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Pocket Diary

For

1864.

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A blank space for every day in the year, almanac, &c.

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1864.
ECLIPSES IN 1864.

There will be only two eclipses this year, and both of the Sun, as follows:

1. A Central Eclipse of the Sun, May 31st, in the afternoon. This will not be visible in the United States east of the Mississippi River, except a small fragment in Wisconsin and the western part of Illinois, in which States, and also in the States west of it, the eclipse will be very small, and may be seen just at sunset. At San Francisco it begins at 4 h. 22 m. P. M., and ends at 6 h. 49 m. Size about 9 digits.

2. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, Oct. 30th, invisible in the United States, except a mere contact of limbs in New Mexico and Texas.

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RATES OF POSTAGE.

DOMESTIC.

All transient matter must be prepaid by Stamps.

No package will be forwarded which weighs over four pounds, except books published or circulated by order of Congress.

Valuable Letters may be registered by application at the office of mailing, and the payment of a registration fee of 5 cents.

On all Letters, 5 cents for each ½ ounce or fraction thereof.

Drop or Local Letters, 2 cents for each ½ ounce or fraction thereof; no carrier's fee for delivery.

Printed Books, in one package, to one address, 4 cents for each 4 ounces or fraction thereof.

Circulars, unsealed, not exceeding three in number, to one address, 2 cents; the same rate for every three or less number additional.

On all transient printed matter (Books and Circulars excepted), and on all Seeds, Cuttings, &c., Pamphlets, Book MSS. and Proofsheets, Maps, Engravings, Blankets, Patterns, Envelopes, and Photographs, contained in one package, to one address, 2 cents for each 4 ounces or fraction thereof.

On all matter not above specified, same rate as letters.

FOREIGN.

On Letters to Canada and other British North American Provinces, when not over 3,000 miles, 10 cents for each ½ ounce. When over 3,000 miles, 15 cents. Prepayment optional.

To Great Britain or Ireland, 24 cents. Prepayment optional.

To France, 15 cents for each ½ ounce. Prepayment optional.

To the German States, by German closed mail, prepaid, 25 cents; unpaid, 30 cents.

Letters to other Foreign Countries vary in rate according to the route by which they are sent, and the proper information can be obtained of any Postmaster in the United States.

STAMP DUTIES.

Any Internal Revenue Stamp, of sufficient amount, may be used upon documents, and will make them valid, with the exception of Proprietary Stamps.

In all cases the person using or affixing the stamp shall write upon it the initials of his name, and the date when used, so that it may not again be used, under a penalty of $50.

A Power of Attorney accompanying a bond or note requires no additional stamp.

A Bond or Note secured by mortgage requires but one stamp for all the documents; each stamp, however, is to be of the highest rate required for either of said instruments.

The party to whom a document is issued from a foreign country or by whom it is to be used, shall, before using the same, affix thereon the stamp or stamps indicating the duty required.

No evidence, deed, mortgage, or writing shall be required to pay a stamp duty of more than $1,000.

Check, Draft, or Order, at Sight.

For amount exceeding $20.

Promissory Notes, Drafts, Inland and Foreign Bills of Exchange, Orders for Payment of Money, Letters of Credit, and Notes Payable on Demand. Payable otherwise than at Sight.

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For each additional $500, or fraction thereof, increase in same ratio.
Certificates.
Of Proofs, in any incorporated company, for an amount not less than $10 nor exceeding $50... .10
Exceeding $50... .10
Of Stock, in incorporated company... .25
Of Deposit, for a sum not exceeding $100... .50
Exceeding $100... .50
Of Damage, and all other documents issued by any Port Warden or Marine Surveyor... .25
Other than those mentioned above... .50

Passage Ticket.
To a foreign port, of less price than $20... .50
Exceeding $50... .50

Power of Attorney.
To sell or transfer any scrip or certificate of profit, or memorandum for a sum not over $50... .10
To transfer stock, bonds, or scrip... .25
To receive dividends, interest, or rent... .25
To vote by proxy, except in charitable, religious, literary, and cemetery societies... .10
To sell or lease real estate, and perform all other acts not specified... .10

Protest of Note, Draft, &c.
Or Marine Protest, &c... .25
Lease.
For 3 years or less... .50
For more than 3 years... .100

Bill of Exchange, Foreign.
In sets of 5 or more, not exceeding $100... .50
From $10 to $25... .35
From $25 to $50... .30
" 50 " 100... .25
" 100 " 2,500... .20
" 2,500 " 5,000... .10
" 5,000 " 5,000... .70
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" 1,000 " 1,000... .30
On every additional $2,500, or fraction thereof... .50
Bill of Exchange (foreign), or Letter of Credit, drawn singly or other than in a set of three or more, the same as Promissory Notes.

Manifest for Entry or Clearance.
Of cargo of vessel for foreign port, if tonnage does not exceed 200 tons... .50
From 200 to 600... .30
For withdrawal of goods from bonded warehouse... .50

Warehouse Receipt.
For goods on storage... .25

Entry of Goods.
At Custom-House, not exceeding in value $100... .25
From $100 to $250... .50
Exceeding $250... .1.00

Telegraphic Dispatch.
The charge for which does not exceed 20 cents for the first ten words...
When it exceeds 20 cents for the first ten words... .08

Probate of Will or Letter of Administra
Where the estate does not exceed $2,500... .50
" 5,000 " 20,000... .10
" 20,000 " 50,000... .50
" 50,000 " 100,000... .50
" 100,000 " 150,000... .10
For every additional $20,000, or fraction thereof... .10

