
- 13 All up early in morning. orders to move orders was red to us of some men being shot for breaking in a house near Pikeville and abusing the women with abusive language.
- 14 Some of our troops have captured some yankees at Mumfordsville Ky. We leave camp one mile encamped. I stand guard all night. We cook ration most all night.
- 15 Orders to leave at half past 11 A.M. took up march at 12. Took the road to Mumfordsville met old yankey Smith. He was arrested.
- 16 Took up march at daylight. We march hard all day until 10 o'clock in night we gained our position. Capt. Low was killed as more men wounded by some of our pickets accidentally.
- 17 We moved at 2 A.M. Lay down and slept until daylight. We got orders to move back to Mumfordsville. It comest raining we built us a large fire I slept sound all night tho it rained all night.
- 18 I waked up this morning much rested after a good nights rest altho I lay in wet cloth all night there is a fine spring at this place.
- 19 Leave at daylight for Mumfordsville as think Buel is coming that we arrive at 10 a.m. Drew two days rations cook them. Cousin Tom Miller come to see me to day orders to move
- 20 All up early prepare to meet Buel. Leave at 3 P.M. travel in the direction of Louisville Ky. move in quick time march until midnight. March 25 miles encamp at Olin a little town.
- 21 Took up march at daylight. Came through a town named Hoggisville encamped at sunset 15 miles march. The lands are fine.
- 22 Took up march at 4 a.m. march very hard travel through a beautiful valley that runs through rough rices. We call it happy valley as the people look like they live without trouble here.
- 23 We have no rations. Stay at this place. Came through Barg town nothing to eat lay down to rest.
- 24 Up early in the morning draw and cook rations. Some yankees passed us going home. They was paroled we have stoped at this place.
- 25 Nothing new to day. Still at Bargetown.
- 26 Desparade orders red in the evening for inspection of arms and old
- 27 Inspection everything in good order. Orders to be redy to move.
- 28 Raining this morning. Cousin Will relect from under guard. Charley Rutledge has a very sore throet.
- 29 Nothing new to day.
- 30 Drill in the morning.
- Oct. 1 Orders to move to a new camping ground.
- 2 Drill in morning. orders to move at a moments warnen.
- 3 Orders to wash our cloth.
- 4 Took march at 4 A.M. traveled through a good country.

- July 6, 1863 Left here at 2 P.M. Cross Colins River at sunsit. Went and stade all night with Will Meadows.
- 7 Left here erly in the morning came to Eligh Martins. At that place I met the others then we came to the scoolhouse near Losen Mills. There we stade all night.
- 8 All up erly in the morning expecting to cross Cumblin mount. Left at 12 oclcock. Came out on top of the mountain took camp near James Hill I went and stade all night at his house. I enjoyed a pleasant nights rest and a sweet converoesion with him and pleasant family.
- 9 I took love of this pleasant family at day light and joined the other boys at Hanibal Greens. We eat our breakfas and took up our march across the mountain. On the mountain we fell in with Jackson Bright, Jack Tallar and some others. Old Philip Hughs caught up with us. We camp at night at Sam Roberson.
- 10 Left Robersons erly in the morning. Came over Haldans Ridge. We met Caffey Cavalry coming back to Tenn. on a scout. We camped at Popas at this place I met us with Geo. Cans and I sold my bay mare to John Cunningham for two hund. Left Pops after breakfast. Came to Tenn. River croost one hour by sun. I looked around in Chattanooga. I left that place came out in cerch for the reg. I found them at dark in the same camping ground that we left when we left this place for Ky. the fall previous. It was a happy meeting with ~~my~~ me and the boys I had been away from the regiment sens 8th of Oct. 1862. I was wounded on that day and never had been able to be up with and I was very week when I came to them. At that time I felt very proud to meet my old friends and I had been away from camp life so long that all things seem new to me.
- 11 I seccion time entered upon this pabsful struggle that has cause so much sorrow and deth among us all our boys is yet in good spirts. Though there is many that once was with me that is no more. They have gone by desese
- Feb. 12, 1864 I am not well to day my wounds is hurting me.
- 13 All quiet with us the wether is very warn.
- 14 Nothing new
- 15 There came orders to cary stock off down soth to feed and pastar them. I am orderd to take an ambulance and drive it. We are to leve here in a few days. We will go to Lafayette in Georgia some 30 miles from here.
- 16 We left Chattanooga for Lafayette Ga. the wether is very warn.
- 17 We arrived at Lafayette at night it is a very nice little town. The country is a very fine one. The people are very clever at this place I enjoyed my self fine. I got plenty of peaches and aples and the boys made a barbeque and a grate many of the ladies came out to see us eat diner. I found the people plans and social^{at} at this place some time untill the last of August than I was orderd up to Chattanooga. I found the boys all doing tolerable well.
- Sept. 1, 1864 Bill was taken sick very bad off.
- 2 All is quiet with us to day.
- 3 Bill is no better
- 4 Bill is getting worse I got permishion to take him up to Aunt Poles
- 5 I take Bill up on the mountain.
- 6 The yankees sheling Chattanooga. I went up to see Bill. We have orders to lode up the wagons.

