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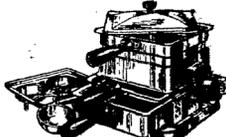
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## St. Lawrence County Utilities, Potsdam, New York



### DIARY OF CIVIL WAR VETERAN

THE LATE O. P. BENSON, A MEMBER OF 92ND REGIMENT

The Massena Observer is printing excerpts from the diary of the late O. P. Benson of that village, father of O. P. Benson of Potsdam, 1861 by Colonel Josiah Sanford of Hopkinton. The regiment was organized and went into camp on the ground to the north of Cottage street between Leroy and Market. The first installment of the diary follows:

October 10th, 1861—Start from Massena for Potsdam. Arrived there at 1:00 o'clock. Examined by Dr. Hewitt and then returned to our camp for dinner at 4:00.

11th—Rainy. Chose three commissioned officers, Hiram Anderson for captain, K. F. Cleary for first lieutenant, E. L. Hobbs for second lieutenant.

12th—March to the engine house. Drill two hours.

13th—Sunday. Go to church in the forenoon to the Methodist house. Sermon by Rev. King. In the af-

ternoon Rev. Plumb preached at the barracks.

14th—Common drill.

15th—Second election of our three commissioned officers, this before the colonel. In the evening watch with Andrew at the residence of Mr. Fisher.

17th—Receive orders to go to Massena recruiting. Start from Potsdam at 11:00 o'clock, get in Massena at 5:00. Enlist one man.

18th—Morning, at home. Afternoon, get one man.

19th—Get two men.

20th—Remain at home.

21st—Get two men.

22nd—Start from Massena to Potsdam with four men.

23rd—Go back to Massena recruiting.

24th—Get one man.

25th—Get one man.

26th—Start from Massena to Potsdam with three volunteers.

27th—Go to church in the forenoon. Afternoon preaching at the barracks.

28th—Sworn in the United States service.

29th—Sunday. The whole regiment march to the Catholic church. Andrew dies at 7:00 a. m. At 3:00 p. m. start for Massena to prepare for funeral.

30th—Drive from Massena to Potsdam. Andrew buried.

31st—Drill four hours.

1st—Common drill.

2nd—Common drill.

3rd—Common drill. Clothing comes to the station.

4th—Go to the station and dress.

10th—Sunday. Morning, go to Baptist church. Afternoon to Catholic.

11th—Rainy. Lieut. Hopkins leaves Potsdam for the 10th Regiment. Set up with the sick.

12th—Common drill.

13th—Elected officers, second lieutenant, five sergeants and eight corporals.

14th—Commence to organize the company.

15th—Whole regiment drill together.

16th—Arise at 6:00 o'clock. The whole regiment march down to the village. Two colonels come to see the men from Virginia.

17th—Regiment march down town to Presbyterian church.

18th—Practice in forming the battalion into line. Quickest time three minutes.

19th—Battalion drill.

20th—Leave Potsdam for Massena.

21st—At home.

22nd—At home.

23rd—At home.

24th—Sunday. At home.

25th—At home.

26th—At home. E. Allen store burned.

27th—Flag presentation by the ladies, 38 of the men present.

28—At home.

29th—Start from Massena to Potsdam.

30th—Common drill.

December 1st—Sunday. Called on corporal of the guard. Preaching in the barracks.

2nd—Battalion drill.

3rd—Common drill.

4th—Battalion drill.

5th—Friends from Massena.

6th—Called on corporal of the guard.

7th—Battalion drill. Father and the girls to Potsdam to see us.

8th—Sunday. Preaching in the barracks. Go to prayer meeting in the evening.

9th—Battalion drill. Secessionist on the ground by the name of Pride. Narrowly escape with a ride on a rail.

10th—Battalion march down to Clarkson's. Distance of 1 1/2 miles.

11th—Dress parade.

12th—Dress parade. Death of young Wilkinson of Company F. Sick but 12 hours.

13th—Called on corporal of the guard. Take five prisoners.

14th—Dress parade.

15th—Sunday. Preaching in the dining hall by Elder Gorrie.

16th—Receive one hundred stand of guns to practice by companies.

17th—Practice with our guns. March down to the village.

18th—Dress parade. Grand display. Many spectators.

19th—Very cold. Drill but little.

20th—Extremely cold.

21st—Sunday. No preaching.

22nd—No drill. Cold.

23th—Very cold.

24th—Christmas. March to the village, where ladies of Potsdam treat us to a dinner.

25th—Lieut. Col. Bingham makes his appearance.

26th—Common drill.

27th—Common drill.

28th—Birthday. Common drill.

29th—Attend church twice. Mutiny in Company A.

30th—Non-commissioned officers drill.

31st—March to the village. January 1, 1862—Called on corporal of the guard. Ladies from Massena give us dinner and supper.

2nd—Dress parade.

3rd—Non-commissioned officers drill.

4th—Non-commissioned officers drill.

5th—Sunday. Preaching in the hall by chaplain.

6th—Snow. Common drill.

7th—Non-commissioned officers drill.

8th—Receive orders to leave Potsdam.

9th—Lieutenant-colonel shows the regiment a 15 shooter, promising to give it to the best soldier between now and April.

10th—Friends from Stockholm present a flag to Captain Newton. Company F. Weather rainy.

11th—Father and mother up from Massena.

12th—Sunday. Preaching in the hall by Universalist.

13th—Rather cold. Bought a pair of boots of supply company, \$4.50.

14th—An immense crowd. Sword presented to Capt. Knowles also to Lieut. Whitney, both of Company D. Flag presented to Company K. One to the regiment by Mr. Clark son in behalf of his daughters.

16th—Capt. Anderson receives from the ladies of Massena articles for the hospital.

17th—Hudson Clark dies at half past 8:00 a. m. Escort goes to Massena with the remains. Sign 60

cents for the expenses of the funeral. Pay master comes.

18th—Regiment receives its pay. Drew from the government \$25.

19th—Sunday. No preaching.

20th—Sent home \$20.

21st—Dress parade.

22nd—Regiment march down and heard Mrs. Little from Boston sing.

23rd—Very pleasant.

24th—March down town. Company A drilled by lieutenant-colonel.

25th—Very snowy. Called on corporal of the guard.

26th—Sunday. No preaching.

27th—Lieutenant colonel has spleen did horse presented him by the citizens of Potsdam.

28th—Sign allotment roll to send to G. B. Andrews, of Massena, \$12 per month of my wages.

29th—Fire in the village. Company A marches down to help.

30th—Start for home.

31st—At home.

(To be Continued.)