Conveyance or Deed of Grant.
Where the consideration is not more than $100 and not exceeding $500... .50
From $500 to $1,000... .50
" 1,000 " 2,500... .50
" 2,500 " 5,000... .50
" 5,000 " 10,000... .50
" 10,000 " 20,000... .50
Every additional $10,000, or fraction thereof... .20

Policy of Insurance.
On any life or lives, where the amount insured does not exceed $1,000... .35
From $1,000 to $3,000... .50
Exceeding $3,000... .50
Fire and Marine risks... .25
On any risk where the premium does not exceed $10... .05
Exceeding $10... .25

Charter-Party.
Any Letter of Memorandum relating to the charter of any vessel.
If the registered tonnage does not exceed 150 tons... .75
From 150 to 300 tons... .75
From 300 to 600 tons... .75
Over 600 tons... .10

Receipt (other than Charter-Party).
For goods, &c., to be exported from a port in the United States to any foreign port or place, each... .10

Contracts.
Brokers’ note, or memorandum of sale... .10
**Bill of Lading.**

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**Mortgage or Personal Bonds.**

- Not over $20.00 in all. (Note: these are the same as the original document.)
- For every sheet or piece of paper on which the mortgage or personal bond is written or printed, a tax of 5c. on each piece of paper shall be paid.

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**Weather Notes:**

- **January 1, 1894:**
  - Friday
  - Rain, strong
  - Cold
  - Snow

**Weather:**

- **Sunday, Feb 2:**
  - Rain
  - Cold
  - Snow

- **Saturday, March 2:**
  - Snow
  - Cold

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**Notes:**

- Difficult weather.
- Snow and cold all month.
- Poor health throughout.
January, MONDAY, 4, 1864.

Rainy weather

Tuesday, 5.

Detailed on guard at the commissary. I weighed one hundred and thirty-two pounds. Weather turning cold.

Wednesday, 6.

Cold and snowing. All of our fires started for home as veterans. Bought two pair of socks for two dollars.

January, THURSDAY, 7, 1864.

Detailed to go forward twenty miles. Stopped in a blacksmith shop all night. Weather cold and snowing.

Friday, 8.


Saturday, 9.

Started back for camp. Camped in a minister's house all night. Got breakfast there. Weather cold.
SUNDAY, 10, 1864.

Cold weather. Snow about three inches deep. Reached camp about four in the afternoon.

MONDAY, 11.

Detailed to chop wood at head quarters. Weather cold. Blazes across roads.

TUESDAY, 12.

Nice weather.

THURSDAY, 14.

Detailed to go foraging. Got a letter from my sister.

WEDNESDAY, 13, 1864.

Heard frost last night.

FRIDAY, 15.

Got marching orders. Left camp about nine o'clock.
January, SATURDAY, 16, 1864.

up at four in the morning. Reached Dandridge about five in the afternoon. Fighting in front.

SUNDAY, 17.

In camp all day. Afternoon fighting in front. About seven o'clock we started, marched all night. Lots of mud and mud.

MONDAY, 18.

Rainings. Reached Strawberry Plains at day light. Stopped a couple of hours. Then marched eight miles. Camped in solid barracks.

January, TUESDAY, 19, 1864


WEDNESDAY, 20.

In camp all day. Drained rations. Quartermaster gave a pint of meal for two days.

THURSDAY, 21.

Up at three. Marched at day light. Passed through Knoxville at noon. Crossed the river and went into camp.
January, FRIDAY, 22, 1864.

In camp all day. Drawed a quart of a pint of meal for two days. Wrote to my sister.

SATURDAY, 23.

Marching orders. Started for London. Warm day.

SUNDAY, 24.

Very warm. Passed through Somerville station. Seven cannon balls went through one house.

January, MONDAY, 25, 1864.

Weather warm. Reached London at noon. Crossed the river on boats. No bridge. Detained to put up food quarter rations. Then went for supplies.

TUESDAY, 26.

Very warm weather. In camp all day. About one mile west from town.

WEDNESDAY, 27.

Detained to help ferry teams across the river. London, Tenn. The steamboat comes up from Chattanooga.
January, THURSDAY, 23, 1864.

Nice warm day. Moved camp to town. Our quarters in a brick building. Detailed on guard.

FRIDAY, 24.


SATURDAY, 25.

Detailed to guard rebel baggage. They were citizens from Knoxville. They were to be sent out side of our lines.

January, SUNDAY, 31, 1864.

Still on guard. Lots of petition going home from Knoxville.

February, MONDAY, 1.

Went to the steam boat with the citizens and baggage. They got to Chattanooga and then put them on the steamer.

TUESDAY, 2.

Drew a new cap, shirt, and a pair of drawers. Weather cold and raining wind blowing hard.
February, WEDNESDAY, 3, 1864.

On camp all day. Weather cold.

THURSDAY, 4.

The steam train come up past the railroad abutments. Details on guard.

FRIDAY 5.

Relieved of guard. Nice weather.

February, SATURDAY, 6, 1864.

Detailed on guard. Rainy weather and cold.

SUNDAY, 7.

Relieved of guard. Went to church and in the forenoon and once in the afternoon. Weather chilly.

MONDAY, 8.

The steam boat come up the river with supplies.
February, TUESDAY, 9, 1864.

Detailed order.

S. L. weather.

February, FRIDAY, 12, 1864.

Steamboat came up the river with supplies.

SUNDAY, 13.


THURSDAY, 11.

The first train of cars came in from Chattanooga. Gas. Nice weather.

WEDNESDAY, 10.

Relieved of guard.

Got our knapsacks.

Weather clear.

Heavy frost last night.

SUNDAY, 14.

Raining weather. I got the first tent raised on the railroad. Left for the Union at 9 o'clock. Went to prayer meeting in the evening.
February, MONDAY, 15, 1864.

Detailed on guard. Rainy weather.

