

Al. Willoughby
39th Indiana
Willick Prison

Dec. 28th 1862

As we drove the enemy
before us to day a laugh-
able incident took place
Major Wynn's of the
7th Penn. Vol. Cavalry was
pursuing a squad of
rebels - and having a
good horse under him he
left his command some
way on the rear. Dashing
up to a rebel Lieutenant
he demanded him to sur-
render - The Lieut. about-
faced did the same for
the Major. Maj. W. then
struck at the Lt. with
his sabre but broke it -

over the Lt's carbine which
he threw up to parry the blow.
The Lt. then raised his carbine
and would have shot Maj. W.
had the gun not refused to
fire. Maj. then jumped off
his horse and attempted to
take hold of the Lt. when
the Lt. hit him on his shoulder
with his carbine - then throwing
it away - they both grappled &
Maj. W. after getting a black eye
and a bruised face made the
Lt. give up. Just at this time
some of our men reached them
and the Lt. was taken to the
Genl's Hd. Qrs. In the after-
noon as Maj. W. was riding

past Hd. Qrs. the General
called Maj. W. to him and
asked Maj. if he had taken
the Lt. prisoner himself.

The Lt. was close by and walking
up said - Yes that is the man
and he is the only man that
ever handled me. - but Maj. says he
to W. you did me a mean trick you
bit my finger most off when you
beat me down. - Oh that is nothing
said Maj. - You should not have
struck me with that shot-gun of
yours when I had nothing myself
having broken my sabre over
your gun - but it is all
right now.

Why are "Green-backs" like the Jews?
Because they are the children of
Abraham and knoweth not that
their redeemer liveth.



Feb. 10th, 1863

A. Brilliant Skirmish.

Talk about describing
a Brilliant Skirmish —
most any one can tell
the movements of the
bodies of troops engaged
in the skirmish — but who
can describe the shriek
of a shell as it speeds
on its mission of death
or the peculiar whistling
of a Minie ball as it passes
within a few feet or perhaps
inches of ones head causing
him involuntary to dodge
or causing some of the less
brave men an indescible

trembling of the knees
and a wish that they
were anywhere but there.

Yet there is an excitement
about a fight which I
admire. As we near
the enemy our skirmishers
are thrown out with their
proper reserves and we
move forward cautiously
each man straining his
eyes to catch the first
glimpse of the foe — or
we move when whizz
goes a ball past some
ones head causing a
momentary halt to see from
whence it came — but

quickly we move forward
again. Shots are exchanged
from both sides freely and
the foe slowly and steadily
falls back contesting hotly
each foot of ground — but
they halt — they have
received reinforcements
and now they will defend
and dare us to come on.
Why do we not move on?
but the rumbling of wheels
answers us — the artillery
is being brought to the
front — and now a shell
after shell is thrown
with great precision among
them causing death and

destruction to all.
Under cover of the artil-
-lery our sharp-shooters move
advance and pour in
their murderous volleys
causing the enemy lines
first to waver and then
as we push onto them to
break - and away they
go. Cheer after cheer
arises from us as we
begin the pursuit and
after the chase of two
or three hours we halt
- about face and back
we go to our camp -
satisfied with having
gained our point - although

it may have caused the
loss of a few brave men
- who fell at their post
doing their duty and
who - almost in their
last struggles would turn
their eyes to our loved
country's flag - the old Stars
and Stripes - and with their
dying breath breathe a
prayer for its success.
Yet this is almost a
daily occurrence.

A. M. W.

Our tents are pitched under
the wide spreading branches
of the tall oaks of the
forest.

The boys are lolling
around on the grass.

Here lies one writing
to the loved ones at home
or perhaps to some dear
friend whom he has not
seen for many long months
perhaps years - and there
stands several around
some old Veteran listening
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to some dull story he
may be telling or perhaps
to some narrow escape he
has had while fighting
for his country - while
in the distance we hear
the stirring sound of the
violin and the merry
laugh of the boys at some
witty reply of a comrade
or at some comic song he
may have sung - and
again we see squads of
three and four sitting
around studying the
history of The Four Kings
with a zeal worthy of a
better cause. - but - hark!
in Virginia

the "Long Roll" of the drum and the alarm call of the bugle is heard - And now the scene is changed. The men are rushing into their tents and outfitting their guns and accoutrements. - The officers are buckling on their swords and the hasty command "Fall in boys" is heard on all sides. Quickly the men fall in ranks and then we hear the commanding officers voice as he gives the command - Attention - Battalion. Forward by file left - March and away we go on the double-quick

towards our picket-lines. On arriving there we ask "What's up?" - we are told that our pickets have been driven in and that an attack is expected every minute. - quickly we are formed in line of battle and there we wait for the enemy to show himself - and after waiting three or four hours - perhaps all night - and coming to the conclusion that it has been nothing but a small party who had made the dash on our pickets - and then fell to parts unknown - or in a

larger body - that we had turned out to strong for them - and they refuse to come to terms - we march back to our quarters where things are thrown aside and after bringing forth from some hidden corner their haversacks and taking a lunch - they again - to pass away time - betake themselves to the different amusements common to camp life

Dec. 31st 1862

During our retreat of the Right Wing several laughable incidents took place.