**On the Contrary**  
Maud (newly married)—You look very melancholy. George; are you sorry you married me?  
George—No, dear, of course not. I was only thinking of all the nice girls I can't marry.  
Maud—Oh, George, how horrid of you! I thought you cared for nobody but me.  
George—That is so, my dear. I wasn't thinking of myself, but of the disappointment they have had!

**Natural Pipe Line**  
While some workmen in Bath, Maine, were quarrying stone they uncovered at a depth of about twenty feet a water conduit about three feet wide and two feet high. The conduit was in a solid ledge and it is of uniform diameter its full length, 200 feet. The four sides are deeply corrugated, showing that at some time water ran through it at great pressure. It is one of the few of nature's pipe lines that have been exposed.—Scientific American.

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**HOLIDAY RUSH  
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**LOCAL STORES REPORT A  
 GOOD BUSINESS. POSTAL  
 RECEIPTS LARGE.**

Potsdam merchants have enjoyed an excellent Christmas trade, it was the consensus of opinion expressed in local stores today. Trade has been especially good the forepart of this week. Saturday, before Christmas was a good day, but there have been others just as good and some better. The business this week has been of the best, however.

At the local postoffice, it was said yesterday that the holiday rush has never exceeded that experienced this Christmas. There has been a jam in the lobby every day since Monday. Additional clerks and carriers have done their best to keep business caught up and it is hoped that by midnight to-night, not a package or piece of mail will be left on the shelves. There is a heavy load of letters, and one of the postal people were too busy to make any comparative figures, but they hazarded the guess that receipts this year at the Potsdam office would set some records.

**COLORED TROUPE STRANDED  
 Minstrels Which Played Here Blow  
 Up In Carriage.**

The ten members of the Down in Dixie colored minstrel troupe, which played in the Potsdam Opera House a short time ago, stranded in Carthage last week. They charge that Robert G. Wing, owner and manager of the show, who went to Watertown last Sunday to seek an engagement at the Avon theatre, failed to return and neglected before departing, it is alleged, to square up some \$700 owed the troupe. Wing was unable to get a booking at the Watertown theatre. The actors believe that Wing proceeded to Syracuse from Watertown. They have learned from St. Albans, Vt., that Wing has transferred title to three cars he owned to his wife.

**BENSON STORE INCORPORATES  
 O. D. Lachair Becomes A Member  
 Of The Firm**

The firm of Benson and MacGill has taken into partnership O. D. Lachair, who was for many years in their store. The new company has incorporated with the secretary of state for \$25,000, the incorporators being O. P. Benson, E. A. MacGill and Mr. Lachair. The firm name will be the O. P. Benson Company. According to the certificate of incorporation, Mr. Benson has 50 shares of stock and the others 10 each. The firm recently added a meat department and a delicatessen department, the latter being fitted up on the second floor of the store building. The present change does not involve any change in policy or control.

**BURNED BY HOT METAL  
 Simon Young Narrowly Escapes  
 More Serious Injury**

Simon Young, a lineman of the St. Lawrence Utilities, was burned Saturday afternoon when hot metal fell on him following a short circuit on a pole at the rear of the Youngs' home. Young was working on the pole when the hot metal fell on him. He was burned on his back and arms. He got down as rapidly as possible and jumped the last fifteen feet. Fortunately his heavy clothing protected him somewhat, but he sustained burns about the shoulders and back. Dr. W. J. Baldwin attended him.

**LOCAL BREVITIES**

The police have a pair of glasses picked up in Main Street Monday. The owner can get them at the police station.  
 Clarkson College basketball team will play Company M. of Ogdensburg in that city at the arena on Christmas night.  
 Carl H. Schroeder of Canton Agricultural School will speak at the Potsdam Grange Saturday, Dec. 27, on "Some Ways to Make Hens Pay."  
 The New York Central will install many electric flash signs along the St. Lawrence Division similar to that recently installed at the Pine Street crossing here in this village. It is planned eventually to do away with most of the familiar diamond shaped wooden signs bearing the words, "Stop Look and Listen," which are now in use.

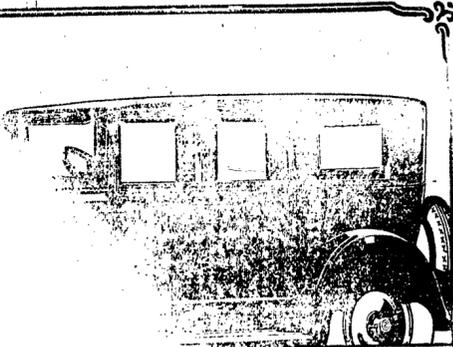
**92ND REACHES  
 FIELD OF BATTLE**

**SECOND INSTALLMENT OF THE  
 DIARY OF CIVIL WAR  
 VETERAN**

The following is the second installment of a diary of the late D. P. Benson, a member of the 92nd Regiment in the civil war, which was organized at Potsdam:  
 February 1st 1862—Around home.  
 2nd—The American Tract Society present to each soldier a pocket bible.  
 3rd—Go from Massena to Potsdam with three recruits. Edward Beals of Conway A. dies with the measles, aged 20 years.  
 4th—Remains of Edward Beals sent to Massena.  
 5th—Seventeen of Company A, boys in the hospital with the measles.  
 6th—Longer drill by major.  
 7th—Death of Thomas McFerran Company H, aged 19. Died with the measles.  
 8th—Death of a soldier of the 92nd Regiment, aged 18. Died with the measles.

28th Third brigade drilled by Colonel Dutton of the 98th Regiment New York State Volunteers.  
 27th—In consequence of a mistake we are again sworn into the United States service. Some of each company that refuse to be sworn.  
 28th—Leave Callama Heights at 6:00 p. m. and arrive in Alexandria at 9:00 a. m. on 29th.  
 29th—Very snowy. Leave the village and go one mile into the woods.  
 30th—Snowy. No preaching. Leave the woods at 3:00 p. m. March to the dock and get aboard the John Brooks and there sleep all night.  
 31st—All day on the water. Very pleasant.  
 April 1st—Arrive at Fort Monroe at 6:00 a. m. Go ashore at 8:00 p. m. march eight miles and camp in the woods at 12:00 o'clock.  
 2nd—Leave the woods and go on two miles and stop.  
 3rd—Very pleasant. Quite hot. Some drill.  
 4th—Troops continue by moving on toward Richmond and leave behind large quantities of commissary stores.  
 5th—Rambling.  
 6th—Sunday. No preaching. Move one mile on the bank of James River.  
 7th—Receive orders to march toward Yorktown. Very rainy.  
 8th—Rainy. Order to march toward Yorktown.

