

TYPYST'S NOTE

The use of capital letters for most nouns has been eliminated and spellings modernized.

These amendments destroy much of the charm and authenticity of the original, as does the replacing of the script by type.

This version is meant merely as a guide, not a substitute.

A "train" is a wagon train.

A railway train is "cars"

"To police" means to clean up.

"Drawed" means "was issued to" combined with "account drawn on for" (Military clothing was "drawed" by soldiers with the cost withheld from their pay.)

"Across" and "cross" (also other double s's) are written in a kind of modified German script: (see Pg. 97 Book B) *"f"*

"&" means "and" *"&"*

"&c" means et cetera *"&c"*

SUMMARY OF GEOGRAPHY: CIVIL WAR DIARY WM. ANDERSON

BOOK B 1863-1864

- June 3: Left KALAMAZOO on the 12:40 train
Arrived DETROIT before 7 P.M.
On board boat Morning Star 9 P.M.
Slept on floor all night.
- June 4: Arrived CLEVELAND 6:30 A.M.
Train for COLUMBUS 2 P.M.
Arrived COLUMBUS 9 P.M.
Came up to CAMP CHASE.
- June 5: Bathed in SCIOTO RIVER
- June 8: Left CAMP CHASE 12:30 P.M.
Marched to State House for pay.
Went to Depot; boarded train for CINCINNATI
Left COLUMBUS JUST BEFORE DARK
Arrived CINCINNATI 2:30 next morning
- June 9: Came on board steamer Shenango
Slept on floor.
Boat started an hour after sunrise.
Saw Fort Jones and Gravel Pit
where we were last year
Arrived LOUISVILLE KY about sundown.
Came uptown to Barrack No. 1
- June 10: After supper marched to LOUISVILLE depot
On board freight train for NASHVILLE
Started about sundown.
- June 11: Went out in morning rode on top of car.
Arrived BOWLING GREEN 8 A.M.
Passed GALLITON defended by FORT THOMAS
Arrived NASHVILLE 3 P.M.
Marched to Exchange Barracks No. 1
- June 12; Visited FORT NEGLEY
Camped outside town in NE. direction
- June 16: Moved camp to a more elevated shady place
- June 18: Started for FRANKLIN 4:30 A.M.
Marched across lots 2 Mi. to FRANKLIN PIKE
Waited for train (wagon train)
Knapsacks on wagons.
Halted at BRENTWOOD to rest
After 1 hr. marched again for FRANKLIN.
Marched 18 Mi. FRANKLIN 1 hr, before sundown.

June 23: Started 2 P.M. Knapsacks on wagons.
Reached TRIUNE after dark. Slept on ground.

June 24: Put up tents; struck them at noon.
Started for SALEM
Carried knapsacks; guarded supply train.
Teams frequently stuck in mud.
Marched after dark. Put up tents.

June 25: Started in morning; marched until dark.

June 26: Raining very hard; started early.
Arrived MURFREESBORO 4 P.M.
Camped near STONE RIVER among rocks.

June 28: Left camp 5 A.M.
Passed through MURFREESBORO: Took SHELBYVILLE PIKE.
Marched nine Mi.; Camped near CHRISTIANA.

June 29: Started marching 5 P.M.
Marched 8 Mi.
Halted for night at GUYS GAP after dark.

July 1. Moved camp to east side of road in woods.

July 16: Left camp 6 A.M.
Marched to NEW FOSTERVILLE on NASHVILLE AND
CHATTANOOGA RR 45 Mi. from NASHVILLE.

July 23: Left FOSTERVILLE 5 A.M.
Going back to Murfreesboro.
Arrived MURFREESBORO 1 P.M.

Aug. 7: (anniversary of enlisting)

Aug. 19: (anniversary of entering Camp Oowajiac)

Sept. 7: Moved camp west of depot nearer fortifications.

Oct. 23: Left MURFREESBORO 2 P.M.