We noticed a very large burly looking soldier belonging to the 89th Ill. Vols.

He was behind a large tree loading and firing very coolly. Everytime he would fire he would yell out to the advancing rebels "Here's your Muse" and then load again.

After firing several shots and getting as usual after each shot - he caught in our ball in his shoulder as he stepped from behind

the tree to fire - getting
out - that he was shot - he
about faced - threw his
gun away and did some
of the tailcut - running to the
rear that was done - over
stopping to look back for
fear he would catch
another one.

The mule business was
"played out" with him.

While Capt. Edgerton was
getting a gun of his battery
off the field - Captain
Goodspeed of Battery "A" 1st
Ohio Artillery rode up and
said to Edgerton - Ed

give them a few shots from
here - you can get your
gun off safe. The gun was
stopped and while they were
giving the "rebs" a few rounds
Goodspeed endeavored to
rally a few men around
the gun to support it.

He succeeded in getting
about 25. - just then along
came some more stragglers.
Goodspeed begged them to
halt and rally around
the gun - only one man
stepped forward and as
he did a Captain who
was among the stragglers said
to him - Are you going to stop?

Yes - says Gem - I must
stop and help get this
gun off. Well Goodspeed
Gem - I may never see you
again - said the Captain
and off he started for
the rear on the double-quick.
We saw no more of the
Captain - but Gem and
the gun reached the pike
in safety after doing
some damage to the
advancing "rebs".

The following letter (copy)
was received by Lt. Col.
Jones from Genl. Rosecrans
thanking him for his
gallant conduct on
the 6th and 7th of March
when on a foraging
expedition and almost
surrounded by the enemy.

Hd. Qrs. Dept. of Cumberland.
Murfreesboro Mar. 13/63.
Lt. Col. F. A. Jones
Comdg 1st Brigade -
2^d Division - 20th Army Corps.

Sir
The General Comdg
directs me to say that

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" he has read with great
" pleasure the report of
" the handsome services
" performed by the brigade
" under your command
" on the 6th and 7th inst.
" He thanks you and the
" troops under your com-
" mand for the gallantry
" and spirit displayed
" by all concerned and
" the promptness and
" courage which charac-
" terized all their move-
" ments on that occasion.
" You will please convey
" to them the good opinion
" which the General

commanding entertains
of their conduct.

I am, Colonel

Very respectfully

Your obt^d Servt

Henry Stone

Lt. and A. A. G.

Official Report of the
Part taken by the 39th
Regt. Ind. Vols. in the
Battle of Stone River near
Murfreesboro Tenn.

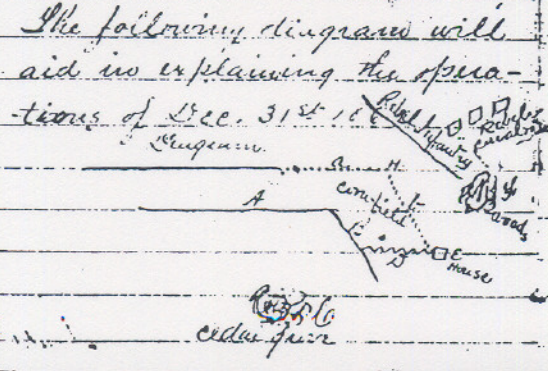
Capt. Carl Schmidt -
A.A.G. 1st Brigade

I have the honor to sub-
mit the following report of
operations of the 39th Regt
of Ind. Vols. since Dec. 25, 1862.
Nothing of note occurred after
breaking camp near Nashville
Tenn. until the regiment ar-
rived on the field of oper-
ations in the evening of Dec.

near Murfreesboro Tenn.
where it arrived Dec. 30, 1862.
On the evening of the same
day the 1st Brigade (to which
the regiment belongs) was
moved to the extreme right-
of the right wing of the army.
The line of battle of the brigade
being nearly at right angles
with that of the right wing.
I was ordered to detail
5 companies from the 39th Ind.
for picket duty during the
night. My orders were to
join the left of any line with
the rights of General Kirk's and
join my right on the left of
the picket line of the 32nd Ind.

and leave the 5 reserve com-
panies in line of battle facing
towards my picket line.
Companies A, B, C, D and K
were detailed and having
deployed A, C, D and K as
skirmishers with B and H
as supports I joined picket
lines with Genl. Kirk and
32nd Ind. as ordered.

A line of battle of right wing
"B" position of reserve companies
of 39th Ind., dotted line "a" Genl.
Kirk's pickets, dotted line "b"
picket line of 39th Ind. distant
from the reserve 1/2 mile. Line
extends through an open corn-
field from point "H" to house
"E". About 3 o'clock A.M. Dec. 31st
1862 I received orders from
Genl. Willich to throw forward
one (1) company to patrol the wood
"F" on our front and distant
about 600 yds. Capt. Manning
Act. Major immediately sent
Co. B forward for that purpose.
At early daylight Genl. Willich
ordered one in case there should



be any indication that the rebels had placed a battery in our front to move any picket-line at once to the word "H" and hold it until the brigade could give me support. I went immediately to the picket-line and learning from the patrol that no indication of the enemy had been seen I was on the point of ordering Co. B from the front when several shots were fired from the pickets on our left who gave away at the point "H" leaving our flank exposed. I ordered Lieut. Stanley to reconnect his line with Genl.