TUESDAY, 16.

Relieved of guard. Weather turning cold. Got a letter from my sister.

WEDNESDAY, 17.

Got two months pay & $28. Weather cold.

February, THURSDAY, 18, 1864.

Bought a pair of boots for twelve dollars. Got a letter from my brother.

FRIDAY, 19.

Detailed on guard. Weather cold. Wrote to my sister.

SATURDAY, 20.

Relieved of guard. Weather cold and cloudy.
February, SUNDAY, 21, 1864.

Detailed on guard. Snowing.

February, WEDNESDAY, 24, 1864.

Sent the officers north with the other prisoners. They belonged to North Carolina.

Monday, 22.

Relieved of guard. At noon salute fired for Washington's birthday. Lots of Indians come in from the arts.

Tuesday, 23.

Nice weather.usty prisoners brought in. Five rebel officers with them. I was detailed to guard the officers.

Thursday, 25.

Nice weather. Toil working at the railroad bridge.

Friday, 26.

John Cox came up to the hospital from the hospital. The steam boat come up the river. Detailed on guard.
February, SATURDAY, 27, 1864.

Weather. Relieved of guard.

March, TUESDAY, 1, 1864.

Relieved of guard. Still raining.

SUNDAY, 28.

Weather cold and cloudy. Went to camp. Went to church in the after noon. Called Preacher.

MONDAY, 29.

Weather cold and raining. Detailed on guard.

WEDNESDAY, 2.

Part of the railroad bridge fell down. William Fleming went home with thirty days furlough.

THURSDAY, 3.

Went to Church. In the evening...
March, FRIDAY, 4, 1864.

Detailed on guard. Rainy weather.

SATURDAY, 5.

SUNDAY, 6.

March, SUNDAY, 13, 1864.

Went to church but could not get in. There was a large crowd.

MONDAY, 14.

TUESDAY, 15.

Weather turning cold. Demobilization guards. Drew a pair of pants.
March, WEDNESDAY, 16, 1864.


March, SATURDAY, 19, 1864.

SUNDAY, 20.

Went to church in the afternoon. The band got their new silver instruments. And two drums.

FRIDAY, 18.

Company drill. Detailed on guards.

MONDAY, 21.

Detailed on guard.
March, TUESDAY, 22, 1864.

Returned from guard. The weather cold and snowing. The wind blowing from the north east.

WEDNESDAY, 23.

Sergeant Smith was north with absence detail.

THURSDAY, 24.

Detained on guard. Raining. Started in steam saw mill.

March, FRIDAY, 25, 1864.

About this morning it started raining and began to snow. About five this morning it commenced to rain again. About noon came lack.

SATURDAY, 26.

There weather bad. Changed my clothes.

SUNDAY, 27.

March, MONDAY, 29, 1864.

Major General Cheatham passed through London on his way to Knoxville.

TUESDAY, 30.

Detailed on guard. Weather cold. Snowed a little.

WEDNESDAY, 30.

Nice weather. Relieved of guard.

March, THURSDAY, 31, 1864.

April, FRIDAY, 1.

Went to bath. Pulled out three teeth. Sick.

SATURDAY, 2.

Still sick. Got a little from my mother.
April, 1964.

Went to the hospital sick with the measles.

MONDAY, 4.

THURSDAY, 7.

TUESDAY, 5.

FRIDAY, 8.

Left a letter promising sister...
SUNDAY, 10.

A man fell of the railroad bridge and was drowned.

MONDAY, 11.

Wrote to my sister.

WEDNESDAY, 13.

Sent a time and one passenger car across the railroad bridge. Nice weather.

THURSDAY, 14.

Drewed a new blue surcoat and a rubber blanket. Wrote to my sister.
April, FRIDAY, 15, 1864.

SUNDAY, 16.

Went to church, No. 1. ward, etc.

TUESDAY, 19.

WENT TO CHATTANOOGA. REACHED CHATTANOOGA AT Dusk, slept in the cars all night.

WEDNESDAY, 20.

Died last year, Dear lady home to my sister. And wrote to John S. Meade.
THURSDAY, 28.

FRIDAY, 29.

May

SUNDAY, 1.

Was sent to another hospital with the small pox.
SUNDAY, 15, 1864.

MONDAY, 16.

Got out of bed from the small box and put my clothes.

TUESDAY, 17.

WEDNESDAY, 18, 1864.

THURSDAY, 19.

FRIDAY, 20.
SUNDAY, 22.

MONDAY, 23.

TUESDAY, 24, 1864.
Morning rain. Afternoon clear. Got some eels stewed.

WEDNESDAY, 25.

THURSDAY, 26.
SATURDAY, 28.

got some life stream heads.

SUNDAY, 29.

went over half way up lookout mountain, sun very warm.

TUESDAY 31.

WEDNESDAY, 1.

got my sisters photograph. sun very warm.
Friday, 3.

Saturday, 4.
Left the small. fox hospital and was sent to the barracks in town. Afternoon rain, afternoon cold.

Sunday, 5.

Monday, 6.

Bought a new coffee pot for 90 cents.

Tuesday, 7.
June, 1864.

"Was sent to the convalescent camp. Rainy weather."

THURSDAY, 9.

Detailed on duty.

FRIDAY, 10.

Saturday, 11, 1864.

SUNDAY, 12.

MONDAY, 13.

Plowed a new gun and accoutrements.
June, 1864.

TUESDAY, 14.

Got on the cars at Chattanooga and started for the front. Reached Kingston at dark. Went into camp.

WEDNESDAY, 15.

Changed camp.

THURSDAY, 16.

Friday, 17, 1864.

SATURDAY 18.

Changed camp.

Moved across the railroad.

Kingston, 8 A.M.