10th—Rather unwell.  
 11th—Death of Peter Broad, Company D. Died with the rheumatism aged 40 years. Great excitement. The Merrimac in the river. Three foreign vessels lying at anchor on the Maryland side.  
 12th—Very pleasant. Captain Anderson acts as lieutenant colonel.  
 13th—Sunday. Preaching by chaplain.  
 14th—Brigade drill by Colonel Dutton of the 98th.  
 15th—Inspection of the division. Generals Casey and Mansfield present. Receive orders to leave the 16 at 8:00 a. m.  
 16th—Leave the pleasant banks of the James at 11:00 a. m. Travel all day and at night camp on the ground at Young's Mills.  
 17th—Move on two miles and camp at Warwick Court House.  
 18th—Very pleasant. Vermont Tard and Sixth cut up by the rebels in Lees Creek.  
 19th—All night very rainy. Professor Lowe's balloon ascends to view Yorktown.  
 20th—Sunday. No preaching. Very rainy. At night sharp firing.  
 21st—Very rainy. Sleep in the water and on brush.  
 22nd—Leave Warwick Court House and advance seven miles to ward Yorktown. See two wounded pickets, one in the leg and other in the ankle. Camp in woods.  
 23rd—Continual firing by the batteries.  
 24th—Lieutenant Clerly and Captain shot at behind the rifle pits.  
 25th—Continual firing. Sent in charge of 15 men to block up the road. Captain Anderson receives his commission as lieutenant colonel.  
 26th—Very rainy.  
 27th—Sunday. No preaching. Occasional firing.  
 28th—Pleasant. Dress parade.  
 29th—Called on corporal of the guard. Awoke between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 a. m. and prepared for an attack. At night General Palmer orders his whole brigade out to reconnoiter.  
 30th—Inspection for pay. Receive small tents.  
 May 1st—Pleasant. Company drill.  
 2nd—Our right wing goes out on picket. One of Company E. accidentally shot himself through the hand. Killed a black snake which measured five feet two and one-half inches.  
 3rd—Dr. Sherman franks the boys envelopes. Heavy firing at night.  
 4th—Leave our old encampment and chase up the rebels. Troops moving without number. March six miles.  
 5th—Cold and rainy. Start early and march till 4:00 p. m., then drawn up in line of battle to support those in the fight. At dark move on to the advance and stand in line of battle. Nearly froze and not a dry thread to our backs all night.  
 6th—In the morning found the rebels missing. Get breakfast and start again. Travel about six miles. Dead and wounded.  
 7th—Rest all day. Kill beef.  
 8th—Pleasant. Company drill.  
 9th—Leave our camp at 7:00 a. m. March all day in a northwest direction and camp at sunset on a large cornfield. Corn up three inches.  
 10th—March all day and camp at dark within a few rods of General McCellan's headquarters.  
 11th—Sunday. No preaching. Pleasant. Rest all day.  
 12th—On picket two miles from camp.  
 13th—March after lying about in the sand six or eight hours to New Cent Court House. Pitch tents at 2:00 a. m. the next morning.  
 14th—Rest. Quite rainy.  
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 16th—Pleasant. Dress parade. Sick moved off to New York.  
 17th—March at dark and camp at 2:00 a. m. near Tyler's house son



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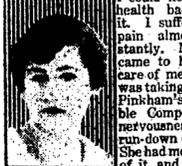
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of the president.  
 18th—Sunday. No preaching. Rest.  
 19th—Rainy. March eight miles and camp on a large and beautiful field.  
 20th—Companies A and F out on picket half mile from camp.  
 21st—March about three miles and camp on a large meadow. A vast number of troops.  
 22nd. Rest. A smart shower of rain and hail. Never saw it rain harder.  
 23rd—March two miles and at dark form in line of battle in the edge of a wood. Companies A and F. again on picket.  
 24th—Rainy. Stay in Bear Swamp church. Skirmish with the rebels one mile ahead. Enemy pit to flight. Hotly pursued. Our loss slight. Throats about 62. March and camp on the battle field.  
 25th—Sunday. No preaching. March about one mile and camp in the edge of a large wood. Infantry and artillery arranged with great care for an attack. Colonel Hunt takes command of the regiment.  
 26th—March without knapsacks, ready for attack but after going one mile turned back and stay till 3:00 p. m. March one and a half miles and camp in the edge of the woods. Colonel Hunt gives order not to fry any more meat for bread. He begins to turn over a new leaf with the regiment.  
 27th—Rainy. Two companies from each regiment in the division on fatigue duty digging rifle pits. At night the remainder of the regiment on picket.  
 28th—Quite muddy. Our pickets bring in four prisoners.  
 29th—Early in the morning our pickets have a skirmish with 300 of the enemy. Major and private of the 9th New York killed. The major's name is Kelley.  
 30th—Companies A and F on picket in the morning. The rebels attempt to drive us back and cut our line in two but were driven with our loss but slight. Thunder shower at 3:00 p. m. Rains all night.  
 31st—All quiet in camp till M. when the rebels surprised us with great force. Casey's division suffers severely. 92nd badly cut up, 16 of Company A killed, wounded and missing. The scene beyond description. Fight for three long hours and retreat two miles. At night rest in the mud on our arms with out rations or blankets. Untold suffering. Heavy loss on both sides.  
 (To be Continued.)

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THE 92ND NOW IN VIRGINIA

THIRD INSTALLMENT OF DIARY OF ONE OF ITS MEMBERS.

The following is the third installment of the diary of the late O. P. Benson of Massena, a veteran of the 92nd Regiment organized here in the civil war.

June 1st, 1862—Rest till 3:00 p. m. and go reconnoitering.

2nd—Rest. A malar stamped about 3:00 a. m., caused by some horses getting away.

3rd—Remain by the battery all day. At night commences a terrible rain. Rains horribly all night.

4th—Rise early in the morning cold, stiff, lame and wet. Still it rains in torrents. Move early with no rations. Wade mud to the knees and brooks to the neck. Two men drowned in crossing the stream by Bear Swamp Church. Troops are scattered in all directions.

5th—Remain in camp but from fatigue and exposure many are half sick. Many sorry faces.

6th—Rather unwell.

7th—Still unwell. Our brigade broken and thrown into the first and second.

8th—Pleasant. Many sick without the least medical care.

9th—Rainy. Sick list still increases.

10th—Preparations for an attack.

11th—Very hot. The regiment in rather a distracted state. From 212 present, 103 sick and unfit for duty.

12th—Very hot; 110 sick.

