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Friday January 1, 1864.

New Years day I was on picket cold and dry nearly froze that night but came through all right this is my birthday and had a nice place to enjoy it out on picket and nothing but hard tack to eat pretty hard fare for the occasion for me a birthday spree.

Saturday 2

I was relieved from picket by the 191 Ohio come to camp found the boys all busy building winter houses. Everything quiet in camp

Sunday 3

An order came for a detail of 8 men to go to the old Chickinauga battle field who was to start at 7 o clock. Next morning all hands wanted to go but only 8 could get going – no church today all quiet

Monday, January 4, 1864.

This morning the detail was Dismant on account of it raining and did not go to the battlefeild was very wet and disagreeable all day lay in camp all day

Tuesday 5

This morning T. H. went on picket and a detail come again for to go Down on the old Chickaniauga Battle ground I went with 8 men from my company was gon all day went at the ground all over brought the remains of Major Broadus in with us sent them to chattanooga

Wednesday 6

this morning the ground is covered with snow and it look like winter and is medling cold Commenced to cut logs for our cabin to day

Thursday, January 7, 1864.

This morning is still cold But we Resume work at our cabin and this evening have it ready for the roof the roof is our tents which will do for the present all quiet in camp this evening only the logs are calling for hard tack
Friday 8

Cold as ever but go to work on the cabbin and this evening finds us neath, housed rite in our own house by a big fire taking it very cool and quiet nothing now transpired to day I was officer of the day in camp.

Saturday 9

Cool as usual I was rilie [cant read word] from duty as officer of the day at 8 o’clock this morning lay around camp went and seen B.L. Slack at headquarters came back to camp everything quiet in camp tonight

Sunday, January 10, 1864.

This morning recieved orders to prepare for brigade in specting men all went to work on thier guns to put them in good order the day passed of quiet still alittle on the cool order and no proclaming in camp recieved S. Mon by transfer from the 84th Ill for Co. E.

Monday 11

This morning got orders to be ready for inspections at 12 o clock but the inspection did not get around Recieved an order that thier would be reinspectation today so all remained quiet ad rained in camp rote a letter to Lib

Tuesday 12

This morning got order – to be ready for inspection at 10 o clock got all ready and the inspectore came inspected our company found if all right and left the broke ranks got order to march at daylight tomarrow rote a letter to [Mile Cray]

Wednesday, January 13, 1864.

Went out on picket to Chickamauga Bridge got thier at 10 oclock + releived the 85th Ills. A number of Refugees went through on thier North from polk County Tennessee the Families all looked Distressing this Evening all quiet on the lines

Thursday 14

This morning all quiet yet a lot more refugees crossed there do day on thier way North Nothing unusual took occured to day and this Evening find us all in good Spirits quiet remain in camp,
Friday 15

This morning thier is Some rumours of the rebels making a raid on this , point but we are on the alert for the occasion But this day passes off all quiet but put out a Strong picket line to night + so com on mr Reb!

Saturday, January 16, 1864

This morning finds us all safe yet no Rebels come to molest us the sun is shimering as bright as a summer day a number of Refugees crossed here today nothing unusual transpired to day this evening finds all quiet on the Chickamanga River

Sunday 17

This morning the Sun is Bright and clear and No New Discoveries has ben made major George Green returned From Nashville and takes Command of the Regt at this point recieved orders to lay with all our accoutrements on to night for gear of an attack

Monday[ 18 is scratched out] 19 Tuesday

Up at 4 o clock this morning expecting an attack but all remained quiet but we took in 15 rebel Soldiers and a rebel Captain who was comesary for John Morg An. The rebel guerilla all tired of the war. Sent them Them to Chattanooga under guard recieved a letter from home to day all well.

Tuesday, January [19 is scratched out ] Monday 18- mistake , 1864

This morning put out picket at 7 o clock kept them out untill 8 o clock medling cold + snowed some Some deserters come in to day gave themselves up and this Evening finds all in good health and quiet remains the camp

Wednesday 20

This Morning out again at 4 oclock again have Roll and the men all lay down again Sun comes up clear and warm. Shines bright all day This evening find all quiet on Chickamange + men all in good spirits

Thursday 21

This Morning head quarters moovs down to our camp at 2 o clock the the 125th Ills Relieves our Regt and at 4 oclock we start for camp arive in camp at 9 oclock find all quiet and the Camalisant in good Spirits All on full rations all report for duty but to more guns bought cbd
Friday, January 22, 1864.

Get up to roll call get orders to come and draw clothing Draw the clothing and is here the same to the men as far as it would reach and then made out a new requisition out for what was wanting had Battalion Drill this afternoon + dress parade this evening all quiet in camp.

Saturday 23

Spent this day in camp had the camp ground poleaced the stumps cut out everthing cleared up the guns are ready for inspections was on tresporade this evening. Recieved 2 – hankereches from home by mail all right wrote 2 letters to day to [W.L. McRote] + JB Nation All quiet some romers of a move

Sunday 24

This has ben a fine day and I have riten on letter to [J. R. Gilor] and send a letter to [Mrs Nations] with 3.50 enclosed also one W Mrs Campbell containing 1.75 was on dresparade this evening All sorts of rooms in camp to day but nothing Reliable all is good this evening A G burget returned to day from home to day

Monday, January 25, 1864.

This morning [P.H.] + a detail of 5 men went out on the old Chickamanga Battle field I had company drill one hour this afternoon had company drill 1 hour also the weather is as nice and warm as though it were in the month of may all quiet in camp no news of the papers of interest I am well

Tuesday 26

Went on picket this morning at 9 o clock had big time in [touting] out my pickets but Finally got through all right weather is fine all went off nicely everything went on quiet around the lines No Strong news men in good spirits and good health recived a letter from a J. Merus

Wednesday 27

This morning I was relieved from picket by the 108th ohio at 10 o clock took my pickets and went to camp drawed 5 new guns + accutrimonts and ishued the same to the men was on battalion drill this afternoon + dressparade recived orders to cook 8 day rathions + be ready to move at day light in the morning

Thursday, January 28, 1864

Started out at day light on a Reconnaissance to Ring gold and at 3 o clock found the enemy in force but out cavelry drove them back to Tunel hill then fell back to Ring gold
and the 1st brigade Fell back to town and our 4th companions remained out on picket at
the hill untill 12 o c then fell back in gap lay in our arms all night I woke to the [bat] all
night to keep from frees

Friday 29

This morning I was on picket in the gap beyond Ring gold it was being cold and we had
to wade the river 2 times last night at day light we fell back across Chickamanga River
formed in line of battle lay about 2 hours then had to fall back to camp and the Rebels
after us. landed safe in Camp. at 3 o clock all tired enough

Saturday 30

This day has ben wet and I have ben busy ishuing clothing cloths to the men + filling the
recep Rolls for this month and the men all cleaning up for unspection all tired yet of thier
trip to ring gold I recieved a letter from home last night folks all in good health +,+ all
quiet in camp to day.

Sunday January 31,1864

To day I have ben writing some one letter to my wife + on to [L. H. ] + recieved one from
John Flora the orderly return need to day from home had companie inspection to day all
went off quiet nothing new in camp + we had no church to day no news of importance

Monday , February 1

This day we had general inspection and [P H Minor] and I had our pictures taking and lay
around and nothing new took place in camp and all is quiet in camp to day was our dress
parade this evening

Tuesday 2

I was officer of the day to day and all went off [neaciable] and quiet and this evening was
very stormy and it was pretty cold but the sun shone bright and clear Nothing new in
camp to day all quiet this evening only the winds is high to night.

Wednesday, February 3, 1864

To day I was relived from duty and the companie diche the companie ground and this
afternoon was on battalion drill and then on dress parade this evening some talk of a
move but dont know how soon it will bee all quiet in camp to night and it is pretty cold

Thursday 4

This morning at 9 o clock I went on picket had a very good time all went of quiet around
the line no news of importance rather cool this evening but the sun is shining clear
Friday 5

This morning all is quiet around the lines and at 10 o clock I am relieved from picket and return to camp find all quiet in camp and receive a letter from home + find the folks all well and also that they had recieved the money I sent on Christmas Last night was cold on picket

Saturday, February 6, 1864

This day has past of all quick and I rote 2 letters one to [Allere Space] and on to Lib and this Evening we got moving orders to be in readiness to march in the morning all quiet in camp I got no letters to day + it is rather cool this evening is windy

Sunday 7

This Morning at 8 o clock we started for [Lyner] state on, on the knoxville and chattanooga R R ten miles from Chattanooga arrived at 1 o clock and went into camp all quiet at this point

Monday 8

This morning up at revelre and stood at arms until daylight and this day the Men went to [souting] [us] [shoutys] again and cleaning up the camp ground got part of the ground cleared and some of the [Cabbins] rep no news in camp to day quiet remains the camp

Tuesday, February 9, 1864.

Out again at revelre and stood at armes until day light pretty cold and to day the men are still at work on thier quarters I went to the comesary and got some rations for our mess nothing of importance took place to day all quiet in camp rote a letter to George Rimball

Wednesday 10

Went on picket this morning had a fine day and all went off quiet no alarms around the lines but this evening it is rather cold again. Cut a lot of wood and made on a big fire and then put out the [countersiem] Lay down but could not sleep yet for a while.

Thursday 11

I was relieved from picket this morning by the 113 [O.V.I.] at 9 o clock and took my ment to camp found every thing quiet the sun shineing nice and warm This day again but last night was cold and I could not sleep any all night I rote a letter to Spencer to day.
Friday, February 12, 1864.

This was a fine morning warm and clear and I remaine in cam all day nothing importance transpired. Stood at arms this morning as usual. put a chiminey to our tent to day had dress parade this evening had some orders read, recieved a letter from Jesse R. Flora to day Friends all well

Saturday 13

This day we have ben signing the muster Rolls to day we Expect to recieve our gear in a few days: re outfited for ordinance o day 5 guns and acoutrements for, 800, [word struck out] Cartidges... got orders for Inspection at 9 o clock in the morning , all quiet in camp to day 4 reb's come in.

Sunday 14

This has ben a lonesome day we had regimental inspection all went quiet and all right guns and accutrements in good trim their was preaching at the church at 10 o clock and also at 3.00 and at 7 this evening I rote one letter to John Flora +one to Alex McDowell

Monday, February 15, 1864

This morning it is [unable to read word] raining and I was officer of the day and I rote a letter to Lib To day but I got no letters to day it rained until noon and then it quit. all is quiet in camp to day no news of importance has taking place this day. but rumours ar aflote in camp

Tuesday 16

I was relieved as officer of the day by Lt. Simmons it being cold I lay in camp all day part of the 15 Cops passed by to day on thier way to Knoxville I received 10 men from Co J. Gnolls. as transfer and was detailed for picket for tomarow all quiet

Wednesday 17

I went on picket this morning it was very cold and passed 5 rebels through to Chattanooga and 3 Courier and gave them servces up and all remained quiet on the lines and then I had to get a lot of wood together to keep from freesing through the night had to sit up all night got no sleep

Thursday, February 18, 1864.

I was relived from picket this morning at 10 o clock and returned to camp drawed 25 shelter tents and was on dress parade and this Evening we had an Election for Lieut Col for our regiment and MT Vorman was the choice + declaired Elected Lt van Bleck for Col all went of quiet no news in camp
Friday 19

This day has ben spent in camp nothing of importance transpired no mail to day I was on dress parade this evening the weather is still very cold but its clear and dry health in camp is good Sent our pay rolls of to day no news in camp to day all quiet

Saturday 20

Regimental Inspection was [Despenced with on account of Bad weather - line was stricken out] ordered to be at 9. o clock in the morning the men cleaned up all right had dress parade this Evening and all went of nice and quiet nothing new in Camp Some rumors but nothing reliable I furnished 8 Boyes blocking for the men to Clock thier acoutrements

Sunday, February 21, 1864.

