Jany 6th 1869

343 Rebels have been buried by our men at fishing creek. Corrals took about 138 killed and 134 wounded. Col Long is not back yet as reported say before yesterdays 17th. None of 11th Missouri were expected up here tomorrow. About 40 prisoners were brought in camp this evening. Some artillery came in also. Summarize that all the force is coming up here except enough to hold. The place where folly was the major built a shed of canvas to make a house to put the prisoners into. They attracted considerable attention. Rather hard looking. But we have no reliable accounts about the number killed and wounded. The above will not vary more or less. In reports we have been.

The number of actual killed only amounted to 190 more or less. 10 or 11 pieces of artillery over two hundred pick-and-shovel 15,000 horses and mules, all their ammunition, 100,000 amount of small arms were captured. The rebel soldiers had all kinds of clothes but chiefly of brown woolen goods. The 9th Ohio 2nd Missouri 4th by 10th next four sides cavalry were the force engaged on our side amounting about 4,000 men. They enemy had about 3,000. The lines are out. Day after tomorrow is expected again. About the 9th Ohio 2nd Missouri to come here about one o'clock they camped at right.

Below on the south side of Somerset.

With 200 men are detailed from our reg this morning to go to Lebanon to take the prisoners. Water and meat over there. May fine day this.

25th. The boys did not go with the horses until to day. They did not take the prisoners. Capt. Daboll went down to the river to day after more prisoners.
22nd. The reg't left this morning. We arrived at the river by 9 o'clock. The river this afternoon was frozen over and the ice about 12 inches thick. We had three miles to go. I had to ride my horse to the ferry and then walk 10 miles. The weather was very cold and the ice was about 12 inches thick. We had to cross it and then walk 10 miles to reach the ferry.

26th. The reg't went to the river today and crossed it. We arrived at the river by 9 o'clock. The river was frozen over and the ice about 12 inches thick. We had three miles to go. I had to ride my horse to the ferry and then walk 10 miles. The weather was very cold and the ice was about 12 inches thick. We had to cross it and then walk 10 miles to reach the ferry.

27th. Raining again this morning. We left this morning and moved to the river. We arrived at the river by 9 o'clock. The river was frozen over and the ice about 12 inches thick. We had three miles to go. I had to ride my horse to the ferry and then walk 10 miles. The weather was very cold and the ice was about 12 inches thick. We had to cross it and then walk 10 miles to reach the ferry.

29th. As I expected it commenced raining last night and remains considerable. Have not heard anything of the Paymaster get the 18th W.C. Regulars or a part of them. The ladies report that they are in the hospital at the time. The doctors report that the best subscriber has been well but the other prisoners were all marched in front of the company quarters to day and each one gave a blanket shirt, pair of drawers and a pair of socks. Some of the boys seem to think the prisoners are used better. They now have a better outfit. They have some bread and sugar by day but it is raining again tonight. I made a receipt of a half a dollar to day by selling one of my eagles. It was cut by the 15th of Reg't. I sold the most of it in tobacco. The boys are raising a collection to get tobacco for the prisoners.

30th. Still raining. About two o'clock there was considerable commotion in camp. The boys were very excited and had a fight with several of them. I believe it was a matter of course. The Paymaster was here.
The long looked for an answer. The thing which hundreds of letters have been wroght about a thing that the war is a children of fame have heard of. The most welcome person into our camp that could come has come at least until Col. Young and as a matter of course the Boys are all in a good humor. Plenty of tobacco cigars for sale in the fresh air. Some are getting hunting, if every thing should favor them. These are the Boys. Their money is with them. They are ready for tomorrow. The Boys are very patient. It seems some of the Boys have not come back yet.

31st. Fine clear. Wind out of the west. The Boys were off at 7 o'clock. Commencing at 8, and going at each successive letter the Boys were off the last at 9. Some of the Boys are not very well pleased with the way they are going. They are all in two or three weeks of the time. After they were done in the style they are gone. I have seen in the last few days all of the Companies were moved off by ten o'clock at night. The Boys were not paid. They are to be paid in the morning. It commences to rain. The enemy arrived at day.

