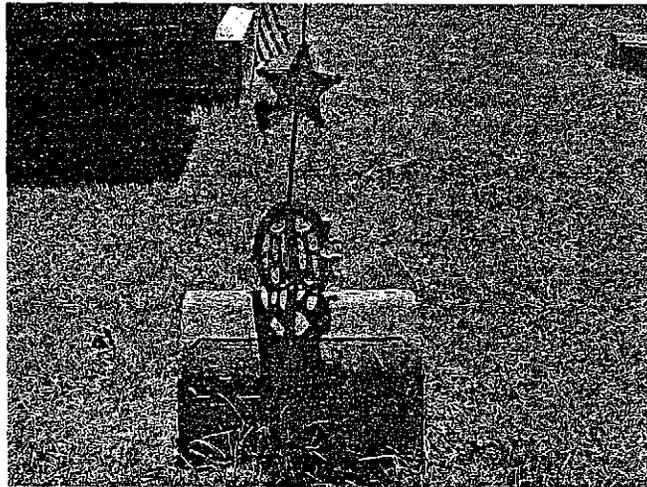


# John G. Abbott

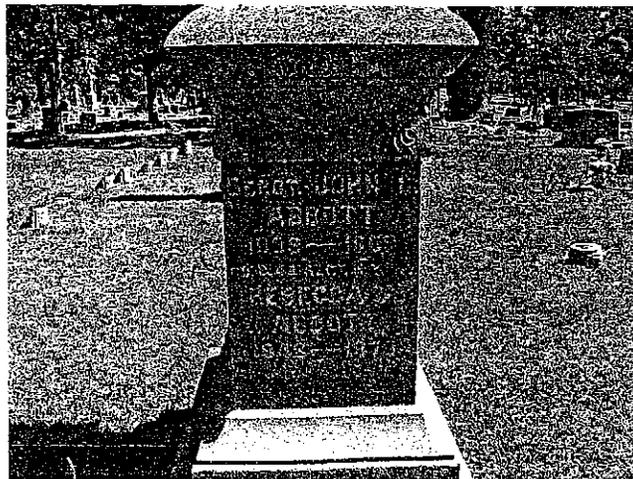
John G. Abbott was the second of eight children born to John Chattin Abbott and Ann Godfrey Treen. He was a brother of J. E. P. Abbott, lawyer and Atlantic County Prosecutor.

When the Civil War broke out John enlisted in the 48<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteers, a regiment formed by fellow Methodists which included volunteers from New Jersey, Massachusetts and Connecticut. The 48<sup>th</sup> was ordered to South Carolina on September 11, 1861. The following is John's account of the Civil War in the Charleston – Savannah area as he experienced it.

John was wounded in the July 18, 1863 battle for Fort Wagner, South Carolina. He was evacuated to an Army Hospital at Fort Schuyler, New York where he died of his injuries on August 7, 1863. He is buried in the family plot at Union Cemetery.



**Gravesite for John G. Abbott, Union Cemetery**



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# JOHN G. ABBOTT NOTES

**From the time I left home to join the Continental Guards In Brooklyn with Capt. D. C. Knowles**

**Thursday, July 25, 1861**

Left home at 1 o'clock, took the cars for Camden. Stayed all night at Uncle R. B. Glovers. Weather clear. Stopped at Haddonfd. Went to Marlton and then to Camden.

**Friday, July 26, 1861**

Remained in Camden. Went aboard of the Louisa Frazier

**Saturday, July 27, 1861**

Crossed the river to Port Richmond; went with Mrs. Sarah E. Sampson to see the soldiers at the Hall. Stayed all night at Benjm. Boise's.

**Sunday, July 28, 1861**

Went to C. Tullers, stayed all night.

**Monday, July 29, 1861**

Crossed to Camden to R. B. Glovers. Received a letter from Capt. D.C. Knowles, Stayed until 5 'clock then took the cars for New York. Cloudy.

**Tuesday, July 30, 1861**

Arrived at 5 o'clock, crossed the river to Brooklyn. Went aboard of the Mary Taylor. And then went with Capt. Harry Wilson to Fulton Ferry. And then Proceeded to Montague Hall. In the afternoon went to Camp Wyman and put up the first Tent and stayed at G. W. Gooddell in Brooklyn.

**Wednesday, July 31, 1861**

In the morning proceded again to Camp Wyman an put up 11 more tents and Enjoyed a fine Picknick in the Grove with the Ladies. Stayed all night with the Sutler At the Camp. Clear.

**Thursday, August 1, 1861**

Went to Brooklyn. Returned and wrote a letter home to Joseph.

**Friday, August 2, 1861**

Remained in Camp and commenced drilling. Clear.

**Saturday, August 3, 1861**

Went to Brooklyn with the Adjutant. Clear.

**Sunday, August 4, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Wrote a letter to Anna H. and W. T. Abbott.

**Monday, August 5, 1861**

Went to see Forts Hamilton and Lafayette. Cloudy.

**Tuesday, August 6, 1861**

Went in the County after apples with W. C. Chester. Wrote to Rev. A. Owen.

**Wednesday, August 7, 1861**

Put up 50 more tents and went to Brooklyn with John Doering after straw for the Camp. Clear.

**Thursday, August 8, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Wrote to Chas. Smith and received a letter from home.

**Friday, August 9, 1861**

Capt. D. C. Knowles visited us in Camp. Sarjt of the Guard.

**Saturday, August 10, 1861**

Went clamng with the Company and caught 300.

**Sunday, August 11, 1861**

Went to Church with Sarjt. Tantum and wrote to Emily Frazier.

**Monday, August 12, 1861**

Went to New York with the Sutler. Stayed all night in Brooklyn with the Adjutant.

**Tuesday, August 13, 1861**

Returned to Camp. With Lieut. W. B. Barton hoisted the flag at the Camp. Wrote letter home.

**Wednesday, August 14, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Received a letter from Anna Hance.

**Thursday, August 15, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Capt. Knowles took up his quarters in Camp. Received a Letter from W. T. Abbott. Cloudy.

**Friday, August 16, 1861**

Was sworn in as a member of Company D, but with Co. H. Clear.

**Saturday, August 17, 1861**

Acted as Sarjt of the Guard. Received a letter from A. Owen.

**Sunday, August 18, 1861**

Started from the Camp at 12 o'clock for Jersey City. Took the cars at 5 O'clock for Camden. Arrived at 9 o'clock in the evening. Stayed all night at Uncle R. B. Glover. Saw the Prince Napoleon at Jersey City.

**Monday, August 19, 1861**

Took the cars for home. Fell in company with a couple young ladies going to Visit Mary Chard. Had a fine time. Took the stage for Mays Landing. Arrived home 12 o'clock. Folks well. Cousins Martha & Lizzie Lodge, H. S. Shuster was their. Shuster, Joseph and I spent the evening at Capt. Thos. Endicotts, had a fine time.

**Tuesday, August 20, 1861**

Remained home until evening, and spent the evening at Capt. J. Vaughns with Emily.

**Wednesday, August 21, 1861**

Remained home until noon. Then Clark took cousins Martha and Lizzie and I to Egg Harbor City. Then took the cars for Camden. Left them at the ferry and Stayed all night at Uncle Roberts.

**Thursday, August 22, 1861**

Went to Kensington, then took the cars for New York, arrived their at three O'clock. Then proceeded to Camp Wyman.

**Friday, August 23, 1861**

Was elected 5<sup>th</sup> Sarjt. Of Company D. Received a letter from home.

**Saturday, August 24, 1861**

Appointed Sarjt of the Guard. Put up 75 more tents.

**Sunday, August 25, 1861**

Went with Capt. Knowles to Church at Fort Hamilton..

**Monday, August 26, 1861**

Went again with John Doering after straw. Wrote a letter home. Received a letter from Chaney Smith.

**Tuesday, August 27, 1861**

Went with W. C. Chester and Isaac Lodge after apples. Received a part of my uniform.

**Wednesday, August 28, 1861**

Went to New York to send my clothes home by Capt. Endicott. Went to see Miss M. Taylor in Jersey City and returned to Camp.

**Thursday, August 29, 1861**

Received a letter from W. T. Abbott. Wrote home to Joseph. Received my uniform in full. Cloudy.

**Friday, August 30, 1861**

Went to Forts Hamilton and Lafayette. Returned to Camp. Clear.

**Saturday, August 31, 1861**

Went to York with W. H. Porch, J. H. Silvers, W. C. Chester. Went to City Park and returned to Camp.

**Sunday, September 1, 1861**

Returned to Brooklyn. **Went to hear Henry Ward Becher preach.** Returned To Camp. Wrote to Anna Hance.

**Monday, September 2, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Sarjt. Of the Guard.

**Tuesday, September 3, 1861**

Went to get shade trees for the Lieut. Col. Then went to see the prisoners from Fort Hattras.

**Wednesday, September 4, 1861**

Went to York with Sarjt. Fox and Grimshaw. Returned to Camp. Cloudy.

**Thursday, September 5, 1861**

Was visited by Emily Frazier and Tim Sanford and sister. Went with them to the Cars at the Fort. Clear.

**Friday, September 6, 1861**

In Camp. The Rhode Island 3<sup>rd</sup> Regt. arrived at Fort Hamilton.

**Saturday, September 7, 1861**

Went with W. C. Chester after apples. Had an inspection of Arms and Knapsacks

**Sunday, September 8, 1861**

Was visited by J. Davis, Emily Frazier, M C. Sanford and Mother. Went with them to the cars.

**Monday, September 9, 1861**

Took a boat sail with D. in the Bay. Went claming.

**Tuesday, September 10, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, September 11, 1861**

Was visited by W. T. Abbott. Went with him to New York. Then went down aboard of Capt. J. Johnson's. Then went with Emily Frazier to Brooklyn. Had my photograph taken. Went to Mr. Sanfords then returned to Camp.

**Thursday, September 12, 1861**

Had an illumination in the Camp. Appointed Sajt. Of the Guard. Had to gag four of the Regulars. Visited by C. Sanford.

**Friday, September 13, 1861**

Went to take the Regs. home. Had a row with them, struck one of them over The head with my sword. Our band arrived in Camp.

**Saturday, September 14, 1861**

The Washington Grey's left for Washington. We had a presentation of 1,000 Testaments from the New York Young Mens Christian Association.

**Sunday, September 15, 1861**

Made preparations to leave for Washington. Was visited by Mr. and Miss Sanford. Clear.

**Monday, September 16, 1861**

Left Camp Wyman and took the steam boat at 8 o'clock for New York. Left New York at 2 o'clock for Philadelphia. Arrived at 7 o'clock where we had a fine supper prepared. Started for Washington at 12 o'clock night. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott, W. T. Abbott. Storming.

**Tuesday, September 17, 1861**

Passed through Wilmington at daylight. Arrived at Perryville at 9 A.M., at Baltimore 11 A.M. Washington 5 P.M. Stayed at the Hall. Connecticut 6 arrived at six o'clock PM. Clear.

**Wednesday, September 18, 1861**

Went in Camp on Capitol Hill. Slept on the ground all night just to left of the 26<sup>th</sup> N Y. V. The N. J. 5<sup>th</sup> was on the same field.

**Thursday, September 19, 1861**

Pitched Tents and resumed our drill. The New Jersey 5<sup>th</sup> struck Tents and went to Arlington Heights.

**Friday, September 20, 1861**

The New York 47<sup>th</sup> arrived in Camp. Commenced skirmish drill.

**Saturday, September 21, 1861**

Struck tents and went to Camp Sherman. Pitched tents, took a squad out after water. Had a fine time.

**Sunday, September 22, 1861**

Remained in Camp and resumed our skirmish drill. Visited by the President

**Monday, September 23, 1861**

Had an inspection of knapsacks and arms and ammunition. Cloudy.

**Tuesday, September 24, 1861**

Had a fine rain, received a letter from George Merritt

**Wednesday, September 25, 1861**

Commenced Target shooting. I went to Washington. Received a letter from home. Clear.

**Thursday, September 26, 1861**

Saw the balloon ascension and the trip of 10 miles passing over our Camp.

**Friday, September 27, 1861**

Received a letter from Emily Frazier. Had an inspection by the Brig. Gen. Clear

**Saturday, September 28, 1861**

Wrote to Lizzie M. Lodge and Sallie Webster.

**Sunday, September 29, 1861**

Detailed as Sarjt of the Guard.

**Monday, September 30, 1861**

The New Jersey 8<sup>th</sup> arrived at Washington.

**Tuesday, October 1, 1861**

The New Hampshire 4<sup>th</sup> arrived at Washington.

**Wednesday, October 2, 1861**

Received a letter from Lizzie Lodge.

**Thursday, October 3, 1861**

Took the Company in bathing. The 8<sup>th</sup> Maine Regt & 47<sup>th</sup> N. York left for Annapolis.

**Friday, October 4, 1861**

Had a brigade drill and inspection. Received a letter from Mary E Baldwin

Wrote to W. T. Abbott. 3<sup>rd</sup> N. Hampshire Regt left for Annapolis, also the German Regt.

**Saturday, October 5, 1861**

The long roll beat at 12 o'clock we struck tents and proceeded to the Depot and started for Annapolis, arrived there at 11 o'clock and joined the Brigade. The 8<sup>th</sup> Maine Regt. arrived at 12 night. Clear.

**Sunday, October 6, 1861**

Went to the Capitol, and then went to hear Col. Perry preach from "The God of Battles be With Us". Wrote to Martha Webster, M. E. Baldwin

**Monday, October 7, 1861**

Stayed in the Hall. Went oystering, caught two bushels. Storming.

**Tuesday, October 8, 1861**

Moved to the Camp on the banks of the Severn. Went in bathing. Practiced target shooting.

**Wednesday, October 9, 1861**

Wrote to W. S. Bacon. The Connecticut 7<sup>th</sup> Regt. arrived at Annapolis. Clear.

**Thursday, October 10, 1861**

Wrote to H. S. Shuster. Connecticut 6<sup>th</sup> arrived at Annapolis, also the Penna 50<sup>th</sup>. Storming

**Friday, October 11, 1861**

Martial law proclaimed in Annapolis. Lieut. Col. Barton insulted by the authorities. Co. D. sent out 25 men as pickets to search the City. Received a letter from Joseph and from Martha Webster. Clear.

**Saturday, October 12, 1861**

The 21<sup>st</sup> Massachusetts arrived at Annapolis; also the Battery for the Brigade. Received a letter from W. T. Abbott and Sallie E. Webster. The Steam Boats Star and Eagle from Red Bank New Jersey arrived to transport the troops to the Fleet in the Bay.

**Sunday, October 13, 1861**

Remained in Camp. Went to church. Wrote to Maggie Gandy.

**Monday, October 14, 1861**

Appointed Sergt, of the Guard. Wrote for the Atlantic Journal, Wrote to W. T. Abbott.

**Tuesday, October 15, 1861**

The Companys equalized. 15 transferred from Co. D. to Co. B. (Capt. Traverse) Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, October 16, 1861**

A presentation of Flags to each Regt. in the Brigade by Mrs. Gen. Viele, Speeches were delivered by Gov. Hicks of Md and by the Colonels of the Brigade. Received a letter from Mary E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, October 17, 1861**

The Artillery went aboard of the Steam boats. Received a letter from Maggie T. Gandy.

**Friday, October 18, 1861**

The long roll beat at 11 o'clock. The tents were all struck. The Regts in readiness to embark. Co. D. reserved by to attend to the things in the Camp. The Regts went On board at 4 o'clock; Co, D at 10 o'clock night where we had a barrell of XX Ale, 2 boxes of dates, a bag of dates and had a fine time aboard of the Eagle. Moonlight.. Arrived on board of The Empire City at the mouth of the Severn River. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, October 19, 1861**

Had a fine time aboard of the ship. Among the Sutlers stores: one barrel of butternuts, barrel of almonds, barrel of cakes, keg of butter, box of wines, 2 box of tobacco, 1 box segars, 1 barrel Porter & ale, 2 sacks of Dates, 8 boxes of raisins and other things .Good view of the Chesapeake.

**Sunday, October 20, 1861**

Aboard of the ship in the Bay along side of the Atlantic, Baltic, Roanoke. Errickson, Vanderbilt, Parkersburg, Occocolens, Ocean Queen, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, Ariel.. Wrote to Mary E. Baldwin. Received the Atlantic Journal. Weather fine and clear.

**Monday, October 21, 1861**

Got up steam and started for Fortress Monroe at half past six. Had a fine time Some of the men got seasick. Met one of the Blockade ships just below the Potomac, anchored off the mouth of the York River. Storming severely.

**Tuesday, October 22, 1861**

Started again at 7 o'clock. Met the Gun Boat Daylight off York River, also another one of the Blockade. Arrived at Fortress Monroe at 9 ½ o'clock in the morning. Quite a large fleet lying at the Fort, several Frigates of War, steamers arriving continually from York, Phila, Boston to join the fleet. Heavy seas. Men seasick still. Storming.

**Wednesday, October 23, 1861**

Weather fine and clear. Wind West. Several vessels going out. A splendid View of Sewell's Point. The Empire City coaling up for a start, also the rest of the fleet. Had a fine view of the big Union Gun on the beach in front of the Fort. Clear.

**Thursday, October 24, 1861**

Everything quiet all around. 150 Marines detailed to go with us from on board The Wabash. When asked if they would go, they all answered yes! Wrote for the Atlantic Journal. Received a letter from H. S. Shuster.

**Friday, October 25, 1861**

Quite an excitement on board...men packing knapsacks. Co, H Capt. Foster went aboard the Matanzas. Co B Capt Traverse went with two of the staff Officers aboard of the ships Atlantic, Baltic, Ariel, Roanoke, Daniel Webster Then went ashore at the Fortress. Had a fair view of the Fort and all around Apple trees all in bloom. Had a fine supper with the Lonaves, N Y 10<sup>th</sup>. Then went aboard of the Belvidere and then returned to the Ship Empire City.

**Saturday, October 26, 1861**

Wrote to Emily Frazier. Received a letter from W. T. Abbott. Blue flag flying at topmast head signaling for a start. The General ordered to start on Monday. Went ashore at the fortress. Sergt Hutchinson appointed Commissary Sergt. Wrote to W. T. Abbott. A fine prize ship brought in port.

**Sunday, October 27, 1861**

Inspection of Knapsacks. Found several things hid by the sailors. Had a prayer meeting in the whole (hold) carried on by our Chaplain. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott. Two prizes brought in—one English ship of 10 guns, also an English Brig, both trying to run the Blockade.

**Monday, October 28, 1861**

Inspection of arms. 4 bombs fired by the Rebels at the fleet from Sewel's Point. No damage. A boat load of Black Counterbands arrived. Wrote to Charley Stanford.

**Tuesday, October 29, 1861**

At daylight signals by Bengola Lights. The fleet started at 7 o'clock. The Wabash leading. Passed Capes Charles and Henry at 10 o'clock quite smooth. At 12 o'clock met one of the Blockade and hospital ship. Out of sight of land at 4 o'clock. Passed Cape Hattas at 4 o'clock in the morning. Stearing South East.

**Wednesday, October 30, 1861**

But very few sick – 12. In the Gulf Stream at 6 o'clock. Heavy sea. Several sick. Stearing South.

**Thursday, October 31, 1861**

Wind light at West. Sea low, very warm. Fleet all in sight at 8 o'clock. In the Gulf Stream all day. Almost smoothe. At Sun set quite a lot of porpoises. Stearing S. W. S. Passed Cape Lookout at 4 P. M.

**Friday, November 1, 1861**

Wind South East, Fresh Breeze. Commenced storming at 4 o'clock afternoon Perfect gale all night. At 12 o'clock thundered and lightninged. At 1 o'clock the boat was washed away. The sea high. The ship had all she wanted to live comfortably in the Gulf Stream all night. Storming.

**Saturday, November 2, 1861**

Still storming. Sea high, blowing hard.. Fleet all scattered. At 11 o'clock the Winfield Scott hoisted a distress signal. Cut away fore mast at 12 o'clock when the Philadelphia went to her assistance. Took a tow line and hove to. We soon run out of sight to South West. Wind shifted to North West at 1 o'clock at night. Left the Gulf Stream at 4 o'clock PM

**Sunday, November 3, 1861**

Wind North West, Fresh Breeze. Clear. Moderate sea. 4 ships in sight at daylight.

The Oriental came along side and spoke us at 9 AM. Reported us off the Savannah River. at 6 AM. Spoke the Ocean Queen and Ariel. The Oriental reported being chased by a Privateer steamer from the mouth of the Savannah River. Spoke the Winfield Scott at 12. Had the bow stove in, both spars cut away. 18 of the fleet in sight at 3 PM. Land in sight 5 PM. Clear. Had a prayer meeting in the whole.

**Monday, November 4, 1861**

Wind North West. Clear. Wind light. Sea Moderate. No land in sight at 7 AM. 18 ships of the Fleet in sight at 8 AM. At 11 AM anchored off the mouth of the Broad River with the Fleet. The Governor reported to be lost on Friday night in the storm. At 4 PM hove up anchor and went to the Mouth of the Broad. At 5 PM 3 rebel gun boats came to the mouth of the river and fired 5 shots. When our boats returned the fire and after a half hour the rebels retreated. The river blockaded.

**Tuesday, November 5, 1861**

At 7 AM the rebels came down and resumed the attack which was returned with marked effect by our Boats. The Forts opened fire on us at 7 ½ AM After returning some 30 guns, a shot from the Pawnee struck the fort, exploded and silenced the one of the Forts at 8AM. At 9 AM the Frigate Walbash came in and caused much rejoicing. At 11 AM two

more War Frigates came in. Firing all day by the Rebels with no effect. The Frigate hauled up for an attack on the Rebels fortification. A counterband came out on our flank to one of our Gun Boats. Clear.

**Wednesday, November 6, 1861**

A fresh breeze from the West. Detailed for Provost duty with Lieut. Wallace. The news of the loss of the Steamers Belvidere and Governor confirmed. The Rebels showing no fight. Our boys all ready to receive them. Went to the ships Oriental, Roanoke, Matanzas. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Thursday, November 7, 1861**

At 8 AM the Rebel boats came down the river again for an attack. Firing began at 10 AM by the Rebel battery on the left point of the river opening fire on the Frigate Wabash. The Wabash returned the compliment immediately which continued with incessant firing for about 4 hours, when they thought that they had enough shells for dinner and retreated. Our men landed and planted flag in Dixie at half past two.

**Friday, November 8, 1861**

Three Regts had landed during the night in the Fort. At sunrise the Marines landed and planted the Stars and Stripes on the other Fort, being vacated by Rebels during the night. They left their guns unspiked and all their ammunition, medical stores, trunks, 1,000 tents and on the other side a large number of tents. Wrote for the Atlantic Journal. Our loss was 11 killed and 20 wounded. The Rebel loss was heavy,

**Saturday, November 9, 1861**

At 10 AM we had orders to get ready to disembark. Troops landing continually. Several vessels arriving every day with Coal for the fleet. Heard of the capture of the Ship Belvidere by the Rebels. The Adjutant brought a secessionists ear on board, and a lot of sweet potatoes. Another Rebel Boat in sight. Wrote to Lizzie W. Lodge. 5 Company's went on shore. A. F. G. H. F.

**Sunday, November 10, 1861**

Appointed Sergt. of the Guard. Landed at the Fort in South Carolina at 3 P.M. and then proceeded to Camp which we found to be about 1 mile from the Fort and in a cotton and corn Field. Got our supper and then started out on picket duty. Posted our pickets about a mile from Camp.

**Monday, November 11, 1861**

Co. D started out on a foraging expedition. Went nearly across the Island and among the plantations found the Corn. 6<sup>th</sup> on a Plantation foraging. Met several other Companys out. Helped an old Slave woman crack homminy and to grind Indian meal. Had a good sweet potato supper on a Plantation and then returned to Camp. Arrived at 8 PM. Received a letter from J.E.P. Abbott and Charles Sandford.

**Tuesday, November 12, 1861**

Went down to the Fort with the Company to get tents and to help unload the Mayflower. Stayed all day. At night appointed Sergt of the Guard at the fort. Roasted potatoes all night with the men.

**Wednesday, November 13, 1861**

At the Fort as Sergt of the Guard. Saw Capt. Grace of Dennis Creek. Had a fine time. Returned to Camp at 8 PM.

**Thursday, November 14, 1861**

500 detailed from our Regt. to assist on the Beach. Fixed the Lieut. Col. tent. Wrote to Rev. A. Owen.

**Friday, November 15, 1861**

Remained in Camp, all quiet. Company G. out on picket.

**Saturday, November 16, 1861**

Company B. detailed for Guard at the Beach. All quiet in Camp. Received a letter from Emily Frazier and from Mary E. Baldwin.

**Sunday, November 17, 1861**

Inspection at 11 AM. Prayer meetings at 6 & 7 PM. Wrote a letter for A. Mason. Wrote a letter to George M. Merritt and Emily Frazier.

**Monday, November 18, 1861**

Sergt of the squad to build Fortifications in the Field. The Baltic left for N.Y. W. Drakeson left for N.Y.

**Tuesday, November 19, 1861**

The English War Frigate Immortalite visited our fleet. Received the Atlantic Journal. Wrote to W.T. Abbott.

**Wednesday, November 20, 1861**

Joe Bowers went crazy. Saw Capt. Sommers of the Lewis Chester of Bargaintown, NJ. 23 years old today. Composed some verses for Chas. Mc Creas. Wrote to H. S. Shuster.

**Thursday, November 21, 1861**

Appointed Sergt of the Guard. Guard mounted at 4 PM.

**Friday, November 22, 1861**

Composed three verses, tune Star Spangled Banner for the Atlantic Journal. Subject: Landing in the Palmetto State. Relieved as Sergt. of the Guard at 5 PM.

**Saturday, November 23, 1861**

45 of each Company detailed to build Fortifications. Wrote a letter for J. Ronk. Wrote to S. E. Webster.

**Sunday, November 24, 1861**

One man of Co. H died at 7 AM. Brigade Inspection at 9 AM. Buried at 4 PM.

Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott. Prayer meeting in the Sutler tent in the evening at 8 & 10 PM,

**Monday, November 25, 1861**

Signed the Pay Roll. The Illinois left with the mail at 12 M. Wrote a copy of my song for Capt. Ward, Co. C and Aron Cole, Co. D. Two Rebel prisoners captured on St. Helena Island.

**Tuesday, November 26, 1861**

One of Co. G. died in the hospital at 4 PM. Heavy firing off towards Savannah.

**Wednesday, November 27, 1861**

Price of Co. A. died at 7 AM in the hospital. Our Regt detailed to unload ships at the wharves. Both buried at 4 o'clock PM. Company B. payed off. Heavy firing off towards Savanna. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, November 28, 1861**

One of Company G. accidentally shot while on his post and fooling with another sentry...mortally wounded. Died at 11 o'clock PM.

**Friday, November 29, 1861**

Paymaster arrived in Camp at 10 AM. Commenced paying Com. A. at 10 AM. Company D payed off at 3 PM. I received \$52.10 Wrote to Chas. Peterson, No. 306 Chestnut St., Phila. for a copy of his Magazine for E. F.

**Saturday, November 30, 1861**

All quiet in Camp. Cos. H, I, K were payed off, finishing our Regt. Drewed clothing for the men.

**Sunday, December 1, 1861**

Inspection at 8 AM Review at 11 AM Two cases of smallpox discovered in the hospital. Company D vaccinated at 4 PM. The mail arrived by the Atlantic at 3 PM. Prayer meetings in the Sutlers tent at 3 and 7 PM. Wrote to Mr. Geo. Ramel.

**Monday, December 2, 1861**

Company all out of Camp. 600 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to duty at the Dock. I went down to the Beach. Saw the R. I. Artillery practicing. Changed my gold for Treasury Notes. A heavy thunder storm. Water 3 inches deep in my tent.

**Tuesday, December 3, 1861**

Officers went out on a scouting expedition into the country. Mail arrived from Fortress Monroe. Received the Atlantic Journal No. 15<sup>th</sup>, also letter from Father, J. E. P. Abbott, Lizzie W. Lodge. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott

**Wednesday, December 4, 1861**

Appointed Sergt of the Guard. Guard mounted at 4 PM. Arrested 15 of Com. I, drunk. Tore down one of the Tents. Then removed them to the other and then they was willing to behave for the night. Went to the Post. Met the Grand Rounds at 12 o'clock night. A Rebel Privateer captured off Savannah.

**Thursday, December 5, 1861**

Relieved from the Guard at 4 PM. Went down to the Beach. Then went with Lieut Col Barton and the Adjutant aboard the Belvidere, Atlantic and the Spanish Prize Ferry Boat. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Friday, December 6, 1861**

The 48<sup>th</sup> detailed for duty at the Beach. I went as Sergt of the Guard out on Picket with Com. E. Went with the Grand Rounds at 2 o'clock AM night. The mail left by the City of New York. The German and 46<sup>th</sup> N. Y. V. left Camp. Struck tents and went aboard of the Empire City, also Stevenses Brigade embarked.

**Saturday, December 7, 1861**

Remained on Picket all day. Bought Hocke of the Slaves. Visited the Pickets. Went to General Drayton Plantation. Relieved from Picket at 8 in the Evening by a Company of the 3<sup>rd</sup> New Hampshire.

**Sunday, December 8, 1861**

Inspection of Arms and Knapsacks, also review. Prayer Meetings at 3 and 7 PM The Chaplain of the 47<sup>th</sup> N. Y. V. spoke in the evening in the Sutlers Tent.

**Monday, December 9, 1861**

600 of the 48<sup>th</sup> Regt. detailed to work on the entrenchments. Mail arrived by the Illinois. Received the Enquirer from home, also a letter from Mary E. Baldwin. Scudder had his arm broke while playing with J. Ronk in the Evening.

**Tuesday, December 10, 1861**

Company C out on Picket. Griffin of Company H. died at 2 AM. Buried at 4 PM. Wrote to Mary Marshall

**Wednesday, December 11, 1861**

The 76<sup>th</sup> Penna. Arrived from Fortress Monroe. Also Adams's Express arrived by the Vanderbilt. Went to visit the 3<sup>rd</sup> Brig. Received a letter from W. T. Abbott. Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott.

**Thursday, December 12, 1861**

600 of the 48<sup>th</sup> N. Y. V. detailed to work on the Entrenchments. Wind blowed a fair gale. Went to the Fort. Found a hill of Prince Albert potatoes with 30 large ones in. Had a Court Martial – one of Co. G's men.

**Friday, December 13, 1861**

36 of each Company of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the dock. An English ship brought in as a prize trying to run the Blockade. No drill in Camp. Wrote to Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Saturday, December 14, 1861**

35 of each Company of our Regt detailed to work at the Dock. Detailed as Sergt of the Guard at the Dock. The Erricson arrived from New York with the Mail. Drew clothing for the men.

**Sunday, December 15, 1861**

Regimental Inspection at 8 o'clock AM. Briggade review at 10 AM. Preaching in the Grove at 3 PM by Lieut. Gale of Co. K. Had singing in Evening in one of our tents.

**Monday, December 16, 1861**

All quiet in Camp. Still resuming drill. Col Perry and Lieutenant Col. Barton and the Adjutant went to Beaufort on a cruise to visit General Stevenses Briggade. The Rebels supposed to be about making a stand on the mainland opposite Beaufort Island.

**Tuesday, December 17, 1861**

The Col., Lieut Col. and Adjutant returned to Camp from Beaufort. Capt. Farrole and Lieut. Mc Carlitt put under arrest by the Col. on drill. W. J. Carlton lost his pocket book with about 17 \$. in it. The Stone Fleet started out of harbor.

**Wednesday, December 18, 1861**

Hammell, Orderly Sergeant of Com. A, had his stripes taken off by Col Perry, then placed in the Guard House. Mail arrived in Port. Prayer Meeting in Capt. Knowles's tent in the Evening.

**Thursday, December 19, 1861**

Mail in Camp. Received a letter from J. E. P. Abbott. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott and Mary E. Baldwin.

**Friday, December 20, 1861**

Had a Battalion review by Gen. Viele. The Vanderbilt arrived with the mail.

Received the Atlantic Journal, also the Methodist, also a letter from J. E. P. Abbott, H. S. Shuster.

**Saturday, December 21, 1861**

Mrs. Wm. B. Barton arrived in Camp. Wrote to H. S. Shuster.

**Sunday, December 22, 1861**

Briggade review by General Viele. Church at 3 and 7 o'clock in the Sutlers Tent. Wrote to Ada H. Gibson, Samuel M. Godfrey.

**Monday, December 23, 1861**

700 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the entrenchments. Composed some verses for Chas. McCreas.

**Tuesday, December 24, 1861**

600 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the Entrenchments. Lieut. Patterson started for home in the Ship Empire City. Com. F out on Picket saw Geo. E. Pierce and Thos. A. Booths from Booths Corner, Penna. in the 97<sup>th</sup> Penna Regt.

**Wednesday, December 25, 1861**

Christmas. 500 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the entrenchments.

**Thursday, December 26, 1861**

600 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the Entrenchment. Bought ¼ of a hog and 1/2 bushel of sweet potatoes for our Christmas Dinner. Went down to the Beach. The Ocean Queen arrived with the mail.

**Friday, December 27, 1861**

Had a Briggade Inspection of Arms and Knapsacks for General Shermans Staff and General Viele and Staff. Detailed as Sergt of the Police Guard. Lieut. Perry off of the Guard. Grand Rounds at 1 o'clock AM

**Saturday, December 28, 1861**

Remained on Guard until 5 o'clock PM. 700 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the entrenchments.

**Sunday, December 29, 1861**

Had a Briggade Drill and Inspection by General Viele and Staff. The General complimented Company D very highly. Special Order No. 1<sup>st</sup>: Every man shall fold up and put his blanket on his Tent, by order of J. H. Perry, Col. commanding.

**Monday, December 30, 1861**

400 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the entrenchments. Went over to see the 97<sup>th</sup> Penna. Regt. Saw some of the Booth Corner boys.

**Tuesday, December 31, 1861**

The Sun Eclipse. At 8 AM had a Regimental Review. At 10 had Muster Roll. Received marching orders at 11 AM The 47<sup>th</sup> marched to the Dock. At 1 PM the 48<sup>th</sup> marched to the Dock. Saw Capt. Corson Young, Swane Townsend, Somers. At 2 PM we embarked on board the Delaware. Started at 4 o'clock. Anchored at 5 PM at Beaufort. The 27<sup>th</sup> on board of the Boston.

#### **Wednesday, January 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. At daylight hove anchor and started, in connection with 3 gun boats and the Boston, up Beaufort River. At 9 AM landed at Adams' Plantation and 4 miles from Port Royal Ferry. The Gun Boats went on up towards the Ferry and began to shell the Rebels Battery at the Ferry. At 1 PM we took up our line of March in company with the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y., 100<sup>th</sup> Pa., 50<sup>th</sup> Pa., 8<sup>th</sup> Mich. At 3 PM the Rebels opened fire on the 8<sup>th</sup> Mich. which was ahead. When Companys D and H of the 48<sup>th</sup> N. Y. was deployed as Skirmishers on the left, Co. B of the 50<sup>th</sup> Pa in the front, and Companys A & D of the 8<sup>th</sup> Mich. on the left. The Rebel Battery kept up their fire from their Artillery and Infantry on the 8<sup>th</sup> Mich until the 48<sup>th</sup> got within 100 yds of their guns, when they discovered our battalion and changed their fire on us. The grape and Cannister fell thick and fast. And the General seeing their impregnable position ordered us to retreat. After being exposed to their fire for near one hour we had but 2 wounded. They was masked in the woods. About this time the 79<sup>th</sup> had drove the Rebels from their Battery at the Ferry. As they had not men enough to hold it, we were ordered to their assistance. After having a brief skirmish with them, the loss on our side was 5 killed and about 12 wounded, while the Rebel loss must have been about 150 killed and as many wounded. We gave up the pursuit having accomplished all that we expected to—entirely dislodging them from the Ferry. At sun down the Rebels sent in a flag of truce for the privilege of taking their dead and wounded off the field. It was granted by General Stevens. Stayed all night on the Field. Thus ended a happy New Years Day.