Hick and hold his ground. At the same time I ordered all the company reserves on the picket-line forming a very strong skirmish line. Scarcely had this disposition been made when Kirk's pickets again gave away and three (3) regiments of rebel infantry moving abreast in line of battle were interposed between my picket-line and the reserve companies. Many of my men were shot down at their posts by the enemy who had moved into their rear. Seeing that the rebel line of battle was oblique to that of our right wing and

supposing that our brigade would either charge front obliquely on 29th Inst. or place the batteries in position to enfilade the rebel lines I partly to support such a movement and partly to secure an opportunity to rally the pickets in the reserve I ordered Capt. Hering to move the pickets in double-quick time by the right flank and take position behind the rail-fence (15) and open fire on the advancing foe - at the same time sending Lieut. Neal to the house "C" to open the fence and show the companies when to commence firing to the right - we suc-

ceeded in rallying company A and parts of companies D and K behind this fence where the enemy opened a murderous fire. Lieut. Neal fell mortally wounded and of the few who took position there nearly one-half were killed or wounded. Twice did our fire cause the enemy's line to halt and waver but they quickly rallied and moved forward. Had we been supported here either with infantry or artillery the enemy would have been repulsed with fearful slaughter - but no support came. Three (3) rebel standards were within 30 feet of the fence

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whom I ordered the men to
double-quick to the cedar thicket
to which they again rallied and
covered the retreat of our piece
of Goodspeed's Battery. Here I
learned that my first reserve
companies under the command
of Capt. Cady senior captain
had charged front forward
on 7th company and had held
their ground until the regiment
on their left gave away when
they were forced to abandon
their position. They retired in
good order for some distance
when the rush of stragglers
through the line caused some
confusion. Seeing our colors

at a distance I ordered the
skirmishers to fall back and
join them. I met Col. Gibson
(49th Ohio) near this point and we
selected a point in which we
would rally our two regiments
but ignorant of the topography of
the country and the operations
of our cavalry then we so far
to the right as to separate me
from Col. Gibson and involve
me in difficulty with the
rebel cavalry which was
swarming on our flank.
The division train being threatened
I rallied as soon as pos-
sible for its support and ex-
corted it safely to the Nashville

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Peter. At this point both myself
and the officers of the regiment
attempted to file the regiment
to the right and join the center
of the army but at that time
the panic was at its height on
the road and our men were
swept away by the tide leaving
but a handful of men and
officers. With these I at last
after a fight of 9 hours duration
joined Genl. Johnson in rear
of the center of our army.
Had I been acquainted with
the topography of the country
I might perhaps have saved
more men but here after some
elapseds and I had no orders

and I did not know where
to direct my line of retreat.
Every obstacle, thicket or fence
was taken advantage of and
at no time was the fire re-
laxed on our side. Our loss
was terrible. We had 31 killed
including 1 Lieut. 18 wounded
including 2 Lieuts and 231
missing including 1 Captain
and 2 Lieut. Of these reported
to be missing I have reason
to believe that an any were
wounded and made prison-
ers of war. How well the
regiment fought let the
above fearful list tell.
Over 30 left behind the fence.

while opposed to ten times their number yet no man left his post until ordered. Lieut. Noah Act. Adjt. fell here. No true gentlemen - no better soldier or braver man belongs to the great patriot army and he fell at his post doing his duty. He is no longer with us but his name is in his country's history and his memory is enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him well. Lieut. Leavell also was wounded while in the discharge of his duty as a brave man and a good officer. Most of the company officers

did their duty manfully. I am under obligations to Captains McCoy, Cady, M. Colclaw and Graham and Lieuts. First Starbuck, Mitchell, Clark, Kea, Hamilton and Scott for efficient and timely aid. Of Capt. Thomas Herring Act. Maj. I cannot say too much in his praise. He was always at his post brave and cool aiding here in rallying men and there in directing the fire of others where it would be most efficient. The desires will of his regiment and country. Private James Gray of Co. E. also did more than his duty. Serjts.

At. Jenkins, J. L. Benham, Brier, J. Carriere, Buglers - Noah Downs and Sam Wilkins and Private Wm. Molikun are also worthy of honorable mention. Assistant Surgeon Gray did everything mortal man could do in caring for the wounded and merits the deepest gratitude of the regiment and friends of the wounded. On Jan 1st 1863 the 49th Ohio and 39th Ind. were consolidated and at the request of Col. Gibson commanding brigade and the request of the officers of the 49th Ohio I assumed command of the two. My command

look part in all the maneuvering of the right wing and also in the general charge of the brigade on the evening of Jan 2nd 1863. In this charge the men were in excellent spirits and more in the history of the two regiments would they have fought with greater desperation had the enemy made a decided stand. Three (3) men of the 49th Ohio were wounded by shells thrown from the enemy's batteries. My thanks are due Capt. Hays, Gray, Jas. Lyke and Lieuts. Kessler and Adjt. Horton of the 49th Ohio

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Their untiring energy and
zeal roused the drooping
spirits of their men and
brought enthusiasm out
of despondency.