One of the 31st. Regt. Boysmen.
Found this morning in a stable dead
he was in the habit drinking. Another
man from one of the Tennessee Regts
was found in a house burnt to death
cause unknown, he was a
Corporal it has been raining very
hard and already all day about a
hundred men were detailed to take
the prisoners to Columbia. This is day but
on account of the inclination of the
weather it was postponed until tomorrow.

Major Boynton is going along with them.
The 11th Regt OV was going to move to
clay but was also put off on account
of the weather. Some of the boys are
making a journey of the first every thing they see they
say it stays. Whiskey is in good demand 100
pint casks full which hold 80
pints.
The guards were instructed to allow no
one to pass the line without a pass but
any one who wants to go to town makes
the riffle some way or the other
most of them coming back pretty well up.

Mr. Page and I went to town this
morning and saw the man who was
burned to death. He was a hard night
the prisoners were taken off to stay
about 11 o'clock, about 15 men went
with theory. The guards were taken off to stay
and hereafter there is to be no regimental guard
it cleared off in the afternoon and it is very warm.

the rainy season has lasted about five
weeks and we hope we will have fine
weather now for a while.

Page 2 had a great time talking on eggs, ginger beer and

some of the boys are on a hunt today about 20
bundles of whiskey was sent out in town to
day. The names of the boys who inhabit
our last are: H. Billing, Jim Jackson, Tom Conley,
Marion Langston, William Byrd and Will Warren.
Drummers, Dan J. Corbett, W. Ingram, Jerry
Boatman, Amos, Williamson Clark, Cantor
Tubbs, M. P. Page, Bros Band, Charlie Schram
and my self Beallers.

6th Tremendous rain and thunderstorm
last night commenced about midnight
and rained until morning. The water ran
tall through our tent, made it very muddy.
we do not expect rain is soon yesterday
noon right for breakfast the rain may
have cleared off toward noon but clouds up.

7th Cool and cloudy this morning. The Band
reached to be discharged before the clothes
come last night. The mail did not come
last night. The mail was lost in crossing
some stream that was swollen by the rain.
the boys were out to stay playing 111
it is rumored about camp that Carl
Schoop's Brigade is ordered to take
half of them from 9 till 11
Time. The boys have got the money
the camp is full of country people
with their cahs it includes the gin
prices sells at 100 to 120, per gallon
boiled all night as usual.
8th. The 14th Regt. OV started out to day the 31st on recrossing the river and coming back to take the same road it is also reported that one Regt. is to go also in a few days the provision and forage is too scarce in this place. Snowed some in the afternoon one of Capt. Maldows men even missed in the evening. Col. Van dermer got a chert, the that there was an engagement down at Paduack or Stagsabout resulting in the utter rout of the American Col. Perry is the place, this evening we hear were to start Monday morning.

9th. Cold and cloudy, preparing to leave in the morning. The regt. are preparing to start tomorrow very fine day this is only last one we got Evian. Our day we allowed to go through on but it was doubled very much weather not warm it or not it is about 70 miles from here. 10th. Fine day not home to want for the rain and snow all at the river. The weather is desolate and cold in the morning the 31st 9th 08 and 2 o'clock passed during the day at noon we got orders to get heavy to move started at 2 o'clock went 6 miles, camped at the base of the road liberty road had to carry our provisions.

11th. Bad snow at 4 o'clock. The 19th Regt. OV camped at the same place they were going to Somersett. We started at quarter of 7. Morning very hard at the time went to Mount Stedt. Commonly called Bunkhorn. It is a small town of about 24 houses. Two thirds of them were unoccupied. We occupied them to wait for the teams and the snow to abate. We got them at 9 and left at 12. The snow ceased at that time. I got my marcher chair to day went about 12 miles and camped the wagon which had our tents in back but 2 horses and this not come into camp last night or to night this morning the Band occupied a church close by the camp got our supper and a store house we had to pay only 10 cents for supper. Pay and I got cakes raised up in benches had very good meal eat grass for bed crowded fish creek to day.