- Sept. 7 We are orderd to be redy to leeve at a moment warning.
- 8 All up at daylight. We are gerd up and redy to start. We leve at 8 a.m. We move on very quiet. The roads are very dusty. We travel very slow. We came 12 miles encampt at Gordens Springs. On this march some of the boys left us. We march 13 miles encamped at Gordon Mill on Chickamauga creek.
- 9 All up erly. The Regt. went out on picket to crawfish spring. We are looking to pull back to LaFayette Co. in Walker county.
- 10 Orders to be redy to move at a moment warning. All have got every thing redy to start. We leve at 9 oclock P.M. we travel all night arrived at LaFayette at daylight encampt. distance 15 miles.
- 11 Moved one mile from town encamped. We are all resting. Cook ration.
- 12 We cook ration again to day.
- 13 Our army moved back to Rock Springs to meet the enemy. No fighting.
- 14 We cook rations all day. I am very tired to night. The boys came in at night they are all covered with dust.
- 15 Cousin John and Augustus came to see me to day it is the first time I ever saw them. They are fine looking boys. Also Cousin Tom Miller came to see us. Forest has been fighting he is wounded.
- 16 Move to another campe ground one mile. Cook rations.
- 17 Cook rations. The wagons leve at 5 p.m. travel over Tallord Ridge after night the roads are very rough. Mort Hays is very sick we hall him in the wagons.
- 18 Got to Gordons Springs 2 oclock A.M. I am very much worn out we hit up and move 2 miles stop and cook rations.
- 19 The fight comest at daylight and rages with fury many of our men are killed. The yankes are hard to move at 10 oclock A.M. they are still hold their ground. 2 oclock P.M. yankees give way. We win posesion of the Battlefield on their left wing. Brigdier Gen. Smith was killed by the ynakes. A great many of our men are killed. At night Ruckiner charged there right wing and took their brestworks they was compelled to give up all of their ground and leve their ded and wounded in our hands. They los a great many pieces of artillery. Capton J. M. Parks was mortle wounded. night has come and the battle has sesed. the wound to die and the wery to rest.
- 20 At daylight our men are roused from their hubble rest to renew the bloody contest again. The fight comest at daylight. The yankes are falld back in great disorder there has been a great many yankes killed and wounded to day. The battle has been sevier all day. night has come once more and we have laid our wery frames down to rest to grieve and weep for lost friends that have fell to rise no more. Oh how we grieve for our friends. C. M. Rutledge is wounded. A good many others of the neighborho The yankes have fell back to Chattanooga.
- 21 Our men are much worn out we are in good spirits our vickttry is complet so far our men have followed them across Mishenary Ridge. Capt. J. M. Parks died to day. We have orders to move the wagons. We left at 10 a.m. came over the Ridge. The roads are very dusty. came through Ringo encampt at Greenville traveled 20 Miles from where we started.
- 22 The yankees are in there brestwork at Chattanooga. Our men have move across mishenary ridge. There is some picket fighting. We have orders to move the wagons to shallow ford 6 miles from Chattanooga. Leve at 10 a.m. travel 7 miles encamp at shallow ford.
- 23 All quiet to day cook rations.

Sept. 24

Cook rations again to day. I received news to day that Captain J. M. Parks is ded. We mourn his loss and his place canot be fild with a better man. He given up his life for his country and died with a clear hope of that blest world of peace and blessing.

25

All is quiet with us to day.

26

Cook ration to day some commadering to day.

27

All is quiet in front our men are building brestworks.

28

Some stir among our men to day.

29

The yankees come out of there brestworks.

30

It has comest raining after a dry spell of some eight weeks. We are proud to see some rain after so much dry wether. Rain all day.

Oct.

1

Still raining to day.

2

I go out to git some corn. I load 9 wagons return to camp at dark.

3

The regment came in off picket the regment has been on picket ever sense the Battle of Chickmauga. They have not had a chance to wash there cloth or a shift.

4

I go upon Lookout Mount to see Aunt Polley and to take a look at the yankees. I have had an interesting view of them. I have seen all of the brestworks. I find them strongly fortified. I allso met with Uncle Will Shelley. It is the first time that I ever say him. I find him a lively old coon. He looks quiet grey he is in the servis.

5

All is quiet heavy frost this morning. Our men shell the yankees to day.

6

Heavy frost again

7

Comest raining slowly

8

Still raining

9

All quiet to day.

10

The regment came in off pcket to wash there clothing.

11

Jef Davis came to this part of the army to day.

12

We are all quiet I have red the book of Isaih most through to day as it is Sundy. Comest raining at night rained all night.

13

Still raining very hard.

14

Still raining the water is getting very high.

15

Still raining the roads almost impassable. The bridge across the Chickamauga creek washed away to day. The regment is on one side and we are on another. We are orderd to load up the wagons the water is gitt almost up to our camps.

16

It seaced raining. We move one mile to another camp ground.

17

The morning is very nice and all is pleasant.

18

Comest raining again the rods is very muddy.

19

Some frost this morning. There has been some wimmen here hunting something to eat.

20

Some of the regment come in to wash. The Yankees have shelled the point of Lookout Mount.

21

Our men come in to wash to day.

22

Some shelling to day. I carred some clothing to the boys.

23

Comest raining. We got orders to be redy to move. We are all vary busy cooking rations.

24

Orders come to send all the ambulances to Charleston Tenn.

25

The ambulance train left at daylight. The roads are very muddy.

26

Some shelling today.

27

Some heavy fighting at the point of Lookout Mountain.

28

Orders come to load up the wagons to be redy to start at daylight.

Oct. 29 Left Chickmauga at 4 oclock a.m. we had very good luck came 25
 miles encamped at Cleveland Tenn.
 30 Left at daylight. We came through a fine country arrived at
 Charleston seven a.m. This is the first time that I have been in camps
 with the boys since the Chickmauga fight.
 31 All a doing well.
 Novemb^r 1 Nothing new today.
 2 I went out to git some corn.
 3 I stay in camps all day.
 4 All quiet
 5 Iwent out to git some hay
 6 I left camps at daylight and went in cerch of corn. I got in amon
 the younion part of this country. I went in among the bushwhackers.
 The tories shot one of our men yesterdy and killed him.
 7 All quiet to day.
 8 Nothng new
 9 Shelling at Chattanooga
 10 I wash some cloth to day.
 11 All quiet
 12 The boys drill to day.
 13 The water is very high
 14 I go a foraging to day
 15 Nothing new
 16 All quiet
 17 There has been heavy commadering to day.
 18 All quiet to day
 19 Orders to be redy to move in a few days.
 20 All resting quiet
 21 Nothing new
 22 I returned from the Tanyard. I got very wet in my trip.
 23 The waters are very high. Orders to load up the wagons and be redy
 to start.
 24 Left at daylight travel very fast my wagons was very heavy loaded
 travel untill 9 oclock in the night, encamp near The yankes was
 in three miles of us the we did not know it we lay down to rest as I was
 tired.
 25 I was waked up at 2 oclock was ordered to ~~leave~~^{leave} the mules in the uter
 hast most all the boys did not believe the report to be true. We left
 at 3 a.m. taken a by road across an uncomon rough ridge At daylight we
 succeded in crossing the rig and intersecing the wangs road that lead fr
 Clevelin Tenn. to Ringold Ga. We came on quite fast in consideration th
 our lods was heavy and the mules was worn out. At sump the yankes was
 reported near by At 8 oclock a.m. some of the wagons mired up in mud I
 being the rear wagons had to stop untill the wagon could be got out of t
 road. While some of the boys was at work gitting the wagon out of the
 the yankes come in ful sail sword in hand. We being but a few had no
 power against many and allso we was unarmed. Nothing but a hasty flight
 could save us from imediate captivity. I nearby gade my escape to a pin
 thicket wher I lay in conselement untill they was gone. I say them burn
 all the bagage. As soon as they lef I return to the place where the
 wagons was burned. I gathered up some fragments of what they lef such
 as cooking utencils. This the day of the fight at Mishenary Edge.
 This was a fatal battle to us our men was whiped from all there positio
 and our regt. was not in the regular ingagement. At night I took up log
 with a man named Blackburn where the wagons was burned up.

