Macon Dec. 5th 1838

Capt. Harvey

Dear Sir,

I owe you and your Company an apology for not having forwarded the Arms to you as I had intended to do, some time since. I issued my orders to the Quartermaster of the Volunteer in due time, and had orders issued for each member to deliver his arms at our Armory to the Quartermaster. That officer has collected nearly the required number, but owing to the absence of some of our members, honorary members, he has been delayed in collecting the full complement. I write at the request of Col. Walker, to assure you that I shall use every effort to have the arms forwarded this week, and trust that your company, as well as yourself, will excuse the past delay for the reasons assigned, and accept assurance of my regret that you have been inconvenienced.

Very Respectfully,

[Signature]
Macon January 1st 1859

Capt. Harveys

Dear Sir,

Yours of Dec. 31st has just been received and in reply I beg leave to state that vacancies among our Commission Officers are filled in conformity with the Laws of the State; but there is a nomination of all Com. Officers made at our Annual Election. Such nomination is intended to express the feeling of members towards their Officers. Should any Com. Officer fail to get a nomination, according to the invariable custom he resigns his commission. We have found it necessary to the prosperity of our Corps to have annual Nominations to approve or condemn the course of Com. Officers. A good officer is gratified and encouraged by it, an incompetent or faithless one is easily removed by it.
No Officer will hold his commission when a majority of the members desire his resignation.

I am revising our Bye-laws and I herewith send a copy of the Rule on Elections which will be adopted.

"Rule III. Election, &c."

Sec. 1. There shall be a nomination of all the Commissioned Officers, and an election of all the Non-commissioned Officers, held on the first quarterly meeting of the Corps in each year, when a vote of a majority of the members present shall be required to make a nomination or effect an election.

Sec. 2. When a vacancy occurs by death, resignation or otherwise, the Corps shall proceed to fill the same, and a vote of a majority of the members present shall be sufficient to make a nomination or appointment.
Sec 3. Vacancies occurring among the commissioned officers shall be filled in conformity with the laws of the State.

Sec 4. The Vacancy of a non-commissioned officer, or of a Secretary and Treasurer shall be filled as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

Sec 5. The Lance-Corporal shall be selected from among the privates and brevetted by a board of three commissioned officers to be convened by the commanding officer.

Sec 6. All elections in the Corps shall be by ballot unless upon motion a majority of two thirds of the members present shall require an election to be "viva voce."

Sec 7. A Quarter Master and a Finance Committee consisting of three members shall be appointed by the Officer Commanding on each Annual first quarterly Meeting of the Corps"
The various provisions in this Rule embody the sentiment of our Corps, in reference to elections. I would suggest to you to consolidate the offices of Secretary and Treasurer in your Bye Laws. One Member can discharge easily the duties of both these offices.

I need not say to you that a rigid enforcement of your Bye Laws is indispensable to your own success as a commanding officer and equally to the prosperity of your Corps. Weekly drill in the School of the Soldier, and monthly drill or parades will prove of the greatest importance. I beg leave to renew assurances of my best wishes for the prosperity of the German Guards. Respectfully Yours,

Robt. A. Smith
Organization of 1st Regiment Georgia Independent Volunteers

By J. W. Renny Col Commanding

The following will be the positions assigned the companies composing 1st Regiment Georgia Independent Volunteers:

1st Line:
- Capt. J. P. Hand
- 1st Lieut. W. C.刻画
- 2nd Lieut. J. P. Hand
- 3rd Lieut. J. C.刻画

2nd Line:
- Capt. J. P. Hand
- 1st Lieut. W. C.刻画
- 2nd Lieut. J. P. Hand
- 3rd Lieut. J. C.刻画

By order of J. W. Renny

Com. 1st Regiment Georgia Independent Volunteers
Porter, March 7.

Dear Col. W. B. Capers,

In answer to your offer (as named in letter of March 1st). I beg to say that on inquiry, I am informed that I could not replace my name for the piece named in your letter. I will make further inquiry and consider the position as under advisement.

I assure you it was really done to lose yourself and command. It is about the right time for a permanent pension for service and support of the batteries at Porter's Corners & Coates' baths. I can satisfy besides from your conversation with you, that you would have carried out in zeal certain improvements that would have materially aided my District. Should you & the Major (to whom present my kindest regards), desire at any time to effect an exchange to this District, I will make application for you which you might assist by privately expressing your preference to those in authority.

With kind regards,

I am yours very respectfully,

[Signature]
Mr. Nash will be ordered to command
an Army Camp at Hudderson
at 7 am tomorrow and Ezrady
March 25th 1811
Joseph Edson
Capt. Harry Comp.
Hammer Brigade

[Signature]

1981

[Signature]
Camp of Artillery Battalion
Barnington, May 19th, Fla.
May 15th, 1861

Sir,

Being very desirous to learn Artillery Tactics
I have this evening petitioned Genl Bragg to detach
my command to that branch of the service
Hoping you may consent to the arrangement
provided it can be effected, and that you
will approve and recommend the Same

I remain very respectfully,
Your Ob't Servt

Capt. I. M. Henning

To Genl B. Bragg
Commanding Forces C.S.A.
Near Pensacola.
Copy

Letter to Joel Bragg

May 15th 1861
Camp of Artillery Battalion
Warrenton, Virginia, May 15th, 1861

Sir,

Being of the impression that there probably exists among
impression at Warrenton in regard to the preferences of the four
Companies of Geo. Troops now stationed here, I write these lines
to inform you that so far as my command is concerned,
officers, and men were pleased at the change at first,
and now sincerely regret the order sending us back
to Camp Georgia.

