Saturday Dec 21 1861
Cold day quite change from yesterday, commenced snowing at dark, got four letters one from mother, one from Dr. S. I. one from Mrs. Maling, one from Mr. Batch. Read them and kept busy in letters.

Sabbath Dec 22

Snowing quite cold today, read my letters over again and answered 3 of them. went to church parade at 3 P.M. rather disagreeable. note out after supper, 7:30 dead meeting in town. I felt very well.
Monday 22-23 1st
Snow about 2 & hundred &
very pleasant day,
Went to School &finished
reading a book given by my Parents.
Took a Lead in a day
Two & Black.

Tuesday Dec 24th
Was detailed for guard &
work & snowing so
much snow that we
were excused from church.
Went to work at our school &
Some one man shantoned &
affairs begun to fight
Begat about half of an
Chances.

0 S. 6 March
West Sunday Dec 25

Washed all the dishes after Christmas dinner. Served punch.

Sent a letter from N. Nelson heard from home all well.

Helped nail the front house flag. Worked on our flag.

Got more horse shoewing.

Came in for dinner.

Road guard over the horses from 6 P.M. to 12 M. had a good chance.

Think of the Lord.

Thought a great deal of what Praise during the year ago.

All somewhat change. God help us all. Amen.

In good health as possible.
Thursday 26th

Very cold and snowing a little.

Rode to water on horses without a saddle, and led another of the company.

Worked in the Stables and wash room.

Wore men bearded in and any regiments, except one company, in the March very good.

Feel as much like serving God & doing my duty as ever.

Tuesday Dec 27th

Beautiful day for winter.

Worked as usual.

Dined at the table and worked as usual.

Wednesday 28th

Weather changed, and snowing.
Saturday Dec 28th

Very pleasant day. Saw Mr. Rice. Raised the flag. Worked on the mill. Received a letter from George McLaughlin one farm over. Mr. Service. Read pistols. School gathering. Read a letter from home.

Salvation Dec 29th

Went and bought a horse at 100. Went and preached at Brown. Heard a good sermon. Wrote to Mary Brown. Was at meeting in our church. And at night good meeting held quite well. Beautiful day tomorrow.
Monday Dec 30th

Mr. Davidson called this morning and say we should march to Town after dinner. Saw his camps and a few homes.

Over Sunday. Made B obelie. Read some of my old letters or wrote some good letter. Feel quite well.

Tuesday Dec 31st 1861

Very fine warm day. We were marched in from our prize dug in good ground. Spent the night and called on Dr. Holmes. Bought a bunch of apples. Exchanged a letter from Mr. Patterson to Mr. Thomas.
Wrote a Letter to Levi.

January 2nd 1862

Washed all the boys' clothes for New Year.

Signed the flag in the name.

Answered the 2 P.M. letter that P. received last night.

A good spirit and feel very well.

Very cold day, promised to have P. work over next night for this year than I did during the last.
Thursday Jan 2nd
Snowed all day and got cold. Feel very well.

Commenced Thanksgiving of the Regimental guardsman's house.

Regulating our various aunts. Enjoyed myself.

Friday Jan 3rd
Commenced skiing last night and has continued all day. gun Robert goes after finished reading a book. In bed. The young farmers like it very well. Received a new furnishing from P. Morgan.

Feel in good spirit.

Quite an interesting discussion.
Saturday Jan. 14th.

Very fine day and feeling well, quite buoyant.

Pay master came down also J.P. Guinnell.

Saw him get the present of a new gun.

Sabbath Jan. 5th.

Very in my day, very quiet and deep.

Went to town in evening, Mr. J.P. Guinnell preached.

Wrote a letter home.

Mr. J.P. Guinnell preached in our church at night.

A very good sermon. I feel as much as ever like doing my duty. In good spirits.
Monday Jan 13
Snowed Some, The snow is about 1/2 inches. Orion and Rétty, Left news for Friesd
er, spirits and am getting along fine. Mr. Jeff. On 3 days earlier

Tuesday Jan 14
Very fine day, fine weather. Settled letter from P. W. Written 3 letters for them.
Glad to hear that they were well. Answered not and done several little things.

Wednesday Jan 15
Marched up to town and got any thing. Paid Mr. Copi
for some clothes, The Deas got and The weak man for washing.
Paid an ask for washing for the last month. Died well and is good
Wednesday Jan 8th
Rained a little in the morning; quite a rainy day. Andrew milled some. Wrote a letter to D. C. McLoughlin.
A. N. Nelson and one A. D. McPherson. Received a letter from A. N. Nelson.

Thursday Jan 9th
Cloudy and stormed a little but quite warm. Went to town and got my washing & some candles a pair mules and pair suspenders. Took a bath and fell ill. Commenced taking care of D. C. home. Lead the prayer meeting and fell very well. Good meeting.

Made a letter to D. C. H.
Tuesday Jan 10th
Very cold day. Indeed.
Wrote a letter to L. A. H.
Bought one dollar worth of
postage stamps.
Was appointed to see for our
Literary Society. Made a speech
short speech before the meeting.
Recieved a letter from Uncle
J. Craven. 1 from my mother. 1 from
my Father, 1 from W. J. Y. and 1 from
Alice O'Mary. Hanubel.
Saturday Jan 11th.
A cold and dry day. Wore a
great coat in the Post Office.
My friends came down
to see me. Was not
Glad to see them.
Also Levi O'Mary. Hanubel.
Was very glad to see them.
Went to town and spent the evening with my folks. My father came home & slept with me.

Sabbath Jan 12th
Went to town with my father. Then we all went to church at Ansbury Chapel. An awful cold day & took dinner at the Hotel. Then we all came & camped & laid a short time and went to Mr. Swan's and my folks. Laid all night. We had prayer meeting my father was with us. Next I very well & left which went back to Mr. Swan & slept a sound
Monday Jan 18th

We met at Mrs. Simpson's. I see no post, and my name's Jack. I write with one, and we went. I went to shop for the all of the branches, and they were fine. I went to town and we got my letters taken from, and after which we went to The Prince Regent and went all through, and enjoyed ourselves well. I bought some flags to send home. The children wanted to get a punch, I got home with my folks, could not go. The evening with my folks I spent. Then went to
Tuesday Jan 14 71
Got up early and wrote to Mr. D. Aunt Jane Hopkins.
My parents & L & M. Hamilton
started for home early and
came with our barnack and,
waited a few minutes. Then I
said farewell and fell to
and some lonesome all day.
Arriving tonight quite fast.
Wrote a letter to F. P. V.
Commenced taking care of
Adlington's horse.

Wednesday Jan 15 71
Cold day. Received a letter
from B. B. Raff and arrived
Tell a little dull person
came. Get in good spirits.
Thursday Jan 16th
Cold day snowed some
Received a letter from P. W. Vanwinkle P. M. came
answered them
Saw a meeting in our candle
Friday Jan 17th
Monday for writing
I was on guard snowed some
Sat a letter from E. Thomas
one from L. G. S. and one
from John Bower all well
Capt and some of the boys got
Back from home
Sat a letter from Aunt J. E.
Saturday Jan 18th
Snowed all day and was
very cold. I went to room
and got my chen.icher
Captain gave me a furlough.