13th—Sunday. Very hot. Towards night rain. Rains all night.

14th—Cold and pleasant.

15th—Quite unwell.

16th—Quite sick but still doing duty. About 10:00 a. m. taken with a very severe pain in the stomach. Cramped five times near by night.

17th—Very hot. Sharp pains, severe headache. Weak and no appetite. U. S. Miller and Stover, come from Newport News to the regiment. Draw rations of dried apples.

18th—A little better. Fever and headache left me. No appetite.

19th—Not much better. Very severe pain in the side. Sore throat. At night sharp firing among the pickets.

20th—Some better.

21st—Not much better. Rainy. Clothing comes.

22nd—Some better. Heavy and continued firing on the front and right.

23rd—Some firing. Some better. Great preparations being made to resist attack by our division under the command of General Peck.

24th—Still gaining. Considerable firing.

25th—Commence our march towards the James. Our sick in charge of Captain Burnham.

26th—Whole army of the Potomac on the move and all in perfect order. A grand and beautiful sight. Very hot.

27th—Still on slow march towards the river. About 3:00 p. m. heavy and brisk cannonading commences by General Mitchellman pelting the rebels. White Oak swamp.

July 1st—Move about one-half mile. Heavy cannonading.

2nd—Rise at 2:00 a. m. and take our position, a division rear guard. Cold and rainy. Mud knee deep in places. In rather a critical position on picket. In constant expectation of an attack as all our baggage wagons are in one large field in mud half way to the hubs.

3rd—Dark, cold and cloudy. Remain in the woods till dark then march quietly out, leaving the enemy to find it out. March one mile through the worst mud I ever saw. Many lost their shoes while others had to be helped. While on picket rebel cavalry pickets were close by on a hill, where they could be almost reached by rifle shot. A few shells from our gunboats caused them to leave.

4th—Pleasant. General McLellan and staff rides twice by our lines to inspect our position. Considerable firing of the gunboats to celebrate the great day of independence.

5th—Relieved from pickets. Commence to act again on duty. Easier times. Move back again into the woods.

6th—Pleasant.

7th—All quiet.

8th—Go to the river and swim. Hot and sultry. All quiet.

9th—Remain in camp but from fatigue and exposure many are half sick. Many sorry faces.

10th—Rather unwell.

11th—Dark, wet and cloudy. Dis tribute 3450 cartridges.

12th—Pleasant and beautiful. Lieu tenant Fox dies at 3:00 p. m. with the fever. Busy making wooden pipes.

13th—Sunday. Quiet and pleasant.

14th—Six men of the regiment volunteer to join the reserve artillery. To be reported on detached service.

15th—Difficulties to rain hard at dark and rains all night.

16th—Receive six months pay of government. I receive \$12, \$66 allowed. Again commences to rain at dark.

17th—General inspection by General Keyes and General Wessells. Thirty-five of our boys left behind at Potsdam Hill. We sick far enough to remain in the Regiment.

18th—Company drill both in the morning and afternoon.

19th—Sunday. This first Sunday to me in Virginia.

20th—Pleasant.

21st—Quite hot.

22nd—Brigade inspection.

23rd—Bright drill. Sam, the nigger, dies of fever.

24th—Receive clothing. Draw cap, blouse and one pair of socks.

25th—Sunday. Hear an excellent sermon by chaplain of the 62nd Ohio.

26th—Battalion drill.

27th—Brigade drill. Our regiment goes to support the picket.

28th—Return to camp at 5:00 p. m.

29th—Rainy. At 12:00 o'clock at night the rebels open their batteries upon our transports, doing but little damage. Firing about one hour.

30th—August 1st—All quiet.

1st—Brigade drill.

2nd—Sunday.

3rd—Division drill.

4th—Melvin Hill captured by our troops. Very sultry.

5th—Very hot. Draw soft bread.

6th—Still sultry.

7th—Our regiment go to support the pickets about one mile.

8th—Recruiting papers come and also papers to send recruiting companies home. Regiment comes in at 6:00 p. m.

9th—Afternoon rainy. Sanitary

committee send us cheese, herring and potatoes.

10th—Camp routed at 1:00 a. m. Knapsack and all traps except arm equipments, blankets and tents sent to the landing and put aboard of boat.

11th—Still expect hourly to move. Our baggage all of four feet under water.

12th—Still waiting orders. Drill.

13th—Continue to wait. Drill. Things begin to look lonesome.

14th—Wait for orders till 4:00 a. m. March about one-half mile when we turn back and camp in our old camps. Rather desolate.

15th—March at 3:00 a. m. Weather very favorable. Quite cool and dry. Pleasant march. Go about ten miles. Camp at dark.

16th—Start at 4:00 a. m. and march very swiftly till 5:00 p. m. then camp in a beautiful field in front of a splendid house belonging to two brothers named Ward. Both Union men and in New Jersey. Cross the Chickahomony on pontoon bridge at 2:00 p. m.

17th—Start before daybreak and march along smartly till 3:00 p. m. and camp. Troops ordered to march through Williamsburg at 8:00 a. m. Things look perfectly natural.

18th—Rest all day. Troops continuously passing. Men feast upon green corn, fresh meat and red hot apples.

19th—Remain on the same ground. Boys feast on sweet potatoes, etc.

20th—Move across the railroad. Very rainy. Disagreeable.

21st—Heavy details. After dress parade go to a dam and have a good wash.

22nd—Railroad bridge torn up by our men. A man shot by one of his own comrades in the 85th Pennsylvania, accidentally. Go out about one mile to Mr. Smith's and get some sweet potatoes. Four cavalrymen, horses and all, drop into a covered well. One drowned.

23rd—Colonel Hunt commands the regiment in person. Begins to arrange things.

24th—Move back across the railroad ready for action. Active measures being taken to resist an attack.

25th—Dress parade. Draw a new blanket.

26th—Make a requisition for a suit of clothes.

27th—Sunday. Misty. One gun mounted on the ramparts of the redoubt at our right.

28th—Receive full appointment of sergeant-major by Colonel Hunt. Artillery practice.

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In view of the prevalence in unusual numbers of cases of typhoid in New York City and in certain up state cities during the past few weeks, a conference was held on December 19 at the New York Office of the State Department of Health which was attended by representatives of the State Conservation Commission, which has jurisdiction over the certification of oyster beds in the state; Health Commissioners of Syracuse; Dr. Goler, Health Officer of Rochester; Dr. Rowland G. White, Health Officer of Albany.