12th. Started pretty early and pretty deep got to great river had to walk and sleep at 12 o'clock. Stopped one hour to rest and eat dinner 4 miles farther came to Middlebrourgh a small town of 80 or 100 homes sawmill store the
We had good roads we got to Bradfordville 2d week at 2 o'clock first rest in and the last one today from Somerset the 14th started 2 days before we did and we beat them in two hours. Several midday reg are here. This is a nice place to roll out. We wagon 15th very cold this morning but the sun came out and got pretty warm. The boys found great deal of money in town. Got our clothes. We reported we moved in the morning. One report we go on your feet. Another to Minfordville the Regulars came this afternoon (Chase from Bradfordville yesterday). 16th we got an order to Minford did not get orders until afternoon. 2 o'clock went 6 miles again towards Springfield to get on a hike. Caned with 6 miles per hour would not get good. 15th running this morning 10 miles before we got started acc 90% of rain. Bike very bad 15th got at 8 o'clock made about 8 miles Springfield 5 miles back from Springfield. Took a hike in southerly direction from Springfield. The first place that had mile stones on it 17th had rain passed us just after we closed. Springfield. Only rest at Woodbridge Co.
18th reached at 4. Started at 6½. 74 miles to Frederick, 6½ miles road. 1½ miles to Paris, just after we got past last place. 1½ miles to Paris. We met with a hundred prisoners including Johnson's regiment. We had the mayor's general and 10000 deserters. At 11 a.m. we started with the mayor's general and 10000 deserters. At 12 o'clock went to Bards town and waited to rest for one hour. Frederick was noted for the Barracks. A big bauxite about 300, what looks very nice place. Started again at one the boys were hoping they would get to go instead at Bards town but were disappointed, we crossed Beach Park twice to day. The last time right after we stopped for dinner. Camped for the night at 4 o'clock. Balltown 3 miles north. We passed several hills. This hill of Bards town and fine Reel. Passed over this road today. Made 19 miles to day.

19th Came this morning. Boyt rumble about Bards town. The men had an miserable time and rain all day.
The Forty-Second has been and now our boys go in it like hot cakes. Here we made 14 miles for setting and the wind is that we are to go back again mo on Monday.

**22nd.** Rained most of the night and mostly this morning. No doubt but what we are to move again soon and I suppose back towards Mansfordville. The boys are out of humor about it. Rained all day. Very hard. The cheering news from all points makes a great many speculations about going home soon. Some expect to go home inside of 12 days.

**23rd.** Very muddy on camp. This morning nobody can go to town without a pass from the Col. I guess we will stay in this camp for a while. Some think the next place we go to will be home. The boys come out once toward noon and all went to washing clothes. Our Chaffen came into camp. I stay here but did not hear anything of the boys. I expect to see them after 11 o'clock.

**24th.** Started at 7 o'clock. Our brigade in advance 20 miles. 9th O. C. 35th O. C. 18th Regular. Being a very fine day and good roads, we made good time. Notwithstanding the delay caused by the different brigades getting into position. Our Brigade was the first to move. As we approached the town, it was 10 o'clock when we left Bardin. We made 22 miles. 19 miles from Bardin to Louisville. We have 19 miles to go. Tomorrow we pass through Mt. Washington and camp at the edge of town. The boy felt very tired.

**25th.** Started at 6. The 24th O. C. rest goes behind to-day. We got within 3 miles of Louisville. By 10 o'clock halted to get the mail. Brigade together which took about 8 hours. Got to Louisville by a little after 2. Got on boats. Our regt look 2 boats. The right path went on the Lancaster.
and the left on the Bell creale.

in the boat shade.

all together it took 12 or 12

back busy times all night

gaining. The baggage on baard.

The Bell creale was on a mission to go on to go on to

Woodruff show went with them perfect bore

96 look until 3 o'clock be get

ready to start the boat shade.

was the first to start out

even down to portance up to

new abury Ind. and tied up

for the night the rest of the boat

went a little distance down the

river and tied up also the boat

the Bell creale is the flag boat.