Oct. 24: Began march 7 A.M.
Through ROCKVILLE and WOODBURY.
2 Mi. past WOODBURY turnpike runs out
Dirt road; marched 21 Mi.; camped.

Oct. 25: Started march 7 A.M.
Arrived McMinville 2 P.M.
Camped $\frac{1}{2}$ Mi. past town.

Nov. 3: On picket: BLIND FORD on BARREN FORK RIVER
 Nov. 5: On picket SMITHVILLE RD.
 Nov. 8: Named fort under construction "FORT MUTTON"
 Nov. 30: Picket on CHATTANOOGA ROAD.
 Dec. 21: Forageing 16 Mi. on Chattanooga Rd -
 BEERSHEBA SPRINGS (summer resort Southerners)

1864

Feb. 8: RR. Bridge being built on HICKORY CREEK.
 Feb. 18: Carter with 300 men reported near ROCK ISLAND.
 Feb. 20: On picket SPARTA RD.
 Feb. 26: Bridge on HICKORY CREEK finished.
 March 2: Ordered to Pikeville
 Couldn't go - were only troops guarding fort.
 March 3: $\frac{1}{2}$ Regt. started sunrise.
 Went to ford on CHATTANOOGA RD.
 Water very high; sometimes over mules' backs
 Taken across in wagons
 8 - 10 men per load.
 Two hours to cross.
 Marched 8 Mi. to COLLINS RIVER: COULD NOT BE FORDED.
 2 P.M. started marching fast back to camp
 Reached CHATTANOOGA FORD 4 P.M.
 Arrived camp sundown.
 March 5: (Anniversary taken prisoner Thompson's Station)
 April 17: "Orders to stop working on the fort
 as we were to leave it."
 (were laboring on it for weeks)
 Ordered to camp downtown
 April 21: Broke up camp early.
 Formed regiment through town.
 Ferried across river on road to TULLAHOMA by
 post teams.
 Marched 9 Mi. Camped by stream
 April 22: Started 6 A.M.
 Ordered not to march over 10 Mi. per day.
 Marched 13 Mi.
 Camped near HILLSBORO 2 P.M.

- April 23: Started 6 A.M.
Crossed ELK RIVER noon
Camped 2 P.M. 4 Mi. from COWAN
Marched in sight of mountains on right
- April 24: Started 9 A.M.; arrived COWAN noon.
Camped near RR.
- April 26: Started 8 A.M.; went up mountain.
Kept to left of ANDERSON STATION RD.
Took dirt rd. toward BRIDGEPORT.
Marched 4 Mi.
- April 27: Started 7 A.M.; Bad roads; wagon tipped over
Camped 3 P.M. BATTLE CREEK
7 Mi. from BRIDGEPORT.
- April 28: Marched along Tennessee River 4 Mi. to BRIDGEPORT
Crossed river on pontoon bridge
80 - 90 rods wide
Marched 3 Mi. and camped
- April 29: Revilee at 4 A.M.; marched at 6.
Went 12 Mi.; camped WHITESIDE STATION 1 P.M.
(Trestle bridge across ravine 120 ft. high
built of small timbers by our [?].
Rebs burned it on retreating)
- April 30: Started 5 A.M.; camped 2 P.M. LOOKOUT VALLEY
3 - 4 Mi. west of CHATTANOOGA
Marched about 100 Mi. since leaving McMinnville
- May 3: Left camp 6 A.M.
took road around foot of LOOKOUT MT.
Passed RUSSELVILLE
Camped 2 P.M. on battleground
at CHICKAMAUGA for the night
- May 4: Started 6 A.M. Passed GORDONS MILLS
Marched 5 Mi. Camped 4 P.M.
2 Mi. SW of RINGGOLD in woods
- May 6: Left 9 A.M. went in southerly direction
Came up to corps around 2 P.M.
beyon NICKAJACK GAP
making **breestworks**
- May 7: Up at 3 A.M.; started daylight very fast march
Crossed hills GORDONS GAP
Marched 20 Mi.; came to range of hill
threw up breastworks
on picket all night.
- May 8: Worked on breastworks till midnight
relieved from picket in morning
ready to march; roll call every hour