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# SNELL TO GET N. Y. BACKING

### STATE DELEGATION IN CONGRESS FOR HIM FOR THE LEADERSHIP.

A New York despatch says: Representative Bertrand H. Snell of Potsdam will have the whole-hearted and united support of the house if he becomes an active candidate for the Republican leadership of the new congress. This was learned authoritatively today from Representative James S. Parker, dean of the delegation, and other Republican representatives from New York state. Mr. Snell is being boomed by many house Republicans who believe that his present position as chairman of the important committee on rules has fitted him especially for party leader on the floor.

The New York Republican members are awaiting word from Mr. Snell himself before they take off their coats and go to work actively for him. Mr. Snell is a receptive candidate for the place, but he and other Republican leaders in the house are held back somewhat in the present situation by the fact that it has not yet determined whether there will be a vacancy in the Republican leadership.

The present Republican floor leader is Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, who is running strong for speaker of the new congress although friendly rival for the speakership in Representative Martin B. Madden of Illinois chairman of the appropriations committee. It looks now as if Mr. Longworth has a slight lead which he may be able to maintain, but in the event that Mr. Madden should be chosen as speaker Mr. Longworth would remain as floor major shall virtually without dispute.

The contest for floor leadership is therefore closely tied up with the contest for the speakership. Although there has been no suggestion of a combination between supporters of Snell and Longworth it is nevertheless true that unless Longworth is made speaker there will be no chance for any one else to become floor leader.

It looks now as if the new congress would not convene until December 1925, but there is a possibility of an extra session and on that account the speakership contest and the secondary battle for the floor leadership are waxing warm already. Two other members are being boomed for the floor leadership against Mr. Snell. The one who seems to have the greatest strength is Representative John Q. Tilson of Connecticut a member of the Ways and Means committee, a veteran of many successful parliamentary battles on the floor. The other is Representative Frederick R. Lehbach of New Jersey backed by the New Jersey Republicans.

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# 92ND IN BATTLE OF KINSTON, N. C.

### DEFEAT THE REBELS AND GO INTO CAMP AT NEW BERNE

The following is another installment of the diary of the late O. P. Benson of Massena who was a member of the 92nd Regiment organized here in civil war.

October 1st, 1862—Orders read in dress parade making the following changes in the regiment: Major, Major F. W. Hall second Lieutenant of Company F; First Lieut. J. Ward of Company K, adjutant; C. P. Boswell, first Lieutenant of Company K; and my appointment as sergeant major.

2nd—The adjutant sergeant majors and two sergeants from each regiment in the division meet at division headquarters. Receive instructions concerning signaling.

3rd—Purchase a coat of Benjamin Webster on credit. Receive orders to make a reconnaissance. Leave camp at 2:00 p. m. on very short notice. March about 12 miles and camp about 8:00 p. m. in the dooryard of a wealthy grass widow whose husband is doubtless in the war. Rather bitter. Sleep on piazza.

4th—Remain on the alert in the woods till about 4 p. m. when we again start for our camp. Arrive there at 8:00 p. m. Pretty nice march.

5th—Preaching during the evening by Private Messure, of Company B.

6th—For the first time go into the office to do business. Arrival of new troops a Suffolk.

8th—Sergeant Rhodan, Company I, promoted to first sergeant.

9th—Move my tent.

10th—Adjutant buys a horse and absent from dress parade.

11th—Very rainy. Water six inches deep in my tent.

12th—Cold rain. Sunday.

13th—Dreary.

14th—Clear. Captain Miller and 12 recruits join the regiment. Receive from home a pair of new boots and other trinkets.

15th—Receive orders to be ready to move at a moments notice.

16th—Move my tent across the street. A. M. Stevens and C. P. Grev are my bunk mates.

17th—Drill. Receive \$3 from home.

18th—Fourteen recruits come to the regiment.

19th—Sunday. Inspection. Go down town to church. Hear the Reverend of the place in the evening listen to Private Messure. Also the 101st Pennsylvania 96th New York and 92nd New York turn out to fight in the slash.

20th—Practice passing in review 21st—Brigade review.

22nd—Division review. Surgeon Edmeston joins the regiment and commences his duties.

23rd—Cut logs for a tent.

24th—Brigade drill. Have a hard cold.

25th—Commence to build up for winter quarters.

26th—Sunday. Rainy. A number of recruits join the regiment, among them some of the recruiting sergeants.

27th—Damp.

28th—Preparing for winter.

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ever been left behind.

18th—Firing toward Franklin or Blackwater.

19th—The reconnoitering party returns to camp about 3:00 p. m.; making about 60 miles in 48 hours. Some picket firing and shelling done by our men hurt General Wessell proves himself a brave general.

20th—Rainy.

21st—Arrange the bunks in my tent.

22nd—Report for duty and come add 92nd regiment.

23rd—Sunday. Inspection.

24th—Brigade drill.

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26th—Brigade drill.

27th—Thanksgiving day and a jolly one to many. Dr. Mansfield gives a supper and plenty of liquor to all the company officers. Hospital steward gave the non-commissioned staff a supper.

28th—Brigade drill.

29th—Adjutant absent from dress parade.

30th—Sunday. Remain in camp and write letters.

December 1st—Pleasant.

2nd—Pleasant.

3rd—Receive a box from home.

4th—Receive orders to march.

5th—Start before daybreak on the Summertown road. Our brigade only very rainy and muddy. Go 23 miles. Have severe toothache.

6th—Start before daybreak and about 10:00 a. m. pass through Gatesville. Camp just through the town very cold.

7th—About 3:00 p. m. take transports on the Chowan river, where for we know not.

8th—Awake to find ourselves on the Albemarle Sound.

9th—Very pleasant. Pass through Pamlico Sound. Run aground at the mouth of the Neuse at just dark. Arrive at New Berne.

10th—Go ashore and march through town. Camp two miles beyond.

11th—Our brigade and all the troops under the command of General Foster take up the line of march with the exception of the Eighth Massachusetts who say to guard the place. Have 60 pieces of artillery. Camp three miles from Trenton. Here we find the food blockaded.

12th—Start before day and camp eight miles from Kinston. Take a circuitous route. Capture eight prisoners and kill several etc.

13th—Start before day. Capture several prisoners and one piece of artillery. Have some difficulty in crossing a stream.

14th—Sunday. Fight the battle of Kinston and capture the town. The events of this day are easier remembered than written.

15th—Destroy the railroad and telegraph and then cross the river and on towards White Hall. Our brigade baggage guard.

16th—Remain baggage guard until 2:00 p. m. when we were ordered to the front but not till after the battle. We went in chase.