SUNDAY, 19.

Details on picket at Kings-
SUNDAY, 26, 1864

Got on the cars at Kingston and started for the front. Reached big route station.

MONDAY, 27.

In front of Petersburg. Reached the regt. at noon. Parred doors opening in front.

TUESDAY, 28.

Still on picket firing all day. Relieved of picket at dark. Weather warm.
July 2, 1864

Nice weather, a little rain at night. The rebels begin to retreat from near Abateeta, N. A.

Sunday, 3.

The rebels all gone from our front. Our army started of up the river. camped at dark. Very warm.

Monday, 4.

Wore our new day clothing in the night. All day, heavy feeling in the front and on our right. Great many rebel fences taken.

July 5, 1864

Marched early this morning. Reached the lake and crossed it in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 6.

In camp all day, some firing in front. Very hot weather.

Thursday, 7.

Marched at light o'clock. Warm weather, roads dry and dusty. crossed near the line.
July, 1864.

**FRIDAY, 8.**

Our copt was detailed to escort General Howard along the front lines. The next day we got some rice black way, went back to camp.

**SATURDAY, 9.**

Got marching orders, marched to the left, and across the Chattahoochee river, and camped.

**SUNDAY, 10.**

Drewed rations, in camp, worked all day afternoon to build breast works. The 6th corps relieved us about four o'clock in the afternoon.

July, 1864.

**MONDAY, 11.**

Came back across the river. Went up to camp near Roswell.

**TUESDAY, 12.**

Started towards our old camp. Reached camp a bit late. Two of us in the afternoon rained a little.

**WEDNESDAY, 13.**

Breaks up camp and crossed the river, went into camp and began to build breast works. Rained very hard in the afternoon.
THURSDAY, 14, 1864

Finished our work. Worked all day. Hot weather.

FRIDAY, 15.

In camp all day. Some very hot. Dispersed all about.

SATURDAY, 16.

I started to cut down brush in front of our works.

SUNDAY, 17, 1864

Had brigade inspection of arms and accoutrements.

MONDAY, 18.

Marching orders marched till noon then camped. Hard skirmishing in front.

TUESDAY, 19.

Marched in the afternoon about four o'clock after went into camp about nine o'clock and fighting all day.
WEDNESDAY, 20.

Bash the city.
Marched 1st. Got in line. If was detailed to go on the skirmish line. at noon the line advanced. the rebels charged.

FRIDAY, 22.

Marching orders. Marched till noon. Then got in line and built breast works. 2 miles from Atlanta. The rebels threw lots of shells at us.

SATURDAY, 23.

Still behind our lines. Rebels threw a lot of shell at us. Sun very hot.

SUNDAY, 24.

Still behind our lines. Great deal of picket firing.

MONDAY, 25.

Still behind our lines. Saw a new hat. Sun very hot.
July, TUESDAY, 26, 1864.

Went into camp about the quarters of a mile from the front lines, cannonading and picket firing going on.

WEDNESDAY, 27.

In camp all day. Some firing. 

Thursday, 28.

In camp all day, some firing.

Friday, 29, 1864.

In camp all day. Painted a little.

Saturday, 30.

Sent John Abe. 20 cents, half a Dollar.

Sunday, 31.

In camp all day, very heavy thunder. Cleaned camp, wrote to my sister.
August, MONDAY, 1, 1864.
Left camp and went to the left of the army. Close to the town. Went into work. Some firing on the line.

TUESDAY, 2.
Still behind our works. Some firing.

WEDNESDAY, 3.
Still behind our works. Rained very hard.

August, THURSDAY, 4, 1864.
Went on picket nice day. Our line advanced on the rebels but fell back to their works again. Hard fighting on the line.

FRIDAY, 5.
Relieved of picket. Our line made a little demonstration on the rebels but fell back again. Hard fighting on the line.

SATURDAY, 6.
Some firing along the line.
August, 1864.

SUNDAY, 7.

Went on picket the Johnson line pretty close to us twice but went back again. Hard fighting on this afternoon.

MONDAY, 8.

In camp all day. Some cannonading along the line. Wrote to my sister.

TUESDAY, 9.

Detail on picket very cloudy, rained some. A great deal of firing this afternoon. Out batteries shelling Atlanta. Some fighting on the site.

August, 1864.

WEDNESDAY, 10.

The lines of picket done shelling, rain very hard, one of our men bled and one of the 85th had a fight. Very big victory. In letters two years ago.

THURSDAY.

All quiet in front.

FRIDAY, 12.
August, SATURDAY, 13, 1864.
Detailed on picket very great kill, reloaded the artillery, opened a broadside, shelled all night, rained a little.

SUNDAY, 14.
Relieved of picket, weather very hot, some cannonading along the line.

MONDAY, 15.
In camp all day.

August, TUESDAY, 16, 1864.
Almond victims about nine o'clock. Quiet for the rest of the day.

WEDNESDAY, 17.
Went on picket. Some cannonading and picket firing on our side. Weather very hot.

THURSDAY, 18.
Relieved of picket. Saw of few contraband.
August, FRIDAY, 19, 1864

Up at three tol. Our artillery opened a perfect fire of shot and shell at Atlanta. Our brigades occupied the works, the skirmish line advanced and skirmished pretty lively with the rebels in the works.

SUNDAY, 21.

All quiet to day, excepting and shelling as usual. Letter from my sister and answered it.

August, MONDAY, 22, 1864

The very quiet to day till evening then our big guns threw a few shells in Atlanta. Strong shelling on our works and placing brush. Rain.

TUESDAY, 23.

Detailed on picket. Weather very hot. some firing along the line.

WEDNESDAY, 24.