We desire you to attach us to any point
at which our services may be deemed most effective,
even though we be entirely separated from our
Regiment.

Col. J. H. Rawen,
Commanding 1st Regt.
Geo. Volunteers,
Camp Georgia.

Capt. Commanding Company A,
1st Regt., Geo. Volunteers.
Copy

Letter to Col. Ramsey
May 15th 1861
Capt. C. H. Manning
Sgt. J. W. Anderson
Sgt. James H. Brown
Capt. A. C. Brown
Capt. Charles Martin
Capt. W. A. Mitchell
Capt. J. W. Dent
Capt. W. F. Grace
Capt. J. F. Goodwin
Capt. Solomon L. Adams
Capt. W. E. Cohrs
Capt. W. F. Hartfield
Capt. W. S. Johnson
Capt. Harrison Jones
Capt. W. H. Keller
Capt. W. H. Luckie
Capt. A. H. Little
Capt. A. M. McKinley
Capt. W. D. Martin
Capt. W. A. Mitchell
Capt. D. S. McDermott
Capt. C. J. Moody.
Newnan May 7th 1861.

Capt. Harney,

Sir - I received your favour on Thursday morning the 5th Inst. - That same evening I wrote to Mr. S. Montgomery informing him that he would be received into your Company, and sent the letter by express. It would take it three days to reach him, which would be Sunday 5th. And three days for him to come home which would be the 8th Inst. So that if school breaks up as he expects, he will be here tomorrow or next day, and as soon as he reaches home he will hasten down to join you. I have no news to write. I am gratified to learn that you are all in good health and getting along well - May our Heavenly Father in the plenitude of his goodness and mercy continue to bless, watch over, and protect you.

John W. Thomas.
Newnan May 3rd 1861.

Capt. Harvey,

Dr. Sir - I received your favour on Thursday morning the 2nd Inst. That same evening I wrote to my son Montgomery informing him that he would be received into your Company, and sent the letter by Express; it would take it three days to reach him which would be Sunday 5th, and three days for him to come home which would be the 8th Inst, so that if school breaks up as he expects, he will be here tomorrow or next day, and as soon as he reaches home he will hasten down to join you. I have no news to write, I am gratified to learn that you are all in good health and getting along well. May our Heavenly Father in the plenitude of his goodness & mercy continue to bless, watch over and protect you.

John M. Thomas.
Savannah Geo. March 13th

Dear Harvey,

I have just learned through a letter from M'r Hater that your company has been called by President Davis to serve in the Confederate States. It has been my wish that your choice of his part in the defense of the Nation where Providence has cast his lot. In the event of a war breaking out it has been my ardent desire that he should perform his part in defense of his own section. I know it is to have been his wish it has ever been mine. Since the commencement of our difficulties with the Ecuador the United States. I have just had a conversation with Mr. Barton, Chairman of the Military Committee at Montgomery, & I gather it to me in confidence that there is absolutely a certainty of an outbreak, amm
niting to actual war, between the late
United Confederate States. If your service
then is not ordered out for active service
I feel unwilling to see him leave for
reasoning which will be obvious to you
when you give them consideration.
It is my earnest desire to give him a thor-
ough collegiate education, he is now about
fourteen years of age.--I should volunteer for
the purpose merely if guarding some fort
which would be the only duty he would be able
on to perform until we should be engaged in
actual war. I should be contented in that kind
of service for one, two or three years, I always
bore the hope, from the changed condition
of his mind before returning home, of ever
having him well educated. I have not the
time to write you fully at present, I hope you
in detail see the reasoning which would influence
me in objecting to his being involved in actual
war, you know the main reason? as a parent
yourself will know how to appreciate them. If
a war breaks out at all it will be on us in a
very few days, in that case so far from urging
him to go, if he even hesitates to go, I would desk
him forever, but as he is, I have written him to
have informed him that I have written to you. It
was enough to have him excused except for active
Service. Prayly Yours truly, M. R. Callaway
Hasbly, 

Himblined pen to Capt. Harvey to take his company to rendezvous in Macon. By the Commander in Chief of the Georgia Army. 

Gov. Joseph E. Brown

1981
Orders will be issued tomorrow on your company to rendezvous at Macon tomorrow and be ready March 25th 1861

Joseph E. Brown

Supt. Harry C. Heman Griady
Letter (copy) and reply from the Geo. J.C. Nov 1861.
Reply from Geo. J.C. [other text obscured]. States Rights First.
Eagle Creek

Nov 15th 1863

E. H. Haney

My Excellency,

I am in receipt of your

gram containing copies of

"Newman's Records."

The proper cause of your

gallant-what side by side,

with truth act in battle

for the republic or the South.

