Thursday Sept 12th 1864

Cold last night, the wind blowing hard and cold. Today is pleasant and comfortable. Last ten days rations of corn and wheat flour. Last rations of bacon. The Commissary Self judged the last ration to be as we are going to be exchanged in a short time.

Discussion on the merits of the different ones proposed for nomination for President. V.P. very exciting, while Mr. E. is discussed thoroughly. One admiring how no matter what he does or with whom he agrees, the most reject him.

Hope we may get home for this campaign, and to see to bid us 'h love.'

Good health with all the rest.
Friday Sept. 2nd 1864.

Good news in papers of 600 Reub offices being at Port Royal for either exchange or to be put under fire in retaliation for us. McClellan is nominated by the Chicago Convention for President. To be supported by Blair and all peace men. This will make the contest for peace on any terms, or war to renderably peace. A fire broke out near one quarter at 7 P.M. making a great smoke and light. The fire companies were soon on the ground and Genl. Foster celebrated the effar with additional shells. The price fell near as in the West Col. yard. The seven cannon batteries are to receive common Exchange Stock advances.
Sunday Sept 14th 1864.

Very fine day. The sun shone out brightly, and to us in the shade the day was comfortable. Good news of Atlanta being in our possession and a good number of Rebel troops made prisoners. This made us all feel jubilant. Exchange of also Surgeon as the officer of the Guard says he shall be exchanged in a few days. and sent a despatch north. The sky turned purple, and plumply screeching through the air.

Read "Universalist" why rejected by Rev. Sackett a good thing convincing to my mind at least had good health and passed the day pleasantly. Wrote letters to mother. A few letters were received from the South men.
Monday, Sept. 5th, 1864.

Was permitted to hear the news from Atlanta confirmed. Atlanta is in our possession. Hood blew up his trains and retreated, losing six guns, besides having his Army crippled badly.

The Rebs feel very sore, and begin accusing the Generals. Morgan has been relieved, his command divided among others. Genl. Winter has been relieved for incapacity and inability to command. Twenty officers came in from the jail yard. 2d to be proposed. The Ruse went back to work however.

The bakers are offering special exchange of tickets as if leaves the privates in confinement.
Tuesday Sept. 6th 1866.

Had a stormy, rainy night the 6th. 7 & 8 are said to be noted for squalls in the place. Not much from Atlanta, but the Rebels feel so sure over its fall that they keep quiet. They have lost very severely. The American advocate the release of enlisted men prisoners, but close confinement of officers and hope no more special exchanges. Genl. J. M. Morgan was killed and all his staff captured at Greensville, Lean a few days ago. This ended another of their brill. flights. Last deviation of gold 24-25. Let fresh meat yesterday & today I was cook. Good indeed, the first in ten days, and all the out-buildings have been burned.

Good health.
Wednesday Sept 7th 1864.
The night remains cool, and the day not disagreeably warm. The "Sisters of Charity" came to the Marine today with grapes and other things, giving them to the officers. They attend the Hospital, offering great service to our sick. They truly are a lovely association. For several hours I was head-ache. Bombarding continues, the shell going far up in the city. The papers think all communication should be stopped with York, until the 9th; he's back to Chealing. News from point Attica are quiet. Ferrum is not advancing fast. You are standing up on the Peace Party. Are regarded the success of M's shelling ideas. They are in good condition with their, the Draft is reduced to $20,000, made last night. I wrote—
Thursday Sept. 8th 1864

Weather: cold. Calm all day. This is the rainy season. The E. Rebs. Officers at Port Royal have been put in confinement on Morris Island guarded in a blockade by 16 monitors. The shelling continued about 40 shell falling in the city. One white man and two children wounded. Sherman is said to be retiring to Atlanta,[s]to recruit his army. Eager Canary in the South in consequence of the fall of Atlanta. Thurs. next continues. Our rations are not large of meal or flour, and the greatest economy fails to make it last the 15 days. The rice is all that is left. I'm just a poor bones and meat. All well. Sat up late.
Friday—Sept. 9th, 1864,

Night—cool, dry, pleasant.

Bombarding continues, the shells going up farther into the city.

One negro Barber was killed by the barber that comes into the Marine, says the people are very much frightened, and everyone goes to the country as in demand.

The Rebs are getting frightened about the Andersonville prisoners as the man has said he is going to release them.

Some Rebs from Georgia was captured a few days ago. Their navy is playing out fast.