Very respectfully
Gilder. E. Jones
Lieut. Colonel
Comdg. 37th I. V.

January 1st 1863

Lieut. Col. Jones with a remnant
out of the regiment has united
his boys with the remainder of
the 49th Ohio Vols. and commands
the whole. Col. Gibson of the 119th
commands the brigade.

- Co. A of our old regiment has
but one officer present
- Co. B has none
- Co. C " "
- Co. D " two officers present
- " E lost none
- " F " one
- " G lost none
- " H " "
- " I " "
- " K " "

Capt. Graham has 53 men
under his command now
they are the remnants of
4 companies A. C. E. and H.

Our boys have moved to the
front and are now ready for
action again.

I have been on horseback
all day getting the stragglers
of our regiment together.

Another stampede occurred
today but was stopped promptly.

There has been fighting all
day

January 2nd 1863

Our men hold their own on
the line yet. Our boys took
a good many prisoners

today. Our boys were in the
charge under the night in which
we drove the rebels back and
captured a whole battery of
artillery. Regiment lay on
the line all night. - hundreds
of shells passed over us but
only 4 men were hurt.

3^d

I am tired of riding so I
turned my horse over to Lieut.
Scott Det. Adjt. for a while.

Heavy skirmishing all day.
About dark our entire army
commenced an attack and after
fighting for two hours drove
the enemy back and took a
rifle pit from them.

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Rained all night.

Our army's loss is terrible so far. This makes 7 days since we pushed out from camp and we have had fighting every day.

This is the 4th day on the line.

5th

All quiet this morning.

Later - The rebels have vacated Musfussboro and are on the retreat.

In the afternoon I went over with Col. Jones and Capt. Hering and some 30 of our regiment over to our battle ground of Dec. 31st 1862. We found a

great many of our dead lying in the field of battle and we gathered them together and built a rail fence around them and tomorrow there will be sent out some men to bury them.

6th

Col. Jones, Capt. Stevenson, Lieut. Foote and myself went over on horseback to the different hospitals to see and learn the names of our wounded.

I saw some of our company (26) except John M. Keller, James Loosby, William Todd and James Green.

Serjt. William Todd was shot through the neck and has a wound which may kill him although I hope it will not.

Corp. James Stone was shot twice - once through his thigh and once in the leg. He will get well if he gets good treatment.

Corp. James Loosby was shot through the head and when I saw him he did not know anything. He did not recognize me at all.

I hope he will get well although I doubt it. Private John M. Keller was

shot through his left breast and was in good spirits although the doctor thinks he will die.

Lieut. Brad Uel. Adfl. went to Washville today - he cannot live but few hours.

7th

In the afternoon we moved through Musfussboro and out to the Shelbyville pike about 4 miles where we camped.

Our boys went on picket immediately.

8th

Rained all day.

Our camp is about six inches deep of black mud.

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9th

I see Rosecrans has given
an order (General order No. 1)
refusing to parole rebel offi-
cers until they (the rebels)
parole ours.

I wrote home today.
I got 3 letters this evening
1 from home, 1 from Chailey
Randall and 1 from George
Geiling

10th

In the afternoon the regiment
went on a reconnaissance but
came back in the evening
safe seeing nothing out
of the way.

11th

We moved our camp this
morning over beyond the
rail-road to our left distance
about 1 mile.

12th

All quiet here -
I have had more writing
to do lately than I ever had
before - there being no adjutant
here and Supt. Maj. Mills
is captured.

13th

The regiment went foraging
and had no trouble in procu-
ring what forage was wanted.

14th Aug 14th

Raining all the time.

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16th

The regiment went for picket
this morning at 7 o'clock.

17th

Regiment returned from
picket duty.

Business at the depot
to be completed. I had
578 more to be done
and sent for boxes
to be sent to depot and
to be put on train.

18th

A train started for Annapolis
this morning to get provisions.
Not much to do today.
P.M. raining -

I received a letter from
Miss M. G. today.

19th

Nothing to report
Made out my monthly
report to day and sent
it in to Brig. Ad. Gen.
Answered the letter of
Miss M. G.

21st

Very little writing to
do. Rained all night.

22nd

Regiment - 2d Brigade
went on foraging under
the command of Lt. Col.
G. L. Jones. 31st J. G.

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Regiment returned from foraging getting all they wanted & within sight of the enemy. Some of the boys brought in a couple of young hogs for the benefit of the company.

23rd Aug 21st

Usual routine of duty at the adjutants. Rained in wet all day. We received a new flag this evening and Col. Jones had the boys to fall in lines - hold up their right hands - after taking of their hats and swear - that never

should a rebel's hands desecrate that flag until they had passed over the dead man of the 39th Inds.

25th

Boys went on picket at 7 a.m.

26th

Regiment returned from picket this morning.

Capt. Keating led & now commands the regiment and Lt. Col. Jones commands the brigade.

Rained all night and today morning it began to snow.

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24th

Our brigade again went on picket this morning. Showed snow all forenoon and yet it is not cold at all - only unpleasant under foot as it is so muddy.

28th

Regiment returned from Picket to day.

29th

Nothing unusual.