- May 9: See fire and smoke from cannon on hills
each side of BUZZARDS GAP
- May 10: Lay on arms at night
Left 2 A.M.; marched 4-5 Mi. to a gap
camped in woods at foot of ridge
(Rebels at top)
At night moved back to top of ridge at rear
- May 11: Started 11 A.M.
(there was fighting all day at BUZZARDS GAP)
Marched to SMOKE CREEK GAP 12 Mi.
- May 12: Marched 2 Mi.; camped.
- May 13: Got up 3 .M. marched until daylight
Lay in close column DIVISION HILL till noon
Marched near front; formed line of battle
Fighting commenced 3 P.M.
Kept up till after dark.
- May 14: Formed line after breakfast
Lay some time
Advanced - formed line $\frac{1}{2}$ Mi. from Rebels.
14 AC filed in front
Fighting commenced early
Severe all day until after dark.
In center of line.
- May 15: Got up in night.
worked on breastworks
marched from center to left 6-7 Mi.
Formed lines by Brigade.
Officers confused:
ordered charge over 4 lines of another Brigade
When past, they fired into our ranks
many men wounded.
charged across field
Fighting until after dark
- May 16: Got up 2 A.M.; built breastworks
Rebels retreated during night.
Started in pursuit 10 A.M. left of RR.
Crossed CUSSE RIVER on Rebs retreat bridge
Halted a couple of hours before dark.
Started again 8 P.M.
Marched till 11; alept 2 hrs.
Crossed CHATTANOOGA RIVER on ferry.
Lay down until morning.
- May 17: Marched 3 P.M. - 11 P.M.
- May 18: Got up 3 A.M.; marched at 5
Marched till 8 P.M.
Camped 6-8 Mi from Kingston
Marched 25-30 Mi. today.

May 19: Marched; not far,
Rebels in front fighting and retreating
4 P.M. "thrown out on skirmish"

May 20: Joined regiment in CASSVILLE

May 21: **[LAST ENTRY]**
Resting after battle

(Five leaves are cut out of book. Wm. Anderson's Obituary states that he was fighting around ROSCOE. GA. in May, and received a gunshot wound in the thigh in MARIETTA, GEORGIA, in July of 1864.)

Sunday 14: Went to the Presbyterian Church in town in forenoon and in the evening. Subscribed and paid \$0.50 to help buy a horse for Dr. Bennett. Text was in Deuteronomy 18:15.

Monday 15: Company drill in forenoon. Drilled but a short time. I kept in the shade most of the time.

Nashville June 1863 At three o'clock went out with the rest to see the execution of a deserter by shooting. After getting out to the place of execution a reprieve was sent and he was not shot. We then drilled in battalion drill. It was very hot drilling. Dress parade at night.

Tuesday 16: In the morning removed camp to a more elevated and shady place, about a hundred rods from former place. Drew India rubber blanket. Battalion drill about 5 O'clock P.M. Very hot day.

Wednesday 17: Put my dress coat in a barrel to be stored in Nashville until wanted. On The March To Franklin. In forenoon was detailed to carry water to the cooks. Drew new blouse coat. At night went out for battalion drill, but we were soon drove in by a rain and thunderstorm. Rained very hard for a short time. Marching orders for Franklin early tomorrow morning.

On the March to Franklin Thursday 18: Started for Franklin at four and a half o'clock with knapsacks on our backs. Marched across lots nearly two miles till we struck the Franklin Pike where we halted and waited for the train and put knapsacks on the wagons. Halted at Brentwood to rest, intending to rest 4 or 5 hours. Our company was thrown out on picket to watch for the Guerrilas. After resting over an hour, we started again for Franklin for fear of an attack as the Rebs were said to be in the neighborhood. But we saw none of them. Arrived at Franklin about an hour before sundown and came up to a hill and pitched tents, having marched eighteen miles. Very hot day. Hard march. Harvesting has commenced. (Saw the tree where the spies were hung. Colonel Williams and Lieutenant Peter of C.S.A.) They were hanged on the ninth.

