Charles W. Hume
Diary
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(Battle Creek)
Fragment of a diary (Feb. 10–23, 1864) with short entries of events occurring on his way home on re-enlistment furlough. Hume was in Company C, Second Michigan Infantry (1861–65). He was taken prisoner at Charles City Cross Roads, Va., in June of 1862, returned to the regiment in August, and re-enlisted in December of 1863.
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Feb. 10 - 23, 1864
Going home on furlough.
After reenlisting as Veteran Volunteers.
Wednesday Feb 16th

Exertions about moving orders showing an order from Gen Schenck for our right to start for home via Chatanooga. Causing general rejoicing. Orders arrived this evening to start to-morrow at 10 A.M. After an incident where the word was till we go.

Thursday 11th

Preparations kept us busy all the morning, 3rd days ration issued. After all was ready march out saluted by all the Mich regts in the Corps. 1220 M. These regiments present arms as the retreats, column, and the brigade band playing fine music. It really seemed like parting from old and tried friends.

Started down the railroad with pleasant thoughts of the future; at home occupying the thoughts of many. Was of the finest days the Benton expected for several days. We congratulate ourselves much upon the delay and think it saves our former dissatisfaction. Some fragment of prospects we on the road reminded our retreat. At sunset encamped on the front.ard Williams. A few arrived on the
Friday 12

Rosedale at 9 by Mr. Marchand at 7
Continuing down the Red River to some of the 20 ft. barrel shells from Napoleon Bats, they were scattered along the road and some pieces of abandoned batteries and wagons.
A portion of the time Marchand's 8 miles per hour. Arrived at Shreveport at 11:20 AM with few sore feet. The field office refuses to accept a request for Munson & Jones, they were waiting about 2 hours across the river and then shot to the depot where the baggage was being located.

The accident to last one mile falling into the river was caused by the처럼 and burning of the soldier's tent, which was to meet all the veterans.

 Constantin and others within earshot. Among the latter was cleaving dogear, to her Grandson all through the house, car came in from Chattanooga last evening for the first time.
Friday 11th

Arrived at Chattanooga at 11 in the morning.

Spent until 5 this morning receipts at 8.

Drove during our stay here with Hope & Loshout was clearly discerned.

Also Mission ridge which is tunnelled.

Forty-sixth Corps stationed here also.

Numerous other bodies of troops along the line.

Necessity of some of the demoutrition.

At 5 A.M. started after enjoying a very good sleep. The vicinity of Chattanooga a bit hilly and mountainous rocking and rocky.

River beautiful in a pleasant bend.

Two bridges of considerable as 12, occasionally 6 miles.

Shall to a large number of shells

Quitting

Missus Sturgis & Coleman remained at 6

The former accompanying a night train. Came at the latter with his goods discharged.

Pleasure tunnel about 3:30.

Country very rocky and road very rough.

Numerous heaps of earth along the road.

There was an engine named The small bridge good of Oct 6. Springs & down stairs along loaded with supplies and extensive machinery including steam boilers & tunnel.

Camping in some parts wild rocks which I suppose others likewise and level P.B. W.P. W.P.

Stockade construction which I have Harrisoned by the 125th Corps P.P. P.

So one works as Tullahoma other as Normandy's numbers for the London bridge passed frames ready for action.

Arrived at Nashville 12:30 high.

Arrived Considerably at 2:30.

Tire quartered in the Hotel.
Monday 15
Waked in the depot until 12 M
When he marched across the street to a Seminary there lunch
Served to the Mr. Atkinson of the Carolina Commission Spots quite happy
Several citizens with families occupied a portion of the building coming
on the train containing the 2 horses from 9:00

Ling and Miler Streets
Suffered intense pain from uterine
ache or cutting teeth

Was marched down to the Labrant's with preparation to embark
The snow had cleared up with a

Tuesday 16
Very cold and clear morning
deleterious. The road was flake stopped
Very enough to build a fire and turn
During which lot of indigestion

Sick and much about the road. Menfordsville no stop
At a short time, Country seemed
well accustomed to retiring
Passed through several towns
No icicles to ground as Cornbread
After cold ride arrived
in Louisville about 12 P.M.

Marched immediately to the Soldiers
home where we found pleasant
accommodations such as will ever render the Soldiers grateful

To one of the best organizations in
in existence, the Stanton Commission

Went down to find Aitworth
did not being best with small fox this at
All his want archery then, now 9:00
Monday 15.

Wtart at the depot until 12 when we marched across the street to the
Lyceum where luncheon was served. Mr. Atchinson of the
commission went quite happy.

Several citizens with families

supplied a portion of the butter corn

on the train containing the necessary

before us.

Streets

Suffered intense pain from either

nerve or cutting teeth.

Passed through several

tunnels no grades so steep as Commerce.

After cold ride arrived

in Louisville about 11 A.M.

Marched immediately to the Solvers

home where we found pleasant

accommodations such as will

ever render the Solvers grateful

for the kind organization we

have elected the Stanly Command.

Went down to find a broth.

Maneuvering started last all concert

and being done with small fox did

in the east of Morpheus.
Wednesday 17th

Rotten Cold & Charles except the 3rd day of the Iron & lighting the Pierce & Somewhat distant Stout.

We remained at the Home & also receiving letters & tarps for town.

Dined with Mr. Sutton. The great change in climate being over than of mention.

There was a steady shower the day last night as well as the evening so heavy and wind on the face of the street.

Had a very pleasant time with friends. The view from the window of the house was delightful.

Several delinquents were left with a few familiar faces. Among these were some Walter girls who first met us a few years ago & each time we have been at Louisville & Lebanon.
Friday, 19
Finders is to the theater at 6 am.
A cold, cloudy morning.
After running about considerably
for breakfast
Proceeding to breakfast in a most entertaining
room of young ladies whocourtous acted.
Then down stairs to the dining hall from
where I emerged directly into the street
Proceeding to rest myself back with many
field embellishments.
At 4 went out to the street
Barberries which was joined by two for the
'US Sent Court farms.'
Went down the 6 of the 6th street
Locating home here by the ferry

Attended the Washburn dinner

By Tom Thurn's own funds

Miss 'Flora' Barron the lettering
In illness was not there the entertainment.
Miss was of the first qualities.

To Mrs. Thurn this evening. Comedie of the
Of Butler at Wealth the star actor.

Saturday, 20
Mother considerably moderate.


30 m. in barracks here proposing to go
to the field expecting grand duty.
Nurse from Mr. Kneller accompanied by
with quantities of clothing, supplies, etc.
and whiskey. The latter is very fit
of the best qualities

At Ninth and Twelfth.

Sunday, 21
Equito Alleida, combated in
the barracks on the day the battle.
Mr. Stuart drinks on alarm
of fire of little importance.

Attended the Congregational
church of Zion Bt. Mr. Bassett
excellent musicians and good
speaking.
Monday 22

Washington's Birthday Day, and celebrated here by a military scene of veterans and militia thousands. Flags waved from the numerous buildings. Large numbers gathered on the Lidowalsh and other places of observation.

Attended Words of command, performed with Mrs. Mill's of A. B. Ross.

Tuesday 23

Preparations made for spring. Much done this day, being done before dinner, garden being tended. Mr. Reed questioned me. Immediately after him all who chose purchased from the clothing stores who wished to purchase long-suffering clothes. 

As I wished to take the lead in forming a society to embark in a passenger steamer.