The boat shade which was tying

a short distance above we started out

about noon I don't know when we

got off this morning at 7 o'clock

The Bell creale started first and

was of two or three hours we

ran ahead her and topped the two

boats together to issue out

clothing to the men one hour after

we parted again to our boat

took the lead being the fastest

boat that day the Bell creale

on clock we are making good time

we started at Cape ton at 8 o'clock

to get coal the only place we stop for day

standing up looks like rain or snow

March 1st. Cold rains from here the morning

dear not able outside boy all getting three

boat riding already from all

night spent about three hours

in the morning the boys like to

be out to see the scenery but it is

rather too cold to be out long

got to leave. At 12 o'clock daytime

at the mouth of the Cumberland

river.
it is not raining the afternoons we plotted to get back our other boat has not come ashore yet tied up for the night a gunboat went down the river this afternoon it came down the Cumberland went down the Ohio 2nd The Belle Creole arrived the morning rain very hard all day the night at 11 o'clock the Cumberland going to keep behind the Creole had the rear in the afternoon the river is at high water mark all the houses are surrounded by water at 10 clock we came to bat \_ it is a immense amount of water nothing out the pilot house and part of the boat part of house was out of water nay as soon as raining after night happened as much as tommorow 3 days ago we met a steamboat disabled with a gun boat disabled with a steamboat on each side of her taken her down the river very few houses along the river hard time finding a landing place tied up to some trees

3rd very cold morning had to turn back for the Chatoa both smell the atmosphere got up at Donelson at 2 o'clock stopped to wait for the Creole all hands went to bed

allowed to go on shore was the Fortification the large guns were all fortification in three places yet it was nothing new for the guns to be brought big guns very strong place, works made of don't bags and some about 4000 men at this place the newest old Creole not coming up we have to lay up for the night prior was boat passed up with soldiers the Creole arrived some time after dark the Col ordered the big boat to the beach together after this 4th workers daylight the two boats loaded together the river was not cold enough yet, not to cold to day as yesterday Clarksdale 30 odd miles of the Pitt Donaldson was reached about one clock fortification below the town the southeast bridge across the Cumberland was partially destroyed the Comin is getting more heavy than usual all are getting lines of this way of traveling too much crowds however we expect to get off by tomorrow evening about 50 miles yet to Nashville stopped at dark of the Yorked for Nashville all day but did not see it until 2 o'clock the public bridge is burned also the iron bridge destroyed don't land to any town of the bay allowed to go on shore, pretty cold blowing it looks like rain or snow we all thought we would not have another night to go on the boat but are disappointed
6th It seems the further north we get the colder it gets. This morning the ground was covered with snow and it rained all day with very hard and cold wind. We did not get off the boat until 12 o'clock. Nashville looked deserted as I came through town. We went about 8 miles south west of town where the Breach, river, and Columbia join. We are 3 and one half miles south of Nashville.

We are camped about 9 miles from the river where the rebels have fortified it 3 and three fourths miles from town. The river is called the Nolachic. Guns here part of them dismounted and set in the Nolacha. The town is set on a hill and the river banks are very low. We got there last night and the weather has moderated some last night. In the afternoon our regiment took a rabbit hunt. This is a better country for rabbits then any we have been in. We got about an hour and one half got 56 rabbits and 3 ground hogs. I have not learned how many the rest got. They get about the same number.

7th This morning we got fresh beef once more to day. Also a new article which.

Dressed vegetables for dinner. Fresh bread also to day.


Peck flour 18 cts. for 1/4 bushel.

2 bushels 18 cts. for 10 cts. had dinner at the last evening.

9th Somewhat cloudy. Soft snow. Feel like rain. No preaching this week. The plan not being very well. The only way we know to day Sunday comes is by having inspecting arms on that day. To day when that comes off the boys naturally suppose it to be Sunday as about 4 hours after the soft a very hard thunder storm came up accompanied with flashes of rain. It had rained for a considerable length of time when suddenly I observed the water running in our tent bags and I jumped up and I got a shock that happened to be in the tent and commenced operations to keep the invading water out of the tent and prepared up a breastwork in which slept the enemy in your course it rained most of the night.

10th This morning looked like we would have more rain. Some of our force had a fight with the rebels yesterday about 18 miles from here the rebels had taken one whole
This afternoon there was Co. D all again something that was not done since we left Knoxville and for several weeks before the weather was very warm. To day the 9th Bn. had kegs of beer at 12 ft. 15, 66 a was up and we had to drink it. White bands in the baggage came up to the old 9th.

12: I heard that 14 men were committed in town and 11 died and 4 men died on the road and another man died except a malarial death. The town would be left in ashes. I don't know how long it is probable it is only a report. After weather after dark we got the news of messes being evacuated we had heard it before but by night it was confirmed. We boys took a cool off in Smith's Bridge and about 1/2 mile from us cheered and yelled like good fellows.