This is a beautiful day and we had no inspection to day thier was church at 10 AM and at 3 PM nothing new in camp to day had dress parade this evening I recievied notice of B F Slacks transportation from Louisville to Nashcille. and also a line from Mrs. Nations in reciept of money.

Monday 22

This day has ben spent in camp we had compnay drill at 10 o clock + battalion drill this after noon the weather is nice and warm we recievied orders this Evening to cook 3 days rations and hold our selves in readiness to march at a moments notice had dress parade this evening all went of quiet the men are in good spirits this Evening [W H Priehord] went to the [S M] to day

Tuesday 23

This day we had to breake up camp and march to the front went out to Ring gold landed at Ring gold at 12 o clock in the night camped intil morning the men all tired but we had plenty of company the 1st and 3rd Divisions were both here or all the 19th corps render Command of General [can not read word]

Wednesday, February 24, 1864. Georgia

This morning we moved out through the Gap. beyond Ring gold towards Tunell Hill with our Brigade was drawn up in line of Batle the balance of the troops moved on towards tunell hill and we soon herd the canons roaring then our Reg. was moved out on the right and took posision lay all day + night all quiet
Thursday 25

Still on the same point but are looking for a call to go front but we lay here all day undisturbed but could here the canons a booming down towards tunell hill all day [I was on picket (struck out)] but had no trouble with the rebels all went off quiet on the right wing to day the men all in good spirits General Thomas went front to day Some wonden come in to day rebs falling back

[The following line was written sideways in the valley of the dairy between the 25th and the 26th] Buzzard roost Ga

Friday 26

This morning heavy fightin on the left near Dalton our Reg still in camp on the hill I went on picket to day had a good time some canndering can still be herd towards Dalton but all quiet in our front troops and supply trains going front some wounded Coming in and many rumors from Dalton

Saturday, February 27, 1864.

Still on picket this morning our troops are falling back from Dalton to day and the Rebels after them our forces all fell back through the gap in to ring gold and the rebels cavalry come in shooting range and some of our pickets fired on them and the fell back towards tunnel hill I was relieved from picket at 4 o clock all quiet rebs all gone back.

Sunday 28

This morning we was relieved by an Indiana reg and our Brigade Marched back towards ross ville camped on west branch of the Chickamonga lay here all night pretty tired we left the third division at ring gold general Baird in commarce at ring gold we had some prisoners with our Brigade sent them on n to camp near Rossville under guard

Monday 29 Rossville Ga

This morning it is raining and is bery disagreeable and at one o clock we mach for our old cam near rossville again and got to camp about 5 o clock find the camp all tore up and shanty some of them burnt but the men get to work and fix them all up again My quarters all torn down but it has quit raining and is a little coal this evening

Rossville Georgia
Tuesday, March, 1 1864.

It is raining this morning and is quite muddy set in my tent all day the mail come brought me a letter from Allen space in old pay witch afforded me much pleasure one from Lib also which informed me that they was all in good health got orders to make out our muster rolls + all quiet in camp to night
Wednesday 2

This day P H and I have ben to work at out muster rolls got along fine and this Evening
recieved orders to be on hand for our green backs which created quite a stir in camp was
on dress parade this Eveing G F Slack was in to night we had a good chat and a little
from all is now quiet in camp

Thursday 3

This has ben a lively day in camp we recived our pay [word stricken] and the men was all
in good Spirits I got a pass [word stricken] to go to Chattanooga tomaroow to Express the
new money home I received 1[in] 70 [tts] I sent 270.00 dollars to Lib I sold my watch to
L. C. Shohoney got 20.00 [word stricken] I recived 70.00 from P H [mn] to day all quiet
in camp

Friday, March 4, 1864

this morning I went Chattanooga and Expressed out money home I walked in it was a
good walk I was tired when I got back to camp nothing new going on in the city and all
quiet in camp I bought me a blous it cost 14.00 dollars and had diner at the central house
for 1.00

Saturday 5

To day I had my old Shelter tent condemed by the inspector general also knapsack,
haversack and contens and then drawed + ishued clothing to the camp and recieved
marching orders to night + to have 2 days rations prepaired I recieved a letter from Lib
which stated that R.W.M. had the small pox which was bad news.

Sunday 6

To day has ben spent in camp we had regimental inspection this morning all went of right
the 3rd Brigade mobed out this evening to Gorddon Mills this has ben a fine day we had
preaching this Eveing by the Chaplin of the 16th Ilts I rote a letter to L. H. to day all is
quiet in camp to night Neathier fine and warm

Monday, March 7, 1864.

To day was spent in camp recieved a notice or a receipt from Mrs Sarah A Campbell for
money I sent of her husbands. was on dress parad thie Eveing and after dark was detailed
and sent out on picket and it hailed and rained hard all the way out and it was awfull dark

Tuesday 8

This day was spent in camp we had Battilion drill this afternoon and I made out J Mc
Raes furlough papers and sent them off I recieved 3 boxes of amunition for target
practice this Eveing 3000 rounds. and rote a letter to Lib I received a photograph of Major Broadus. All quiet yet in front it is raining this eveing and is awful dark at present

Wednesday 9

today I am officer of the day in camp and had a squad of men under guard for missing roll calls + drills + all quiet and nothing of importance going on in camp no mail to day had battilion drill this afternoon men in good spirits its raining to night and is dark

Thursday, March 10, 1864

This has ben a very fine day and very warm some [couriers] a skirmish at pca verre gap. our men drove the rebels and now hold the gap. I was of the day to day instead of yesterday a mistake in me puting it down I recieved 4 canteens + 5 haver sacks to day all quiet to day no letters to day for me

Friday 11

This morning I was relieved from camp ground by Luit Woodruf of C.B. and Co E. was inspected and musterd I drewed 24 Ruber blankets of reg 2 M and ishued the same to the men and was detailed for picket this eveing had to report to Hed qrs for instructions I had 2 minutures taking to day good ones

Saturday 12

I went on picket this morning had a fine day 2 scouts come in with news + about the one hand Rebel spy that was coming in to our lines thier was lots of passing out and in on our post but nothing strange occured while we as on picket tried to rain Some this Eveing but it is a little cold

Sunday, March 13, 1864.

We was relieved a from picket by 113 ohio at 9 o clock and we returned to camp all right Inspection was over in camp so I got clear of that lay around camp all day and slpet had the headache pretty bad all day I recieved my Inspections of Condemed C.G.E this evening approve a and are to be droped all quiet had preaching twice to day

Monday 14

day we had bridgette inspection but had not battalion drill and applied for a furlough fro JW Wimer all went of quiet in camp no news of importance I rote a letter [stricken word] to Allen Space and sent him my likeness. the weather is rather cold this evening got the head ache but not so bad as it was
Tuesday 15

I wrote a letter to C Kimball and one to Lib I received a notice from the agt General to send Ivs Mathews final statement and I sent one to L Thomas. To day, the rest of the time I lay around camp and took it easy B F Slack was there to night we had lots of fun and target shooting to day

Wednesday, March 16, 1864

This has been spent in camp and it has been pretty cold we had a load of wood halfed had target shooting to day but no drill I received an order to receipt to major Grum for a gun and accoutrements furnished to Milton Craig by Capt Anderson no news to day all quiet in camp

Thursday 17

To day I went down to look out mountain was all over it took a good view of the surrounding country it was one of the greatest sights I have seen yet + I saw a man that fell off the point + was killed instantly he belonged to the 78th Pa Reg and I saw a good many of my old school comrades + acquaintances there also and I enjoyed myself fine and returned to camp the same day

Friday 18

This day has been spent in camp we had Brigade drill this afternoon had all kinds of rousers in camp about the R.R. being tore up by [unable to read word] but it was all a mistake our mail come in to night all right and I received a letter from Lib they was not in very good health. I commenced to make out my muster rolls this eveng + was detailed for picket

Saturday, March 19, 1864.

I went on picket this morning I had 73 men on my [pott] had a good thing it was nice and clear but was a little cold this evening no news to day of importance I received a letter from Lib the was all in very good health talked some of going to [Permra] received a notice of clothing drawn by B L Slack all quiet on the line

Sunday 20

I was relieved from picket by he Mercer this morning at 9 o clock and reported to head quarts and was dismissed and went to camp inspection was over and the camp all cleaned I finished my muster rolls to day and then slept the rest of the time had dress parade this evening all quiet in camp the moon is shining bright
Monday 21

This day has been spent in camp I rote a letter to Lib to day and sent her my likeness for to be put in a pin we had target practice this day and dres parade in the evening but no mail for me all quiet in camp no news of importance the weather a little cool looks some lik it might snow

Tuesday, March 22, 1864.

This morning we have got about 6 inches of snow and is still a snowing fast all looks winter like more so than I have seen since I have ben in Dixie it snowed until about 10 o clock then quit snow fell about 8 inches deep the men had a big time snow balling this day I got a letter from Lib to day they are not well

Wednesday 23

this day has ben spent in camp and I sent my muster rolls to day and I recieved my ordinance blanks for to make out my quarterly returns J M Winner Furlough came back disapproved the sun has nearly takin all the snow away to day all quiet in camp to day no mail the men are all in good spirits

Thursday 24

This day has ben spent in camp some snow on the ground but it is raining this evening and the wind is blowing hard and it’s dark + storming and I am holding my tent to keep it from blowing down I am all along lew is on picket P H come down to see if the tent is still up it is alright I turned over a paking box to major green

Friday March 25, 1864.

This morning we have go more Snow and I for picket well it has rained nearly all day and is very disagreable it very dark to night the snow is about all gone the little streams are hight all quiet on our line yet. No sleep for me to night but we have a big line to stand by the standing around telling jokes + having fun

Saturday 26

To day a 11 o clock I was relieved from picket got to camp at 12 o clock found the camp all right it has quit raining and has cleared off very nice had dress parade this Evening My ordinance returns for the 3rd quarter has come bakc for correction (1863) alls recieved Noah pates Discrietive list from [luineye] no letters to night no news

Sunday 27

This day has been spent in cmap we had regimental inspections and review and sent of my first quarters ordinaces which was sent back for corrections we had review this
Evening in place of dress parade, James Mc Rae furlough come back approved to day I sent A G Byreett out to releave James from picket

Monday, March 28, 1864.

To day we was Expection a grand review of our division by Gen Thomas but it rained and it was postponed I rote a letter to Lib today and sent it by James Mc Rae he started home on furlough to day I sent a Simetes Horse with him to David I recieved a letter from uncle W. Mercer to day

Tuesday 29

this day has ben spent in camp I made out the Enventory of Effects of A Frazell S dysert Leivi Frey G W Kedrick G W [akers] R B Gardener + Scott Gordon and sent them to Apt Genn L Thomas to washington city M review to day all quiet in camp last night was a stormy night blewed + rianed very hard all night I did not sleep much

Wednesday 30

To day I have ben in camp all day Their has nothing new taking place to day it has cool all day and windy the sun is shineing clear + I recieved no mail to day Tomarrow the big review come of if nothing happens all is quiet at present all in good health in camp

Thursday, March 31, 1864.

This morning I made out my monthly return of deceased Soldiers took them to the agt they was all correct then we had to poleace the camp all ocer and I was arrested by the Col. for reasons unknown at present the Division was reviewed by G Thomas + General Palmer and General Davis

Friday, April 1

This day has ben spent in camp it has ben raining nearly all day and it raing all last night still rainng to night nothing new in camp but i had some big churring over in the first brigade this Evening no other noise in camp

Saturday 2

this day I have made out my monthly return of clothing + garrison Equipage and rote a letter to Lib and Ives released from arrest and to night i am detailed for picket and filled out my clothing receipt roll for march No news in camp of impotence all quiet at presant health well capt Allen + Lieut Thompson went home

Sunday, April 3, 1864.
This morning I went on picket had a fine day but this evening it is raining again all quiet on the lines but not much prospects of getting much sleep to night I recieved a letter from Lib to night they are geting well again no news of importance

Monday 4

I was relievied from picket by Lieut Blandon + P H . and I returned to camp had to report my pickets to head quarters + was dismissed and then made application for a furlough for F M [Barmord ] + sent it off it rained all last night + some of today.