Very Repectful,

J.P. Sleth

Aide-de-Camp
Head Quarters "Neuman Guards"
Neuman Ga. Nov 8. 1860

Sir: I am instructed as the Commanding officer of the "Neuman Guards" to tender to your Excellency their Services in the event your State withdraws from the Federal Government, and an attempt of the part of the same to coerce South Carolina, back into the Union.

I am yours lovingly,

T. P. Landers
Bdth Commanding.
Savannah Geo. March 13th 1861

Dear Harney,

I have just learned through a letter from Abercrombie that your company has been re-enlisted by President Davis and will at once be taken into service. In case of an attempt on the part of the late United States to coerce the Confederate States it has been my wish that Abercrombie should do his part in the defense of the section where Providence has cast his lot. In the event of a war breaking out it has been my ardent desire that he should perform his part in defense of his own section. I know this to have been his wish. It has ever been mine since the commencement of our difficulties with the enemy of the United States. I have just had a conversation with Mr. Bon-Tour, Chairman of the Military Committee at Montgomery, and he gave it as his opinion to me in confidence, that there is scarcely a remote probability of an outbreak, and
writing to actual war between the late United Confederate States. If your son
then is not ordered out for active service
I feel unwilling to see others leave for
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It is my earnest desire to give him a thor-
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very few days in that case so far from wishing
him excused, if he even hesitated to go I would desire
him forever born as he is. I have written him today
& have informed him that I have written to you. He

is good enough to have him excused except for active
Service. 

Sincerely yours,

Your friend.

P.B. Callaway
Circular. 3

The Commanding Officer congratulates the officers
and men of the Battalion upon their safe return to
their old camp on James Island.

He has observed with pride and satisfaction their heroism
in the discharge of duty during their sixteen days' stay
at Fort Sumter, particularly during the eight days
heavy bombardment to which they were subjected at
that celebrated fortress — a bombardment which he
regards as unprecedented in the annals of war.

The Battalion has enjoyed a dangerous but enviable
privilege, and hereafter when this dark war cloud
shall have passed away, and Peace, spread her
white wings over our country, it will be a source of
satisfaction and pride to the members of this command
to refer to that period of the siege of Charleston
when they constituted the greater part of the garrison
of Fort Sumter.

It has been your misfortune to lose several of your
fallen comrades in arms, who sacrificed their lives
on the altar of Liberty! — but they have not died in
vain. Their memory will be cherished by their state
and Country, and their names are now added to that
catalogue of martyred heroes, who have died
vying to drive back the insolent invaders
country's soil.

"How sleek the brave, who sink to rest
By all their country's wishes blessed."

On more than one occasion, it has been your fortune
to have been exposed to very heavy fire from the
enemy's land batteries and gun-boats, and it is
owing in a great degree to your gallantry, they
were so signally repulsed in their assault of the
11th July upon Battery Wagner.

You have endured dangers, hardships, and
privations without a murmur, and your Commanding
Officer feels assured you will never tarnish your
well earned reputation, but will rather strive
to add to it, by the utmost faithfulness in the
performance of every duty that may devolve
upon you as Officers and Soldiers.

(Signed) C. M. Harvey

Maj. Comdt. 7th Batn

W. S. Beadles
Acting Adj.
Copy letter from Jeff Davis
Re Resolution
Richmond Va Febry 27th 1864

To L Col Henry. S. Capers
Command 12th Ga Art.

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 19th inst, enclosing resolution passed by the Officers and Men of the 12th Battalion of Georgia Artillery.

It is the highest encomium to say that the spirit of the resolutions is worthy of the brave men whose past conduct furnished the best guaranty of noble deeds in the future.

It is manifest that in the Army the fire of patriotism needs no rekindling, and into steady devotion and undying courage, will be found the fullest source of hope and confidence.

I beg that you will return to the Officers and Men of your Battalion my high appreciation of their conduct; and thank them in my name for the recent and renewed manifestation of their patriotism, as well as for the grateful words of approval and confidence they have been pleased to express towards myself.

For the handsome and agreeable manner in which you have conveyed to me the resolutions of your Command. I will ask you to accept my sincere
acknowledgment.

Very Respectfully & Truly Yours

(Signed) Jeff Davis
To George H. Hammond, late 1st Lt. of 12th Va. Bull-Anty in the Confederate States Army, by occupation a merchant and resident of the County of Cranston and State of South Carolina, I do solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God that I will henceforth faithfully support, defend and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Union of the States thereunder, and that I will in like manner abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclamations which have been issued during the existing rebellion with reference to the emancipation of Slaves so help me, God.

E. M. Harvy

In and to the Subscribed
before me on the 6th day of July 1865

Col. [Signature]
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

I, _______ Harney _______ of the County of _______... of the State of _______ do solemnly swear that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign; that I will bear true faith, allegiance, and loyalty to the same, any ordinance, resolution, or laws of any State, Convention, or Legislature, to the contrary notwithstanding; and further, that I will faithfully perform all the duties which may be required of me by the laws of the United States; and I take this oath freely and voluntarily, without any mental reservation or evasion whatever.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25th day of July 1865.

I, _______ Harney _______ of the County of _______.

State of _______, having been released this day as a prisoner of war, do give my PAROLE OF HONOR to be of good behavior, and commit no act of hostility, or perform any act, either by word or deed, prejudicial to the interests of the United States.