Set out overseas.

Received a letter from home and one from B. W. Nelson,
Commander B. W. Nelson.

So forth Jan 19th.

Dined all day nearby.

Went to a tent over there with the horses. The regiment was inspected for the first time.

Got my Zebra jacket, and tried to get my furlough signed, but could not.

Went to town at night to meeting of Etting chapel.

Wrote a letter home.
Monday Jan 20th
Marin day, had to feed horses.
Write letter to S. L. O.
and one to Eva Thomas.
Sent a paper to my Father.

Tuesday Jan 21st
Marin day. One of our boys
died at 1 o'clock. The man
was buried at 11 o'clock. The
funeral service was.
I went to the building, had
walking. The name
was D. M. Savage.

Wednesday Jan 22nd
Wrote letter to Aunt Jane. No letter
replied. Had a good day.
Meeting. Felt well.
Wednesday Jan 22nd
Warm day, went to stream
river to help water horses.
Went to Brown's house a
sick horse, got some candles.
Wrote a letter to T. Brown

Thursday Jan 23rd
Wish Lysey's had helped the cook.
Received a letter from Mr. F.
Morgan. Went over to
Mr. Evans and stayed a short
while, got some apples.
Rev. Evans preached a
good sermon from John.

Friday Jan 24th
Snowed another day, but got
very cold during the night.
Was on guard, had a
Monday Jan 27th
Stomach a little as always
Nothing of interest given us
Got a letter from John Thomas

Tuesday Jan 28th
Very fine day, had our horses assigned us
Went to town to see the sick boys in the hospital
Went to see Mr. Allen in town and got some of water
Received a letter from A. Nelson, are fromhome
Arrived at A. Nelson's

Wednesday Jan 29th
Very cold day, wrote letters to O. Hamilton, one to Mr. Morgan, one to E. Thomas
Thursday Jan 30th
Very cold day, was angina, and caught a bad cold. Received a letter from Geo. A. Slaugham.

Friday Jan 31st
Cold day, felt bad after being angina, almost sick. Received a letter from him.

Saturday Feb 1st, 1862
Drove a pleasant day for riding. Six hundred of us saddles arrived. Mr. Cooper to his tent to have his tent made. Made a letter to Geo. He and one to my Parents. Feel a little better than on last night.
Sunday Feb 2nd

Very cold day indeed

Reported myself and was put on the sick list

fell rather bad all day.

Monday Feb 3rd

Delightful pleasant day.

Field more than on yesterday.

Made a hoe lot in my overcoat and done some other work.

Pleasant day.

50° got 15

saddled and got one.

We reviewed our letters

I got a letter from W.D. Manner and D. Carmichael 12th Dec
Wednesday Feb 5th

Valuable pleasant day.
Received a letter from B. Nelson. Wrote a letter to A. B. Barrows.
Feel quite bad and dull.
Eli Allen went to the hospital.
Wrote a letter to B. Nelson.

Thursday Feb 6th

Felt a little better.
My Father, brothers, and
Mrs. Jane, father, and
Dr. Nelson came to see me. was glad to see them.

Friday morning

Wrote a letter from Mother.

Meeting for our church.
Engaged in work.
Friday Dec 11th
Tolerable cold day.
Enjoyed the company of
my folks very well.
we went over to 
Woden's
in the evening awhile
and feel a little better.

Saturday Dec 8th
Went to the hospital and
Died ten with my folks.
got my likeness taken.
Had a good time today.
Tommy is quite himself today.

Sunday Dec 9th
Sunday morning inspection.
quiet as night feel a little
better. Father went to town
had meeting today and at
night at the farm.
Monday, Feb 10th

Very pleasant day.

Drilled twice on horseback.

Father & Brother went to town in the afternoon.

To get some things.

Rundled up my things round home.

Wrote a letter to Mr. Hanks & told him all.

Tuesday, Feb 11th

My Father & Brother left for home early in the morning.

I feel fairly well and a day.

was detailed to dig some post holes, in the afternoon drilled on horseback.

I fell tired and sleepy.
Wednesday Feb 11th
Drilled twice today.
Received a letter from
George the laughring B
answered it, felt quite well
Want pointed at cook for
Table No. 4.
Received live hares from
home all well at home.

Thursday Feb 13th
Snowed hard last night
and a very cold day has been
Put along with in the
Kitchent had considerable
as fun about cooking.
Commenced taking the daily
Chicago Tribune.
Have thought a great deal
about home since my folks
Tuesday, February 14, 18--
Rect [illegible]. In the evening, a letter from S. L. [illegible], and one from Cousin George, E. Sat along well in the kitchen, and the rest will take my place in the morning.

Wrote a letter to my folks.

Saturday, Feb. 18, 18--

Pleasant day for winter. Wrote a letter to S. L. Went over to Mr. Swan and E. Mr. Shankman's arm is in a warm place. Some milk had a good cup from Dan. Good spirits.
Feb 14th, 1863

Feb 16th
Was out on inspection, very pleasant day. Wrote a letter to my folks. Feeling in good spirits.

Feb 17th
Very pleasant day indeed. Was appointed to stable duties. Received a letter from A. H. Nelson & one from Amanda CHEESEMAN.

Feb 18th
Received a letter from Ellen CHEESEMAN, also one from Amanda & one to Ellen CHEESEMAN.

Feb 18th
Very pleasant day, but rainy. Received a letter from Mother all well. Glad to hear.

Feb 19th
The weather today. Wrote a letter to Mrs. Nelson. Considered it of considerable importance.
Wednesday Feb 16th
Snowed all last night to
Today the snow is about
12 inches deep.
Wrote a letter to Aunt R.
B. Kempson, went to Town
to a concert and to see
the boys in the hospital
Thursday Feb 17th
Lovely pleasant day.
Went to Town to get up
with the sick in hospital
went to see the Chaplain
Wore boots and trunks,
lots of milk and milk.
spent the evening in
reading and spending
The evening pleasantly
and very good spirits
Saturday Feb 21st

The Washers were reviewed this morning.

Saturday Feb 22nd

Warm day and we went to town on horseback. I celebrated my Washington Birthday, good time.

Sunday Feb 23rd

General suspicious that day. Pleasant day and night. Wrote 2 letters of literary meetings at the college, good time.

Monday Feb 24th

Relieved company at Regimental drill today.

Received a letter from George M. Laughter answered tonight.

Tuesday Feb 25th

Inh a pleasant day spent.

Received a letter from J. C. and L. P. C. had an interview.

Died of Sepsis at Menomonie.

Went over to Menomonie.

Went to Menomonie on a military mission and met a great many old friends.