Franklin Friday 19: Detailed for guard. Camp guard is kept on now. Very warm day.

Saturday 20: Relieved from guard at 7 and a half o'clock. Reported for police duty at eight and a half o'clock. Washed clothes. Cool and cloudy day. We have to get up at three o'clock every morning and form line of battle. We lay there until daylight expecting an attack every morning.

Sunday 21: Got up at two o'clock this morning and formed line of battle. Waited about 3/4 of an hour when we were ordered to our quarters to sleep with cartridge boxes on and guns in hand ready to get into line in a minute. No preaching by our Chaplain. Weekly inspection at eleven o'clock.

Columbus and Louisville, Tuesday 9: Came on board the steamer Shenango and lay down on the floor and slept till morning. The boat started from Cincinnati about an hour after sunrise. Saw Fort Jones and Grave pit where we were camped last fall. Arrived at Louisville, Kentucky, about sundown. Pleasant day. After waiting some time on board, we came uptown to barrack No. 1 where supper was prepared for us. Slept in bunks all night. Saw Lieutenant William Darrow formerly of our company. Was honorably discharged.

Louisville Wednesday 10: Got up before six o'clock and went down and had breakfast. For breakfast had bread, meat and coffee. The first coffee I have had since returning to camp. Bought quire of paper and package of envelopes from John Duel. Paid 35¢. Afternoon went downtown. Bought package of boot nails. Paid 10¢ and had them drove into my boots. Paid 50¢. Rained hard in afternoon. For supper, bread, molasses and coffee. After supper marched to depot. and went on board a freight train for Nashville. Distance 185 miles. Started about sundown. 36 Men were put in one car. Lay down and slept on the floor all night. Thunderstorm and rain in night.

Nashville Thursday 11: Went out in the morning and rode on the top of the car. Arrived at Bowling Green about eight o'clock in the morning. It is well fortified with forts and rifle pits. Part of the 85th Indiana regiment are with us on the train. The sixth Michigan battery is here at B.(?). Passed Galliton, which is defended by Fort Thomas, a very strong fort. Four miles from Nashville saw one farmer harvesting wheat. Considerable hay is cut. Cleared off afternoon. Arrived at Nashville about three o'clock P.M. and were marched up to the Exchange Barracks No. 1, and had bread, pork and coffee for supper. Very warm.

Friday 12. Joseph Richie of the Michigan Fourth Cavalry stayed with us over night. In the morning we went downtown with Jos. Ritchie and went up into Fort Negley which is very strong and I think impregnable to any force that can be brought against it. It mounts at present 10 guns, mostly 32 pounders. We then went down to the convalescent camp and saw Alonzo Mapes of the Second Michigan Cavalry. He is cook for the Gardners(?). Then we came to town and found our regiment had left the barracks. We got our things and came out of town to regiment where we drawed new guns - Enfield rifles and muskets and cartridge boxes. The boys are helping themselves to the pedlers' property again. We are now camped just outside the town in S.E. direction. We have drawed shelter tents and have them now pitched. Each tent is in 8 pieces, every man with his piece. They (?) together with buttons.

Nashville June 1863. Saturday 13: I slept first rate in our new tent. Cool night. There was some picket firing in the night. The Rebel Guerrillas are around in this neighborhood rather thick. Drawed new knapsack. The wood train has a cavalry guard accompanying them to prevent the Guerrillas from gobbeling them up. Alonzo Mapes came over to our tent and stayed a spell. Very warm day.

BOOK B

1863 and 1864 William Anderson Company B Nineteenth
Regiment Michigan Infantry Cleveland, Ohio

June 4 1863 Gun Plains, Allegan Co., Mich.