Given in duplicate at Johnson's Island, O., the 25th day of July 1865.

Taken before me, this 25th day of July 1865, at Johnson's Island, O.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, Johnson's Island, O.,

Transportation has been furnished to the within order from Johnson's Island, O., to _______ by me.

John F. McKinley
Capt. and A. Q. M.
Head Quarters U. S. Forces, at Johnson's Island, Ohio, July 25th, 1865.

Special Discharge Orders, 

No. 3

[EXTRACT.]

Pursuant to instructions received from the President of the United States, through the Adj't Gen'l and the Comm'y Gen'l of Prisoners, George H. Hawes, late Major in the 12th Ga. Reg't, being a prisoner of war, is discharged from the Military Prison at this Post, and set at liberty, he having taken the Oath of Allegiance and Parole prescribed by said order.

The further description of the person herein discharged is as follows: Age, 140 years; height, 5 feet 7 inches; complexion flour; eyes, gray; hair, gray; residence, Savannah, Ga.

The Quarter Master's Department will furnish him transportation to the point nearest accessible to his home by rail or steamboat.

By Command of Maj. S. P. Lee,

[Signature]

Post Adjutant.
I, George W. Harvey, late in the Confederate States Army, by occupation a merchant and resident of the County of Camden and State of Georgia, do solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God that I will henceforth faithfully support, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Union of the States thereunder, and that I will, in like manner, abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclamations which have been issued during the existing rebellion, with reference to the emancipation of Slaves. To help me God.  

George W. Harvey

Sworn to and subscribed "Capt. G. W. Butte Co." before me 6 day July 1865

Col. Long, Resh
Left shoulder, hand

July 25th, 1865

Sandusky, 26th, 0th

Dayton, Ohio, 26th

Cincinnati, Ohio, 26th

Springfield, 26th

Louisville, Ky, 27th

Nashville, Tenn, 28th

Chattanooga, Tenn, 28th
In 1880

Capt. Harvey

renders muster roll

to the secretary

M. Newman.
Atlanta, Georgia
June 18, 1860

Capt. W. W. Anderson
Greene

Sir: I have journeyed this
date before me and in answer herewith have

sent the "Muster Roll" of the "Greene Guard,"
which was made out when the Company was
discharged from their first twelve months service.

I also have some other letters both private
and of a public nature, which Gen. can carefully
examine, and ought you find any thing that

may think would contribute to the history of
The Company. Gen. can make any dispositions of
them that you may deem fit as proper to
further Gen. very laudable undertaking. I desire
to add, for information of the reader of Gen. book

To say that the Company was organized Jan. 16, 1860,
and if I mistake not was the first volunteer Com-
pany raised by the Gov. in the County. I would be
after you have examined all the old letters and all the old papers beneath them. That you will not lose them, but at your convenience return them to me, or make a list for them. Will you please return the "Newman Memorandum" with a request that they be preserved for future reference, as information.

Mrs. E. H. Anderson, can you give me much valuable information. I would be glad have call and see me when you are near. With my warmest and kindest wishes for you and your family. Please discuss this in your effort to preserve the history, not a love of the Gallant Lancers dea, but of those of us who are yet spared from the Grave.

 Truly your friend,

A. M. Nancy
June 13, 1884

Mr. L. R. Ray
Tumutga

Dear Mr. Ray,

The name of the man who killed Mr. John H. Ray near Lenoir is known to the author. He was known as "Bub." He was never tried.

I was informed in Dawson and Richmond Co., and released at the latter place at the time of battle of River Riser.

I was present afterward as a soldier. I died in October 1867 in Monroe Co., Ga.

This man was named at the time of commitment of this murder. He denied evidence of it before that time.

He has a daughter now in the tenure asylum at Millisville. He is too sick to meet you and a large delegation from your company at the railway.

Very truly yours,

T. B. Cabaniss
T. B. CABANISS,

Attorney at Law,

Gorwyth, Ga., June 10, 1884

Hon. L. A. Ray,
Kev. of Sen.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to make the inclosed return for the register of births and deaths in the county of Wilkes. I am to be found in the town of Wilkesboro, and will be pleased to meet you and a large delegation from your company at an election.

Very Truly yours,

T. B. Cabaniss
Letter from Oxford, August 31, 1883

Miss J. W. Anderson,
277 Thompson,
Newnan,
Georgia,

Dear Miss Anderson,

I am cordially invited to meet my old friends and companions in arms—the Newman Guards—at their annual reunion at Newnan Friday, Aug 1st. I have been well and nothing I assure you gives me more joy than to afford me more social pleasure than to to be with each and every one of you. I shall be there, and again look into the pleasant faces once so familiar to me, but I find myself so circumstances that it can not go this time, and hence.
Commission you to remember me in a suitable way to my old friends. I should like to hear that the reunion of the first company of the 1st Regiment of Col. W [illegible] was fully represented.

Notwithstanding our ruin in war and the great devastation incident and following reconstruction of our lines, some of us, to realize democracy justice once more and that our beloved sea south is the finest country under the sun, wish long to all and a hand shake at around.