Wednesday Feb 26th

At Pollington Sept for St. Louis.

Pleasant day, received a letter from home.

Told a man in the fight.
Thursday Feb 27th

Quite a pleasant day for winter. Made a letter to Miss D. B. C. B. L. A., Hamilton.

Went to Mr. A. Irons' house, Thursday.

Friday Feb 28th

2nd & 3rd letter left for Home.

Things seem quite lovely.

Received a letter from Levi Hamilton and one from S. J. James, in which he speaks of going folks. Feel very well.

Saturday March 1st 1863

Raining and disagreeable.

Went round to Mr. Swain's house, and the boys came over with Will P. Weat. The company received a letter from Mr. Nelson. Beg in workshop.
Sabbath, March 2nd
Snowed all day and night
Doves argued.

Warm in bed, 80° PM
Chaps to take supper

had a good time.

Went to town with the boys in the evening.

Monday, March 3rd
Left Denver at 240 PM

took the car and started

for St Louis.

changed cars at Lincoln.

Traveled all night.

Tuesday, March 4th

took six horses out and

fed them. Iอาทิส: five

of them went up to town

and called at a hotel.
March 1st
and got a warm dinner left
behind Tromington
at dark and slept till
Wednesday March 2nd
Arrived at New York
about 10 A.M. got aboard
The steamer City of Boston
arrived at 3:30 p.m.
in the afternoons. Second
Headed to the barracks
after dark. Ate a little
cold bread and meat
and went to bed.

Thursday April 6th
Looked around the camp
a little and wrote a
letter to my father and
one to Brother. I was
in good spirits.
Friday March 1st.
Wm. T. Swing.
Write at Lemon J. Sear.
Strong, 4th one P.A.C.
Nelson & one P.S. L. T.
Have a good bath.

Saturday March 2nd.
Wrote a letter to Alix.
Swam. Took a good
bath and felt quite well.
On guard from 9 a.m. to
12 noon.

Sunday March 3rd.
On guard until 3 P.M.
Rainy day. Got mail.
Received a letter from him.
Met a meeting in 'Ol-Ki.'
Noon in the afternoon.
Prayers meeting in our house.
I feel greatly encouraged.
Monday March 10th
Beautiful day indeed
Wrote a letter for Joseph
Got in bed cold, but nothing.

Tuesday March 11th.
Mother is beautiful
Took a good bath, felt well
Wrote a letter to Eilhamilton
Me and my folks. O one.

P. A. C. F., was at meeting.
Ev. A. Bannock, felt well.

We received marching orders.

Wednesday March 12th.
Had a good drill in horse
back, made change.
A man got killed in camp.

Received a letter from George McLaughlin.
Had meeting with them.
Thursday March 13th
Very pleasant day

Wednesday March 14th
Rain all day.

Thursday March 15th
We received some rifles

Friday March 16th
Received a letter from Uncle John Kemp.

Saturday March 17th
Received a letter from R. B. and J. A. Hambleton.

Sunday March 18th
Wrote a letter to Ann R. B. Kempen.
Monday March 17th
Started for Rolla, O.
arrived there at 10 P.M.
was on guard all night.

Tuesday March 18th
Went to Camp Lyon,
left quite unwounded.

Wednesday March 19th
Wrote a letter to my folks
received a rifle.

Thursday March 20th
Started out on a survey expedition at dark,
rode 50 miles over bad roads,

Friday March 21st
formed the 3rd squad from
the 2nd squad.

boat broke loose & went.
down the stream we rode 2 miles to get our breakfast. We fed our horses at a town called Vienna. I was detailed with some troops to stay & guard the mine. I was at guard all night. It rained a little and snowed all the time.

Friday March 21st

I with 8 others took a prisonnier, his name was Back. Snowed nearly all day, we started after some rebels but did not find them. Five of us rode 18 miles mostly
After dark, I see the Capt. D report to him of some rebels. got them at 5 1/2 O'clock. fed our horses and laid down on the soft side of the floor and slept sweetly.

Saturday, March 22nd.
We all waited for bullets after some rebels, but did not find them.
Got dinner at Dr. Latham's.
With three others went 1/2 miles to guard anoad. stayed at Mt. Bridge, Tug. The.

Sunday, March 23rd.
Went to com. mill station.
Stayed all night.
did not seem much like sand Bag. but slept well.
Monday, March 24th

H. L. Reckmart and I made 10 miles to Castle Rock. We arrived there on the Osage. We took dinner at Mr. Piir's, a Vermont family. They had two girls about them. They were all played on the melodica and guitar. They made me think of home.

That night.

Tuesday, March 25th

Took breakfast there. Then we took their names. They were from your home. They were fine folks, at least they seemed...
We rode 15 hours, 50
miles. Stayed all night
at Glen Brighe. The old
Lady called me herpet
and the boy to take good
care of me.

Wednesday, March 26th.
We all started for Pella
a distance of 30 miles.
Got there at 7 P.M.,
Tried our horses out
& cooked a little supper.
Went to town at night.
Received a letter from
home to send word it
had no money but the
Shoe keeper gave me some
paper & envelopes.
Thursday, March 27th

Arrived for Springfield

To join our regiment

7 miles and an ammunition train, we came 13 miles

D encamped for the night

Friday, March 28th

Passed through Waynesville

Left the train and came on several miles, over

1st Sergeant Dick Thornton had to stop

Saturday, March 29th

Through Lebanon, got

some sea bream,

Sunday, March 30th

Arrived at Springfield

Glad to see the boys
again. O they, us.
Monday, March 31st
Received a letter from Mr. Swan & wrote a little.

Tuesday, April 1st
Wrote a letter to my folks.

Wednesday, April 2nd
Washed a lot of clothes.

Thursday, April 3rd
Beautiful day. Did not do much of anything.

Received a letter from Mr. Swan.
Monday, April 11th

Was detailed to go on a scout, but we were not needed, so returned to camp. I laid on camp with our horses saddled ready for action at 4 A.M. we were called out to meet the enemy. We were formed in line of battle and remained so until after noon.

Saturday, April 11th

Was not very well. Went out scouting at night and was out all night; never felt much more sleepy in my life, would fall asleep.

Thursday, April 16th

Was busy this day. Arrived an army wagon and we loaded all our guns.

Nothing more happened Thursday.
Sunday April 6th
Went to town to meet the evening service. Heard a good sermon but was hungry. Seen Mr. Seigle for the first time. Monday April 7
Went to town and had a good hay ride. Tuesday April 8
Wednesday April 9
Nothing happened of much importance.
Thursday April 14th
Traveled all day, and felt very well. Heard children for supper.

Friday April 15th
Rained all day hard we arrived at Perry St about 10. No. had to stretch out tents and do the best we could.

Saturday April 16th
Pleasant day, but not was quite poorly.
Some of the boys went out some fowage to shibe.