Release of picket.
August, THURSDAY, 25, 1864.
Detailed at 6 a.m. started marching right the picket line at nine o'clock and marched all night. Very fatigued and worn out. Crossed the Atlantic and Chattahoochee rail road.
FRIDAY, 26.
Train very bad got into a constrictive five this morning o'day to march at eight. Began to build breast works and think we done orders to leave. Marched till dark in the afternoon then went into camp.
SATURDAY, 27.
Stood in camp all day built breast works got lots of green corn and beans and potatoes for I times. Very hot.
TUESDAY, 30.
Marched at sunrise and very hard. Found the breast works put down and moved them and went away.
August, 31, 1864.
Marched most all day, sun very hot,
the roads dusty.

September, 3, 1864.
Still on picket, rained very hard last night,
close to the rebels fired a great deal of firing.
Fired two hundred rounds.
Rained all day, was relieved at dark.

September, Thursday, 4.

September, Friday, 5.

September, Saturday, 6.

October, Sunday, 7.

October, Monday, 8.

October, Tuesday, 9.

October, Wednesday, 10.

October, Thursday, 11.

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January, 30.
September, TUESDAY, 6, 1864.

Built breastworks. Stayed in camp all day. Very hot. Same skirmishing in front of Rebel's following us.

WEDNESDAY, 7.

Marched at seven o'clock this morning. Weather cloudy. Got some potatoes and corn. Went into camp at two o'clock, 12 miles from Atlanta.

THURSDAY, 8.

Left camp about seven. This morning reached Atlanta at twelve. Passed through the town and went into camp near our old works on the left.

September, FRIDAY, 9, 1864.

In camp. Cleaning up camp. Weather warm and dry.

SATURDAY, 10.

In camp all day. Fixing our tents and cleaning camp.

SUNDAY, 11.
September. MONDAY, 12, 1864.

Still in camp. Drawed one pair of socks, one pair of shoes, one pair of pants.

TUESDAY, 13.

Detailed at Post at Chilicothe, Mo. 4th U.S. Army Head Quarters. The whole started for Wisconsin this morning at ten o'clock. Fine weather.

WEDNESDAY, 14.

FRIDAY, 15.

SATURDAY, 17.

Burning brush and cleaning up camp.
September, SUNDAY, 18, 1864.

Rained a little last night and this morning at nine. This morning we had review and inspection. Afternoon raining. Got a letter from my brother in Utica.

Wrote to my sister, Oditia, at head quarters.

TUESDAY, 20.

THURSDAY, 22.

Rained this morning. Setting about to look about our quarters.

FRIDAY, 23.

Rained very hard and thundered this afternoon.
September, SATURDAY, 24, 1864.

This morning had inspection, morning review at 2 a.m., marched in to Atlanta and got on the cars and started for Chattanooga. rode on the cars all night.

SUNDAY, 25.

Still on the cars, very cold this morning reached Chattanooga at noon went in and camped close to town.

MONDAY, 26.

Still on the cars, very cold this morning, reached Chattanooga at noon, went into town and camped close to town.

Tuesday, 27, 1864.

Moved camp, short distance close to the town and put up our tents near Little Lytle.

WEDNESDAY, 28.

Moved camp to Little Lytle, set up our tents under fine weather.

THURSDAY, 29.

Still in camp.
September, FRIDAY, 30, 1864.
Still in camp. Continued cold.

Saturday, October, 1
Rainy weather.

SUNDAY, 2.

This morning I was detailed to write letters to my wife. About 8 o’clock that night we got orders to march. We got on the cars and left about 6 o’clock.

October, MONDAY, 3, 1864.
Road on the pass off night reached Dalton about seven this morning. The chill was terrible. What I was taking up the track yesterday, one train run of the track.

Tuesday, 4.
In Dalton our quarters was in a bay. The till yesterday we made a raid on the sutlers. Our sut, got six barrels of salt, and other things. rain

WEDNESDAY, 5.
Still in Dalton. Loving Mother.
October, 1864.

Thursday, 6.

Last night about half past nine we moved on the cars and started for Union City. We arrived here at ten o'clock and were put in jail. We were in jail all night. Left here at noon for Chattanooga. Reached Chattanooga at seven o'clock.

Friday.

Very cold, night in camp all day.

Saturday, 8.

October, 1864.

Sunday, 9.

Monday, 10.

TUESDAY, 11.

Got a pass and went up to look at Lookout Mountain. Nice warm weather.
FRIDAY 14.

THURSDAY 13.

SUNDAY 16.

MONDAY 17.

WEDNESDAY 12.

SATURDAY 16.

October 1964.

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October, 18, 1864.

up at two this morning got on the cars and left a train. reached Chattanooga at noon. got off the cars and marched miles.

Wednesday, 19

marched at ten. got into camp after dark. T. & B. Brigade of our Division was quartering cattle at the front.

Thursday, 20

marched at five this morning went into camp about three in the afternoon. weather warm and roads dusty.

October, 27, 1864.

Rained very hard last night in camp all day.

Friday, 28.

Birds up camp and marched towards Chattanooga. marched 19 miles today.

Saturday, 29.

Other fresh at our end. march 12 miles to Hallice. Still not reposed.
October, SUNDAY, 30, 1864.

November, TUESDAY, 1.

November, WEDNESDAY, 2, 1864.

November, THURSDAY, 3.

November, FRIDAY, 4.

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Went into camp about

what time in the

April

at four o'clock.

riot at nine o'clock.

Stevens at three.

Stevens on a

nine miles south

or 11 miles

weather.
November, SATURDAY, 5, 1864.

Marched about seven o'clock this morn-
ing, passed through Bellach, and went into camp about two miles north of town. Got pay & monthly pay attached on book.

SUNDAY, 6.