I am respectfully
and Truly yours,

[Signature]

[Signature]
Crystal Spring Ga.
Aug. 17th, 1845

Capt. J. W. Anderson

Dear Sir,

I regret very much that my business is such that I will have to deny myself the pleasure. Nothing would afford me more pleasure than to meet my comrades and interchange ideas, and talk over the topics that pertain to the good of us all. While we did not accomplish the desires of our heart, yet we accomplished much good, and set an example of true patriotism.
and self-sacrifice, that will always command the admiration of the world. When my name is called please answer for me to let the company know I am in hearty sympathy with what they may see fit to do.

Yours truly,

W.T. Freeman
Bonham, Texas
Aug 11th, 1883

Dear friends,

Allow me to tender you, my kindest regards to all, and I will say I would be proud to meet with you all in the reunion to talk of the past, but impossible for me to do so at present. Hoping to be remembered by you all I am

Very respectfully,

W. G. (On)
June 19th
The reunion
Gainesville, Florida
Aug. 11th, 1885

Mr. Young Thompson,
Secretary &c.

My dear friend and
former Comrade in Arms.

Your Caro.

Informing me of a reunion of our old
Corps, "The Kewana Guards," on the 13th inst.,
was received a few days ago. To you my
friend it is entirely unnecessary to say that
my feelings were those I read that invitation
for you have too often heard from me
expressions of my love for the intrepid,
gallant, and gentlemanly, and the glorious
State that gave them birth. for there is none
grander in her own pride, Olivo,
In retrospect I turn to the stormy scenes
of the Spring of '61 when suddenly as
an April shower the war cloud burst.
upon hustling from his fields of waving green, the farmer lad, his workshop, the artisan, the printer from his case, the clerk from the counter, the lawyer from his briefs, the doctor from his patients and boy from his books into a rain storm of shot and shell which continued almost without intervals for fifty long weary months, burrowing itself, yet, and covering forever with its sanguinary sands tens of thousands of our best and bravest men, and ask, was it not all a horrid night mare, a sick man's phantasy, or a military mirage? Ah no! Would to God it had been thus with the brain free, the circulation good, again, all would have been well. No, agh, no, it was not a phantasm, but real, only too real, blood red war.

I am not one however, who has ever for one moment regretted any action of my own in that Memorable Struggle. I believed that I was right and so believing tried to do my duty, tried to rise every foe this confronted.
Me, and even at this late day have no desire to go into any repentance meeting with any organizations, either North or South. Is all who are willing to let me take my place as a Georgian and Citizen of the American Union of the States, without putting me through any political cahierism. I say here's your friend, to all others here's your foe.

Many of our leaders since the war, men of whom we had hoped better things have bent the pungent hinges of the Kine, that thrift might follow fawning, and even now are playing the role of sycophants, in pretended mourning for the dead whom secretly they despise. Only wish that I could truthfully say 'there's not a Georgian among them,' but almost as soon, I believe there is not living a member of the 'Kennon Guards' who has changed his colors, or who hypocritically sniffs.
When he hears the funeral knell of a former foe, though living in the flesh. I find it will be impossible for me to be with you in the flesh, but in the Spirit when the knell is called Mark one present among as indeed you must, those who answer from away up in the little Mountain town of Monterey, and don't let the orderly forget to Mark Bern Meyer, the first to go. We will answer from the banks of the little Mountain streams, where he fell by the assassin's hand, and those who will answer from Cheat Mountains rugged slopes, and Gettysburg bloody sides, and from the brush of the wilderness, from Missionary Ridge, from Cold Harbor, Chancellorsville, Oak Hilltown, and from every bloody field where they fought. Call the roll, read their names, and if the orderly will but give attention he will hear, in each instance, the whisper faint. It may be true, but boundless firm and strong
the answer, "Here"

To God and all a few.

"God bless you" is all I have to give, and my dearest wish is to live and die among you and be covered at last by the honest fragrant clay which unfolds to many of my friends and my kinred.

Very sincerely. I am indeed your friend John W. Kimel.

John W. Kimel
Gainesville, Florida
Aug. 11th, 1885

The Young Thompson,
Secretary to

My dear friend and
former Comrade in Arms,

Your Card

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grander in her own pride, Olives,

In retrospect I turn to the stormy scenes
of the Spring of '61 when suddenly as
an April Shower the war cloud burst.
upon turning from his fields of waving green the farmer lost his work shop the artisan, the printer from his case, the clerk from the counter, the lawyer from his brief, the doctor from his patients and bury from his books into a rain cloud of shot and shell which continued almost without intermission for fifty long weary months, surging med with its debris and coronary forever with its pungent rankan linds tens of thousands of our best and bravest men, and ask, was it not a horrid night, were, a real man's phantasy or a military mirage? So no, seemed to God it had been, thus with the brain free, the circulation gone, again, all would have been well. No, oh, no, it was not a phantasy, but real, only too real, blood red war.

But not me however, who has ever for the moment regretted any action of my own in that memorable struggle, I believed that I was right and am believing tried to do my duty, tried to rise every foe God's confederate.
Me, and even at this late day, have no desire to go into any repentance respecting either Northern or Southern organizations, either North or South, as I am willing to let me take my place as a Georgian and citizen of the American Union of the States, without putting me through any political intrigue. I say, here's your friend, to all others, here's your foe.