Sunday April 17th
Tolry five o'our 00 came down with a curvature in train. Drove my folks to town and parts.
Sunday received a letter from home on from H.G. Stone

Monday April 14th

Was sick all day. A that is awful disagreeable place to be sick for certain.

Tuesday April 15th

Still sick and feeling very bad no appetite to eat.

Wednesday April 16th

All of the cavalry went down the river and left four of Co E to take care of our things and the mule teams and all of us sick.

Thursday April 17th

We packed up and came to our regiment about 3 miles distant.
Friday April 18th
Rained nearly all day
I wrote one letter home
to one D. L. Tennell.

Saturday April 19th
We were ordered to
march early in the morn.
We were called off before
we got our breakfast.
It rained nearly all
day. We got into camp
about dark. I feel a
little better than yesterday.

Sunday April 20th
We resumed the march
early in the morning.
It continued raining.
We had an awful hard
day's march. We were
18th
Lot
Beem
April 191

quite wet & very cold all
day. got into camp a little
cautious than yesterday.
This made me think of home.
Oh! when shall I see next
easter Sunday cannot tell.

Monday April 21st
A very pleasant day. it
makes us feel well.

Private Letter. to Thos Brown
Dr. B. Vanook & Co. sent
of the supplies. by the 3rd

Tuesday April 22nd
We left camp & marched
quite a distance.
I believe not marched
several days & then camped on
Springfield & stayed

P.S. The weather was quite
warm in the morning.
April 27th
We left Spring river and came to Wetplan.

Monday April 28th
I helped guard some prisoners. I wrote a letter to my folks.

Tuesday April 29th
We left and marched 25 miles. I was quite ill.

Wednesday 30th
We marched about 10 miles. I had to ride in the ambulance.

When I got to camp, the boys took me to a store close by where I stayed until the 15th.
of May when I was brought back West Plains in an ambulance. I here begin to move slowly & walk & lay about until the 21st. When I wrote a letter home and was ordered to get ready to leave in the morning for our regiment. But had to leave the same day we slept out down Thursday May 22nd we marched 25 miles Friday May 23rd we marched 20 miles & it rained all day we slept in a cornfield.
Saturday May 24th

We marched 38 miles & arrived at Batesville, Arkansas. There I reported myself to first sergeant until the 4th & went into the hospital.

Sabbath May 25th

Received a letter from home & my dear mother from the east.

All of the remainder of the week nothing happened of importance.

Sabbath June 1st

Went to church but the minister was sick & could not come, so had to come back.

A lady gave me some straw berries.
Monday June 2nd

Received a letter from A. C. R. Nothing else of happened of importance until Thursday when I received a letter from home.

Friday June 3rd

I began to gain some strength, and feel better. Saturday nothing happened of importance.

Sabbath June 4th

Went to meeting three at a Methodist church close by.

Monday June 5th

Wrote a letter to my folks.
Tuesday June 10th. 
Nothing happened of note

Wednesday June 11th
Got my discharge from
The hospital and got back

Thursday June 12th
Received 2 from home
Do 1 W. D. Kemell
Do 1 W. D. Kemell
Do 1 A. P. Nelson
Do 1 Aunt Rachel
Do 1 John Darow

Thursday June 13th
went to camp was
glad to see the boys again.

Friday June 14th
Well had an account of a
very bad chesnea
Saturday June 12th
Our company were ordered to report to two days train on motion to go with a force.
Sabbath June 15th.
Still fed bad on account of the distance.
Monday June 16th.
We got our pay, we settled for our clothes.
Tuesday June 17th.
Wrote a letter to my folks and one to S J. Cornwell.
Wednesday June 18th.
went with the county
10 miles to a private house to look and get shots for the cow.
Thursday, June 19
Wrote a letter to A. J. V. No	hing happened on Friday of importance.
Saturday, June 21
Wrote a letter to A. J. Stel
son & one to John Beaver.
Sabbath, June 22
Wrote a letter to my
fathers and mother.
Joseph Shaffer,
Atwood come to ses
nice to spend the day.
Monday, June 23
Went to the camp.
They changed me 100 for a
chord for board.
Tuesday, June 24
We went on a scout.
Wednesday June 25th

We started from Jacksonville. I had to ride on a heavy wagon. I felt quite bad.

Nothing happened on Thursday of importance except that we camped in a cane

Friday June 27th

I was taken to the hospital again.

Nothing happened on Saturday of note.

Thursday June 29th

Charles Allenfield and A. Chapman started for home.

Nothing happened on Monday of importance
Tuesday, January 1st
Nothing transpired of note that I know of. Neither on Wednesday on Thursday.

Friday, July 14th
Was at the Hospital and of course, crime. There done some of important except an old steamboat burned after night.

Saturday, July 15th
We started down the river all the men were put into wagons.

Sunday, July 16th
We got to Augusta, got my dinner at a house said to be 25 c. I went home.

Monday
Monday we laid 17th 31

Thursday July 15th
We camped close to the battle field. made 100 days on Thursday before

Wednesday July 5th
We got to a little town & encamped for a few hours
Then started & went a few miles & laid down for the night.

Next day we went on a short distance. nothing happened of importance.

Friday July 11th
The 9th Regt. Adams
I was ordered to remove away everything that we could possible carry & went that day we started...
on a forced march & went 28 miles we camped & slept at night.

Sunday July 10th

We marched this morning until about noon & camped at one of C.S. of gunnest & one of E.S. of gunnest was killed & the others of the same company was severely injured. That day the 2nd & 3rd rounds were fired.

That evening

Monday July 11th

We moved about 15 miles & camped & slept until Thursday morning Wednesday July 13th.

We struck our tents & started for home. For 10 days I was not able to do any work.
Thursday July 17th
We moved about two miles, and camped.

Friday July 18th
We moved about two and a half miles.
Camped & shot of venison.
oot cleaned for missionary.

Saturday July 19th
Wrote a letter to Mr. D.A. C.

I worked a little about camp.

Sabbath July 20th
Received a letter from home.

was glad to hear that
That folks were all well.

Monday July 21st
Wrote 6 letters to my

folks. Received one also
Tuesday July 22nd
Nothing happened of note

Wednesday July 23rd
I feel tolerable well but not very transmigratory of Penslip's

Thursday July 21st
I rode out of town and you have picked up a role of chanics to take them something for dinner

Friday July 25th
We have paid off again

O received $26.25

Saturday July 26th
O handed Edm Cooper $20.00 P have expressed D Griffin for Father
I commenced A read The Life of Dr. B. Franklin
Sabbath July 27th
Wrote a letter to my folks and received one in the evening from them.

Monday July 28th
Preached at Men from B. C. H. St. H. C. D. S. H. H.
Amended my clothes a little and hemmed a towel.