17th—In hot pursuit of the enemy engage them at the railroad near Riber's run. Destroy the road and bridge and then turn back. After going about two miles hear musketry in our rear and turn back to quiet them. Camp about mid night on the same ground.

18th—Pass White Hall.

19th—Pass Kinston.

20th—March within 12 miles of New Berne.

21st—Reach New Berne about 2:00 p. m. and camp on the ground we left.

22nd—Remain quiet. Several boys of Company A get into trouble which results by William Loucks getting shot through the left leg by Lieutenant Adams of the 85th New York, who was on duty.

23rd—No signs of returning to Suffolk.

24th—Receive the sad news of Burns' army. Receive clothing.

25th—Rather a drunken day for New Berne.

26th—Cloudy and some prospects of rain.

27th—Rainy.

28th—Sunday. Go to a negro meeting. My birthday.

29th—Battalion Drill.

30th—Colonel Hunt takes command of General Wessell's brigade. General Wessell takes command of General Stephen's brigade.

31st—Rather unpleasant night.

January 1st, 1863—Great day for 92nd. Our officers give us a good supper. Very good selection except the liquor. Move our camp across the Trent.

2nd—Receive (stores.) Battalion drill.

3rd—Go to town. Our baggage and mail arrives on old barges. The mail distributed but not the baggage. Several commissions come—Howard etc.

4th—Baggage distributed. Rather shameful management with our knick knacks. All eaten before they started.

5th—Several promotions and reductions in the non commissioned line. Bowhall reduced and James Richards promoted to corporal, etc.

6th—Rainy.

7th—Brigade review. Dr. Edmeston appointed to act as brigade surgeon.

8th—Brigade review. Go to town.

9th—Skirmish drill.

10th—Prospects of rain.

11th—Officers vote for major and other promotions.

12th—Our division reviewed by

General Foster.

13th—Receive orders to move a 12 hours notice on the great south expedition. Some dissatisfaction about pay.

14th—Receive clothing. Draw on pair pants and one haversack.

15th—Windy and showery. Non-commissioned drill by adjutant.

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in two long heavy braids, hung almost to her knees. Renshaw glanced at Madame Hvoeslef, whose general appearance was similar to Verity's, and the look indicated the foregone in his suggestion. Both women hastened to obey it, hurrying out of the room with a little flurry of self-consciousness.

Renshaw sat beside the bed and studied the patient. He was in for a vigil. He raised the closed eyelids of the old man, looked again at the congested pupils of the eyes, and shook his head.

Jenks stole into the room, and Renshaw was conscious of a feeling of "blatant" relief in the support of his efficient presence. Mentally, for the moment at least, he held Jenks between himself and the storm as if the efficient butler had been an umbrella.

"Doctor Morris will be here in less than an hour, sir," Jenks reported. "And I got Doctor Stanley, too. He will start as soon as he is dressed. That ought to get him here before daylight." He drew nearer the bed.

"What is it, sir?" he added in a whisper. "A stroke?"

"I'm afraid it looks like it. Better stir up James. There may be things to do."

"I have done so, sir. Hart's here, too."

Renshaw stared.

"Hart?" he repeated. "We left him in town."

"Yes, sir. It was his unexpected return that got me out of bed. His room is in the garage, and I had the key; he had to call me to get in. He came out on the one o'clock train, thinking we might need him in the morning, since you had sent his friend back to town."

Renshaw was mildly amused. No doubt Hart was furious over the interruption to his "personal" business. Just the same, it was a good thing he had come back. There would be all sorts of things to do tomorrow.

"Well, we may need him. I'm glad he's back."

"Anything more I can do, sir?" The anxious eyes of Jenks were on the unconscious face of his master.

"No, thanks. Just be ready, within reach."

"Yes, sir."

Jenks left the room. As he was about to close the door behind him, Verity returned. She was stockinged and slipped, and she wore a deep flame-colored garment, simple but beautiful, which Renshaw vaguely classified as a tea-gown. He rose as she crossed the room and stood at his side. Her lips quivered as she looked down at the mark on the pillow.

"You don't think he will die, do you?" she whispered.

"No; I think he has a good chance to get over this."

"He was so happy at dinner," she said brokenly.

She leaned forward, brooding over the sick man, and Renshaw watched her with growing sympathy. There was, he knew, a very beautiful relation between her and her grandfather, who, moreover, seemed the only prop in her life. She would be lost without him, even though she might be, as she seemed, too self-sufficient to need a prop. Possibly she could go on if this one were withdrawn; but she would certainly suffer great loneliness.

She turned and looked at him. It was a new look, odd, direct, and, for the first time, personal. She not only saw him; she looked below the surface of him.

"You have been very kind, Mr. Renshaw," she said, and added simply: "It is a comfort to know you are here."

For a moment he did not answer. He could not. The few words had given him a sensation as new as the one he had just aroused. Under them his heart grew warm, his soul seemed to stretch its wings. She had seemed to despise him. She was turning to him in her trouble. And though she had despised him but a short day ago, though she turned to him now only because there was no one else to turn to, something deep in the man responded. It was merely the stirring of former impulses and ideals, but it meant that there was conivalence in that quiet room.

"You may be sure I will do all I can," he said at last; and under the words lay the force of a new resolution.

At the end of forty minutes the sound of an approaching motor announced the arrival of the doctor from Wainley. Almost immediately that welcome personage was in the sick-room. With a mere nod to the two watchers, he hurried to the side of his new patient.

Doctor Morris, though a country practitioner, appeared to be a man who knew his business. Nevertheless, he was obviously relieved when he learned that another man, the distinguished Doctor Stanley of New York, would arrive later to take charge of the case.

Under his care the patient began to breathe more normally. Renshaw called Verity's attention to the fact, and tried to persuade her to go back to her room and rest. But the girl shook her head. She had taken her grandfather's left hand, and though he had not yet opened his eyes she seemed mysteriously aware of the human contact. When it relaxed he was restless; its renewal quieted him.

Doctor Morris suggested that, while it would be wise for him to remain in the house, he could do with a bit of sleep if they would lead him to a room somewhere near. Jenks, who had followed him into the sick-room acted upon the suggestion with his usual efficiency, and threw in a dark and a light repeat. We were by these attentions the doctor retired quietly. The sick-room grew very quiet. Renshaw rose to ease Verity's position

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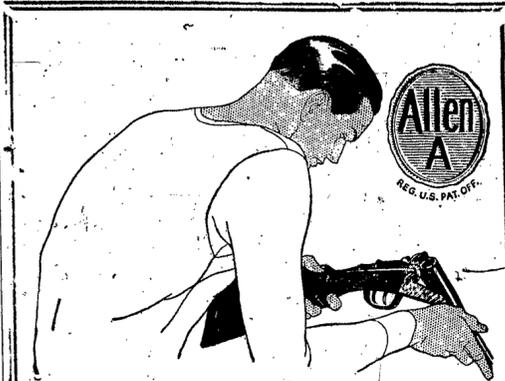
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from time to time. It was at one of these intervals that the old man opened his eyes.