- 26 Heavy frost and very cold. I am still at this place. I gathering up some of the scattering fragments. I stay all day. I have been treated with great kindness by the lady and gentleman and his family. If I was to go here by them I think I would stop one night with them. I left at dark traveled all night came up with the Hill regt. near Tussey Springs.
- 27 Daylight near Varnell Station 11 miles from Dalton Ga. I came on from Varnell Station in search of my command. I travel all day I found the regt at 9 o'clock. I am much worn out as I have had no rest in several nights. I found most all the boys well tho like myself a good many of the boys have runaway.
- 28 I lay and sleep very sound last night tho it rained all night.
- 29 We are all quiet and resting
- 30 Nothing new
- December 1 All Quiet
- 2 News is that the yankees have fell back.
- 3 I went to Hills Regiment to get some thing that I left with them returned to Dalton at dark.
- 4 I went out to get something to eat I found nothing
- 5 I go out a gain to get some thing We got a fine mutton, paid ten dollars it was the cheapest article we have bought. It was glorious meat to us we have been without some days.
- 6 All quiet to day
- 7 We have been building us a cabin to stay in have got it most done. get orders to leave.
- 8 It is raining this morning we don't have to move. We drew some meat after doing without more than a week some of the boys went to clean off a new camping ground.
- 9 Still raining some. We fix to move. The roads are very muddy. Come building our cabin all busy.
- 10 We went to work early in the morning. We have got our cabin up and covered and ready to put the chimney to it.
- 11 Almost the chimney work all day hard. At night we have us a nice house everything is complete everything looks nice. Our bed is ~~made~~ composed of some chestnut that we have made we have raised it up off of the ground covered it over with sage grass. We have got a big fire took our seat before it and feel with great obligation to our heavenly father for giving us the comfortable dwelling that I now sit in. Those that enjoy the cabin with is Bill A. B. Ware David Miller W. H. Russell.
- 12 We are all quiet and resting. We are not getting much to eat
- 13 Clean up the camping ground
- 14 Very cold and heavy frost at night.
- 15 I heard from home and learn that Joseph Furn is kill. There was a man came through from our neighbourhood he was wounded in Shellers ride and left when he got well enough to travel he came out and wrote to us
- 16 All quiet
- 17 Nothing new
- 18 Nothing new
- 19 Weather very nice
- 20 We have got orders to build a mule shed.
- 21 I went to get some boards.
- 22 I am still getting boards.
- 23 Still getting boards.
- 24 Rained all day did not work

Dec. 25, 1863 This is Christmas the boys have got some whiskey and some are
tite and others feel there liquor. It is very nice day. We have some
potatoes for diner. There is much diferece in Christmas here and home.

26 All quiet

27 Comest raining last night the wether is unpleasant.

28 Still raining we arenot giting much to eat.

29 It has quit raining the wether is very cold.

30 All quiet comest raining. We have got some more to eat to day.

31 Rain again.

Jan. 1, 1864 The wether is excessive cold. It has quit raining the ground is ve
hard froze we are all shivering around the fire.

2 It is still very cold

3 We are gitting wood

4 Still raining some sleet and snow with it the wether is unpleasant

5 Still raining no meet to eat.

6 Snowed some very cold

7 All quiet

8 The wether is excessive cold

9 Nothing new

10 Wether cloudy

11 Wether very bad

12 Nothing new

13 Rain

14 We drew some little bacon one third of a pound to the man.

15 Rain to day all day.

16 Snowed to day weather very unplesant

17 Clear off the cold and windy

18 The wether has moderated and the very cold yet

19 Fayette Hays returned to the regt. he has been off on fuzlow down
in Atlanta to see some of his kind folks.

20 I went to Dalton to fix up some papers concerning the wagons that
enemy burned.

21 This is nice day beautiful day it looks like I ought to be at home
at work I think I ought

22 I left camps this morning at daylight carred old man Northcutt to
town alleo to meet Mag. H. L. Elken to fix up an affidavit concerning th
wagon that was burned by the enemy on the 25 day of November.

23 I took some corn to mill to get some meal.

24 This Sundy morning it is a nice day we have preaching Hary Russel
is absence. Wo think him gone home.

25 It is still nice wether the boys have to drill

26 All quiet the wether quite warm

27 We have not had any meet in 4 days I think ought to have some.

28 All quiet

29 They are cooking the barcuue that we are to have to morrow.

30 We are all fixing to go to the barbecue that has been prepared for
We had a fine time a good dinner and good speaking. Night has come and
we are full had plinty to eat.

31 Have meeting to day a very nice day.

Feb. 1 We have orders to turn over some wagons comest raining.