Many of our leaders since the war, some of whom we had hoped better things have that the profound. Tinges of the disease that hourly might follow following, and even now are playing the role of sleepers, in pretended mourning for the dead whom secretly they desire. I only wish that I could; truthfully say there's not a Georgian among them, but almost as good, I believe there is not living a member of the Ku Klux Klan who has changed his colors, or who hypocritically Sniffs...
When he hears the funeral knell of a former foe, though living in the flesh, it will be impossible for me to be with you in the flesh, but in the Spirit, when the roll is called. Mark me, present arms as indeed you must, those who answer from away up in the little Mountain Town of Monterey, and don't let the orderly forget to mark Beyond Meyer, the first to go, who will answer from the banks of the little Mountain Thames, where his feet by the Assassin's hand, and those who will answer from Cheat Mountains rugged slopes, and Gettysburg bloody sides, and from the heads of the Wilderness, from Missionary Ridge, from Cold Harbor, Chancellorsville, Oceanic Shores, and from every bloody field where they fought, call the roll, speak their names, and if the orderly will but give attention he will hear, in each instance, the whisper faint, it may be true, but bounded time and strong
This answer, "Here",

To Dear and all a friend,

"How blessed is all I have to give, and my dearest wish is to live and die among you, and to come at last by the honest, fragrant clay which unfolds so many of my friends and my kindred."

Very sincerely, I am indeed your friend,

[Signature]

John W. [Last Name]
fine letter to comrades at
reunion - lacks 1st page
but a jewel — FS Speer
looked upon our Soldier life while at Warrenton as the bright
and green epoch of the same. Our rejoicing when we
received orders for Virginia—our first days March from Hammo
ton our halt on that day at Buttermilk Gap where the
generous Virginians supplied us with all the dinner meat
we could wish with a dole of Buttermilk hence the name.
Here our holiday soldiering ended. Now the stern reali-
ties of a Soldier's life was entered upon. The weary tramp
across the Allegheny Mountains we called a halt
at Laurel Hill. Here we held daily discourse with
the enemy. Here where they made their first assault upon
our Picket Lines—result our Federal loss and left upon
our ground—our burial of him with hands staking out of
Mother earth (He was a member of the 7th Indiana). Our
night evacuation of our camps the burning of
our Camp Equipage our night retreat I remember driving
water on that night from out of a Horse's truck. Our encampment
upon the banks of Cheat River and the surprise next Morn-
ing & I was up early that morning out foraging. I suppose I
was a mile and a half away when the firing commenced.
I started back and met Col. Ramsey trying to hold the
federal army back with not over 50 men. I was not there long
before our Ciminet gave this order "Men take care of yourselves"
He obeyed the order with alacrity and did take care of our
selves if making a 2 m race could do it. Our auditions
SPEER'S HOTEL.
S. F. SPEER, Proprietor.

Morrillton, Ark., 188

on that retreat Beef without salt or bread, and our next issue of provisions planned without salt or Beef, making our dough up on our oil cloths and baking it upon our ramrods.

I remember giving five Dollars in gold about four oz Maple Sugar.

How our poor horses suffered with their tender feet. I remember "Old Cull" and myself pressing into service I think the largest Horse I ever saw using a Canteen stop for a bridle riding bare back. The poor horse did not go far before "Old Cull" invited a friend to join us, I could not stand that kind of riding long so I began to be excused.

We did not keep the horses long before he became so foot sore we had to abandon him. Our first friends among West Virginians we met at Peters burg on the South Branch of the Potomac. They treated us with true Virginia hospitality which was fully appreciated.

Our going into Camp at Monterey and taking a 10 days Furlough spending the time in Staunton. On my return from Staunton I stopped overnight at one of the various Mountain Inns and had the pleasure of meeting Genl. Sloc and Staff who also stayed overnight. I conversed with Genl. Sloc some time and at that time he made a good impression upon my mind. He was going out to take Charge of the forces in West Va of which we were a part. I was attacked with the Measles while at Monterey and sent to the Hospital at Staunton and from there home on an In Throough trip joined you again near Staunton on the march up.
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up the Valley to Winchester. Taking a relief there and getting permission from Stonewall Jackson to escort Home one of our Company men who died with Pneumonia. My recollection is his name was Knight, a member by the name of I think Tom Binson also got permission to go as and escort. Here ended my services as a member of the "Newnan Guards." I met the Co. in Augusta and was mustered out of Service with the ballance of the Regt.

I would be pleased to have you send me the Old Roll Call when your Company was full, and the Roll Call of those present in person and by letter also the Proceeding of your Reunion. As to my condition my health is fine. Financially I cannot complain. I hope each and every living Member of our Co. has met with the same blessings. If you need any financial help towards keeping up our Reunions I am always at your service. May God in his Mercy keep and bless you all in My Prayer.

Your Comrade

P.S. I would take pleasure in answering any communications from any of my old Comrades.
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A. E. SPEERS, Principal.
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S. S. [illegible]

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Atlanta Ga Augr 12. 1885

Associated Veterans
"Human Guards"
Capt. J. M. Anderson
Chairman

My dear Sir,

I am thankful to yourself and other survivors of the "Human Guards" for the very kind and cordial invitation you have been pleased to give me to meet with you on the 14th inst.