Health continues good. Meat and rice for dinners, flour and meal for

butter, 1/4 lb.
Saturday 18th 1864.
Potato day. Last day of the ration having only a little rice left. But at daylight got part of 10 days' more. Meal, bacon, beans, soap, salt. About a thousand saddle men came from Andersonville and were put in the jail yard. They were told they were going to be exchanged to prevent them from escaping. They look bad, thin, dirty & sickly, and made me feel like sacrificing anything to get them home. Why are they not exchanged? Oh War is a cruel monster! A few special exchanges have taken place from "Riker" of late. A few boxes, and money letters are coming from the North, but strange, not even a letter to me.
Sunday Sept. 11th 1864.

Today is said to be a day of "Thanksgiving and Prayer" in the North for a recent success. The South kept it pretty well, but threw enough of shells to kill one white man and one colored man. The "Boy" in the jail jar seemed revived at the sight of the shells and shouted loudly. They have a throng place and they are lively singing songs patriotic.

One of our boys among them, An officer came into Maine having been at Andersonville as a march for 5 months. Tells of 6 prisoners being hung by a court formed of 12 of the number. They were those and traitors. From Pa. Rev. 1:12. They seem more successful in detecting traitors among them than with us. The Catholic Priest...
Monday Sept. 12th 1864

The weather continues fine and cool, health good, rations moderate. Got fresh beef, and laid for tomorrow. Sherman has made an armistice with Hood for ten days to dispose of the citizens of Atlanta, sending all who take the oath to the rear, and those who do not to the Rebel line, being unwilling to feed them or see them labor. The ladies had a ball there, and some of the ladies attended much to the dragoons of the Rebels. The enlisted men prisoners are taken out of the jail yard and sent to the Race Course, preparing a camp there. Some thousands came from Andersonville. The men are roused and harrassed, looking they were ashamed to be in the city till after night as says the guards who came along the lines with a band of their own.
Tuesday Sept. 13th 1864

Today was exciting news, as the papers say that Genl. Butler has notified Judge Cudell that the exchange of slaves is necessary to exchange this news made many people crule and they found fault with the Government—some even cursing the Administration from which but few resulted. The local officers came from Savannah and were lodged in the jail yard. They look well and indicate that they have been well treated. Capt. Hiram of 106 Pa. was not shot by the guard. Potter and Ainsley had escaped, came along being recaptured. Washed had breakfast for luncheon. Spent most of the day in announcements.
Wednesday Sept. 14th 1864

Had a mail yesterday, getting two letters, one from Edith Jennie and Mr. John... All well and I was glad to hear again from home not having heard since 25th Aug. wrote to Miss Jennie and Lizzy of L. now at R. V.

Worse than yesterday, as the naval officers are said to be exchanged. Capt. Sherman and Hood are discussing the matter. Gold on 13th at N.Y. 219 being a healthy decline. McClellan's star is declining. U. Yardingham has foreseen this being to wear off. Grant replying all over the south.

No shelling today. Frita has likely strained his lungs here.

Thursday Sept. 15, 1864

Washing, dry day, no rain for some time. A few shells fell upon the city today. Rumor of the last lot of officers going to leave the city on Friday also that many sick enlisted men are in the hospitals here. A train loaded with our prisoners came off the track in Ga. smashing up right ears, killing and wounding many. The paper say the Yankees are stealing all the first-rate pork of the surgeon's desk from Atlanta. The Congress urge the release of the dejected men. Hooker and Sherman are trying to make an exchange of the prisoners in the departments. At half rations of fresh beef each day. Cheerful good-natured spirit amongst all.
Friday Sept. 16th 1864

Weather continues fair, not very warm. Had a mail but nothing for me. The official correspondence between Sherman and Hood was published concerning Exchanges. Sherman was willing to exchange man for man for as many as he had obtained at Chatanooga (200 men and 120 off) but was not willing to take any others than those captured during this Campaign in his department. This blocked the matter. Our Officers are loud in the denunciation of his act. A flag of truce is to meet in the harbor on Monday. Mrs. Jones was notified that the Rebels on Morris's Island would be fed on rations as nearly as possible to the U.S. Ration till every prisoner should be taken from Charleston. This may stir up something.
Saturday, Sept. 17th 1862

Weather the same, very pleasant

Had a great excitement to-day, a fire breaking out, near the

Rothen Hospital. Foster seeing the smoke began pouring on the

shells, one striking a large building far up in the city

setting it on fire. The roof

burst entirely off, but the fire

was out. The first fire spread

burning all afternoon, getting

near the Work House. The shelle-

ing was close, two pieces falling

in our yard, one in Rothen, hitting

an officer in the arm, not seri-

ous. The fire got so close

our buildings, that Foster was

at fighting. The firemen kept

up a howling all night, chas-

ing and hallowing,

letters came in almost every

morning for me. The wave great and
careless, not rice. V cover
Sunday Sept. 18th, 1864.