30th

Lt. James S. Rea started for Indiana today on a 20 days leave of absence in order to return soon

absent to the regiment.

31st

All of the regiment except those who went foraging went to work on the fortifications below "Blue Cross" and above "Stone River".

I got a letter from home last night.

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a letter from home. The boys were on the picket line. Nothing occurred to day.

Regiment went on picket this P.M. & made out some monthly returns for the regt.

I got a letter from home
he is all OK.

17th 170 170 3^d
Adj. Gortner and Lt. Butler
came back to day from
Indiana - they look well.

It is fine had a
time and a half with
"Langford" ...
... ..

Regiment went for
... ..
did not return till after
dark - skirmished all
day - No loss on the
brigade & wounded.
Rebel loss unknown.

5th
Snowed considerable today
but as the ground was wet
it did not lay long.

I received a letter from
W.H. O today all OK.

6th
Regiment went to work
on the fortifications to
day.

James Gordon Drumer
and James Lean returned
to the company to day.

Regt returned after
dark.
John Lee came back
to day from Indiana.

7th
Regiment went on picket

8th
Regiment returned
from picket duty.

9th
Regiment went for-
aging - Returned at
dark.

10th
Usual routine & duty.
Got orders to make out
the pay rolls for two
months September and
October.

11th
Regiment went on picket
at 7 o'clock A.M.

12th
Regiment returned from
Picket duty.

13th
Regiment went foraging
and returned safe.

14th
Made out Pay Rolls.

15th
Regiment went on picket.

16th
Regiment returned from
picket.

17th
Rained all day.

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Got a letter from Howell said the letter \$5.00
 18th Capt. Lyon
 Raining — \$30.00 to send home for
 Regiment went forage-
 ing at 7 1/2 o'clk
 Returned about two hours
 after dark, all OK
 Wilkes was injured &
 turned to day
 (Brewster) Sp...
 to day
 20th
 21st
 22nd
 23rd
 24th
 25th
 26th
 27th
 28th
 29th
 30th

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12 o'clk P.M. very hard
 8th quality
 The regiment and brig-
 ade went down the
 Salem Pike and had
 a considerable fight
 with the "rebs" killing
 several and wound-
 ing some.
 Our loss was two
 wounded
 Regiment returned
 at the evening of
 the 7th
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 9th
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9th
We got marching orders
to day and we struck
tents & packed our wagons
and after waiting
till noon. The orders
were countermanded
and we pitched our
tents again.

10th
Regiment went on
picket at 9 o'clock a.m.
Rained most all day.

11th
Regiment returned
from picket.
Two hundred head of
our horses came to day.

also Capt Gordon (K)
with a few recruits.

12th
Regiment went on
picket at 7 1/2 o'clock
I rode out to the
picket line and
afterwards went
down to Murfreesboro
after Col. Jones but
he did not come.
230 more horses
came to day.

13th
Regiment returned from
picket.
One third of the regiment

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went on picket this
morning.

225 more horses
came to day.

I went to Murfreesboro
and all through the
Army most hunting
for the 57th Indi^a Vols
found it after riding
about 15 miles and
got a pair of boots
that Father sent me.

Fine weather
15th

Regiment returned
from picket.

16th
Sergt. W^m Todd came

back to the company
to-day.

Billy looks well as
could be expected as
the wound he received
was a severe one.

17th
There was a stampede
among the horse to-day
about 200 got away
most of them have been
got back.

18th
Moved our camp to-day
just back of Murfreesboro
Had a gay time some
of the boys till about 12 o'clock
P.M.

18th

20th

200 horses came to-day.
There was a general
review of the 2^d Div.
to-day by Genl. Rosecrans
in person. The boys
presented a fine appear-
ance.

I got one a horse
to-day from out of
the lot we have on hand.
I call him "Calico" from
his appearance but he
rides splendid.

21st

The brigade went on
picked or rather out-
post duty for the
old Rosey in the morn.

rebels have come
up to our lines and
bother us some.

Our regiment was
excused on account
of our horses.

Lt. Rea and Norvell
came back to day.
Lt. Rea is appointed
as 1st Lt. in Co. "G."
and Norvell takes
his place as 1st Lt.
Co. "F".

James Chapen who
was Commissary Serjt-
is now 1st Lt. Co. "G".
Leavell being Capt
Co. "G".

22nd

We got 4 recruits
to day.

23rd

Col. Jones borrowed 175
saddles and bridles
to day until we can
get four new ones.

Richard Garrity is
appointed Com. Serjt.

24th

Rained all day.

I saw John H. Blizel
from Madison to day.
He came out on the cars
with Capt. McLellan of
the 6th Ind. and I believe
his intention is to get a

situation as citizen-clerk.

Our horses were divided
out to day. Our company
got all "bays" except
one and I got to
keep my old "spot"
as I liked him best.

26th

Doctors came to night
taking Lt. Col. Jones
away from the regiment
and putting him in
command of the "Roll
of Honor" of our division.

I would rather see
half the officers of the
regiment go away than
Col. Jones. for he is

Officer (and) a Gentleman
and that is more than
half of those who wear
shoulder straps and.