#### **Thursday, January 2, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. At sunrise our Pickets found a wounded Rebel and 3 dead, which they buried. The wounded was taken to Beaufort. At 8 AM we began to embark again on the Delaware. The Pickets was then called in and at once crossed the Ferry to Beaufort Island. The Gen. ordered the buildings burned which was done. At 9AM the Gun Boats then shelled the Woods for 3 hours when they concluded that the Rebels had all retreated. At 1 PM we started for Hilton Head, where we arrived at 7 o'clock PM. Disembarked and arrived at Camp at 10 o'clock, all well. Had a fine warm supper.

#### **Friday, January 3, 1862**

Clear and Warm, Wind Sth E. Mail left by the Vanderbuilt at 8 o'clock. The 47<sup>th</sup> N. Y. arrived at Camp at 11 o'clock AM. All well. Had met with no loss in the Battle. The 48<sup>th</sup> highly complimented by the General for their bravery during the Battle. The Sutter Beard was removed by Gen Viele. Co. D. was detailed for Picket and relieved the N. H. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 o'clock in the Evening. Drew clothing for the men.

#### **Saturday, January 4, 1862**

Cloudy and storming. Remained on Picket all Day. Last night was dark and cloudy, but nothing happened. Made the Grand Rounds at 11 PM. Countersign was Austin. Cleared off at 9 AM. Went to Draytons Plantation. Was relieved from Picket at 5 PM by the 47<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Private Salmist of Co. K died in the Hospital at 4 PM.

#### **Sunday, January 5, 1862**

Raining. Wind Sth West. Had a thunder shower at about Noon when it cleared off nice and clear. Private Samist of Co. K. was buried at 4 o'clock PM. Had no dress parade or drill during the day. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, Mary Ann Treen.

#### **Monday, January 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Normal drilling during the day. The mail left Camp at 9 o'clock AM. The Steamer Atlantic arrived from New York with a Mail on board, but no news of any importance. Recd a letter from J. E. P. Abbott.

#### **Tuesday, January 7, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind South West. The Ocean Queen started for New York. Lieuts. Gale and Corwin, Sergts. Chas Fox, Co. A, McCalla Co. A, Patterson Co. D, Shultz Co. C. started home recruiting for the Regt. Had quite a shower in the forenoon. Recd a letter from Mary Marshall.

#### **Wednesday, January 8, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind North West. Weather moderating fast. Usual drilling all day. Commenced storming at 5 PM Wrote a letter for Henry McCreas. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

#### **Thursday, January 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Had a Brigade Review and Drill. Then the 48<sup>th</sup> marched about 5 miles, 3 of which was on double quick. Our Camp had a fine time skirmishing through the woods. The men was all nearly tired out when they got back to Camp. In the afternoon I went over to the 97<sup>th</sup> Penna. To see some of the Boys. Professor Low arrived with his Balloon.

**Friday, January 10, 1862**

Clear. Wind North West. At 9 o'clock AM had a drill. At 10 o'clock we started out again on a march. Had our dinners in our knapsacks.. Went out to Graham's Plantation. We staid there until 2 ½ PM and then started back for Camp again. Had a fine time. The McClellan arrived from N. Y. with a Mail on board.

**Saturday, January 11, 1862**

Clear. Had a Briggade Drill, Inspection and Review, after which the 47th N. Y. was sent out on a Scout into the country. Professor Low had a Balloon assention at a few minutes before sun down. The Connecticut arrived from Fortress Monroe at 7 o'clock PM with a large mail on board.

**Sunday, January 12, 1862**

Clear. Had a Briggade Review at 9 AM after which the 48<sup>th</sup> was marched to their Parade Ground and formed a square, when a splendid State Banner was presented to us by the good Ladies of Brooklyn. It was recd amidst a shower of cheers. Cpts. Corson and Walters came up to Camp to see me. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, W. T. Abbott, M. Webster, M. E. Baldwin, L. W. Lodge, A. Owen, Geo. Merritt. Wrote to M. Webster, M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, January 13, 1862**

Clear. Wind Sth East. 450 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the fortifications. At Noon I went over to see some of the boys in the 97<sup>th</sup> Penna. Major Beard of the 48<sup>th</sup> N. Y. was out scouting and captured 9 rebel prisoners near Fort Pulaski, Ga. He reported the Walls cut leading into Wrights River blocked up with an old hulk. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Tuesday, January 14, 1862**

Cloudy. Wind South. Had our usual drills. Capt Walters came up to Camp. Commenced raining at 4 o'clock PM Had no dress parrade. Wrote to W. T. Abbott and J. E. P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, January 15, 1862**

Clear. Nothing new in Camp. The Gun Boat Crusaidier arrived from New York with a mail on board, but no news of any interest. Reports all quiet on the Potomac. Received a letter from M. E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, January 16, 1862**

Storming. Wind South. I was appointed Sergt of the Guard. Had a bad and wet time. Lieut J. N. Perry , Officer of the Guard. The Atlantic left for New York with a mail. The Baltic arrived. Recd the Journal of Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Friday, January 17, 1862**

Clear. Wind North. 500 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work at the dock. Relieved from Guard at 5 PM. The Baltic's mail arrived in Camp. Recd a letter from Samuel Godfrey. Wrote to E. Frazier..

**Saturday, January 18, 1862**

Clear. Wind North. Company E. went out on Pickets. All quiet in Camp. The mail left Camp. Sent a paper home.

**Sunday, January 19, 1862**

Clear. Wind West. Had a Battallion Drill at 9 AM after which we all stacked Arms on the Parrade ground. At 2 o'clock PM we fell in and had a Briggade Drill. Wrote to Samuel Godfrey.

**Monday, January 20, 1862**

Clear and warm. A large Express arrived in Camp. A lot of gloves came for Co. D. Mine was made by Mrs. Anna McGarland of Windsor, NJ. All quiet in Camp. Recd a letter from Miss Lizzie Raymond. Answered: No. 406, Hudson Avenue, Brooklyn

**Tuesday, January 21, 1862**

Storming. No drill or parrade. Co B. ordered to join the Regt. and one Co. of the 47<sup>th</sup> relieved them from Provost Duty. 4 Regts of Wrights Briggade embarked. Had a hard thunder shower in the Evening.

**Wednesday, January 22, 1862**

Great preparations being made for an attack on the Rebels. The 48<sup>th</sup> was ordered to pack Knapsacks and be ready to march at a moments warning. All pleased with the idea of getting at the Rebels.

**Thursday, January 23, 1862**

Still storming. Went out to the plantation to get some dry wood. A Capt of the N.Y.V.E. shot himself in his own tent. No one could account for it to any certainty. Generally supposed that love for his girl was the cause of it.

**Friday, January 24, 1862**

Drizzling all day. 500 of the 48<sup>th</sup> detailed to work on the Battery. The men rather joyous at receiving their full rations of Mr. B. Whis.

**Saturday, January 25, 1862**

Fine and Clear. Received marching orders while on Battallion Drill. We packed knapsacks and struck tents. At 1 o'clock PM we started for Seabrook where we arrived at 3 PM. I went on board the Alex. Young. The Winfield Scott had not yet arrived so we had to stay all night on shore. We killed some cattle and I took supper with Co. K. N.Y.V.E. and slept all night in the Bean loft.

**Sunday, January 26, 1862**

At daylight commenced to put the things on board the Winfield Scott which was then at the Dock. One of the horses fell off the Dock and was killed. Took breakfast with Co. K. Engineers. At 11 AM we embarked and the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. and Eng. on board the Mayflower. At 3 o'clock we started in company with 2 gun boats. We arrived at the mouth of Coopers River, opposite Dawfuskie Island and in sight of Fort Pulaski. Could see the steeples in the City of Savannah at sun down where we anchored for the night. At Midnight Corpl Dutcher of Co. fell overboard and was drowned. Ordy. Smith fell off the Pilot House.

**Monday, January 27, 1862**

Got under weigh at 8 o'clock and started up the Cooper river, with 3 Gun Boats leading. At 10 AM we anchored to wait for the tide. The Mayflower had the Fanny Keating in tow. At 3 ½ we started again. Proceeded as far as Pine Island. The Gen thought the channel to narrow, so he ordered the Right Wing of our Regt. to land on Dawfuski and march across the island. Cos. H. I. F. G. and A. landed. The Gun Boats and the Mayflower went through the Narrows, which was very crooked. We then anchored for the night. About Midnight the Mayflower came back and took the Keating in tow, and went through the Narrows again. Slept all night on the Deck.

**Tuesday, January 28, 1862**

At 4 AM started to go through the Narrows, but got fast on the Point at the mouth of New River and on Long Pine Island. We tried in vain to get her off as the tide was then fast falling. We then signalled to the Gun Boat McClellan which was then at Coopers Landing, anchored. But she could give us no assistance. As the tide fell the old Scott begin to brake in two, and by low water she was nearly bare. At 2 o'clock the tide rose and the steamer began to fill and by high water she was entirely filled. leaving her a total wreck. We succeeded in getting all the things out of her on Long Pine Island. The Gun Boats chased Tatnells fleet out of Wrights River. We shot about 20 cattle on the Island. The Mayflower came back and took Cos. C & K and about half of the things to Coopers Landing. Slept all night on the meadows. Clear and cool.

**Wednesday, January 29, 1862**

Fine and clear. The Mayflower returned at Noon. The McClellan left for Hilton Head at 7 AM. Went oystering in the forenoon and I saw more than I ever saw before at once. Went in swimming in a Crick. The Gun Boats again chased the Rebel Boats. Loaded the things on the Mayflower in the afternoon. Went on board about Dark and staid all night on the Boat.

**Thursday, January 30, 1862**

Put the horses on board and left the Scott with 8 guards in charge. Landed on Dawfuskie Island at 10 AM. At 11 AM the Ben Deford came up with a Brig in tow to take the machinery out of the Scott. Went into some houses near by to Qtr until we joined the Regt. Heavy firing up towards Savannah. Appointed Sergt of the Guard. At 5 PM the Mayflower left for the Gun Boats in Wrights River.

**Friday, January 31, 1862**

Clear and moderate. The Guard House under a live oak tree 7 feet in diameter and 90 feet across its branches. The Col Adjutant and Quartermaster went to the South end of the Island to where the right Wing of the Regt was encamped and returned at dark. Relieved from Guard at 4 o'clock PM. Wrote a letter to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, February 1, 1862**

At 8 AM sent the mail to Hilton Head by Sergt Corwin and W. C. Chester. At 9 o'clock we was ordered to march the island to join the Regt. Co. E was detailed to stay and help guard the Scott. We had a fine march and arrived at 1 PM at the Camp, which was in sight of Pulaski and Savannah. We pitched our tents in the afternoon and in the edge of the woods.

**Sunday, February 2, 1862**

300 of our men detailed to work and carry polls to the Dock. Co. F out on Picket. I put up a Mess tent for the Col. I went to see the Flower garden at Mungeon's Plantation on Picket. Major Beard returned from his scouting expedition up the Savannah River.

**Monday, February 3, 1862**

The whole Battallion out carrying polls to the Dock, distance over a mile. 4 Gun Boats went up the New River and shelled out the Rebels from a Battery which they was erecting to command the River. They skedaddled taking all with them. They then landed and burned the Plantation houses along the river. The Engineers built a Dock to load the polls. Went and dug a lot of sweet potatoes.

**February 4, 1862**

The whole Battallion out carrying polls to the Dock. The Gun Boats came out of New River and anchored near Walls cut. Co. K of the Engineers went to Jones Island to prepare to erect a Battery to command the Channel of the Savannah River. The Mayflower came up to the Dock from the Head with a small Express and the new Instruments for the Band. The Mail sent to Tibee Island. Orderly under arrest.

**Wednesday, February 5, 1862**

The whole Battallion out carrying polls to the Dock. Capt. Knowles went over to Pine Island and got a large Raft of Boards. The Rebel Gun Boats tried to get down to Fort Pulaski but was driven back by our fleet. Recd the Journal and letters from J.E.P. Abbott and L. W. Lodge.

**Thursday, February 6, 1862**

The whole Battallion out carrying polls, each 20 feet long. Sergt W. J. Carlton recd his Commission as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut and was assigned to Co. H. Corpl Ring of Co. K recd his commission as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. in the 59<sup>th</sup> Regt. N.Y.S.Vols. and left for Hilton Head in the Mayflower. Ody released from arrest. Wrote for the Atlantic Journal. Sent home a pamphlet and paper. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Friday, February 7, 1862**

All carrying polls to the Dock. I went into Dr. Mulfords tent to take some letters and his wife was just getting up so I skedaddled. Rebel Gun Boats throwing shells at our boys. Fort Jackson also firing at them, but with no success. The Henry A. Andrews ran the Blockade at Fort Pulaski. The Rebels did not hit her. The mail arrived. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, Wm. S. Bacon, Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, February 8, 1862**

Capt. Elmandoff shot a rattlesnake out carrying polls to the Dock.. A heavy thunder shower in the Evening. The lightning struck a tree close to our Camp, killed 1 and stunned 3 others, all of the R. I. 3<sup>rd</sup>. A riot in the camp of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. Our Regt called out to quell them. Our Gun Boats succeeded in getting through Walls Cut into Wrights River. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Sunday, February 9, 1862**

No polls being carried today. 4 men permanently detailed at the Generals headquarters. Showery all day. 14 men detailed to go on board the Mayflower to work on the Battery or to make preparations. The mail came in from Hilton Head. Recd the Atlantic Journal, letter from W. T. Abbott.

**Monday, February 10, 1862**

One half of the Regt carrying polls. The other half helping to get the guns up to Jones Island. A Rebel Gun Boat ran down to Fort Pulaski. Our Gun Boats within range but did not fire at her. Some of our men within 200 yards of the Rebel Boat Ida, but was not discovered. Lt. Hurst and 6 men went up a small creek towards the upland in a boat, ran in some Rebel Pickets, then landed and burned the Plantation houses. Our Fatigues out all night.

**Tuesday, February 11, 1862**

I was promoted from 5<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Sergt in Carltons place. Cpl Crammer to 5<sup>th</sup> Sergt, C. Harbison to 8<sup>th</sup> Cpl, Mac remained 4<sup>th</sup> Sergt. 150 of our men went up to Jones Island at 4 PM. At 7 PM we commenced to pull the cannon, 6 of them., across to the Savannah, a distance of 1 mile. The mud was over knee deep. We got our supper at 11 o'clock that night. At 2 AM we succeeded in getting 2 of them in Battery and the rest nearly across. We was all glad for morning to come.

**Wednesday, February 12, 1862**

By 10 o'clock we succeeded in getting the other 4 guns in Battery. The Engineers relieved us on the last gun. We soon had the guns all masked in the reed along the banks of the Savannah. Then crossed the river and cut and destroyed nearly 3 miles of the telegraph wire leading from the City to Fort Pulaski. Lt. Dunbar accidentally shot Private Sears of Co. G. while on Picket. Was relieved by the 48 and arrived in Camp at 9 o'clock in the Evening.

**Thursday, February 13, 1862**

150 detailed under Capt. Cowan all armed to go on a Scouting party. 150 worked on the Battery. No Rebel boats down the river. The mail left Camp. Wrote to W. T. Abbott.

**Friday, February 14, 1862**

200 detailed to work on the Battery. At 10 o'clock a Rebel Boat came down the River. Our Battery gave her 9 shots, but she succeeded in getting down to Fort Pulaski. Our Gun Boats went up New River, shelled out another Battery and returned. Another Rebel boat came down but did not succeed in getting past the Battery. We fired several shots at them, one or two taking effect. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, February 15, 1862**

A Contraband came down to the Battery from Savannah. 200 detailed to work on the Battery for 48 hours. Commenced storming in the morning. Three Rebel Gun Boats came down and attacked our Battery. We fired 34 Guns and 30 of them hit them. The Western World and Hale fired a few shots at them. We succeeded in driving them off. Their Flag Ship had to be towed off as she was entirely disabled by our Battery.. The Tide was all over the meadows about knee deep. Foggy and stormy all night.

**Sunday, February 16, 1862**

A Fatigue sent to relieve those on Jones Island. I went with them. It was storming and foggy. We got to the Island at 10 AM. The tide all over the meadows. At 11 o'clock the Battery opened fire on a Rebel Boat. She turned and went back without returning the fire. At 4 PM a large raft of Pitch Pine logs came down the River and we towed it ashore, Threwed up a bank around the Guns. 5 Companys of the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine came to Dawfuskie and encamped close to us.

**Monday, February 17, 1862**

Stormy. Tide all over the meadows. A contraband came down from Savannah and reported the Rebels leaving the City. At 9 AM we left for Camp, relieved by the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine. None of the 48 on Fatigue. I have been acting as Orderly Sergt since the 14<sup>th</sup> since Tantum is sick. Cpl Dallas Emmons was reduced to the rank for incompetency. W. C. Chester promoted to 8<sup>th</sup> Cpl in his place. The Pemia, Senaca and Ottawa went down to Hilton Head. Storming.

**Tuesday, February 18, 1862**

200 out on Fatigue at the Battery. The three companies of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. left for Tibee Island to join their Regt. Our Battery fired on a Rebel Boat and drove her off. Heavy firing at Tibee Island. Suppose that they are practicing. Heavy firing off in the Wassaw Sound. The sick arrived from Hilton Head in the Honduras. The Pay Master came to Camp. Acting as Orderly, Tantum sick.

**Wednesday, February 19, 1862**

Clear and warm Signed the Pay Rolls at 7 o'clock AM. Commenced paying Co. G at 9 o'clock AM, Co. D. was payed off at 11 AM. I recd 2 months pay \$34. No fatigue from the 48<sup>th</sup>. Fort Pulaski gave a few shots. Our Battery firing on the Rebel Spile Driver in the Wilmington River and drove them off. Drew rations for the Co. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, February 20, 1862**

250 of our Regt detailed for fatigue. I went in Sergt. Crammers place. The Schooner J. Randolph arrived with a load of Sutlers goods for Adams. The fatigue remained all day at the Dock preparing to erect another Battery on the Savannah. They was unloading the Sutlers goods at the Dock. Mail left Camp.

**Friday, February 21, 1862**

100 of our men detailed to help build the new Battery on Birds Island with 3 days rations and all armed. Heavy firing on Tibee Island about Midnight. The Mayflower came up from Hilton Head. The Locust Point arrived with the Express. Sergt. Crammer on Guard in my place clearing up the Parrade grounds. Private Comminger of Co. K shot off his thumb while on Picket through accident.

**Saturday, February 22, 1862**

100 more out on fatigue at the Dock without arms. The Battery on Tibee Island fired a salute of 30 Minute Guns in honor of Washington's Birthday. The Battery fired on a Rebel Gun Boat trying to get to Pulaski. The 2 Batteries fired a salute of 30 minute Guns. The Col. gave a grand supper to Gen. Viele and Staff and to the Cpts. The Lieuts. also had a big supper so as not to be behind the times.

**Sunday, February 23, 1862**

100 detailed to carry lumber to the Dock. The Batteries fired on a Rebel Steamer. Preaching in the Woods at 3 o'clock PM. Text 15 Chapter of Revelations. Captured 3 Rebel prisoners from Fort Pulaski, Ga. up the Wilmington River. Wrote to W. S. Bacon

**Monday, February 24, 1862**

Companies A and D was detailed to go to the Batteries. Co A. to Birds Island, Co. D to Jones Island. We went on board the Mayflower and started at 11 o'clock, but we had gone not more than ¼ of a mile when her machinery broke. We remained on her until 3 PM when the O. M. Pettitt took us off. Then went to Mungeons Plantation and took a lot of scows in tow. We arrived at Jones Island Battery at Sun down. Slept on the Meadows.

**Tuesday, February 25, 1862**

At 7 AM Co. A. went across to Birds Island. Lt. Col Barton and Capt. Knowles went to Dawfuskie to Camp in a row boat at 10 AM. Capt. Knowles returned in the afternoon with the blankets for the men. Built reed tents to sleep in. John Doering went to the hospital.

**Wednesday, February 26, 1862**

The tide came all over the meadows in the morning. The men threw up a bank around the tents to keep the water out. Commenced storming at noon and the fatigue had to quit work. Sergt. Tantum came up from Camp with the Comps mail. I recd 3 papers and letters from Martha Webster, M. E. Baldwin, Emily Frazier.

**Thursday, February 27, 1862**

At work on the Battery. Got some of the submarine Telegraph which lead from Savannah to Fort Pulaski. 3 Companies of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. and Cos, E and G of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. was paid off at the Battery. Capt. Knowles returned to Camp to make out the Co. pay rolls. Signal Rockets in the Evening at Wassaw Sound.

**Friday, February 28, 1862**

At work on the Battery. The Rebel Gun Boats came as far down as the St. Augustine Creek, but not in range of our Batteries. Lt. Col. W. B. Barton and Lt. Paxson went up the River Ducking, saw Rebel Pickets on the meadows opposite Elba Island. About 10 in the evening we heard their Pickets talk and we fired at them when they moved farther up the River.

**Saturday, March 1, 1862**

Unloaded the Mayflower in the morning and then went to work on the Battery. Co. A. was relieved by Co. G. At 10 AM Gen Viele came up to the Batteries. Capt Knowles came up to the Baty and brought 2 day rations so we had to stay 2 days more.

**Sunday, March 2, 1862**

The first Platoon at work on the Baty while the 2<sup>nd</sup> went to the Dock to unload the Mayflower. Heard of the capture of Fort Donaldson, Ky by our troops. A surprise about 9 o'clock in the Evening and we was soon under arms. The Batteries fired on their small boats. When they left our Pickets caught a Secesh Spy and sent him to Hilton Head.

**Monday, March 3, 1862**

Capt. Knowles went to Camp in a row boat. At 10 AM the Mayflower came up with Cos. F, H. and K. to relieve us after 8 days. We went on board and as the tide was then out we did not get off and to Camp until 1 o'clock at night. 2 Darkeys came into Camp from Augusta, Ga. They had been chased by Bloodhounds and shot. One had his arm nearly torn off by the dogs. The other had been shot in his left leg and right arm.

**Tuesday, March 4, 1862**

Private Jerome of Co. G. died in the hospital at 2 o'clock AM and was buried at 4 PM. Our new tents came and we pitched them in the afternoon. Had my whiskers shaved off. Sent a paper to Uncle Clark with some cotton and submarine wire. Wrote for Petersons Magazine for Rebecca. Wrote to Martha Webster, Emily Frazier.

**Wednesday, March 5, 1862**

Drew clothing for the men. The O. M. Pettitt ran out into the Savannah River and had a brisk skirmish with the Rebel Boats, but drove them off. Another Contraband came into Camp. Wrote a letter for W. H. Smith to G. P. Patterson. The mail came to Camp. Recd 2 Journals and one Enquirer, letters from Father, J.E.P. Abbott, L. W. Lodge, Lizzie Raymond

**Thursday, March 6, 1862**

Great rejoicing in Camp on account of the great Union victory in the West. A fire broke out in the Woods. Had to move the Guard House to prevent its burning. No Dress Parrade. Storming until 8 o'clock in the Evening. Sent a paper with some cotton and sub Telegraph Wire to Hiram Lodge. Wrote to Johnson Dubois..

**Friday, March 7, 1862**

All quiet in Camp. A Rebel Battery opened fire on our Gun Boats in the Savannah River and Mud River. Gen. Viele sent for reinforcements to Hilton Head. Mail leaves Camp twice a day. Sent some cotton and Telegraph Wire in a paper home. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin

**Saturday, March 8, 1862**

The Col. ordered Company Drill for 4 hours per day. Private Conklin of Co. K died in the hospital. At 4 o'clock PM the N. H. 3<sup>rd</sup> came up to reinforce us. Reported being fired at by some Rebel Pickets between Seabrook and Dawfuskie Island. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Sunday, March 9, 1862**

Received orders to get 40 rounds of cartridges and to be ready to move at any moment. Appointed Sergt of the Guard mounted at 8 AM. Company Inspection at 9 AM. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. started for Jones Island to be ready for an advance on the Rebels if required. Conklin of Co. K. was buried at 11 AM. The whole Regt out to the Funeral. The mail came to Camp. Recd letter from C. T. Abbott. Wrote to W. T. Abbott.

**Monday, March 10, 1862**

Went the Grand Rounds at 1 o'clock at night. Countersign Chesapeake. Relieved from Guard at 8 AM. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. came back from Jones Island and reported the Battery on St Augustine evacuated by the Rebels on the night before, fearing an attack by our forces. 2 Rebel deserters from Savannah came to the Gun Boat Hale, one in uniform. They brought Savannah papers of the 10<sup>th</sup> reported the City in a State of Panic.

**Tuesday, March 11, 1862**

Storming hard. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N.H. went back to Hilton Head. Corpl Singleton of Co. E. and Private Dolton of Co. C was drowned in Cooper River. They was out in a small boat and she filled with them. No drill or Parrade during the day. Cleared off at 8 o'clock in the Evening.

**Wednesday, March 12, 1862**

Three Companies of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. went on board the Mayflower and went to Tibee Island where they joined their Regt. No drill but Parrade at 4 o'clock. Plaid ball nearly all day. Class meeting in Capt. Cowan's Tent in the Evening.

**Thursday, March 13, 1862**

Clear and warm. All out on drill. The adjutant had some old buildings moved from the old camp of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. up to Head Quarters. Three Rebel Gun Boats tried to run our batteries on Jones and Bird Islands, but was driven back, and two of them was disabled so that they had to be towed out of range of our Guns. Prayer meeting in Capt. Knowles Tent in the Evening.

**Friday, March 14, 1862**

All quiet in Camp. Usual drilling all day. Cleared up Camp. Our Company was changed from Left Flank Co. to the Right Center Co. on account of Segniority. Co. H took our place. Our Pickets fired on a boat load of Secesh in New River and drove them entirely off.

**Saturday, March 15, 1862**

Stormed in the morning, but cleared off about 10 o'clock AM and then blowed a perfect gale all day. Cpl. Pimm put in as acting Seergt in Sert. Pattersons place. Mail came in Camp. Recd some papers. Recd a paper from Cape May. Wrote to C. T. Abbott, Rebecca Abbott.

**Sunday, March 16, 1862**

All quiet in Camp. Cpl. Pimm and myself got a pass and went to Mungeon's Plantation and then followed the beach around to Stoddards Plantation which was about 3 miles. The tide was down and we got a number of sea shells. A large fire was out in the Woods and came near burning the Stoddards Plantation houses. The Col. sent 50 men to put out the fire. Mail in. Recd letters from A. H. Gibson, M. A. Treen, M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, March 17, 1862**

Clear and warm. Nearly all our Company out on Guard and Picket. We relieved Companies B & I's guard. After Dress Parrade the Col. thought that the gnats was so thick that we would have no Battallion at all. Wrote to Manie A. Treen

**Tuesday, March 18, 1862**

At 9 AM Companies B and I went on board the Mayflower and went up to Jones Island and relieved Companies F and G. No drill all day. The back papers came up to Camp. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Wednesday, March 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Sergt of the Guard. No drill all day. We was ordered to get 10 days rations and to be ready to go to Jones Island. The Capt drew clothing for the Company. Comp's F and G came back to Camp in the Evening. Two Rebel prisoners was brought into Camp by Col. Barton. Had quite a shower in the Evening. Had a bad night on Guard, Countersign was Potomac.

**Thursday, March 20, 1862**

Was relieved by Sergt. Wiggins from Guard. Company D started for Jones Island at 8 o'clock. At 10 AM I started up with the Guards but it rained and blowed so hard that we had to go ashore when the O. M. Pettitt came along and towed us up into Mud River. We got to Jones Island at 4 o'clock PM. Stormed all night. Cos. H and K returned to Camp in small boats.

**Friday, March 21, 1862**

Clear. We was all detailed to build the parapets around the large Columbiad. Lieut Mosier detailed to act as Adj. in Carlton's place on the Island. Went up the Savannah River on Picket. All quiet during the night. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N.H. and 5 comps of the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine came to Dawfuskie. Lt. Bodine detailed to act as Provost Marshall for Dawfuskie Island.

**Saturday, March 22, 1862**

Clear and warm. At work on the parapet at the big Gun again. The Lady Davis came down the river but did not come down within range of our Batteries. The O. M. Pettitt went up New River and shelled out the Rebel Pickets in the woods. Lt. Mosier went down to Camp after the mail. Cpl. Lyons of Co. F died in the Hospital. Mail came in at 6 PM. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, H. S. Shuster.

**Sunday, March 23, 1862**

Detailed to fix the magazine to prevent the shells from bursting in the Doar. Had orders to be ready for an attack by the rebel boats. Our Pickets on Cooper River fired into one of the lances from the Western World and killed one man, before discovering their mistake. Had Dress Parrade and Inspection of Arms at 4 o'clock PM. After which Capt. Knowles preached us a short sermon.

**Monday, March 24, 1862**

Clear. Wind West. At work on the Magazine. Gens. Sherman and Viele came up to the Batteries and retrnd the same day. The Murency, Petrell and Boston came up from the Head. The Boston brought the mail to Dawfuskie. Tantum went to Camp to draw rations. The mail came up to the Island at 6 o'clock in the Evening. Recd a letter from J. E. P. Abbott, Journal.

**Tuesday, March 25, 1862**

Clear and warm. Sergt Crammer fell overboard while out on Picket. Gen. Hunter came to Hilton Head to supercede Gen. Sherman. The Murency and O. M. Pettitt went up Wrights River and shelled the Woods again. I was selected as Cockswain of Capt. Knowles Boat to board the Rebel boats with hand granades. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, March 26, 1862**

Capt. Knowles went to Camp. Practiced with the granades. Smoked my first segar without affecting me in the least. A. Magee was put on a barrell for laziness. Bosworth swore off smoking a pipe. Filled the granades, ready for an attack at any moment.

**Thursday, March 27, 1862**

The Doctor and Lady came up to the Battery. Also the Adjutant. The Rebels burned off the grass in front of their Batteries. Had orders to be ready to go back to Camp in the morning. Sergt Mc Nair of the Engineers died in the Hospital of the 48<sup>th</sup>.

**Friday, March 28, 1862**

The orders to return to Camp was countermanded and orders to stay ten days more. The men well satisfied hoping to see some fun soon. Co. F of the 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. came to reinforce us in case of an attack. 5 vessels came to the Blockade off Tibee, J. H. Graham and J. Murthur, the drummer, had a fight. Paul Parkins had the real Manapoche.

**Saturday, March 29, 1862**

Still at work on the Battery. Capt. Knowles and Cpl. Lippincott went to Camp sick. Col. Barton and some of the officers of the Gun Boats went up the river on a scouting expedition. Thought they saw the Rebel Iron Clad Georgia up above Fort Jackson. Ten days rations came up to the Baty for us.

**Sunday, March 30, 1862**

Comp's C and E came up to the Island in the Pettit. Co E went over to Birds Island and C relieved us on Jones Island. Started for Camp at 9 AM. One of the Engineers shot a large alligator at the mouth of Mud River. Got to Camp at 10 AM. Church in the Grove at 3 PM. Preaching by our Col. Text from Jonah 2<sup>nd</sup> Ch. and 4<sup>th</sup> verse. The Chaplain went up to Jones Island to preach for them. Co. I got to Camp at 7 PM.

**Monday, March 31, 1862**

Detailed as Sergt of the Guard. Lt. Paxton Officer of the Guard. Capt Elmandoff Officer of the Day. Sergt Spooners mother came to Camp. Mrs. Gen. Viele came to Head Quarters. Our Band went over to serenade them in the Evening. Kelly, while on Post, called for Cpl of the Guard. He thought their was a man dieing in the Woods, but the Cpl soon found 4 men in the Woods holding a prayer meeting to themselves. Quite a joke. The Army countersign was Newburn, the Navy Desota. Wrote to H. S. Shuster.

**Tuesday, April 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. Relieved from guard at 8 AM. Gen. Hunter and Staff arrived at the Head by the Atlantic. Capt. Knowles Tent caught fire and in 5 minutes was burned to the ground. He saved nearly all his things, but some of his clothes got scorched. No Drill today. The boys seem to enjoy themselves by fooling each other. Six of Pattersons new recruits came to Camp.

**Wednesday, April 2, 1862**

The Drill hours was all changed from 6 to 3 hours per day, from 10 to 11; from 4 to 5; from 6 to 7 PM. Weather fine and clear. Nothing unusual happened. The mail came to Camp. Recd letters from Martha Webster, M. E. Baldwin, Sallie E. Webster. Wrote a letter to Sergt Patterson from W. H. Smith.

**Thursday, April 3, 1862**

All quiet in Camp. Fine and clear. Company D was out in the Woods skirmishing. Was exceedingly warm all day. The Col. gave us a hard Drill on Batallion. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Friday, April 4, 1862**

One of the Companies of the 46<sup>th</sup> N.Y.V. German Regt. went over from Tibee Island to Wilmington Island on a scouting expedition. Had a brisk skirmish with the Rebels and 18 of them was taken prisoners by the Rebels. Also the 47<sup>th</sup> was surprised by the Rebels and after a severe battle, they was repulsed and the 47<sup>th</sup> charged on three of their boats and took them prisoners, 80 in all. Their was 5 companies of the 47<sup>th</sup> and 7 of the Rebels.

**Saturday, April 5, 1862**

Tom White and I went out fishing with the Col., Adjutant and Capt. Elmandoff in a boat, caught nothing. At 10 AM we was ordered by the Col. to have each Company ready to march to Haigs Point within half an hour, where Co. K had gathered a quantity of clams, oysters and invited the Regt. to come and dine with them. We had a nice time to ourselves. Our officers was all sick or on duty so I took command of Co. D. Got back to Camp at sundown nearly tired to death.

**Sunday, April 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Had Co. Inspection at 9 o'clock AM after which the boys went to the river to bathe after their journey. Preaching at 2 PM by our Chaplain in the Grove. Text: Job 36 Ch, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> verses. Capt Strickland's tent burned down. The Pay Master arrived in the Mayflower at 4 PM. 2 Cos. of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. arrived and left for Birds Island. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, April 7, 1862**

The Hale and Murency went up Wrights River and shelled out a Rebel Battery. Commenced to drill the Bayonet Exercise. Signed the pay rolls. The Batteries on Tibee, the Blockaders and the 2 Batteries on the Islands was signalling by rockets. Gen Benham came up to Dawfuskie. Then went up to Jones and Birds Island Batteries.

**Tuesday, April 8, 1862**

At 11 o'clock last evening 50 of Co. F. was detailed to go on board the O. M. Pettitt to help repulse the Rebels near the Winfield Scott. The 28<sup>th</sup> Mass. came up to Dawfuskie at 8 AM. 2 Cos. of the 28<sup>th</sup> sent to Jones Island to relieve 2 Cos. of the 48<sup>th</sup>. Cos. D, F, S, H, I of our Regt was paid off up to the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. Curtis came up to Camp. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott. Sent home \$25.

**Wednesday, April 9, 1862**

A heavy thunder shower in the morning with heavy rain until 9 AM and then cleared off nice. The 8<sup>th</sup> Maine was paid off at our Camp. Gen Benham and staff came to see the Bombardment of Fort Pulaski, Ga. Inspected our Arms and Equipment. The mail came into Camp. Recd the Journal and letters from W. T. Abbott, Rebecca Abbott, L. W. Lodge.

**Thursday, April 10, 1862**

The long looked for Bombardment of Pulaski commenced this morning at 8 o'clock. The engagement was commenced by the Batteries on Tibee Island which was answered by the Fort and the general engagement commenced. At 10 AM their Flag was shot away by a shell from Tibee, after which it was placed on a poll on the ramparts and only six feet above the walls. At 3 PM it was shot away the 2<sup>nd</sup> time, when it was replaced again on the same poll. The fight continued with increasing fury until dark. The Gun Boats did not fire during the day. The Rebel Gun Boats showed no disposition to come down the River. The firing ceased at 8 o'clock in the Evening. But at midnight our Batteries opened on them again, which was kept up until morning.

**Friday, April 11, 1862**

The firing was continuing at daylight, but the Fort did not reply until 7 o'clock AM when they again returned the fire. At five minutes of 9 AM a shell from Tibee cut away their Flag the third time, but was soon replaced. The firing was continued with great accuracy from our side. At 10 AM the Battery of 3 large mortars on Long Island opened on the Fort and was speedily returned from the Fort. At 1 ¼ PM the Fort became breached on the Tibee front of the Fort. Their Magazine was almost tore away. And they in danger of being blown up. At 2 o'clock PM the Rebel Flag was waved 3 times and then lowered and the white flag was hoisted and the Fort surrendered to our men. The Bombardment closed having continued 34 hours. Our troops was soon to the Fort. The Old Flag of 76 was soon hoisted and its golden folds unfurled to the breeze and floated triumphant over the Walls of the Doomed Fortress. The Troops hailed its appearance with gladden hearts and felt amply repaid for all their hardships and exposures.. One of the Blockaders soon came up to the Fort. It was the first American Flag which has sailed up past Pulaski for over a year.