The weather of to-day is rainy. Rainy weather.

November, TUESDAY, 8, 1864.

Rainy weather. Our regiment went sixty-six for Lincoln. Walking on the fortifications most all day.

WEDNESDAY, 9.

Rainy weather. In camp all day at Bellach.

Monday 7.

Moved camp to the south east side of Bellach. Rainy weather.

Thursday, 10.

St. camp weather clear and cool. Broke to my sister. Bought a ticket for six dollars and a quarter.
November, FRIDAY, 11, 1864.

In camp till day. nice weather.

SUNDAY, 13.

Got a letter from my sister. Chilled clear weather. Our tarpaulin wagon train come in from Chattanooga.

November, MONDAY, 14, 1864.

Wrote to my sister. Got a letter from my cousin, John Stewart. Traveled today.

TUESDAY, 15.

Wednesday, 16.
November 17, 1864

Raining weather. Today I bought one pair of boots for fourteen dollars of our sutler.

FRIDAY, 18.

To day rainy. Bough't one hat from our sutler for five dollars and a half. Very mudy. Pulaski, Tenn.

SUNDAY, 20.

Orders to be ready to move.

MONDAY, 21.

Wrote to my sister. Weather cold and snowing. The first this year. Pulaski, Tenn.

TUESDAY, 22.

Left Pulaski marched about twelve miles, very cold.
November, WEDNESDAY, 23, 1864.

 passed at two this morning, marched at 3  
 reached Columbus at eleven this forenoon.  
marched twenty miles. got up营 at six  
four of the crew.  

THURSDAY, 24.

In camp all day. Slaughtered one mule and  
skinned it. some wind blowing in front of us.  
slow weather.

FRIDAY, 25.

In camp all day. nice clear weather. I shot  
Squirrel this morn. and  

November, SATURDAY, 26, 1864.

Started about 6 last night to move.  
marched about 3 miles to the left and put up  
work firing on us.  

SUNDAY, 27.

Left early this morning and went to  
Nashville.

Reached Nashville about two this morn  
ing and went to  
Hospital No. 14. There  
I had sore back.  

MONDAY, 28.

This morning I  
went on the city and was sent to Nashville.  

Not there after  
dark and was sent  
to the hospital.
November 29, 1864.
This morning, I was sent to another hospital about a mile south of town. Cholera.

December 2, 1864.

Wednesday, 30.
Still in the hospital in due. Louisville, Ky.

Saturday, 3.
Still in Brown's Hospital. Drawn one pair of pants, two pair of shoes, one pair of drawers, two shirts, and one overcoat. Nice clear weather.

December 1, 1864.
Still in the hospital. Not all raining.
December 5, 1864

Left the hospital and was sent to barracks.

December 8, 1864

Snowing and cold. Spent very hard last night. Got a letter from my cousin.

December 9, 1864

Very cold. Snowed a little last night. A great deal of snow falling on our left.

December 7, 1864

Went to the base.

Went to the base.

Sitting down town this afternoon.

Bought a pair of shoes for two dollars. Went to the base this afternoon. Rainy weather.
December, SUNDAY, 11, 1864.

Very cold morning. Threw a little in the middle of the day.

December, WEDNESDAY, 14, 1864.

Moved out at daylight very hard fighting on our right. Our Division made a charge, drove the rebels and captured a great many prisoners and some artillery. Weather cloudy.

MONDAY, 12.

Not so cold this morning. Went all over the city today. Nice day.

THURSDAY, 15.

Moved at daylight. Our next was on the skirmish line. Found the rebels about nine o'clock, drove them into their works, was relieved of the line about two o'clock, our troops charged and drove the rebels.

TUESDAY, 13.

Weather rainy, in camp all day. Orders ready to move.

FRIDAY, 16.

Moved at night to find the rebels were down the cavalry alone the and captured 275 prisoners and 4 cannon.
December, SATURDAY, 17, 1864.

Weather rainy and the roads very muddy. Reached Franklin in the afternoon and went into camp.

SUNDAY, 18.

Left Franklin about ten this morning. Went into camp about eight o'clock. Rained hard.

MONDAY, 19.

Arrived at nine o'clock. Marched about three miles, weather rainy.

December, TUESDAY, 20, 1864.

Moved at noon, crossed the Panther Creek, rainy weather and went into camp near Dusk river.

WEDNESDAY, 21.

In camp all day. Weather cold. Snowed some.

THURSDAY, 22.

Still in camp. Weather cold.
FRIDAY, 23, 1864.

On picket all day. Rainy weather.

SUNDAY, 25.

Marched about nine o'clock this morning. Passed through Tulalip, raining. Went into camp about five miles south of Tulalip. Went on picket.

SATURDAY, 24.

Left Columbia about four o'clock this afternoon. Marched about five miles and went into camp. Weather cold.

TUESDAY, 27.

Marched at day light this morning. Roads very muddy.

WEDNESDAY, 28.

Marched this morning about nine o'clock. Rainy weather.
December, THURSDAY, 29, 1864.
In camp. Weather turning cold.

FRIDAY, 30.
Still in camp. Snowed some last night. Very cold this morning. Bought a Henry rifle for $50.

SATURDAY, 31.
Marched this morning about ten o'clock. Drawed three days rations to last five. Marched 17 miles.
1864 DIARY of CORPORAL JAMES AKER, Co. A, 24th WI

Jan. 1/2 1864  Got mustered in for 2 mos. at Blanes Crossroads east of Knoxville. Detailed on guard...

Jan. 6/7/8/9 1864  The 36th IL of our Brigade started for home as veterans... Detailed to go foraging. Went out 20 miles. Stopped in a blacksmith shop all night. Started back for camp. Camped in a minister's house and got breakfast there.