For a long moment he stared without intelligence, at the two young faces, bending over him. Then, very slowly, recognition crept into his gaze. It fixed on Verity with a look of content, next on Renshaw with a growing expression of strain and anxiety. His face puckered like that of a child about to cry. He struggled to speak, and persisted in the attempt when the secretary begged him to cease. Twice the words he wished to utter died on his stiff lips. The third time they came out, thickly but distinctly—the result of a supreme effort.

"Watch!" panted Campbell. "Take a charge!"

He held the secretary's gaze with his own till he knew the message had been understood.

"Yes, sir," said Renshaw, very distinctly. "I will do exactly as you say."

The drawn lines in the fine old face relaxed. The lids fell over the congested eyes. The patient showed a trer exhaustion, combined with the content of one who has carried out a vital purpose.



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Reserve seat tickets will be on sale at Weston's book store beginning Thursday January 8.

# Chapter VIII

The Vigil.

"What did he mean?"

It was Verity who asked the question half an hour later, when it became clear that the old man's soul had again drifted far out upon some uncharted sea. But he was breathing more naturally and the drawn lines of his face had almost disappeared.

"I don't quite know. I've been thinking about it." Renshaw's absent tones proved that he was still thinking about it.

# LOCAL BREVITIES

G. Gordon Brown of Watertown who had charge of the trimming of trees here last summer for the village is now doing similar work for the city of Aiken, S. C.

New Years Day was one of the coldest of the winter with the mercury standing close to twenty below in the morning. It barely got above all day and dropped below again at night. Friday, however; thermometers climbed above zero and it was more moderate with a few inches of snow Saturday; to brace up sleighing which was not very good.

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# 92ND REPULSES ATTACK ON FORT

## BEAT BACK REBEL FORCE SENT AGAINST FORT ANDERSON

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February, 1st, 1863—Adjutant Ward receives a furlough of 20 days. Appointed acting adjutant in his stead. Find business rather loose. Enter upon my duties with the smiles of some and frowns of others. Feel a want of confidence but am assured that perseverance will conquer. Take change of dress parade for the first time. Read eight orders one of which reduces James Richards.

2nd—Do my first day's duties as adjutant. A. M. Stevens acts sergeant major. He is a noble boy and is of great assistance to me I could not get along without him.

3rd—Awake to find two inches of snow on the ground.

4th—Very cold. Snow still remains.

5th—Reserve pickets fired upon by guerrillas. Three men wounded with buck shot which tends to enrage the boys. Major Hall, Captain Boswell, Sergeant Nichols, Scott and Hall join the regiment from recruiting service. Rainy. Lieutenant Cole conducts himself shamefully when our brave boys were fired upon. He thought it very important that the gunboats should be signalled and without orders went to do the task and returned only when all was quiet.

6th—Rainy. Bought a pair of high topped boots of Private Lone Company A, for \$6.50, and give partly in lieu my ones for \$3.33.

7th—Two contrabands come into our lines. They are brother and sister. Fortune has at last turned for them. They have gained their own freedom. They are their own masters. Sent to New Berne.

8th—Sunday. Regimental inspection. Major takes charge of dress parade. Read no orders.

9th—Pleasant. Busy.

10th—Pleasant. Busy. Send in, to brigade headquarters a tri monthly report.

11th—Receive clothing. Draw one pair pants two pair drawers, four pair socks. A band of guerrillas discovered by quartermaster and foiled in their plans which were to capture our teams.

12th—Pleasant.

13th—Discover more guerrillas. Our boys begin to sleep with their eyes open.

14th—Guerrillas still about our pickets. Make out and get filled a requisition for accountment.

15th—Sunday. Rainy. Regimental inspection. Dress parade and have a large number of orders to read which are wet through before finished.

16th—Receive pay from Major Staples for six months. Amount of clothing for the year deducted. Small allowances for some, whose clothing bill was large. Some had not a cent coming. Draw \$78.25. Clothing account \$28.87 This owing to clothing lost.

17th—Finish duplicate monthly returns for December and January Pickets fired into by guerrillas at 10:00 p. m. from behind a shed. None of our boys hurt. Dark as tar. Captain Smith officer of day marches out his company and searches about and discovers them in Old Gaskin's yard. Fires into them but do not know as he hit anything except Gaskin's steer at though there were a few scared fellows made their escape over the high fence.

18th—Quiet.

19th—Make out tri monthly.

20th—Firing on pickets.

21st—All quiet.

22nd—Sunday and rainy. Heavy artillery firing from a hundred feet from throats to celebrate birthday of Washington.

23rd—Finish an annual return of casualties for adjutant general of New York. Captain Cleary and Lieutenant Lee placed under arrest for being over to town without permission and what was worse they were intoxicated.

24th—Lieutenant Mintam placed under arrest in quarters for the same offense.

25th—The three officers released from arrest.

26th—Rainy. Flag raised in front of General Foster's headquarters. Great saluting.

27th—Make out field and staff muster rolls.

28th—Rainy. Mustered Sergeant O'Neil placed under arrest for violation of orders.

March 1st—A pleasant Sunday. Remain in camp. Have inspection and dress parade.

2nd—Go to town and have a picture taken. Weather very pleasant.

3rd—Weather very pleasant.

4th—Windy.

5th—Take a splendid sail. Signal party of six men and first lieutenant comes to join us.

6th—Go sailing. Very windy.

7th—Very pleasant.

8th—Sunday. Inspection and dress parade. Take a ride with officer of day around the lines.

9th—Go sailing. Express home \$40. Charges 50 cents.

10th—Rainy.

11th—Adjutant returns.

12th—Not yet relieved.

13th—Not yet relieved. Major Hall takes 50 of our best men and makes a reconnaissance but meets the enemy but few rods beyond our lines. Drive them back with the loss of Levi Barlow, Company F.

He seems to have a forewarning and said as he left the camp that he never should return. Poor fellow, he was shot with a mine ball through the head. He has given down his life for his country and may history do justice to his memory.