**Saturday, April 12, 1862**

The day fine and clear. The old Flag looks splendid on an old Rebel flag staff. 3 vessels at the Fort and 2 Gun Boats. Col. Perry, the Adjutant and Doctor went over to the Fort in the O. M. Pettitt. The Blockaders all came up to the Fort. The wind blew hard from the East. A brig came up into Wrights River. Heavy firing off towards the Wassaw Sound. Wrote to W. T. Abbott, J. E. P. Abbott.

**Sunday, April 13, 1862**

Company C went down to Haigs Point and relieved Co .K which returned to Camp. The Gun Boats still at the Fort. Had preaching at 3 PM by our Chaplain, Text: Jeremiah 6<sup>th</sup> Ch. and 16<sup>th</sup> verse. The 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. came back to Camp. Wrote for the Journal, wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Monday, April 14, 1862**

Stormed until Noon when it cleared off fine and clear Wind West. John Doering came out of the Hospital. Nothing of importance occurred during the day. Bought a new portfolio. The mail came in. Great rejoicing over the victory of Corinth. Recd the Journal, letters from C. W. Abbott, Emily Frazier. Wrote to Emily Frazier, Mary Marshall.

**Tuesday, April 15, 1862**

All quiet in Camp. Ordinary Drills. Lieut. Paxson Officer of the Guard. Orderly drunk and raised a great time with the men. He butchered a calf in the Evening. Ronk dug a new well. Went over to the Engineers Camp. Had to Drill the Co.. Had a fine shower on Dress Parrade and the Battallion was dispersed.

**Wednesday, April 16, 1862**

Had a hard shower in the morning. Crammer took my place on Guard. Capt. Green Officer of the Day, Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Had to drill the Company. Sergt Crammer was taken sick and I had to go on Guard. Grand Rounds at 12 ½ at night. Countersign was Pulaski. Night fine and clear. All quiet. Wrote to Abm. Owen, Riceville.

**Thursday, April 17, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Relieved from Guard at 8 o'clock AM. Capt Furgison Offr. of the Day. Lt. Carlton Offr. of the Guard. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Pickets. Comps F and K went up to Jones Island and relieved Comps A and B which returned to camp at 9 in the Evening. Countersign Island No. 10.

**Friday, April 18, 1862**

Fine and clear. Very warm. Wind South East. Capt. Strickland Offr. of the Day. Lt. Paxson Offr. of the Guard. Comps. C and E returned from Birds Island at 6 o'clock AM. All quiet in Camp. Countersign was Corinth.

**Saturday, April 19, 1862**

Capt. Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Hurst Offr of the Guard. Private Walker of Comp. F died in the Hospital. A large drove of cattle was brought up from Hilton Head. Mail arrived by the Honduras. Received the Journal and a letter from M. E. Baldwin. Answered. Countersign Stony Creek.

**Sunday, April 20, 1862**

Clear and warm. Had Company Inspection at 9 AM. Had Brigade Guard Mounting at Head Quarters at 8 AM. Capt. Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Walker was buried at 3 PM. The whole Regt was out to the Funeral which was preached by our Chaplain. Countersign Winchester. Wrote to W. T. Glover.

**Monday, April 21, 1862**

Stormed hard and blowed perfect Gale until noon, when it cleared off nice. 2 Rebel deserters came to Birds Island and was sent to Head Quarters. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of Guard. Had Battallion Drill at 4 o'clock PM. Countersign Cheat Mountain. Wrote to Susie Patterson for W. H. Smith.

**Tuesday, April 22, 1862**

Col. Perry went down to Hilton Head. Blowed a perfect Gale all day from Nth West. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Elfwing Offr of Guard. Usual Drills. Countersign was Monitor.

**Wednesday, April 23, 1862**

Col. returned from the Head. The Lt. Col, Adjutant, Capt. Knowles and 7 men who had been discharged left for New York at 10 AM. Capt. Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Carlton Offr. of Guard. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Picket. Cpl. McGuigan was put in the Guard House. Countersign was New York. Wrote to C. W. Abbott

**Thursday, April 24, 1862**

The 28<sup>th</sup> Mass. marched down to Haigs Point for exercise and returned at 5 PM. Lieut Nichols appointed to act as Adjutant in A. W. Goodells absence. Capt Strickland Offr. of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr. of the Guard. Lt. Paxson Offr. of the Picket. Went blackberrying. Countersign was Buffalo.

**Friday, April 25, 1862**

Clear and warm. Capt. Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Guard. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Picket. Hours of drills changed from 9 to 11 AM to 8 to 9 AM and from 4 to 6 to Battallion Drill from 6 to 7 PM. Sergt Hammell was put in Ody Sergt of Co. A by the Col. on Dress Parrade. Countersign was New Jersey.

**Saturday, April 26, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Picket Arthur McGuigan was reduced to the ranks and Thos. M. White was put in 8<sup>th</sup> Corp in his place. Comps G and K returned from Jones Island to Camp. Had a thunder shower in the afternoon. No Dress Parrade. Countersign was Vermont.

**Sunday, April 27, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind West. 3 Comps of the 28<sup>th</sup> Mass went to Haigs Point and relieved the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine, who was ordered to join their Regt. on Tibee Island. McGuigan released from the Guard House. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. No preaching, the Chaplain was sick. Had inspection at 9 AM. Countersign Valley Forge. Wrote to Maggie T. Gandy.

**Monday, April 28, 1862**

Cloudy, Wind West. Capt. Foster Offr. of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. Capt. Traverse got a furlough and went home. Chas Brush of Co. A. died in the Hospital at 8 o'clock in the Evening. Countersign was Princeton.

**Tuesday, April 29, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Went blackberrying with Fitch, Giddis and Doering. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Picket. Fitch got lost in the woods and did not get to Camp until night. Brush was buried at 3 o'clock PM. Countersign was Lexington.

**Wednesday, April 30, 1862**

Wind North West. Clear. Had Muster and Regimental Inspection and Reviewing at 3 o'clock PM. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Picket. Thunder shower in the evening. Countersign was Boston.

**Thursday, May 1, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind South West. Lt. Paxson took a squad and went up New River on a reconnaissance. Returned at 5 PM and reported seeing Rebel Pickets on Pine Island. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Had a heavy thunder shower in the afternoon. Had no Dress Parrade. Countersign was New York. Went blackberrying, got 4 quarts.

**Friday, May 2, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. I was Sergt of the Guard. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Picket. Col. Perry went to Hilton Head and returned at Midnight. Orderly Tantum and Corp. Pimm went to the Stoddard Plantation. Grand Rounds at 1 AM. Nothing new in camp. Counterisgn was Long Island.

**Saturday, May 3, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Relieved from Guard at 8 AM. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr. of the Guard. Lt. Lockwood Offr of the Picket. Lt. Corwin returned from New York. Lt. Gale of Comp. K resigned. The Oriental came in with the mail. Went in bathing in Cooper River. Countersign was Battery Hamilton.

**Sunday, May 4, 1862**

Sergts Patterson, Fox, McCalla and Shultz came to Camp at 7 AM. Company Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. Regimental Review and Inspection at 10 AM Capt. Elmandoff Offr. of the Day. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Guard. Lt. Miller Offr of the Picket. Preaching in the Grove at 3 PM by Sergt Ervine of Co. G. Text: John 5<sup>th</sup> Chapt., 28 and 29 verses. Mail arrived. Recd a letter from L. W. Lodge. Answered.

**Monday, May 5, 1862**

Capt. Lent Offr of the Day. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Swartmont Offr of the Picket. Col. Perry went to Hilton Head in the morning. Dress Parrade at sundown. Capt. Foster in command. McGuigans dog Jeff was tied up at the Guard House for being loose on Battallion Drill. Countersign was Venus Point.

**Tuesday, May 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Fixed arbours around our tents. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Elfwing Offr of the Picket. Countersign Birds Island. The Col. came back from the Head and brought the mail. Recd letters from B. J. Abbott, J.E.P. Abbott, H. S. Shuster, M. E. Baldwin, M. Webster, M. A. Treen.

**Wednesday, May 7, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Lt. Lockwood Offr of the Picket. Countersign Lundys Lane. Went blackberrying. Sergt G. P. Patterson went on Drill, had Battallion Drill and Dress Parrade. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott, H. S. Shuster.

**Thursday, May 8, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind West. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Picket. Countersign Army – Saratoga; Navy – Washington. Comps C and E went to Haigs Point, and Comps G and H went to Coopers River to relieve the 28<sup>th</sup> Mass. Wrote to Martha Webster, M. E. Baldwin.

**Friday, May 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Paxton Offr of the Guard. Countersign Bunker Hill. Had Bayonet Drill and Battallion and Dress Parrade. The Baltic left for New York.

**Saturday, May 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Countersign was Congress. Went in bathing. The mail left Camp at 11 o'clock AM. A heavy fire above Savannah. The Atlantic came in with news of the evacuation of Yorktown by the Rebels. Wrote to Manie A. Treen.

**Sunday, May 11, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind North. Company Inspection at 9 AM. Lt. Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Countersign was Brandywine. Church at 3 PM. Preaching by W. P. Brush of the N.Y. Conference. Text: 125 Psalm, 1<sup>st</sup> verse. Went with Sergt. Mc Dougall to Stoddards Plantation. I killed a large snake on a tree. Dress Parrade at 5 o'clock PM. Mail came into Camp. Recd a letter from Wm. J. Abbott, Answered.

**Monday, May 12, 1862**

Heavy wind at Nth East. The 28<sup>th</sup> Mass struck tents and went to Tibee Island. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Countersign Delaware. W. P. Brush had his brother taken up and put in a metallic coffin to take home. Gen. Hunter issued an order declaring Slavery forever free in the States of SC, Ga, Fla..

**Tuesday, May 13, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind West. Capt Furgison Offr of the Day Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. I was on Picket with Sergt Hutchinson. Countersign Washington. Killed a snake 8 feet long. Went up New River in the Picket boat. All quiet. Fine and warm. The Lt. Col. of the 46<sup>th</sup> N.Y.V. was shot through accident on Tibee Island by the Sergt of the Guard. Wrote to Chaney Smith.

**Wednesday, May 14, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Relieved from Picket by Sergt Fox of Comp. A. at 9 o'clock. Lt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Countersign Ft. Macon. Lt. Bodine started home on a furlough. A heavy thunder shower rained in torrents. Private Cassidy of Co. E. died in the Hospital.

**Thursday, May 15, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Lt. Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Perry Offr of the Guard. Countersign. Yorktown. Cassidy was buried at 3 o'clock PM. S. K. Duffle was put in the Guard House by Lt. Nichols. Gen Hunter went up to Savannah with a flag of truce by request of the Mayor of Savannah at 12 o'clock. Returned at 5 PM. 5 negroes came out of Charleston Harbor with the Planter of 5 guns and delivered her up to our Blockaders.

**Friday, May 16, 1862**

Cloudy, wind East. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Swartmont Offr of the Guard. Countersign Newburn. Duffle released by Offr Guar Sergt Jordan. 8 Privates of the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine went up to Savannah with a flag of truce, but for some reason the Rebels would not let them come back, but threatened to treat them as spies. The Guns on Birds Island was taken away and quicker ones replaced.

**Saturday, May 17, 1862**

Rained until Noon and then cleared off. Warm. Wind South West. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Day. Sergt Hutchinson Offr of the Guard. Countersign Winchester. Comp.H went to Jones Island as Picket Guard. Newhart was put in the Guard House for shooting off a gun in Camp. Had a heavy thunder shower and hard rain in the night.

**Sunday, May 18, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Sergt Fox Offr of the Guard. Countersign Cumberland. Col Perry went to the Head and retn at 7 PM. No church. John Wault of Co. H died in the hospital at 5 AM. Buried at 4 PM. Also one of the 28<sup>th</sup> Mass died in our hospital. Heavy thunder shower in the Evening. No Dress Parrade. Heavy rain all the Evening. The guns moved from Jones Island.

**Monday, May 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Lt. Elfwing Offr of the Day. McCalla Offr of the Guard. Countersign Ft. Henry. Col. Perry and Lt. Paxson went to the Head and returned at 11 PM. No Drill or Dress Parrade. Comps H and I returned to Camp. Fort Vulcan was evacuated in the night. Sergt. Donnelson of Co. E received a commission as Capt.in the 1<sup>st</sup> Union S. C. Vols of Blacks. Had a Mock trial between Timothy Doolittle and Mary Waterankles, case Seduction.

**Tuesday, May 20, 1862**

Clear. Wind West. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Day. Selvedge Offr of the Guard. Countersign Yorktown. No Battallion. We commenced to Drill on Light Artillery at the Head Quarters. Mail came in Camp. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, C. W. Abbott, W. T. Abbott, Lizzie Lodge, Mary Marshall, Weem.

**Wednesday, May 21, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind East. We drilled on a 24 Pdr Howitzer. McCoom of Comp H died in the hospital at 1 AM. Buried at 3 PM. Lt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Johnson Offr of the Guard. Countersign Fernandina. No Battallion. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott, L. W. Lodge, Mary Marshall.

**Thursday, May 22, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. East. The 6<sup>th</sup> Comp struck tents at sun rise and marched to Cooper River and embarked on board the Cosmopolitan for North Edisto Island. Lt Paxson Offr of the Day. Sergt. Johnson Offr of the Guard. Countersign Ft. Donaldson. No Drill or Battallion. A heavy thunder shower in the Evening and rained hard until Midnight.

**Friday, May 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Day. Abbott Offr of the Guard. Countersign Philadelphia. A British Brig came in and a salute of 21 guns was exchanged with Pulaski. The 28<sup>th</sup> Mass recd marching orders. Struck tents and was on their march to Cooper River where they embarked for North Edisto Island on board the Delaware. The 48<sup>th</sup> received orders to go to Ft. Pulaski, Ga. as soon as transportation will permit.

**Saturday, May 24, 1862**

Storming hard. Wind North. Lt. Elfwing Offr of the Day. Ser. Williams Offr of the Guard. Countersign Mongahan. We recd marching orders at 8 o'clock AM and at 3 PM we had struck tents and had all our things on board the Mattana and we then fell in and marched to Coopers Landing where we arrived at 4 ½ PM. Comps H F D and I went on Board the Honduras which lay at the Dock. The rest had to stay all night on shore. Commenced storming about midnight. We had good bunks.

**Sunday, May 25, 1862**

Storming. Wind N. East. Still on board the boat. Coms. A. G. K. came on board at 7 AM. At 8 o'clock started for Fort Pulaski. Anchored in Cooper river until 11 AM when we again started for the Fort, where we arrived at Noon. Disembarked at 2 PM. Found the Island to be low and sandy. A fine plank road leading to the Fort from the South Dock. We encamped near the North Dock. Storming. We found the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. in the Fort. The Fort was badly damaged by our Batteries

**Monday, May 26, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind North East. The boys all fishing in the moat. The Mayflower came up from the Head with a schooner in tow which she left at Tibee Island. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Day but 3 from each Comp on Guard, formerly 18. Mrs. Hanly came over from Tibee Island. Had Battallion and Dress Parrade. Wrote to Wm T. Abbott.

**Tuesday, May 27, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. The 15 Secesh Prisoners was brought out for their health. The Honduras and Planter came up from the Head. The Planter went through into the Wassaw. The Henry Andrews went up the Savannah River

and had quite an engagement with a Rebel Steamer, remained up the River all night. The Honduras and Mayflower went back to the Head. Jas. Hurbert of our Co. died in the Hospital at Dawfuskie and was buried. Lt. Perry Offr of the Day.

**Wednesday, May 28, 1862**

Fine morning. Wind West. Professor Low came here and made a Balloon assention at 8 o'clock AM and then again in the afternoon. Osborn of the Band went up once in it. The Cosmopolitan came up from the Head. The Western World and H. A. Andrews went up the River and engaged 4 Rebel Boats with no loss on our side, remained up the river, caught a fine mess of Bass. A heavy fatigue out to level the Parrade ground. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Day. Sergt Patterson Offr of the Guard.

**Thursday, May 29, 1862**

Fine and clear. Very warm. The Delaware came from Cooper River with Comps C and E on board to join the Regt. She then left for Hilton Head at 10 AM. Another engagement between the Gun Boats up the River. The Mayflower came from the Head in the afternoon. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott.

**Friday, May 30, 1862**

Very warm. Wind West. The Cosmopolitan left for the Head at 9 AM with the Virginia Price in tow. A dispatch came that Gen. Stevens had taken possession of the Railroad from Charleston to Savannah. Capt. Foster Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Picket. The Murency came up from the Head. Had no drill but Parrade.

**Saturday, May 31, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. I was Sergt of the Guard down at the Fort. The 46<sup>th</sup> N.Y. Vols. Embarked on board the Delaware for the Head. The 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. received full marching orders with 5 day rations but did not get off. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Guard. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Picket. The Delaware came in with the mail, Recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, W. T. Glover and A. Owen.

**Sunday, June 1, 1862**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. left the Fort and marched to the South Dock where they embarked on board the Cosmopolitan and at 8 AM they left for Hilton Head. I was relieved from Guard at 9 by Morton, Co. E. Comp H went on board the Montezuma. Cos G. C. and E went into the Fort after Dress Parrade. Capt. Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Dandy Offr of the Guard. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Picket. Color Sergt Dandy of Co. B was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut of Co. E.

**Monday, June 2, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind Sth East. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Sergt Grenshaw Offr of the Guard. 25 of each Com. Detailed to clear out the Fort and Offrs Quarters. Co H's Qtrs - Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19. Co E's Qtrs - 20, 21, 22, 23, 24. Co C's Qtrs - 25, 26, 27, 28, 29. Co G's Qtrs - 30, 31, 32, 33, 34. Co D's Qtrs - 35, 36, 37, 38, 39. Co F's Qtrs - 40, 41, 42, 43, 44. We moved in the Fort late in the afternoon. Lt. Edwards was promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. And assigned to Co. C.

**Tuesday, June 3, 1862**

Stormed in the morning. Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. McDougall Offr of the Guard. Lt. Paxson detailed to go over to Tibee with a heavy fatigue party. The Murency came up from the Head. The 6<sup>th</sup> N.Y. Vols left Tibee and went on board the Cosmopolitan. The Lt. Col., Capt. Knowles, Capt. Traverse, Dr. Munford and Lt. Hurst returned to the Fort from N. York in the Erricsson. Rained hard all day. The mail came in. Recd letters from H. S. Shuster, Martha Webster.

**Wednesday, June 4, 1862**

Cleared off in the morning. Wind Southwest and high. Cleared off the rubbish from the Parrade ground. Almost everything flooded with water inside the Fort. The cisterns all filled up. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Com. I moved in the Fort. The Band also moved in and occupied No. 4 to 47, 48, 49. The Secesh prisoners, No. 50. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Thursday, June 5, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind west. 150 men detailed for fatigue and 80 of them sent to Tibee Island. Drew 10 days rations. 2 men of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. died in the hospital at 8 AM. A heavy thunder shower at noon. Cleared off at 2 PM. Capt. Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Fatigues. The Pay Master came to the Fort. We signed the pay rolls at 4 PM.

**Friday, June 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. I was Offer of the Guard. Countersign Providence. Lt. Swartmont Offr of the Picket. 200 detailed for fatigue. Lt. Carlton in charge. Got paid off. Recd \$34. All quiet in Camp. No Dress Parrade. A heavy thunder shower at sunset. Cleared off at 8 PM. Wrote to H. S. Shuster, J.E.P. Abbott. Sent home 25 dollars.

**Saturday, June 7, 1862**

Storming. Wind Southeast. Was relieved from Guard at 8 ½ AM. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Morton Offr of the Guard. Mosier Offr of the Fatigue. Heavy thunder all the morning and rained hard all day. Crammer on Picket. The Lt. Col and Adjutant of the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y. Vols came to the Fort. Our Quartermaster came up from the Head with the Express on board the Mayflower. No Parrade.

**Sunday, June 8, 1862**

Storming. Wind Nth East. Inspection at 9 ½ AM. Oxley of Co. I and Hedburg of Co. A died in the Hospital at 3 to 4 o'clock AM. Buried at 3 o'clock PM. The Darlington was captured at Fernandina and came through and went to the Head. Capt Knowles Offr of the Day. Lawrence Offr of the Guard. Had Dress Parrade. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, June 9, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind West. 200 detailed for fatigue. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Ser. Vaughn Offr of the Guard. Ser. Patterson Offr of the Picket. Lt. Paxson Offr of the Fatigue. Had an engine and hose and pumped the water off the Parrade ground into the moat. Had Battallion in the Fort in both mud and water knee deep by W. B. Barton. Lt. Col Conley came back from home. The mail arrived. Sent for Petersons Magazine for M. E. Baldwin.

**Tuesday, June 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Went over to Dawfuskie with Capt Knowles to put up Hurberts tomb board. Got dinner with Co. B. Retnd in the afternoon. One of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. fell from the ramparts while hoisting up a gun and was badly hurt. No fatigue. The moon was eclipsed at 11 o'clock at night.

**Wednesday, June 11, 1862**

A splendid day. Very warm. The Schooner A. D. Bolton came to the Dock with a lot of Cattle for the 48<sup>th</sup>. A heavy fatigue out to help mount the 10 inch Columbiads on the ramparts. Sergt Barrett of Co. F went home on a Furlough. Private Abrams of Co. F died in the Hospital. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Grenshaw Offr of the Guard. The Long Roll sounded at 2 o'clock at night and Co. D was the first Comp. on the ground. We was marched outside of the Fort, had a roll call and then dismissed.

**Thursday, June 12, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. 150 detailed to work on the Fort under Lt. Paxson. Sergts Tantum and Patterson sick. Lt. Bodine and Sergt Dearcy came back from New York. Hoisting and mounting guns on the Parapets. The mail came in at 11 o'clock AM. Recd a letter from Maggie T. Gandy. Answered it. Wrote to W. T. Glover.

**Friday, June 13, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South., 150 detailed on fatigue to help mount guns. Nothing new in the Fort. Very warm, thermomitor at 90 degrees. Had no Battallion but Dress Parrade at Sunset. Had a fine time at the Comisary Department. Capt. Farrell Offr of the Day. Cominiskie Offr of the Guard.

**Saturday, June 14, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Lieuts Lockwood, Dunbar, Corwin, Robinson and Nichols started home on a furlough. Capt Furgison Offr of the Day. Reed Offr of the Guard. Capt Green, Lt. Edwards, Sergt Dearcy and 5 men went up the Wilmington River on a reconnaissance but had no success. Lt. Dandy appointed to act as Adjutant. Countersign was Dawfuskie.

**Sunday, June 15, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southeast. Capt Knowles Offr of the Day. Morton Offr of the Guard. Regimental Inspection at 10 o'clock AM. Church at 4 o'clock PM. Preaching by Sergt Ervine, Co. G in the Fort. An order read on Parrade prohibiting gambling and card playing for money. Countersign Pulaski.

**Monday, June 16, 1862**

Wind Southeast and storming. Appointed as Offr of the Guard. At 10 AM Schooner Gazell of N.Y. loaded with Sutlers stores drug her anchors and came ashore on Cockspur Island. Cut away her masts. Boat filled. Schooner sprung a leak. Sent out boats from the North Dock to assist them. Storming hard. The crew staid on the wreck until 9 o'clock at night when the tide rose and compelled them to leave her. Gave them clothing, food and quarters. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Countersign Tiber. 12 of Co. D on Picket at Jones Island and could not get back until next day.

**Tuesday, June 17, 1862**

Raining hard. Wind Southeast. I was on the beach all night. At 11 o'clock at night the schooner bilged and the boat came ashore all stove to pieces. At 11 1/2 the goods began to come ashore which continued until morning. Mostly wine, porter and lager beer. The Offr of the Day ordered a guard to be posted along the beach and not to allow a single man to touch a single thing. A fatigue of 17 men from each Co. to report to the Offr of the Day on the beach. But some of them stole away and went on board the wreck and waded into the wine and lager and soon was all drunk. It made a great excitement throughout the Regt. and about 50 of them got in the Guard House. Sergt Crammer and Chas McCreas got into a fight and was put into the Guard House with McCalla and McGuigan. Nearly all Bucked and Gagged. And 21

was put in the Dungeon. A regular Fourth of July in the Fort. No one was allowed to go outside of the Fort. A perfect riot in Cos. I and F. Sergt Tantum was taken with chills. Cleared off at 5 PM. No Battallion or Dress Parade.

**Wednesday, June 18, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. A hard time in the Guard House. Co. D was sent out to search the Island and to arrest all without a pass from the Col. We arrested 18 men. One of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Jumped out of the embrasure into the moat and then laid down in the water on the meadows to keep clear of the Guard. The Schooner H. B. Cushing sprang a leak off Tibee and had to come in here and ran ashore on the Island. She was bound from Havanna to New York. Went as bearer to the funeral of the Infantry Master Sergeant of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. Having a fine time in the Guard House. 45 in confinement, 15 of which was in the dungeon,

At 2 o'clock PM the sad intelligence of the death of our worthy Col J. H. Perry of Brooklyn, NY. He died while laying on his sofa signing a pass with an apoplectic fit. He only made a faint gasp or two and died as easily as though he had just fell asleep and is now, I doubt not, in the Army of the Lord. His death will be greatly felt by all, not only Offrs but men as well as the Church. He was comparatively well. All Drill and Fatigue was immediately stopped and flag at half mast. A perfect solemnity prevaded the whole Garrison for he was beloved by all. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Capt. Knowles started immediately to Hilton Head with dispatches.

**Thursday, June 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South west. A boat was sent over to Braddocks Point after the mail. Returned at 7 o'clock PM with the Offrs mail and left ours. The Schooner loaded with hay and feed came in. No Drill or Fatigue during the day on account of the death of our Col.. The whole Garrison was turned out at 11 o'clock AM to take the last look at our late Colonel. The sight was truly affecting to all, who felt as though they had lost their nearest friend which indeed he was to all. He looked as though he was only asleep. A Body Guard consisting of 25 was appointed from the Regt. At 3 o'clock PM it commenced to thunder and lightning. At 4 PM commenced raining hard and continued until dark. Another heavy shower about midnight, but cleared off before morning. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Sergt Edwards Offr of the Guard. McDougall Offr of the Picket. Countersign Palmetto.

**Friday, June 20, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southwest. The Mayflower came up from the Head at 5 o'clock AM. Gen Terry, Capt. Knowles and Lt. Nichols came on board, brought the coffin and case for the body, also the Privates mail, and a large Express. At 10 o'clock the whole Garrison fell in line to attend the funeral. The Battallion was marched by the flank to in front of the Col. Quarters and then opened ranks. The corpse was then carried in front of the Battallion which was at Present Arms. The Battallion was then marched in front of the corpse to the grave, then halted and brought to Present Arms. The corpse was then carried in front to the grave. The ceremonies was delivered by Sergt Ervine of Co. G., Acting Chaplain. The corpse was interred at 11 o'clock after which the Battallion fired a salute and then was dismissed. At 3 o'clock PM the Rebel steamer Ida came down with a flag of truce. When within 3 miles off the Fort she was stopped by a salute gun. The Mayflower was then dispatched with Lt. Miller and went to meet her. They brought down a Capt and wife and 3 men which had been captured in a schooner. She staid 2 hours. A Rebel Col. was in charge of her. Recd letters from Wm. J. Abbott, L. W. Lodge.

**Saturday, June 21, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind southeast. 150 men detailed for fatigue. Capt. Cowan Offr of the Day. Mounted 2 guns on the Ramparts. The Pickets on Jones Island was called in. The Flora came up from the Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound and returned at 3 PM. Reported having the day before chased a Rebel Steamer for over 20 miles. A fleet of gun boats came in and anchored off Tibee, some 12 in number. Signalled to them by lights at dusk. Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott, Jos. E. P. Abbott.

**Sunday, June 22, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southwest. Company inspection at 10 AM. Lt. Perry started for home with his father's horse and things on board the Flora. Also Capt. Strickland and Lt. Paxson on board. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. A telegraphic dispatch was recd from H. Head stating the fall of Richmond and Mobile. The remainder of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. went to the Head to join their Regt., also the prisoners from Richmond on board the Mayflower at 6 o'clock PM. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Monday, June 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Thermomitor at 94. Capt Green Offr of the Dfay. Sergt Reed Offr of the Guard. 125 detailed for Fatigues. Mounted 2 large Columbiads. No Battallion Drill but Dress Parrade at sunset. The Offrs mail arrived in Camp at 5 PM.

**Tuesday, June 24, 1862**

Very warm. Wind Southeast. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. I was Offr of the Guard. Countersign Cooper. 150 detailed for Fatigue. 29 prisoners in Guard House. The Mayflower came up from the Head at 9 AM. Major Beard, the

Adjutant, Lt. Wallace and Sergt Wiegand returned from NY on a furlough. The Flora came up with Capt. Cowan, Lt. Paxson and Lt. Nichols. Saw Dan Wright on board. The mail came in. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Mary Marshall.

**Wednesday, June 25, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind East. Thermomitor at 86. Was relieved from Guard at 8 AM, Capt. Knowles Offr of the Day. I took a good nap. 150 detailed for Fatigue. Mounted a heavy Columbiad on the Ramparts. D. O. Roak fell in the moat. A heavy thunder shower in the Evening. Hard rain. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Thursday, June 26, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southwest. Thermomitor at 87. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Sergt Fidler Offr of the Guard. Some of the boys was fooling with the gun in casemate 35, supposing her not loaded, pulled off one of the fuse caps. When the gun discharged its contents, consisting of ½ a charge of powder it blowed my dress coat and pants also Cpl. Coles pants all to pieces. They was all sound asleep when the Offr of the Day came around to find out. No one had done it. The Lieut Col. went to Hilton Head.

**Friday, June 27, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind North West. At 8 o'clock we was ordered to relieve Co. K. on the Montezuma by Major Beard. At 2 PM we embarked and found plenty of fleas. The Lt. Col. came back and ordered us to come back to the Fort again. In the morning he and the Major had quite a time about it. The Major and Capt Elmandoff had quite a quarrel about Elmandoff's sword. The Major would not give it up. The Major drew his revolver and threatened to shoot him. The Lt. Col interfered. The Mayflower went back to the Head at 3 PM. I was taken with the dysenteries. The Schooner R. P. Jones left Tibee for the Head. We did not like our new homes on the old hulk. Oderly Tantum was very sick with the jaundice. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Saturday, June 28, 1862**

Cloudy all Day. Wind South Southeast. Prepared for landing. Fired off the 3 guns on board the vessel, then towed her to the Dock. Then landed at 10 o'clock AM. Marched up to the Fort. Co. K was ordered to leave our Quarters and to occupy No 46, 47, 48, 49 where the Guard House and Band had been quartered. The Band moved into 50 to 51. The Guard was moved into the Demilune.. Co. K had torn down nearly all of our bunks so we had to fix them up again. Capt. Foster would not leave Capt. Knowles quarters so Capt Knowles went to quarter in one of the houses up at the North Dock.. The Rebel pickets burned all the works on Birds Island, comprising of Major Beards old mansion. Capt. Green Offr of the Day. Sergt Wyckoff Offr of the Guard. A dispatch came over that the mail was in when Col Barton dispatched W.R.K. Hilliard, the Sergt Major, to Braddocks Point after it. Had Dress Parrade at sunset after which the Battallion fired three rounds. I was not on duty. Sick. Sent a piece of music to A. H. Gibson.

**Sunday, June 29, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind east. Thermomitor at 85. Comp. Inspection at 10 AM. The Rebels come down Wrights River and landed on Turtle Island. We gave them a few shells from the Fort when they disappeared again in the grass. Lt. Hurst with 15 men was sent in pursuit but did not capture them. I was not on duty, going through a course of medicine. The Mayflower came up from the Head. The chaplain on board. The mail arrived. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, June 30, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Thermomitor at 90. I was off of duty. A Regimental muster roll at 10 AM. Comp D was first. The Mayflower left for the Head, Lt. Col. and Capts Knowles and Lent and Lieuts Nichols and Swartmont on board. Co. F. started at 11 o'clock to relieve Co. A on Tibee Island. Co A got back at 4 PM. The Rebels still around Wrights River. Capt. Farrell Offr of the Day. Sergt Reed Offr of the Guard. Sergt J. M. Tantum was taken to the hospital with the Jaundice..

**Tuesday, July 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind North West. Thermomitor at 87. Capt. Furgison Offr of the Day. Sergt Morton Offr of the Guard. The Fatigue was called in at 9 AM. The heat was too great for them. Fatigue hours was changed from 8 to 11 to 6 to 9 and from 2 to 5 PM to 4 to 7 PM. Wilbur F. Smith of Co. B died in the hospital at 5 PM. I was sick and weak all day and off duty.

**Wednesday, July 2, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. S. East. The Mayflower came up from the Head. Capt. Knowles returned with his resignation accepted by Gen. D. Hunter. Lt. Col. Barton got a pass for 20 days to go to Washington. She (the Mayflower) also had a small mail. J. N. Conover was taken to the hospital. Lt. Paxson went up the Savannah River with a flag of truce, took up 2 wounded prisoners. I was very sick all day.

**Thursday, July 3, 1862**

Clear and very warm. Wind South. Comp. F was sent to Tibee Island to relieve Co. A. The Mayflower left for Hilton Head at 8 AM. Capt Knowles was taken sick. No work done all day. All preparing to hold the 4<sup>th</sup>. I was getting

weaker all the time and by the request of the Doctor I went to the Hospital at 4 PM which I found to be a nice and cool place and a fine breeze.

**Friday, July 4, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Had Dress Parrade at 8 o'clock AM. No fatigue or Drill during the Day. The Boys had all day to themselves and they enjoyed themselves fine. At 3 PM a National Salute was fired which shook off most of the ceiling at the Hospital. Had a sham parrade at sunset. Had a splendid lot of fire works in the Evening of all description, after which we had a heavy thunder shower and rained very hard.

**Saturday, July 5, 1862**

All clear and a fine day. Every one seemed pleased with his 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Major Beard gave them quite a speech which no one liked much. I felt a little better until night. J. N. Conover of Co. D died at 3 o'clock PM after suffering severely. Their was then only 8 in the Hospital. I was quite unwell all night.

**Sunday, July 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southeast. The Major and Staff came to visit the Hospital immediately after Comp. Inspection. They found a considerable fault with the Quarters. Suggested having them white washed and scrubbed. This, the Doctor did not like much. Conover was buried at 3 o'clock PM. The whole Regt out in procession. I felt a great deal better all day. The Major issued an order in reference to Conover which was read on Parrade.

**Monday, July 7, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. The Major ordered the 48<sup>th</sup> to commence Artillery Drill under instruction of the non commissioned Officers of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. The Dispatch Boat brought word that a mail was in and a boat was sent to Braddock's Point after it. Sergrs Barrett of Co F and Smith of Co K returned from home. Porch retn from his trip to Beaufort. Felt a great deal better all day.

**Tuesday, July 8, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Sergrt Wyckoff of Co. F fell off the top of Martilla Tower on Tibee and broke his leg. Was brought to the hospital early in the morning and had it set. Capt D. C. Knowles left for home at 8 o'clock AM. He was quite unwell when he left. Mail arrived. Recd letters from Manie A. Treen, Martha Webster. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, July 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Quite a fresh breeze at South West. The Locust Point came up from the Head at 6 AM. Had a small Express, also a metallic coffin for the Col. His remains was taken up at 11 o'clock AM and taken on board. The whole Battallion in procession to convey the remains to the Steamer as a last testimonial of their regards. A salute of 37 minute guns was fired. Co. D was sent to Tibee to relieve Co. F. The sick was left behind. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, July 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 81. All quiet. 9 in the hospital. The Major and Lt. Wallace went to Dawfuskie and came back with a fine lot of water melons and truck. Had a fine cool sea breeze all day. Getting better fast.