13: commenced raising a while before daylight. Raising & we had all arms after dinner. Co. A went out after some cannon carriages about 74 miles from camp in a cane brake. I went with them. Mr. Beck had the cannon and a few days since and also some cannon and ammunition but when we went after them they were not there. The 7th had removed then likely they were thrown in the river. We got 6 or 8 of wheels all front wheels.
But on our way back we got by.box of cotton that was in an old log house. The officers are making out the pay roll. again and we expect to be paid off in a few days. The sutler got a lot of cake. candy, crackers, and ice cream and checks again.

11th hard telling weather it is going to rain or not some time it will threaten rain anna delay. and at other times the sun will be out. it don't seem like all the rain of little. coming still the forecast which don't suit the boys very well. they think there's about played out one half of the rest are making miles out of sweet briar root. all sizes and shapes. in the afternoon it commenced raining and rained very hard. the rest of the day and all night we stayed in the tent all day had back time getting supper. four hundred prisoners went down the river to days to the boys. coolers division a day or so ago. it is reported that if some is much on with 20,000 men to Yatesville. that past Modoc the boys so they want to have a brush with the buggers.

13th Still raining this morning. the Chaplin dot Mail Business now he dont do it up just to limit.

14th Marks dont come in leave might have days after the Time. cloudy and rain all day. But not cross the Time away very well. making trips.

15th The weather not settled yet damp and chilly. inspection of arms and accouterments. Great excitement caused by a report being circulated that Jeff Davis committed suicide. we expect to March in a day or two.

16th St. Patrick's day in the morning. Very fair day once again.

18th Seeing out clothing to the men while on the march. we get orders to get ready to move in the morning draw four day rations dont know where we are to go to or how far.

20th had Reville at 4 o'clock. commenced raining at the same time and rained very hard most of the forenoon consequently we did not go. The word is we go in the morning.
to give him three cheers which they did with a will. It is very unusual country around Nashville and every house residence three weeks ran in afternoon next about 10 miles from Nashville and Camp on an very good ground good many are sick the regiment begins ahead of all of us.

In he news Surgeon head here and Col. Tread dfed behind the front where are out in a stream goes pretty hard to march if the going will not last.

11/23 got into location until I take some time for all the troops to get on the roads to led saw on duty every time and rain rain and rain always a little rain and rain at any rate of course a spec of cotton which was some a few days for a great many of the boys.

We got to Frankfort a time on a night some place about 2205 23 miles from Frankfort we about 507 miles for the and camped suit the mules and heavy hilled will not as the boys are glad to make us might as the worst but we got a good bit of snow and had good weather 2230 512

This morning our train past Hemp Wall would it in order to get the decision to the good chance of staying here for a while time reasoning to the boys and the boys have not a very good opinion of the enemy about weather in general caught against general
24th. Still cloudy. The wagons go back to Nashville today for provisions. Any amount of news by eight Richmond Taken on 1st. 2000 prisoners to the Decatur also. Genl. Hooker issued proclamation for rebels to lay down their arms and come into the town. Within 3 p.m. or there fore they would be confiscated and a whole raft of stuff too ridiculous to mention.

25th. Very fine morning. Don't expect to leave the place for 10 or 12 days. Drum major at hearing the bugle round 10 a.m. Cole was down this morning and said they were getting worse more than better. I'd Smith came to our camp this evening. He belongs to the 96. 2nd regt.

26th. Cholly Schramm and I went out to day after the Butte eggs. Chickens. So for the Col. we went about five miles over hills and hollows fences and logs, and then did not get much. Pretty well cleared out of security. The 9th and 15th regular had a canoe this morning. About heavy the Presence.

27th. Went out again to day after honey did not get any. Lots of news this evening.

28th. Very fine morning. Report going the rounds that we move soon again. Regt went out to drill at 4 o'clock. Army came in a little after and made them get into camp in double quick. Late night the officers of the 1st Regt. Recalled here is a man in the best of health and after morning he said horrible they ought to be served the same way. He did not rank much this evening got orders after dark to move tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

We looked very much like we would have rain throughout the day but didn't we got through about 9. We went only about 3 miles. Crossed one of the streams where the bridge was destroyed about a temporary one was put up the men crossed over but the wagons loaded the creek. Some of our wagons are at Nashville camped about one mile from bridge in the woods.
Some of the officers have gone on and found the river about two miles from here and we expect to do the same in a few days.