2 Wether gloomy

3 All quiet

4 Went to Dalton to day

Feb. 5 I went to the Government lot to day exchanged some muls.
 6 All quiet with us
 7 Sundy the wether is good we have preching
 8 Wether still good
 9 I have been to the government lot to get some muls I return at dark.
 10 I went to Mill to git some meal to eat
 11 I left camps erly this morning to go in the country to try to get something. I crossed Conasaga river I found the country generally poor and borken and the people corespond with the country. They are mostly unicon principle. I found nothing to eat after hunting all day. I did not see many men tho a good many wimin.
 12 I went to Dalton to fix up some affidavits for Capt. Lankford concerning the wagons that was burned.
 13 Cousin Tom Miller come to see me to day he has made his escape from the yankees he jumped off the cars near Lake Eriery Ohio and found his way out of the Northern states in to the Confederate stats. He has made a wounderful escape.
 14 The 28 Regt. came to us they have been with Longstreet at Knoxville the wether is very warm.
 15 Rain all day. Gorge came in off his scout.
 16 It has cleard of and is very cold.
 17 Last night was excesive cold
 18 It is still very cold we got orders to move at 9 oclock we drew a little bacon to march in we think we are going to misasipy.
 19 I am low down in spirts. I dont think there ever was a move made, th we dielike more in all the company. I lay myself down in our cabin to sleep for the last time we think for ever which has shelter us a great many cold and gloomy nights.
 20 We was orderd up at 4 oclock A.M. the regiment left at daylight for Dalton I am not orderd to leve. The boys are all gone and I am here yet
 21 Still at this place
 22 I am still at this place yet.
 23 I was waked up at one oclock and orderd to gear up the wagons. in has and move to Dalton. Arrived at Dalton 4 A.M. unloaded the wagons and loaded up with comesaries left Dalton traveled all day encamped at Calhoun Ga. 25 miles from Dalton. I am not well. I got a fall of my horse and hurt me I am lame.
 24 Up at daylight and gear up the stock. Expect to leve soon tho we stay at this place all day my side hurts me a good lot.
 25 I sufferd a good lot from cold last night. I stay at this place all day untill night. I was orderd to take the Bregade Ambulances and go back to Dalton and go on front as they are fighting out nere ~~Calhoun~~ Dalton. Got to Dalton 1 oclock rest until daylight.
 26 At daylight I was orderd to take the ambulances and go up front to ~~hall~~ in the wounded men tho they never fight any more.
 27 All quiet in front this morning.
 28 Sundy morning we are all quiet to day and doing well.
 29 I was releast from post duty at daylight I sent the ambulances to their regiments the regiment came up last night I got traspatations for the baggage and came out to the old camps in the same old huts that we left. C. M. Rutledge came in from the hospittle he has been at the hospittle ever sence we was at Mishinary Kidge. I found the boys in good spirits and glad to get back to the old camp ground.

March 1, 1864 It is raining very hard and the wind blew very hard all night.
 2 Capt. Kitchey came in with the horses last night all is quiet
 3 Bill and Cousin James Etter came in from Est Tennessee. Bill
 has been off on furlow to see his kind folks. He found them all well
 save Uncle James he is not well. Aunt Lucy and Uncle Henry is making
 sugar I wish I was with them.
 4 All is quiet
 5 Cousin Charles Shelley and Cousin Tom Miller came to see me to day.
 It is the first time that I saw Shelley he is a very good looking man.
 I drew me a pair of shoes.
 6 It comest raining rain much
 7 All quiet
 8 The wether is bad
 9 Nothing new
 10 Rain to day
 11 We drew a good many clothing to day
 12 I founded 200 dollars of money
 13 Sundy all quiet
 14 All quiet
 15 Nothing new
 16 I went and got some seage grass to mak us a bed to ligh on.
 17 All quiet
 18 Nothing new
 19 I left camps erly in the morning to go out on front and try to get
 Bob Craven and get some money that Uncle Henry had there tho I could not
 get through.
 20 We have preching to day. Chaplin of the eight regt. preached a good
 surmon his tecks was in womens by faith we have peace with god.
 21 All quiet in campts to day comest snowing at night, 3 inches deep.
 22 This is a lively time with the boys what a time of snowballing they
 23 Cheathams division has gone to snowball Walker division. They have
 up and down our division whip the Gubers grablers in their huts.
 24 I tride again to get a pass to go to Cravens. I could not get it
 The 8 regt. and 16 regt. atacted 28 and 51 they got whip and they drove
 our boys in they tents.
 25 We have meeting over night.
 26 We had a good surmon at night Parson Bur preached.
 27 Sundy preching to day we had a good meeting.
 28 This is division drill. Charley Reed came in from McMinvile He
 give us som news from that country.
 29 All is quiet
 30 We drew some cloth to day. They was sent to the destitute men of
 Wrights bregade. They was sent on by the ladies through charity. very
 cold at night and heavy frost.
 31 The wether is still cold.
 April 1 The wether is gloomy and some rain.
 2 Heavy frost this morning
 3 Heavy frost again. I and ~~the~~ Cousin Will Etter went to Stevens Div
 to day to see some of our kind folks we found the two Shelley boys and
 their father they was all doing well.
 4 Wether is very bad rain all last night as has rained all day.
 5 We are all quiet to day. I wash my cloth my jaw hurt me all night
 bad I did not sleep much. It is still cold.
 6 This is a nice morning; thought quite cold. I think of being at home
 planting corn I have no chance to get out of this cruel worl.

April 7

This is a gloomy morning. Our boys go to Dalton to fight a sham fight they have a great time of it. Our division fight Gen. Claborn. There is preaching at night we have a good sermon. Tomorrow is fast day

8

This is set apart for fasting and praying most of the boys are keeping the day we are willing to do anything to bring about peace. Most of the regiment goes out on picket.

9

All is quiet

10

We have meeting. Old Father McCrutchan preached for us an able and interesting sermon.

11

All quiet we get some beef to day.

12

This is the day to inspect the transportation of the army they have to appear on one field. The field was covered. They parked them.

13

Beautiful morning, nothing new.

14

Cold and gloomy.

15

All quiet.

16

Gen. Cheatham has ordered some stock put up in our brig. to punish 3 men that desert in the 5th Tenn Regt. our men charge them at night and tore them down.

17

All quiet.

18

This is a beautiful day.

19

I go to Dalton comes raining at night.

20

Frost and cold this morning.

21

I lost my old horse to day.

22

I have hunted my horse all day the don't find him. I think him gone I found him at night in Dalton.

23

The day is very warm and winds.

24

I left camp this morning to hunt some mules that strayed from us I hunted all day the I found them not. I was in Dalton I heard that Ball and Mager Ritchey was captured. I do not know it to be so. I am inclined to think it so.

25

I left camp this morning to hunt some mules that have got away from I found them in Dalton in the Government lot. I went and saw Cousin Charles Shelley and his brother. Also went to Cousin Tom Miller. I did not find him in camp. He was away.

26

We lost two mules last night. I have hunted all day but did not find them.

27

I leave camp again this morning to search again for those mules. I did not find or herd of them. I have traveled over some of the poorest country I most ever seen.

28

I leave camp to go out on front and look for the mules. I cannot hear from them. Our cavalry and yankees had a fight this morning at daylight.

29

The yankees are advancing some to day. Some little skirmishing. A quiet night. A very sad case occurred in Murroy Breg. while at church a tree burn down and kill 10 men.

30

Yankees have fell back.

31

All quiet

May 1

All quiet

2

We have a good meeting in camp a good many have professed.

3

Meeting still going on.

4

I went out to hunt some mules.

5

I went to Stephens Div. to see Cousin George Shelley. All quiet.

6

Some fighting some to day.

7

Yankees are advancing some.