**Friday, July 11, 1862**

Warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 80. Smith, the Drum Major, was arrested as a deserter and sent to Hilton Head for trial. All quiet. 10 in the Hospital. Feel much better. Had a heavy thunder shower in the afternoon and another in the evening. Rained very hard.

**Saturday, July 12, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 79. Two more men came in the hospital, also Capt. Lent. The Major stopped the Negroes from selling any more truck to the men unless first coming to his Quarters. Sergrt Tantum and Granis of the Band was dismissed from the hospital. Feel about the same.

**Sunday, July 13, 1862**

Very fine day. Wind West. Immediately after Inspection the Major and Staff came and inspected the hospital. Everything looked well after which the Chaplain read the 103<sup>rd</sup> Psalm and then preached us an excellent sermon and made an earnest prayer. Steve Bennett of the Band was discharged from the hospital.

**Monday, July 14, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 84. Capt. Farrell and a lot of non commissioned Officers of the 48<sup>th</sup> started home on the Mayflower to recruit for the Regt. The Hospital was scrubbed and white washed. All was quiet. Getting better fast.

**Tuesday, July 15, 1862**

Very warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 87. Everything quiet. Getting better fast. The Offrs mail came in with the Dispatch Boat. The negroes brought a large lot of melons from Dawfuskie Island. Frank Day was discharged from the Hospital.

**Wednesday, July 16, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 88. Sergt. Tantom went to Tibee to join the Co. The sick was moved in the front room while they whitewashed ours. The mail arrived at the Fort. Their was nothing for me this time. A. J. Palmer took the Cos. mail over to Tibee.

**Thursday, July 17, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 85. One of Co A was discharged from the hospital. Lt. Mosier and the Sergt Major returned from Hilton Head. Charles Orten of the Quartermaster department was brought to the hospital at 8 PM.

**Friday, July 18, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind South. Thermomitor at 88. An English Friggate came in to Hilton Head and exchanged a salute with the Forts. 4 deserters and 24 contrabands came to Stone Island and then to Hilton Head with Charleston papers of the 15<sup>th</sup> stating the fall of Richmond and the final route of the Rebel Army. Had a splendid shower in the evening.

**Saturday, July 19, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind North. Thermomitor at 80. Co. I was sent to Tibee to relieve Co. D which got back to the Fort at 2 PM and took Co. I's quarters Nos 42, 43, 44, 45. The Co was glad to get back again. Had another fine shower in the Evening. Tantom very unwell again. The Flora came up from the Head with Gen. Terry on board. Also a large express. She returned again in the evening.

**Sunday, July 20, 1862**

Nice and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 84. Orten, Byron of the Band, 2 of Co K and Smith of Co B was discharged from the hospital. Capt Cowan inspected the hospital after which the Chaplain read the 34<sup>th</sup> Psalm and then prayed and gave us an appropriate sermon. The Corier brought news of another mail being at the Head.

**Monday, July 21, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermometor at 85. David Corlies of Co. D died in the hospital at 9 o'clock AM. He died very easy. He was sitting up in an arm chair. Sergt Dearey of Co F came from Haigs Ppoint and brought 60 water melons at 25 cents apiece. The Chaplain gave each one in the hospital an American Messinger.. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Tuesday, July 22, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 85. D. Corlies was buried at 9 o'clock AM. He looked very natural. Rumsey of Co E brought to the hospital in the afternoon. I felt first rate all day. Keating of Co F died in the Hospital at 9 ½ PM Bought a watermelon of Newheart.

**Wednesday, July 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 88. I left the hospital at 8 o'clock AM and went to the Comp. Which was quartered in the Fort. Had a fine shower in the Evening. Got up a Non Com Mess A. J. Palmer to be caterer and cook. Keating was buried at 9 o'clock AM. I felt first rate all day.

**Thursday, July 24, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 86. Left home just one year ago today to join the Continental Guards in Brooklyn with Capt. Knowles, Comp. D, Col. J. H. Perry. The Steamer Gen Burnsidess came up from Hilton Head in the forenoon with provisions for the 48<sup>th</sup>. The Pay Master came on board to pay off the 48<sup>th</sup>, We signed the Pay Rolls at 11 o'clock and was payed off at 3 o'clock PM. I recd \$33.12. Mail arrived. Recd this diary and two letters from J.E.P. Abbott, Wm.T. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Friday, July 25, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 82. The Gen Burnsidess left for Hilton Head at 9 o'clock AM. Dr. Humphreys and Lieut Paxson went to Hilton Head and took the men's money to Adams Express for them. Sergt Dearcy came from Dawfuskie with 50 melons. The Officers mail came from Hilton Head. The Pilot Boy came from Hilton Head. Col Barton, Major Green, Capt. Lockwood arrived from New York. 2 steamers went through into the Wassaw. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, July 26, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 85. Promotions: Lt. Col. Barton to Col.; Major O. J. Beard to Lt. Col.; Capt. Green to Major; Lieut Paxson to Capt.; Lieut Bodine to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut.; Sergt J. M. Tantom to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. Of Company D.; 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut Lockwood to Capt. Of Company F over Wallace; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Miller to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut.; Lieut. Dandy to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut of Company E. Capt. Strickland and Lieut. Bodine was appointed in Gen. Terry's staff and left at 9 Am for Hilton Head to join him. Col Barton and the Adjutant went to Dawfuskie Island. Comp. B was brought off of Dawfuskie. Lieut Paxson and Dr. Humphreys came up from Hilton Head. Great cheering over the promotions. The mail came up to the Fort. I recd a letter from Lizzie W. Lodge. Wrote to Wm. T.. Abbott.

**Sunday, July 27, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind North. Thermomitor at 88. Regular Inspection at 10 o'clock AM, after which we had inspection of quarters. The Gen. Burnside left for Hilton Head at 9 AM. The Locust Point came up from Hilton Head in the

morning and left again at 5 PM. Col Charles Moore of the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y.S.V. was released from arrest and went to Hilton Head. Also Lt., Col Beard went to Hilton Head on a pass. Preaching at 4 o'clock in the afternoon from Sol. 5,24. Wrote to Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Monday, July 28, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 83. Sergt. G. P. Patterson was promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Sergt. J. G. Abbott to 2<sup>nd</sup>, McDougall to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Crammer to 4<sup>th</sup>. Cpl Ayres to 5<sup>th</sup> Sergt. Lippincott to 1<sup>st</sup> Cpl., Cole to 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rimm to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Harbison to 4<sup>th</sup>, Porch to 5<sup>th</sup>, White to 6<sup>th</sup>, Church 7<sup>th</sup>, Speeler 8<sup>th</sup>. The mail left for Hilton Head at 2 o'clock PM. A shell exploded in the fire and a piece of it came near hitting J. Fitch and I. At 11 o'clock at night a Rebel steamer came down to within a mile of the Fort and sent out a boat to the sunken hulks in the channel. She was fired on by the Fort. When she left again the Long Roll was beat and the Regt was soon in line, but as nothing more happened was soon dismissed. /

**Tuesday, July 29, 1862**

Good and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 87. Lieut Nichols of Company G was promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut of Comp. H. Mailed Wm's letter with a Military Recommendation from the Col Barton. Major Green, Adjutant Goodwill and Capt. J. O. Paxson. The Matana came up from Hilton Head at 6 PM and brought a large Express. Lieut Tantum went to Hilton Head and Beaufort for his health. Saw Sergt J. Baxter of the Engineer Regt. Sergt Ervine went as Chaplain of the 1<sup>st</sup> S. C. V. and Cpl Beach went to teach them. The Matana left for Hilton Head at 6 PM.

**Wednesday, July 30, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 85. All quiet in the Fort. Nothing of importance happened during the day. Ordinary fatigue out to unload coal off the Frank C. Anna of Philadelphia. Bought a McClellan Cap of J. Wyckoff \$3. with wreath and figures. The tug boat Pilot Boy came up from Hilton Head and ran into and on an old hulk close to Tibee Island, but could not get off. During the night row boats was sent to her assistance, all in vain. She brought the mail. Recd a letter from Wm. T. Abbott

**Thursday, July 31, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 83. 14 Discharged Soldiers of the 48<sup>th</sup> left for Hilton Head at 8 o'clock AM in the Dispatch Boat. Lieut. Carlton Offr of the Day. Sergt Fidler 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I Offr of the Guard. Sergt Ayres Sergt of the Guard. Dan the Negro Cook left us and went to Hilton Head. No inspection of quarters. The Thomas Foulks was on the old hulk all day. The Locust Point came up from Hilton Head at 9 o'clock PM and towed her off at 12 Midnight on the high water. She was not injured any.

**Friday, August 1, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 82. The Locust Point came up to the dock at 7 AM. The Thomas Foulks came up at 11 o'clock AM. A. J. Palmer in mourning on account of his Uncle Dick being dead. Lights seen on Dawfuskie Isle supposed to be Rebels their. A fine shower in the afternoon. No Dress Parrade. A dispatch signalled from Braddock's Point that the Iron Clad Boat from Savannah was expected to try to run the Blockade. So Co. D was called out to help man the guns, but no boat came down.

**Saturday, August 2, 1862**

Windy and showers all day. Wind East. Thermomitor at 80. The Capt of the Vandalia came to the Fort and reported the Rebel Ram, and floating Battery and 10 vessels in sight in the Wassaw Sound. Was expecting an attack tonight or at some early period. They had sent to Hilton Head for reinforcements and part of them had arrived. They apprehend no danger from them. 3 contrabands came in from Savannah with papers of the 28<sup>th</sup> of July. Report nearly all the soldiers gone to Richmond, but 2000 in or about Savannah. Wrote to Manie A. Treen.

**Sunday, August 3, 1862**

Cloudy and raining by showers all day. Thermomitor at 79. The whole Regt up at 4 o'clock AM. Scrubbed their quarters and then prepared for Regimental Inspection at 5 ½ o'clock in the morning. The Battallion was marched out on the road leading to the North Dock. They then formed a square, had prayer after which we had a flag presented to us by Lieut. Hurst in behalf of the Ladies of Brooklyn. After which Col. Barton gave us a short speech. They proceeded with the Inspection. All quiet the rest of the Day. Rained hard all the afternoon. Wrote to Charley Tuller.

**Monday, August 4, 1862**

Cloudy. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 80. The Thomas Foulks left for Hilton Head. The Col. and Adjutant on board. The Transit came in loaded with Sutlers stores. Lieut. Tantum on board. The Officers mail arrived in the Dispatch Boat. A suspicious looking steamer tried to run past the Battery on Tibee, but did not succeed and she put to sea again. They hit her several times. She had 3 masts. The Thos. Foulks returned from Hilton Head, Col Barton on board, also the Sutler Platt's wife. Byron D. Stewart of the Band died at 6 PM in the hospital. The mail came in. Recd a letter from M. E. Baldwin.

**Tuesday, August 5, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind N. West. Thermomitor at 85. Platt put up his Sutlers tent and commenced unloading his things. Lieut of the Vandalia came to the Fort and reported capturing a Rebel Steamer trying to run the Blockade of the Wassaw

Sound. She had 4 guns on board but made but little or no resistance. She was about 1,000 tons Burthen and 3 masts. Supposed to be an English vessel from Nassau, N.P. A prize crew was put on board and she went to Hilton Head. All quiet in Camp. Byron D. Stewart was buried at 4 o'clock PM. The McClellan came from Hilton Head to help form the Blockade of the Savannah River. She lay off Tibbee Island. The prize was loaded with parrot rifled guns, 10 tons of powder, 5,000 stand of English rifles, \$500,000 in specie. A large amount of clothing. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Wednesday, August 6, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 86. The Cosmopolitan came from Hilton Head with the J. W. Allen in tow, loaded with guns and ammunition for the Fort. Also the Steamer Staten Island came up from Fernandina, Florida. Comp. E. embarked on board the Thos. Foulks to go to Dawfuskie Island on a scouting party. Saw nothing of Secesh. The Sutlers commenced to sell. Caught a large shark at the North Wharf. Caught about a peck of Mulletts in the moat. Sick all night. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott.

**Thursday, August 7, 1862.**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 88. Very sick all day, but got better during the night. The Staten Island left for Hilton Head at 7 AM. The Cosmopolitan started at 3 o'clock PM. Capt Foster left for Hilton Head on a pass with the expectation of getting a furlough home. Also several more on a pass to Hilton Head. The Florida came in to the McClellan and shortly went to sea again. Cpl. Powellson commenced to take Ambrotypes at the North Wharf. 2 of the Gun boats in the Wassaw Sound moved up to the mouth of the St. Augustine. No Dress Parade.

**Friday, August 8, 1862**

Very warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 88. All quiet in Camp. I feel very well, all day. Reported for Duty and went on Dress Parrade, but not Battallion. Blue light seen on Dawfuskie Island. McDougall had his Ambrotype taken. The Thos Foulks went to Hilton Head and returned at 6 in the Evening. The moon shone as bright as day. Mail arrived in Camp. Received a letter from J.E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, August 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 86. At 6 o'clock AM Company A went on board of the Thos Foulks and put a 20 Pdr. on board. Col Barton in command. At 7 AM they started, went through the Lazaretto Crick and went into the Wilmington River and up until they came to an old Plantation on the Wilmington River. Company A landed and marched up to the Plantation but found no traces of the rebels. So they went on to the next (place) where they (Rebels) were. They shelled them entirely off the island and returned to the Fort, with little success. Another mail arrived. Recd a letter from J.E.P, Abbott.

**Sunday, August 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 87. Company Inspection at 8 ½ immediately after Guard Mounting. At 9 AM a rebel steamer was seen coming down the Savannah River with a flag of truce. When within two miles of the Fort she was hailed with a shot across her bow which brought her to. The Col. dispatched the Adjutant on board the Thos Foulke to meet them. He soon returned and brought a lady and her son to go North. They was sent to the Fort. Col. Barton then sent them (the steamer) word that they must remain until he could signal to Gen. Hunter, and said that they would fire on her if they did not. So they concluded to stay and the Adjutant returned to the dock. About this time they started up the river. We opened fire on her from the Fort, but did not hit her hull, but shot away her flag. The Foulks was then prepared to give her a chase with a field piece and 60 men all armed. She was soon overtaken and brought back to the Fort. Col then started for Hilton Head. The Gen signalled to the Fort to have the prisoners put in close confinement which was done at 9 o'clock PM A heavy guard was put on all on board of the Gen Lee. There was 3 Cpts, 7 men and 4 negroes. Col Barton returned at 2 o'clock at night.

**Monday, August 11, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind N. West. Thermomitor at 86. Detailed as Officer of the Guard. At 6 o'clock AM the Rebel officers was taken to the Col 's quarters to get the report from Gen Hunter. They was not much pleased to hear that they was to be considered as prisoners of war and to be taken to Hilton Head to the General. Then to be taken away at 8 AM. A guard was detailed consisting of one Sergt and 20 men in charge of Capt. Paxson. So at 8 o'clock the Guards was fell in and the prisoners was marched to the dock where they embarked on board of the Rescue for Hilton Head and started out immediately.

At 4 PM a schooner came in and while coming up to the North Dock ran ashore on a bar. At 6 PM the Rescue returned from the Head with the Rebel officers on board, having been released by Gen. Hunter. One of the number stayed with his brother on board of the Gun Boat Hale. The boat and crew was to be allowed to return to Savannah. The crew was put on the boat and got up steam. The officers came up to the Fort to bid our officers good-by, stayed here to see our Dress Parrade and then went on board. At 7 PM they left for Savannah. Had a fine night. Wrote to W. T. Abbott, J.E.P. Abbott.

**Tuesday, August 12, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 85. Relieved from Guard at 8 o'clock AM. Killed an aligator at the North Wharf. The Cosmopolitan came up from Hilton Head with The Fanny Keating in tow. Dr. Mulford on board. She had a large express on board. A fine time in the Guard House. Prisoners all drunk. In the evening the Col., Major and nearly all of the officers and the Band went on the Thos Foulks to the Gun Boat Paul Jones No.2 where they had a grand serenade. Retn at 1 AM. Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott.

**Wednesday, August 13, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 86. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Hearst Offr of the Guard. All quiet in the Fort. The Thos Foulks went to the Chellabough Sound and towed the (Blank) to the South Wharf with a load of bricks for the Fort. A heavy thunder shower from the North West. Blowed a perfect gale and rained in torrents. Blowed three of the schooners ashore. No Dress Parrade. The mail arrived by the Dispatch Boat.

**Thursday, August 14, 1862**

Clear but cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 84. The Cosmopolitan left for Hilton Head. H. McCreas went to get his discharge papers signed. I was on fatigue in charge at the Dock. We unloaded shells, 42 lbs. James and bricks from on board the J. W. Allen and Virginia Price. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Elfwing Offr of the Guard. No Dress Parrade.

**Friday, August 15, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 88. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. A heavy fatigue to put up the large 10 in Columbiand from the Dock. It broke through the Dock, but it was soon got out again. Got it up at Sunset. A heavy thunder shower in the Evening. No Dress Parade. The Star Light went to Braddock's Point after the mail. Recd a letter from Martha Webster. Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott.

**Saturday, August 16, 1862**

Cloudy and storming., Wind South East. Quite cool. Thermomitor at 81. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. Fatigue called out but could not work on account of the rain. No Dress Parrade. Quite a stormy night. The Officers had a big supper at the Pellican House and had a big time in general by the looks of things. They was about all drunk and tore nearly all the Colors which was used as table cloths. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Sunday, August 17, 1862**

Very cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 78. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. Company Inspection at 9 o'clock. The Post flag was so badly torn that they did not hoist it. The Officers look kind of sick today and well ashamed. Preaching at 4 PM by the Chaplain from the 4<sup>th</sup> Chapt. of John.. Dress Parrade. Sergt E. Williams of Co. H advanced to the Ranks. Cpl G. Wigan promoted to 5<sup>th</sup> Sergt. The mail arrived. Recd a letter from Wm. T. Abbott, Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Monday, August 18, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 81 The whole Battallion on Fatigue. I was out from our Company. Had 40 men down to the North Dock to turn over a scow, but they could not turn her over. Then went to help Lieut Blandin hoist a large Columbiand up on the Parrapet. The Steamer Darlington came from Wassaw Sound through the Lazaretto Crick late in the afternoon and came to the South Wharf where she remained during the night. No Dress Parrade. A comet discovered in the North West.

**Tuesday, August 19, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 80. The Darlington left for Hilton Head at sun rise. The Battallion out on Fatigue mounting guard on the Parapets I had two ambrotypes taken for \$2. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Hearst Offr of the Guard. The new Condenser came up to the Fort. A splendid rainbow just before sun set. Commenced raining about dark. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Wednesday, August 20, 1862**

Fine and cool Wind South East. Thermomitor at 83. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Fatigue called out at 3 ½ in the morning to sweep off the Parrade grounds for Inspection. Gen Hunter was expected to be up to muster the Regt, but he did not come. Had Company Inspection at 9AM. Company Drill from 3 to 5 in the afternoon. Comps D & H drilled on Artillery. My first drilling. Had Dress Parrade at sunset.

**Thursday, August 21, 1862**

Cloudy and Cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 81. Had a fine shower early in the morning. No Company Drill from 6 to 8. Went fishing with Cpl Lippincott. Caught a fine mess. The Locust Point came up from Hilton Head at 8 AM, had an Express on board. Lt. Perry to the hospital. Stewart retn from home, Henry McCreas got his discharge papers. One of the gun boats came into Tibee for provisions and went out again by the afternoon. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard.

**Friday, August 22, 1862**

A fine shower early in the morning. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 84. Capt Cole and I went fishing, caught a fine mess. Three Rebel deserters came to Tibee Island with arms and equipments and surrendered. They was then brought to

the Fort. A party was then sent up the Wilmington River on a scout to try to capture a Rebel Picket. One of the deserters went with them, but they got lost and got into the Wassaw Sound, and returned in the morning.

**Saturday, August 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermometer at 84. The Locust Point started for Hilton Head, took the deserters, also Henry McCreas left for home. I sent my Ambrotype home. The Fanny Keating left for Hilton Head. Went up the river fishing. The deserters were all from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Georgia Crackers. They were Northern men. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut. Dandy Offr of the Guard. Battallion and Dress Parrade, but no Comp. Drill.

**Sunday, August 24, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 84. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. Company Inspection at 9 AM. Inspection of Quarters at 10 AM. The Darlington came from Hilton Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound. Preaching at 4 o'clock PM by the Chaplain from the 104<sup>th</sup> Psalm. Battallion and Dress Parrade at 6 PM.

**Monday, August 25, 1862**

Cloudy and stormy. Wind East. Thermomitor at 82. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Col., Major and Adjutant and a detachment on board the Starlight went up the Savannah River on a reconnaissance. Went up to the Rice Mills, discovered Rebel Pickets. 4 Rebel steamers gave her a chase. She ran into Mud River, through Walls Cut into Cooper River, then through Callabage Sound to the Fort. The Rebel steamers came down to the mouth of Wrights River thinking that she was still up the river, but they got mistaken. She played them a Yankee Trick. The Rebels tried to land at Braddocks Point and drive in our Pickets but they was not able and was repulsed and driven back. Cpl Augustus Dennis of Co. H went to the hospital. Wrote to Wm.T. Abbott.

**Tuesday, August 26, 1862**

Cloudy and storming. Wind East. Thermomitor at 82. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut. Corwin Offr of the Guard. No Drill, fatigues or Dress Parrade. Rained very heavy until noon. Went fishing with Cpl Cole, caught a fine mess. Lieut Hale went over to Braddock Point. The Gun Boat Monaghan came from Hilton Head to Blockade the Callabage Sound. The Paul Jones the 2<sup>nd</sup> went to sea. Cpl Augustus Dennis died in the Hospital at 11 ½ AM with Eyrosipolas. Wrote to Mary C. Marshall.

**Wednesday, August 27, 1862**

Cloudy and storming. Wind South. Thermomitor at 81., Capt Elmandoff Officer of the Day. Lieut. Elfwing Officer of the Guard. John Drake went to the hospital. Cpl Augustus Dennis was buried at 4 o'clock PM. The Empire City came in to Hilton Head with mail. The courier brought it up to the Fort. Recd a letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> from Mary E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, August 28, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. The thermomitor at 83. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. The Cosmopolitan came from Hilton Head. Capts Foster and Strickland, Lieuts Bodines and Wallace returned. The Officers mail came in behind ours. The Aragon came into Hilton Head. No Drill, Battallion or Dress Parrade. A heavy Fatigue out. Sent the New South home to J.E.P. Abbott. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin. Recd my Warrant as 2<sup>nd</sup> Sergt. The rest recd theirs also.

**Friday, August 29, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind S. West. Thermomitor at 85. Capt Traverse Offr of the Day. Lieut Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Col., Adjutant and 20 men went on a reconnaissance in the Starlight. Went to Hilton Head and retnd at 5 PM without seeing any Secesh or making any discovery at all. The Orderly Sergts of Com.A, B, C, H, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sergts of Co. D and H was placed under arrest by the Col. for not getting one man on the ground before he was ready to go on board the Starlight. No Battallion or Parrade.

**Saturday, August 30, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor 83 deg. Capt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut. Dandy Offr of the Guard. The Col., Adjutant and Com. D went on board the Starlight. Then went to Bulls and Pinkney Islands. Within sight of Bluffton drove in Rebel Cavalry Picket. Saw a Rebel steamer. Landed on Bulls Island but saw no Rebels. Then went to Dawfuskie. Got some mellons and retnd again. Battallion and Dress Parrade. Major caught Stage of Com. B asleep on his post on the Parapet. At 3 o'clock at night a light was discovered up the Savannah. Very dark and foggy.

**Sunday, August 31, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 84. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. At daybreak a Rebel steamer was discovered ashore at the mouth of Wrights River. We soon started to board her when the crew fired her and took to their boats and went up the river. We came near capturing them. She proved to be the English Steamer Emma, loaded with Cotton trying to run the Blockade. But she failed before getting to the Fort. We could save nothing on board. She burned all day and night. We had a General Muster for Pay at 4 o'clock PM after which we had Battallion and Dress Parade at 6 o'clock PM. Lieut J. Bodine again resumed his duties in the Company

and had command of the Company during Muster. The Cosmopolitan started for Hilton Head at 2 o'clock PM. Capt Traverse of Comp B left for Hilton Head to be Major of the 47<sup>th</sup> Regt. N. Y. S. Vol.

**Monday, September 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 84. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Bodine Offr of the Guard. The steamer Emma still burning. Their was a Picket sent up the river at night to be near The Emma. Mounted an 8 inch Columbiand on the Parapets. A Rebel Picket Boat seen up opposite Birds Island. A fine shower in the afternoon. Private James Burns of Comp. G. died in the hospital at 4 PM with Dysenteria Chronic. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Tuesday, September 2, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 80. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Hearst Offr of the Guard. The Col went to Braddocks Point in the Starlight at 1 PM. Then returned by Cooper and Wright Rivers. They got aground near the mouth of Wrights River and did not get off until night. Jas. Burns was buried at 3 o'clock PM. No Battallion or Dress Parrade. Wrote to Rev. S. H. Johnson, Barnegat.

**Wednesday, September 3, 1862**

Fair and cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 82. Capt. Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut. Wallace Offr of the Guard. The Col and Adjutant went to Hilton Head on board the Starlight and returned again at 6 ½ o'clock PM. Dress Parrade and Battallion. Major J. M. Green in command. Lieut Dunbar and Sergt Donnallson retnd from home. The mail arrived. Recd 3 letters from J.E.P. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Thursday., September 4, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 83. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Elfwing Offr of the Guard. Lieut. J. M. Swarthout and 5 men went up to Savannah with an old man from Cuba under a flag of truce. The Steamer Neptune came from Hilton Head with an Express and a lot of cattle on board. Lieut J.H. Perry had his resignation accepted. The Starlight returned from the Head at 6 PM. The Flag of Truce returned at 6 ½ PM. Saw their floating Battery and had a good view. Generally their troops on Picket were mostly boys of from 14 to 18 years old. Wrote to Mary Marshall. Sent my Ambrotype.

**Friday, September 5, 1862**

Fine and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 79. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. A Committee consisting of Capt Strickland, Lieut Bodine and Lt. Tantum convened at the D. M. D. to examine a lot of hard bread at 10 AM. The Col went up the Wilmington River in the Starlight after a Rebel Steamer but could not catch her and retnd soon. Comp Drill from 6 to 7 AM and 3 ½ to 4 ½ PM. Battallion and Dress Parrade., Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, September 6, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 80. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. The Starlight went to Hilton Head in the afternoon. I sent my warrant as 2<sup>nd</sup> Sergt home in the mail. The Neptune started for Fernadina, Fla. Battallion and Dress Parrade at sundown. A small mail came up from Hilton Head. Lieut Swarhouse went down to the Head. Stacy K. Duffle put in as Cook in Brewers place. Gen. Hunter and Staff left for Washington in the McClellan.

**Sunday, September 7, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind North. Thermomitor at 81. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Starlight returned from the Head with the D. M. and Lt. Swarhouse on board. General monthly Inspection at 9 AM outside of the Fort. Capt Lent returned from a furlough home. Church at 3 ½ PM from the 96 Psalm. Battallion and Dress Parrade. Sergts Hammell, Barrett, Gainer, Acker, Umblebee and Abbott was released from arrest at 8 o'clock.

**Monday, September 8, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 81. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Bodine Offr of the Guard. Went on a Drill and Batallion in the afternoon. Major Green while up to the mouth of Wrights River came across a load of 21 C. contrabands which had run away from their masters and was on their way to Ft. Pulaski in a row boat. A splendid moonlight night.

**Tuesday, September 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 82. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Hearst Offr of the Guard. A heavy Fatigue all day. Sergt Donnelson started for Hilton Head to take command of his Company in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. of S. C.'s Vol. Of Blacks, on board the Starlight which left at 6 o'clock PM, their D.M.S. and A. C.S. on board for the Head. The Starlight got disabled and had to go to the Head to get repaired. Battallion and Dress Parrade.

**Wednesday, September 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 83. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Wallace Offr of the Guard. Quite a spree among the Cooks and Men. Duffle bound to leave. A Contraband came down Wrights River in a Boat. He was shot in the heel while trying to run by the Rebel Pickets. 5 of the rest was captured by the Pickets.

Another contraband came down through Mud River on two planks. He ran away from his master while in the act of the cars leaving for Macon, Ga.

**Thursday, September 11, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 80. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt Elfwing Offr of the Guard. Abe Mason left the Capts as cook and came back to the Company. A Rebel steamer came down about noon with a flag of truce. Capts. Lent and Cowan was sent to receive it. They brought two ladies, a Mrs. Gilbert and Waiter. She went back to Savannah about 3 o'clock PM.

**Friday, September 12, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind North West. Thermonitor at 77. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. Went fishing with Cpls Rimm, Harbison, Porch and C. McCreas. Caught 4 doz, one weighed about 16 lbs. The officers mail came in from the Head. Had a heavy Batalion Drill. Had the Big fish cooked and we had a Grand General time among ourselves. A fine supper. A splendid moonlight night. The Gen. ordered those ladies searched which was done by Mrs. Kelley. When a number of private letters was found and where they swore the Oath of Allegiance to the Confederate States of America they were held as spies.

**Saturday, September 13, 1862**

Clear. Wind blowing a gale, North. Thermomitor a 78. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Dandy Offr of the Guard. Detailed for Fatigue, The steamer Planter came up from Hilton Head at 10 o'clock AM with a small Express, 30 contrabands for Fatigue, also the mail. Lt. Hale was dispatched with a Flag of Truce to Savannah under sealed orders, Commenced storming and blowing so hard that they could not get back. No Batalion or Dress Parrade. The mail came in. Recd a letter from Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Sunday, September 14, 1862**

Cloudy and Cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 76. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. Camp. Inspection at 8 ½ AM. Commenced raining and blowed hard all day. Lt. Hale retn with the Flag of Truce. Reported having passed one of the Rebel Pickets without being hailed while going up. So they kept on up and went through the obstructions in the river when they was hailed from Fort Jackson. They went ashore at a Plantation below the Fort where they stayed all night on account of the wind blowing so hard. Having no grub with them, they sent for some to the commander of the Fort, but he said they had no grub for Yankee soldiers. They was told that some of them intended to desert at the first opportunity. One of them was from Brooklyn and said he knows Smith, one of our men. He asked for something white and the Lt. gave him his handkerchief. He said that he would be with us in a few days.

**Monday, September 15, 1862**

Cloudy and stormy. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. 18 prisoners and had quite a time with them. The Planter went to Hilton Head, the Chaplain and Adjutant on board. The contrabands was put on Fatigue in place of 48th Detail. Stormed very hard most of the day. No Batalion, Drill or Parrade. Had to tie little Burr the Drummer, he was so stubborn. A fine moonlight night. Grand at 12 o'clock. Countersign was Sumner. All quiet on the Savannah.

**Tuesday, September 16, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor 78. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Bodine Offr of the Guard. Releaved from Guard at 8 AM. Then took a good nap. Sergt Patterson put Sergt McDougall and Cpl A. Cole under arrest for throwing bread in the quarters. The Planter came up from Hilton Head, had the mail, also 50 new recruits for the 48<sup>th</sup> Regt. Also Col D. M.'s and Capt Gould's wives on board. Capt Cowan of Comp A recd a Commission as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut in the 127<sup>th</sup> N. Y. S. V. Fitch got a letter addressed to Lieut. J.H. Fitch-quite a good joke. Cpl Lyons rated to his Company. The Planter went back to Hilton Head in the Evening with the Rebel ladies, Mrs. Gilbert and Waiter on board. Recd a letter from Martha Webster.

**Wednesday, September 17, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind West, Thermomitor at 78. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Corwin Offr of the Guard. Drilled on Artillery. Quite a heap of fun made to see the new recruits drill. It freshened up our Camp Wyman scenes. The Planter went to Hilton Head and returned at 4 PM, the Adjutant on board. McDougall and A. Cole was released from arrest. Regular Drills during the Day. Wrote to Martha Webster, J. E. P. Abbott.

**Thursday, September 18, 1862**

Clear and pleasant. Wind West. Thermomitor at 79. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. A dispatch was signaled that the Gen. O. M. Mitchel would be here at 10 o'clock AM. We were then ordered to be ready at 9 ½ for inspection and to receive him with military honors after inspection. We stacked arms until 10 ½ AM when we was fell in and marched to the Plank Road leading to the South Dock. We was then brought to Open Ranks. When Comp. H was thrown out at Inward Face to 400 paces from the Battallion. The Ben DeFord came up with the

Gen and Staff. A salute was then fired of 13 guns on the arrival of the Steamer. The Gen and Staff then landed and came up. Company H escorted them up to the Battalion which was then at Present Arms. They passed and went into the Fort. The Battalion was then marched into the Fort and brought in line of Battle and received the General at Present Arms. The Battalion was then Closed Column by Division, our 3<sup>rd</sup> Divisions, when the General then rode to the front. After continued cheers he proceeded to give us a short but spirited speech right to the point. He complimented our Regt and then said he would meet with us again soon when we would hear from him again. Continued cheers. He returned at 4 PM. The Planter went to Braddocks Point, returned with the officers mail and Col. Frazier and wife on board. A heavy Battalion Drill and Parade.

**Friday, September 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 78. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantom Offr of the Guard. The officers and wives and 30 of Comp. H went on board the Planter for a scouting party. They went through the Callabage Sound then around Dawfuskie Island, through the Cooper Rver and retrn at sunset. Discovered nothing. Went fishing. Had Parade at sunset. No Batallion. Maj. Green in command. The mail came in. The boys had quite a time with the Ody throwing tins and bread. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, Maggie T. Gandy, Manie A. Treen, Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, September 20, 1862**

Cloudy and stormy. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 77. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Hearst Offr of the Guard. The Planter started for Hilton Head at daylight. Stormed so that we had to stop Drilling. No drilling in the afternoon or Parrade. It stormed hard all the afternoon. Heavy firing at the Head. We laid in a supply of grub for the Mess. Messrs Lilppincott, Cole, Duffle, Mason, Palmer and Abbott drew ten days rations for the Company. The 50 new recruits was examined and sworn in. 2 was rejected. Commenced to Drill Keltons Bayonet Exercise. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Sunday, September 21, 1862**

Cloudy and storming hard all day and night. Wind N. East. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Wallace Offr of the Guard. It rained so hard that the guard could not be mounted, but had to report to the Guard House. Company Inspection was in the quarters. No church. The Planter returned from Hilton Head in the afternoon. Sergt. Fisher came up to the Fort. Anderson had to leave his old bunk for fear that Tip Brewers beer would get to working and run over. Wrote to Manie A. Treen.

**Monday, September 22, 1862**

Still storming hard. Wind East. Thermomitor at 74. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Elfwing Offr of the Guard. No Drill or Parrade during the day. The guard was not mounted but reported at the Guard House. At 8 o'clock three contrabands came from Savannah down the Wilmington River. They had a small canoe. They had papers of the 21<sup>st</sup> stating that Gen. Beauregard was in command at Charleston S. C. and that he had promised to retake Fort Pulaskie inside of three weeks. At 2 PM two men was seen on the mud flats. Boats was sent to them and they proved to be deserters from the 1<sup>st</sup> Georgia. They had been on the meadows since Friday night. They were almost fatigued out. They were from N. York, 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Planter went to the Head, the Col on board. Wrote Jacob Miller. Sent a comic book and New South home.

**Tuesday, September 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 77. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. The officers and their wives went over to Dawfuskie Island on a fishing expedition, then landed and got a lot of truck. Caught 80 fish. Went on board the Planter. They did not return until sunset. A contraband came in. He was on Dawfuskie Island and made a signal to the Dispatch Boat from Braddock's Point when they took him off. He had come from Barnswell, S. C. which is about 100 miles from Bluffton. He was about half white. Had no roll call at Retreat. The Ody was to the Cook House. The steamer General Burnsidess came up from Fernadina with Gen Terry and Lt. Col Beard on board. The Gun Boat Ivens came from the Head and went through into the Wassaw.