27th

The boys are getting all
their horses branded (39)
on the right hind leg. I
guess we will have all
the stray horses in the
State branded (39) in a
few days.

Rained very hard
all night.

28th

Gen. Denton got a furlough
for 20 days to day.
He goes home next

Wednesday
30th

There will be a general
Review at 10 o'clock P.M.

There was a review of
the Brigade at 1 o'clock P.M.
by Genl. Rosecrans in person.
My horse fell with me
today and bruised me
considerable.

31st

Nothing unusual

April 1st 1863

Gen. Denton went home today
on a 20 day furlough

2^d

Col. Harrison returned
today - He brought

us a new flag and
a banner with "Shiloh"
"Bridgeport" (and) "Stone River"
inscribed on it. Also
some quinine for each
company.

I have got my monthly
returns all made out
and handed in triplicate.

3^d

St. Col. Jones left the
regiment today and
takes command of
the "Roll of Honor" of
the division.

4th

Left the regiment with
St. Col. Jones and Doc

Gen. and Sqrts. Gorr
and Jackson for Nashville
reached here about
4 o'clock - put up at the
St. Cloud Hotel.

5th

Got on the cars and
went to Louisville. Ky
put up at the "Galt-
House."

6th

Crossed the river and
took the train for Indi-
anapolis - I got off
at Seymour and took
the O and M rail road
and reached Vincennes
at 7 o'clock P.M.

ALMANAC FOR 1863.

NOVEMBER.

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter, 3d. 10h. 38m. M.
New Moon, 11d. 3h. 3m. M.
First Quarter, 17d. 10h. 5m. A.
Full Moon, 25d. 4h. 5m. M.

DECEMBER.

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter, 3d. 7h. 18m. M.
New Moon, 10d. 3h. 27m. A.
First Quarter, 17d. 6h. 50m. M.
Full Moon, 24d. 9h. 34m. A.

D of M	D of W	Sun R & S h m	Moon rises h m	High Water h m	D of M	D of W	Sun R & S h m	Moon rises h m	High Water h m
1	Su	6 30	9 49	3 1	1	Tu	7 4	10 30	3 12
2	Mo	4 56	10 46	3 46	2	We	4 33	11 28	3 54
3	Tu	6 22	11 43	4 24	3	Th	7 6	morn	4 38
4	We	4 53	morn	5 25	4	Fr	4 33	0 26	5 28
5	Th	6 35	0 41	6 18	5	Sa	7 8	1 25	6 20
6	Fr	4 51	1 39	7 10	6	Su	4 33	2 27	7 15
7	Sa	6 37	2 33	8 1	7	Mo	7 10	3 31	8 12
8	Su	4 49	3 40	8 51	8	Tu	4 33	4 37	9 8
9	Mo	6 39	4 45	9 39	9	We	7 12	5 43	10 4
10	Tu	4 47	5 52	10 29	10	Th	4 33	6 49	10 59
11	We	6 42	sets	11 17	11	Fr	7 14	sets	11 51
12	Th	4 45	5 50	.....	12	Sa	4 33	6 56	0 16
13	Fr	6 44	6 55	0 29	13	Su	7 15	8 9	1 9
14	Sa	4 43	8 2	1 21	14	Mo	4 34	9 22	2 0
15	Su	6 46	9 13	2 13	15	Tu	7 17	10 33	2 50
16	Mo	4 42	10 23	3 5	16	We	4 34	11 42	3 40
17	Tu	6 49	11 33	4 0	17	Th	7 18	morn	4 34
18	We	4 40	morn	4 58	18	Fr	4 35	0 49	5 30
19	Th	6 51	0 42	6 0	19	Sa	7 20	1 54	6 29
20	Fr	4 39	1 48	6 58	20	Su	4 35	2 58	7 28
21	Sa	6 54	2 55	7 57	21	Mo	7 21	4 1	8 26
22	Su	4 33	4 1	8 52	22	Tu	4 37	5 0	9 20
23	Mo	6 56	5 6	9 44	23	We	7 22	5 56	10 11
24	Tu	4 37	6 10	10 33	24	Th	4 37	6 46	10 59
25	We	6 58	rises	11 20	25	Fr	7 22	rises	11 40
26	Th	4 36	5 49	.....	26	Sa	4 39	6 26	0 1
27	Fr	7 0	6 42	0 23	27	Su	7 23	7 22	0 42
28	Sa	4 35	7 33	1 7	28	Mo	4 40	8 19	1 21
29	Su	7 2	8 25	1 50	29	Tu	7 24	9 17	1 59
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1863.

Lieut. Col. Jones with the remnant of our regiment has united with the 49th Ohio and commands both. Col. Gibson of the 49th O.V. commands the brigade. Co. A of our regiment has but 1 officer present. Co. B and C none at all. Co. D 2 present. Co. E and G one each. Co. F 2 present and K two. Capt. Graham has 4 Co's under his command numbering but 53 men (S. L. E. & A). Another stampede occurred to day but was stopped at once. Fighting all day.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1863.

Our men hold their own on the line yet. Our boys took a considerable number of prisoners to day. Our boys were in the charge made to night and we drove the "rebs" back to the point of the bayonet capturing our whole battery. We lay on the line all night hundreds of shells passed over us but only 4 hurt.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 1863.