Tuesday 5

this day has ben spent in camp I sent of my monthly returns to day W [for] mr. [Mcies] , androte a letter to Lib had battillon, drill this afternoon it was badly mixed up Had dressparade this Even’ by Col Vernon the first time for him, done well

Wednesday, April 6, 1864

this day has been spent in camp this afternoon we had battillon drill all went of quiet had dressparade this Evening No news in camp to day of Importance + but little mail I was detailed for Officer of the day in camp tomarow

Thursday 7

I went duty at 8 o clock this morning got 2 teams went out and got some pines and sat them out around the regiment was busy all day but did not get much done after all No mail to day the cars run off the track bridgeport Ala all quiet in camp

Friday 8

I was relieved from duty by Capt Akins at gaurd mount and have laid in camp all day we had little battillon drill this afternoon but the rain runs us into camp it has ben raining prety hard to day and is raining now fast at present no mail of importance to day all quiet

Saturday, April 9, 1864.

To day we got orders for a general inspection to make preparations for the same the men have ben to work all day preparing had dresparade this evening I was detailed for pickit this eveing all quiet in camp to night no mail this Evening

Sunday 10

This morning I went on Picket it was Midling cold + rained a little and this eveing I was relieved from piket and came to camp our Reg marches at daylight in the morning with 4 days rations in haver sacks no mail to night agian may roumers in camp knigh [garsia]
Monday 11

This morning at sunrise the Reg move + went to Ross ville then took down the dry vally road to Crawfish Springs thier eate dinner and then marched on further 2 miles of Lafayette Ga. + we passed the dry vally gap on [unable to read work] [gafa] then camped for the night all good + tired trabeled 23 miles today.

Tuesday, April 12, 1864

this morning at sun rise we marched for Lafayette got in to he town at ½ 1.00 found everything quiet it is a nice little town but we did not stay thier long we left for Blew bird Gab . pased through and went on over pigeon mountian though [dng] gap + got diner then Marched near sick out camped for the night it rained all day.

Wednesday 13

this morning we marched for camp again march down Chattanooga vally to Rossville + from thier to camp got into camp at 4 o clock pm good and tired we traveld in these 3 days march 60 miles it was a hard march but we mad wuiet a big raid saw some good contry + some big hills + rough country I got a letter when I come in came from Lib

Thursday 14

This day has ben spent in camp and the men are at work preparing for inspection I drawed 9 springfield guns to day renches Seraw drivers + co no news to day we all feell sore of our march yet some talk of us marching soon destination not knoen all wuinet out front

Friday, April 15, 1864.

this day has ben spent in camp preparing for a big inspection and drilling I recieved an answer from the ordinance office for my returns for the 4th quarter of 1863. which was all right I also recieved a lot of blanks from head qrts no news in camp all quiet the men a little sore yet

Saturday 16

To day we had inspection all went of fine the inspector pronounced my comp No. One I reecipted for the guns I recieved to day to Col Vanbleek 78th Ills No mail for me today the men are all in good spirits to day all quiet in cmap to night I rote a letter to Lib to day

Sunday 17

This morning at 9 o clock we had reg. inspecion Inspected the clothing of the men BC thier is nothing of importance going on at present we had dressparade this Eveing Mail come but did not bring me any letters all in good health
Monday, April 18, 1864

To day I got my boots fixed by John H Steele and lay in camp all day readying the news + had companie drill in the forenoon + battillion drill in the afternoon but I was not out on the battillion drill had dress parade this Evening all wuiet in camp no letters tonight for me.

Tuesday 19

I sent GW [Costerline of to day desert list] This day has ben spent in cmap I was over to slack + had my boots fixed + also had 10 Enfield guns inspected and condemned to be turned over by the Division inspector + spring feild rifles musket also cartridge boxes Bayonet scabboards + had dressparade this Eveing all quiet in cmap no letter but I wrote one to Lib

Wednesday 20

I was officer of the day + had a lot of wood halled for the Reg. + drawed 13 blouses + ishued the same to the men and turned over 10 Enfield guns + one springfield gun I recieved 3 letters one from Lib and one from BL Spencer + F H Mr Capt returned to camp to day I got one clothing [boad] + one morning report back

Thursday, April 21, 1864

I was relieved from duty By Capt Akins the men went and got alot of shrubery +set it out in camp we had brigade drill this afternoon I made out a requisition for coloting to day + recieved a letter from Lib Cosen John Mercer Come to see us to day All quiet in camp

Friday 22

I went on picket this morning with Capt Blackary we had a good time on picket all went of wuiet it was very nice and dry and the moon shone all night I got no mail to day no news of importance has taking place

Saturday 23

I was relieved from picket this morning by the 108 Ohio and returned to camp found the men all busy preparing for inspection I got a letter from Lib to day Stating that Clarra had taking the smallpox all quiet looks some like rain this evening
Sunday, April 24, 1864.

This morning it is raining we have no inspection this day this day has ben spent in [Eaufo] I rote a letter to Lib to day no mail to day all quiet in camp had dress parade this Eveing all right men all in good health + good spirits

Monday 25

This day has ben spent in camp had company drill and Battilion drill this afternoon + dress parade this evening No letters for me in this mail got orders to send the 34th Ills men back to thier Regiment no news of Importance in camp all quiet weather fine

Tuesday 26

To day we had skermish Drill for the first time and battallion drill + I recipted to capt for 3 guns + accoutrements and we sent the 34thIlls men back to the regiment the mail came but no letter for me recived notice from James Mc Rae of his being very sick at home

Wednesday, April 27, 1864

This has ben a warm day and put it in in camp and made out my muster Rolls. I recived my inspection report of condemned ordnance + Sent in a requisition for what was wanting Nothing new in camp no letter to night for me all quiet in camp

Thursday 28

This day has ben warm and we had a big drill this day. Finished my Muster rolls + drewed clothing from the QM and ishued the same to the men all right the mail come in but no letter for me this day many rumers in camp

Friday 29

To day I was out on the old Chickamauga battle field to see them taking up the dead of the 78th Ills but I could not recognise any of our men while I was by I come back to camp at noon the mail come but no mail for me some talk of marching soon I got 30 new cartridge boxes + ishued the same to the men

Saturday, April 30, 1864.

To day I sent my trunk home with all my clothing and sent my desk and all my papers to Bridgeport for storage + and I receipted for 30 cartredge boxes + got my receipts for 10 Enfield guns + one springfield guns + 2 Scabords , we got orders to march the 20 of May at 6 o clock AM
Sunday, May 1

To day we signed our pay rolls and made out my monthly return of lothing camp and garison Equipage but did not send it of. I recived invoices of C.C. + G.Equipage from Capt Pollick and rote a letter to Lib and sent Maj Broadus Photograph in the same home We have orders to march in the morning no letter to day for me

Monday 2

This morning at 8 o clock we marched for Ring gold + want into Camp on the west bank of Chickamauga an sight of Ringgold at 2 o clock had an easy march and now we have got our tents up all right it is pretty cooll this evening No mail to day let Capt Howden have a gun + cart box

Tuesday, May 3, 1864

To day we have ben cleaning up camp it is very fine day warm + clear, I recived a letter from home to day the folks are all in good health Troops are coming in all day the 14th Corps are about all here at present the vally is lined with troops as far as I can see we have a nice camp

Wednesday 4

Still in camp west of Ringgold it has ben a warm day the mail come in to day but no mail for me troops are still coming in yet the 4 corps is east of ring gold this Evening. thier has ben nothing I rote a letter to Lib to day thier is many reports afloat at present but nothing that is reliable all quiet in camp

Thursday 5

This morning at 6 o clock our Division moved out through the gap East of ring gold there all day went into camp at sun down this Evening the 1st brigade Exchanged a few shots with the rebels + the rebes fell back towards tunel hill + our line was Extended further out to day all quiet in camp to night

Friday, May 6, 1864.

This day we lay in camp near Ring gold in the gap this Evening we recieved orders to march at day light in the morning mad out my ordinance returns for the 1st Sus of 64 and sent them off Capt left us to day gon to the rear Everything is on the move

Saturday 7

This morning at day light we marched for tunnel hill had to skirmish with the rebels all day but we drove them back to Buzzard Roost and our artillery is Shelling them some this afternoon we are now camped but cant say if we will stay until morning or not some shooting with the pickets not much
Sunday 8

This day we lay on the hill until 3 o clock when we ware marched out + formed in line of battle and advanced down in to the gap + charged the rebels of the point and got possesion of the entrance of the gap heavy skirmishing all day and it get to night prospects of a big battle her at pres

Monday, May 9, 1864.

This has ben a pretty busy day thier has ben heavy skirmishing all along the line , but no general engagement our Reg Supported a battery in the Evening Co E did not have a man hurt + but 2 wounded in the reg the rebs ar plenty this is a hard place

Tuesday 10

To day has ben spent in laying around looking at the artillery playing at each other all day + pretty heavy Skirmishing all day the mail com in but thier was no mail for we all appearance of having a big time at this ald roost rebs ar plenty

Wednesday11

To day thier has ben hard skirmishing all day this Evening the rebs are falling back + cannons are a roaring heacy cannon adeing + some muskets we draw 3 day rations + ordered to march at 6 o clock in the mornig the whole corps

Thursday, May 12, 1864

This morning we are on the march from Bzzard roost to the right of Dalton can here canonadeing all day the road is lined with troops we march until 2 o clock to night then lay own but have orders to march at day light men pretty tired Lay in snake gap to night

Friday 13

In Snake Gap this morning thier is not less than 75 thousand troops here at present + still more coming heavy Cannonading at Buzzard roost all day or until one o clock + skirmishing all around the lines to day I met with a number of boys of the 50th Ills they are here

Saturday 14

This morning the battle has commenced + opened out heavy hard fighting all day our bridade was engaged they ahve a strong position our men make several charges but were compelled to fall back fighting continued until after dark

Sunday, May 15, 1964
This Morning the fighting commenced at day light I was on skirmish line with Co E all
day had a hard time but did not have a man hurt the fighting was heavy all dy and until
after day got no sleep to night the Rebels are expected make a charge on our lines to get
out
Monday 16

This morning the rebels are in full retreat and our Forces are in pursuit our Division
marched back to Snake gap + got our bagage and marched for Rome Ga the men all in
good spirits wont into camp about 9 o clock we marched 15 miles can here cannons all
day on our left

Tuesday 17

Marched for Rome Come within 2 miles of rome then we had Skirmishing with the
Rebels was drawon up in line of battle lay in line until 10 o clock in the night some few
wounded + some killed the affair was poorly managed in my oppinion some excitement
but all quiet now

Wednesday, May 18, 1864

This morning the rebs have gone and our pickets are at the river this afternoon our men
are crossing over into rome our troops are in posesion of the sity now the rebs are still in
sight but the main forces are gone we are in camp all night

Thursday 19

To day I was over in the city of Rome looked all around the town it is a beautiful place
but it has ben badly used the rations are nearly all gone but they are coming in to day
again hard heavy fireing on our left this morning

Friday 20

This day I went on piket we had a good time it was very warm we had a great many
rumours but nothing reliable all went of quiet around the lines the men lay around , and
slept nearly all the time and had several little knwps my self all quiet this evening

Saturday, May 21, 1864

This morning I was reliev3ed from picket come to camp ground Everything quiet + the
men putting up thier tents and policing the camp . Some flying reports but nothing
reliable the cars come into rome this day by our ment all wuiet around the lines at present
Sunday 22

This day has ben spent in camp it has ben very warm I wrote a letter John Flora everything is quiet in camp no preaching to day no news from the front no mail comes to camp the men are all lying in camp some are writing letters it is warm

Monday 23

This evening we marched through rome + crossed over the Coosa river about one mile + camped for the night saw Brother Roberts + a lot of the 50 boys we are on a march for 3 or 4 Days Destination not knowen

Tuesday, May 24, 1864.