August 18, 1862

Went into camp of instruction Dowajiac. (in pencil on flyleaf)

June 3, 1863, Wednesday, 3rd.: Left Kalamazoo on the 12:40 train and arrived at Detroit before seven P.M. Waited two hours for the boat. Took supper at the hotel. Went on board the boat Morning Star at nine P.M. and soon started for Cleveland. Slept on the floor all night. There was not berths for all the passengers.

Thursday 4: Arrived at Cleveland at half past six o'clock A.M. Took breakfast at the Birch House, and then went through the city. Went into the Museum. Paid 15¢ for admittance. Took dinner at Birch House. Left for Columbus at two o'clock P.M. Arrived at Columbus about nine P.M.

Camp Chase, June 1863 Came up to Camp Chase. Went into an empty barrack and slept all night. Pleasant day.

Friday 5: In the forenoon went to the Sciotta River and bathed. Battalion drill in afternoon. The first time we have drilled in three months.

Saturday 6: Signed the payroll in the morning and was mustered in for pay about noon. Battalion drill in afternoon, and dress parade. Major William Schafter is now Lieutenant-Colonel of the Nineteenth. Cold nights.

Sunday 7: Pleasant day. No preaching in our regiment. Attended a discourse by the Chaplain of regiment on guard here.

Camp Chase, June 1863: Monday 8: Expected to get four months' pay today. Instead of that got marching orders to Tennessee to start at twelve and a half o'clock P.M. Wrote to Father. Left Camp Chase afternoon, and were marched down to State House in Columbus and received four months' pay. I received fifty-two dollars. R.A. Patersen paid me \$10.00. I sent home sixty dollars to Father. It was sent by express to Wm. Matthews. The Martin boys sent \$542 dollars home. We then came down to depot and drew haversacks and canteens and went on board train for Cincinnati. Left Columbus just before dark and arrived at Cincinnati between two and three o'clock next morning.

At night we formed around the Colonel's tent and sung a number of hymns: After prayer by Chaplain we sung the Star Spangled Banner and the Red White and Blue, and then returned to our quarters. Tattoo at eight o'clock for the future.

Monday 22: On guard. Pleasant day. Was taken sick in the evening but stood guard till morning.

On the March Tuesday 23: Got marching orders with 3 days' rations for Triune. Started about 2 o'clock P.M. Our knapsacks were put on the wagons. It was very warm. The roads rough and dusty. Two regiments of cavalry and the 33rd Indiana were with us. We arrived near Triune after dark. I was nearely wore out when we arrived here. Spread our blankets on the ground and lay down and slept very sound. Rosecrans army made a foreward movement today. 20 regiments infantry, 13 of cavalry and six batteries left here in the morning.

Wednesday 24: Felt better in the morning having rested well in night. At breakfast time it continuing to rain we put up tents and kept dry. Struck tents about noon and started for Salem. It raining very hard, roads very muddy. Carried knapsacks. We guarded the supply train. Had to halt every few rods and wait for the teams which were stuck in the mud. Marched after dark some time and then halted for the night. Put up our tents and slept well although it rained very hard. Marched over two miles only through corn and wheat fields and woods. Roads very rough and muddy.

Thursday 25: Started again in the morning, it raining very hard. Made slow progress as the roads are most impassable. A great amount of corn, pork, flour, hay, are thrown away to lighten the teams. Marched till dark through corn, wheat and cotton fields, and through cedar swamps and every other place. Put up our tents as it looked like rain again. It is reported Vicksburg is taken with 40,000 prisoners.

Murfreesboro Friday 26: Got up early and struck tents, it raining very hard, and had rained a great deal in the night, It rained most all the time till we got here to Murfiesburo. Our blankets were wet which made our knapsacks very heavy. The roads were better today. Did not have to wait for the train but marched right along. The roads very wet this morning. Arrived here about four o'clock P.M. and camped near Stone River among rocks. The most of the army left here a few days ago and are now fighting in front. After going to bed it rained very hard, the water running through the tents in streams.

