Friday April 1st 1864

All took "day came and all from the "hells" and jokes practical, but being in expectation, they had to be anchored in mean allegicites, know to make the take ruin full to its milder position. Had a few not to throw anything out of windows in fear of getting shot at a sick. The "little girls" took the place of the "little boys" who got the rising yesterday. Owen Lovejoy is reported dead. Active movements on the tapes, and had put this storm of succession of nine hours come on movements would undoubtedly have been made. Began raining towards evening and the potentiatal drops rattle upon the roof with precision. Slight head ache with many others.

It may go a Boh.
Saturday April 2nd 1864,

Rained most of the night and in the morning began to snow and snowed heavily for several hours. We were at a considerable distance from the front lines. No news of exchange and as Judge O'dell has been down to Holme's Monument to see lead bullet we expected to hear something reliable but nothing is heard and we are left in suspense bordering on desperation. But knowing that there is no hope that to be continually swayed between hope and fear. In the raiders and the arrears working together swamp in the strait done to make us sick of the everlasting Rigger, but installation shall-gus they, the two rattling guns. No bread today. Rations of bread and rice both having coffee and tea we got along. And is possible for humanity to endure almost anything and still be happy. Amusing all our sorrows we have many happy times. May they never cease.
Sunday April 31st 1864

The weather continues dull with rain. Now the good news that the cartoon is resumed, Judge Caldwell going back from Fortress Monroe and all difficulties settled. Rumor of Paducah Ky. being attempted by 20,000 Armistead 30,000 Bent Rebs. which was gallantly held by our troops 800 in Hurt and one New. Rebs having 300 and wounded one thousand. Rumors of a blood in Illinois cutting very badly, having to call upon the soldiers to quell it. Being good news for the Rebs. The Rebs are busy in refunding the old currency and issuing the old. They say they have got for millions in currency.

The day usually quick, scarcely noticing, it to be the outside.
Monday April 4th 1864

Read the Compendium of the Convention of all yesterday's motions of Exchange by the papers, taking all things settled and a North to the left the 7th or 8th inst. with wounded prisoners, Judge Clay has had an interview with Butler, recognizing him and the papers from the depot. "Beau" and call me Mr. or "Curl Batters. Oh, what a feel was that."

All feel happy and merry on account of our prospects of getting home, but little our happiness is allowed by the fear of being disappointed. For the first time since I have been here we got a rate of 100 days. Read "Orpheus C. Kerr's" "Lupers" Second Series and was amused and pleased at the many happy hits he gives the Conservative party of 1862 also the "Little Hero" and "Cury the Murdered Brigade" - God
Tuesday April 5th 1864
Rain, rain, nothing but rain so
that we fear that the River will be too high for the flag of Nice Boat to come ashore by our greatest desideratum
We have not
home to Furland, Me. and was escorted through the city by the military and martial music.
The 11th or 12th Corp. are said to have joined the army of the Potomac.

Dr. George Lieb gave the number of deaths of Union Prisoners which since last July, at six hun
And and eight, a terribly minute. Began to read "Big Blue" translated from Lavoisier's French by Belletti
being a strange affair, and cond
selves fully true to life and all things may sink coil out of the
yet to the goal their are many reasons of wisdom and virtue.

And in all this evening having been charged by Tompkins with
To a friend on brown stone and trumpet
Long by clear creation of the
Long when two men speak the two

Once place.
Wednesday April 6th 1864.

Cleared up and rain ceased before giving us pretty weather again.

Rumor of a Boat being up at City Point but no Confederates.

Still the sick have had orders to pack up going to leave soon.

The River is said to be too high for the Boats to pass the obstruction.

And torpedo. So that the elements have combined together to protect our stay.

Not well all day, having a dull head-ache with bilious stomach, am growing weaker and can hardly compose my mind to any one point for more than a few minutes, and the order of the day usually continues reading, writing and sleeping. Chatting and so on.
Thursday April 7th, 1764

Pleasant day, warm and comfortable. At Boat said to be up with only four or six. Officers and sick to go down soon. But 15-20 men of provisions have come from the South, and it would seem our authorities expected to stay some time yet. Read Vesterheim, a German almanac, ending with good effect. Water gave out, and a great rage for carrots. St. Sulpice got a bey and our mess came in from a shore through his benevolence. Saw an advertisement of a Captain Adams of the 9th. 18th Pa. Can. for recruits in the Phil. 15th. 80 that there has been promotion or his bringing a new company into service.

Good news from the north at the success in recruiting. The strong determination to break down the rebellion.

May Heaven hasten success
Friday, April 8th 1861.