8

The yankees charged our men. They were repulsed with much loss. We got orders to leave for the front. Left at dark traveled most all night.

- May 8 Our regt. went on top of stone mountain. I remaind with the wagons Heavy skirmishing all around the lines. Our Brigade have kept them back out of the gap all day.
- 10 I left craws valey this morning came to Tilton traveled 11 miles. Heavy fighting at Mill creek gap yankes repulsed.
- 11 I am still at Tilton.
- 12 I left Tilton this morning and went to Dalton to carry cooking vese Arrived at Dalton at night the troops had left and came the sugar valey I traveled 25 mils found them at 3 oclock.
- 13 Left at daylight came to Resacken 7 miles march our men formed line battle comenst skirmishing at 3 oclock. Our lines formed redy to meet the enemy at Resacken.
- 14 Comenst fighting at daylight kept up a sharp shooting all day very little damage done to us. Cal Hanten was killed.
- 15 Some fighting before day heavy fighting on our right. Walter Brig. sufer very much.
- 16 Still fighting all around the lines some of our Brig. was killed to day. We left Resacken ~~in the night~~ in the night. All of us with drew o selves from the brestworks and marched all night. Wa are all very quiet and much worn out. encamped near Calhoun. We stade at that place and left at 2 oclock A.M.
- 17 Left Calhoun at daylight. Came 7 miles stoped near Adamsville. Our Division formed a line of battle and faught the yankes. 7 hours. We got sum men kild none of our Regt. Cousin Will as wounded but not serious. Left at dark and came to Kinkson.
- 18 All of our army is falling back. I came to Cartersville and brought the Colonel to the wagons he is quite sick.
- 19 All on the move to day.
- 20 Left Cartersville at 11 oclock came to Ackworth encampt at night.
- 21 Left Ackworth 9 oclock a.m. came 4 miles encamped near big shanty some little fighting today.
- 22 Still at this place
- 23 Left at 11 oclock traveled 13 miles. We came through poor country.
- 24 Left at sun up came 9 miles encamped near Atlanta Ga. All is quiet
- 25 Left at sun up came 7 miles encamped near Atlanter. The country w very poor and fencing was most all throud down.
- 26 Still at this place nithing new with us.
- 27 Some little fighting
- 28 A heavy picketing some of our men was wound and one was killed.
- 29 The yankes assaulted our works last night at 9 oclock tho was repul with heavy loss. the fight continued most all night.
- 30 Capt. J. B. Ritchey came in from the front. He dont bring much new
- 31 We drew some sepp today the first we have drawn in 4 weeks. I washe my shirt.
- June 1 I left camps erly this morning to go to the front and stay with the ambulance train. I traveled 28 miles. I found the boys at 5 oclock in tolerable good helth.
- 2 All quiet in our regt. some fighting on our left.
- 3 Our men have got their brestworks done.
- 4 We are under marching orders. tho we dont move today.
- 5 We left camps at 5 P.M. came 8 miles. It rained all night and so dark you could not see to travel.
- 6 At daylight went out and formed a line of battle. I took an ambul- and went after forage we broke down and I was up most all night.

- 7 I left to get the ambulance mended. I got it fixed at 9 o'clock.
- 8 I left the cooking details at daylight came to the Brig.
- 9 We were ordered to move today moved a little came back to the place all quiet at night.
- 10 Nothing new
- 11 All quiet with us today. Orders to move we drove 1 mile very hard. we all got wet. the roads are very bad.
- 12 It rained all night. It is a desperate time. I include some several men. It is still raining at night everything has been for several days. Fifty years ago the battle of Waterloo was fought and we were skirmishing with an army that will number over 100,000 men.
- 13 Still raining very hard. Some skirmishing today. The roads almost impassable.
- 14 The rain has ceased and the birds are on the wing. This has a day of solemn feeling with us as our old faithful general Polk was shot through the heart with shell. He and General Johnston, Hardee, Bates and Jackson was upon pine mountain viewing the position of the enemy. The enemy fired some shots at the bunch of men and unfortunately killed Polk. 2 o'clock we moved out to pine mountain to support Bates Div. formed a line of battle and built breastworks.
- 15 Left Pine mountain 2 a.m. came one mile and formed a line of battle.
- 16 Heavy skirmishing today some of our boys have been killed. Lowery and Samuel Baker was killed in a skirmish. They are men who will be felt as a soldier and to community.
- 17 We have been fighting some today and have moved our lines. General Polk of Claiborne Div. was wounded today in the leg.
- 18 Come raining last night. I left the front this morning to go to the wagon train. I traveled 17 miles. It rained day and night.
- 19 Looks like it will keep on raining. It is a very gloomy day. The boys are exposed very much. Not much fighting today.
- 20 Still raining the roads are very muddy.
- 21 Still wet and muddy.
- 22 It has cleared off and looks very nice. Heavy skirmishing today.
- 23 Holts Corps was engaged on our left wing. Stephenson's division was very much the Yankees assaulted our works. They were repulsed. We captured thirteen pieces of artillery. Brown Brig. suffered very much. Many good men were killed.
- 24 Heavy skirmishing in front. Some of our Division was wounded and a few were killed. The weather is quiet warm.
- 25 Still skirmishing. The roads are settling very fast.
- 26 The weather is fine and beautiful.
- 27 There has been a good deal of fighting today. Cheatham and his men give the Yankees a good whipping.
- 28 Nothing new today. some fighting.
- 29 Very warm today.
- 30 Rained heavy today. The weather is very gloomy.
- July 1, Some skirmishing today.
- 2 Our left wing fell back some today.
- 3 Our men left here after night.
- 4 Yankees came in to Marietta in high spirits.
- 5 Some skirmishing along the lines.
- 6 All quiet in front.
- 7 Nothing new today
- 8 Our men crossed the Chattahoochee river.
- 9 Nothing new today.
- 10 All quiet in front.