Jan. 15/16/17, 1864 Got marching orders. Left camp about 9 o'clock. Up at four in the morning. Reached Dandridge about 5 in the afternoon. Afternoon Fighting in front, about 7 o'clock we started and marched all night. Lots of mud...

Jan. 18/19, 1864  Reached Strawberry Plains at day light. Stopped about 4 hrs., then marched 8 miles. Snowing. In camp all day. Falling back to Knoxville...

Jan. 21, 1864  Up at 3; marched at day light. Passed through Knoxville at noon and crossed the river and went into camp.

Jan. 24/25, 1864  Passed through Campbell Station. Seven cannon balls went through one house. Reached Loudon at noon. Crossed the river in boats. No bridge. Detailed to put up Head Quarters tents, then went for rails.

Jan. 27/28, 1864  Detailed to help ferry teams across the river. The steamboat came up from Chattanooga. Our quarters in a brick building...

Jan. 30, 1864  Detailed to guard Rebel baggage. They were citizens from Knoxville. They was to be sent outside of our lines...

Feb. 11/12/13, 1864  The first train of cars came in from Chattanooga. Nice weather. Steam boat came up the river with supplies...Signed the payrolls. Cars running every day.

Feb. 14, 1864  Saw the first bent (?) raised on the railroad bridge across the Tenn. River at Loudon. Went to prayer meeting in the evening.

Feb. 22/23/24, 1864  Relieved of guard. At noon, salutes fired for Washington's Birthday. Lots of Indians came in from the Rebs. Forty prisoners brought in, five Rebel officers with them. I was detailed to guard the officers. Sent the officers north with the other prisoners. They belonged to North Carolina.

Feb. 28, 1864  Went to a nigger church in the afternoon. Nigger preacher.

Mar. 2, 1864  Part of the Railroad bridge fell down. Wm. Fleming went home with a 30 day furlough.

Mar. 20, 1864  Went to church in the afternoon. The band got their new silver instruments and 2 drums.
Mar. 23/24/25, 1864 General Sheridan is (going) north... Steam sawmill started in Loudon, TN. Sheridan has come back.

Mar. 27/28, 1864 Began sawing in the steam saw mill in Loudon, TN. Easter Sunday—no eggs. Sheridan started for Washington. Major General Sherman passed through Loudon on his way to Knoxville.

April 10, 1864 A man fell off the Railroad bridge and was drowned.

April 13, 1864 A locomotive and one passenger car crossed the new Railroad bridge.

Apr. 16, 1864 Left the hospital at Loudon and went to Chattanooga in the hospital cars. Reached Chattanooga at dark. Slept in the cars all night.

Apr. 20, 1864 Sent last year's diary home to my sister.

May 1, 1864 Was sent to another hospital with the Small Pox.

May 16, 1864 Got out of bed from the small pox and put on my clothes.

May 29, 1864 Went over half way up Lookout Mountain.

June 4, 1864 Left the small pox hospital and was sent to the barracks in town.

June 13/14, 1864 Drawed a new gun and accoutrements. Got on the cars at Chattanooga and started for the front. Reached Kingston at dark. Went into camp.

June 18/19, 1864 Changed camp. Moved across the railroad at Kingston, GA. Detailed on picket at Kingston.

June 26/27, 1864 Got on the cars at Kingston and started for the front. Reached Big Shantie station afternoon. Camped there all night... In front of Marietta. Reached the Regiment at noon. Cannonading in front at night. The regiment was sent on picket.

June 30, 1864 Detailed to work on the breastworks. In the afternoon, the regiment marched to the frontline.

July 1/2, 1864 On picket till dark, then marched to the left. The Rebs begin to retreat from near Marietta.

July 3/4, 1864 the Rebels are all gone from our front. Our Army started after them, camped at dark. Very warm day laying in the woods all day. Heavy firing in front and on our right. A great many Rebel prisoners (are) taken.

July 5/6, 1864 Marched early this morning. Reached the Chattahoochic River in the afternoon. The Rebs crossed the river. In camp all day; some firing in front.

July 8/9, 1864 Our Regiment was detailed to escort General Howard along the front lines... got marching orders; marched to the left and crossed the Chattahoochic River and camped.

July 10/11, 1864 Drawed rations. Afternoon built breastworks. The 16th Corps relieved us about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Came back across the river and went into camp near Roswell.

July 13, 1864 Broke camp and recrossed the river...began to build breastworks.
July 16/17, 1864  Detailed to cut down brush in front of our works. Had brigade inspection of arms and accoutrements.

July 18, 1864  Marching orders; marched till noon, then camped. Hard skirmishing in front.

July 19, 1864  Marched in the afternoon about 4 o'clock. Went into camp about 9. Hard fighting all day.

July 20, 1864  Peach Tree Creek. Marched at five. Got in line. I was detailed to go on the skirmish line. At noon, the line advanced and drove the Rebs. They charged on us. A great many of them killed and wounded. Fired a hundred rounds.

July 21, 1864  Laid behind out breast works all day. Some skirmishing in front.

July 22, 1864  Marching orders. Marched till most noon then got in line and built breastworks 2 miles from Atlanta. The Rebs throw lots of shell at us.

July 23, 1864  Still behind our works. The Rebs throwing lots of shell at us. Sun very hot. A great deal of picket firing.

July 24, 1864  Still behind works. A great deal of cannonading and picket firing.

July 26, 1864  Went into camp about 3/4 of a mile from the front line. Cannonading and picket firing going on.

July 27, 1864  In camp all day. A great deal of cannonading. Was ordered to the works expecting an attack, but they did not come.

Aug. 1, 1864  Left camp and went to the left of the army close to the town. Went into works. Firing on the line.