Today is the day appointed for the trial of Jeff Davis at one of the Petersburg courts. I am sorry to give up the confidence in the justice of the proceedings. I think, perhaps, our undutiful, our traitorous, our disloyal, our ungrateful government, the people that the Lord has his trust in, are to be held in contempt of all law, in the day of distress. The devil has clearly shown in God, and upon it, the traitor's fear for the future, and will have poured out his accusations for me, and may they be true to respect not only God, but his ordained government.

The case was pretty and warm and was spent tolerably well. I expect to leave soon. The time creeps on slowly, and some of the months will have passed since I became a prisoner.
Saturday, April 9th 1864

No papers today on account of yesterday being a day of fasting. There was no news except that of Remmen. Some one tried to perpetrate the crime with the Remmen that Stanton had ordered the Exchanges and we were here "at pleasure." The day was spring like, and in the noon the rain fell in costly showers, and high prices shall again prevail. No officers left until the rains abated. The seeds but really all things are very inexplicable indeed. Read parts of "Gil Blas" and am getting disinterested with it, being so tedious and pointless. Have given up the idea of reading it through.

I was up early to eat my cold bran bread for breakfast, chime and supper. No enjoyable dinner. Have hopes for speedy relief to dethrone the weather. No hope for exchange, the seas seem to want to hard to endure.
Sunday April 10th 1864.

Rained all last night, and the water is high, swelling over the banks of the river till the Cape higher than at any former time since I came here. A gale of wind came on and what a sight, the water formed and piled up into mountains.

Two steamers left the yard and anchored opposite to my under the protection of the Lonesome. This gave an opportunity for spent all calling out “Boo-boo up, all exchanged” back at me.

St. Simon the regular officer who made himself ridiculous by asking for extra quarters from the volunteer officers, has at length got them being sent to the call for insulting the Surgeon hangman but gave a kick to him.

Read last of Burgano’s “Holy War,” but still not conducive to much as his P. Progress being the result of his impotence not few to blame the time as well.
Monday, April 11th. 1864.

Now years this morning at 4 A.M. have passed since the traitor fired upon Fort Sumpter and compelled Major Anderson to haul down the "Red, White & Blue." Oh what blood has flowed since then! Six months have also passed since I was called here. The river was desperately high, submerging half the lower part of the city, being higher than I had

incredible floods! 6-7 feet above low water marks. An officer died in the streets today, of Chronic Drunkard. The bishops said to be all right and as soon as the river admits we shall take an express to New York and the morning train, and climb as again and more rain for

the fall,
Tuesday April 12th/1664
A froz'the 100 Ohio Riv's shot by the fire, said to be accidental while walking his musket opposite the Pruss. The gun went off while he was priming, and he enjoyed the joke as well that many think he played it purposely. The ball went through his head scattering his brains in all directions. The blood flowed freely and to those who made a circus, slaves looked neared upon for now shudder at the sight. Some release having endured so much to fall the victim of reg.-signer hawkardness on hatred in a late-deplorable enough, had a meeting of the officers. A committee consisting of one from each state, also one from Regulero and many now appointed to draft resolutions to be sent to his home. The day was gloomy but promises to be better weather soon.
Wednesday April 13th 1864

The river has fallen into its former channel and the steamers which were lying opposite Libby left for their former positions. It was expected that the Consulars would start at Battle Point but did not, and an expected to go tomorrow.

The day is fine, and the air warm so that spring is fully set in, and the rainstorms are said our men at Danville are dying fastly, at the rate of thirty a day and that the prisoners at Danville are urging there to be exchanged.

It seems a hard lot to be so far from home and friends with no hope of ever seeing them and think about and die.
Thursday April 14th 1879
The day mild and comfortable.
The River, flowing and low, some
for boats to run but the Boats did
not go down. The fisheries opened,
with their success as far as
we could see. Many are setting
heartily sick of the many annoyances
that distress us, which others
delight to raise for effect.
Read part of "Don Quixote",
but although laughable is not
much of an affair. Don't think
I can read it through.
The water was turned on again
much to our comfort, and we
had scrubbing and washing
all day. Feel well and wait
patiently for exchange.
Friday April 16th 1863

the old fire. Rumor of the Battle against last year will come tomorrow. A letter coming from the Army of the Potomac, to say they are ready to move, that the Army is 100,000 strong. All the Commanders of the corps,changed


in New York. He is Resolution in the Senate in the House trying to ballot King of Ohio for President and resulted in Kearny of old

being vent to north from

Amund Word.
The sick are being loaded on the

Brick to leave tomorrow.