11 Rained very hard today.
 12 Nothing new
 13 Some skirmishing today
 14 I have been sick all day.
 15 Nothing strange this morning.
 16 The army is maneuvering and skirmishing all the time.
 17 We are building breastworks.
 18 We move to Atlanta went out on Peachtree street. I am quite unwell
 I went to the Division hospital.
 19 Not much fighting today.
 20 Our command was formed in line of battle to attack the enemy. We
 lost very heavy in the attack some killed. There was a great many wounded
 Lt. Akemon was mortly wounded. R. M. Safley was shot in the breast
 through the lungs and it thought to be mortly wounded. Liet. J. D. Brown
 was wounded sever in the grind many others was hurt.
 21 We shift our line of battle move further on the right wing we are
 much worn out.
 22 This has been a day of sorrow to many of the boys. We moved in the
 rear of the enemy attacked at 2 oclock PM. We killed and captured a gr
 many of them. tho we lost heavy. W. T. Hacket was mortly wounded Jack
 Agent also Grundy Gibs was killed. I have not been well in some time.
 After the fight I went to hospitale at Macon Ga. The night was very coal
 for this seson of the year.
 23 I arrived at Macon I found a greem many wounded at that place.
 24 I am very week with hurting in bowles.
 25 I am som beter I can git up and walk across the house.
 26 I am still improving.
 27 I went out in town
 28 Lees Corps got into a hard fight the enemy was making a flank move
 on our right Lees Corps was orderd to check it they done so with heavy
 loss to us. Cousin Tom Miller was killed or captured.
 29 Still picket fighting.
 30 Nothing new
 31 Still sharpshooting.
 Aug. 1 Nothing new
 2 A goodeal of sharpshooting
 3 Nothing new
 4 I am very unwell
 5 My bowels pane me much
 6 I dont feel so bad to day
 7 The enemy are moving on our left.
 8 I am not so well to day.
 9 Still picket fighting
 10 Nothing new
 11 I feel some better
 12 I am very week
 13 I an dranged in my bowels.
 14 It is a constant fight all the time day and night.
 15 Nothing strange
 16 I feel some better today
 17 Nothing new
 18 There is some men killed or wounded in our brigade every day.
 19 I am getting some more serank than I had a few days previous.
 I must here record one of the most hart rending of all my life. May God
 protect me from such an awful fate or ever seeing another such seen. The
 only brother that I had with me was shot by the inhuman enemy. He was

on picket and was shot in the back of the head cutting his brains out. I could never describe my feeling when I saw him. He was sensible of everything. I went with him to the distribeting hospital. I begged the Dr. to let me go with him down soth to hospital. I could not git to go with him when I knew he could not live long.

- 20 I feel very lonely to day
21 My brother died. I hope he is at rest with his God.
22 Still picket fighting
23 Nothing new today
24 Yankees disapear from our front. our boys go into their breastworks
25 We leve Atlanta came 4 miles encamped at Poplar Springs.
26 We are still at this place.
27 Move to Est point. Build fortifications.
28 Our man went out on a scout
29 Left this place for Jonsbor.
30 We stop and rest some
31 We come down to Jonesbor form a line of battle and attack the enemy at 2 oclock P.M. It was a hard fight. We drove them on the left tho could not move them on the right. many men were lost on both sides. night has come the wery has laid him down to rest, the wounded to die.
- Sept. 1 This has been a day of distress. The enemy flanked us on our right and we have to move to keep them from giting in our rear. We comest fighting at 3 oclock. Hardees Corps fought 3 hours after having a hard and severe fight the enemy flaked us on both sides. We left at 9 oclock p.m. came to Lovejoy Station 7 miles.
- 2 Formed a line of battle and fortified the enemy moved up to us at 3
3 They are picket fighting.
4 Heavy commadering, some few men killed
5 Joe Brown of 16 Regt. was killed and Henry Paine of our company was mortale wounded.
6 Nothing strange.
7 The enemy leave our front.
8 We move back in direction of Atlanta 5 miles.
9 This is a beautiful morning. git orders to move up the cooking department with the Brigade.
10 It is the first time the cooking detale has been up in 4 monthis.
11 All quiet in camps have preaching.
12 I left camps and went to hunt something to eat. I went some 13 mile I found 1/2 bushel of potatoes. I paid 5 dollars for them. I stade all night with Cousin Charls Shelley. I found him well.
13 Nothing new today.
14 All quiet
15 There is much talk of consolidation. There is much dissatisfaction in the command.
16 I wash my cloth
17 Nothing new
18 Orders to march at 2 p.m. it rained most all day we did not move at the appointed time.
19 Up at 3 a.m. leave at 4 a.m. We travel very slow for some distance came through good country some very poor. Traveled all day. camped at midnight after a march of 20 miles.
20 We are all tired from our march. We are near Palmetto Station on Westpoint Palerode.
21 Move out and form in line of fight and fortify.
22 All quiet.
23 Nothing new
24 I went out and got some potatoes

25 I stay in all day and eat potatoes.
 26 I go out to get some potatoes and beans. We are living very well.
 27 All quiet and doing well. Cousin Will went to Stevens Div.
 28 It is cloudy and looks like rain. Constant raining at dark.
 29 We are ordered to cook 2 days rations and leave.
 30 Leave 8 A.M. traveled 15 miles. encamped near the Chattahoochee river
 Oct. 1 At this place I drew 10 pr of shoes for 16 Tenn. Regt. Took up
 march at 8 A.M. I had to march to day. Was so warm I could not hold up
 consequently I give out. Marched 14 miles encamped. We came through so
 good country. I drew two more pair of shoes.
 2 Took up march 8 a.m. I come ahead of the comand. I met up with Re
 Williams he went to school at Irving College, Tenn. some ten years previ
 His fetures were quite natural. He informed me where many of my old
 acquaintances was.
 3 Came 18 miles encamped late in the evening.
 4 All the supervision officers was sent to rear.
 5 I have not had the chance to record my march from the 4th up to
 Tuscumby Ala. We have been on a very active campaign. I have underwent
 many hard ships. My trip has been quite interesting. came over a varie
 of country. Some fine lands. some very ppore the people allso very po
 They are in destitute circumstances. I dont see how they live espeshly
 those who are so very poor. I came to Jacksonville Ala. with the wagon
 train this place is in ten miles of the Blue mountains the rale rod cam
 to Blew mountain and stops. I remained at this place some 8 days. We l
 this place and rejoined our army at Gadsden Ala. This is a little town
 the Coosa river. It lies on the North side of the river. At this place
 we drew some clothing. Aththis place the wagon train was separated aga
 I came along with the baggage train. I had a quiet easy time. I rode me
 all the way in a wagon. The country we came through the first two days
 a fine one. The people was living very well after the first two days
 march we came to Lincoln county Ala. It is a pore country and the citens
 are of union sentiments. We came through the town of Ashville and it
 send to be a very unsound place. We now strike Blunt Mountain which is
 very steep and rough. It is Blount county, the native spot where our ol
 friend Brad Robbers was brought up. At this place we remain one day and
 two nights, waiting for the sply train to cross. We had to role wagons up
 the mount. all night. I was much work out when we got up the mountain.
 After crossing over the mountain we came through Blountsville the county
 sete of Blount county. We now come to Sand Mount a barren and very poor
 country. Nobody much lives on it. After we cross the mountain we come to
 some good country. traveled one day after crossing the mount encamped in
 pritty country. We allso found the people generoushearted and that has
 not been common where we have come from her to Tuscumby Ala. We travel
 through a beautiful spot of the world. You can cast your eyes around
 you as far as you can see lands are lying uncultivated, houses burned up
 negros all gone save some poor old crippled one who could not get away a
 the enemy would not have. Not enough of corn growing on those level and
 rich soils to bred what few wimen and children from suffering. It is a
 sorrowful looking sene to look at. I hope the people may soon be at pea
 and cultivate those land again. We joined our army again at Tuscumby, a
 town on the Memphis and Charleston rale rod, some fore miles from the riv
 I think often of this desolated part of the country. I wonder how the p
 live in my country in Warren county. I arrived at this place the last d
 of October.
 Nov. 1 I found most all the boys well though very tired from hard marching
 and not much to eat. Joseph Hill and E. H. Lynn of 16th regt. is thoug
 to be gone home.