On the March Saturday 27: Rained again in the morning. Cleared up about noon. Rained again in the evening and night. At night went to help load ammunition at the magazines. A train of 130 wagons were loaded with it. 27 boxes were put in every wagon, each box containing one thousand rounds and weighed one hundred pounds. They were going to the front. Drawed one pair socks.

Sunday 28: Left camp at 5 o'clock A.M. and passed through Murfreesboro and took the Shelbyville Pike and came about nine miles and camped near Christiana. It rained hard when marching. Our forces took Shelbyville last night with about 500 prisoners. Soon after we arrived here the prisoners were brought through. They stopped and fed them and then took them through to Murfreesboro. There is a good many troops here and more are coming in tonight. (The order was to look out for Forrest on our right.)

Monday 29: Heavy shower in forenoon. Christiana on The March to Guys Gap Mended my pants in forenoon. Christiana on the March. Got marching orders about two o'clock P.M. for Shelbyville. After packing up it commenced raining very hard and rained more than three hours. We sat in the rain and waited till five o'clock. When we started there were about ten regiments of infantry before us and three batteries and a great many cavalry. Shelbyville is twenty-five miles from Murfreesboro. We marched eight miles and then halted for the night at Guys Gap. It was after dark when we got here. (We carried our knapsacks.) We lay down among the rocks and slept all night. Came by the Pike.

Tuesday 30: Mustered for pay. Rained hard while out mustering. E. B. Bassett is dishonourably discharged from the U.S. Service for cowardice at Thompson's Station, Tenn. The cars passed here tonight for the first time going to Shelbyville.

JULY GUYS GAP

Wednesday 1: Washed clothes in morning. A large herd of cattle passed on their way to the army at the front for beef. Moved camp to the east side of the road into the woods where it is well shaded. Clear hot day.

Thursday 2: Got up by daylight and reformed company. After remaining in line some time stacked arms and returned to our tents. On picket on the Shelbyville Pike. The refugees are returning to their homes since Rosecrans has advanced after an absence of eight or ten months, having been driven away by the Rebels. Went out beyond the picket line and got blackberries which are just getting ripe.

Friday 3: Relieved from picket at nine o'clock. It commenced raining before I reached camp and has rained most all day. GUYS GAP Went up to the top of the hill where the signal post is established and saw them signaling to the signal post at Murfreesboro, a distance of sixteen miles. The signals are made with flag in day time and with lights in night. Went out on company drill at night. A train of 180 wagons (Some says 400 or 500) went east with supplies going to the front. A number of men from the regiment sent out this morning to get out timber for the railroad.

Saturday 4: Got a pass and went out with R. Peterson and J .I. Bachelder a blackberrring. We found plenty of good ripe ones and also brought in apples and potatoes and beets which we found in an orchard. Got back to camp about noon when it commenced to rain very hard. Received letter from Arthur and two newspapers.

Sunday 5: On picket. Very hot in the forenoon. Rain afternoon and night. Read two letters.

Monday 6: Relieved from picket at 8 o'clock. There is now ten or twelve men from our company to work getting ties out for the railroad and some gone to Murfreesboro. There is scarce enough left to perform guard and picket duty. Received two letters and wrote one. A thunder storm and rain at night.

Tuesday 7: On picket duty. Stood back in the woods about a mile from camp. Rained most all night. It is reported tonight that Vicksburg was surrendered on the Fourth of July. An unconditional surrender. Also reported that Lee's army is all cut to pieces.

Wednesday 8: Came in from picket at four o'clock A.M. Went out with Is. Batchelder a blackberrring. Found plenty of them ripe. Captured and brought into camp a pig. Today the number of men in the regiment fit for duty is 333. A good many are sick. It is confirmed tonight that Vicksburg is taken. And that General Mead has taken 38,000 prisoners from Lee's army. General Rosecrans has driven the Rebels from Tennessee. Drawed two days' rations. We got beans and rice for the first time since leaving Franklin. We have been living on salt pork, crackers, and coffee with a very little sugar. Not enough to sweeten our coffee. In the afternoon Lieutenant Colonel Shafter went out with about 30 men in search of some bushwhackers who were seen in the neighborhood. Col. S. put on a cartridge box and shouldered a gun but found no one.