This morning we are on the march again marched about 16 miles + come up with the 15 corps and the some of the 16 corps her was a some splended Sprin I was on picket it rained hard + it was dark I saw a skill setting on a stump to day

Wednesday 25

This day we had Easy marching traveled through a pine county considerable cann. planed in this section this Evening we here heavy Cannonadeing East of us we had to march fast for the east 4 or 5 miles march about 16 miles to day lay don

Thursday 26

This morning we started for Dallas got about 4 miles out the come up to the 4th + 20th corps and had to turn back and take another road + got to Dallas about 3 o clock and went into camp herd cannonading all day still going on this Evening mill Craig com up to

Friday, May 27, 1864.

This morning our brigade was marched east of Dallas about 1 mile + was drawn up in line of battle Lay their until 12 o clock then was mooved about 1 mile further East on the main road drawn up in line a gain herd heavy fighting all day on the left + skirmishing in our front all day keped up all night herd fighting on the left recieved a letter from Lib all well

Saturday 28

This day has ben put in building breast works + soem Skirmishing with the Rebes Some prety hard fighting on the right + left of our lines the 17 corps come up to day and this Evening our Division Moved around to the left Skirmishing all night no news to day
Sunday 29

This morning at 3 o clock 4 comp out of our Reg was sent out on skirmish line Co E was over had some sharp shooting saw lots of rebels + to night about 12 o clock the rebs tryed hard to break through our lines made some 5 or 6 charges but were repulsed every time with heably loss our loss light

Monday, May 30, 1864.

This morning at day light we were Relieved from picket returned to camp + went to work on the fortificaton we got good work put up the rebels kept up a heavy Skirmish line all day the Rebels loss in the charge made on our workds is put down at 2000 left ong the ground Samuel Dyton come up had drawn a gun +[unable to read word] at rescera all sleepy to night

Tuesday 31

to day we have ben layling on the ridge behind our breast works the rebels Shelled us some today we are now layling opposite the altoona Mountains the rebels hold the mountains the weather is warm Some heavy skirmishing along the lines to day. we have orders to move to night no news of intrest

Wednesday, June 1

Moved at 12 o clock in the night to the left and this morning we are to march to the left further the whole line is moving to the left we past over the ground where Hooker fought Saw a reate many graves thier was hard fighting at this point to night our bridgade relieved the 2rd brigade of the 23rd Corps and we took the front heavy skirmishing all night Rained

Thursday, June 2, 1864.

Still on the front line some heavy Skirmishing all day and also in the night troops moving on the left some heavy Connonadeing on the left it rained bery hard I got good + wet no news of importance , have had no mail for some time Still fortgyuing yet in the altona mountains several wounded in our Brigade to day on skirmish line raining today

Friday 3

to day we lay behind the breas works our Reg was on Skirmish line pretty sharp shooting along the line this Evening it is raining hard Co E goes on Skirmish line at 12 o clock to night the Rebels are moveing to our left we had no one hurt to day Connonadeing all along the line to day still making breast works still raining
Saturday 4

this Morning at 6 o clock I was relieved from Skirmish line by the 40th Ohio of the 4 corps and our Division moves to the left it is raining this morning we come to the 3 Division of our Corps at 11 o clock + take our postion on the right senter some heavy skirmishing this after noon but the rebels are falling back raining to day hard

Sunday, June 5, 1864.

this morning our Brigade moved out + relived 1 brigade of the 20th corps took our position on the line but after feeling after the rebes we found they had left so we lay in camp the reaminder of the day + rested all appeared quiet along the line can see the blew mountains rained a little to day

Monday 6

this morning the whole army is on the move to the left it is very warm and hard to travel this is pretty fair country lots of corn planted through this section went into camp by a spring 2 miles west of acworth station on the RR all appears to be quiet along the lines at this point rained some to day

Tuesday 7

Got orders to wash our clothes to day the men are all busy washing thier cloths to day we recieved our mail this eveing i got a letter from home + I rote one and sent it off all appears to be quiet at present I am not very well but nothing very serious Folks all well at home Raining yet

Wednesday, June 8, 1864.

Still in camp near acworth station ga the men are still washing thier clothes today we march in the morning at sun rise but destination not known we have had 2 days rest i recieved 3 pair shoes from the reg 2 ill + ishued the same to the men W Laoan J.W. chandler + M Craig fot the shoes still raining

Thursday 9

this morning the orders to march were countermanded + we lay in camp all day recieved some mail. but i got none I recived notice of Thomas W Foredges is discharge from Quincy dated May 27th all appears quiet orders to march at 5 o clock in the moring + raining yet
Friday 10

this morning we marched at 6 o clock advanced to the front about 4 miles + come up to the rebels herd some skirmishing + some connonadeing in the Evening we went into camp about 3 o clock but was drawn up in line of battle + lay here all night

Saturday, June 11, 1864.

to day we marched to the left took our position near the R R + fortified herd some skirmishing in front and some heavey Cannonadeing on our right this eveing this day it rained hard + the road is muddy cna see the mountains where the Rebs are fortified + hold at the present

Sunday 12

this morning it is raining hard and we are laying behind the fortifications considerable Skirmishing in our front with our pickets had some cannonadeing all along the line to day to day I am not very well got the diarhaea pretty bad some prospects of advanceing the lines some

Monday 13

This morning it is raining as hard as ever Continued all day we recieved orders to march but did not march we advanded our skirmish line ¼ mile + captured 6 prisoners the rebes fell back as our line advanced Heavy skirmishing + cannonadeing along the line

Tuesday, June 14,1864.

This morning I rote a letter to Lib and at 12 o clock we advanced our lines to the front about 1 mile with but little resistance from the rebels afer we got our position we put up fortification this has ben a fine day. thier has ben Heavy Cannonadeing this after noon + sharp skirmishing along the line my ordnance for [unable to read word or words] come back to day

Wednesday 15

Tod day our lines advanced again and as our skirmishers advanced the rebel skirmishers threw down thier arms + run into our line i saw them coming on the run Big cheering took place then + our men advanced on the double quick bery heavy cannonadeing + skirmishing all along the lines kept up until late in the night

Thursday 16

To day our men put up a good Breast works Heavy Cannonadeing + skirmishing all along the the mail come in to day + I received one leter from Lib and one letter John Flora they
wore all well ther weather is nice I drawed 9 prs pants + 8 prs shoes + ishued the same to the men fireing all along the line to night

Friday, June 17, 1864.

This day we lay in camp all forenoon + at 4 o clock I was ordered out on field wit hthe company had a very good time this day thier had ben heavy skirmishing + Connonadeing all along the lines the rebels are still falling back slow we have many roumers but not reliable

Saturday 18

wen out + relived W K on the Skirmish line and about 8 o clock it commenced to rain + it poured it down all day heavy we had but little fireing on our lines was relieved at 5 o clock + went to camp but did not stay had to fall in + move out in line of battle to advance our lines

Sunday 19

This morning the rebes are falling back. and our men are crouding them hard + this Eveing we are in posesion ofthe Reb's furst line of works and the rebes are back on Kenesssaw mountains + strong position heavy Cannonadeing + skirmishing all along the lines we camp for this night it is raining hard

Monday, June 20, 1864

The rebes are plenty on the top of the mountains + as soon as it was light the cannonadeing was opened up by the rebes + our men replyed and it was kept up all day bery heavy on the center + in our division but not much damage done by the rebes it has rained hard and the roads are bad it has rained hard every day in this month so far yet I rote a letter to Lib today

Tuesday 21

Still in front of kenesssaw mountains + this morning the Cannons + muskety is a booming as heaby as ever + this afternoon the musketry is bery heavy on the right wing + Cannonadeing is very heavy in our front is the rebes busy to work on a fort but our battery is shelling them all day they have to get down +

Wednesday 22

To day the rebels have got a Battery on the mountain + they are just going in on us with shell they make us get to day but we are busy a fortifying + tomarow will be our day we are geting a battery of 12 guns in position our Reg is fortifying artillery fireing was heavy to day
Thursday, June 23, 1864.

This day has been put in at work on breast works we put up good ones and the rebels are shelling us pretty sharp just and to day they have thier has been the heavyest cannonadeing to day that has been yet from both sides and some pretty sharp skirmishing along the line some mail but not for me no news it is warm to day.

Friday 24

today things have been rather quiet as it was thanksgiving (for the rebels) it has been very warm and the men have been doing some washing for themselves no mail today I rote H C craig a letter and sent him a Rome paper and sent Byron Gruff and J W Bartelt to the hospittle to day the men are going down at present with the Billious fever.

Saturday 25

Today we lay in the shade all day it was very warm I recived a letter from home to day they were all well. thier was heavy cannonadeing all along the line the rebels shelled us 3 times sharp the shells flew thick too thick to be healthy but our men sent them back as fast as they came.

Sunday, June 26, 1864.

This morning at ½ 12 o clock this Divishion marched to the right about 3 miles and camped for the day it was very warm I LT Louis of the 84th IIs and some of the men all well the rebels are still plenty in our front yet weare 3 miles from Maretta our army is moveing to the right to day no news of importance.

Monday 27

This morning we made arrangements for to change a hill breakpostion of the hill but we we did not go the rebels main works and had to fall back about 25 yards and fortify in the charge I had my orderly M H pierce and C H Black both killed by shell and had 3 slightly wounded it was a hard fight for a while loss in Rg 49 wounded 10 killed.

Tuesday 28

To day has been put in on our Breastworks thier has been sharp skirmishing along our front all day our men tried to bury our dead but could not get arrangements made and it was postponed until morning it has been a warm day thier has been some heavy cannonading to day.
Wednesday, June 29, 1864.

This morning at 8 o clock thier was a flag. Truce. and our men buried our dead that ware left on the field on the 27th all was quick untill in the afternoon thin the shooting commenced + was kept up pretty sharp thoguh the night considerable stir in camp all hands up + awake

Thursday 30

This morning I went on the skirmish line heavy fireing all day one of CoB men was killed this morning a shell + one wound in the shoot out by a musket ball thier was a heavy musket + cannonading at 3 o clock this morning but did not do much lest our men have ben strengtheng thier works to day +c,

Friday, July 1

To day the fireing has ben light along the line our line + the rebels main line is within 100 yards of eachother and it is death to any man that puts his head above the works it has ben very warm heavy cannonadeing this evening all along the lines supporred the rebels are moveing to our right this Evening

Saturday, July 2, 1864

This morning our Batteries opened out on the rebels pretty heavy but got no reply had heavy skirmishing on our front to day + this Eveining the shelled us right sharp for a while but done no damage our Reg was relieved from the line by the 98th Ohio Henry Kurtz was wounded + sent to the hospital slight wound to the head

Sunday 3

This morning the rebels are in full retreat for some point between Marietta and the river and our troops are in persuit this Eveining we move come up to the rebels again we can see them to work a throwing up breast works I go on picket with my Co to night quite a number of prisoners more brought in to day I took a view of the county from the milery institute in maretta it is very nice town + no person living in it that i saw

Monday 4

this morning we advanced our line about ½ mile + come in gun shot range of the rebels works some pretty sharp skirmishing but had no one hurt I was relieved about 12 o clock + went to camp considerable moveing with the troops + C the mail come in but no letterfor me heavy cannonadeing all along the line
Tuesday, July 5, 1864

This morning the rebels falling back and we are in persuit they fell back to the river our Division some sharp Skirmishing to day + heavy cannonadeing along the line quite a number of prisoners was brought in to day no mail to day. We threwed up good breastworks this Evening the weather is very warm here ar present

Wednesday 6

dis day has ben spent in laying around + washing + thier has ben heavy skirmishing and some cannonadeing all along the line it has ben very warm the rebes appear to be stron at this place we are in sight of atlanta the mail came in to day but I got no letter heavy skirmishing this evening Hot weather

Thursday 7

to day we lay behind the works and the man don some washing for themselves it is very warm the rebels appear to be strong at this point thier has ben heavy cannonadeing on our right + this evening it is a booming all along the line I rot a letter to Lib to day and commenced to make out my muster rolls for may + june