Nov. 2

All quiet in camp today.

3

We are looking for some clothing. They are much needed. The men are in destute circumstances many barefooted and have no pants.

4

I drew some clothing to day 19 pr. of shoes, 9 pr. of cotton pants 20 pr. of cotton socks. 31 jackets. The clothing is to be divided to 150 men and most ever man needs something very bad. I dont see how we are to get clothing this winter although we are in good spirit and yet look forward to the time our independence will be declard by many nations.

5

We are all quiet and resting today although the wether is very gloom and the rain falls quite hard and fast.

6

We drew some blankets and a few jackets. I got some 13 blanket, 4 jackets 1 pr of socks. It is still raining. The watters are rising very fast the troops are on one side of the creek and I am on the other.

7

The pioneer company made a brig over the creek and the creek rose so fast that it washed it away. The rode is in bad order allmost impass

8

We have orders to be redy to move at moment warnen. I dont know where to.

9

The pioneer company made a brig over the creek the troops crost at night it rained very hard at night most all got quite wet. I did not git wet tho got mudy as I could get. left camp 9 oclock pm. came 2 mi

10

We are all quiet to day. It is still raining and looks like it will continue to rain.

11

We move at daylight in the direction of the river. come onemile encamp in one mile of the Tennessee river and expect to cross as soon as the pntoon bridge can be fixed across.

12

I went down to the river to see it. I found it quite flush. I walked across the river. The bridge is nearly redy to cross the wagons over. I return to camp and wash my cloth. My legs pained me much all night

13

Move to the river and stop some hour move over the bridge at noon the town of Florence is on both sides of the river. There was much rejoicing among the Tenn. boys. They have land on the North side of the river. Came one mile from the river encamped in nice grove of lumbe on cypress creek. The boys are much rejoiced at being on the North side of the Tenn. river.

14

Orders came to go and fortifie the town of Florence Ala. the day has been quiet pleasant. Tho looks like much rain at night. My lages hurt me much. I lay my self down at night. It rained last night most all night.

15

We drew some cloth last night. I drew a cotton pair of pants. We not more than git enough to eat. Tho I have a pot of soap made out of a beef bone ~~XXXXXX~~ I am doing well today. There is a cold rain fall

16

We have not got anyting to eat to day. I went 5 miles from camp hunting something to eat. I passed over some fine land as every I saw. It is a lovly country. all was desolated. I dont think I saw 15 acres corn cultivated on all that pass over most of the improvements burned down. Oh what a pity such a country is lying wast. I visited one mans turnip patch. One among the finest I ever saw there was turnips that would weigh some 12 pounds. The jentleman that ond the place was by the name of Keef. He give away 3/4 of the patch to the solgers. I got one sack them and came back to the creek to cross on a raft after night I got wet in the rain. I eat a piece of live and a small peace of cracker. I lay myself down to rest.

17

Cooked those turnips that I got yesterday. It was a splendid mess. We cooked them with a beef tong in beef feet. It is the only thing that I have eat enough since I have been at this place. The wether is bad.

- Nov. 18, 1864 It rained all night without sesing. I did not git wet. " "
- 19 I left camps at daylight. packt one half bushel of corn some 4 miles but the gard would not let me go to mill. I came back to town and swap my corn for meal. I give two measures for one. I allso got my breakfast. return to camp wet and muddy.
- 20 This is sundy. Still raining. I red some in the bible. Turned very cold in the night.
- 21 Left camp 8 a.am. I came on ahead to the place where I swaped some more corn for meal. I made the exchang. I allso got a good meals victuals. Chicken pie, irish potatoe preserves. It comest snowing erl in the morning. snowed very fast. The wind blew very hard it was very cold. I allmost froze. We came 12 miles. I dont think I ever seen the rods wers in my life.
- 22 Our comand move back near Florence Ala. for the perpos of garden a eplytrain they returned to camp on the same ground they did the night previous. I did not go It snowed very hard for some time. Last night was excesive cold. I slept very cold. The ground some 5 inches in the night. We had to ly in the open are. We left camp at daylight my berd froze on my face. We crossed the Tennessee line at 8 a.m. we crost into some hilley country and some good lands to secum very poor. Marched 21 miles camped at dark 8 miles from Wansbor. It is very cold night.
- 23 Marched very hard all day.
- 24 Marched at daylight. I came by Wansbor I found the cooking detail The brigad is 3 hours ahead of me. I overtake it at dark. I marched 20 miles. The yankees have torn up this country very much most all the people have gone away from home. A good many have gone to the yankees.
- 25 We have done without something to eat 2 days. We drew 1/2 pound of flower, one pound of beef. I am very hungry. Left at daylight.
- 26 Left at daylight. Marched very hard through a hilley country. Came through some of the prettiest country I ever saw. We travel through Mont Pleasant passed General Piller home. He has one of the best farms i Murry county. It rained all day the pike was very muddy. encamped at ni one mile and a half of Collumby. The yankees are at this place. There has been some men wounded. We marched 20 miles. It is raining at night
- 27 Most every person wet. Some of our men are out on picket. We remain until 3 oclock p.m. Howers Corps move in to our camps. We move 2 miles on the wright encamp. I went to the slaughter pen to get some becfs hart and feet to cook. We eat all we can git. Yankees reported to be leaving
- 28 We are ordered to move at a moments warning. The teams have been geard up all day move at sunset.
- 29 Moved at daylight up Duck River some 2 miles and crossed, marched very hard all day over hills and hollows marched a round the enemy. We came nigh outing off the enemy. Tho we was one hour too late. We did not git posesion of the Nashville pike in time there was some fighting at Spring Hill allso some on the north side of Duck river opposite Collumby I don't think I ever seen a harder march than we made today. We marched 17 miles over a rough country with out any rode to march in. none of our boys was hart today. I lay myself down at midnight to rest a little.
- 30 We move at sun up in pursuit of the enemy they must of been demoril ized. The burnt up wagon killed mules and destroyed much property. We marched very rapterly. Come in sight of the enemy 3 oclock p.m. formed line of battle moved on them met them one mile from town. The fight com one hour by sun. It was of the most desparat of the war. We found them strong works our men charged their works. they fought hand to hand. The enemy was verry stubborn. They nocked our men down with their guns.