I can not fittingly express to you my regret that it will not be in my power to join you, upon an occasion so interesting.

I am glad to be amongst you that feeling of fraternity and pride which a just cause and honorable conduct may well preserve and transmit to posterity.

I beg that you will personally and as Associated Veterans accept my best wishes for you.

Sincerely yours,

G. M. Handy
Adelantic, Ga
June 28, 1887

My dear friends,

The regular annual reunion of the 12th Ga.
1st Battalion and the 1st
Ga. Rgt. occurs this year at Sandersville
with the Washington rifles
on the 3d of August.

I do hope the agricultural
Ga. and will be well
represented this year.

We had no one at all
from your company last
year at Forsyth, which
is attributed to the want
of information in time
as to the place and the
date of the reunion.
Especially am I and
I own this year to get the
old band all together
Dover is trying to secure
the attendance of all
of the gallant fellows
Can you both be with
us? Can you see
Freeman Acocera
Deut. Needles,
and as many of the
Company as possible
and lead us down
a full delegation
if you can bring the
whole Company.
Transportation has
been arranged
for one face from Atlanta over the Central R.R.,

Traveling to see you and our old commander again in that force at Sandersville on the 3rd August.

I am very kindly. Far ever with yours.

Henry D. Capers

Thompson Bros.

Alaman
Jenkinson, Ill.
July 21st, 1887

To my Comrades: The Nemanan Guard

Gentlemen: of July 3d, 1887, inviting
me to be present with you at your fifth
Annual Reunion, to be held in Neman-
son, Ill., on the 29th Inst. Let me assure you
that nothing would afford me greater pleasure
than to meet with you on this occasion and
with tender affection, grasp the hand of
each and every one of the surviving members
of the Old Nemanan Guard. But circumstances
of a serious nature prevent my from
enjoying this privilege. To my Comrades I send
my best wishes. And I beg to ask a prayer to the
Gracious Giver of Life, to guide each of you into a life
of usefulness and happiness on earth, and even
beyond the grave, to make that happiness complete.
And may I ask, dear Comrades, that my
name may be given a place in your minds.
And heart, as an humble Cramer in arms
Who gallled together for an honest and
just cause.
I am,
most affectionately
your Cramer
Geo. A. Cross.
Atlanta, Ga. July 27, 1887

Capt. Anderson
President

Dear Sir:

I have received your cordial invitation to meet with at Newnan, Ga. on 29th inst. the surviving members of the Union Artillery and join with them in the ceremonies of their 5th annual reunion. I am sorry that I cannot come, for the reason it would afford me much pleasure to meet each member and renew my assurances of esteem and admiration. I have ever held them in, both as Gallant and brave soldiers in war.
Atlanta, Ga.

As less as good and patriotic citizens in time of peace. Our celebrations will be clouded with the shadows of the past, remembering as we will those of our comrades who willingly sacrificed themselves for a cause we so nobly shared with them.

I trust that our reunion will be full of pleasure and that long, life and much happiness may be ours.

I am as ever

G. M. Harvey
Oxford, May
July 27, 187-

Y H. Thompson, Esq.
Secretary
Newnham.

My Dear Sir,

Yours kindly,
remembrance, in the shape of
an invitation to meet in the
fifth annual reunion of my
old classmates in-Assad-the-Newm
Town, July 29, 187-

and nothing. I assure you
my doctor would afford
me so much gratification,
but my circumstances are
such as to render it impos-
ible for me to meet with you.
My wife who has been in bad health a long time has grown so much worse lately as to render it out of the question for me to leave her.

In your age I promised myself that no ordinary occurrence should ever cause me to forego the presence of my friends, nor all at the same time. But, also, for human expectations, thus I did not forego an interpolation of a serious character.

Remember with an affectionate hand shaken to all — and I shall hope that all who are now living may have...
their lives and health
eternally to such time
as to render it possible
for us, altogether once
more, to meet, and affec-
ionately greet each other
and thus with hands
joined and eyes heaven-
ward thanking God for
the blessings we have
enjoyed and for the
prosperity of our
common Country.

I beg to subscribe
myself yours most
respectfully and affectionately
John C. Caplands
Homeland, Fla., Aug. 3rd, 89.

J. H. Thompson Esq.

Re: Union, Ga.

Dear Sir,

Through you, I send my regrets to my old comrades, that I cannot be present and participate with in the reunion on the 15th.

It would afford me great pleasure to meet with you at each of these reunions.

The ranks are becoming so thin that we should be more closely united. The class of the hand more cordial; the chain of affection should grow stronger as the ranks grow thinner.
Although we are now so much scattered that we cannot meet in these earthy reunions let us each strive to so live that we may meet in that Heavenly reunion where there will be no more separation.

That each of us may be prepared to meet and answer to that final roll call in that Bye + Bye is the wish of your old comrade in arms.

JWAnderson
Homeland Feb 8th

Y.H. Thompson

Dear Conrad,

After writing the enclosed lines to our old companion in arms, I thought I would write you a few lines, you would not know our section were you to visit us now, we have made no rapid improvement but we have a healthy growth.