Tuesday July 29th
Rainy day but nothing happened of importances

Wednesday July 30th
Joseph Shaffer came with camp from home and brought me a letter from home which read in a few months
Thursday July 81st
I was detailed to war on the sick of our Co.
Sunday Aug 11th
Went to Beleng and seen the fleet from
Quicksburg of gun & transport boats. Quite a sight.
Saturday Aug 20th
Wanted in the sick bay
and wrote a letter to B. B. P. & L. B. Hambleton.
Sabbath Aug 3d
Wrote a letter to J. B. May
Hambleton and on my folks. Doctor Whalen started for
a general hospital.
Quite a pleasant day.
Monday Aug 4th
Wrote a letter to my folks.
and was on guard.

Tuesday Aug 5th
Nothing ordered of note during the day, I believe.

Wednesday Aug 6th
Was on picket guard, and thought considerable of what happened one year ago.

Thursday Aug 7th
Wrote to Mr. T. S. S. Tarrall.
and took a good walk.

Friday Aug 8th
Bought a pair of boots
of Capt. Gove B. H.

Saturday Aug 9th
Was on guard at Aft. Barfoot quarters.
Sunday Aug 12th
Were on picket guard
of a new house.

On CO received 18 hours.

Monday Aug 13th
Nothing happened of much
importance \& I believe.

Tuesday Aug 14th
Received a long letter
from my brother,
helped dig a well.

Wednesday Aug 15th
Wrote a long letter to my
folks. I am in good of

Thursday Aug 16th
Nothing happened of
importance. I believe.

Left here very early.
Monday, Aug 15th

Went to shop with my aunt, we met & got some
lunch & tea together.

Monday, Aug 16th

Went to Fletcher's an an arm.

Saturday, Aug 19th

H. Young, R. H. got down to
or very bad hints. We
Wrote a letter to Mrs. S. Melvnburn.

Wednesday, Aug 23rd

Tomb most of the day.

Went to guard at 9 o'clock.

Gave a letter to Mrs.

21, 1861, and signed it.
Tuesday, Aug 18th

Wrote a letter to my folks

in guard last night.

Wednesday, Aug 20th

Went on a scout to a small town called Trenton about 18 miles distant, very dry and dusty. Had lots of ripe peaches.

Thursday, Aug 21st

Was on guard at Stedman. We feel quite tired having marched all day yesterday.

Friday, Aug 22nd

Our Co was on picket but I did not go out be cause I was on guard last night.
Saturday Aug 23rd
Cooked turkey for dinner
Received a letter from home
one from George the day before
one from A. K. 18
Wrote a letter to Aunt L.B.
Ann & Catherine.

Sunday Aug 24th
Wrote a letter to my
hunts. Got some beans for the sick boys.

Monday Aug 25th
Wrote a letter to A.C.K.
Cooked some

Tuesday Aug 26th
Went to Helens & got
some things for the sick boys to eat. Had a
good turn.
Wednesday Aug 21st

We went on picket guard & got lot of sport

Received a letter from Uncle Joseph & Aunt J. Hapman & the Montgomery Republic.

Thursday Aug 22nd

Packed the camp & cooked some

Friday Aug 23rd

We went ordered to prepare for a four days scout. Start next month.

Saturday Aug 24th

We went to Trenton about 15 miles distant & camped for the night. We got something to eat.

Sunday Aug 25th

We started for Alexandria, about 30 miles distant & camped for the night.
Sunday Aug 31st
Measured & marked for wagon & then moved 2 miles & camped in a large body of timber.

I was on picket guard & it was awful dark & rainy.

Monday Sep 1st
We left camp at 2 o'clock in the morning & marched about 11 miles & joined of the rebels across White river. Then returned to the camp.

Tuesday Sep 2nd
We arrived in camp after marching about 35 miles, back again.
received a letter from home.

Sep 3rd, 1862
God bless my Seventeenth birthday. Feel well. Wrote a letter to my folks & to W. Shaffer. We received three shillings in the mail. Thursday Sep 4th.

Was ordered for the 4th. Went to General Sanderson's head quarters with dispatch. Sunday 6th Oct.

Was on picket guard about 4 miles from camp. Had a good rain. Some fell on me. Two, or three.

Saturday, Sep 6th
Wrote a letter to my folks.

Received a letter from Mr. Shaffer.

S. J. T. commenced taking care
Sabbath, Sep 7th
Wrote a letter to S. J. & well
I had to wash something & I was called upon to lend & called upon to lend
Monday, Sep 8th
Wrote a letter to Uncle & Aunt
Jannett Carpent
Tuesday, Sep 9th
Nothing of note has happened. I have been at ease & have not been engaged except when I had to do the work of the extra horses
Wednesday, Sep 10th
Wrote a long letter to my folks. I am all well except my ordinary work
Thursday, Sep 11th
Another set of men were detailed for the extra horses
Sunday, Sept 12th,

Went on guard over
some finances, felt a
little unwell.

Saturday, Sept 13th,

Received a letter from
Guas. & one from J.J.
Our Co. is on quarter.

Sabbath, Sept 14th,

Wrote a letter to L.B.

Maid a little unwell.

Got a chicken for a sick boy.

We had a prayer meeting.

Monday, Sept 15th,

Wrote a letter to my folks
& one to Aunt Rachel Kemp.

Did not feel well; I went
on the sick list. Wrote
a letter to Charles Lewis.
Tuesday, Sept 10th

Read a 5th letter but am not on duty.

Tell me good news.

Wednesday, Sept 11th

Rainy day & all have nothing of importance.

Thursday, Sept 12th

Went out on picket guard on the Rock road, had lots of grapes.

Friday, Sept 13th

Co D received us & we came to camp.

I finished reading a book called The Fatal Return of Captain Bird &amp; Captain Bone.
Saturday Sept 20th
I was on guard over the a few prisoners had an easy time.

Thursday Sept 24th
Officed a letter to my folks to one S. L. B. one T. A. O. &c. &c. and was on inspection.

Monday Sept 21st
Was on guard meet a very fine day but do not feel right well.

Tuesday Sept 22nd
Received a letter from George McGaughan.

We had an election at the table grand had four more at the table grand.
Wednesday Sep 21st
Went on picket ground. Heard that we were to be attacked 
and got reinforcement, but all went off well.

Thursday Sep 22nd
Came into camp in the morning. Took a good 
sleep, having been on 
guard the night before.

Friday Sep 23rd
We were ordered to get 
ready for a march. 

Saturday Sep 24th
Received a letter from A.B. H. 
I went to H. answered the first one. 
I drew a pair of pants & pair stockings.
Sabbath Dec 2nd,
Went on picket and at George Strong's with Co. H of The 34th Ind. infantry we had some good hercynian champagne.
Monday Dec 3rd,
Was relieved by Co. K of C.S.A. and got a good night's sleep.
Tuesday Dec 4th,
Wrote a letter to Joe, D. S.,
Uncle Jeff was there.
Wednesday Oct 1st 1862.
Mar on guard over a well.
Wrote a letter to my folks.
My cough is not much better.