**Wednesday, September 24, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. McDougall Sergt of the Guard. The Col., Adjutant and Comp. H went to Bulls Island on a scout on board the Planter. They returned at 9 o'clock PM. They had been to the upland, discovered the Rebel Cavalry Pickets on the mainland. They shelled them so that they had to leave their guns, pistols, revolvers, saddles, clothes and one horse and put off on horseback. We captured their things. Sergt Gainer of Comp. B was reduced to the ranks, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sergt Cotant romoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Sergt. We had no Batallion or Parrade. Our officers was all away. Company R's boys got some of the Rebel rifles and revolvers and a lot of clothes.

**Thursday, September 25, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. The Darlington came from Hilton Head and went through into the Wassaw. Capt John Smith from Duintels Bridge, NJ came in for a harbour, bound to Fernadina with a cargo of Sutlers Stores. The Planter went to Hilton Head at 3 PM for commissary stores. The detailed masons of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass went to the Head to go and join their Regt. Men in Gen

Burnsides Division had charge of the Company. Sergt Patterson was sick. Private Gainer of Comp. B was put on Guard. Had Dress Parade at 6 PM. The Regt had all on white gloves. Notwithstanding the wind we had a grand time indeed. The Erricson arrived at the Head at 8AM with a mail on board.

**Friday, September 26, 1863**

Clear and Cool. Wind North West. Thermomitor at 74. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Bodine Offr of the Guard. The Rebel steamer Ida came down from Savannah at 9 ½ AM with a flag of truce on board. They had Rev. Mr. Spencer and Lady formerly of Brooklyn L. I. and a small mail on board. She returned again at 1 PM. G. W. Gainer of Comp. B was promoted to 4<sup>th</sup> Sergt of Co. B in Cotants place. The officers mail came in on the Dispatch Boat. Papers of the 20<sup>th</sup>. Drilled on Guns. Had Battallion and Dress Parrade.

**Saturday, September 27, 1862**

Cloudy and Cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 78. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Corwin Offr of the Guard. At 11 o'clock AM the Boston cme in with Gen. Terry and Staff on board. A Bdr gun salute of 11 guns was fired from the Ramparts. The Regt was then drawn up in line of Battle at Open Arms on the Plank Road to the South Dock. The General was then received with regular military honors, after which the Batallion was marched into the Fort and dismissed. At 2 PM a regular general Inspection took place in the quarters on account of rain. They inspected by Companies. The Gen and Staff was highly pleased with the appearance of the Regt. They left for Fernandina at 4 PM. The Planter returned from the Head at 12 Midnight. Sergts Chas Wyckoff and Ayres and John Nixon returned with their Discharges. Capt. Jackson came up in the Boston and mustered out the Old Band. Had to eat Hard Tack. Run out of flour. More came up on the Planter. Had quite a singing school. Rained very hard in the Evening. Mail came in. Recd a letter from S. H. Johnson.

**Sunday, September 28, 1862**

Cloudy, Wind South West. Thermomitor at 72. Capt Corwin Offr of the Day. Srgt Robinson Offr of the Guard. Co. Inspection at 9 AM. All quiet in the fort. No church during the day. Dress Parrade at sunset, when the Chaplain gave us a short speech and quite a patriotic prayer. No Batallion, wrote to J.E.P. Abbott.

**Monday, September 29, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind West. Thermomitor at 76. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Companies C, D, E, F, H furnished no guard, but was ordered to prepare for an expedition to embark on board the Planter tonight at 12 o'clock, with 1 days rations. We were ordered to prepare our equipment and each to have 40 rounds of cartridges. The cooks prepared the rations by dark. We had no drill or Dress Parrade. Made out the monthly Companys report. Gave the Adjutant a list of the names of those going on the scout. A dispatch was signaled from Hilton Head that Gen. Sander, Paymaster Gen U.S.A. was dead. A salute of 9 guns was fired and the flag lowered to half mast. The Planter was fixed up to protect her boiler. Number of men from Co. D is 64. At 12 o'clock at night we fell in line. Co. E Capt. Cowan, Comp H Lieut Swarthout, Comp. D Capt Paxon, Comp C Lieut Edwards, Comp F Capt Lockwood. Capt Strickland in command of the land forces. Col Barton in command of the Gun Boats, Planter and Starlight. There was 15 detachments of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. on the Planter and 2 detachments on the Starlight.

**Tuesday, September 30, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind North East. At 1 o'clock AM we started on our expedition. Went through Callabage Sound. Took one of the signal officers on board at Braddocks Point. Went up the river at the upper end of Bulls Island. We ran ashore on the middle ground and did not get off again until 7 o'clock, when we ran within two miles of Bluffton. We landed at Bluffton and Co. E was thrown out as skirmishers. The Gun Boats kept just ahead of the infantry and kept shelling the woods ahead of them until they arrived at Bluffton, which is on Bulls Island two miles from its mouth. The Rebel Cavalry Pickets skedaddled on the appearance of the Boats. We soon arrived in the town which we found to be a pleasant and delightful town, entirely deserted. The Episcopal Church was used as a Picket Port. We ate dinner and proceeded to Popes Plantation, one mile further up the river. The Rebels again retreated to the next plantation. We then proceeded to Dr. Cruel's Plantation, one mile further up.. The Rebel Cavalry 100 in number. At first the Rebels made a stand in line of battle on the Old Turnpike to receive our Infantry, but the Gun Boats again put them to flight. The family left their dinner meat on the fire. They had most splendid furniture. The officers brought most of it away. The tide was getting down so we thought best to return. We left there at 2 o'clock. Brought three young negroes which was on the Plantation. The Boats stopped at Bluffton and we got a piano and a lot of other furniture. Returned to the Fort at 7 PM. The officers mail arrived.

**Wednesday, October 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut. Edwards Offr of the Guard. No Drill. At 12 M. the Gun Boats with a squad of Co. G & A went up the Savannah River on a reconaissance. They soon engaged the Rebel Gun Boats with briskness. The Rebels retreated under the Fire of Fort Jackson. Our Boats returned at Sun Set after driving in their Pickets and burning an old hulk in Mud River. Dress Parade at 5 PM. Major Green commanding.

**Thursday, October 2, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 73. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. The Starlight left for Hilton Head at 5 AM. The Old Band left for home. Also Ayres of Co. D, Nixon Co. B, Wyckoff Co. F left for home, all discharged from the Regt. All quiet, usual drilling. Lieut Wallace went over to Braddocks Point after the mail, but did not return until 9 PM. The Offr of the Day allowed us to have lights to read our letters. I got 3 from J. E. P. Abbott, W. T. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Mary Marshall, also her Ambrotype.

**Friday, October 3, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 73. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. We had a splendid time indeed only the mosquitoes was very bad. The Planter left for Hilton Head, the Col and Adgt on board. A short Batallion Drill, the Major in command. All quiet in the Fort. On Grand Rounds during the night. We had no trouble with the prisoners only six in number. Wrote to W. T. Abbott, Wash. DC, Mary Marshall, J.E.P. Abbott.

**Saturday, October 4, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 74. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Bodine Offr of the Guard. Went fishing. The Irene towed the 3 masted schooner free, went to the Fort. At 6 PM the Planter returned from the Head. The Col, Adjutant and Lt. Tantum returned from the Head. Lieut Nichols retd from home from recruiting. Private J. Nichols of T. V. E.'s came up on a pass to see our Boys. The Planter has an Express on board. Lieut Videll went Braddocks Point.

**Sunday, October 5, 1862**

Clear, warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 78. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. Regimental Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. It was 12 o'clock before we got through. The Rescue left at 5 AM with the J. A. Brown in tow. Preaching at 3 PM. Dress Parrade and Batallion at 5 ½ PM. Prayer meeting opposite the Pellican Club at 7 o'clock in the Evening. Lieut Tantum leading. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, October 6, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind East. Thermomitor at 76. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Nichols Offr of the Guard. All quiet. Usual drills during the day. The Planter went to the Emma's hulk with a fatigue party on board. They got a large quantity of cotton in bales. We organized a Choir at Comp. H's Qtrs Casemate No. 17. We had some singing. Sergt Hutchinson sent after 12 Lute of Zions. Prayer Meeting at the Tent opposite the Pellican Club. Had a meeting of the non coms at the Capt Qtrs. The Rescue came from the Wassaw Sound with a schooner in tow.

**Tuesday, October 7, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 77. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Fry Offr of the Guard. The Rescue left for Hilton Head at 7 AM, retn at 4 PM with the schooner Iva in tow, loaded with coal. The Schooner Free Wind went to Goats Point Dock, Tibee Island. Batallion and Dress Parrade at 5 ½ PM. All quiet on the Island.

**Wednesday, October 8, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 78. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Corwin Offr of the Guard. The Steam Tug Gen. Washington came up from Hilton Head with Gen. O. M. Mitchel and Staff on board. They stayed until 2 PM when they left for the Head. Cpl. A. Lippincott was promoted to 5<sup>th</sup> Sergt in Ayres place. Stacy K. Duffle promoted to 8<sup>th</sup>, Cpl Spiler to 7<sup>th</sup>, Church to 6<sup>th</sup>, White to 5<sup>th</sup>, Porch to 4<sup>th</sup>, Harbison to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Pimm to 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cole to 1<sup>st</sup>. Had a singing school at my Casemate No. 45. Had a fine shower in the Evening.

**Thursday, October 9, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Raining all morning. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 73. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Steamer Planter towed the schooner J. B. White over to the Rebel Steamer Emma, then hoisted out the cotton which was in her hole and retn at 7 PM at the North Wharf. Lippincott moved into his Casemate No. 42. Fixed up the bunks in Casemate 45. Prayer meeting in the tent at the North Dock. No Parrade.

**Friday, October 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 75. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Lieut Tantum, Brewer, Bowers, E. H. and J. P. Croasdale and I took up J. N. Conover's remains, placed them in a metalic coffin, marked it to L. L. Johnson, 166 Broadway, N. Y. It was an unpleasant job. Had a fine shower in the afternoon. Rained quite hard. We had no Dress Parrade or Batallion Drill.

**Saturday, October 11, 1862**

Cloudy and occasionally a shower. Wind South. Thermomitor at 74. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. Cpl Cole went fishing, caught a fine Drum which weighed 18 lbs. The Steamer Washington came up from the Head at 1 o'clock PM to prepare for the expedition which is on foot. They are putting the James's rifled guns on board. The Chaplain, Capts Strickland, & Elmandoff went to Braddock's Point in the night on board the Geo. Washington. It rained very hard during the night. Singing School in Co. F's quarters

**Sunday, October 12, 1862**

Cloudy and Storming. Wind South. Thermomitor at 70. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Wallace Offr of the Guard. The Washington returned from Braddock's Point at 7 o'clock AM. The officers all returned with her. Company Inspection at 9 o'clock AM in the quarters on account of the rain and wind on the Parrade Ground. No church during the day. The carpenters at work preparing the Washington and Planter for the expedition. Two negroes was sent out as spies on the mainland by the Gen.

**Monday, October 13, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 70. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Carlton Offr of the Guard. No drill in the morning. A squad of us went fishing. Went down to Goats Point, caught a fine mess. The carpenters was at work on the Gun Boats. The 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. Comp mounted the guns on the Washington. We had drill in the afternoon. Target practice. Had no Battallion or Parrade. The Offrs mail arrived in the afternoon. Had no meeting at the Cpts as he was sick. Had a class meeting in the Tent opposite the Pellican.

**Tuesday, October 14, 1862**

Cool and cloudy. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 71. Capt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Edwards Offr of the Guard. The steamers Planter and Washington with Comps. E and G on board went to Bulls River on a reconaissance. Started at 2 o'clock AM. At sunrise we heard heavy firing in their direction. Supposed that they were shelling the Rebels above Bluffton. The Steamer Locust Point came up from Hilton Head at 12 M, the Chaplain and Capt Strickland on board. They brought up the Express for three months back. I got my box but all the things was spoiled, boots and all. One of Comp. C undertook to disturb some of the things when W. McCalla gave him a few dry knocks. The medicine was good. Lost about 25\$ by it. The Capt and Lieut. J. M. Tantum's swords came. The Co. marched up to their quarters when they were called out and Cpl W. A. Porch made the presentations. The Capt and Lieut both gave us a fine speech, after which we gave them each 3 hearty cheers and broke ranks. The Darlington came in from Jacksonville with some 3 Comps of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. on board. The mail arrived. Recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, Martha Webster. The Washington and Planter came and reported shelling the Rebels entirely off.

**Wednesday, October 15, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 73. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. The Darlington went to Hilton Head. The Planter left for Hilton Head at 5 PM. At 6 PM Comp F presented the Major J. M. Green and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut S.K. Wallace each with a splendid sword. They both gave a short speech and expressed their sincere thanks in return. The Washington left for Hilton Head at 9 PM, the Col and Capt Cowan on board. Sergt McDougall went to the Head with Conovers remains. Sergt Cranford of Comp G delivered a temperance lecture at the tent opposite the Pellican House. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Thursday, October 16, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 74. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. Cpl Johnson, Rolson, Scudder and Hart of Co. K. and Sergt Abbott, D. Bosworth and S. Burroughs commenced to organize a Signal Corps for our own istruction; commenced practice. Had a Dress Parrade and Batallion Drill. Major J. M. Green in command. All quiet on the Savannah. Drill in Target practice. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Friday, October 17, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind S. East. Thermometer at 71. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lieut Nichols Offr of the Guard. At 6 o'clock in the morning the Guard discovered two men on the meadows opposite the Sth Dock. The Provost Guard went to get them. They proved to be 2 deserters from the Rebel 1<sup>st</sup> Ga. Vol. They had left the night before. They are from the North. The Schooner Deborah Jones from Camden, NJ came up to the South Dock with a load of Brick. Battallion and Dress Parrade. When the Battallion was dispersed by the Major, the Ody Sergt held a meeting at Lieut Dunbars Quarters. Resolved to raise 275\$ to get the Col a sword as a present. Lieut Miller was to get it.

**Saturday, October 18, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind North West. Thermomitor at 72. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Bodine Offr of the Guard. At 2 o'clock AM the Planter came up from Hilton Head. The Col was on board, also Sergt McDougall and E. S. Curtis who came up to visit the Comp. At 9 o'clock AM the Planter started with the Col and Comp B on board on a reconaissance to get those Negro scouts, which started out on last Monday morning. They went up the Bull River to the Salt Works where they got the scouts and then returned to the town of Bluffton. They brought away one Negro which the Rebels had left behind. They then started for the Fort. When about from the town they was fired unto by some Rebel infantry which was concealed in the woods. Their was about 100 of them. They fired 4 rounds at us. They wounded Cpl. Duran of Co. B. in the left side and the mate of the Planter in the leg. We killed some of them and threw the grape and canister amongst them, when they skedaddled again. We then retrnd to the Fort. The wounded was taken to the hospital. The negroes had a real old sparking time on board of the Planter. The girls went to see the men. The mail arrived. Recd a letter from Mary Marshall.

**Sunday, October 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 71. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Fry Officer of the Guard. At 7 o'clock AM there was 3 men came down the Savannah. One was a Cpl. He had got the others' arms. Then drew his revolver and swore that he would shoot them if they did not pull him down to Ft. Pulaski. They had been on Picket up the river and had got a pass for 24 hours to go to Elba Island a Hog Hunting. There was four of them started. He set one of them ashore on the upper end of the island to find tracks while they rowed further down. Thus the Cpl took advantage of the time and stole the other two away. They are both natives of Savannah and rank Secessionists. They will be held as Prisoners of War. The Cpl was from Maine. He had been teaching school in Georgia and had been forced into the service about 3 months. They belonged to the 47<sup>th</sup> Georgia Crackers. He played them a Yankee Trick for once. They are quite anxious to get back again. They have families in Savannah. Cpl Duran of Comp. B died of his wounds at 6 PM. Church at 3 PM. Text: Luke 6 Chap. 10<sup>th</sup> Verse. Prayer Meeting in the tent at the North Dock in the Evening. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Monday, October 20, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 71. Capt. Cowan Officer of the Day. Lieut Robinson Officer of the Guard. Drew 10 days rations for the Company. Cpl Duran of Co. B. was buried at 2 o'clock PM. The whole Battalion attended in procession to pay their honors to the first to fall in our Regt by the balls from the Rebels. The Planter went out to tow in the Schooner R. Grandall of Brookhaven with commissary's stores on board. Had orders to prepare to go on an expedition with 10 days rations, 3 days cooked and 7 raw, one days fresh bread and 9 of hard tack, and to be ready at 3 o'clock in the morning. Comps A, D, E, F, G and H to embark on the Planter for Hilton Head where we was to join the expedition. I was up all night getting the Provisions ready to start.

**Tuesday, October 21, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. At 3 o'clock AM I got up to prepare to leave. At 8 AM we marched to the North Dock and embarked on board the Planter for Hilton Head where we arrived at 2 ½ PM. There we found the troops embarking on board the different steamers. There was 700 7<sup>th</sup> Ct., 500 6<sup>th</sup> Ct., 400 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H., 600 76<sup>th</sup> Pa., 400 47<sup>th</sup> Pa., 600 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I., 400 4<sup>th</sup> N.H., 400 48<sup>th</sup> N.Y., Eng's. 500, Hamilton's Battery 300, Cavalry 300. 5,000 in all to be under the command of Gen Brannan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade under Gen Terry, 1<sup>st</sup> under Col Brown of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Artillery. We ran up to the Dock and took some wood and ammunition on board. We then dropped out into the stream and in the rear of the line of Boats which was to attend the expedition, which was to start at Midnight. The Erricsson arrived with the mail. Capt. Farrole and Sergt (blank) of Comp C returned from recruiting. They brought 7 new recruits, one for Co. D. James Burton and 6 musicians for the Band. The Gun Boats came in line about dark and was all ready to start at the Signal which was to be given from the Paul Jones, the Flag Ship. Received the mail. Got a letter from J.E.P. Abbott.

**Wednesday, October 22, 1862**

At 2 o'clock AM the Capt waked the Col and told him that the fleet had gone and left him. That the signal officer had missed the signal. We then put all steam on. The Planter started on, went up the Broad River. At 3 AM we began to overtake the Fleet. At 4 ½ AM we came to the Gun Boats which was at anchor. At daylight we started, the 6 gun boats leading and soon arrived at the mouth of the Coosawatchie River and all but the 48<sup>th</sup> disembarked at Boyds Landin at the mouth of the river. They at once took up the line of march on the North side of the river to attack the forces on the railroad. We then went up the river to within 2 miles of the railroad bridge where the boats grounded. We then landed, deployed our skirmishers and formed a line of march, the brass Howitzer in the centre. We marched to within 300 yards of the railroad when a train loaded with reinforcements came along. We fired into it and killed several and many jumped off and skeddaddled. We then rushed on to the track, tore it up and cut the telegraph wires. Caught one prisoner, colors of the Whipple Swamp Guards, and many guns. We then found that the Rebels was in force at the Bridge and that they was closing in on our rear. We was all this time engaging their cavalry and killed several of them. We then withdrew and in a good order to the Boat and commenced to embark, but before we was all on board the Rebels came up and opened fire on us. We at once returned it not only with our Infantry but Artillery. They stood their ground nobly for a while, but they had to retreat the grape and canister was so thick. We shelled them until they had got entirely out of range. They did no damage to the 48<sup>th</sup>. Lieut Blanding of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. was mortally wounded in the right side. We then dropped down to the Fleet, having accomplished more than the Gen. expected of us. The forces under Gen. Brannan drove the forces under command of Beauregard 4 miles to the Turnpike Bridge which crosses the Pocitaligo one mile below the railroad bridge. The Rebels then burned the bridge so that our forces could not cross the river. They then fell back and tried to cut us off with the reinforcements which was then coming up to their assistance they numbered some 10,000 in all. So a brisk battle then began and for some time both sides held their ground and the men was being slaughtered like sheep. General Brannan ordered the 76<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania and the 7<sup>th</sup> Connecticut to charge on them. With the Yankee yell they broke the Rebel ranks and forced their way through. Then retreated to the Landing under the cover of our Gun Boats. Our loss was heavy, about 500 killed and wounded. They would have been cut off if we had not drawn off their left wing. The Flora was sent to the Head in the Evening with a load of wounded. The Regts encamped out in the field.

**Thursday, October 23, 1862**

Clear and warm. At sunrise the troops began to embark. At 7 AM the Boston started with the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct and a lot of the killed and wounded. At 8 o'clock the Darlington started for Beaufort with the 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. and cavalry. At 8 ½ we started for the Head. Some of the troops was still on the land when we left burying the dead. The 48<sup>th</sup> was providentially spared. We arrived at the Head at 1 o'clock PM, came to the Dock and took some wood and cartridges on board. I saw Sergt David Morrow of Co D 97<sup>th</sup> Pa. from Lower Chichester. The 97<sup>th</sup> was not with us. At 5 ½ we started for Pulaski, had a fine passage, arrived at 10 PM. We met the Ben Deford and two gun boats opposite Sculls Crick returning from Coosawatchie and Boyd's Landing. The Gen complimented our Regt. very highly for the active part which we took in the engagement of yesterday and said that we saved Gen Brannan's forces from being captured.

**Friday, October 24, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermometer at 70. Lieut. Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lieut Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Locust Point went to Hilton Head with the Ivy in tow. No Drill during the day. The Col gave them until Dress Parrade to clean up their things and rest. They took the 30 lb James Gun off the Planter, it was disabled, and put on a 40 lb James Gun. Received marching orders. The new Band came out on Dress Parrade for the first time. They played pretty well. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, October 25, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermometer at 71. Capt Farrole Offr of the Day. Lieut Hurst Offr of the Guard. Abbott Sergt of the Guard. We had a fine time, had 6 prisoners. Had to Buck and Gag Dolson of Co. G for mutinous conduct to the Offrs of the Guard. Sergt Lippincott had J. Yerwick put in the Guard House. Those Rebel Prisoners - Ranson, Gerod and J. H. Johns - was still in the Guard House as Prisoners of War. The Schooner R. Grandall left the Port. Commenced storming in the afternoon and stormed all night. Wrote to Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Sunday, October 26, 1862**

Storming, wind blowing hard at South. Thermomitor at 69. Capt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Wallace Offr of the Guard, Had Co. Inspection in the Quarters it rained so hard. Cleared off about noon and began to get cold. Preaching at 3 o'clock by the Chaplain. Text Isaiah 28 Ch., 18 verse. Prayer meeting in Comp. Quarters, old cook house. Had no Battalion or Dress Parade. Came off Guard at 8 o'clock AM and took my full rations of sleep all day. At 11 AM two deserters came in from Savannah in a boat. They had a white flag raised. They had Savannah papers of the 25<sup>th</sup> stating our loss at 300 out of 350 in the last engagement. Quite a big thing on Snider.

**Monday, October 27, 1862**

Clear and cold. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Carlton Offr of the Guard. The Planter went down to Hilton Head in the afternoon. Took those 4 deserters. Major Green in charge of them. It was so cold that we had to drill with our coats on all day. No communication with Hilton Head by Signal or Dispatch since the Expedition to Coosawhatchie. Had Dress Parrade at sunset.

**Tuesday, October 28, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 63. Capt. Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. The steamer Gov. Milton which was captured 260 miles up the St. John's River, Fla. came through from the Wassaw Sound at 3 o'clock PM reported chasing one of our Gun Boats below the Wassaw. The Planter came up from Hilton Head about sun down. The Major and Pay Master came on board, also brought up the Express and the mail. Recd the Atlantic Journal and a letter from M. E. Baldwin. Signed the pay rolls in the Evening. The Darlington came up from Hilton Head at 7 in the morning, Lieut Col Beard on board.

**Wednesday, October 29, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 69. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Gen Milton went to Beaufort at 6 AM. The Darlington went through into the Wassaw bound to Fernandina, Col Beard on board. The Express came up. I received my 2<sup>nd</sup> box by Express. The things kept all right. We was paid off by J. O. Mason, U.S.P.M. Paid up to the 30<sup>th</sup> of August. The Planter went down to Hilton Head in the evening, the P.M. on board. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin. Sent her a Christmas present.

**Thursday, October 30, 1862**

Clear and Warm. Wind S. West. Thermomitor at 68. Capt. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. Went to Tibee Island with Sergt Lippincott, Cpl Pimm, Abe Mason and Tip Brewer. We had a fine time. Retd at 4 PM. The Planter came up from Beaufort at 4 PM. General Beauregard sent a flag of truce to Gen Mitchel requesting him to leave Beaufort Isle within 36 hours or he would land 50,000 men on the Island and drive them off. He did not see the Point. He sent a fleet of gun boats to help transport his troops. Col Brown of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Regt died at 9 AM at Hilton Head with the fever.

**Friday, October 31, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Southwest. Thermomitor at 68. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Tantum Offr of the Guard. At 2 o'clock this morning a dispatch was signalled from Hilton Head stating the death of our worthy Gen. O. M.

Mitchel. He died at Hilton Head at 6 o'clock last evening with the yellow fever. Flags was at half mast all day today. 35 died at Hilton head yesterday with the Fever. The Planter went to the Head in the night. Col Frazier of the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y. 3<sup>rd</sup> Vol died at 5 o'clock AM with the yellow fever. Gen Beauregard ordered us to leave Fort Pulaski within 48 hours or he would drive us out with his Ram. We are waiting with all patience for her presence. Hope she will come tonight.

**Saturday, November 1, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 59. Capt Farrole Offr of the Day. Lieut Nichols Offr of the Guard. No signs of the Savannah Ram yet. Guess they are asleep. The Guard at the South Dock was caught all sleep in the Sentry House. Put all in arrest. The Planter came up from Sea Brook, Col Serrell on board. He dare not go to the Head. The men was not allowed to come ashore for fear of the Fever. The mail came in. Had my Battallion Drill. Sent to Philadelphia for the Dollar Newspaper.

**Sunday, November 2, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 67. Capt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Bodine Offr of the Guard. The officers at the Head found to have been killed by poisoning by some fish bought of a negro. Hung him up. Had Gen Muster and Regimental Inspection from 9 to 1 o'clock PM. The Planter went to Seabrook at 11 o'clock AM, Col Serrell on Board. She retd at 10 ½ PM. No church. The Chaplain's at Beaufort, S. C. Prayer meeting in the evening. No Battallion but Dress Parade.

**Monday, November 3, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 66. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Fry Offr of the Guard. The Planter started for Dawfuskie Island, the Col and Co. K. on board. When opposite Tibee they met the Flora with Gen Saxon on board where they turned around and returned. They left at 3 PM. A young lady Teacheress at Beaufort was with them. The brass shoulder seals came and was given out. We had them on at Dress Parrade. They looked fine. The Chaplain came back from Beaufort.

**Tuesday, November 4, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind S. West. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Corwin Offr of the Guard. The Planter started for Dawfuskie, the Col and Co. K. on board. It commenced raining at noon. Had Co. Election for Gov. of N.J. We polled 58 votes. Ward recd 41, Parker 17. Wards majority 23. Hurah for Ward and the whole ticket. An order read on Parrade from Head Quarters ordering every fort in the Department to fire a salute of 13 guns, flag to be lowered at half mast at meridian tomorrow and all the officers in the Department to go in mourning for 30 days in tribute to our noble General which we have to mourn.

**Wednesday, November 5, 1862**

Cloudy and showers. Wind S. East. Thermomitor at 65. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. At noon the Gen. Salute of 13 guns was fired, and the flag was lowered to half mast and the Officers appeared in mourning. Was raining so that we had no Drill or Parrade. The Engineers encamped at the North Dock in tents. Did not commence the Magazine as they had no stuff. Sent home two New Souths. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Thursday, November 6, 1862**

Stormed very hard all day. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lieut Dunbar Offr of the Guard. The Gun Boat Incus came from Hilton Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound. The small yatch started to go to Hilton Head, but it blowed so hard that she had to return. Had no Drill or Parrade during the Day. Prayer meeting in the Chaplains Quarters and divided the classes; Leaders Lt. Dunbar, Lt J.M. Tantum and Luke of Co. K.

**Friday, November 7, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind N, West. Thermomitor at 63. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Hurst Offr of the Guard. The Locust Point came in with the Virginia Price in tow. She did not come to the Dock. The Yatch started for Hilton Head with the mail. W. H. Porch got 30 names in our Co. who would be willing to go in the U. S. Regular Army as Cavalrymen if the terms suited. He sent to the Recruiting Officer at the Head to know. D. Bosworth delivered a lecture in the Chapel Quarters. Subject: "This War Predicted in the Bible" from Isaiah 60 Chap. 9 verse.

**Saturday, November 8, 1862**

Clear and cool. Winds North West. Thermomitor at 65. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lieut Wallace Offr of the Guard. The Planter started for Hilton Head at 6 o'clock AM, the Col. and Capt Paxson on board. The Darlington came through from the Wassaw Sound, Col. Beard with 2 Comps of the Negro Regt 1<sup>st</sup> S. C. Vols. They had landed and captured some 200 slaves and one Secesh Family. The Rebels attacked them but no damage done. She went on down to the Head. The Planter returned at 9 PM. No mail in yet. She had a small Express. No Dress Parrade.

**Sunday, November 9, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind S. West. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. At 3 PM the Chaplain repreched the General's funeral sermon from the text Job, 14 Chapter, 1 to 4 verses. It was a grand one indeed. He also gave us an account of his Civil and Military life. Had a fine prayer meeting, the Major leading. Had Dress Parrade. Sent two New Souths to M. M.

**Monday, November 10, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Schooner John Gaunt of Salem came through the Wassaw Sound. The Col named the guns on the Ramparts of Fort Pulaski, Ga. and gave each Company a Battery of 4 guns. Battery D Nos 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, Elsie, James, Gen. Thomas, Gen Slocum, Saide, my gun.

**Tuesday, November 11, 1862**

Clear and moderate. Wind South. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Miller Offr of the Guard. The Planter started for Beaufort at 6 AM. The Washington came from Seabrook with 10,000 brick. I was detailed to take charge of a fatigue party of 50 men to unload the Washington. The mate got drunk and was put in the Guard House by the Capt. He was good and lively. Had Dress Parrade.

**Wednesday, November 12, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 65. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. John Clark and I went out Ducking with Lt. Bodine. Had a fine time. Commenced drilling on our Bty of Aty. The Washington went to the Head. Took the Mate as a prisoner to the Provost Guard House at the Head. A gun boat came through the Callabage Sound and laid all night off Tibee Island. Dress Parrade at sun down. Capt Strickland commanding. Sent the New South and Company Roll home.

**Thursday, November 13, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 66. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Locust Point came in from Hilton Head with D, M, and A. C. S. stores. She brought no news from the North yet. She towed the old Montezuma to Seabrook. Went Ducking and had a race with the News Boy, the Col's boat. We beat them on the wind and they beat us before the wind. Had Dress Parrade at sun set. Capt. Strickland commanding.

**Friday, November 14, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 66. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. The Washington came up from the Head, Col. Serrell on board. The Darlington went through into the Wassaw Sound, Col Beard on board with 3 Companies of the 1<sup>st</sup> S. C. Vols. (Blacks). Had a meeting of the Sergts to determine some way to raise the money to pay for the Col. sword. Also a meeting called and appointed Sergt W. Barrett Co. F President, Sergt Smith Co K Chairman, Sergts Edwards of H, Umblebee of R, Sweeney of E, Hutchinson of F, Abbott of D as a committee to decide upon some stated sheverons to be worn by the Non Commissioned Officers of the 48<sup>th</sup> Regt N. Y. S. Vol.

**Saturday, November 15, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 67. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Corwin Offr of the Guard. Commenced raining at 1 ½ o'clock PM. Had no Drill or Dress Parrade. Had a grand time in Orderlys Casemate. Four of the R. I. Boys came over, had two violins, triangle and banjo. Had a grand dance. Two sets on the floor at once.

**Sunday, November 16, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Company Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. Church at 3 PM. Subject: Crucifixion of Christ. The Planter came up from Hilton Head in the afternoon with a schooner loaded with wood in tow. No mail arrived yet. Had no Dress Parrade. Prayer meeting in the Evening in the Chapel. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Monday, November 17, 1862**

Stormy. Wind North East. Thermomitor at 63. Capt Farole Offr of the Day. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. No Drill until afternoon. At 1 PM the Committee met at Casemate 45 to decide upon some standard Chevron to be worn by the non commissioned Officers of this Regt. We decided upon Gold Brade 3/8 of an inch wide upon dark blue ground for the coat, and fine black cloth for the pants, regulation width. The report was read at our evening meeting and adopted. A committee appointed, consisting of 3, to lay the proceedings before the Col. tomorrow at 2 o'clock. The Committee consists of Sergts Smith (K), Edwards (H) Cook (E), Fox (A).

**Tuesday, November 18, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 65. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut Robinson Offr of the Guard. All quiet along the Savannah. The Sergts had a meeting and resolved to have a burlesque Drill and Parrade on Thanks Giving Day and a Committee appointed to consist of Sergts Hamel, Patterson, Umblebee, Edwards, Lawrence to agree upon some kind of Drill for the Day. Meeting then adjourned.

**Wednesday, November 19, 1862**

Wind South east. Close and warm. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lieut Wallace Offr of the Guard. Heavy firing commenced at daylight off towards the Wassaw Sound and continued until 3 o'clock PM. The officers had a boat race to the outer buoy and back. Capt Strickland gained the race. The committee on chevrons waited on the Col and gained his unqualified approval. The Officers mail arrived at 9 o'clock in the evening.

**Thursday, November 20, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor 64. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lieut Dandy Offr of the Guard. Got a pass to go to Hilton Head on the Planter. **Today is my 24<sup>th</sup> Birthday.** The Locust Point came up with the mail and 2 new Lieutenants came for our Regt. Lt. Elfwing got his commission as Captain of Company B. At 3 ¼ PM we left for the Head. Major Green, Capts Strickland and Elmandoff, Lieuts. Hurst, Wallace, Robinson, and Hatfield, and Sergts Swenell, Reed, Dearcy, Smith and 5 corporals on board. We went as far as Seabrook and anchored for the night. Recd letters from J. C. Abbott, 3 -- J. E. P. Abbott, Manie Treen, Martha Webster, M. E. Baldwin, W. T. Abbott, Mary Marshall, 3 Journals and 3 dollars.

**Friday, November 21, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 63 At daylight we started for the Head where we arrived at 7 AM. Landed and all took breakfast at Grey's. We then took a view of the place which was grand indeed. I then went up to see the 97<sup>th</sup> Pa. Boys, but found that they had just embarked for St. Helena where they was to stay for a short time. I went to see E. S. Curtis and was glad to find that he had orders to report to the A. S. Quarters at Washington City, D.C. immediately. I then bought the things which had been sent for by the Company. Quite a few vessels in the port. We got all ready and at 3 o'clock we got on board the Planter and started for Beaufort. Had a pleasant passage and arrived at sun set. Went up to the Stevens House, but could not get lodging. So we then went to the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine where we procured lodging. We went down town and had a gay time. We cruised all over town until 9 o'clock PM when we again went up to the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine. After talking a while with the men we went to bed, having spent a lovely evening in Beaufort.

**Saturday, November 22, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Got breakfast with the 8<sup>th</sup> Maine Boys Co. E. We then went down to the Town and procured lodging and grub with James at \$1.30 per Day. We then took a tour up town and Sergt Dearcy of Co. F went into Miss Kenedy's to get his fortune told, but he could not get it told until afternoon. He bought a pack of cards and at 1 PM he went back to get it told. She told him a good fortune; and the poor fellow was dissatisfied. We had a good laugh at him. The laugh was worse than the disappointment. We then got our supper and Sergt Reed and I went out on the town. We went down to East Street and saw the Darkys have a hoe down. We then went up to Pinkney Street where they were having another spree. We staid until it was over and then had a grand time. The Patrol took 2 of the 47<sup>th</sup> Penna and put them in jail until next morning.

**Sunday, November 23, 1862**

Clear and pleasant. Wind West. Went to see the general reviewing of all the Troops at Beaufort by General Brannan at 9 o'clock AM. The troops made a noble appearance. At 9 ½ I went to Sunday School at the African Church and was astonished to find such an advancement. I then staid to church and heard Mr. Miller preach from 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. and 15<sup>th</sup> Chap. It was an excellent sermon. We then got our dinner and at 3 PM we went to a Negro Shout, which I never can forget in all my life. One of the Negroes got mad and went on a great rate, but he soon got alright again. We went to our suppers and then took another cruise. We had a grand time indeed. Went to bid some of the ---(blank) good night as we was to leave the next morning. We was all over Beaufort during the night and had no little fun. Dearcy was afraid that he would get arrested.