I turned my horse over to Lieut. Scott C. S. Acting Adjutant. Heavy skirmishing all day. About dark our center commenced an attack and after heavy fighting for two hours drove the "rebs" back and took possession of one of their rifle pits. Rained all day and night. Our Army's loss is terrible this makes 8 days since we commenced skirmishing and 4 days on the line.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 1863.

Heavy skirmishing all day along the front.

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1863.

The rebels have vacated Manassas and are on the retreat.

In the afternoon I went over with Lt. Col. Jones and Capt. Herring with some 30 of our regiment's over to our battle ground of Dec. 31, 1862. We found a good many of our dead - they have been gathered together and tomorrow will be buried. I saw Billy Todd up at one of the negro homes used as a hospital. He may recover but I think it is doubtful.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1863.

Lt. Col. Jones, Capt. Stevens and Lt. Forte and myself went over to the different hospitals on horseback to see our wounded boys. I saw none of our company except John Keller, James Coyle, William Todd and James Gore. They are all wounded severely and the chances of recovery are against them. Lt. Neal of Co. B. and Act. Adjt. want to push on to day in a ambulance. He cannot live more than 24 hours at the furthest.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1863.

We moved through Manassas and out on the Shelbyville pike about 4 miles where we pitched tents. Regiment went on picket immediately.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1863.

Boys returned from picket.
Rained all day.
very muddy.

This is "Camp Sill".

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1863.

Rosecrans has issued an
order refusing to parole
rebel officers until they
parole ours.

Got 3 letters this evening
One from home. One from
Charley Randall and one
from George Seiling.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 1863.

Regiment went out on
a reconnoissance -
returned safe seeing
nothing out of the way.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 1863.

Moved camp this morning
about one mile to the
left and close by the
rail-road.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1863.

All quiet here—
I have had more
writing to do than I
ever had before as the
Adjutant is not here
and the Supt. Major is
captured.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1863.

Regiment went foraging
got all the wagons loaded
and returned safe.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1863.

Usual routine of duty
in the office.
Rained all day.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1863.

Still raining.

28 DECEMBER

28 DECEMBER

Our brigade ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}
and ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}
but ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}
captured but ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}

The ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}
are impassible.
Rained all day.

29 DECEMBER

Turned around today and
retraced our way ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line}
where we ~~turned~~ ^{turned} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~right~~ ^{right}
and marched over to ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~position~~ ^{position}
on ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~right~~ ^{right} ~~wing~~ ^{wing}.

7th Penn. Cav. had a fight
today with the rebels - lost about
40 including 3 Majors.
Rained all day.

30 DECEMBER

Heavy skirmishing all day - drove the
enemy before us and took our place
on the extreme right.

Genl. Johnson is base - He has
placed us here in front and parked
our artillery - not a single gun
in position.

31 DECEMBER

31 DECEMBER

About daylight the enemy moved
on our extreme right in Mass
and not having a single gun
in position - they had it all their
own way. After a short resistance
and after standing a cross fire
our whole division broke and then
became almost a panic - every man
trying to get to the Harpersboro Pike.

The centre and left held their ground
but we lost all of ours. The rebel
cavalry came in on rear and
killed and captured most all
of our men. They followed us to
the Pike and captured the balance
of our boys and also the Colors
But the 4th Reg. Cav. and the 4th
D.V. Cav. dashed in and run
the rebels releasing us and recover-
ing our colors which they have now.

Our regiment numbers but 120
and one company (H) 12.

The 49th is a little larger and
the 31st is about the size of both
all of our men are killed wounded
or captured. Sgt. Cook is killed
and John Fisher, Fred Weidman.

Mick Ketter, Leo Ketter, Duncan
Corse, Jerry Hunt are all shot and
on the Rebels hands - but whether they
are mortally wounded or not I do
not know and I do not know how
many more are killed or wounded.
2^o Lieut. Neal of Co. B. was getting ahead
and was shot in the first few girls
and killed.

Lieut. Willich is taken prisoner and
Lieut. Sill is killed.

Lt. Col. Drake of the 49th O.V. is
dead and Maj. Porter of the same
regiment is wounded.

Billy Todd when shot called for
the Capt. and when placed again
a tree he told the boys to save them-
selves as he would die. He was

shot through the head near the temple.
John Fisher was shot through the nose
I believe but am not certain.

I myself got off safe - I had the
Chaplain's horse and I led him
through our lines and across
the field that our boys were on
and mounted him and went
to Col. Litsow of the 49th O.V. is

CASH ACCOUNT - JANUARY.

Date

Recd.

Paid

Dec 27th 1862

As we drove the enemy slowly
before us to day a terrible
incident took place.

Maj. Wiggins of the 7th Penn
Vol. Cavalry was pursuing a
column of rebels - and having
a good horse under him he
left his command some way
on the rear. Lacking up to
a Lieutenant (rebel) he (Major)
demanded him to surrender.
The Lt. about faced and with
the same for the Major.