Friday, July 8, 1864.

this day we finished our muster rolls and I recived a letter from Lib + 2 shirts + 2 towells things have ben rather quick to day but it has ben warm some cannonadeing to day + skirmishing the men and a washing thier clothes to day Many roumers but nothing reliable Heard Bryton Grubb was dead today he was buried at chattanooga 3rd or 5 of July

Saturday 9

To we lay behind our works + I was up to B F Slack + ground my axe + i reciped for amunition + guns recieved whilst on the march + at Rossville this Evening the rebes threw some shells at our tropps but no damage was done it has ben very warm to day + no mail I rote a letter to John Flora + sent off the certicate for [unable to read two words]

Sunday 10

to day the rebles are gone back a cross the river our pickets are at the river the 3rd brigade moved out this Evening thier is many roomers in camp but nothing reliable some sharp skirmishing + cannonadeing this Eveing along the river: it rained a shower + this evening it was very warm this day

Monday, July 11, 1864.

this day we have went into camp + put up our tents we are going to res here a few day I made out my monthly returns for may + June + Lew and I made us a bunk + put leaves
on it for a bed finly the mail come in but I got no mail the put thier tents the rebs ar across the river some skirmishing

Tuesday 12

To day I made out my clothing reciept rolls for the months of May + June + a number of the men sent for spencer Rifles I sent H C Craig a rebel letter it rained to day I recived 10prs pants 8 shoes 7 sock pairs + 8 drawers + c it has ven bery warm to day no mail

Wednesday 13

today I wrote a letter to F H M and had some Camp + Garreson Equipage inspected , + mad our the reports + sent them up + this Evening Co E went on Picket I did not go [can not read word] it was awful warm to day all appear wuiet here at present reports of Cannon are herd all day on our left wing

Thursday, July 14, 1864
to day I made out my return of camp and garisson + clothing for the month of May sent it off all has ben quiet to day only some cannonadeing on our left + some sharp shooting it was very warm to day and this Evening we had a fine shower we drawed a days rations expect to move on

Friday 15

To day I made out + sent of my return for June of Clothing recieved + ishued the rebels are still on the other side of the river got plenty our men are still shelling them Everyday no news of importance recived orders to have 4 roll calls each day + also for to be reay for inspection in the morning at 9 o clock

Saturday 16

this day I had to have the camp cleend + we had inspection also it has ben a fine day but had some cannonadeing to day recieved marching orders this Evening to march at 6 o clock in the morning all appears quiet this evening

Sunday, July 17, 1864.
moved at 6 o clock this morning to the left + put down a pontoon bridge + crossed over the river our Division moved out and took position on the line the 1st brigade had some sharp skirmishing an establishned thier line but the rebels fell back troops were crossing all night + attillery

Monday 18

this morning we advanced to right to front and took possition of the rebels ranks est of the rail road + established our lines to the left and took our position in front of corps 6
lasts and rested for the night had sharp skirmishing along the line to day I drawed some clothing + ishued the same to the men hats shirts drawers + socks

Tuesday 19
recived a letter today from Lib to day we lay in camp until about 3 o clock then we moved out to support the third brigade they had some hard fighting our brigade moved up and established a line [line is to faded to read] had his left arm broke by a musket ball as we was advancing our line [last to lines to faded to read]

Wednesday, 20 , 1864.
to day we have kept a heavy skirmish line all day we fired from behind our work we silenced the rebels + our battery shelled them thier have ben heavy fighting our our left since 1 o clock hard fighting and heavy artillery I could see those make rise

Thursday 21
This morning the rebel pickets have fell back our troops are after them they wont [the next line is to faded to read] fall back to [bring?] them thier works some thier has ben some sharp skirmishing to day the fight yesterday was the [word scratched out] heaveyest of the campaigen it last from 1 o clock until dark no mail to day , James Cay come up to [cant read word] I turned over 3guns + cartreges + plate belts

Friday 22
This morning the rebels are falling back towards atlanta thier was heavy fighting all day on our left + center + this evening we are putting up Breast Works within 8 miles of Atlanta we can see the city and our men are throwing shells over the town our division is on the extrem right rebes aparently

Saturday, July 23,1864.
Heavy skirmishing all last night + this morning the rebels charged our skirmish but don no dama go our battery have ben shelling the city all day + the rebels are throwing shels at our men right sharp we strenthened out works this evening the mail come but I reciued no mail reciued notice of [Byson Grubbs] death + the pay notice of Henry Kuntz it is very warm here at present

Sunday 24
To day I rote a letter to Lib + Lay in camp it was very warm we had preaching by our law chaplin the reve Mr Jones. Had a very good sermon thier has ben heavy firen on our left to day cannonadeing to night. Some heavy gun were fired last night was very cool.

Monday 25
This morning I went on picket with Co E + K we had a cery hot time of it the done considerable shooting we were expecting an attack on our line by the rebels but they did not come fonsiderable fireing in the night thier was heavy cannonadeing this evening no letter for me today

Tuesday , July 26, 1864.
This morning I was relieved from pickett by the 121st Ohio and returned to camp all, quiet in camp we had some pretty sharp skirmishing on picket to day thier has ben some sharp skirmishing to day the cannonading was pretty heavy all along the line many rumers but nothing reliable.

Wednesday 27
To day we lay in camp all day it was very warm we put up our tents and poleaced the ground looked some like stoping the 1st Brigade moved out with the 16th and 17th corps and advanced the lines without any resistance and then returned to camp some little skirmishing while they advanced and [can not read last two words]

Thursday 28
This morning our Division moved out and we went to the chattahoochae river and returned in the evening had some skirmishing with the rebel cavalry but we drove them at all points thier was heavy fighting in the 17th and [13th] corps the rebels charged our right but were repulsed with [last line illegible]

Friday, July 29, 1864
This morning at daylight our brigade moved out on the line and relieved the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Division and then I went and viewed the battle field it was a hard sight to witness the ground was covered with thier dead they left their dead all on the field thier loss was heavy while ours was light our lines were advanced some to day.

Saturday 30
This morning we have got up good Breast Works but we have to leave them the 15th corps takes our place our Division moved of to the right and took position on the line and fortified Sent Jlion Hoffman to hospital to day thier was heavy fighting on the left wing to day but the rebels were repulsed with heavy loss our men buried the rest of the dead rebels to day all quiet in our front.

Sunday 31
This morning it is very warm all appears quiet in front some rumers of the rebels attacking the right but at 11 o clock we recieve orders to march and have our knapsacks in camp and all the sick and our Division moved out to the right Made a reconnoissance on the right skirmished some and the rebels fell back to thier works and we returne to our works it rained hard to day.

Monday, August 1, 1864.
To day we lay in camp all day it rained some and was very warm I recieved a letter from Lib the friends were all in good health and I wrote a letter in answer the letter to the one I recieved from Lib. thier has ben hard fighting on our left cannonading was heavy to day.

Tuesday 2
To day in camp I went and took a good wash + felt some better afterwards, the 17 corps moved out in our front and took a position higher in the rebel lines. Some cannonading on the left + center to day + some musketry but not heavy weather still warm looks some like rain quiet a number of our men are sick and wounded

Wednesday 3
To day we lay in camp all day troops ware moveing around to the right hard fighting reported on our left to day cannonadeing in front was heavy the 15 corps advancend thier lines to day had some sharp skirmishing many roumors but nothing reliable mail to day but nothing for me

Thursday, August 4, 1864.
up this morning at 2 o clock with orders to march at day light but we lay in camp until 1 o clock then we marched to the right left our knapsacks in camp + all the sick behind reinforced the 3rd Division advanced thier lines + the 3rd Brigade of our Division took a position out [reg] went on picket advanced the lines all quiet to night

Friday 5
this morning at daylight we advanced our lines about ¾ of a mile + took our position on the lines we had some sharp skirmishing in advancing the lines they shelled us heavy to day but done no damage our men have put up good strong works I was relieved from picket at 2 o clock + returned in the rear of the Breast works + rest

Saturday 6
to day we lay in the works + the rebels shelled us heavy thier was 8 wounded in the Reg. Mail come but no letter for me thier was heavy fighting on our Right + on the left also thier was 5 charges made + our men gained some ground from the rebels or so reported at least it rained hard to day

Sunday, August 7, 1864.
This morning ther is heavy Skirmishing in our front the 14th corps made a charge about 3 o clock + took the 2 first lines of the rebels works + the rebels fell back in to thier main line of works heavy fighting on our left we advanced our Division + put up works + rested until 1 o clock in the night

Monday 8
out at 1 o clock advanced out to the Skirmish line and put up breast works for to support our battery we have a hot place to day the rebels bulets are flying like hail all day + thier batterys are shelling us + our Battery is replying fast our men blew up a [casin] for the rebs the 3rd shot 4 men wounded to day in the regement [some] of [Cole hust]

Tuesday 9
To day we have ben kept pretty colse to our Breast Works. + thier has ben heavy fireing all day both artillery + musketry we are right in front of the rebes works Fireing from both sides is heaby thier was 1 man wounded in the Reg to day I have ben rather under the weather turned in gun + accoutrements for the ordinance officer
Wednesday, August 10, 1864.
today has ben a busy day thier has ben heavy fireing all day with artillery + muskets thier was 2 men wounded in the reg to day we ware relived from the front line by the 34th IIs this Eveing after dark went back behind the works + camped I wrote a letter to Lib to day + recieved one from L. H. M, JM [can not read last name] returned to day

Thursday 11
had a pretty good sleep last night but a good many stay balls flew through the one hit Capt Ruddle on the back of the head and broke in a hole in the skin supposed to be mortaly wound a stay ball entered about his left eye + ranged upwards the ball in hes head

Friday 12
this morning at day light our Division moved to the right + relieved the 8th Division of the 13 Corps the rebels shelled us heavy to day the troops we relievied moved to the right heavy skirmish fireing was heavy all day I got a letter from home the folks was all well I commenced to write a letter home but did not get it done

Saturday, August 13, 1864.
This day we lay in camp all day the rebels kept up a heaby fire all dy artillery was heavy also I wrote a letter yesterday + one this morning to Lib + recived one yesterday from Lib all well at home the weather is warm here at present we are making our our returns of C C G Equipage + clothing reciept rolls for July

Sunday 14
to day we have ben lying in camp was busy making out our Returns to day thier has ben some Skirmishing on the line + some cannonadeing + on the left artillery was in the Evening we can see the rebels main works they are strong I was not well this day Considerable under the weather

Monday 15
This morning I sent of my returns CC and Garrison Equipage for the month of July also my ordinance returns for the 1st + 2nd quarters of 1864 to cheif of ordnance Borg Geners George D Ramsay also a letter requesteing him to return my return for the 4 quarters 1863 + a letter for blacnks the mail come in to day + I got a pair of suspenders + a letter from home the friends all well --

Tuesday, August 16, 1864.
This morning the Co was relieved from picket at daylight I sent my returns of this morning in place of yesterday a mistake in me puting it down yesterday it should be down this day as I sent them off this morning No mail to day I am not well to day but was officer of the day in camp things have ben very quiet on the line to day some skirmishing on the line on both sides
Wednesday 17
This morning I am not so well but I think all will be right soon. Everything appears to be quiet along the line. I think their is some big move on hand but it is kept quiet. The weather is warm. I wrote a letter to Lib to day we had a mess of corn to day + some grun apples. Quite a treat for the time! Rumors plenty.

Thursday 18
This morning we recived orders to be in readiness to march at dark but the being heavy fighting on the left we did not move herd a great many rouners about the fight on the left but nothing reliable they report fighting on our right between the cavalry but our cavalry gained their position. The infantry had sharp skirmishing also herd that Col. Van Vleck was dying this evening.

Friday, August 19, 1864
This morning at 3 o clock our Regiment moved out + occupied the works of the 1st Brigade + the 1st Brigade moved to the right towards sand town + returned in the evening. Our regiment returned to camp thier was very heavy cannonadeing on the left to day result not known. I was pretty sick lay in camp all day no mail to day had a shower.