**Monday, November 24, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Went to see what time the Steamer left. We then went and got breakfast and at 9 AM went down to the Mattana. I saw Dora and Mary Dorn. We arrived at the Head at 10 ½ AM. Went up to the Engineer's Camp. Saw Lt. Baxter and the rest of the boys. I then bought my things and put them on board. The mail by the Cosmopolitan came on board, also a large Express and the Offrs things for the Festival on Thursday. We went up in the evening to see Dora. Bade goodby and staid on board the Planter.

**Tuesday, November 25, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind West. At sun rise we started, went over to Bay Point and got our Officers on board and Lieut Wallace's boat and started for the Fort. At 11 AM while in the Callabage Sound, the Col. came along side and ordered the Planter to go to Mungeong Plantation to get a load of bows to ornament the Quarters for the spree on Thursday. Just before we got out into Cooper River we got ashore and had to lay their until 10 o'clock PM We got all the bows on board by sun set. We had to kill some of my chickens for dinner and supper. At 11 at night we got off and went back to Braddock Point and anchored for the night. Received letters from Clark W. Abbott, L. W. Lodge, M. E. Baldwin, M. Marshall.

**Wednesday, November 26, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 63. At daylight we started for the Fort where we arrived at 7 AM. Found the Fort all changed in appearance and quarters all adorned with Evergreens and all kinds of signs and pictures. Everything looked as though we would have a fine time. A large tent 150 feet long was built in front of the Officers Quarters to the left of the Sally Port for eating purposes. Everything was cooked except the Pot Pie. The whole Regiment out on fatigue. At taps everything was pronounced to be ready.

**Thursday, November 27, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 63. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lieut Dunbar Offr of the Guard. At 9 AM the exercises commenced by preaching by Dr. Strickland from Matt. 22 Chap and part of 21<sup>st</sup> verse. It was the most patriotic sermon I ever heard preached. Next was the Target Practice won by P. Scanlan of Co. A. Next was the rowing match won by Co. B. The performances then closed until after dinner. At 11 o'clock the Steamers Boston, Cosmopolitan and Mattana came up from Hilton Head and Beaufort with about 500 officers on board, some 25 with their wives. At 1 PM the performances commenced by the foot race, won by Chas McLere of Co. D; next Sack race won by one of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. The wheelbarrow race was won by Brady of Co. A.; next was the meal feat won by Sam Pope. Next was the greased pole which was not won. Next came the Burlesque Parrade, which was a grand affair indeed, and all was pleased. All went off nicely after which we had our own Regular Parrade. Had supper at 8 o'clock in the evening. Each Co. had a Co. supper and Co. D was allowed to have the best supper. We had enough left for a supper at Midnight. At 8 in the evening the Flora came up from the Head with a load of Officers and some 10 women. The grand ball commenced at 8 in the evening. It was a grand one indeed. Everything went on smoothly, no hard thoughts. At 12 o'clock at night the great supper came off. Everyone ate, drank and was merry. As soon as this was over the Ball resumed and was kept up until 4 o'clock in the morning. The Boston left at 2 AM, the Mattana at 4 ½ AM., the Flora at 5 AM. Some of the officers had a good time on the ramparts. The Gens Brannan, Terry and Saxon expressed their gratification with the whole performance, and said the drill could not be surpassed by any Regt in the service. I saw Lt. Williams of Co. I, 97<sup>th</sup> Pa. Vols.

**Friday, November 28, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 64. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. Everything quiet on the Savannah. The officers look as though they had been on a regular drunk for a week. They had to wind up by having a ho down at 10 AM, after which the Cosmopolitan left for the Head with all the Officers and Ladies except the Pay Master of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Co. G 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. was paid off for 4 months. There was no drilling during the day. Everything as quiet as though there had been a heavy storm. Private Gill of Co. F died in the hospital of Chronic dysentery. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, November 29, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind West. Thermomitor at 63. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Gill of Co. F was buried at 3 o'clock PM. Took down the tent in front of the Officers Quarters. Drilled in the forenoon. Our Co. Officers moved down from the Starlight to the Quarters next to the Chaplain. Sergt Crawford gave us a temperance lecture at 7 in the evening. The evergreens still remain in the Quarters. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Sunday, November 30, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 62. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lieut. Dandy Offr of the Guard. Had Regimental or Monthly Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. Kelley, Ordinance Sergt, and Smith, Mate of the Planter, had a spree about Kelley's wife and Smith left for Hilton Head. The Steamer Neptune came up from the Head, our new Lieutenants on board. Preaching by our Chaplain in Co. C's Quarters. Had Dress Parrade.

**Monday, December 1, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind at South. Thermomitor at 61. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. The Neptune left for the Head at 8 o'clock AM the Col. and wife, Chaplain and Capt Lent on board.. Usual drills during the day. The Planter started for the Head at 2 PM to get repaired. Adolphus Hincle, a Private in Co. K and a member of the Band, got his commission as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. in Co. H, 3<sup>rd</sup> Maryland Vols. He had a splendid sword and belt presented to him by his old Co. boys. He left for his Regt. The two Rebel prisoners was taken to the Head. Wrote to Clark W. Abbott.

**Tuesday, December 2, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 62. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. Had a big dinner over Abe Mason's birthday. He is 24 years old. A salute of 34 minute guns was fired by the Rebels at Thunderbolt Battery in the afternoon. W. N. Smith was taken to the hospital with the rheumatism. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Wednesday, December 3, 1862**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 60. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Bodine Offr of the Guard. D. Bosworth sent his speech to N. York to have printed in phamplet stile. Commenced raining at 2 o'clock PM and we had no drill or dress parrade.

**Thursday, December 4, 1862**

Stormy. Wind South East. Cool. Thermomitor at 60. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. The Cosmopolitan arrived at 9 o'clock AM from Hilton Head with the Col, Chaplain, Capts Strickland and Lent and Gould of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. The mail came in. No drilling during the day. Had a wet time of it on Guard. Wrote a piece for the Atlantic Journal. Wrote to Mary A. Treen, Martha Webster.

**Friday, December 5, 1862**

Storming hard. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 59. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Cosmopolitan left for Hilton Head at 10 o'clock AM. Sergt Patterson went to Beaufort and left me in charge of the Company. I had a good nap as soon as I came off Guard. No drilling or Parrade.

**Saturday, December 6, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind North. Thermomitor at 58. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. The Neptune came up from Hilton Head with the Virginia Price in tow, loaded with Quartermasters Stores. The Neptune returned to the Head at 1 o'clock PM. Lt. Howland was assigned to Co. K and Lt Fee to Co. I. No parrade.

**Sunday, December 7, 1862**

Clear and cool. Wind South. Thermomitor at 60. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt Corwin Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. Preaching at 3 PM by our Chaplain. Prayer Meeting in the Evening. No Parrade.

**Monday, December 8, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 61. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. The officers resolved to have the games of Thanksgiving over and to reward the victors. At 9 o'clock AM they commenced and all the Companies but I had a boat. The 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. won the first prize. Co D the second. I was coxswain. Co. H the third. Then the foot race, the Hurdle Sack race, greased pole, another foot race. Then a foot race for the Negroes. Then 2 foot races for the officers. The first was won by Lt. Nichols, the second by Lt. Fee, Co. I. After this we had Co. foot races. We had about another such a time as we had on Thanksgiving Day.

**Tuesday, December 9, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Thermomitor at 59. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Wallace Offr of the Guard. A dispatch came up from Hilton Head stating that Gen. Banks Expedition was laying off the bar and that the Steamers Erriccson and Thames had come in for repairs with the 110<sup>th</sup> and 114<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Vols on board. The Expedition kept on toward the Gulph, supposed to be bound for Galveston. Heavy firing at Fort Jackson and Thunderbolt Baty.

**Wednesday, December 10, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 58. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The order of drilling was changed to Infantry Drill on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Morning and Aty on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday mornings. Battallion Drills every afternoon. The Steamer Mattana came up from Hilton Head in the evening to take the place of the Planter which is getting repaired. Sergt Patterson came back. She (Mattana) had a large Express on board. Ziba Sithens was taken to the hospital ravin crazy, had to be tied.

**Thursday, December 11, 1862**

Weather fine and clear. Wind Sth West. Thermomitor at 59. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Dandy Offr of the Guard. Was called out at sunrise to take charge of a fatigue party to unload the Express off the Mattana at 8 o'clock. The Garrison was aroused by a suspicious looking boat coming through the Lazaretto Crick which proved to be the little Paul Jones Junior. At 8 ½ the Mattana left for Hilton Head, the Col and several of the officers on board. Commenced to have Battallion Drills. Bought 4 sheets of Col. Perry's March of C. W. Thomas. Benjamin Prince of Co. G died in the hospital with chronic disenteria.

**Friday, December 12, 1862**

Clear and cold. Wind S. West. Thermomitor at 57. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came up from Hilton Head, the Col, Adjt, Dr., Chaplain and several of the officers on board. She had a small Express on board also a large mail. Prince of Co. G. was buried at 3 PM. Sent a copy of Col Perrys March and wrote to A. L. Tuller. Letter from J. E. P. Abbott.

**Saturday, December 13, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind West. Thermomitor at 57. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to Hilton Head at 9 ½ AM. Miss Mulford and Gould started for home. Lt. Dandy of Co. G recd a commission as 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. in the (blank) Regt, N. Y. S. Vols. And started for N. Y. to join his new Regt. The Gun Boat Bibb came up from the Head. At 4 PM Sergt Crawford delivered an Anti tobacco lecture in the Chapel. In the evening sent a copy of Col Perry's Grand March to Mary Marshall. Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott.

**Sunday, December 14, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 57. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. Company Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. The Mattana came back from the Head at 2 PM. The Gun Boat Bibb went out to sea at 4 o'clock PM. The Gun Boats in the Wassaw Sound was signalling in the evening with blue rockets. Preaching at 3 PM by our chaplain from 15 Ch. of Mark. Class meeting in the evening. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Monday, December 15, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind West. Thermomitor at 56. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Howland Offr of the Guard. Nothing of importance during the Day, not all drills and batallions. Dug the cellar to the new Magazine on the Nth West corner of the Fort. The Engineers commenced the Magazine. Co E and K had their Boat race for .25 per side. Co E

rowed around the stake boat one mile from the North Dock and back in 13 minutes and 22 secs. Co. K in 13 minutes and 43 secs. Co E won the bet. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott.

**Tuesday, December 16, 1862**

Fine and clear. Wind Sth West. Thermomitor at 57. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at daylight. Got a pass and went over to Tibee Island gunning. Had a fine time and got but little game. J. S. Wilgus Co D. went to the hospital with the diptheria.

**Wednesday, December 17, 1862**

Very Cool. Wind North West. Thermomitor at 54. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. J. Bodine Offr of the Guard. Was witness in the case of Michael Malloy of Co. G for abusive and disrespectful language to Corporal Airey of Co. G. The Col issued an order that no one would be allowed to go after their supper without Dress Coats on. The Rebels burned the grass off of Elba Island. The three masted schooner B. W. Tice came in with a load of cattle, sheep and D. M. Stores.

**Thursday, December 18, 1862**

Cool and blustry. Wind West. Thermomitor at 53. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Corwin Offr of the Guard. Everything quiet in the Fort. G. W. Reed went to the hospital with the chills and fever and J. L. Wilgus came out. The Mattana returned from Hilton Head with a load of Express and quartermasters stores on board. Sent a copy of Col. Perry's Grand March to Rebecca Abbott.

**Friday, December 19, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 54. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. Sithens returned from the Hospital. The B. W. Tice was unloaded and sailed for Hilton Head. The Mattana started for the Head at 4 o'clock PM the Col and Capt Paxson on board. The Col issued an order that hereafter the Non Coms should be on guard according to segniority and Sergt Umblebee went on for the Segnior Sergt.

**Saturday, December 20, 1862**

Clear and blustry. Wind North. Thermomitor at 52. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. Went out Ducking with Capt Elmandoff and Lieut Bodine. The Wind blew hard and we carried away the mast. We got 3 ducks. No drill during the day. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Sunday, December 21, 1862**

Cold and Blustry. Wind North. Thermomitor at 48. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Dunbar Offr of the Guard. Comp. Inspection at 9 o'clock and it was so cold that we had to wear our overcoats. Preaching at 3 o'clock PM. Sunday School at 2 PM The Mattana came up from the Head at 3 PM the Col and Capt Paxson on board, also the mail. Recd a letter from J. E. P. and R. Abbott

**Monday, December 22, 1862**

Cool. Wind North West. Thermomitor at 49. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Wallace Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head Capt Paxson on board. 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Elfwing recd his commission as Capt. of Co B; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Robinson of Co F promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. of Co. B; Sergt Major V. R. K. Hilliard was promoted to 2nd Lt. of Co. G; 1<sup>st</sup> Sergt Smith of Co. K to be Sergt Major. Weather moderating fast.

**Tuesday, December 23, 1862**

Clear and Cool. Wind West. Thermomitor at 52. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Went Ducking with Lieut Bodine. The Mattana retnd from the Head at 9 AM. The Capt returned. She started again for the Head at 2 PM, the Col and Lady, D. Master and Lady, and Capt Strickland and Lt. Hilliard on board. Mail went out. Wrote to Mrs. Joanna Hanly.

**Wednesday, December 24, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Thermomitor at 54. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Went ducking with Lt. J. Bodine and A. Cole. We got a fine mess indeed. We got back in time for Dress Parrade. Co E's crew took Capt Cowan's waiter, a negroe, over to Turtle Island and whipped him until the blood ran down his back for stealing some money and cursing the officers. The Mattana came up from the Head in the Evening. The officers came back. She had a large Express on board.

**Thursday, December 25, 1862**

The day fine and clear and never did I spend a warmer and milder Christmas in my life. The wind South East. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. No drilling during the day. At 2 PM we had a foot race which was won by J. Murthur Co. D; then Hurdle foot race won by Timothy Moon, Co D; then a wheelbarrow race won by M. Grover Co. H; Then a foot race men blindfolded, won by Co G 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Then the meal feat as before won by Allen Pope a Negro. Had a gay time and enjoyed the day well. Wrote to Rebecca Abbott.

**Friday, December 26, 1862**

Clear and warm. Thermomitor at 50. Wind South by East. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. Lt Col O. T. Barrets resignation was handed in and accepted by Gen Brannan. A large fatigue out and cleared up the

grounds around the Fort. The Mattana came up from the Head with Gen Brannan and Staff on board. Also a large Express and mail on board. Recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, Lizzie W. Lodge. Sent a copy of Perry's March to Miss Anna Baker.

**Saturday, December 27, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 49. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Bodine Offr of the Guard. Lt. Nichols was sent up to Savannah on board the Mattana with a flag of truce to take a man to Savannah to go to Kentucky to get his sister. They gave him Savannah Papers of the 27<sup>th</sup> also the N Y Herald of the 22<sup>nd</sup> which gave us a considerable of news. They saw the Battery Ga. She had three steamers around her. They returned in the Evening. I was on fatigue in the forenoon. Wrote to Lizzie W. Lodge.

**Sunday, December 28, 1862**

A fine day. Wind South East. Thermomitor at 48. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM. Church at 3 PM Preaching by our Chaplain from 13 Chap. of Matthew. The steamer Neptune came up from Hilton Head and returned in the afternoon. Prayer meeting in the evening.

**Monday, December 29, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 45. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. V. R. K. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. Commenced to drill in the first School of the Soldier in squads. Changed our position to the next to center Company in line of Battle. Capt Strickland, Lts Swarouth and Tee came up from Hilton Head in a sail boat. A steamer undertook to run in past the Blockade and was discovered and had to go to sea again at about 3 o'clock AM.

**Tuesday, December 30, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomitor at 45. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. The Schooner Virginia Price went to Hilton Head. Lt Hale went over to Braddocks Point in No 29 after the Doctor and one of the Reporters of the N Y Herald. While coming back they upset the boat and came near being all drowned, but was taken off by the Dispatch Boat.

**Wednesday, December 31, 1862**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Thermomitor at 44. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. At 9 o'clock AM had Regimental Inspection and muster for Pay. Lt Sam K. Wallace sent in his resignation which was accepted and he gave Co. F a farewell speech and shook hands with then all. And said that circumstances would not possibly admit of his staying with them. They gave him a serenade in the evening. The Steamers Boston and Neptune came up from Hilton Head at 4 PM. The Boston and Mattana went to the Head at 6 PM. The Col and most of the Officers went to Beaufort. Company A sent in a challenge to Company D for a game of baseball, which was accepted. Co D then challenged Co A. for a foot race, shooting match and a boxing match which they accepted.

**Thursday, January 1, 1863**

Cool and warm. Wind Nth West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Neptune started for Fernandina, Ga. at 8 AM. The Mattana came up from Beaufort with the Offrs and Band on Board. Co A & D Baseball Match came off at 10 AM. Co. A beat us by 4 runs in the 9 ennings. Then Co A would not Run Jump, Box or Shoot, but acknowledged that we could beat them. Spent the day by jumping, playing ball and & & (etc.) No drill or Dress Parrade during the day.

**Friday, January 2, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 8 AM, the Col on board. Our Chaplain Dr. Strickland started for home on a furlough. Also Lt. Sam K. Wallace left for home with his discharge. Co F marched with him to the Dock and with tears in their eyes bade him farewell. The Mattana came back from the Head at 7 PM, the Col and some of the officers on board, also the mail. Recd letters from J. C. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, January 3, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 4 o'clock AM and returned at 11 AM with Major Van Blunt and some of the Offrs of the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y.S.V. and a squad of men to play a game of Base Ball, also a string Band from the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa. The game of ball came off at 1 o'clock PM. The 47<sup>th</sup> made 7 runs and the 48<sup>th</sup> made 20 runs in each 9 ennings. The 47<sup>th</sup> was beat by 13 runs. All was satisfied. Co F gave them their dinners and supper. The String Band played at the Col Quarters until 10 PM when they left for the Head. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Sunday, January 4, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Thermomiter at 48. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. The Offr of the Day had a fatigue of 50 men called out to clear up the parrade ground. Had preaching at 3 PM by Lt. J. M. Tantum. Had Prayer Meeting in the Evening. The Chaplain came back to wait for the Arago. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, January 5, 1863**

Cloudy and damp. Wind South. Thermomiter at 48. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Howland Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. A dense fog nearly all day. Lifted in the afternoon. The Mattana came up from Seabrook in the Evening. No news of any importance, nothing particular happened. Had a fine time on Guard. Countersign was Concord. Wrote to J. E. Abbott

**Tuesday, January 6, 1863**

Cloudy and commenced raining at 9 ½ AM. I was relieved from Guard at 8 ½ AM. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 10 o'clock AM. Drew clothing for the Company. Had no Drill or Dress Parrade during the day. Sergt Allen of Co I shot a wild hog on Tybee Island which weighed over 300 lbs.

**Wednesday, January 7, 1863**

Clear and moderate. Wind North. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Six of us got a pass to go to Tybee Island. In the afternoon we went down to the Coast Guard and returned to the Tower at sun set. Then got our supper. At 7 PM the Theatrical Performances commenced and lasted until 11 PM. After which we were entertained by the Serenading Club until 12 o'clock at night when it closed. Everything went off nicely. The parts taken well. We then started for the Fort where we arrived at 1 AM. Countersign was Hunter. The Mattana came up from the Head with the Schooner Rachel Miller, Capt Joe Baker in tow, loaded with coal.

**Thursday, January 8, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Commenced unloading the Rachel Miller. At 3 o'clock PM 2 Rebel boats came down from Savannah with a Flag of Truce. Was halted within a mile of the Fort. The Col's boat was then sent to receive them and found 1 man and 8 women on board to go North. The Mattana was then sent to bring them to the Dock. The Rebels then went back to Savannah. At 7 o'clock in the evening the Engineer Co made a stuffed Paddy and hung Lieut Nichols in Effigy. Lt Miller sent a file of Guards and had it cut down and then sent for the Col and Dr. who held a coroners inquest over the body and pronounced it dead.

**Friday, January 9, 1863**

Clear and cold. Wind Sth West. Thermomiter at 44. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Mattana left for the Head at 10 AM, the Col and those persons bound North on board. The Gun Boat Daffodil came up from the Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound. The Schooner Emma Smith came in here in a sinking condition. She had sprang a leak while off Cape Hateras in a heavy storm and had to come in here for a harbour. She had left Hilton Head for New York light.

**Saturday, January 10, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came up from the Head with the Schooner Norman in tow loaded with wood. The Delaware came up from the head at 1 PM the Col and recruiting officers on board - Capt Farrell, Lt Mosier, Sergts Morton, Shultz, Wyckoff and Sears on board. Had two recruits on board. Cpl Groser of Co C recd his commission as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. of some N.Y. Regt and started North in the Delaware at 3 PM. Capt Elmandoff and Bartons Base Ball Club left to play another game with the 47<sup>th</sup> at the Head. The mail came in. Recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Martha Webster.

**Sunday, January 11, 1863**

Clear and a fine day. Wind South. Capt. Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. The Mattana went to the Head at 7 AM. The Chaplain left to go home on board the Arago. The O. M. Pettitt and Mattana came up from the Head at 4 PM. She brought 4 women and 2 children up from the Head to go to Savannah under a Flag of Truce. They were from Fernandina, Ga. Had no church until evening. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, Martha Webster.

**Monday, January 12, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth East. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Gun Surveying Steamer Bibb came in. The Mattana went up the River with a Flag of Truce at 11 AM and returned at 7 ½ PM. Brought news of the capture of Galveston, Texas by the Rebels, also the Harriet Lane and Westfield. They also reorted being whipped badly by Rosencrans in Tennessee. Also report the Rebels removing the obstructions from the St. Augustine.

**Tuesday, January 13, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. The Starlight came up from the Head, the Base Ball Club on board. They had beaten the 47<sup>th</sup> 5 runs in the 2<sup>nd</sup> game, making 18 runs in the 2 games. Quite a beat for the 48<sup>th</sup>. The Starlight left for the Head at 11 AM with the mail on board. The Mattana towed a large raft of logs to Seabrook for the Battery. Heavy firing across the Wassaw Sound, supposed to be our Gun Boats shelling out the Nashville in the Ogeechee. Wrote M. E. Baldwin.

**Wednesday, January 14, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth East. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt Howland Offr of the Guard. The Schooner Norman left for Hilton Head. The Sutlers schooner was ordered away from this Port. They had been selling liquor to the

soldiers. A steamer and Schooner went through into the Wassaw Sound with the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct on board bound to Fernandina, Ga. The Mattana came up from the Head at 6 ½ PM with a small Express and mail on board. Recd letter from J. E. P. Abbott.

**Thursday, January 15, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South West. Capt Elfving Offr of the Day. Lt. J. Bodine Offr of the Guard. A fatigue called out at 5 AM to put the horses on board the Mattana and at 6 AM she started for Beaufort, the Col and 7 of the Officers on board. The Bibb came in and her officers began to survey out the channel of the Savannah River up as far as Jones Island, then went back to Hilton Head. Blew a perfect Gale all day. Commenced storming at 8 PM and continued all night.

**Friday, January 16, 1863**

Cloudy. Wind West and blowed a perfect gale all day. Quit storming about daylight. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came back from Beaufort with the Officers on board returning from their cruise. The Quarter Masters Negroes got to fighting and the Col had them put in the Dungeon with a Ball and chain on them. Had no Drill or Parrade during the day.

**Saturday, January 17, 1863**

Clear and cool. Wind North. Capt Foster Offr of the Day. Lieut Fry Offr of the Guard. Heavy firing, perhaps a salute at Fort Jackson. Nothing of importance occurred. Had no Drill or Parrade. All quiet on the Savannah.

**Sunday, January 18, 1863**

Clear and cool. Wind West. Capt Strickland Offr of the Day. Lt. Corwin Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9AM. Had church at 3 PM. The Gun Boat Water Witch came up from Hilton Head and sent some dispatches through into the Wassaw to the Blockaders in a boat. The Ironsides came in to Hilton Head. The Arago arrived from York with Gen Hunter and Staff on board, also the mails. Commenced storming at 9 o'clock PM. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, C. W. Baldwin.

**Monday, January 19, 1863**

Storming hard. Wind North East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head and it was so rough that she had to go through Cooper River. The Col had a gun put on board and 25 of Co H was ordered on board to man the gun. The Nangituck arrived at the Head at 2 PM.

**Tuesday, January 20, 1863**

Stormed hard all day. Wind North West, cool. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came up from the Head at 1 o'clock PM And brought up the mail with dates to the 15<sup>th</sup>. Received a letter from Mary Marshall. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Wednesday, January 21, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Their was so mutch water and wind on the parade ground that their was no Drill or Parrade during the day. The Mattana went to the Head and took the mail. The Offrs Mail came across from Braddocks Point, but not until we had got ours some 20 hours sooner. Quite a joke on them. Major James M. Green recd his commission as Lieut Colonel of the 48<sup>th</sup>. The other promotions did not arrive in this mail.

**Thursday, January 22, 1863**

Fine and clear. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Had Drill but no Parrade.. The Daffodil came up from the Head and towed the Water Witch down to the Head to get her machineery repaired. The Neptune came up from the Head at 11 PM. Capt. Foster and Lt. Bodine's resignation was accepted. The Passaic came in to the Head in good condition.

**Friday, January 23, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. The Mattana with 15 of our Officers on board went through into the Wassaw Sound to see our Monitors shell the Rebel Ram Atlanta, which was thought to be in the Wassaw but she was not their so they did not see the fun at all and returned at 2 PM. The John Adams came up from the Head with 3 Cos of the 1<sup>st</sup> S. C. Vol Negroes on board and anchored at Goats Point. The Mattana started for the Head at 4 ½ PM. Lt. Bodine went on board to start for home. Capt Fosters papers did not come so he did not get to go with Bodine.

**Saturday, January 24, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind west. The Neptune started for the Head with the Schooner Rachel Miller in tow. The Montauk left Hilton Head and then proceeded to the Wassaw Sound. Then ran up and gave Ft. McAllister a few shells to let them know that she was theirs. The Rebels was practicing at Thunderbolt Battery. The Mattana came back from the Head with the mail on board. Capt D. N. Strickland promoted to be Major, Lt. Swartmont to be Capt, Sergts Wm. Barrett and G. Smith promoted to be 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. Recd letters from W. T. Abbott, Rebecca Abbott, L. W. Lodge.

**Sunday, January 25, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. All quiet along the Savannah. Capt Lockwood went back to Co. H. Capt Swartmont was assigned to Co. F. Church at 3 PM in the Adjutants quarters. Patterson's leg got hurt while scuffling with Corpl Harbison. Wrote to W. T. Abbott, Rebecca Abbott, Emma Steelman.

**Monday, January 26, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Howland Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went down to the Head. The Gov. Milton came up from the Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound with Admiral Dupont on board. The Neptune came up from the Head loaded with Quartermaster Stores. The Mattana and Mayflower came up from the Head and had a race. The Mattana beat her. She had a small Express on board and we got cartridges, belts and plates. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Tuesday, January 27, 1863**

Storming. Wind South East. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Mayflower went back to the Head. The Washington came up and reported being fired into by Rebel Artillery near Pinckney Island. She went back to the Head at 3 PM. At 7 AM the Montauk opened fire on Fort McAllister and kept it up until noon. The Mattana started to go through but got ashore and had to come back again. We did not hear the result. At 9 PM the Daffodil came through from the Ogeechee and reported the Battery not taken. It mounts 13 guns. The Montauk had been struck 15 times, but scarcely scaled her.

**Wednesday, January 28, 1863**

Clear and cool after the storm. Wind blowing hard at West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 10 AM. The Daffodil came back from the Head and went through to the Wassaw with more ammunition for the Montauk. It was so wet all day that we could not drill or have Dress Parade. Capt Foster's resignation came up to the Fort and he left for home in the Mattana. The Union came in to the Head with a mail.

**Thursday, January 29, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Corwin Offr of the Guard. The Mattana returned from the Head at 2 PM with the mail and Express on board. The Rebels landed on Dawfuskie Island, a Capt and 12 men, and scouted the whole Island then took all the Negroes except Cesar who got away from them. They took the rest into Rebeldom with all they had by them. Recd letter from J.C. Abbott.

**Friday, January 30, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Washington came up from the Head and brought Cesar off of Dawfuskie Island. He had a hard time to get away from the Rebels. The Col went through into the Wassaw to see the fighting between the Iron Clads and Fort McAllister. Great preparations were made for General Inspection, but the Inspector went down to Key West and did not get here. The Daffodil came up from the Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound with a load of ammunition., Had our usual drills.

**Saturday, January 31, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. Heavy firing commenced off towards the Ogeechee at 4 AM and lasted for 4 hours. The Neptune came up from the Head at 8 AM with a load of lumber for the Battery. The Daffodil came through from the Wassaw and went to the head, reported the firing with our Blockaders down the Coast. Their was 13 Transports came in to Hilton Head loaded with troops, a part of Gen Fosters Division from North Carolina. The Generals Foster, Negley, Ferry, Hickman and Stevenson came in with them on the New England.

**Sunday, February 1, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Had Monthly Inspection at 9 AM. Heavy firing between the Montauk and Fort McAllister which lasted 3 hours. One of our Gun Boats went up the Wassaw and threw a few shells into the woods at the Rebel Pickets. The Mattana and Daffodil came back from the Ogeechee River and reported the Battery not taken, but three of their Guns was dismounted. More Transports arriving at the Head with Gen. Foster's troops as reinforcements for the 10<sup>th</sup> Army Corps. Wrote to J. C. Abbott.

**Monday, February 2, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head the Col on board. A prize, the English Steamer Princess Royal came in to Hilton Head in charge of a prize crew of the Paul Jones. Had been trying to run into Charleston Harbour. 2 Rebel Rams of Charleston had run out to assist her in getting in and had run into the Strs. Mercidita and Keystone State and damaged them considerably. So they had to be towed away and to this port. The Daffodil came up and went into the Wassaw. The Mattana came up from the Head with a small Express and mail on board. Commenced storming at 10 PM and rained hard all night.

**Tuesday, February 3, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind North. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. The Generals expected up and their was a heavy fatigue called out to bail the water off the Parrade Ground. At 1 PM the John Adams came up from the Head with Generals Hunter, Foster, Negley, Stevenson and Seymour on board beside some 15 of their staff officers. The Regt was in line ready to receive them and a salute of 18 guns was fired from the Fort as they approached, after which Gen. Hunter gave us a short speech. At 4 PM the John Barney went through into the Wassaw with all the Generals but Hunter on board. He staid here all night. Had Dress Parrade and Battallion Drill at sun set.

**Wednesday, February 4, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind East. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantom Offr of the Guard. Gen Hunter and the Col inspected quarters at 10 AM. He staid here all day and night. Had no drill or Parrade to day. Rained hard nearly all day. The Schooner Margaret Rainhart came in here with her fore sail blown away. She was bound to Hilton Head with a cargo of coal, Had the crew of an Express Schooner which had been wrecked off Georgetown, S. C. January 14<sup>th</sup>. Everything was lost. My box with it.

**Thursday, February 5, 1863**

Stormed hard all day. Wind North West and blowed a perfect gale. Gens. Foster, Negley, Seymour and Stevenson came back from the Wassaw Sound in the John Ryan and stopped to the Fort and got Gen Hunter and then went on to the Hilton Head. Had no drill or Dress Parrade during the day. Capt. Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard.

**Friday, February 6, 1863**

Still storming and quite cool. Wind North West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. No Drill or Parrade during the day. The Daffodil came up from Hilton Head and went through into the Wassaw Sound. The Arago came in to Hilton Head from New York with the mail. The Mattana went down to the Head, the Col on board. The Chaplain started for home on a furlough.

**Saturday, February 7, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind East. No drill during the day. 200 on fatigue clearing up the parrade grounds for Gen Inspection. I got a pass and went on board the Rainhart. I saw Sommers Hess, Sommers Corson and William Corson. Staid on board near 2 hours and had a fine time. Had Parrade. The Daffodil came from the Wassaw and went to the Head. The Neptune and Mattana came up from the Head. Also the Mayflower. The Mattana had an Express and mail on board also some ladies. Recd letters from J. E.P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Martha Webster, Mary Marshall.

**Sunday, February 8, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Howland Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. The Margaret Rainhart went out to sea bound to Hilton Head at 10 AM. The Mayflower went down to the Head at 11 AM the 10<sup>th</sup> Ct. Band on board. Lt Tantom preached for us at 3 PM in the Chaplains Quarters. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Monday, February 9, 1863**

Clear and Warm. Wind West. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Cosmopolitan came up from the Head at 8 AM with the Inspector General on board. We got ready for Inspection. The Wyoming came up from the Head and all thought the Gen. was on board and even fired a salute and marched to the Plank Road to receive him. When to their astonishment their was only a few Officers and ladies on board. We then had Gen Inspection which was all over by 2 PM, after which they went to Tybee and inspected Co. I. The Mattana went to the Head with the mail. The Neptune went through to the Wassaw. The Morton came back from the Head. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin, Martha Webster.

**Tuesday, February 10, 1863**

Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Cosmopolitan and Wyoming left for Hilton Head at 8 AM the Inspecting Officers on board. Co B and Co F of the Engineers went on board the Mattana and went to Dawfuskie Island on a reconaissance. She returned at 11 PM, but accomplished nothing. Hutchinson was promoted to be Orderly Sergt of Co F, also the Sergts of Co G in Riggans and Reeds place. The Mayflower came up from the Head at 11 PM with Brig. Gen Seymour on board. Sergt Jas A. Barrett of Co. H recd his commission as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. of the 48<sup>th</sup> N. Y. S. Vols.

**Wednesday, February 11, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Gen Seymour left for the Head at 9 AM on the Mayflower. The Mattana went through into the Wilmington River with Co F of the Engineers on board on a reconaissance, but returned at 4 PM, but accomplished nothing. 2 deserters came in at 2 o'clock PM having left Thunderbolt Battery during last night. The Mattana left for Beaufort at dark with the Col and Band on board, but she got ashore and they had to come back again.

**Thursday, February 12, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. The Wyoming came up from the Head at 10 o'clock AM with a Brig in tow and went back immediately with the 2 deserters on board. The John

Adams came up from the Head in the afternoon with Co. H of the 1<sup>st</sup>. S. C. Vols of Blacks on board. Laid at the North Dock all night.

**Friday, February 13, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Washington came up from the Head with a family from Fernandina on board bound to Savannah under a Flag of Truce. The Mattana went through the Wassaw with the Col and several of the Offrs on board and returned at 4 PM. The John Adams drug her anchor and drifted ashore on the meadows. The tide fell and left her entirely bare.. Commenced storming at 5 o'clock PM and stormed hard all night.

**Saturday, February 14, 1863**

Still storming. Wind North East. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Had no drill or parrade during the day. A Schooner came in here with a load of horses. She was bound to Hilton Head from New York. The Mary Sandford arrived at Hilton Head with an Express and mail on board. The John Adams was got off of the meadows in the evening. Wind blowed a perfect gale all day.

**Sunday, February 15, 1863**

Cloudy. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Had Company Inspection at 9 o'clock AM in the Quarters as the parrade ground was to wet. The John Adams was sent up the River with a Flag of Truce, but got ashore and had to come back. There was a family on board bound for Savannah. The Mattana came up from the Head at 2 PM with the Pay Master and the mail on board. Received letter from J. E. P. Abbott. Wrote to L. W. Lodge and J. E. P. Abbott.

**Monday, February 16, 1863**

Cloudy. Wind South East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. Signed the pay rolls at 8 AM. Had our usual drills. The Mattana was sent up the river with a flag of truce to take that family. The Pay Master was on board so we did not get our pay today. The Mattana came back at 3 PM. They had Savannah papers of today, but they contained no news of any importance.

**Tuesday, February 17, 1863**

Windy and cool. Wind Sth East. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. Commenced getting paid at 9 ½ AM. Co. D. was the first to get their Rocks. We got 2 months pay. I recd \$68, The Mattana started for the Head at 11 AM the Col Major and Capt Paxson on board. They finished paying off the Regt at 4 PM and the men's spirits was once more revived. The John Adams went to the Head with a brig in tow. The Engineers commenced building a Battery at the North Dyke. Wrote for Petersons Magazine for Rebecca Abbott.