Thursday 9: Washed clothes in the morning, Wrote a letter to Perry Fenner. For dinner had fresh mutton and pork. Bean soup and hard tack. We draw the fresh meat on our own hook. Clear and pleasant day. Quite warm.

Friday 10th: On picket Northeast of camp. At picket mounting now there is no musick nor inspection of arms as there used to be. Style with the officers has played out for the present. Hot and cloudy day.

Saturday 11: Relieved from picket at 8 o'clock. Returned to camp and washed pants. Damp and cloudy day. Went on camp guard at seven o'clock P.M.

Sunday 12: On guard until 7 o'clock. Commenced to rain about noon and rained very hard about 2 hours. A severe thunder storm.

Monday July 13: In the morning got a pass and went out with Is. Batchelder, C. Paretime(?), and J. Zwemer a blackberrring. It rained very hard for a short time. We went into an old hut and kept dry. Found alot of berries very ripe. Last night some of the pickets got alarmed and fired off their guns and run into camp. And their posts were left unguarded through the remainder of the night. Two were from Company C and two from Company G. They were arrested and the regiment brought out. When they were sentenced to be put into a new Company to be called Company Q to perform police duty in camp And when any alarm is given, they are to retire to a place of safety and remain there till all danger was over. At night the company was disbanded as it was not going to work well without a good deal of trouble.

Tuesday 14: On picket SW of camp. Damp and cloudy day. First Lieutenant S. M. Hubbard is now promoted to Captain of Company B. And John Shafter to First Lieutenant. Since the alarm on Sunday night, the orders on picket are very strict. There was inspection of arms this morning for the first time since coming here. Received three letters this afternoon.

Wednesday 15: Relieved from Picket at 8 o'clock. Washed clothes and then was detailed to help unload rations at Brigade Head Quarters. Got a pass about two'clock and went out with Is. Batchelder a blackberrring. Drewed five days' rations. A lot of horses went past going to the front for the 92 Illinois Regiment who are to be mounted. Also a drove of mules with pack saddles on to carry provisions at the front.

Thursday 18: On picket NW of camp. Cool day. Cleared up towards night. It is reported that Port Hudson is taken with 18,000 prisoners.

Friday 17: Relieved from picket at 8 o'clock. Before noon was detailed to guard a train of wagons going to Shelbyville. Went within three miles of Shelbyville. When we returned, three wagons from our regiment went with us for us to ride back in. Got back just after supper. The 33rd Indiana Regiment went past just before sundown on their way back to Murfreesboro to be mounted. The battery also left. We are to march tomorrow about six o'clock A.M. over onto the back road. Cool day.

FOSTERVILLE Sat. 18: Left camp at Guys Gap at six o'clock and marched to New Fosterville on the Nashville and Chatanuga Railroad 45 miles from Nashville. After arriving here we fixed up our tent and made bunks to sleep on expecting to stay here some time. Went on picket at seven o'clock at night. One section of the ninth Ohio battery, one company of the 10nth Ohio Cavalry and one regiment are all the force here. The men that had been to work on the railroad came to camp at night.

Sunday 19: Relieved from pickete at 8 o'clock A.M. A very heavy rain before night. (No preaching.)

Monday 20th: On picket. Very hot day. Rained very hard in the night with a great deal of lightening.

Tuesday 21: Came in from picket in the morning. Washed clothes. Cloudy day.

Wednesday 22: Went out on a forageing expedition with R. Peterson, L. Gordon and Is. Batchelder. We went beyond Liberty Gap and came through it returned to camp. We found plenty of forage. We went about five miles from camp. We got plenty of potatoes, apples, milk, beets and plums etc. Returned to camp about an hour before sundown. We started between nine and ten o'clock. Went out on an old pass fixed up as good as a new one. We passed over the ground where the fighting was done four(?) weeks ago. The trees were marked by the bullets. Also the houses. Saw a number of the graves of the men of the 79th Illinois Vol. Went into a house and saw 6(?) wounded Reb. soldiers. They were wounded at Liberty Gap very severely.