Saturday 20
The reg moved out this morning at day light + occupied the works of the 1st Brigade + the 1st Brigade went back to sandtown again + this day they went out + cut the rail road near Easton + returned this Evening + our reg come back to camp I lay in camp all day I was some better the mail come to day but I got no letter + c.

Sunday 21
This day has ben spent in camp sent W K Chandlers Description list to PVM Washinton City + a letter to the 2nd Auditor for my returns of ordnance for the 4quarters of 1863. Thomas Golt returnd to Co to day we got no mail the report is that the rail road has ben cut again things very quiet along the line to day no news.

Monday, August 22, 1864.
To day we still in camp all quiet thier is some cannonadeing on our left + some musketry. I wrtoe a letter to [has latnanl] this morning. Receivd my envoies of clothing for the month from QM. The mail came but I got no letter. I receivd 2 notices one of a J Starks + one from L R Smith at hospital camp butler III had peaches this evening good ones.

Tuesday 23
to day I mae out L R Smiths description list + sent it off + filled out certificate for Mrs Matilda [Bliven] for a pension for W H [Bliven] + forwarded the same to rogers + [maman] Quincy Ills + then looted the company clothing accounts for this [can not read word or words] 31st 1864 queston the lines Col Died this Evening.

Wednesday 24
This day had ben spent in camp thier has nothing new taken place thier has ben some heavy artillery along the lines but no musketry but a little skirmishing Iv filled up my vacanyys in the co of noncomisioned officers + an order from the Col reducing A J Starks to the ranks no mail for me to day

Thursday, August 25, 1864 (the text below was writen over the top of other text)
This morning I mad out Samuel Naylor's Descriptive list + sent the same to him to Chattanooga and all his letters + also I sent a copy of the order to the curgean in charge of hospital reducing A J Starks to the ranks

Friday 26
This morning I made out S Naylor Descriptive list + sent it + all his letter to him to Chattanooga the p was on Picket some firing on the line to day. + some artillery firing no mail to day the weather is warm I lay ing camp all day not very well.

Saturday 27
This morning at 2 o clock we moved to the right + left our works the rebels followed us and about 3 o clock they commenced to skirmish a little with our pickets. put up light works this evening and lay down for the night some cannonading on the left + also on the right

Sunday, August 28, 1864.
This morning our Division moved out in front + moved on the sandtown road left that front to the left and went on to struck the east point rail road + camped mite south of the rail road and put up breast works had some skirmishing all day but the rebels still fell back

Monday 29
This morning we finished our Breast works + our regiment is ordered out as skirmishing with the 1st Division untill they tore up the rail road + at 3 o clock we returned to camp it was a warm day the drawed 3 days rations the Evening all appears quiet at present

Tuesday 30
Moved at 6 o clock this morning went some 8 miles to the right + towards the Macon Rail road had no opposition camped about 5 o clock + the Reg went out on picket was pretty sick to day I had hard work to keep up went out after the reg had gon had a big time

Wednesday, August 31, 1864
We was relieved from the picket line by the [14]th Ills. and our Brigade moved out with the 3rd Division moved some wheare on a line with the army of [Lem.] + fortified after night thier was some very heavy cannonading on the right heavy fighting reported some little skirmishing this evening

Thursday, September 1
This morning the 14th Corps moved of to the right in front of the 17th corps + took a position right in front of the rebels + formed in line for a charge our regiment in front +
thier advanced across a cornfield under a heavy line of shell + musketry then charged the
to works taking the the works + all thier [gimsle] in the battery + many [presersors] our Reg
capture the battery last in reg 13 killed and 70 wounded 1 capt + 1 liut killed

Friday 2
I turned over gunes + accoutrement the number wounded in Co E Yesterday was 6 T M
Barnard E Williams Jesu Cunningham I Deighton J W Hendsieks Peter Hoffmaster, none
killed the troops all moved out after the rebels our corps stope at Jones Borrough the
other troops went on to Love joy Station here heavy cannonadeing in that direction

Saturday, September 3, 1864.
Camped at Jones Borrough the trains of waggons are going ot the front thier has ben
some bery heavy firing towards Love joy station to day the 20th Corps occupied atlanta
the 2nd at 11 o clock the rebels left + blew up 80 cars loads of ammunition our troops are
in good spirits it rained hard to day our corps [can not read the next two words ] the reas
of the [arsny] note

Sunday 4
Still at Joneborough yet but we are under orders to march back to Atlanta that is the
report at present the trains are going back from the front to day + some troops are going
back they have ben bringing in the rebel wounded ot day thy say some 800 of them hard
looking site to witness no cannonadeing in front to day

Monday 5
thy are burning cotton + bringing in wounded rebels the trains are moveing back + we
are ready move back they have mooved all the wounded to atlanta we [line struck out] not
leave camped for the night all quiet here the rebels are following our men back + thier is
some skirmishing

Tuesday, September 6, 1864
This morning we packed up all our trop + ws ready to march at a moments warning the
troops + trains have all post back + our pickets are skirmishing with the rebel cavelry +
we leave town at 4 o clock + fall back one mile + stop for the night it rained pretty hard to
day all wuiet at 8 o clock to night

Wednesday 7
This morning at daylight we started towards atlanta marched through rough + ready near
east point + camp put up tents for the night had a little skirmishing with the rebel cavelry
but nothing to any amount + we march back without any trouble we are about 9 miles
from atlanta all quiet to night

Thursday 8
This morning our Division is in the rear for rear guard we got along fine had no trouble
barched back withing 1 ½ mile of atlanta + went into camp put up tnets the troops are all
gone into camp around atlanta orders were read to army congratulating thme for thier hard laborer + good success in the campaign to atlanta

Friday, September 9, 1864
the men are putting up bunks + fixing good quarters I went up in the city + had a view of the place the town is badly torn up my our shells + I saw where the rebels burned the cars + thier ammunition + [Loeannnotive] +foundry loss was heavy to the rebs I wrote a letter to lib this day all quiet but no mail

Saturday 10
This morning I sent off my return of Clothing camp + gar. Equipafe + certificate for Jas Mothers pension + reciept for ordnance blanks. To ordinance department + general Sherman orders all citizens to leave Atlanta by the 12 inst , we are at work now making out our muster rolls for July + August all quiet 9 am and on duty to day at Brigade head quarters

Sunday 11
was at work at muster rolls got al ldone but putting the amount of clothing on the rolls cleaned up camp + fixed a bunk to sleep on nothing of importance took place to day. all wuiet in camp J W Bartlett was appoint Sarg. + J A [Wotarf] corp in CO E by Lt Col M R Vernan

Monday, September 12, 1864.
This morning we finshed our muster rolls + sent them to head Qrts the mail come but i get no letter Capt Howden Started home on sick leaf got orders to fix up for inspection the men are all busy cleaning guns + recieved some clothing + ihued the same to the men +.

Tuesday 13
all quiet this morning we put up a table ot write on + lay around in the shade i went and had a good wash + cleaned up felt lots better afterward recieved a price list of clothing to day + mail come in but no letter for me +.

Wednesday 14
Made out J L Kellys Discription list + also S L [Nielaing] J Stauffor + E [Hinner]'s descripitive list for our deck + Mess Chest to be brought up for us had inspection all went of well filled up certificate for Jasen Starrens pension + sent it off Rebel Citizens left Atlanta to day

Thursday, September 15, 1864.
Lay in camp all day nothing of interest is going on and all is quiet around the lines + the citizens are still leaveing atlanta + are going both north and south Mail to day but none for me recieved notice to go on picket in the morning

Friday 16
Went on picket at 7 o clock this morning relieved the 16 IIs had a very good time the weather was fine but the night was cool I was on the 3rd relief went out at 9 o c + remained untill 8 then came to the reserve + lay down to rest no mail to day the rail road was cut at kingston by the rebels

Saturday 17
we was relieved from picket at 9 o clock this morning by the 85 IIs out of the 3rd Brigade + we returned to camp had the funs shot of + orders for inspection in the morning + I was on a board of Serv to sell Deceased sholders effects to the Mail Com but no letter for me all quiet in cmap have the head ache some

Sunday, September 18, 1864
This morning I wrote a letter to Lib + received on from her folks all in good health it rained good shower to day all apear quiet in camp we had dress parade this evening had a order from Gen Thomas read congratulating the army on the success

Monday 19
this morning we had the tea and up to town and got lumber + put us up a shanty all right have plenty of [rebs ] our Desk + Mess chest come up to day with Book + papers all right our mess chest was all right no letters to day light mail to dy + got 10 knapsack + ishued the same to the men

Tuesday 20
this morning I went to the comesary + bought rations + then got a pass + went to atlanta to the Express office + got a box for K H had quite a walk had Co Drill + Dress parade this evening nothing now going on in camp to day all quiet

Wednesday, September 21, 1864.
This morning I went to work to make out inventory of effects + final statements in the cases W H Peirce C H Blake + B Grubb + their Discription rolls all ready to send of made out S W Grammer Description Roll he is going hom on furlough was Entering Clothin accounts on our book + squaring up the accounts drew 7prs pants + isued the same to the men

Thursday 22
to day have ben fixing up our clothing books + it rained hard took in our quarterly return of deceased soldiers sent off final statements + Inventory of Effect of W H Pierce C H Black made out thier description rolls I sent them home with Grammer all right the when he goes home

Friday 23
at our clothing accounts this morning again still rainning good news in camp to day no mail this day had battalion drill this afternoon S B went to Atlanta without a pass and was arrested + brought back to camp under guard Sent Pierce + Blacke + Grubs final statement to them.
Saturday, September 24, 1864.
This morning Grammer starts home on furlough I sent a letter home to Lib by him he took blak and Pierces Descriptive along home I sent for my trunk + it is raining this morning as ever sent a letter to S taylor all quiet this evening good news from the potomack

Sunday 25
We had company inspection this morning all went of well it right cold this morning the men had thier accouterment in very good order thier was no mail to day the report is the cars have been burned between here+ Chattanooga [word stuck out] all quiet this evening in camp +...

Monday 26
To day we had Brigade Inspection all went of well accouterments all in good trim the mail come in I received a letter from S Naylor he had recieved his letters + discription roll + letters all right good news from Sheridan this evening again I rote a letter to L H Heart + G L Latman + wife

Tuesday, September 27, 1864.
Had company drill this afternoon + battallion drill this afternoon ahd a gib drill this has ben a fine day one division of the 15th Corps moved north yesterday destination not knownen + we had dress parade this evening recieved a letter from Samuel Naylor he is doing well

Wednesday 28
This morning they poleaced our colllour line for Drill + has ben raining pretty hard to day we recieved orders to march at a moments warning to go north + this evening the orders are to march at daylight with 4 days rations take the cars at atlanta that is the report no mail this evening lots of churing in camp I got [can not read word] from John mercer to day

Thursday 29
this day lay in camp + had our tents all packed ready to march or take the cars took the cars at sandtown + left for chattanooga run all night and it rained nearly all night on us left atlanta for chattanooga Tenn.