**Wednesday, February 18, 1863**

Stormed hard until noon when it cleared off nice. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Pay Master went to Tybee and paid off Co. I. A heavy fatigue out to fill up the holes on the Parrade Ground where the water stood. The Mattana came up from the Head the Offrs on board. The 47<sup>th</sup> Regt N.Y.S.Vols embarked on the Delaware for the Wassaw Sound. The 9<sup>th</sup> N. J. and 24<sup>th</sup> Mass was placed under arrest by Gen Hunter and a guard placed over their Camp. So was also Gen Stevenson for Disobedience of orders.

**Thursday, February 19, 1863**

Clear and cool. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Howland Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 7 AM the Lt. Col. and Lt. Tantum on board. She towed the Schooner with a load of horses on board to the Head. The Rebels kept up a steady firing at Ft. Jackson and Thunderbolt Battery all day long. Lt. Corwin left the 48<sup>th</sup> to join the 2<sup>nd</sup> S. C. Vols of Blacks as Major. I subscribed for the New South to send home for 5 months, also 3 copies per week for 12 weeks to myself at the Fort. The Adjutant had a great time with the Drum Corps about the Red Caps. 2 of them was put in the Dungeon. The Mattana returned at 3 PM.

**Friday, February 20, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 10 AM. A steamer with a schooner in tow went through into the Wassaw Sound. The Mattana came back from the Head at 7 PM. The Mary Sandford came in with the Monitor Newhart in tow. Also the Erricsson came in with the (*What is it*) in tow. A party was sent to Dawfuskie Island on a Scout to get what they could. Got 26 pair of chickens and a lot of eggs. The Mattana had a small Express on board.

**Saturday, February 21, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Arago came in from New York with the mail. The Mattana went to the Head and towed the Schr. Gazell to the Fort loaded with wood. Lt. Carlton was promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lt and assigned to Co D. Sergt Barrett was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt and assigned to Co. H. The wind blowed so hard that the Mattana could not go to the Head after the mail.

**Sunday, February 22, 1863**

Cloudy and warm. Wind Sth East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt W. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 8 AM after the mail. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. Had church at 3 PM. Lt Tantom preached for us. Had Parrade at Sun Set. The Mattana came back from the Head at 3 PM. Recd letters from B.T.Abbott, M.E.Baldwin, Mary Marshall. Wrote to B.Abbott, M.E.Baldwin, Mary Marshall.

**Monday, February 23, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Jas. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. 2 fine looking yellow Gals came up last night in the Mattana and they are having a fine time by the appearances of things on the Ramparts. The Rebels was firing all day on their entrenchments up the river. The Olympic Theatre was opened at 7 o'clock in the Evening and some Tragedy performed and some comic songs sang.

**Tuesday, February 24, 1863**

Cloudy, Wind South East. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt Howland Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 9 AM. Took out the mail. Commenced to move the magazine to the new battery at the North Dyke. The Mattana returned at 8 PM. No news at all. Had our usual drills.

**Wednesday, February 25, 1863**

Cloudy and warm. Wind South. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. The Rebel Ram Atlantic came down in plain sight to the Fort in the afternoon but went back in the night. The guns was all manned and loaded ready to receive her. Every one seemed anxious for her to come down so that we could have a little fun. I went to the Theatre in the Evening. They plaid Family Jars and King Richard the III.

**Thursday, February 26, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Hurst Offr of the Guard. A large fatigue out to load the Mattana with Hard Tack to go to Beaufort for the Blacks. They put 500 boxes on board. At 10 AM she started for Beaufort with the Schooner Gazell in tow. Ast. Adjt Gen Townsend came up from the Head on board the Neptune. The Regt was turned out to receive him and a salute fired in his behalf. He left for the Head at 2 PM. Wrote to Foulk Cloud..

**Friday, February 27, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came back from the Head with the mail. Lt. Hurst was promoted to be Capt and assigned to Co. K. Lt. Mosier to be first Lt and assigned to Co F. Sergt Major Fox to be 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt., Quartermaster Sergt Ingraham to be 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt., Sergt Wyckoff to be Sergt Major. George Taylor private Co. F. to be Quartermaster Sergt. Cpls. Peek, Vorhees and Hyatt of Co. F was reduced to the ranks for contempt to Capt. Swartmont on account of Co. Funds. The Mattana went down to the Head the Band on board. Recd a letter from C. W. Abbott.

**Saturday, February 28, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Mattana came up from the Head at 4 AM. The Neptune came up to the Head at 9 AM with the 3 masted schooner E. H. Benton in tow. She had 25 cattle for the Regt. Had General Muster and a Regt Inspection for payment. Lt. Smith assigned to Co. K. Lt. Fox to Co A, Lt. Ingraham to Co C. Commenced to rain while on parrade and kept on all night. The new officers had a real drunk on board the Neptune during the night. Lt. Smith fell overboard.

**Sunday, March 1, 1863**

Cleared off at 4 o'clock AM. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantom Offr of the Guard. Their was so mutch water on the parrade grounds that we had to have the Comp. Inspection in the Quarters at 9 o'clock AM. 2 Revenue Schooners came in and anchored near Tybee. The Washington went through into the Wassaw Sound. Had no Dress Parrade. Sent a sheet of Col. Perry's Grand March and a letter to Maggie Gandy. Wrote to C. W. Abbott.

**Monday, March 2, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. Lt. Howland transferred from Co. K. to Co. B. and relieved Lt. Hale as Provost Martial. The surveying schooners sent out crews and had landmarks put up along the Lazaretto Creek. The Mattana went to the Head at 7 AM. The Nashville was blown up by a shell from the Montauk while trying to get to sea from the Ogeechee River. Her crew escaped to Fort McAllister. The Mattana returned at 6 PM with the mail. I recd letters from C. W. Baldwin, Rebecca Abbott, also a valentine.

**Tuesday, March 3, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. Our Monitors opened fire on Fort McAllister at 7 AM. The Montauk ran on a torpedo which exploded, but only injured her prow a little. But they had it repaired and in action before noon. The Col and several of our Officers went through to see the Fight on the Mattana. They kept up the firing all day and night by our mortar boats. The Mattana came back in the evening and they all reported Fort being badly breached and some of their guns dismounted. Our boats was not the least injured during the whole engagement.

**Wednesday, March 4, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. The Monitors kept up the firing from yesterday morning until today at 10 ½ AM. When the Rebels was about deserting the Fort and the Ramparts all blown down Com. Dupont ordered the boats to drop down and give the Rebels another chance to rebuild the Fort and the firing ceased. The Rebels burned off all the grass on Elba Island. The Olympic Theatre was opened at 7 PM, admission 25 cents for the benefit of the Association. Wrote to Rebecca Abbott.

**Thursday, March 5, 1863**

A splendid day. Wind South. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 6 AM and took the mail to the Head. Nothing new around the Fort. The Mattana returned from the Head at 4 PM with a small Express and a Sutlers Schooner in tow. I went to the Theatre in the evening. Everything went on nicely.

**Friday, March 6, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Jas. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Mattana was sent to Tybee Island with some ammunition on board for the Battery at the Tower. She returned at 5 o'clock PM. Nothing of interest occurred during the day. The Rebels burned the grass off of Jones Island. Theatrical performances again in the Evening.

**Saturday, March 7, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind East. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 6 o'clock AM with the Col and mail on board. Commenced raining at 2 o'clock PM and kept on until dark when it cleared off nice and warm. Had no Parrade. The Mattana returned from the Head at 8 o'clock PM.

**Sunday, March 8, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Ingraham Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head, returned again in the afternoon, towed the Schooner Norman from Seabrook loaded with wood. Had Company Inspection at 9 AM. Lt. Tantum preached for us at 3 o'clock PM. The Str. Neptune came up from Hilton Head at 5 o'clock PM.

**Monday, March 9, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. The Washington came through from the Wassaw with a Schooner in tow and went on through to the Head. Our little steamer made her trial trip up the river and she worked satisfactorily. Lt. W. Barrett and Smith was released from arrest. Hurah! The Red flag is up at the Signal Station on the arrival of the Arago at Hilton Head with a 12 days mail.

**Tuesday, March 10, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 9 AM with the Schooner Norman in tow. She took the mail. Our Adjutant A. W. Goodell's resignation was accepted by Gen Hunter and Lt. Hale was appointed to act as Adj. The Mattana returned from the Head at 9 PM with the mail and several officers on board. Capt Furgison of the 48<sup>th</sup> and Lt. Blandin returned from home on a furlough, also Gens. Hickman and Stevenson with part of their staff and the Pay Master to pay off the Engineer Co. Recd letters from J.E.P. Abbott, L.W. Lodge, Mary Marshall.

**Wednesday, March 11, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Engineer Co. was paid off at 8 AM. Our Co all got new hats of Lt. Miller. Corpl Pimm and I got a pass to go to Hilton Head. Had Dress Parrade at 4 PM after which we started for the Head, the Gens and Col on board. We passed the obstructions at Seabrook at 8 PM and arrived at the Head at 9 o'clock. Staid all night at the Port Royal House. Wrote to J.E.P. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Thursday, March 12, 1863**

Clear and warm. The Arago started for New York at 6 AM with the mail. Our late Adjutant A. W. Goodell left for home. Cpl Pimm went to St. Helena Island to see the 9<sup>th</sup> N. J. I went up to the Engineer Camp, saw some of the boys, then went to the 97<sup>th</sup> Pa. Camp. Saw all the Booth Corner boys. They were all well. I went to the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa. Camp with the boys to an Extra Meeting. Their was 24 forward seeking religion and 4 was converted. I slept with Joe Booth and Jim Hamilton. At 1 o'clock at night the Long Roll Beat and the Regt was soon off to Spanish Wells where 20 Rebels had landed and captured our Pickets and some of the Signal Corps.

**Friday, March 13, 1863**

Clear and warm. The 97<sup>th</sup> did not get back until about 7 AM. The other Regts did not go out of the entrenchments. The Rebels had captured 5 of the 9<sup>th</sup> Maine and one Lieut and 3 men of the Signal Corps. The Pickets were all asleep when they landed and had no loads in their guns nor even their cartridge boxes or belts on. I went over to St. Helena Island at 11 AM. Saw Frank Vangilder, Alpheus and Thompson Barrett of the wharf. Then went up to see the 9<sup>th</sup> N. J. Saw Nick Champion, then went down to the Dock. Took Capt Barretts boat and sculled out to the Schooner D. Guifford. Saw

Hiram Simpkins, Joe Gaskill, Neddy Myres. Then went on board the Schooner Stetson and saw John Havens and Joe Smallwood. Then went back and staid all night on board the Guifford.

**Saturday, March 14, 1863**

Clear and warm. I got breakfast and then went on shore. Saw Capt John Garwood and Wm. Campbell, also John Trusty. Then went up to the 9<sup>th</sup> N. J. saw Champion again. Then went with Pimm to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Mass. Camp and saw Dr. Roberts. Then went to the Dock and embarked on board the Wyoming for the Head, where we arrived at 10 AM. Went up to the 97<sup>th</sup> Pa., saw the boys again. Saw the 2 men that stole the money from the Sutler of the 81<sup>st</sup> N.Y. They had been caught in Beaufort and had a chain and ball on. At 3 PM we went on board the Mattana and started for the Fort, where we arrived at 5 ½ PM. Mrs. Fisher and Robinson on board. 3 Deserters came down from Savannah and was sent to the Head.

**Sunday, March 15, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM. A boat came down the river at 6 AM with 6 deserters and one Lieut which they had forced to surrender while on picket. They were from the Georgia floating battery. They had been on picket for their first time. They were all well armed. The Mary Benton came up from the Head at 9 AM and returned at 3 PM with the prisoners and deserters on board. Capt Elfwing went up the river on a Scout but soon returned, having accomplished nothing. Wrote to C. W. Baldwin, L. W. Lodge.

**Monday, March 16, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 6 o'clock AM. Had a fine time on Guard. Quite a lot of visitors here. At 3 o'clock PM a Rebel boat came down the river with a Flag of Truce with dispatches to Col Barton. We got Savannah papers of the 16<sup>th</sup>. They went back at 4 ½ PM. Capt Paxson took a crew and branzed out the channel up the Savannah River. The Mattana came back from the Head at 7 PM with the mail and several visitors on board, who went to the Theatre in the Evening. One of the 47<sup>th</sup> N.Y.V sang a Comic Song. Recd a letter from Samuel Godfrey. Answered.

**Tuesday, March 17, 1863**

**St. Patrick's Day in the Morning.** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt. Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. I was relieved from Guard at 8 AM, after which I took a gay nap. They was practicing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Battery in the forenoon. The Mattana went down to the Head at 11 AM with the visitors on board.

**Wednesday, March 18, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. The Mattana returned from the Head with the Schooner Norman in tow loaded with wood. She had a large Express on board. The Connicus came up from the Head with Capt of Gen Hunter's Staff on board. I went to the Theatre in the Evening and saw a good performance plaid—The Seven Clerks, also The Hole in the Wall. Mr. Witcomb and Owen each sang a comic song. I got my foot hurt by a bench falling on it.

**Thursday, March 19, 1863**

Clear and cool. Wind East. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt Ingraham Offr of the Guard. I was off of duty on account of my foot. The Mattana was sent up the river at 7 AM with a Flag of Truce in charge of Capts Elfwing and (Blank). They got back at 2 PM and the Connicus went back to the Head at 3 PM. No Drill or Parrade in the afternoon. Theatrical performances in the Evening admittance 25 cts.

**Friday, March 20, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind Sth East. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. Got a pass with Sergt Lippincott, Cpls Cole and White to go to Tybee Island to get some shells to make boxes. We had a fine time but got but few shells. Early this morning a boat was seen coming down the river which proved to be three deserters from Savannah. They left Savannah at 8 o'clock last evening. Commenced storming at 4 o'clock PM Had no Parrade. Theatrical performances in the Evening.

**Saturday, March 21, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind East. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. I was on fatigue unloading wood from the Schr Norman at the Sth Dock. Commenced storming at 11 ½ AM and the fatigue was let out. In the afternoon an Express Steamer came in with an Express and a mail on board to the Head. The Yatch was sent over to Braddocks Point after the 48<sup>th</sup> mail. Had no drill or parrade. Commenced raining in the afternoon and kept on all night.

**Sunday, March 22, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt Edwards Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM in the Quarters it was so wet. The Washington came up from the Head with the mail on board. Had Church at 3 PM. Lt. Tantum preached for us. Recd letters from Martha Webster, Maggie Gandy. Wrote to C. W. Abbott, Martha Webster, Maggie Gandy.

**Monday, March 23, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started to the Head at 6 AM, the Col on board. She took out the mail. The Mary Benton and the Connicus came up from the Head, Brig. Gen. Seymour on board. The Mattana got back at 2 o'clock PM the Col on board. The Gen attended the Olympic Theatre in the evening. Commenced storming at 11 o'clock PM. The Connicus started for Hilton Head at 10 ½ o'clock PM with the Gen. on board.

**Tuesday, March 24, 1863**

Storming hard. Wind East. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went up the river with a Flag of Truce, but as Gen. Mercer was absent they could not attend to the dispatches so she had to return at 11 AM. The Mattana started for the Head at 2 o'clock PM. Cleared up at 1 o'clock PM but the Parrade Ground was so wet that we could not Drill or have Dress Parrade. The Arago arrived at Hilton Head with the mail. The Rebels undertook to capture our Pickets at Braddocks Point, but was driven off by our Cavalry Pickets of the 1<sup>st</sup> Mass.

**Wednesday, March 25, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Connicus went up the Savannah River with a Flag of Truce and returned at 11 AM with today's papers. She started for the Head at 4 o'clock PM. The Mattana came up from the Head at 3 PM with the mail on board. Their was quite a large mail. The Pdr. James Gun on Tybee was dismantled while they was practicing. Received letters from B. T. Abbott, C. W. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Mary Marshall.

**Thursday, March 26, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. Corpl Powelson commenced taking Ambrotypes and I had 3 taken. The Mattana went to the Head in the morning. A Spile Driver or Steamer came up from the Head at the North Dock. Mounted the Lincoln Gun on the Ramparts. Heavy firing up the river in the afternoon. The Connicus came up from the Head in the Evening with some ladies on board. Wrote to Mary Marshall, Mary E. Baldwin (Ambrotype), Benj. T.

Abbott (Ambrotype).

**Friday, March 27, 1863**

Clear and very warm. Wind East. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Spile Boat went up to the old Emma's hulk and hoisted out her machinery and then came back to the North Dock. We had orders to get ready to receive Gen. Hunter. We had Company Inspection at 11 AM. Had no drill during the day. The Connicus went down to the Head at 6 AM and took out the mail. The Mattana came up from the Head at 5 PM but no Gen on board. The troops at St. Helena Island commenced embarking. Went to the Theatre in the Evening and we had some good tragedies.

**Saturday, March 28, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. W. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Steamer Derrick went around to the South Dock. The Mattana started to the Head at 11 AM with several visitors on board. Commenced getting thick and cloudy in the afternoon and looks like storming. The Derrick started for the Head with the Boilers of the Emma on board for the Planter. Commenced storming at 7 PM.

**Sunday, March 29, 1863**

Storming hard all day. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. Had no inspection by order of the Col. Capt Farrell inspected his Company in the Quarters. Church at 3 PM in the Chaplain's Quarters. Had no Dress Parrade. The Mattana came up from the Head with the Schooner Margaret Rainhart in tow. She has a load of coal on board. A large English Steamer the (Blank) came up to Hilton Head, a prize to the (Blank). She was trying to get into Charleston Harbor with very valuable cargo on board.

**Monday, March 30, 1863**

Storming hard. Wind North East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. A schooner was seen anchored in the Callabage Sound and having a suspicious look, the Mattana with Co. E. on board was sent to see who she was and where she was bound. She proved to be an English Schooner loaded with salt, pretended to be bound to Beaufort S. C. but was trying to run the Blockade into Savannah. She was towed to the Fort and the crew, 2 white men and 4 Negroes, was put in charge of the Provost Guard. They say they had often run into Savannah. Had no Parrade or Drill. Somers Corson, Wm. Corson and Chas Hess came up to see me. We all went to the Theatre in the Evening.

**Tuesday, March 31, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at Noon with the prize Schooner in tow and the crew as prisoners on board. Also Lt Vidall on board. He left to go as Signal Officer with the Expedition. Had no Drill or Parrade it was so wet. The Rainhart was brought to the South Dock. Had a fine moonlight Evening.

**Wednesday, April 1, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Ingraham Offr of the Guard. Companys D & H was on fatigue moving the mortars to the South Dock. We took 3 Co.H. Also commenced unloading the Rainhart. The Mattana came up from the Head with a small mail and Express on board. Had no Dress Parrade. The Lt. Col. fooled us to our joy. Cole and I went down on board the Rainhart and spent the Evening with the boys. The Mayflower came up from the Head at 9 PM with some scows on board to take those mortars to the Head. A heavy fatigue out and worked all night and got the mortars on the scows at about day light in the morning.,

**Thursday, April 2, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Mayflower started for the Head at 6 o'clock AM with the scows and mortars in tow. The Regt out moving the 10 inch gun from our Battery up to the New Battery at the North Dyke. They undertook to lower it from the Ramparts when the Gin gave way and Gun and all came down in a hurry. Had no Drill or Parrade, also a fatigue out to unload the Rainhart. Wrote to Charles T. and Clark Abbott.

**Friday, April 3, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Six of us got a pass and went over to Tybee Island after some shells. Had a nice time. The Mattana was sent to Dawfuskie Island after lumber, Companys C & G on board. They got plenty of lumber, but got no Secesh. Co. K was sent to Little Tybee Island to do Picket duty for 5 days. The Gun Boat Marblehead came in here to do Picket duty at the mouth of Wrights River. She came to the Sth Dock. A heavy fatigue out moving the Lincoln Gun to the new Battery. Had no Drill or Parrade during the Day. The lumber was all taken off the Mattana after night. I spent the Evening on board the Rainhart.

**Saturday, April 4, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Gun Gen Thomas was got on Battery at 10 AM and she was fired and worked beautifully. The Lincoln Gun was got to the Battery by 4 o'clock PM. The mail arrived at Hilton Head at 7 AM. The Mattana started for the Head at 1 PM after the mail. Returned at 8 PM with the mail. I recd letters from L. W. Lodge, Mary Cloud.

**Sunday, April 5, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Had Regimental Inspection at 9 AM which was all over by 11 AM. The Gun Boat Sebago came in and anchored off Tybee. The Mattana went over to Braddocks Point after the Major and brought the papers from the S. R. Spaulding's mail. I was down on board the Rainhart all the afternoon and had a gay time. Preaching at 3 PM by Lt. Tantum,. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Monday, April 6, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Marblehead and Mattana went up the Savannah River on a reconnaissance, but it came in so foggy that they could not accomplish anything and came back at 6 PM. The Gun Boat Sebago went over to the mouth of Cooper River to blockade and do Picket duty. The crew of the Rainhart came up and spent the Evening with me. Wrote to Mary E. Cloud.

**Tuesday, April 7, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started for the Head at 7 AM with the mail on board. Had artillery practice all the forenoon. Private Steler of Co. E. while out in the Demilune was struck with a piece of led from one of our James Guns and was mortally wounded. Porch struck the Beacon and knocked off the top. Finished unloading the Rainhart and she was dropped off into the stream. The Arago arrived at the Head at 2 PM with the mail on board. The Mattana came up from the Head with an Express on board, but they had not got the mail assorted so we could not get it.

**Wednesday, April 8, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 11 AM. Co. K came back from Little Tybee Island but they saw no Rebels at all. The Marblehead went up the river and anchored just under fire of the Fort. The Mattana came up from the head 9 PM with the mail, Major Corwin on board. Recd letters from C.W.Abbott, C.W.Baldwin, Sam Godfrey, Wm. T. Abbott, Mary Marshall. Forts Sumpter and Moltre was attacked by our Iron Clads at 3 PM

**Thursday, April 9, 1863**

Clear and warm Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. W. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went through into the Wassaw Sound with 20 of Co. A on board. Retd at 3 PM. Our whole Co out on fatigue to mount the Sadie Gun on a new carriage and the old one was taken down. The Steamer Neptune came up from the Head at 6 PM. The firing still going on at Charleston harbour. Just signalled that one of Sumpter's Magazines had been blown up by our Gun Boats and that the Keokuck had been destroyed. The Gun Boat Geo Washington was struck by shells from the Rebels near Port Royal Ferry and she was blown up. 3 men killed, 3 wounded. Lt Blonden in command. Wrote to Mary Marshall, C.W. Abbott.

**Friday, April 10, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. At 12 ½ AM the long roll was beaten and the Regt was all fell in but it was only to see if the men was on the look out. 6 of our boys was made to Drill 6 hours for groaning at Capt Farrell for putting Clark in the Guard House. The Mattana went to the Head at 2 PM with the mail on board. **First Anniversary of the attack on Fort Pulaski last April.** Wrote to Wm. T. Abbott.

**Saturday, April 11, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Anniversary of the capture of Fort Pulaski by our Troops. The Gun Boat Marblehead ran up the river and threw a few shells into the Rebels and returned again. The Olympic Theatre was opened at 6 ½ PM. The pieces were John Bull and Boats at the Swan. The Dinsmore came in to Hilton Head with an Express and mail. The Mattana came up from the Head with the mail. I recd a letter from Father. Wrote to C.W. Baldwin, S. M. Godfrey

**Sunday, April 12, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt Ingraham Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. Co A was sent over to Turtle Island on board the Mattana to see if their was any Rebels there, but they saw none. The Marblehead went up the river above Birds Island but saw nothing new so she came back again. I went on board the Schooner Reinhart and spent the afternoon and the boys came ashore and spent the Evening with me. Church in the afternoon and again in the Evening. Had Dress Parrade at sundown.

**Monday, April 13, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt Fox Offr of the Guard. The Mattana started to the Head at 11 AM with the Schooners Norman and Margaret Reinhart in tow. The Marblehead and Sebago went out to sea at 11 ½ AM. The Expedition returned to the Head at 2 PM having accomplished nothing. They left the Keokuck sunk in Charleston Harbour with 2 Iron clads to guard her. They had breached the South East Corner of Sumpter. Went to the Theatre in the Evening. The Comedy's John Bull and The Rough Diamond were played. A. J. Palmer took part in the last one.

**Tuesday, April 14, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt Fry Offr of the Guard. The Mattana returned from the Head at 9 AM. Commenced storming in the afternoon and kept on until 10 PM when it cleared up nice and warm. Heavy firing at Savannah. Supposed to be a salute. Fisher, our hospital steward, got his discharge. Newhart was put in his place by recommendation of the two surgeons Mulford and Humphreys. His recommendation was forwarded to the General for his approval.

**Wednesday, April 15, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt Tantum Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. Four Rebel deserters came in at 6 AM and went right aboard the Mattana for the Head. They had Rebel papers of the 14<sup>th</sup> which gave an account of a heavy battle in Tennessee which resulted in a complete success for Gen. Rosencrans. It also states that the Rebels had sent commissioners to Washington to sue for peace. The Mattana came back from the Head in the Evening. Had no Drill but Parrade. Had a splendid time on Guard. Countersign was Seneca.

**Thursday, April 16, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Was relieved from Guard at 8 AM. The Regt was ordered to prepare for Mustering to see the number of conscripts required to fill our Regt up to 1,000 strong. The Col commenced to muster the Regt at 4 ½ PM. Had no Inspection. No Drill or Dress Parrade. At 7 PM Co. D was ordered out to go on board the Mattana to go out to see what Steamer that had anchored out beyond Tybee and they found it to be the U.S. Gun Boat Bibb. They came back about 10 o'clock PM. Lt Hale was promoted to be Adjutant. Quartermaster Sergt Geo. Taylor was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Joe Williams of Co A to be Quartermaster Sergt. Orderly Sergt Crawford of Co. G was reduced to 2<sup>nd</sup> Sergt.

**Friday, April 17, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South East. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. At daylight the Gun Boat Bibb came in and at 6 AM the Steamer Gov. Milton came in from the Head. Reported seeing 2 Rebel Steamers running the Blockade at the Wassaw Sound and that our Gun Boats was in chase. We could hear heavy firing off at sea for 2 hours or more. We suppose that one, or both, was captured. The Milton went over to the wreck Emma after cotton. The Mattana went to the Head at 1 PM. The Connicus came up from the Head at 2 o'clock PM with some officers on board. The Olympic Theatre was open. The Connicus went down to the Head in the Evening.

**Saturday, April 18, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. At 6 AM a Negro family came in sight on the meadows up the South channel. The Provost went and got them. We saw a small boat up the Wilmington River and fired on her, but she got away. The Bibb went out to sea. The Gov. Milton went to the Head. The Mattana came p from the Head with the Schooner Expedition in tow and some visitors. The Theatre was open in

the Evening. A light was seen on Turtle Island about midnight and Co. K was sent over in row boats to find out what it meant, but discovered nothing. They returned about Day light Sunday morning.

**Sunday, April 19, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt Mosier Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM. The Mattana started for the Head at 10 o'clock AM and returned at 6 ½ PM. Had Church in the afternoon and Evening. The Ody Sergt was sick and I had to hake charge. The Rebel Steamer Everglade of and from Savannah run out past the Blockade in the Wassaw Sound and got to sea. Our Gun Boats fired several shots at her but she got away. A Negro came down on the Meadows near the South Dock. He had deserted or ran away from Savannah. The Steamer G. W. Thomas came in from Fortress Monroe to the Head with Brig. Gen Seymour on board.

**Monday, April 20, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head. Went outside, heavy firing up at Savannah. The troops at the Head all embarking on board of Transports and schooners. The Olympic Theatre was open in the Evening, admission 25 cents. Began to get cloudy and cool. Wind got around to East,blowed hard. Wrote to Chas.T., Maggie and Anna.

**Tuesday, April 21, 1863**

Still cloudy. Wind East. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. A heavy fire on Hilton Head. Very dull and quiet in the Fort. No mail in yet nor any news. All anxious for the arrival of the Arago. Practiced skirmishing and street firing in the afternoon. At dark blowing a perfect gale wind Sth East. Carey C. Sterns of Co H was detailed as assistant Post Master Clerk at the Post Office at Hilton Head.

**Wednesday, April 22, 1863**

Cloudy and cool. Wind South. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Arago arrived at the Head at 5 AM with a 12 days mail, dates to the 19<sup>th</sup> but no news of any importance. Out on the beach skirmishing and got all wet. Most of the detailed men was returned to their Cos. and the Engineers was detailed in their place. Went to the Olympic Theatre in the Evening and heard 3 Phases plaid. The Mattana came back from the Head in the afternoon with a load of D.M. stores on board. A heavy fatigue called out to unload her and they was until midnight.

**Thursday, April 23, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. The Mattana started to the Head at 7 AM. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. W. Barrett Offr of the Guard. All anxious for the return of the Mattana with the mail. Col Barton signalled up from the Head for them to have performances in the Evening. At 8 in the Evening the Boston came up from the Head with Col Barton and Lady, Lt. Col Hale and some Ladies and the mail on board. The Offrs and Ladies went right up to the Theatre. Recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Martha Webster.

**Friday, April 24, 1863**

Fine and clear. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Boston started for Fernandina Fla at 5 AM. The Col and Lady and Lt. Col Hale on board. The Mattana came up from Seabrook in the afternoon with a load of cattle on board. One of the surveying schooners went out to sea. The Fanny Kee arrived at HiltonHead with an Express on board. The Col named the little Steamer J. C. Paxson. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin, Martha Webster

**Saturday, April 25, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 11 AM with the mail, also Mr. and Mrs. Fisher on board. Sergt Paddock started home on a furlough. We was practicing on our Battery and a piece of lead struck Watson Rein on the left leg inflicting a serious wound. The Connicus came up from the Head at 1 o'clock PM with some officers and ladies on board. She returned again in the afternoon. An Artist was up here to the Fort and took a photograph of the Regt while on Parrade. Had Parrade at 3 ½ PM. Mrs. Avery started for home on the Mattana.

**Sunday, April 26, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspecction at 9 AM. Capt Elfwing had a photographic view of his Co. B and the Battery at the North Dyke. Church in the afternoon and evening. The Mattana came up from the Head at 9 PM with an Express and several officers on board. The Arago left Hilton Head for New York at 11 AM with a large mail. Wrote to Mary Kendall.

**Monday, April 27, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. Had our usual drills and had Dress Parrade at 5 o'clock PM. Cos F, H and G had their photographic views taken. The Express was gave out to the men in the forenoon. It was a large Express for us. A grand dramatic performance at the Theatre for the benefit of the Barton Dramatic Association.

**Tuesday, April 28, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Ingraham Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 10 AM. Heavy firing at Savannah supposed to be salutes. A heavy thunder shower came up in the afternoon and prevented our drilling, but cleared off again nice and warm. The Convoy came up from the Head in the afternoon. The Mattana came up from the Head at dark with the Schooner Norman in tow. Our Gun Boats went up to the head of the Wassaw and shelled the Rebel Pickets on Wilmington Island. Capt of Gen. Hunter's staff was thrown from the Major's horse and was hurt badly.

**Wednesday, April 29, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Six of us got a pass and went up to Long Island after boards to fix our bunks. Went up to the upper end of the Island and got all the boards we wanted. We saw 3 alligators and I killed one 5 feet long. A Cole and Hillerman shot at another about 10 ft long, but did not get him. The Mattana was sent up the Savannah with a Flag of Truce, one of Hunter's staff officers in charge. Got today's papers which gave account of the blowing up of the Queen of the West and another Rebel Ram and says we have possession of the Mississippi River and that Grant and Rosencrans has made a junction. Went to the Theatre. Commenced storming and wet the clothes so that they had but one play.

**Thursday, April 30, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elfving Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. Had Muster and Regimental Inspection at 9 AM and was through at 11 AM. Lt. Col Green mustered us, the shortest Inspection we ever had. He went over to Tybee to muster Co I in the afternoon. No drill or fatigue during the day. Church in the afternoon and evening. Today is the Day appointed by the President of the United States as a Day of Fasting and Prayer. Wrote to Benjamin T. Abbott.

**Friday, May 1, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. Rebuilt our bunks in Casement 45. Was excused by the Capt from Drill. The Boston came up from Fernandina with the Col and Lady on board. The steamer went on to the Head in the afternoon. Hurah, the Red Flag is up on the Signal Station and the mail is in to Hilton Head. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening.

**Saturday, May 2, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. I was on fatigue unloading wood from the Schooner Norman. Finished unloading at 10 AM when we was dismissed. The Mattana went to the Head after the mail. Nothing new in Camp. The Mattana returned at 6 ½ PM. We had Parrade and then Battallion Drill out on the Island. The mail was small. I recd letters from L. W. Lodge, C. W. Abbott, Wm. T. Glover.

**Sunday, May 3, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South, Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Fry Offr of the Guard. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM. Had preaching in the Theatre at 3 PM by Mr. Eustice of the Conn. Conference from Matthew 22 Chapter and 21<sup>st</sup> verse and again in the Evening from Mal. last verse of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chap. and 1<sup>st</sup> verse of the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter. The last he preached at the State Donations in Conn. for the benefit of the Soldiers. It was a stunner on the Couperheads and Secessionists. The Steamer Trade Wind came in from Hilton with the Schooner Onrust in tow. She had a load of Ordinance on board. The Trade Wind returned to the Head. Wrote to L. W. Lodge.

**Monday, May 4, 1863**

Storming. Wind South West. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. Cleared up about noon., At 1 PM Cos B, D, & F was called out to get 4,100 lbs Parrott Guns and carriages, &, & (etc, etc). We worked hard and by sunset we had them all off of the Onrust and by 7 PM we had them all off of the Dock and one mounted on our Battery. D performances in the Theatre in the Evening. The Mattana went to the Head and back, took out the mail. 5 heavy guns fired up the Savannah about 10 ½ in the evening after which there was 6 volleys of Musketry. Wrote to Wm. T. Glover.

**Tuesday, May 5, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. Was ordered to prepare for General Inspection at 11 ½. The Steamer Mayflower came up from the Head with Capt Jackson, the inspector, and several Naval Officers on board. At 12 ½ we were fell in for Inspection and while we were out there was quite a shower so that the Inspection was hurried up and by 2 PM we were through. At 3 PM we were fell in for Battallion Drill but we had scarcely got in line when another fine shower came up and the Battallion was dispersed. No Parrade. The Ben Deford came in at 3 PM. The Mayflower went back at 5 PM. Storming all night. Wrote to Kate Bacon.

**Wednesday, May 6, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Ben Deford went to sea bound to Hilton Head at 10 AM. The Medical Doctor was here and examined several of the sick and discharged several of them. Ziba Sithens of Co D was one of them. Had no Drill or Parrade during the day there was so mutch water on the Ground. Went to the Theatre in the Evening: II Robert McCair, II II The Limmerick Boy. Wrote to C. W. Abbott.

**Thursday, May 7, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind North. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Ropbinson Offr of the Guard. The Mattana went to the Head at 7 AM. Co F mounted their 100 lb Parrott Gun. Had the photograph of the Co taken. He also took the Band and Drum Corps. A heavy fatigue called out to unload the shot from the Onrust. Had no parrade. The Col was at the Head and Mrs. Barton was sick. The Mattana came up from the Head at 11 PM. Had a lot of wheel barrows on board.

**Friday, May 8, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Ervine Offr of the Guard. Finished unloading the Schooner Onrust. The Mattana was sent to the Head after elevating screws for the Parrott guns. Had the photograph of the Regt taken in the Fort at closed column at half distance and then out by the Hospital in line of Battle. Had no Parrade. The Arago came in to the Head with the mail, reported Hooker having possession of Fredricksburg. The Col telegraphed to the Head for the Mattana to stay and get the mail.

**Saturday, May 9, 1863**

Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. W. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Had Parrade at 4 PM and then we had our Regt taken at Double Column at  $\frac{1}{2}$  distance. We had to stand but once. It was a splendid picture indeed. We had an hours Battallion Drill. The Mattana came in at 2 PM with the mail. Capt. Gould 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. returned from his furlough. An order for granting furloughs came up from the General allowing 5 percent of the Troops to go. Recd letters from W. T. Abbott, C. W. Baldwin, M. E. Baldwin, J. E. P. Abbott, S. Godfrey, Mary Marshall.