The appearance to be the order of the day. Early this morning to fire the firemen left the scene of yesterday’s fire, another broke out between us and the Channel. Being in range of us, Foster did not shoot. Shells flew thick today, some bursting farther up in the city than any I have yet seen. Potting new today. That did satisfaction on account of the exchange, as the Rebels were willing to exchange our terms except their negroes, but our Gov. Corlax hold all the excess as hostages for them.

Rained nearly all day, filling up the cisterns. Water is getting scarce, the wells not fit to drink.

Our ration sparing & a bit short. Reading the Bible in company.

Health good.
Monday Sept. 19th 1864.
The papers say that Saturday's fire was the most destructive one since the great fire of '61, burning down some 20 buildings. The day was fine. Nothing new. Had some excellent news but got none. Wrote to Br. Gen. Ford and Sherman are going to exchange 2000 new men and 120 officers. James C. Michel in the Shenandoah Valley. A correspondent says Early's infantry disregards the Yankee infantry but respects the cavalry. An Englishman is buying gold checks from the prisoner at $25-

- A good many will purchase at once this way. Greenbacks are worth 20 per cent. Good health -
Tuesday Sept. 20, 1864

Rained most of the day — nearly flooding out the offices in the jail yard. A flag of truce to go to the fort on Friday. Expect the Surgeon and jail officers to be exchanged soon. Two brokers are in giving $5 and $6 cash for one in gold — taking checks on orders on any safe party. They could sell more than they wanted at this nickel price. Our mess will take some next opportunity. Rations out — some have nothing since yesterday noon. Heard their eagerness to sell money at any price. The Yello' Fevers as usual to be in the City — at many places. The Blockade Runner 'A. D. Vance' has been captured off Watauga first of this month — said to be a big fast craft.
Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1860

The Garnets did a heavy business today, one buying to said notes payable in gold to the amount of $60,000 at $20 at 24%

Each of the mess clits - Sherman and Wood are keeping up a heavy correspondence between each other - criminating and re-criminating. Sherman says the latter 'many good hits' - No nothing till nine till da - and those who had no money were starving. 150 (4) have a claim on Pickett. Potatoes $3.20 cow - Bread $2 worth and 'Shrooms $1 cent. Some spent $50 for an ess-goss. Others $50 for a few pounds butter. On 2 sal mine. The money came from Richmond and was turned over to the owners in kind: gold, silver, U.S. B.
Thursday Sept. 22nd 1864.
Pretty day-warm and sunny.
Got-rations for ten days, a good deal
short of what we usually got, but
had more beans and some molasses to make up. Marketing was
through, everything cleaned out as
fast as brought to the fence.
Prices are running high. Potatoes
$6 a peck, sweet-potatoes cheaper.
Wrote two letters to Sister Lizzie
and Ed. Welchney, Capt. King
and Patten got transferred from
the jail yard to Marine. Fighting
has been going on at Winchester in the Valley. Two York's killed. Rhodes and
Goad-d had two rounded. Fitzgibbons
leaving the field
in possession. Sherraw Arm
strayed at daylight. Butter
given Judge Godd a caustic letter
about exchange, showing the
justice of the cause made for it.
Exchange 6
Friday, Sept. 23rd 1864.

Pretty day. Exchange bogue and
Eighteen Surgeons and Chaplains
are exchanged by way of the Channel
and remain temporarily official that
the naval officers and all prisoners
captured in the Shermans Campaigns
so come. Exchange is also going on at
Richmond, including men by the hun-
dred. McC. Taylor. The battle in S. Va. was a success. Sheridan captured
2500 prisoners. 9 guns, 7 colors
and all the wounded. Mad into
one Brig. was wounded, lost a leg
but capturing the 8th S.C. entire.
Brig. Russell of U.S. A. was killed.
Col. Mooreby was crowded in an
engagement near Washington. The
peace Democracy have caused an
nomination to nominate another pres-
ident. Boltin Maccliean.
Felt quite unwell, having the chole-
cholics, but took opium and came
better. The Banter still sub-
ing our men. Who stands there?
Saturday Sept. 24th 1864

Felt unwell all day, billing headache the complaint. Yesterday's Flag of Truce brought up 150 boys from Sandy Bay of S. L. Four hundred Rebel officers were added to the number of Prisoners. Island Sherman and Monad were exchanged for 500 men.