Our country is filling up with good citizens, men who work for the improvement of the county financially, morally, religiously. The Methodist will in a few weeks begin the work of erecting a new church they propose to build the best church in the county and I think they will succeed.
I would like to see you shaking hands among the boys and hear your hearty laugh and listen to your humorous anecdotes on the 10th.

But with one hundred acres in orange trees to look after needs any personal attention. Business be for pleasure.

Our old companions in arms will no doubt meet with you and enjoy the day. May they live to meet often with you in these happy moments.

This leaves our Georgia friends quite well and contented with their own homes.

With kindest regards to your family and yourself. Your friend.

T.W. Anderson
Lexington, Ky., Aug 6th, 1889

G. H. Thompson Secretary

My dear Sir & Comrade:

I have been waiting to respond to your card of July 18th, hoping that I could come & be with the boys on the 10th of this month. It is impossible & you do not know how much I regret it. Tell my children the reminiscences of the war which I still retain, & try to teach them in the face of their school books, that their father fought for a glorious cause in glorious companionship. I want it to go down to my posterity that I was not a rebel or a traitor, & that I fought on the same lines, against the same people, that my ancestors did when they met the Hessians at Saratoga & the Tories at the Cowpens. To my old comrades in Company A, my love goes out. Captain Anderson may remember how I was by his side when he was shot through both thighs at Winchester. Bill Freeman, if he is living, has not forgotten how we matched verses together at Fort Mercer, near Savannah, & on Segars's Point in Charleston harbor. Nor has he forgotten the Starvation which we shared together at Point Lookout.
Poor Will Whately, who got his death wound at Cold Harbor in 1864, & Albion Barnes were the men who accompanied me from Thomasville to Tallahassee where I first tried to join the 12th Fl. Battalion. Some of the boys will remember how Will Whately used to sing "Sweet Annie of the Vale". I can never hear it now without the tears coming to my eyes. Will was shot through the lungs & lingered at "Howard's Grove Hospital". I think that was the name of it. & Palmer of Florida, was in Charge, while I was sick at Camp Jackson up the river from Richmond, I went to see him just before he died. Dr. Thos. Jones & myself were so that I did not know him, until he reached out his poor skeleton hand & caught me as I was passing. The last words he said to me were: "I will never sing 'Sweet Annie of the Vale' again." My dear Comrade, I am getting to be an old man, as all of us are; but, more & more I feel the beauty & the glory of our deeds, & may God protect me from the Mahometism, or any other sort of insanity, which would make me call my birthright & honor as a Confederate Soldier, 

LEXINGTON, Ky.,
for any crisis of political postlage. The clearest, the best, the fondest memory of life to be left as a heritage to my children is that I was a member of Company A. I did my duty by that I was. I want those of you who remember me to testify to this. I would not lose my record for an Empire's wealth. Let me suggest something. Why should not Alvin Freeman, our old orderly sergeant, compile a list of the old Company with some record of each man's life & death, & furnish to each of us living, & the families of those dead, a copy? I want one to frame & preserve a bit of my children hand down to their children or an heirloom. I enclose you a newspaper letter recently written by me which will explain itself.

Tell the boys not to forget me. I tried to do my duty, boy that I was, & from Captain Anderson to Luke Smith I don't think there was ever one of them who would say that I was a coward or a skulker. Tell them for me that I am with them in spirit always, & that though I was never in Newnan in any life, nor nearer to it than Palmetto where theproperly boys lived—yet I love them & am proud of them & grate-
ful for the kindness they showed me when I came among
them. May the God I love i Peace with you all forever.3

J. Soule Smith
Lexington, Ky.
Capt. W. Anderson
Newtown
90
Savannah Ga
August 16th 1899

Dear sis,

I received your cards

Saw yto say my husband is

dead he died in 87 the 28 of

March his loss was great to me

5 years ago this year respectfully

Was R. Calmes
Resolved that we do now truly

humbly continue to cherish

with the greatest tenderness and

honor the name of our beloved

Illuminated

Jefferson Davis

Resolved that a copy thereof

forwarded to him by our Secretary
(GEORGIA) (CONFEDERATE MANUSCRIPTS) Papers of Capt. G. M.
Hanvey of the Newnan, Ga. Guards, Company A, First Regiment
Georgia Volunteers. This remarkable lot begins with two
letters 1858-59 regarding organization of the Company.
Letter to Governor of S. C. offering their services if
S. C. secedes. (Nov. 1860) Reply from States Rights Gist
Aide-de-camp of Gov. G. W. Gist, Muster Roll of the Company
31st Day of Dec. 1861 to the 31st Day of March 1862, pencil
note of Gov. Joseph E. Brown to Capt. Hanvey instructing
him to rendezvous at Macon March 20, 1861. Letter to Lt.
Col. Capers, letter to Gen. Bragg desiring to attach his
Company to the Artillery at Warrington, Fla. Resolution.
pages of departures and one page of deaths. ...........

33. (INDIAN) Ethnozoology of the Tewa Indians by Julius Henderson and John Peabody Harrington (Bureau of American Ethnology No. 55)