Thursday Oct 2nd
Nothing of importance happened.
Mother do not feel well.

Friday Oct 3rd
Mar on picket at Montaura.
We were allowed to go to town.
We had some provisions.

Saturday Oct 4th
Feel a little worse today.
Got a letter from home from Aunt Shaffer.
Mar ordered to saddle and load the teams all week.
To march, stayed at O."
Sabbath Oct 5th

Pelt quite poorly all day, but took a good rest in the evening. Felt much better.

Monday Oct 6th

Left our old camp & came to a new one. Was well all day at it. Our Co was on picket but I was not able to go.

Tuesday Oct 7th

We were paid off again. I received a letter from P.B. & A.C. 16, and one from J. S. Opal Kelso came to the Co. I wrote a letter to my folks.

Wednesday Oct 8th

Was not well enough to work. Went on the Art report. Nothing happened of note.
Thursday Oct 9th

Great Saint started home on a leave of absence, sent
He. 19. 6.7 by him. To be transferred from St. Louis to St. Joseph. Do not feel any better today.

Friday Oct 10th

Sent N. Town. I got some butter. It was 30 10. 0 to 0. Bought some light bread.

Saturday Oct 11th

Received a letter from home. One from N. J. Proctor. One from B. J. S. L. S. One from B. H. Nelson. Some O. S of our regiment are off. The 1st of Oct had an engagement with the enemy about 4 miles from here.
Sabbath Oct 12th

O D of our reg T party.
The Kansas 5th Cav had a
fright with the enemy not
far from where they fought
yesterday. Over 60 & 100
went out with some am
ambulance to get the killed
& wounded of yesterday.

Monday Oct 13th

I wrote a letter to Rev. Abel. Let in your
feel very poorly sick, but took care of my home.

Tuesday Oct 14th

Wrote a letter to my folks,
cooked a meal and Q left
the horses & I do my hair
unwinding the front, much of the rest. Over 60
they took one man after
went out on a hunt.
Wednesday Oct 15th
Wrote a letter to A. J. French.
I feel quite poorly indeed.
It is reported that we are to get some new arms.

Thursday Oct 16th
Our Co went on picket this morning. Henry sold his grey horse.
I still feel very poorly, but in good spirits. I cleaned up my revolver.

Friday Oct 17th
Received a letter from one home and also the Christian Advocate.
I feel quite poorly yet.

Saturday Oct 18th
Howard got a letter from his father, a few words to me...
Sabbath Oct 19th

Went to meeting in the forenoon an+ also negt a in afternoon in the 34th Side, both good sermons, but I feel dull. Write part of a letter to my.

Monday Oct 20th

Our Co. with several others of our next were ordered out on a sent. O finished writing the letter commenced yesterday.

Had some spf Ten's

Tuesday Oct 21st

Wrote a LMS. R. A. G. C. G. S. J. Jernig, feel rather poorly might be grand.

Our Co has not got in yet from the sent.
Wednesday Oct 2nd
Our Co returned from the scout but part had to go on another one. We help retake a forage train that the rebels took. Today, B. F. Harlington got his shoulder put out of place.

Thursday Oct 3rd
Our Co on picket today. Received a newspaper from Castle Rock Mo.

The Dr examined my lungs and gave me some mustard to make plasters. I put them on my breast, did so that night but can see no result from it. I have got a little better after
Friday Oct 24th
Received a letter from hom... and one from J. O. & L. A. S. &
also The Montana Republic
was glad to hear from home that they were well,
paid another plaster.

Saturday Oct 26th
Pt showed quit bad all most of the afternoon. cold & very
disagreeable indeed
We signed a receipt for clothing.
The Capt told me that he was going to try to send
me up the river.

Sabbath Oct 26th
Very cold day, John P. &
returned to the Co. Was
meeting in the 34th Ponit
Monday Oct 24th
Our Co. Invent a guard for a forge made
I wrote a letter to my father. Quite a heavy frost
This morning.

Thursday Oct 28th
Wrote a letter to Uncle
Aunt Benner. also one to A. A. C. to A. Hambleton.
Received a letter from W. H. Short.
I was taken to the hospital at the land with
three others of our Co.

Wednesday Oct 29th
Wrote a letter to W. H. Short
Bought some envelopes
A very fine evening, no better
Thursday Oct 31st

Sleasant day but I had not got some books to read

the 4th of the 6th regt. The fort was finished

The flag raised & the salute fired from the fort

from the 4th regt. gun boat

Then the different batteries

Friday Nov 1st

Received a letter from

A W Nelson to announce

at Glad to hear that he was well. I feel a little

more today

General was under today

Not much going on in town. Teddy will not bed better I believe
Saturday Nov 11th 1861
Half past 2 Came over to the hospital in the White church, he is a very sick boy. Some of the boys were here to see us. Great Saint got back. Dr. Meade to the Medical Director of this division of the army examined my lungs.

Sabbath Nov 2nd
Went up to see Mahlon, he was very sick & died at 12 today. What a pity! he was such a good soldier. Capt. J. B. Estes was here. He came.
Monday Nov 8th
Capt 8d men came to Town. To bury our commode Mather. I spoke to him about going up The mines. Received a letter from Castle Rock. Wrote a letter to my folks

Tuesday Nov 14th
Answered the letter that J.P. received yesterday. Dr. Robinson came back. Re mend Dr. Sayles. I'm going home. Do not see that I am getting any better. Wrote considerable of plans.
Wednesday Nov 3rd
I have been in the service 13 months today.
I heard of my boy Frank in six sec up the Ohio yesterday on a six days scout.
I spoke to the Or. hand letting me go to St. Louis.
Got some more medicine for my cough. But it is a little worse, I believe.
Had two which worked, had it all day at apricots washing.
Thursday Nov 6th
The 27th Missouri came down on the New Uncle Sam.
This morning Arrived at nine 6 pm. Got a letter from home about The Montezuma Republican.
Sunday Nov 7th
The 80th New York regt came down on the Mississippi, I do not feel quite as well today as I did. The Surgeon of the 26th Iowa examined my lungs.

Saturday Nov 8th
Received a letter from my folks, and one from Aunt Elizabeth Latchen. Wrote a long letter to my folks. Feel tolerably well from getting good news from home.

A boat load of prisoners came down the river. Bought some writing paper & apples.
Sabbath Nov 9th

Wrote a letter to Aunt S. A. late from. She feels a little dull
None of our horses came in to town today

The load of armorers started down the river this evening.

Monday Nov 10th

Left Saint G quite a large number of the boys went down to learn to see us. Told us about the fight they had last Saturday. They all seem in good spirits Received a letter from Aunt R. B. Hampfer, glad to hear from them. Indeed answered the letter that arrived today.
Tuesday Nov 11th: 
Quite cold all day. Q
I feel rather bad.
Drove up to town &
about some & not quite.