Well and hopeful.
Saturday April 16th 1664
The convalescents left today for
Lady Point, all the Surgeon and
sailors. Oden 14th come. Capt. Chase
who was at Salisbury, was sent
back to Liverpool. Looks well and
reports the rest getting along well.
Capt. Reed and Litchfield had
escaped but were recaptured.
Near good hopes of a change
soon, as the Rebels want to close
the James River before our Army
attacks. The day was wet and
cold, raining slightly most of
the day. The Rebels are busy on
the fisheries. We are notified to ask
for any money left with authorities,
so it should be returned.
Sunday, April 19th 1764.

The morning cold and chilly. The hay of Jonas Boats came up from 5 or 6 p.m. point, has a load of Boats, which were stored in the common receptacle, scarcely ever coming forth. The fishermen were busy, irrespective of Sabbath. The roads are getting dry and information from the Army of the Potomac say they are ready to move having eight days rations, but it appears is going to take Richmond by close siege, being his first yet many hard battles will take place. All cavalry Ordered to their Posts, won Posts is likely to gather.

Health good, Command and to
Monday April 18th 1864.

Today cold, but indications of getting warm. Nearly all the prisoners at Randall have gone to SUBLING AMERICA via some fort by Point via Petersburg. Exchange war is unity. A Reb. Capt. reporting no arrangements made for a General Exchange. A Talk about History of Napoleon. But apart liking of Sublime well being the mean between the partial histories of "Scott" and "Abbott." With all his faults, I cannot but admire the man and sympathy for his remains throughout the whole. Weather dry and expect some good warm days.
Tuesday April 19th 164.

No Booth yet but expecting one. Boxes are issued. Had orders last week to apply for money but it has not made its appearance. "Fresh fish" came in Capt. of 16. N.Y.B. and Capt. of 187 Penn. Capt. it by Meekes, they report Head on the entrance of jiving. Every thing looks like speedy movement, is said to be making a discount with Lee. Gold in New York is very fluctuating, seemed to be made the sport of speculators. Not long since was quoted at 179 and in one day went up to 184 to fall immediately to 174, where it now remains. Sec. Chase is said to have made a loan of 3 millions of Eng. land. Forrest has taken Fort Pillow, deliberately murdering hundreds of our men, bayoneting them after surrender. He has also made another attack on Paducah the day before. And, God, lend us patience.
Wednesday April 20th 1864

The sun shines brightly, but the air is cool. Activity is increasing the plans making preparations for the reception of Grant. The lady clerks of the city have been ordered to leave the city for more southern and safer climates. The women got money, getting $100 if they had been lyers. Backs, a good share which was spent out for provisions. Fishing continues, but the prices indicate fewer bass, pikes, perch or piker, as they had exchanged fluctuating as Dick Turner said or whilst eating thirty bars of cornbread and Col. Windsor with that we shall come near and all together. The Bird is expected as soon as Friday with sick. Brumlee sent a part of provisions they taking most of the tins for the meat. Health good. Had no meat for many weeks. Thanks to our friends for meat.
Thursday April 21st 1864.

The day was delightful, the sun shining brightly and the air came as pure through the crops, so that I long to roam the free earth again and enjoy its comforts. Got mail, two letters from Sis'ter Kitty and ple.

Brewer's. Good news of both.

Gul Kilpatrick has been relieved from command of our division and ordered to the West by Sherman. He captured Plymouth N.C. with 16,000 prisoners gun shops a lot of negroes. Paid and negro soldiers. They seem to have very bad luck. Fort Pillow is destroyed. evacuated by the Rebels. Our forces seem incensed at S. D. F. for his acts, and went to shoot all his prisoners for his murderous deeds.

Health good.
Friday April 22nd 1849.

Weather very fine and dry. Some active operations in the Army must take place, and oh what destiny hangs upon the success of this campaign! Read the speech of Long from Ohio in Congress, which I fear indicates the growing sentiment in the South for the acquisition of the Pike. If this be the policy, why such bloodshed? why so many lives lost in vain? The North who yet Quixot the one growing quite discouraged. Sent out $20 for soda and potatoes. Hicksy took us only a few as curants. A good size shead costs us $15. Health good.
Saturday April 27th 1864

The day fine, warm and dry, nothing occurring to break the monotony of this life. Hear that Genl. Averill is not expected to live. See that Col. Bryan has captured some of the Rapid Ann, being with the Regt. now. The days pass slowly as we have been disappointed as often in expecting exchange. Hope has grown sick and the expectation of the word is slow.

The Government is growing warm on the "Fort Pillow" Butchery and retaliation is going to be the order of the day. But to us this looks glorious, since we may be fortunate enough to have before we get out of the Rebel hand.

But to the Gov. thick or thin.
Sunday April 24th 1864

Very pretty day, and the people of the city kept quite a parade before our domicile, displaying all sorts of colors and charms.