**(TO BE CONTINUED NEXT YEAR WITH PART II OF JOHN G. ABBOTT'S DIARY)**

## JOHN G. ABBOTT NOTES NO. 2

Last year we printed the first of Sergeant John G. Abbott's Civil War diaries. These diaries were discovered in an attic in Mays Landing. The diaries were on loan to the Society where Miriam Patterson took the difficult job of transcribing them. The transcription is accurate to the spelling John G. Abbott wrote. Special thanks to Elmer Ripley who made these diaries available to our group.

John G. Abbott (1838 – 1863) was born in Gravelly Run, near Mays Landing, the son of John G. Abbott and his wife Anne (Treen) Abbott. John G. died from wounds received during the Civil War.

### DIARY:

Miller on board. She went through into Warsaw Sound. Applications for Wilgus, B. R. Croasdale, C. Emmons and Anderson was sent down to the General for his signature. A small Express came up on the Steamer. Bosworth's pamphlets of his lecture came. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening. The Island State came back from the Warsaw Sound and went to the Head.

**Thursday, May 14, 1863:** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Col. started for Hilton Head at 6 AM in the Yatch in order to get a steamer in place of the Mattana. Tried the 100 Pdr Parrott Guns on Battery Seymour at the North Dyke. They work admirably. Heavy firing at Savannah, supposed to be Rebels practicing. Wrote to Clark W. Baldwin.

**Friday, May 15, 1863:** Cloudy and cool. Wind East. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. The steam ferry boat Philadelphia came up from the Head at 6 AM, the Col on board. She went back immediately. Commenced storming at 9 AM and kept on all day and night, but it did not rain hard. At 11 AM the Schooner Wm Marcy came in from Hilton Head with a load of coal. At 1 PM a government schooner came in. She had been setting buoys along the coast. She was bound to the Head. We had a pretty fine time on Guard. The night was very dark. Countersign was Wyman.

**Saturday, May 16, 1863** Storming very hard. Wind North East. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt Taylor Offr of the Guard. Was relieved from Guard at 8 AM and then took a good nap. Rained hard all day, but cleared up at 7 PM. The James Adger came in with a large mail and with more good news than all together for more than a year. Had no drill or parrade during the day. Wrote to Clark W. Abbott.

**Sunday, May 17, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Had Company Inspection at 9 AM, of Arms but not Knapsacks. Had church at 3 PM and again in the Evening. Had 20 of Co D out on fatigue to clear up the Parrade ground for Parrade. The Nelley Baker came up from the Head with the mail with dates to the 13<sup>th</sup>. I recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, C. W. & J. C. Abbott, C. T., M. T. and Anna, Rebecca and Emma S., M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, May 18, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantum Offr of the Guard. The Nelley Baker started for the Head at 6 AM. Anderson, Wilgus, B. R. Croasdale, C. Emmons got their furloughs signed and dated. The Mary Benton came up from the Head with the Pay Master of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Regt and he paid off the R. I. Co in the evening for 4 months pay. Commenced unloading the Wm. Marcy. Performances in the evening at the Theatre. Wrote to J. C. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin.

**Tuesday, May 19, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Mary Benton started for the Head at 6 AM with four from each Company on a furlough to leave for York this afternoon on the Ben Deford. The Col went to the Head, also the Pay Master. The Mary Benton came up from the Head in the afternoon. The Delaware came up from the Head with a quantity of Quartermaster stores and a lot of ammunition. Had a non commission officer meeting at the Lts. Quarters in the evening. The telegraph was laid from Hilton Head to Fort Pulaski by Martillo Tower. Then a submarine wire to Braddock's Point. It is to run to Beaufort.

**Wednesday, May 20, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt Robinson Offr of the Guard. The Telegraph was finished to the Head and Beaufort. Unloaded the Delaware and she went to the Head in the afternoon. Bought a throw out net of McLiming for 5\$. Nothing of importance in the Fort. Lipincott was detailed to act as Sergt Major while Wyckoff was sick. Went to the Theatre in the Evening. They plaid Robert McKair and a grand tabalaux.

**Thursday, May 21, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt Smith Offr of the Guard. Had a Battallion Drill from 2 to 4 PM and practiced in firing and on the charge bayonets. The Cosmopolitan came in from New York to the Head with a large mail and dates to the 18<sup>th</sup> but no news of any importance.

**Friday, May 22, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Island City came up from the Head. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening. Another Battallion in the afternoon. The Mayflower came up from the Head with the mail but I got no letters at all. The Sutlers Lady came up to the Fort on the Mayflower. Wrote to Rebecca Abbott, Emma Steelman, Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, May 23, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt Fox Offr of the Guard. The Mayflower went to the Head at 11 AM and took out the mail. The

Nelly Baker came up from the Head at 11 ½ AM and went to sea at 2 PM bound to Fernadina, Ga. The Island City was sent over to Dawfuskie with Cos B, G, and K on board. They went after lumber. They got to the Island at 9 ½. Co K was sent to scout the Island and reported the Rebels having been there about a week since. They tore down the Mungeon House and got enough lumber to build the Battery Barracks. They got all the blackberries they could eat. They got back at 8 PM. Then Cos D and E was sent to unload the steamer. We got through at 11 PM. The men made quite a fuss because they got no whiskey.

**Sunday, May 24, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South.. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM. The Island City went to the Head after the mail. She returned during Dress Parrade with the mail, dates to the 19<sup>th</sup> by the Arago. Quite an excitement in the Fort on account of an order coming from Gen Hunter for us to be ready to leave the Fort in 5 days. Is generally believed to go to Kentucky where Gen Hunter expects to go to take command. We are all anxious to go. Recd letters from C.W. Abbott, Mary E. Cloud. Wrote to C.T. & C. W. Abbott, M. E. Cloud.

**Monday, May 25, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. Offr of the Guard. No news of any importance. All preparing to move. No one knows where to or when. The Island City was sent to Tybee after the horses and returned at 3 PM. Wind began to blow up hard at East and began to look like raining at 5 PM. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening.

**Tuesday, May 26, 1863** Cloudy and cool. Wind North East. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt Taylor Offr of the Guard. 5 of us got a pass to go fishing but it blowed so hard and was so rough that we did not go. Had no Parrade. I put up a box and put it on board the W. W. Marez to send home in care of Pit and Sue Smith of Leeds Point. The Island City went to the Head at 11 ½ AM and took out the mail to meet the Arago which started for York at 4 PM. She returned at 8 PM with an Express on board.

**Wednesday, May 27, 1863** Storming hard. Wind North East. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Miller Offr of the Guard. Had no drill or Parrade during the day. The Steamer J. O. Paxson drug her anchors and went ashore on the Island or meadows opposite Cockspur Island. Rained hard nearly all day and night.

**Thursday, May 28, 1863** Still storming hard. Wind South blowing a perfect gale. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt Hilliard Offr of the Guard. No drill or Parrade during the day. Corpl Clarkson and Sergt Orr of Co. I had a general court martial here in Fort Pulaski. The General appointed officers of our own Regt to try them, but it was put off until tomorrow. Several of the men got drunk from liquor they got from the Sutler. The Col ordered him to immediately remove every bit of his liquor from the Island. The Brooklyn Boys of Co K presented Lt. Smith with an excellent sword and belt. Cost \$175. Wrote to Anna & Maggie, J. Abbott.

**Friday, May 29, 1863** Still cloudy but no rain during the day. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Island City went to the Head at 6 AM and took out the mail. Finished unloading the schooner Wm. W. Marcy and she dropped out into the stream. The general court martial still in session trying Clarkson's & Orr's case. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening. The Island City returned from the Head in the Evening. No news yet. The Cosmopolitan hourly expected with orders to General Hunter from the War Department.

**Saturday, May 30, 1863** Cloudy. Wind South West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. The Schooner Wm. W. Marcy left here at 7 ½ AM for Hilton Head. She went out to sea and rebel Steamer came way down below Birds Island on a reconnaissance. We thought she was coming with a Flag of Truce, but we was mistaken. Had Dress Parrade.

**Sunday, May 31, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. Had Regimental Inspection at 9 AM. We did not get through until 11 ½ AM. Had church at 3 PM and 7 PM. Very warm during the day. All quiet, anxiously awaiting the arrival of the mail. The discharge papers came up from the Head for those who were to be discharged.

**Monday, June 1, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. Ingraham Offr of the Guard. The Island City started for the Head at 6 AM the Major on board. Heavy firing up the Savannah River from the Rebel Batteries. A dispatch came up for the Col to come immediately to the Head and he started on board the Steamer J. O. Paxson for Braddock's Point Had Dress Parrade at 5 ½ PM. Capt J. Gould in command. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening. The Island City came back from the Head at 11 PM the Col and Major on board. No news nor mail yet. The Steamer J. O. Paxson came back in the night.

**Tuesday, June 2, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Mosier Offr of the Guard. The Island City started for the Head at 6 AM. The Col had orders issued to prevent any enlisted men from walking on the Side Walk and their was a general row about it. The Telegraph was finished to Hilton Head. The first dispatch was that Vicksburg was taken with 800 prisoners by our troops. Went to Greens Union Opera Troupe in the Evening and the Offrs got some good rubs about the side walks. Had a fine shower in the Evening and kept on until near morning.

**Wednesday, June 3, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. Had orders to have 6 Cos of the 48<sup>th</sup>, 50 of the 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I., and 50 of the N.Y. Vol. Engineers with one days rations all ready to embark tonight. Companys A, C, E, F, H, and K were selected to go. The Mattana went to the Head. Capt Hurst went and took Shumkey's knapsack and opened his private letters to detect his writing.

At 3 PM a Transport came in with 3 Cos of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. and 3 Cos of the 6<sup>th</sup> Ct and 3 Cos of the 115<sup>th</sup> N. Y. At 4 Pm the Gun Boats Com. McDonald and O. M. Pettitt came in. At 7

o'clock the Island City and Mayflower came up from the Head. The rations was all gave out at 8 o'clock in the Evening. The 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. landed and went to the Theatre. The Troops from Pulaski embarked at 11 PM, ready for a start.

**Thursday, June 4, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. The Expedition started at Midnight. The Mayflower got ashore in the sound and the 4 Cos of the 48<sup>th</sup> went on board the Island City. The Mayflower got off at 5 AM and joined the Expedition at Bluffton. At daylight they landed about 3 miles below Bluffton and then marched up towards the town, seeing but little traces of the Rebels. The Gun Boat shelled the woods in their advance. At 7 AM they was in the town. Our skirmishers had exchanged a few shots with the Rebs. They then fired the town and soon every building was on fire. Then they destroyed the bridges and some rafts that was laying at the dock and then embarked again without the loss of a man. The 48<sup>th</sup> came back on the Cossack. The rest of the boats went to the Head. The Island City got back at 7 PM with the mail and the Mayflower came in at 8 PM. Got letters from J. E. P. Abbott, W. T. Abbott, W. T. Glover, L. W. Lodge, Mary Marshall.

**Friday, June 5, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Nichols Offr of the Guard. The Island City started for the Head at 6 AM. The Cossack started at 8 AM and the Mayflower at 10 AM. Had no Drill or Parrade. A fine thunder shower in the afternoon and Evening. Sergt Brush of Co A was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt, in the S. C. Vols. Lt Hammell was promoted to 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. and assigned to the Battery with the Blacks. They had just returned from an Expedition on the mainland close to Charleston. They had captured 800 Negroes and destroyed 4 rice fields and cut 3 or 4 embankments. They came here at 5 PM bound to Florida. Wrote to Mary Marshall, L. W. Lodge.

**Saturday, June 6, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Island City returned from the Head. The Negro Brigade went down to Florida on another raid. Lts Hammell and Brush was with them. No news at all here today. Had Parrade but no Drill during the Day. Wrote to Wm. T. Glover, J. E. P. Abbott.

**Sunday, June 7, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 o'clock AM. Church in the afternoon and evening. The Nelly Baker came up from Fernandina and St. Augustine and after halting at the Fort went on to Hilton Head. Some anonomous letters sent to the Officers and some hand bills stuck up in the Sally Port originating from the Order in reference to the Side Walks and there is quite a mutinous spirit manifested towards the Officers.

**Monday, June 8, 1863** Cloudy and cool. Wind East. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. The Island City went to the Head at 6 o'clock AM and took out the mail. Some more mutinous letters recd by the Offrs and the Col. Had a Battallion Drill ordered at 2 PM. When we formed square the Col gave us quite a lecture and insisted on having more respect

shown the Officers and declared a disposition to enforce all orders good or bad. Performances in the Theatre in the Evening.

**Tuesday, June 9, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. Ingraham Offr of the Guard. The Island City returned from the Head at 2 PM. Col Serrell came up to attend to a Court Martial on one of the Engineers Crpl. Another hand bill put up in the Sally Port and Abe Mason was hauled up before the Col for putting it up, but he was all O.K. A lot of Office seeking sneaks was selected by the Col to spy around nights and search knapsacks while the men was on Parrade—Sergt Lippincott, Cpl Shuler of Co D, Carnon Co A, Smith f Co B, Lawrence Co C, Hutchinson Co F and several others. The Island City went to the Head at 3 PM. The Arago arrived at the Head.

**Wednesday, June 10, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. The sneaks was up all night but found out nothing. Four Rebel deserters and one prisoner came in to our Pickets on Tybee Island. They had been doing picket duty along the Warsaw and the 4 men knocked down the Sergt and took his Arms away from him and brought him into our lines. They report 2 men killed and one wounded by our troops at Bluffton. The Island City returned at 5 PM. Col Green, Capts Elmandoff, Cowan and Paxson and Lt Wm. Barrett returned from their furloughs home. Also the mail on board. I recd letters from J. E. P. Abbott, S. M. Godfrey, Mary E. Baldwin, Sallie J. Morris.

**Thursday, June 11, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt Miller Offr of the Guard. The Island City went to the Head at 10 AM. Sergt Ed Matson of the 9<sup>th</sup> N. J. went back to the Head. The 5 deserters was sent to the Head. Had no Parrade. A heavy thunder shower came up early in the Evening and rained very hard. The lightning struck the Telegraph wires and ran into the office and came near exploding the battery. It cut the wires entirely off. Wrote to Mary E. Baldwin, Sallie J. Morris.

**Friday, June 12, 1863** Cloudy and warm. Wind South. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. Tantom Offr of the Guard. The Island City went to the Head at 6 AM and took out the mail. Some of the discharged soldiers went to the Head. Had no Drill or Parrade. Had a fine shower in the afternoon and another in the Evening. A Negro deserter came in from Savannah and reported Vicksburg and Port Hudson in the possession of our Troops. The Ben Deford arrived at the Head with a lot of the furlough men. But none of our Co. came back. The Island City came back from the Head with the furlough men on board. Performance in the Theatre in the Evening. The Cosmopolitan arrived from Baltimore with Gen. D. A. Gillmore on board to supercede Hunter in command here.

**Saturday, June 13, 1863** Still cloudy. Wind South West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. I was Sergt of the Guard. The Island City went to the Head at 6 AM the Col and the discharged men and the mail on board. The Arago left the Head for New York at 2 PM with a large mail on board and also Gen. D. Hunter who is to report to the War Department

at once. A hand printing press was put up in the Fort to strike off orders and circulars. The Gov. Milton came up to repair the Telegraph wire which was damaged by the lightning. The Island City returned from the Head. Wrote to J. E. P. Abbott, S. M. Godfrey.

**Sunday, June 14, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Wm. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Had Co Inspection at 9 AM after which I took a gay nap and never waked up until 5 PM. The Gov Milton went to the Head after repairing the Telegraph wires. Church in the afternoon and Evening. The Gun Boat Water Witch came in to the Head with a small mail. Wrote to Martha Webster.

**Monday, June 15, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Island City started to the Head at 6 AM and took out the mail. A telegram was recd that Gen Gillmore would be here tomorrow and 20 from each Co. was detailed to fatrigue to clear up the grounds around the Fort. There was no Drill or Parrade during the day. The Island City returned from the Head at 6 PM with the mail. A. L. Burroughs of Co D died in the hospital at 10 ½ in the evening with the Typhoid Fever. Recd from C. W. Baldwin, M. E. Baldwin.

**Tuesday, June 16, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Gould Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The Island City started for the Head at 6 AM and took the mail. I was on fatigue up on Batttery Seymour until Noon. A. L. Burroughs was buried at Tybee Island at 4 PM. The Co was out and formed in procession with those of other Cos. and marched down to the Dock where the remains were taken on board the Steamer J. O. Paxson and proceded to Tybee. Had Parrade at 6 PM. The Island City came back from the Head in the Evening. Wrote to C. W. Baldwin.

**Wednesday, June 17, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elmandoff Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. At 6 AM the Rebel Ram Atlanta came down the Warsaw to destroy our Blockaders, but she soon encountered our monitors Weehawken and Patapseo which were masked along the bank. She came within 150 yards when our Boats fired at her. The first shot went clear through her. The next went through the pilot house, the 3<sup>rd</sup> entered her port house. The 4<sup>th</sup> missed her when she struck colors and surrendered without firing a shot. We had killed one and wounded 16 which were brought here on the Island City and sent to the Head. We got 164 prisoners in all. She had a splendid armament of Blakely guns. The Rebs came down and towed their floating battery up the Savannah. The Island City came back in the evening with the Pay Master on board.

**Thursday, June 18, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South West. Capt Cowan Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Guard. The Island City started for the Head at 6 AM. The Engineers and Co. G. 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. was paid off at 9 AM. At 10 AM the Regt was fell in line and marched to the Plank Road to receive Gen. Gillmore who came on the Ben Deford at 11 AM. He had no staff officers with him. We then came inside the Fort and stacked arms and broke ranks. Our Regt

was paid off in the afternoon. The Gen went back at 3 PM. Had no Parrade. At 7 PM a telegram came up from the Head for 8 Cos to be ready to go on board the Ben Deford at 10 AM tomorrow to go to Folly Island to stay 30 or 60 days. We were ordered to pack up ready to go. Wrote to Clark W. Abbott.

**Friday, June 19, 1863** Cloudy and showery all day. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Hilliard Offr of the Guard. Preparations were made to move. The Ben Deford came in from the Head at 7 ½ AM to take the Regt away. Things are all packed up and ready to start. Put all our best clothing in the Company Box. The Island City went to the Head at 11 AM. At 8 o'clock PM we fell in line and marched to the dock where we embarked on the Ben Deford. Co G and Co I was left to help garrison the place until more troops could be sent to the Fort. We started at 10 o'clock PM and ran out to the end of Tybee Island and anchored for the night. We slept on the upper deck. Wrote to Mary Marshall.

**Saturday, June 20, 1863** On board the Ben Deford at daylight at the mouth of the Savannah River. At sunrise we started for Hilton Head Harbour. The wind was blowing a fine breeze from the West. We went to sea and had a smooth time around to the Head. We was detained near 2 hours at the Quarantine Ship waiting for the Doctor to come back from the Head to let us pass. We arrived at the Dock on St. Helena Island at 10 AM and waited until 12 for the Col to decide on a place to camp. At Noon we disembarked and marched up to where we was to camp which was about a mile from the Dock and close to the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa Camp. We had a fine shower in the afternoon. All got wet. We got our tents pitched at 6 PM. I tent with Cpls Pimm and White. Got a fine Camp.

**Sunday, June 21, 1863** Clear and warm in the morning. Showery in the afternoon. Capt Farrell Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. In Camp nearly all day. The Companies was out on Fatigue cleaning up the Companies Street. Had no church during the day. The Ben Deford started for Fort Pulaski at 9 o'clock AM. Several vessels laying at Bay Point and St. Helena. We saw the captured Rebel Ram Atlantic which is laying close to the Wabash at Bay Point. She is a hard looking craft, don't resemble the monitors. Had no Drill, but Company Inspection at 9 AM. Had a fine shower in the Evening. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, June 22, 1863** Windy and showery all day. Capt Lockwood Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. The whole Regt out on Fatigue clearing up the Camp. The Gun Boat Union arrived from New York in 48 hours with the mail. Had Brigade Review at 5 o'clock PM – the 48<sup>th</sup> on the right, the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa 2<sup>nd</sup>, the 9<sup>th</sup> Maine 3<sup>rd</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. 4<sup>th</sup>, and the Lost Children 5<sup>th</sup> or extreme left. We had a fine review by our Gen Strong. We was then through at sun set. Lt. Fox and I was detailed to go to the Head with 39 men on fatigue. We was up all night. We was through with the fatigue at 1 AM. I then went up and got the mail and went on board the Philadelphia and laid at the dock until morning.

**Tuesday, June 23, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt. Edwards Offr of the Guard. We came back from the Head from fatigue at 6 AM on the Philadelphia and brought the mail. The Weehawken came up from the Warsaw Sound. A heavy fatigue out clearing up the Camp. Had Parrade at 6 o'clock PM. Recd 2 from Mary Marshall, C. W. Abbott, Rebecca Abbott, M. E. Cloud. Wrote to C. W. Abbott, Mary Marshall.

**Wednesday, June 24, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt Nichols Offr of the Guard. Had no company Drill . All the Cos out pulling up the grass between the Staff and Line tents. The Gen ordered another Brigade Review which we had at 4 PM. After which we had Dress Parrade. The Steamer Fulton came in to the Head with a mail and nearly all the remaining furlough men. P. Anderson did not come. All the rest of our men came back, also our Major Strickland. A heavy fatigue out to go to the Head to unload the Fulton., We got our mail in the Evening. I recd letters from Maggie T. Gandy, Maggie and Annie Penn.

**Thursday, June 25, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Smith Offr of the Guard. Cpl Cole and I got a pass and went out to see the country. We went at least 6 miles, found some splendid plantations and went to a store out there and bought each of us a straw hat. Had a fine time and got back to Camp at 3 PM. The 54<sup>th</sup> Regt Mass Vols of Negroes came here to Camp just above us. It is a noble looking Regt. Lady Barton and Mrs. Robinson came up from Pulaski. Also McDonigall. Had Co drill in the forenoon and Battallion in the afternoon. A heavy fatigue went over to the Head to unload a steamer. Wrote to Maggie Gandy.

**Friday, June 26, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind Sth West. Capt Hurst Offr of the Day. Lt. Taylor Offr of the Guard. Had Regimental Inspection at 10 AM. Was inspected by the Major of the 3<sup>rd</sup> N.H. Got through at 11 AM. Had Battallion Drill by the order of the Major. Capts Cowan and Lent drilled the Battallion and Lent got the Battallion in a scrape. At 4 PM we had a Brigade Drill and a sham battle. It was a grand night indeed. The 48<sup>th</sup> was the right flank Regt and supported the Artillery. We had a nice place for the fight in an open and level field in the rear of the Generals Quarters. We were all through at 6 PM and got back to Camp just in time to save being out in a hard shower. The 2<sup>nd</sup> S. C. went into Camp just above us. Wrote to Rebecca Abbott.

**Saturday, June 27, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Lt. J. A. Barrett Offr of the Guard. Had a Picket sent out to prevent the men from going out on the Plantation without a pass from the Gen. Sent a heavy fatigue over to the Head. Had no Drill during the day. A splendid Shatagua in the afternoon and another in the Evening. Lady Barton started for home in the Fulton. A Negro deserter from the 2<sup>nd</sup> S. C. was caught about 9 o'clock at night out on a Plantation about 3 miles from Camp. Wrote to Emma Steelman.

**Sunday, June 28, 1863** Cloudy and heavy thunder showers all day. Our tents was near 3 inches deep in water nearly all the forenoon. Had Co. Inspection at 9 AM, but it was very wet. I was not on Inspection. One Sergt from each Co. detailed to go to Fort Pulaski after the Co. things, Dress Coats, Scales, Pants, & (etc). A Negro of the 2<sup>nd</sup> S. C. was shot at 10 AM by his Co. for deserting. At 11 AM the Guards was all relieved and as one of the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa was going into his tent the lightning struck his bayonet and ran down his gun and exploded his cartridges and wounded the other six men in the tent. He was killed instantly. At 5 PM we went aboard the Str. Mary Boardman and could not get anything to eat or drink so we went ashore and got some at the Sutlers. Staid all night.

**Monday, June 29, 1863** At daylight we started for Fort Pulaski. Had a fine time. Went outside but the sea was very smoothe. We met the Arago off the Bar bound in to the Head with the mail. We had a nice breeze from the West. Mrs. Robinson was good and sick. We got in to the Fort at 10 ½ AM. We then packed up our things and got them on board before sundown. We went to the Theatre in the Evening and had some splendid performances and a grand Tabaleau. After which we returned to the Fort and had a gay time. The Ladies and all was in the van (?). They made the wine fly and it was kept up until 2 AM. There were succers(?) up I guess with the women.

**Tuesday June 30, 2863** Clear and warm. Wind West. We finished putting the things on board, goat and all. At 9 AM we started for St. Helena Island to join the Regt. We had a fine ride, went to sea which was fine and calm, almost as smoothe as glass. Lt. Howland was on board to go home on a furlough. He was sick. Also Ordinance Sergt Kelly and his wife. They were bound to Fortress Monroe. We arrived at St. Helena at 1 PM. We got most of the things up to Camp before night. The Troops was all mustered for Pay in the forenoon. Sam Sommers and Charley Hess and Bill Corson of the Mar. Reinhart were in bathing. Their vessel was ashore to get scraped. Letters from L. W. Lodge, Mary Marshall.

**Wednesday, July 1, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind East. Capt Paxson Offr of the Day. Lt Smith Offr of the Guard. Drilled the Co in the morning. Went on board the Margaret Reinhart in the forenoon and saw the boys. They were painting the Schooner. Had Briggade Drill and a sham battle in the afternoon. The 1<sup>st</sup> U. S. Reg Battery was on the left and the 3<sup>rd</sup> R.I. Bat. On the right. We had a hard Drill indeed. Did not get through until sundown. Plenty of mellons and all kinds of truck coming into Camp now. Wrote to Mary Marshall and L. W. Lodge.

**Thursday, July 2, 1863** Pleasant and warm. Wind East. Capt Elfwing Offr of the Day. Lt. W. Barrett Offr of the Picket. I was detailed for fatigue with 30 men. We went and got a lot of polls to build a stable for the horses, but the Col took most of them to build a cook shelter for the Staff so we did not get quite enough to finish the stable. Had a Briggade review at 4 ½ PM with our full uniform, scales, gloves and all. The 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. was with us and was next to the left of the Briggade and the 1<sup>st</sup> N.S. Reg Battery took the right and the 3<sup>rd</sup> R. I. Bat. The left. The Reinhart went over to the Head. Wrote to Maggie and Anna.

**Friday, July 3, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt Swartmont Offr of the Day. Lt. Fox Offr of the Picket. Had Co. Drill in the morning and Dress Parrade in the Evening. We had orders at 7 o'clock in the Evening to pack up all our things except Dress Coats and Scales which were to be put in the Co. box. We had orders to take 10 days rations with us and the Cooks were up all night preparing to move. We were all soon snugly packed. Some of the Regts embarked in the Evening. The Pickets were called in and the Guards were taken off to prepare for leaving. Rumors are that we are to go to Folly Island to man Batteries and to help throw up Entrenchments.

**Saturday, July 4, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind West. At sunrise we were all ready to strike tents and go on board. At 6 AM all the shipping in the harbor displayed their flags and Ensigns, making a grand sight as follows: 9<sup>th</sup> Maine at 6 AM; 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. at 8 AM; 3<sup>rd</sup> N.H. at 10 AM; 76<sup>th</sup> Pa. at 1 PM; 48<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM; on the Connicus. The Lost Children embarked at 5 PM. We started at 4 ½ PM, Gen. Strong and Staff on board. Had a fine breeze from West. At sun set we was about 5 miles north of the Bar and several of the Boys were seasick. At 10 ½ we overtook the Mayflower and Philadelphia which had just turned around and started back for the Head. At 11 PM we hailed the Gun Boat Ranger opposite Stono. General Strong went on board with Gen. Seymour. We were ordered back to the Head and to return at sunset tomorrow so as to land in the night.

**Sunday, July 5, 1863** At daylight we were on our way back to the Head. At 5 ½ we came up to the Mayflower and Philadelphia and soon left them far behind. We got to the Bar at 7 ½ AM where we met the Steamer with the Lost Children on Board. They stood in out to sea to be at Stono at sun set. At 8 ½ we got to the Head. The Col went on shore. We laid out in the stream until 11 ½ when the Golden Gate came to us with the Col and a mail for us on board. We started at 12 Noon and went through the inside channel and came out near Edistow, far ahead of all the rest of the boats. Met the Mississippi bound to the Head with Adl Dalgraen on board. At Sundown we were all together of Stono. As soon as it was dark we ran in to the wharf and by 2 AM we were all unloaded and marched up 3 miles and rested on the beach. Got letters from J. E. P. Abbott, M. E. Baldwin.

**Monday, July 6, 1863** Clear and very warm. Wind West. At daylight we started and soon came to where the 6<sup>th</sup> Ct., 100<sup>th</sup> N.Y., and 85<sup>th</sup> Pa. were encamped. We halted and stacked arms and most of us had a good nap. We were waked up at 7 ½ to get our coffee which some of the 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. had prepared for us. We cruised around a bit. When the Assembly beat we were marched about a mile farther with the rest of the Briggade and encamped along the beach in the swamp, yet within 20 yards of the beach. We have a splendid bathing place. A heavy blockade off Charleston. We had nothing to eat from yesterday until this Evening. Saw 8 Rebel Pickets on James Island. Got our tents about sundown.

**Tuesday, July 7, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South West. Capt Lent Offr of the Day. Sergt Johnston Offr of the Guard. Cpl Pimm and I went up to the cookout near the upper end of the

Island and near our batteries. Yet we could not see any of them except a light Battery which is to be moved forward. We had glass and could plainly see Forts Sumpter and Moultrie and Cummings Point Battery, Battery Bee, Fort Johnston and another Battery on the lower end of Morris Island. We also had a good view of Moultrieville and could see the Flags on the tops of the Island Houses. Had a good view of our situation. Could see the Rebel Pickets which were not 100 yds from our masked batteries. The 104<sup>th</sup> and 52<sup>nd</sup> Pa. arrived here at 2 AM this morning. Wrote to J. C. Abbott.

**Wednesday, July 8, 1863** Clear and warm. Wind South. Capt. Cowan Offr of the Day. I was Offr of the Guard. Was relieved from Guard at 4 PM to get ready to march at sunset up to the Battery. All expecting the engagement to commence at sunrise in the morning. At 6 PM the 4<sup>th</sup> N.H. marched past here bound to the General Quarters. Three Regts marched up to the Batteries to protect them. At 7 we fell in and marched to the General Head Quarters where we found the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. and 3<sup>rd</sup> N.H. embarking in lances with oars muffled, the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa and 9<sup>th</sup> Maine. The first three moved off and the order for us to embark was countermanded and the other Regts was called back and we was ordered to go to the other end of the Island and wait further orders. We had scarcely arrived before we were ordered back to Camp where we arrived at 3 ½ AM at night. Wrote to M. E. Baldwin.

**Thursday, July 9, 1863** Got to Camp at 3 ½ AM almost tired out, being in the woods all the time. I got up at 8 AM and got breakfast and went out and found 4 of the Monitors out at the mouth of Charleston Harbour and about 15 large gun boats. Four Transports came in to the lower dock with Troops on board. Four more large steamers came in to the Blockade Fleet in the afternoon. The masts were taken down on the Ironsides ready for action. Everything ordered to be ready for an attack tonight. We are to march again at dark to cross Morris Island. Had a heavy shower in the Evening. The troops were all on a move again. At sundown we fell in line and formed on the left of Strongs Brigade on the Beach. Several of the other Regts marched up to the Batteries to unmask them during the night. We marched over to Gen Strong Headquarters and began to embark in lances and surf boats. The 6<sup>th</sup> Ct was first, the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct next. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. next, the 76<sup>th</sup> Pa, next; the 9<sup>th</sup> Maine and the 48<sup>th</sup> last. We never got embarked until 2 AM. We then started after the rest.

**Friday, July 10, 1863** At 3 AM we came up with the other boats near the end of Morris Island and just through the obstructions. We laid there until sun rise when our Batteries opened on the Batteries on Morris Island at 5 ¼ AM. The Rebs were all asleep and when the first Gun opened the van they soon beat the reveille and beat to quarters, but were not there until we had fired about 5 rounds. Then they began to return it all along their lines. We were close under our Battery and under the principle part of the fire.

We laid under the bank until 6 ½ AM when we fell in line, the 48<sup>th</sup> to the rear. We started up towards the Rebel Batteries. Gen Strong ordered the Colors to be hoisted on the Boats and as soon as they saw the flags they directed their fire on us in the small boats. Our Batteries

kept up a murderous fire on them all the time. At 8 ¼ we were ordered to land and charge on them. The 7<sup>th</sup> Ct landed and deployed out towards the Batteries on a double quick. The 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. was then ordered to land but they made but little effort. Then the 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. was ordered out but they did not hurry. Then he ordered out the 48<sup>th</sup> and in 5 minutes our four Cos. was in line and we started out on a double quick to protect the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. We moved up splendidly and got to the entrenchments and found the Secesh was advancing on us.

We opened a murderous fire on them and the 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. came up. The Rebs skedaddled for their Batteries and they was followed by our Regt. We had 6 men wounded in Co. D. and Capt Lent was killed and near 40 wounded in our 4 Companies. The 3<sup>rd</sup> N. H. then came up to our support and opened a volley on them and they broke and left their Rifle Pits and skedaddled for their Batteries. The 6<sup>th</sup> Ct. then came up and followed close after them. They left all of their lower Batteries and retreated to Fort Wagner.

We all advanced and soon occupied their Batteries up to Wagner capturing 7 guns and 5 mortars beside 4 stands of Colors and near 300 prisoners. We wounded and killed near 200 of them. We had a most desperate fight for ½ an hour. We were all jubilant over our successes. We then moved up and got so near to the Rebs that they began to shell us from Wagner. But they done us no damage. The 4 Monitors came up and began to shell them but soon withdrew. We put up for the night in the Camp of the 21<sup>st</sup> S. C. V. The Rebs kept up their shelling all night.

**Saturday, July 11, 1863** At daylight the 7<sup>th</sup> Ct and 76<sup>th</sup> Pa was ordered to march on Fort Wagner with the 9<sup>th</sup> Maine to support them. They moved up splendidly until they got to the moat when the Rebs opened on them with grape and cannister and infantry from their Rifle Pits. The first volley the 9<sup>th</sup> Maine turned and run leaving the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> to stand the blount and they done it too. Yet they was so descimated that they was repulsed after getting on the Ramparts. They were cut nearly to pieces and had to retreat which they done nobly. The Rebs did not follow. They kept shelling us all day. Our monitors ran up and shelled them from 10 to 1 PM then withdrew. Our forces were moving the siege pieces over from Folly Island to lay siege to their Batteries. Capt Lent and Tommy McDowell was buried. Our gun boats shelled S\_\_\_ionville on James Island and entirely destroyed the place. Terry's forces were their with the Negro Regts. Another Monitor came in from the Head. Our wounded were sent to the Head. The Rebs threw shells at us all night, but done no harm. Our men at work all night on their new Battery near Wagner.

*General Hospital*

*Fort Schuyler*

*August 7, 1863*

*Dear Father*

*I have been looking for an answer from you since Tuesday last but up to this hour none has arrived. Consequently I have been disappointed in hearing from you yet hope it will soon arrive. My wounds are recovering very fast, and in fact the Doctors and all have been surprised at the great amazement which has seemed to follow. Yet the wounds are very dangerous and I am far from being out of danger.*

*My wounds have never hurt me much since I have been wounded and the patience with which I have born it throughout has been a matter of surprise to the many Doctors by which I have been surrounded.*

*I am improving now very fast in strength and I can get out alone if the necessity of the case demands it. I don't think I shall be able to come home before the last of September which will be in good mellon time. I may however be able to come before. I have good attendance here. They mostly give us mush and milk or milk without the mush. We some days get pudding and today we have had chicken. This I call Northern Hospital.*

*(He can't keep awake to dictate any more for the present. He feels very lonesome and wishes so much some or all of you could come and see him. He now says don't forget to bring me some apples, oranges and peaches.) My best respects to all.*

*J. G. Abbott*

*P.S. Say to the people of Mays Landing that I died at my post. When I joined the Army I was willing to die for my country, and to prove my devotion to the flag. It demanded my life which I willingly give.*