Wednesday Nov 12th
Rained nearly all day.
The streets are quite muddy.
Purchased some apples
& a book for one of the sick.
H. L. Heckman & one
of the other boys came to see.

Thursday Nov 13th
I waited for a few hours.
He came & brought me a
paper which I soon read.
also $1.00 that my
had got on back & mine's
Did not feel very well or
The weather is too cold
& damp for my lungs.
Thursday Nov 19th
Ran a bath down. O the streets stank off quite far. The 25 1/2 P. Nickol got down this morning. The Dr. said he wanted I try to send me up the river tomorrow.

Thursday, Nov 19th

Friday Nov 24th

Finished reading the New Testament through again.

No boat went up the river. Capt. P. went to see me with such a lot of dons cloths washed. Part of me bought a cat fish that weighed 80 lbs. I dressed it & cooked it. Very good fish, gave £2.00 for the fish.
Monday Nov 14th

Received a letter from home & one from Mr. H. Short. Answered the one from home & went to see H. Turner who I were here. Arranged to loan me $10.00 was glad to get it at this time.

Tuesday Nov 15th

It rained nearly all day do not feel very well. Nothing happened and nothing noted.

Wednesday Nov 16th

Twenty eight of our boys were gone with the team. Feel a little better as it has quit raining. A boat came out the river after fishing.
Thursday Nov 20

The 28th Ohio Infantry landed here. I was glad to see so many of my old associates. I went out to their camp on the afternoon. I rode Capt. Dearlove back to town. I walked.

Friday Nov 21st

Died a little better today. Got my discharge from the hospital. Then I went out to the 28th camp and stayed all night with the boys and enjoyed myself quite well. Capt. Dearlove was on guard and did not get to see him.
Saturday Nov 22nd
Came back to town with Wesley & Neal. D went with them to the nearest Marshal to get their pass signed. Then Capt Crow & talked a while with him. Could not get any chance to go and to the next. Feel worse than I have since Sabbath Nov 23rd. Hospital steward told me to stay here & in the afternoon I came to camp; again, glad to see the boys. Got a letter from home. D the Montgomery Republican & New York Observer.
Monday Nov 24th 45

Our 100 were evaded agt on a three days scout. I wrote a letter to my folks, do not feel as well annn. but hope soon to get better.

Tuesday Nov 25th. Joseph Shaffer came in to camp might from home was glad to see him received a letter from Henry & one from S.D. Nelson one from A.O. & L.K. H. D. one from Castle Rock also a lot of mis letters from the Shaffers. One B. J. F. from Nelson. See quite poorly.
Wednesday Nov 25th
Mother is tolerable well but I am not well. I learned the Dr. about going home but then we must allow to get a fortune so I will have to stand it a while longer here.

Wrote a letter to S. & L. Smith.

Thursday Nov 26th
Wrote a letter to A. C. E. & F. A. Hambleton.
This is a fine day I feel tolerable well.

Friday Nov 27th
The days dont suit after image. We were quite well. We got some things. Wrote a letter to A. C. & The kids.
Feel tolerable well.
Saturday Nov 22nd
Our boys were on picket guard during the cold disagreeable day. I perked up my bunk.
Got some washing done.

Sunday Nov 23rd
Received a letter from Rev. Joseph Cooveny. Mrs. Cooveny at preaching at our
headquarters in the afternoon.
Wrote a letter to Mr. R. S. to Beth Amuel coming up to see me from the 28th. No letter.

Monday Dec 17th 1863
Wrote a letter to Ann McFarland also to Mrs. Adair. McFarland came home &
was here a few days before Christmas. I remained here about going home, said he
would see the Sen for me.
Tuesday Dec 2nd 1861.
Wrote a letter to Mr. A, thanking
him for his kindness & I feel
rather bad. I get air and good
spirits as usual. I saw the
boys in camp to New after
Middleton. Dec 3rd
Our dinner ral at 5:30. P.M.
Rained nearly all day. I
finished the keg of
wine. Get some washing done
and packed some old ones.

Thursday Dec 4th
Our Co went on picket
I hurried & arrived all
night. 7 a.m. 4 of this day
I have to stay up all day.
To the bust, read all I can get.
Friday Dec 5th
Wrote a letter for Joseph to
his brother, Uriah. The mail
after the snow.
Our guns were fired into
last night, but no harm
was done.

Wrote a letter to S.S. Robins
Saturday Dec 6th
Readed a letter taken from
Castle Rock, was glad to
got once to read.

Sunday Dec 7th
Was at meeting Tarrel at
Brig. Head quarters D.H. Car
Ort. Graves was sent to
see us from the 35th.
Feel tolerably well, as the
other men.
Monday Dec 5th
worked on our little stand. felt terrible well but did not do much.
commenced writing a letter to my folks.

Thursday Dec 7th
finished writing a letter to my folks. my teacher came to see me. was most glad to see him but not at all together unexpectedly.

Wednesday Dec 10th
went with my school about pomegranates. a calf in the garden. the farmers were joining in the promenade.
...The afternoon we went & seen The Brigade on inspection. It was quite a grand sight. We enjoyed it quite well. I wish I had to get the stars to give me a portrait but could not get one.

Thursday, Dec. 11th.

Capt. Lee went to see Col. Cleator. Fridge 70

He went to get a permit for one trip to the O. L. D. Went nearly all over. The Brigade had passed and I agreed long talk together.

Made all trip to Town. I went to Shafter and the afternoon went to see some boys. Capt. Kerr came to dinner.
Friday Dec 12th
I went to Town with
my Father & Capt. Carr.
We went to the 28th regt,
and went the boys & had quite
along Path with them.

Rain'd most all day
and was quite disagreeable.

Saturday Dec 13th
Rain'd considerable during
the day & did not this
until noon. On my
Our 102 went on guard on the Little Rock
road. A flag of truce
came in. I found I have
not learned any particulars
on those.

Drew a new letter from
Noot'a letter home.
Sabbath Dec 14th

Went with Father over to the 34th and Fort Avenue
Came to Dec 19th, my Father, P.B. an eating house over on a dirt dr想象.
Went to meeting again at the 34th. I was not my Father.

Friday, John and I went to the stores.
there came back to the 34th and Fort Avenue.

A parade, quite midnight. Received many papers.
I feel sorry that my Father is going so soon.
Monday Dec 15th.

Rained very hard last night & most of the morning.
I had my P'thered suit of clothes.

I spent most of the morning.

I read a book & read a book.

The sun was shining.

I spent most of the day.

I read a book & read a book.

I spent most of the day.