Maj. W. struck at the Lt.
with his sabre and broke it
over the Lt's carbine. The Lt.
then raised his carbine and
would have shot Maj. W. had
not the gun refused to go
off. Maj. W. jumped up
and took the carbine
and held it in the air when
the Lt. hit him on the chest
with his carbine. The Lt. was
away. They took Wiggins and

CASH ACCOUNT.—FEBRUARY.

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
<p>Mar. 11. after getting a black eye and bruised face on side the rebel gun up: just at this time some of our men came up and took the rebels over to the General's Wtd. Qrs.</p> <p>In the afternoon as Mar. 11. was riding past the Genl. Wtd. Qrs. the General called him to him and asked him if he had taken the Lieutenant's prisoner.</p> <p>The Lieut. was close by and walking up said: Yes that is the man and he is the only man that ever could handle me yet—but Major (says he is Lymer's) you did me a mean trick you hit my finger most off when you had me down. Oh! that is nothing says Mar. 11. you should not have struck me with that shot-gun of yours, when I had nothing myself having broken my sabre over your gun—but it all right now.</p>		

CASH ACCOUNT.—MARCH.

Date.	Dec. 31 st (continued)	Paid.
<p>the Murfreesboro Pike: My horse was shot and my knapsack was cut off of one by the rebel balls. Our boys lost everything they had on the slope of knapsacks and stamracks.</p> <p>I saw one of Col. Jones' boys who had 3 shells in his knapsack and not one of them touched him. The boys' coats have pants are full of bullet holes. My hat has one hole through it.</p> <p>A regular stampede occurred on the W. Pike. Wagons and straglers all going towards Nashville. But the 11th and 12th Regts. formed a line and drove them back at the point of the bayonet.</p> <p>The rebels got a large party on our rear at La Vergne and burnt the trains of wagons that were on the way to Nashville.</p> <p>Col. Jones shot 3 rebel cavalry with his revolver while going to the pipe.</p> <p>We saved but two pieces of artillery out of both batteries, annihilating 12 pieces.</p>		

CASH ACCOUNT—MAY

Date Jan. 1st 1863. Rec'd. Paid.

St. Col. Jones with a remnant of the regiment has united his boys with the remainder of the 49th Or. and commands the whole. Col. Gibson of the 49th commands the brigade. Co. A of our old regiment has but one officer and 13 men.

Co. B has no officer present.

Co. C has none present.

Co. D lost none of their officers.

Co. E has one officer present.

Co. F has one

Co. G has one

Co. I has two

Co. H lost none.

Co. K lost none.

Capt. Graham has 53 men under his commands now. They are the balance of 4 companies (A.C.E.H).

Our boys moved to the front and are now ready for action again.

I have been on horseback all day getting the stragglers of our regiment together. Another stampede occurred to day but was stopped promptly. There has been

CASH ACCOUNT—MAY

Date Rec'd. Paid.

heavy fighting all day.

Jan. 2nd 1863

Our men hold their own on the line yet. took a good many prisoners to day. Our boys lay all night on the line. - rebels throwing shells all the time.

Captured some 6 guns to day. rained most of all day.

Jan. 3rd 1863

I am tired of riding - gave my horse and all to St. Scott of our regiment - who is acting adjutant.

Heavy skirmishing all day.

About dark our center commenced an attack and after fighting for 2 hours in the dark drove the enemy back a piece and took a rifle pit from them.

Our army's loss is terrible so far. rained all night.

This makes 8 days since we pushed out from camp and we have skirmishes and fought every day.

This is the 4th day of fighting on the line.

CASH ACCOUNT—JUNE.

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
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Jan. 5th 1863

On quiet this morning. Later
The rebels have vacated Memphis.
I went with Col Jones and Capt. Cain
Herring and some 30 of our
men over to our battle ground
of Dec. 31st 1862.

We found a good many of
our dead laying on the field.
We gathered them together and
tomorrow will bury them.

6th
Lt. S. E. Capt. Stetson, Col Jones
and myself went over on horses to
see our wounded in the different
Hospitals.

I saw none of our company except
John M. Kreller—who is shot through
his left breast and I fear will die.
James Cosby who is shot through
the head and is out of his head
not knowing his most intimate
friends. He will die I expect.

Wm. Ladd—shot through the neck
he may get well.

Jas. Gore—shot through thigh

CASH ACCOUNT—JULY.

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
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and leg. - Will get well if he
gets good treatment.

Adlt. Neal went to Nashville
to day - he will die.
Was shot in the head.

7th

In the afternoon we moved
through Memphis and
out the Shelbyville pike about
40 miles where we camped.
Our boys went on picket
duty.

Rained all day

8th

I see Rosecrans has given
an order not to parole
or exchange officers
until the "reb's" exchange
ours.

Since home
Got three letters this evening
one from home and one
from C. R. and one G. C.

CASH ACCOUNT.—AUGUST.

Date.

Rec'd.

Paid.

Jan. 10th

In the afternoon the regiment
went on a reconnaissance
Came back safe

11th

Moved camp to day to
about 1 mile to our left.
Very busy all day at the
office.

12th

Regiment quiet.

13th

Regiment went foraging.
Had no trouble procuring what
forage was wanted.

14th

Rained all day and night.

15th

Rained all day.

CASH ACCOUNT.—SEPTEMBER.

Date.

Rec'd.

Paid.