3:00 going to stay here to clean and be ready to go the first thing tomorrow. We hope to get our C.P. on. Receipt our C.P. goes back to Charleston tomorrow to help take care of the sick men we are to start on tomorrow all who cannot make the trip. Some days are to stay behind.

31st did not start this morning from some cause or other but woods. Gunman arrived here to stay from tomorrow. Don't know when we will move. The bridge is about done.

April 1st: The boys are making quite good work of the officers telling them the Col. wants to see them getting them to go up to his quarters on a redee gun. Chase, Smith and Teague are plenty in the camp. And sometimes galloping in the tents. Woods of Cashonden's Division are moving past this to day we have been on the road to learn how far the river is getting rather near too, can't have more than 600 men but for duty. Besides the officers.

3rd Col Davis Brigade goes in front to day we had orders to move at 8 oclock but & Batteries have been put to our division and they all have to pass and the other Regt. we did not get on the road until after 12. From came to Park Belkown residence very indigestion eaten through very bad for a hospital. By our guess came to MP pleasant on a nice situation all the inhabitants gave us else they made some as we went a couple miles further and crossed the river on about 10 miles dusty west side of road.
This is some of the finest residences near along the road we passed to day. At

4:30 a.m. a man this morning was killed himself near Joseph Ross. Nearly in the Chi
r

Donohue location. Had 185.95.00. and a

react on cap of 60 H. 185.95.00 departed. The whole lot of his head blew out off

Correspondence. Next morning about 6 o'clock we got to clay to get meat to cook and

just as we were about starting band, a gate was not to late them return

for we were not to go to day. The regular

head started already and had to go

back again. Keep on saving some all

day. Finally in evening chicks again

he had some beer at 10 o'clock for a small cut

held about 2.20. One of the 9th boys was going
to clean him out on boys glance in his

truck.

5:15 got off at 7, renamed the battle front of night and until we started north then hast after it 14

miles to come. Reached a dead wagon with a small

pig in it. The 9th and 9th went back and

got their knapsack 184.5 also cleared off my

some roads. By rough hill country at 10 o'clock. The

head 6 1/2 miles. Many roads when

it got better pass through Henrysburg.

Small town, and camped about a mile on other roads. The teams did

not get in until about 11.30. But as soon as we got next to travel about 40 miles to company. Given

greatly old shelter before for camp, made 14 miles to clay. Started

with the intention of making a good
day march but cannot understand

6th started at 6. Still going around some

head started first very slow and then separated got about

our noon in rear of forces many bivouacs. At 3:15

came in the rear of the fur stores. In rail road

of any play light got all kind of

behind. The next night

some good some not. The weather was very

mild and they did not get a hand in the mud. Close to

some roads because they did not

get a stand in the mud. This ended in their credit

on legs. Camped only from Savannah

hanks most of that night. The next day was
we had no provisions except our food, (made a fire & got)
7. a small amount of salt on board, every hour a town
is used for breakfast, still very got to battle grounds
about 7 or 10 miles. The town they go to each is small.
we did not get off boat until 7 o'clock and wounded
men came every where we crossed close to the landing. Evidence every where of the
killed, conflict here we continued sheds of burnt houses and death every day reports come
and in confusion pretty well wore out.
10 Lt. I went over the Battle Field, horrible sights of
three out of men and houses burning everywhere.
people are at one place where they fell. The gun
out men and clear to stay at last o'clock. The
report got out the pickets were attacked,
and every one ready to go out at a moment.
the houses and the report happened do not know
when our town will be hit next. The town
pronounced old did that are very nervous.
about 11th army again on day went over the Battle Field.
again 11th the street was all black as night
and white and red, men in Canada, one place
the town was set fire by the gunboat. The town
burned into a crash by the fire from our men on land.
12th have all last night without much sleep.
constantly plainly cattle and clear. The coming
and Siblick arrived last night.
people were fired this morning and everything
again and hand all day until
tomorrow evening. Snatch clean off from
are moving for fort wrote letter home.
13th Semi longue the running and the lines are running.
the camp too much crowded by battle. This evening.
we had a barrel of quarantined eggs, ordered of the
was all put out in a bucket by the soldiers. Some great
many citizens from the north are
arriving also some surgeons sent to take
over the wounded.
14th Every day in confusion yet the army
frequently demoralizes the wounded are sent
by the north we are going to a better
camp as soon as our wagons come
very warm this afternoon.
15th There was some talk of moving by
day but does not seem to have not
come men and pickets in the main still
the boys are out of tobacco and have
no money and Checks the first. Then
you hear who gave a man and get
five or a man and go get some
Creek tobacco. Boys from
at the landing go to boat, then all the town
and officers going to are for more artillery
landed the moving at noon a bridge crossing
the river burned which was found
by some of our men. A few off headquarters
connection to the rebel tramp the east
after dark had some commando stand in
and sang in in front of the col. Basted
the col. acting as stage manager, after
which the boys called on judge and
for at the clock which was completed
it when the assembly broke up.
16th This afternoon of Hamilton arrived from the
day. The report got for Hamilton that they are
and was able to prices & they found it
collective he gather all sorts of good things
such as corn & fruit cakes bread and more
and sent a commissary to take care of
the wounded. When they got here
they found but were not in the