Friday, September 30, 1864.
This morning at daylight we ware at alatoona Station + then run on + arived in Chattanooga at Sun down but did not got off the cars + in a few minutes left for Stevenson run all night or until 2 o clock then lay at Stevenson until 9 O clock then left for huntsville

Saturday, October 1
at Stevenson this morning and lay here awaiting orders until 10 o clock then left for Huntsville ala + arived in huntsville about 10 o clock in the night + camped in the Depot it has rained on us Eery day + night Since we left atlanta

Sunday 2
At huntsville Alabama this morning we moved out South of town + camped for a little time + then recieved orders to leave this is a beautiful town at 5 o clock we took the cars for Athens but lay all night on the cars in the rain + at day light we left again + it rainging hard

Monday, October 3, 1864
This morning at day light the cars started for Athens rained hard all day arived at athens this evening + camped at dark the rebels have tore up the rail road some distance + have gone – good country all the way from Stevenson alabama

Tuesday 4
in Tenn again this morning at daylight we moved out towards Florance marched 20 miles + camped 4 miles west of Elk river near Rogers ville, had to wade the river hard marching rained hard all day + was slipery marching the best country I have seen in the shouth recieved 2 letter from Lib

Wednesday 5
This morning at Daylight we moved out again + still raining marched till 10 o clock then got our Dinner + then marched on to Shoal river + camped for the night + drawed rations now 7 miles from Florance + the rebels are reported thier in alabama again

Thursday, October 6, 1864
this morning the thier was some skirmishing on the road to Florance and our Regt + the 34 was sent back about 2 miles on the flank remained thier all day + foraged had plenty of sweet potatoes + fresh meat had a good time returned to camp all right

Friday 7
This morning we all in camp quiet + fine day +at 11 o clock recieved orders to march at 1 o clock + we then marched to Florence + camped for the night Come through a nice country marched 7 miles had a warm march but all was quiet now 30 miles from Atlanta

Saturday 8
today we marched up through Florance passed in review + returned to camp Florance is a beautiful town all appears quiet here at present fine country around this town the rebels have all gon south + [can not read word] in after [can not read word]

Sunday, October 9, 1864
this morning all is quiet the sun is shineing clear we ware detailed for [can not read word] today Co E + A wase out patrole duty out in the country brought in 90 men under guard all well loaded with forage orders to march in the morning at 0 o clock
Monday 10
at 6 o clock we marched out for athens marched 13 miles then stoped for Diner then marched on until night + camped 2 miles west of rogersville marched 20 miles to day + drawed rations tis Evening herd some cannonadeing on the river

Tuesday 11
Marched at 6 o clock this morning marched through Rogersville + waded Bleu River + then marched on to Elk river + waded it + then got dinner + then marched another 7 miles of athens + camped for the night men all tired + sore in Tenn again

Wednesday, October 12, 1864.
Started out at 7 this morning + marched through athens + camped about 1 ½ mile South East of town + got our Dinners athens is a nice town stayed in this camp + drawed rations + waited for the cars to come from Huntsville + it rained hard we got mail I got a letter from Lib all well at home

Thursday 13
all quiet in camp this morning the 1st Brigade has taken the car for Huntsville we are waiting the return of the cars + at 12 o clock the cars come + our brigade is marched up to the Depot + we get on Board + fight out for Huntsville + arrive at Huntsville at 9 o clock pm but soon left for Stevens

Friday 14
arrived in Stevenson this morning at daylight and wrested one hour then left for chattanooga arrived at chattanooga at 12 o clock + got off the cars got out Breakfast + then marched up the rail road East of town + camped for the night recieaved orders for send in for clothing

Saturday, October 15, 1864.
Today we lay in camp in Chattanooga + drawed rations + clothing + ishued the clothing to the men recived orders to march at 9 in the morning I got a pair of shoes from M Lawson Troops are moving out South all day I got a Coffee boder for 100. I received a letter from H C Craig yesterday + one from A S Mercer

Sunday 16
This morning we had orders to to take the cars at 9 o clock and we went down to the depot but came back + camped again + recievied order tomarow at day light in the morning its warm + clear here at present many roumers about the rebels coming here but nothing Certain

Monday 17
Lay in camp all day had marching orders but did not go orders to march at daylight in morning weather cool drawed rations S W Grammer returned to regt to day many roumers about old Hood but nothing reliable
Tuesday October 18, 1864
Left Chattanooga this morning at 6 o clock for Lafaett Ga passed through Rossville at 8 o clock in the morn capmed at Lees + gordon mills for the night I recieved 5 hathels from Burns non in georga on old battle ground Chicamauga

Wednesday 19
Marched this morning at 6 o clock marched to Lafaette + camped for the night – the rebels caervalry had just left + our men are in persuit Lafaette is badly toren up by the troops – in Ga

Thursday 20
moved out this morning at 6 o clock marched towards Rome about 10 miles then turned off to the right toward [can not read word or words] marched some 4 or 5 miles after Dinner + then camped for the night marched on about 15 miles this day on Tooga river 7 miles south

Friday, October 21, 1864.
This morning at 6 o clock we marched for Alpine 10 miles distance + passed through a gap + camped for the night marched 20 miles to day men all tired Drwed 3 days rations this night but must last 5 days within 6 miles of the main army to night

Saturday 22
Marched at 6 O C again passed through another gap + come up to the 4 corps + stoped a few minutes + men moved out to our corps saw some of the 84th Ills men who inform me of the death of my brother who was killed in the battle at alatoona the 5 of oct painfull for to my inform

Sunday 23
Lay in camp near Gainesville Ala since the 21st and I dont know how lon we will remain here this is a dull place we are about 18 miles south west of Chattanooga the mail goes out to night at 8 o clock we have recieved no mail

Monday, October 24, 1864.
This day has been spent in lying in camp weather fine + warm in the day time but the nights are cool no prospects of a move at present all quiet no mail to day but the letters was sent rome recieved a dispatch from the war department and the order from sheriden

Tuesday 25
all quiet today + I wrote a letter to John Flora P H went out aforageing returned after night weather fine no mail to day Lay out on camp + moved our tents + I went to the commesary to get some rations

Wednesday 26
in camp all quiet to day made out requisitions for clothing + no mail to day had a good dinner to day for to be in camp we had a heavy rain Last night + this morning but it is clear thier aftnoon

Thursday, October 27, 1864.
Still in camp near gainesville and Alt quiet – men are out on Forage bussiness Roumers of us a marching the 4th corps marched to day back to wdrs lafayette Ga – no mail to day

Friday 28
all quiet this morning but at 9 o clock we got orders to march at 2 o clock Destination supposed to be atlanta ga we marched at 2 o clock + camped at dark 7 miles from Gainsville on the road to Rome + recieved orders to march at ½ past 5 o clock in the morning

Saturday 29
marched at half past 5 this morning for Rome marced 11 miles + stopped for dinner one hour only 6 miles to rome this is a nice country that we have come through arived near Rome + camped for the night I was on picket with the Co our Corps is all the march 1 Division is in town.
Sunday, October 30, 1864.
Still on picket yet the 3rd Division passed in thes forenoon to Rome I was Relieved from Picket this Evening + returned to camp Saw a number of the 50th boys they are in Rome we got some Mail but not letters for me

Monday 31
Lay in camp until 3 o c then I went over in to Rome + Saw a number of the 50th boys was up in thier camp stayed all night with Will Pond had a good talk about old times the troops are all moveing towards Kingston no mail

Tuesday November 1
Got up this morning + our Division was coming across the river un to rome + stopped + got our breafkfast with Will Pond + then left Rome bound for Kingston marched with in 2 miles of Kingston + stoped for Dinner weather fine + warm
Camped at Kingston at 5 o clock

Wednesday, November 2, 1864.
This morning is wet + cold we signed our pay rolls last night David of aird come to us last night all quiet we are waiting here for our pay at present no mail to day drewed 3 days rations this Evening

Thursday 3
Still in camp at Kingston waiting our pay the 34th Ills is getting thier pay to day + they have our pay rolls about ready to pay us thier was alot of the boys drunk to day in camp they had a big time no mail to day I wrote a letter to Lib

Friday 4
we recieved our pay to day up to the 31st day of august 1864 + got it all ready to send of in the morning I paid L C Shaking 30.00 for clothing + J H Pettit 50 Dollars + 6 Dollars to the P M no mail to day sent the letter to the boys to atlanta still in kingston Ga

Saturday, November 5, 1864
This morning I sent my money to Chattanooga by Lt Blandon he will express it to Quincy to W M Frank my account was 1250.00 sent to Mrs E L Mercer I wrote a letter to Lib + recieved a letter from F H mercer Expect to march in the morning

Sunday 6
Lay in camp all day it was cold Everything is quiet the mail come in + recieved a letter from Lib all well at home many roumers about the rebels but nothing very reliable the men sent home 3345.00 in all this pay day

Monday 7
To day all has ben quiet + I was up to the 1st Div of our corps recieved orders this evening to march at 6 o c in the morning for Cartersville Ga, we recieved no mail to day + sent more put left kingston ga.

Tuesday, November 8, 1864.
Marched at 6 o clock the morning passed though Cassville Ga the town that our ment burnt the 5th the town is badly destroyed + we passed through cartersville 1 1/2 mile on the bank of the Elawe river + camped for the night marched 14 miles

Wednesday 9
Lay in camp to day + it rained on us hard + thier has ben nothing of importance took place to day no prospects of a move yet no mail today but we sent out mail Ga Etowa river Cartersville Ga

Thursday 10
to day I went to the river + took a wash washed my shirt + drawers + no mail to day nor no news been roumers but nothing reliable woodruff come back to day I paid him 20.00 for blouse + haversack + mote + Etawa river Ga

Friday, November 11, 1864.
Lay in camp all day no mail men cleaned up their guns I was officer of the day in cmp cleaned up camp some no news of Importance the weather is fine + dry but rather cool Cartersville Ga

Saturday 12
This day I wrote a letter to H B Craig but could not send it out the cars quit running on this road last night the men in the morning at 6 1/2 o clock the 50th regt passed though here to day for Atlanta . Cartersville Ga

Sunday 13
left Cartersville this morning marched out at 6 ½ o clock this morning crossed over the Etawa on the rail road bridge + commenced to to take up the rail road + burning the ties + bending the irons + tore up 6 miles of road to Allatoona station then marched to Ackworth + camped for the night I was R W Mercer’s grave at Allatoona

Monday, November 14, 1864.
Marched at 6 this morning passed Big Shantee + Kennesaw mountan + Marietta got Dinner 1 ½ mile south of Marietta then marched on withing 4 miles of the Chattahoochee river + camped for the night marched hard + are 12 miles from Atlanta

Tuesday 15
in Atlanta Marched at 6 this morning crossed the Chattahoochee about 9 o clock + rested + then marched in to Atlanta + camped out on the Decater rail rod + drawed clothing + ishued the same to the men + draw rations + the city was all in flames this evening

Wednesday 16
we packed up this morning + marched at 11 o clock marched towards Decator + the rail road is all torn up + destroyed each road leads us from Atlanta E [Hinner] + [R] P Askew returned to co for duty camped 4 miles east of Decator for the night moved 10 miles

Thursday, November 17, 1864.
Marched out 7 o clock this morning passed through Litonia Station + tore up the rail road on through to Congers Station + the road all tore up + burnt + past of litonia station burnt passed over read Sandy Soil good road + we camped at Congers station for the night

Friday 18
Marched at 6 this morning passed though Covington + tore up about 6 miles of road then marched about 3 miles + crossed the rellow river + camped for the night men all tired I was out with a foraging + gard

Saturday 19
Rained the morning + the road was muddy + bad traveling marched through Sandtown some 8 or 10 miles then camped in a pine grove for the night passed thought a good country to day soil is read + sandy water scarce

Sunday, November 20, 1864.
This morning at 7 o clock we moved out out reg was train guard + the forageing detail went out + I M Wirris did not return camped [word stuck out] near [can not read word] river for the night it rained all night

Monday 21
Moeved out at 6 this morning and it rained hard all day had traveling stopeed for dinner 1 hour then marched about 15 miles + camped for the night J M Wirris still missing good country through here soil sandy

Tuesday 22
Lay in camp to day + the 3rd Division + first Division passed on in front + all the train passed by our Division while he in the reast + it is cold to day it Snowed a little this morning but the muck is drying up it is 17 miles to [Miluteo] river

Wednesday, November 23, 1864.
Marched at 6 this morning + got Dinner about 10 Miles from Milladyville + then marched about 7 miles + camped for the night passed through a good country all day the best county I have seen Ice this morning ferily cold froze hard

Thursday 24
We are to march at 10 o clock to day fine morning we marched into the city of niledgeville + passed through + crossed the occone river + stoped 30 minuts then marched 5 miles + camped for the night + drawed rations fine weather but cool