After, I went the highest to the lowest. The coming was not but very pleasant, being warm and sunny. An old grey horse gentleman came in and said exchange was all right, and a beau was hourly expected.

Wrote two letters one to Mrs. T. and the other to Ethel. Bourner Jr.

Felt lonely and sad, and are almost worn out in expectation of going home. Have very little to read, and evidence seems void. I need not be thus, but I feel otherwise requires Herculean efforts.

All well physically, and hope for the future.
Monday April 25th 1864

Day fine. News scarce but expect something soon. Dr. Rogers and Sterling King have been captured by Spies, the former on the Backpar
kenock, the latter by long street detectives. Our forces are said to be landing at Yorktown in force but the rebel gun at a great loss to know when the onslaught is going to be. Banks is reported to be repulsed on the Rappahannock.

Expedition in Virginia, losing a good many men and women. The 1st New York last night the 7th Brigade passed Libby in double quick. Cavalry made a demonstration at Manassas Ford but repulsed. Our two millions is said to be enlisted and conscribbed in the Army since the War. Chafe is at Norfolk and trying to break up the gold scramble among the broken.

Near good health. Capt. Henne
packs got a boy. Capt. Brown
gives no coffee. Will call and live in hope. Mr. Bowl at
Tuesday April 26th. Yes. Rain last evening. This morning
pleasant. Air warm and refreshing. The gale and staff of
wind at night cause us.
Big ship Wessel, 420 Colunels, two Arbols, two Chaplains to
dent a dozen in all. 3 or
120 Officers and 2000
men captured 30 June with the
hundred Point." the gun Boats
bigh by a Raza from Cape de
Lorrada, Provision of
being a disaster is disgraceful.
301 & 103 Pa. Regt. 16th and 18th
Inf. Regt. with detachments of
Cavalry held the fort. Anticipate
movements upon Newbern now.
Near Butler and word to the
1st Valles at City Point on Sunday
that the time granted for getting
out the tobacco had expired
and they left without the tobacco
indicated that nothing near
men to an abort. Beginary
New Bern that yet. Length
14th sprad. cast broken
for dinner. seemed.
Wednesday April 27th 1864
River rising. Increasing the fisheries. The day clear and beautiful.
No news. The "Examiner" was withheld from us and we surmise something in it not for us to know and rumor says its a draft on the Rabitil Arm with ill success. But nothing indicates anything of the kind.

April 27th is said to be on a raid. The Rebs can't understand Grant. The Gulf States think he is going to make the attack in Georgia and the chelton aid. While the Virginians say his attack will be on Richmond. No beat at and a good many doubt the probability of the Exchanger. And preaching by the Chaplin this came in from Plymouth. Yea come and try to be happy.
Thursday April 28th, 1864.
All around all day having the
headache, occasioned by too fre-
quent use of the nasty water we have here.
Our forces are again reported in
the vicinity of Buchananville, 30 miles
down the River from Richmond.
McClellan attacked our forces in the
Fairmont district yesterday, and was re-
buffed, losing two Sts. Our ex-
penses said to be $12,000,000 per
year, entire debt $500,000,000.
The debt of Great Britain $139,126,197,792.
Gaelic words appear to be an or-
dinary man. A Mr. G. M. of.
Major is regular Army.
The Command wants more "fort
Rillows." He stays at home. Seeks
out for the black flag. Let him put
himself to the field and his time
will be limited.
Friday April 29th 1864.

The day very fine indeed. Rumor of a Boat coming to City Point loaded with prisoners. Excitement runs high. clothes none scarcely be seen in the Rear. News from the North are various. Banks has had a hard fight in the same Mississippi Department, but less not so bad as the Rebel thought. Indication of our forces attacking Richmond by three fronts, the Rapid Anne, Shenandoah Valley, and the Peninsula or Petersburg. Grant is moving slowly but surely and as the destiny of the Nation seems hanging on the success of this Campaign, it behooves him to move quickly. Plymouth officer not yet arrived. Health good but long for exchanged.
Saturday April 30th 1864
Up most of the month. Boat came up and thirty-four
officers left, including Col. Rose.
Majr. Kenny, eight of the "Gopers" who escaped through the hole
and were recaptured. 350 Private
left. The Paken say a large number
started from Point Lookout but the
"Emigrants" gave out and only part
got to city Point. Exchange stuck
so near lately. The Raiders went
down in the lower cell for getting
the board that left them out of the
cell in the kitchen. The Board fell
down at night and gave the alarm.
Col. E.B. Stewart was in Libby
a pretty good looking officer.
Weather very pleasant. Health got
nothing to read, and feel lonely
without variation man grows
and of even himself.