fight at all so they started with the good things around which were as much robbers as if we had a leg on an arm shot off we did not get very much but were thankful for small favors.

17th. Our whole Brigade and the 1st Lig cavalry were ordered in action the 24 hour started out at 6 o'clock the skirmish was terrible as we went over it seems when the horses were almost and when we went out 400 miles on half of our was sent out on picket while the other half was kept back a short distance for a recon after dinner a flag of truce was brought in from the enemy they wanted some medicine we sent back and wounded of our they had within three hours about 3 o'clock we extended our lines about one mile further out at some time before night the whole force went out to see where the rebel pickets were we went about 2 miles when we were fired upon by the pickets one ball came with 30 yards of our Battalion that was all Col. McCook wanted him none came back to our old lines.

18th. Major Boynton went to the rebel lines this morning with flag of truce to take medicine to them a short distance from our advanced lines 17 dead 30 were wounded and we went to bury them they were badly recognized as human beings the knives hurt and a blanket over them and then burned each other them there a bad job made some of the boys sick when our relief came the lines were extended still farther out part of our Brigade went out to Back them up so we did not get started back to camp until 3 o'clock about 3 hours we got started it commenced raining and made a rain we don't often get it rains the whole way the ground was covered with a sheet of water and all of us wet as lighters could make us when we got within a quarter mile of our camp we came to the tents of the whole Brigade except one regiment we had 25 tents and we were very happy there while we were out and those who were left behind put up the tents out through some apathy negligence our men not put up here we were in great fix having only the tents all wet the col. as much as a hard we did not know what to do so part of the regt got out some of the tents and put them up while others went over to our old camp and stayed there for my part I went to the 9th Band quarters and had a very good place see and 3 men to move on to where we were bickered as soon as the weather is favorable.

19th. Still raining all day the boys have not came back yet from the old camp already ran all day and might.

20th. Still raining all day but not so hard as yesterday much better teams got past and 6 or 7 miles got down in much feet shaking up work two hours to get them out.

21st. raining after making out payrolls Pay master is here paying of the Brigade
22nd - The sun is out this morning. Clear once more, although the sky is very hazy. We can hear the rain still falling. The wind is blowing. We are in a great way about it.

23rd - Fine morning. We are on the march. The wind is strong and the ground is muddy. The soldiers are in a great hurry about it.

24th - Went out on reconnoiter. We caught the 18th Kentucky, 5th Kentucky Cavalry, and 14th Kentucky Artillery. They had some stock of beef. When we first saw them, they were about a mile from us. We had a skirmish with them. We lost 2 of our advanced scouts. The 1st Division had lost 1 of their officers and 1 of their horses. We had a hard time. They lost 1 of their horses. We had a hard time.

25th - Went out on reconnoiter again. The weather is very fine. We caught a large amount of money, all of which was given to the blacksmiths. We went out to find our stores. We went out to find our stores.

26th - This morning, the clouds are hanging in the valley. We went out to look for our stores. We found a large amount of money. We went out to find our stores. We found a large amount of money.

27th - Not paid off by the pay master. Sunday night, I heard that Norfolk is taken. Very fine morning.
and also very warm through the day