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Our men cared the first two lines of works though they did not move them from third line. We fought most all night. At midnight the enemy comest retreating. They was persude very closely.

Daylight has come. there is no enemy near us. We now look for ded and wounded which are many. Eh how bad I feel to look at my comrades to to peaces by those missels of deth. One of my old company was killed de a man whom we all loved, John Brown. He nobley faught for his country. must long be remembered by his old comrades. Our old regiment lost 15 m killed ded. Lt. Pettet, Lt. Green, J. B. Womack. A. J. Kessey, June Dri Howerd Canterel, Wm. Millhte, Wm. Thomson, George Donnel, Aaron Pepper, C.M. Jordan, John Brown, Thomas Hooper, Samuel Lusk. We burry our ded to they are all berjed side by side and each grave marked. It is a horable thought to think of the many friends we ~~have~~ love in the battle field. The enemy's loss was very heavy. We killed a great many. The ground was covered with blew coats. We have got our men all buried. We now take a little rest as we have not taken any in two days and nights.

2 Leave Franklin 9 a.m. march hard all day, at night camp in site of capital of Tenn. I am very tired to night.

3 We dont git any bred to day. Move out to form a line of battle near the Murfreesbough pike. The yankees shell us.

4 Some picket fighting some very heavy shells. It is very celd. There is a large circle around the moon tonight.

5 All quiet today.

6 Wind blew very hard all day. also very cold.

7 Comest raining to turn in to a sleet and snow very cold. I am barefooted.

8 There is snow some 2 inches deep and the are is excessive cold.

9 It is still very cold. Some little snow. I almost froze last night

10 I went today to git some planks to build me a shell. We git orders to move at 2 p.m. The ground is froze and sheted over with ice. We ca where there not much would. I went to get some straw to ly on. I think the night is cold as I have seen in my life.

11 This is one of the coldest mornings I ever saw. We lay unpertected all night. I would have been sory for my dum bruts at home although I am out in it. It is cloudy and looks like snowing more.

12 Still very cold though it has clear'd of. I went to the slaughter pen to get me some beef, feet and head. We had a fine mess of beef head I relished fine. we dont git more than half rations.

13 It is still very cold. Looks like rain or snow. Comest raining at night the very cold rain.

14 It rained all last night. This morning so foggy you could not see a man fifty yards. There was an old man from Warren county came in last night by the name of Pursen. He did not know anything about my folks.

15 Our command is ordered out in line of battle some heavy shelling an picket fighting. Our command was orderd to the left wing of our army. men was repulst on the left wing we get thare at dark. We did not do m fighting tho we checked the move of the enemy. We fortified after dark.

16 Fight comest quiet heavy at daylight. Our comand held its position all day untill on hour by sun. at that time our lines got confused. Bates Div. lines give way our army becom dramoralized. The enemy cut off our Division and it had come out through the enemys lines. Most all the boys got out safe, not many captured.

- 16 It was raining hard and it was very muddy. we could not find any
command together. I got to Franklin at sunup the 17th.
- 17 We are at Franklin at this place we draw something to eat as
we are verry hungry. Leave Franklin at 10 oclock came 9 miles encamped
- 18 We move at daylight. came to Rulaford creek at this place we stop
to fight the enemy. It rained all day.
- 19 It rained as hard as it can. The wind is very cold. At night we
move across Duck river. encamped $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Collumba.
- 20 I send some more of the boys get a pass to visit some of my folks.
I left camps at 11 a.m. I eat super at a place 15 miles from Collumba.
- 21 Left erley in the morning came to Cornersville at that place we
came the Petersburg rode. I stade with old man Willson afvery fine famd
At this place I slept on a fether bed. The old woman give me a pare of
socks. I taken love of thos good people erley in the morning.
- 22 It anowed very hard and the ground was hard froze. My feet sufford
as I was barefooted. I stopt at old man Counts to stay part of the night
The night was very cold.
- 23 I left at 2 a.m. It was so cold I came nigh freezing. There was a
gentleman Jack Reece. He came 10 miles I came through the woods. I
stopt after dark with an old Acquaintance Am Evens. She is marred to
old man Dannel at this place. I got some person to pilet me over the
rale rode. We crossed the rale rode at 12 oclock. I came to old man
Bartens 10 miles from Chester.
- 24 I left Bartens at daylight came across to Davises on Hickry Creek.
I give out in the night I could not come home until I rested. I stopt
at old man McGeese to stay until the moon rose.
- 25 Left old McGeese at moon up come across the mountain by Carrol
Parkes. I got home at 12 oclock. I found my well and doing well. I
did not know that I had the youngest chile at home. I was very proud
to git home once more after being away most 2 year. It is all that I
do to stand on my lages.
- 26 I am at home this morning. It seem odd to be hear after being at
camps so long as I have been I dont see how I am to leve home again I
am so happy to find my folks all well.
- 27 I am very sore. My lages are swelled up and hurts me to walk.

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- I. MILDENHILL
- A. ZERKS
- W. HENNESEE
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- HAVE ROGERS
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- THOMAS BROWN
- R. M. SAEFF
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- JOHN EVANS
- B. J. Hill
- OLD MAN MITCHEL
- WARDO
- LUM ETTER
- BURT JONES
- CURTIS PROFFIT
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- UNCLE SALLY
- JAMES HILL
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