Aug. 3/4, 1864  Still behind our works... went on picket. Our line advanced on the Rebs, but fell back to their works again. Hard fighting on the right.

Aug. 5, 1864  Relieved of picket. Our line made a little demonstration on the Rebs but fell back again. Hard fighting on the right.

Aug. 7, 1864  Went on picket. The Johnny's came pretty close to us twice, but went back again. Hard fighting on the right this afternoon.

Aug. 9, 1864  Detailed on picket. A great deal of firing this afternoon. Our batteries shelling Atlanta. Some fighting on the right.

Aug. 10, 1864  Relieved of picket. Some shelling. One of our boys and one of the 88th IL had a fight; our boy victorious. I enlisted 2 years ago.

Aug. 12, 1864  Detailed on picket. Very quiet till 7 o'clock in the evening, then the Artillery opened. Shelled Atlanta most all night.

Aug. 19, 1864  Up at 3 o'clock. Our Artillery opened a perfect roar of shot and shell at Atlanta. Our Brigade occupied the works. The skirmish line advanced and skirmished pretty lively with the Rebs.

Aug. 21, 1864  All quiet today till about 5 o'clock in the evening. Then the pickets began to fire. Our Artillery threwed a few shells into Atlanta.
Aug. 22, 1864  Quiet today until evening, then our big guns throwed a few shells in Atlanta. Strengthening our works and placing brush.

Aug. 25, 1864  Detailed on picket. Orders to march. Left the picket line at 9 o'clock and marched all night. Crossed the Atlanta and Chattanooga railroads.

Aug. 25, 1864  Got into camp at 5 this morning. Orders to march at 8. Began to build breastworks and got them half done. Orders to leave. Marched till late in the afternoon, then went into camp.

Aug. 27, 1864  In camp till 3 o'clock in the afternoon, then marched till about 8 at night. Got into line and built breastworks south west of Atlanta.

Aug. 29, 1864  Laid in camp all day. Built breastworks. Got lots of green corn and beans and potatoes for dinner.

Aug. 30, 1864  Marched at daylight. We found the Rebs at noon... Our skirmish line charged them and drove them away. We occupied their ground and built breastworks. Crossed the Montgomery railroad.

Sept. 1, 1864  Marched at daylight. Got on the railroad about 9 o'clock. Our division began to tear up the track and burn the ties and bend the irons. The afternoon we fought the Rebs and charged on them and drove them. Hard fighting on the right. The 4th Corps captured some... At 11 o'clock this morning the Rebels left Atlanta and blew up their ammunition.

Sept. 2, 1864  Found the Rebels about 4-5 miles from town. Drove them into their works... Reg't went on picket after dark.


Sept. 5, 1864  Marching orders. Left camp at 8 o'clock at night. Passed through Jonesboro about 10, falling back to Atlanta.

Sept. 8, 1864  Left camp about 7 this morning. Reached Atlanta at 12. Passed through the town and went into camp near our old works on the left.

Sept. 13, 1864  Detailed as orderly at Major McArthur's Head Quarters. The major started for Wisconsin this morning at 10 o'clock.

Sept. 24, 1864  This morning had inspection, marching orders at noon. Marched into Atlanta and got on the cars and started for Chattanooga.

Sept. 26, 1864  Still on the cars. Very cold. Reached Chattanooga at noon and went into camp close to town.

Sept. 28, 1864  Moved camp to Fort Lytle. Put up our tents.

Oct. 23, 1864  Detailed as orderly at Regemental Head quarters. About 8 o'clock at night, we got orders to march. We got on the cars and left Chattanooga half past 11. Rode on the cars all night. Reached Dalton about 7 this morning. The Rebel General Wheeler was tearing up the track yesterday. One train run off the track.

Oct. 6, 1864  Last night about half past seven we got on the cars and started for Resaca. Reached Resaca at 9. Left there at 10 for Dalton. Stayed there all night. Left for Chattanooga today.

Oct. 17/18/19, 1864  Left White Sides at day light this morning for Bridgeport. Reached there at noon and got off the cars and went into camp.
Cold night. Up at 2 this morning. Got on the cars and left at 9. Reached Chattanooga at noon. Got off the cars and marched 13 miles. Got into camp after dark. Two brigades of our division was guarding cattle to the front.

Nov. 2, 1864 Passed thru Huntsville last night. Reached Athens about day light this morning. Went into camp north of town in the woods.

Nov. 4/5, 1864 Up at 4. Marched about 9 o'clock. Went into camp about 5 miles south of Pulaski, TN. Crossed the river. Marched about 7 o'clock this morning and passed through Pulaski and went into camp about 2 miles north of town. Got payed-8 mos. pay. Detailed on picket.

Nov. 8, 1864 Our regiment voted 66 for Lincoln. Working on fortifications most all day.

Nov. 22, 1864 Left Pulaski. Marched about 12 miles. Very cold.

Dec. 3, 1864 In Browns Hospital. (Tells about clothing drawn)

Dec. 6, 1864 Up at 4; got on the cars and started for Nashville. Reached there at dark.

Dec. 8, 1864 Froze very hard last night. Some firing along the line.

Dec. 14, 1864 moved out at daylight. Very hard fighting on our right. Our Division made a charge, drove the Rebs and captured a great many prisoners and some artillery.

Dec. 15, 1864 Moved at daylight. Our Regt. Was on the skirmish line. Found the Rebs about 9 o'clock. Drove them into their works and was relieved of the line about 10 o'clock. Our division charged and drove the Rebs.

Dec. 16, 1864 Found the Rebs at noon. The Cavalry drove them and captured 275 prisoners and 4 cannon.

Rest is about camping in Franklin, Columbia, Pulaski.