Friday 25
Marched at 6 this morning and stopped for inner at 11 o clock they passed on thurough a big swamp had to put down a pontoon some rebel cavalry in front to day they captured by Battery men + wounded several other camped for the night Co E was on picket

Saturday, November 26, 1864.
Come in off picket + marched at 6 o clock some little skirmishing in front the rebels fell back + left Sandersonville + we took possesion of the town it is the county seat of washintong Co. – we then camped for the night 20th corps passed through town

Sunday 27
Left Sandersonville at 7 this morning our men are blowing up the town the main buildings it is very smokey this morning burning Cotton + then camped for the night 15 miles from Sandersonville our men are Forageing + the Citzens Bad scared

Monday 28
Moved out at 6 this morning + stopped for [can not read word] 1 mile from Lousville the rebels burned he bridges across the oggeechee river + passed throughLouisville the county seat of Jefferson Co about 2 miles + camped for the night 9 o clock in the night

Tuesday, November 29, 1864.
All quiet this morning around Louisville Ga – we lay in camp all day the forageing party had some skirmishing to day with the rebels the men are some washing to day weather fine this is a sandy country plenty of weet potatoes + peenuts

Wednesday 30
Lay in camp to day untill noon then was marched out after the Rebels thier was some sharp skirmishing with the rebels they drove our Foragers in + captured several some of the rebes ware killed P D Grubb did not come in yet

Thursday December 1
Marched at 8 o clock we was train guard to day weather warm passed through several swamps roads bery sandy P D Grubb still missing Captured suppose by the rebels got into camp all dark + camped for the night Sandy country

Friday, December 2, 1864.
Lay in camp until 2 o clock the whole corps train passed by our Brigade was rear guard to day had hard getting along passed though a number of swamps roads bad got into camp at 10 o clock in the night + camped

Saturday 3
Marched at 7 this morning went due north about 5 miles then turned south east went about 7 miles + camped for the night we are still train guard in the center to day passed over lots of swamps to day road bad country sandy got mail + [can not read word]

Sunday 4
Moved out at 6 this A M our Brigade in front of the Division we crossed over the Augusta + Savannah rail road the 1st Division tore up the road Herd Cannonadeing we camped for the night passed through Habersham

Monday, December 5, 1864.
Marched at 9 AM was in the rear of the train to day our brigade was rear guard + the 78 was out on the flank passed though very high Settled country + very Sandy + not so many Swamps to day roads very good traveled 18 miles + camped 4 miles from the Savannah River 18 on picket

Tuesday 6
Marched at 6½ o clock 2nd Brigaed in the center the roads very good travel 26 miles traveled on a paralel line with the savannah river and camped ½ mile from the river traveled over a sandy country nothing but pines and oaks covered with moss

Wednesday 7
Marched at 6½ this AM 2 Brigade in front the Rebbels had fell timber in the toad in the Swamps detained our coumform but we cleared out the road as we marched along camped 26 miles from Savannah this road is fill full of trees in front of us

Thursday, December 8, 1864.
Marched at 6½ AM 2nd Brig in the rear had to lay one pontoon + one trole bridge then we marched about 10 miles + had to march back about 4 miles to guard the train + camped for the night all tired crossed a large swamp + 2 streams the rebels gun boat shelled our train to day no damage done

Friday 9
Marched at 7 AM 2nd Brigade in the center 78 in the leade of Brigade heavy cannonadeing in the direction of Savannah had some little Skirmishing to day but the
rebells fell back + Swampes are bad to cross weather cool Ceveral men wounded to day in 3rd Brigad

Saturday 10
Marched at 7 a m 2nd Brigade in front we passed by the Rebbl fort the rebs had left the Lt of the battery was killed yesterday heavy Cannonadeing at Savannah all day we camped 10 miles from Savannah for the night the gun boat shelled us little this evening RR tore up

Sunday, December 11, 1864
Moved out this a m and marched 6 miles + passed on the right of 2 Corps + took position on the front line 4 miles from Savannah gun boats are shelling heavy the rebs battery on the rail road threw some shells at our lines we received the 17th corps

Monday 12
This morning is very cold 2nd Brigade is lying across the Rail Road Charelston + Savannah road in front of the Rebbels works they are throwing some shell thier is Some heavy Cannonadeing all around Savannah to day the gun boats and fronts are shelling all day we moved around to the right this afternoon + cross the main RR

Tuesday 13
Lying behind the works in front of Savannah some heavy cannonadeing to day the battrys are throwing shells into the city some sharp skirmishing on the right many roumers but nothing reliable we washed some clothes to day now between the macon + gulf rail road

Wednesday, December 14, 1864.
Still behind the works yet to day thier had ben heavy cannonadeing along the lines recieved and order from Gen Sherman announcing the capture of for Mc Alaster + the whole garison yesterday at 4½ P M + opened communication with the Fleet + Fosters army weather warm

Thursday 15
all quiet this morning in our front we are still behind our works this afternoon thier has ben heavy cannonadeing around to the right + in the direction of Savannah + a train of 60 waggons started for Rations this am took Fort Mc Alester Communication is now open

Friday 16
In camp all day all quiet except some heavy artilyy fering around the lines to day I wrote a letter to Lib to day the first mail that went out from here and went on picket at dark this Evening the rebels shelled us some on the line

Saturday, December 17, 1864.
In front of Savannah Ga On Ogeechee canal on picket this morning it is very Foggy + heavy here + the musketers are bad in this swamp the rebbels shell us heavy to day on the
line heavy cannonadeing on the right the mail come in this evening the first we have recived since we left kingston Ga my commision come to day for Cap of CO E 78 IIs

Sunday 18
This has ben a lonesome day had everything ready for the inspection but the inspection did not come until in the evening late when we ware inspected + passed all right I recieved 2 letters yesterday from Lib all well at hom J H steele + J B Heardson left for home on furlough this Evening

Monday 19
Lay in camp all day all quiet along the lines but some cannonadeing as usual I went over to the first Division to the 4 other rebbel works in full view wrote a letter to Lib to day

Tuesday, December 20, 1864.
To day I went to be mustered and got the blanks and had them filled out all ready to be mustered out as 1st Lt + mustered in as capt for the unepeced term of the 78 Reg IIs weather cool heavy cannonadeing on the right and left all day + in the fron some

Wednesday 21
This morning the rebbels are gone left thier works and a large amount of artillery on the line they have left the city of Savannah left everything in good condition the 20th Corps entered the city at 7 o clock this morning without resistance the rebbel gun boat still afloat left loats of cannon + amunition

Thursday 22
This morning at 7 o clock we moved out towards Savannah + camped about 2 miles from Savannah in a fine grove + went into regular camp Some of the men was down in town we packed boards for a shantee to day the rebel gun boat was blowen up last night at 11 o clock

Friday, December 23, 1864.
Cold this morning orders to clean up camp clesned of the ground + then put up our shantee he mail come in this afternoon but no letter for me boats are up to Svannah to day the first the rebbels left 150 pieces of artillery in + around Savannah some of them Sige guns

Saturday 24
went to the mustering officer twice to day to failed to be mustered all quiet in camp to day got brick for a chiminey to day mail come but nothing for me + we made out some of our returns

Sunday 25
this is Christmass morning + all quiet nothing to eat that is extra over had a few oysters in the shell fresh from the coast + that was all no mail to day has ben a dry day but it is raining to night hard orders for Inspection tomarow
Monday, December 26, 1864

today I sent my return of CC+G to Brig M C [Mecgs] for the most of the Sept 1864 had
inspection to day all right to day we ware down in Savannah and general review by
General W F Sherman + other Mag General had a splended time come back + the regt all
went on picket it rained hard in the night [ across the second half of this entry, written
diagonally is “this is a mistake up this far”]

Tuesday 27
This AM we left camp at 8 o clock + marched to Sacannah on General review by General
Sherman + thier had a good time come back and the regt all went on picket Savannah is
very nice city all quiet in camp I mad out ordanance + CC+G returns

Wednesday 28

today I sent of my october Return of C C +G arison Equipage + also my quarterly return
of ordance for the 3rd Qrt ending Sept 20th 1864 + also made up my return of clothing
camp + garrison to day and sent it off this evening for November it rained hard to day

Thursday, December 29, 1864.
This morning is cold + I’m officer of the day in camp sent a letter to J L Casterline about
my trunk done some [arching] around camp to day + built a chiminey to our shantee no
mail to day all quiet in camp W H Pricherd was too work on our muster rolls today
Friday 30
this morning sent LC Shohong to the hospital I recieved my 1st qrts ordnance return of
1864 for correction from the ordance at Washington D C was to the commecary + got
some meal + coffee we got some fresh oysters to day the mail come in but no letter for
me

Saturday 31
we ware mustered for pay to day I had 4 sergants 5 corporals + 22 present for duty + 2
sick present + 6 on detached service + 14 absent sick + I sent of my return of C C +
Garrison Equipafe for Dec Martin Yegler was her to day from the 122 Ills no letter wrote
to Lib to day this closes 1864

Friday May 13th 1864
all prospects of a big battle being fought in this department – troops are all on the move
let the front the corps that are represented are he 4th, 16th, 14th, 15th, 20th, + 11 + 23 corps
force in all estimated at one hundered thousand

Sunday 1st
January 1st 1865
Lay in camp all day it was pretty cold I wrote a letter to John Fler 15 pages hard
cannonading in south carolina was too the comesy got some sugar + potatoes + this is
Sunday all quiet in camp

Monday 2nd
lay in cmap all day nothing of importance going on I wrote a letter to H C Craig no mail to day - -

Tuesday 3\(^{rd}\)
This is a fine morning + all quiet in camp we are haveing some camp + garrison equipage inspected + condemned I had 18 shelter tents 13 knapsacks 14 haversack + 9 canteens condemned + got orders to move at 7 o clock in the morning no mail to day + no news

Wensday the 4\(^{th}\)
gewt out 7 miles on piket out on the augusta road on the Cherochee hills weather fine but a lonesome [can not read word] stoped behind works for the night

Thursday 5\(^{th}\) 1865
this morning Co E + [G] went over on the Savannah river to a rice plantation crossed over the river in an old barge + got 6 waggon loads of rice in the straw gon all day get back to camp at 9 o clock in the night prety tired the res of the regt + brg had returned before night . no mail

Friday 6
raining this morning hard filled out Inspection reports + a monthly return for Nov /64 and to work on 4\(^{th}\) qrt ordnance return for 64sent out ordnance return for 4\(^{th}\) qrt to day no mail all quiet in camp this Evening

Saturday 7\(^{th}\)
all ben quiet in cmp to dy mail come in about 10 o clock but no mail for me mag Green returned to the regt to day I was down At division hospital to day took Lewis C Shohoneds mail down he is some better he is geting along fine the regt gowes on pick in the am

Sunday 8 Jan 1865
The regiment went out on picket this morning at 9 o clock I stayed in cmap + footed up my clothing accounts + blocked them all + wrote a letter to Lib but no mail come in to day all quiet in camp

Monday 9
the regt come in from picket this mroning all right it rained hard I charged up clothing on the books to day + went to the comesary + no mail all quiet in camp

Tuesday 10\(^{th}\)
raining hard this morning wrote a letter to F H Mercer to day no mail to day + all quiet in camp made out Quarterly return of Deceased Soldiers for 3\(^{rd}\) Qr 1864 + had my sward marked my name put on it cost 2.00

Wednesday 11\(^{th}\) lay in camp all day I was officer of the day in camp cut some wood no mail

Thursday 12
moved camp this day went down near town get good camp gront no mail weather fine

Friday 13
went to work putting up quarters L C Shohoney died this mornig at 7 o clock + was
buried at 3 o clock by the [ can not read word] some the 50th men was here with us to day
no mail to day did not get my shanty up

Saturday 14
halled brick and boards for my shanty + put up my chiminey + Frank Culp was here to
day he looks well worked hard all day P H is not well Sent notice to mr ___ Shohoney to
day of L C Shohoney death LR Smith returned to camp to day we no mail this day