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I spent most of the day.
Thursday Dec 16th 1864

got a pass and went to

Vicksburg with my father

a boat was going to start

to St. Louis but as father

was not quite ready didn't

not go to board. went up

to the 19th Reg. got dinner

then went to Warren again

but there was no boat

ready so we went back

to the 18 to stay all night

Wednesday Dec 17th

went to Vicksburg, father went

on board the City Belle and

got a ticket to Memphis

North afterwards some

of our Illinois came down

to get back. I bought a barrel of

hickory.
Thursday Oct. 7th. I had some cloth washed and mended about eleven o'clock. By getting out the boat Father and W. Morgan was ferried across, got a pass and went and went back to the camp again. They took a long time to get there. The boat was small and the breeze blew against it. The town I watched the boat a long time. Then came the days after, and the boat had to be moved. They got back, bringing lots of goods, hens, geese, turkeys, and chickens. I came back with them, the boys more bright and cheerful than three years, too.
Chicken, one turkey and
one hams of fresh pork.
Some boudins and some with
cheese added. About one drippings
Of my apples, wrote a letter
to the folks at home.

Friday, Dec 19th.
Wrote a letter to my friends in New Orleans, had a turkey for breakfast and a
goose for dinner. Erfine a
man in company. Cacciato 
shut himself yesterday they
do not expect him to live long. Some of the boys in the
28th was with him. Took a good nap & changed
clothes and feel better.

Saturday, Dec 20th
Wrote a letter to Aunt.
Tuesday Nov. 30th, Mr. Back, the new person in the office to-day, set.

The weather is very fine, a most beautiful day, no clouds in the sky.

I went to the camp and helped to ash tomorrow and a goose.

Rosie is at home.

Feb. 14th.

The snow is very fine today.

Tomorrow I left about 8 o'clock A.M. to go to the post office.

I wrote a letter to my friend in the city.

I brought some powdered coffee and fruit.

April 17th.

I received a letter from R.B. King and one from W.J. I was glad to hear from them and to meet them.

Our feet are covered with snow.
Staff reached from the
1st. this of the 17th. and
500. Parlor. Indeed
pickets were fired. The
bales were killed and
wounded.

Monday 22nd

The Company Drill on the
afternoon. The after noon was
ordered to report for a short
and was gone until half past four
but and not returned.

Finished telling my farewells. I left
applied the papers. The papers states that 1st. Bull
Een Burnside has had for c. the
Raphael 1st. correct. It is indeed bad. But I hope for
the best. My nice clay medals
almost look like thing. I feel but
I hope I shall be able to go to Thursday Dec 12th. This was the inspection review held at the 8th. The order was countermanded as it was deticated to reinforce the rebels my frie day and look very much with rain & afterirmen rain is already in the way. I present write a letter to my folks, at home, bought the tea daily and returned. The merchant and the rest.

My friend’s day confirmed that of 1860, the state of the Union. I hoped to recover our home. Has been working the clothes this morning and am feeling quite well, in good hopes with the weather.
Tuesday Dec 16th 1868.

Got a pass & went to Brown with my Father. A boat was going to start for St. Louis, but as Father was not quite ready did not go. We went up to the 25th not got down. Then went to Town again, but there was no boat ready so we went back. The 26th went all night.

Wednesday Dec 17th

Went to Town. Father went on ahead. The City Belle to get a ticket to Memphis. Shortly afterward some of our team came down to get hay. I bought a barrel of apples for $1.25. Then kept the team good by $5. Returned for corn. We went out on a circuit.

Thursday Dec 18th

Had some colds & washed. Heard about 11 o'clock that the boat Father was on was fired with. I got a pass & went to town & then went to them again. They took a small force up to burn the town.
I watched the boat a long time then returned to camp. The boys had got back, bringing lots of game. I kept the chickens with them. The boys in the mess had 2 geese, 1 chicken, 1 turkey, 1 1/2 hams of beef, 1 or 2 sausages, and some lard.

I have told about 1/3 of my affairs.

Made a letter to the folks at home.

Friday, Dec 16th

Wrote a letter to a friend in Canada.

The boy told me he had, 5 geese, 5 turkeys, 2 chickens, 2 ducks, and a rabbit.

Picked up some of the boys from the 28th, one of them had changed clothes. & fell into the river.

Saturday, Dec 17th

Wrote a letter to Aunt Harriet & Sarah.

There was a general air of excitement today at the school. Mrs. Peabody was there. People said we cleaned up the camp. I cut cordwood today. Had a good time for dinner._again today. Went to see about it near 1/2 mile away, nearly all my apples need to be scrubbed.
Sabbath Dec 21st

There is nothing doing today of war. I wrote a letter to George Melanchthon. I went to Brantford Shaker. Oh! what a beautiful day for winter. Received a letter from Aunt R.B. Camper. Came from Mr. A. Short, was indeed glad to hear from them.

Miss Pitt meeting at our head quarters. Miss Oakes being preached from. The 4th of the 17th Psalm. Good sermon indeed. The pickets were fired into on the 12th Francis road at 12. [b]Wounded.\]

Monday Dec 22nd

The Co was on drill all the morning. In the afternoon were ordered to report for a count. I have gone until half past one but found no enemy. I returned at 4 p.m. The newspapers state that Genl. Burnside has had to recess the Baffalo cock. It is indeed bad. I hope for the very nice day indeed. almost like summer. I feel quite well. I hope soon to be aboard.
Tuesday, Dec. 18th.

There was to be inspection & review today of the troops in our vicinity, but the order was countermanded and further orders of our Co. were detailed to reinforce the pilot. They fired two guns, but looks very much like rain & rains very heavily tonight. We were advised to stay put for a while. Bought the Cincinnati Daily Commercial. The news today confirms that of yesterday. I helped to recover our house. Washed the clothes this morning & feel as well, was quite good spirits.

P.S. I think we will hear from this fishing soon, have a heavy force went down here a few days ago. They took the place of our acoustic microscope. You need not put these few words in my diary. I just thought of Charles & family.
Monday Dec 29th

Received a letter from my brother written at St. James. Sorry to hear that he had been sick going up.

Received a letter from O.T. The news today is a little better than it has been for a few days past.

Read a letter from a friend this morning.

It was fine day, but looks a little like rain.

I learned that 31 of the 28th Iowa regt were taken prisoners this morning off picket.

Tuesday Dec 30th

A very fine day indeed for winter.

We bought a barrel of apples & we had a good time eating apples.

The boys have had a very merry time playing & singing & dancing.

I presume we will today to the doing something but I have but very little duty to do this half that complain of that until I get entirely well. Helped the Capt. make out the pay roll & to an abstraction of it.
Wednesday Dec 31st

Shep got the ration from the 1st Quartermaster for the next ten days. Several of us went in search of apples. We made two or three pies for "New Year's." I & H Bagster got back to Miss C.

We repaired to the Hospital at Keasbey. We were mustered for pay again. Some of the boys had a very merry time one which I shall not forget for a long time I think.

Our Co. is ordered to report to towns tomorrow for duty at some kind. They say it's heavy duty indeed. I shall be glad of it. Well I will have to bid you in 1863. Remember our old friends. I trust you'll be rewarded. The glad tidings of peace.

Oh! how many have been the changes during the year which is a near end. I hope the changes in the year to come will all be for our good so that I may grow better each day.