1,000 men. 40 Majors. 30 Captains. 688 Lieutenants.

which were chosen in the evening from the officers captured the same evening, and afterward the Western Army. June 20 of the Maine were selected. President Davis and Genl. Lee are in Georgia. They likely from their heroism will hold the Confederacy.

Sold at 228 - yet they buy it.

The last was unfit for use. The Draft is ordered to come off immediately. Excitement high and recruits exchanged.
Sunday, Sept. 25th, 1864.
The officers left this morning for Atlanta, mostly recent captures. It seems that Sherman has captured more officers than Hood on his predecessor. Since the Rebels had not enough of fresh fish to exchange for those in our hands, I did, said one whole regiment, the oath of allegiance (Rebel) at Atlanta. It seems discouraging to old fish to be left again.

Past letters, one for me from Mr. Dr. Wrote two to Bros. Geo. and Frank. Nothing today beyond the usual rumors. Some believe the rumor of 700 going to be exchanged this week.

A fire broke out at 9 P.M. near the palace of the last big fire and caused a furious shelling. Bombardment continues very effect.
Monday Sept. 26th 1864

Weather continues cold, and cloudy - Still sleep out on the Piazza in preference to the Cel- by Rooms. Shelling was kept up fiercely all day. News of Sloan whipping Early at Fisher's Hill in the Valley, capturing 12 Cannon. hail-raining north. Gold down to 20$

Davis is still in Ga. Made a speech at Macon. so peculiar as to be disowned by the Chark toon papers. I doubt whether he is afraid of Gen. Brown taking it out of the Cabinet. But he says it is to organize the Army. The most of the officers in the Jail had our patches, reading them. Roper, "Mariner" and "Mills" houses when the Gentlemen's Health tolerably good but no good appetite.
Tuesday Sept. 27, 1864

Weather continues fair. The supply of the city on the increase. A 200 pounder Parrott Gun was opened today. One man killed, while women wounded. The shells flew over the building but fortunately they did not burst. Butter is $1 per lb. Eggs at $6 per dozen. Cotton is said to cost $4.50 per cent. The thousand men confined, prisoners were brought to Morris Island from the Valley still good. But little going on at Atlanta. Halleck threatens huge and unable to make Sherman’s defeat more complete.

Positive knowledge of the final hour is in the city. A good many dying with it. Feel better but not entirely well.
Wednesday Sept 28th 1864

Day fine. Bombarding fire from the city from three guns, burning four houses. At times one in every three minutes. Wounded a good many. 3 men & 4 women reported. The Rebels talk a good deal of some movement that is going to frighten Sherman & cut his communications likely. All news from Richmond indicate that the final struggle for that city as well as Petersburg will shortly come off. They talk correspondingly.

News from the Valley still good. Wrote two letters to mother and Nellie of M. There was a subscription for buying a violin and banjo. The evening was spent by some in dancing -

Health getting good.
Thursday Sept. 29, 1864

Pleasant day. Health good. Lt. Stahl 2nd U.S. Cavalry and of the 1st Inf. is in Rome today. Two boat officers on a visit, going to leave tomorrow via Richmond for the North. The shelling was furious. 160 falling on the city last night. Major Collier 67. P.V. has succeeded in going with the western forces for exchange. He is from Millroy. Commodore. A flag of truce by way of port Royal was had to exchange papers & letters. Rumor of very to be sent to Columbia. 26. We all fear we shall as all were prefen Charleston with shells and bullets from the Columbia.
Friday Sept. 30th 1864.
Rained heavily last night. Shells flew thick and fast. None reported killed. Capt. Bovee returned from Ft. Perry. Maj. Fountain (Red) came along to be exchanged for Maj. White, who has gone to Sherman's by a boat. Capt. Sayer is very ill. He has gone to Columbia to change Yankee quarters, but whether for us or the enlisted men is uncertain.
The boxes were delivered, but were horribly mutilated, getting nothing but a few pieces of clothing and old papers. Still they came the check to raise subscriptions to extend cables to their offices on Morris Island. Capt. P. got a valise with a few Northern papers, but the evening needed them. He then read 'Wells' poems.'

Heard good. Exchange dying out.