MURFREESBORO Thursday 23: Left camp at Fosterville at five o'clock A.M. Going back to Murfreesboro. Our company was rear guards. Arrived at Murfreesboro at about one o'clock P.M. It was very hot day. Camped S.E. of town. We were relieved at Fosterville by the tenth Illinois Infantry. The 33rd Indiana is here, but not mounted as was supposed. The 85 Indiana and 22 Wisconsin are also here. All in our brigade again commanded by Col. John Coburn.

Friday 24: Went out on picket at 6 o'clock P.M. It requires over a thousand pickets to guard this place every day. Very hot day. From 90 degrees to a hundred degrees.

Saturday 25: Relieved from picket at eight o'clock A.M. A heavy shower early in the morning. Cool and pleasant day. Drawed six days' rations. Battalion drill about one hour in the evening. Wrote to Father.

MURFREESBORO Sunday 26: Straightened up the tents in rows. Inspection of Arms at night. Heavy rain in the evening. Jerry and Norton returned to the regiment.

Monday 27: Detailed for picket but went to guard forage across Stone River where the forage is stored. John Morgan is reported captured.

Tuesday 28: Relieved from picket at nine o'clock. Afternoon policed ground where the camp is going to be moved tomorrow.

Wednesday 29: Fixed up our new camp ground. Wrote letter and received two. Attended prayer meeting in the evening. After dark a heavy shower.

Thursday 30: Rainy forenoon. Did nothing.

Friday 31: On picket. Guarded commissary stores beyond the river.

ON THE MARCH APRIL 1964 Thursday 21: Broke up camp early in the morning and went down near Company D's quarters at nine o'clock and formed the regiment through town, the boys hallowing and yelling all the time. We were ferried across the river on the Tullahoma Road by the post teams. Marched nine miles and camped by a pleasant stream of water. It rained a little at night. Some of the boys killed some hogs and the Colonel had to pay \$18.00 of regimental funds to the owners.

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Saturday 1: Drawed new pair pants. General inspection in afternoon. Peter went to the regimental hospital. Very hot day.

Sunday 2: Preaching by our Chaplain in the afternoon. At night inspection. The 85 Indiana were paid off today.

Monday 3: In the morning went with the wagons after beef, but we did not get any. Coffee and crackers is all we have at present. Washed clothes in forenoon. Brigade drill in the evening. Wrote to Arthur.

Tuesday 4: Drilled a short time in the morning at company drill. In the afternoon went with the wagon after soft brush. At night went out on company drill. Then started for brigade drill which was given up as it was too late but went out and drilled after dark. A shower.

Wednesday 5: On picket on the Shelbyville Turnpike. A heavy shower at noon and a little all afternoon. The regiment got a new flag today. We have been without colors since our return to the field. There was company drill in the morning at five o'clock and brigade drill in forenoon and evening.

Thursday 6: A day of National Thanksgiving and praise to God for the recent victories which has crowned our arms. By order of the President of the U.S. No drilling nor any other unnecessary duty is done in camp. In the forenoon very hot. Afternoon cloudy and cool.

SEPTEMBER MURFREESVILLE: Friday 4: IN the morning went out with the wagons after fodder. Afternoon went out for boards to fix up our tents.

Saturday 5: Went after boards to fix up our tents. After partly getting our tents fixed we were ordered to stop as we were to move camp in a day or two to inside the (?). The 85th Indiana left about one o'clock going towards the front. Two sections of the battery went to Tullahoma. Company C went downtown for provost guards. Last night a train of about 210 wagons stopped here on their way to the front. They were ammunition and pontoon trains.

Saturday 12: On picket on the Liberty pike. The 22nd got alarmed and got into line and expected an attack, but nothing unusual happened.

Sunday 13: Relieved from picket at 8 o'clock. Went downtown to meeting in the forenoon and evening.