14th—Fort Anderson attacked by a very superior force with 18 pieces of artillery. Pickets driven in before reveille. Lieutenant Stowell officer of picket and brought them in in good shape blazing all the while at their column. A flag of truce sent in four times demanding our surrender but Colonel Anderson, although not the man that defied Fort Sumpter yet every one who has been and could see no surrender. Upon him rested the destiny of the regiment. We owe all to him for he has certainly saved us a long tramp to Richmond. The day was one that will not soon be forgotten by any of those that listened to the musical strain of the enemy's shot and shell. We have reason to believe that their loss was quite heavy as our gunboats did nobly although they came at the eleventh hour. We had two men wounded in the fort and one coming in from picket. All hail to the old 92nd is the language of every soldier in New Berne.

15th—Reconnoiter and find their force moved off only a rear guard remaining. Three gunboats make a trip up the river.

16th—Eighty-fifth again come over and make a reconnaissance. Bring in one guerrilla.

17th—Eighty-fifth again go out.

18th—Eighty-fifth return. See nothing.

19th—Showery Eighty-fifth cross the river.

20th—Rainy.

21st—Rainy.

22nd—Sunday fair.

23rd—Pleasant. Draw one blouse 24th—Eighty-fifth and 96th come to reinforce us.

25th—Pleasant.

26th—Citizens thick as bees.

27th—Land for the fort two 32 pound guns. Smooth bore.

28th—Windy and rainy. Camp full of rumors of an attack in the morning.

29th—Sunday. Rainy.

30th—Pleasant.

31st—Pleasant. Thus endeth the month of March in the 92nd camp. My dear old friend thou hast been a faithful patriot for the unceasing efforts thou has put forth in the cause of thy country I hereby declare thee to be discharged from the service of the United States with some of the brightest and also some of the most disinterested events of the war recorded on your own out pages. I now bid you good-bye and may your past companion again meet you around the quiet hearth of his beloved friends to enjoy the peace and liberty for which we have so long toiled together.

(Editors note—Sergeant Benson here finished the last page in his first war diary and had to continue his entries in another book.)

April 1st—Heavy cannonading at Little Washington. Report that the town is surrounded and that the geroPel o vlocite p3rgBilzBZB rebels are laying siege to the place. General Foster there in person.

2nd—Rumors of an expected attack upon New Berne. It gains some credit in camp. Some cannonading at Little Washington.

3rd—News from Washington rather discouraging. The river reported to be effectually blockaded. A private of the Third New York Cavalry committed suicide by shooting himself.

4th—Cannonading at Little Washington. Guerrillas nicely sold by as they supposed but which had been removed some two hours previous.

5th—Troops landing all night. Two companies of cavalry over before dark. Probably an effort is to be put forth to loosen the grasp that holds General Foster.

6th—Cavalry makes reconnaissance and returns at night bringing in one guerrilla. Six commissions come for the regiment. Mine did not come but I can stand it as I am.

7th—An expedition, commenced

all night.

8th—Three steamers busy all day landing troops. Expedition starts about noon under command of General Spicola with five companies of cavalry; six pieces of artillery and 5,000 infantry.

9th—Steamers busy all day landing horses and wagons. One or two horses drowned. Stragglers begin to come back but meet with a cold reception. Colonel sets them to work.

10th—Continue to land horses and wagons. Can hear some distant cannonading. Probably Spicola has found a nest of guerrillas, lasts but a short time. Begin to come back.

11th—Expedition returns men all cursing General Spicola. General Wessells returns from Washington and comes over amid tremendous cheers. Appears to be much displeased with the movement.

12th—Last of the expedition crosses back to town. Sixteen horses and one man drowned by the filling of a float.

13th—Mustering for corps. Several promotions among the non commissioned officers, especially in Company E.

14th—Various rumors in camp. Troops commence to land and continue all night. Again a small expedition starts under General Spicola. Nothing big.

15th—Rumors encouraging from Charleston.

16th—Showery. General Spicola and staff return from their expedition about 7:00 p. m. and as usual make tracks for town, leaving his troops to take care of themselves. General Negle comes.

17th—Troops on this side do not appear to go back. Doubtless another expedition is on foot.

18th—Troops landing all day. Form a mess consisting of Clark, Hall Altek and myself. Do not exactly like the mess. Colonel is rather against it. Raise our tent.

19th—Get a floor in tent and move. Have the pleasantest tent in camp. Expedition starts under General Wessells. About 200 officers and men of Spicola's brigade come back and are placed under guard. Receive pay.

20th—Very hot. Stragglers sent to town. Rainy. Just dark go fishing and catch one eel and one bull pout. Express home \$36.

21st—Expedition crosses river. Weather much cooler.

22nd—Two companies of cavalry and one howitzer land and immediately start towards Little Washington.

23rd—Showery. Great number of contrabands come to town. Also whites to prevent starving to death on duty to go on drill two hours each day with the cannon. First sergeants are not excluded.

24th—Pleasant. Receive a letter from home. My first for some time. Captain Arnold returns from furlough bringing with him a beautiful flag from the ladies of Potsdam. May we defend it to the last.

25th—Pleasant. Have regimental inspection with our new flag floating by the side of our old ones. Rumor of moving to Plymouth. Our brigade ordered there.

26th—Our fears as to moving are now quieted. Citizens ordered out of town. General Hunt makes us a visit. Seems well pleased with our improvements on the fort.

27th—Showery with a steady wind. Have two splendid boat rides. Fire in town last night. Seven negro groceries burned to the ground.

28th—Cloudy. Have several sails 30th—Usual muster by Colonel Anderson Regiment appear in fine condition. Rumor of a consolidation into less companies causes a considerable talk among the men.

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# THE 92ND IN NORTH CAROLINA

## SOME EVENTFUL MONTHS IN QUARTERS NEAR NEW BERNE

The following is an additional installment of the diary of the late O. P. Benson, veteran of the 92nd Regiment:

June 1st, 1863—The whole cry in camp is "Grady, Grady!" Vicksburg the second Gibraltar has fallen. Papers in town of the 28th. When Foster's adjutant general (Colonel Hoffman) order to take a view of our fort.

2nd—Go to town. General Foster together with Generals Potter and give us a call to witness the effects of our shot from the heavy guns. Captain Bice returns from furlough.

3rd Showery. We are all looking anxiously for Colonel Anderson. All seem to think that his return is to decide their fate—go or stay.

4th—Colonel returns but reveals not a breath to officer nor private about consolidation. All over anxious to know the result. Lieutenant Folger comes with him.

5th—Sergt M. C. Goodell stays with me over night. Weather quite sultry.

6th—Alick spends the evening with me and makes out our warrants. The great consolidation secret begins to break. It becomes known who are to go to and who are to stay. Captain M—blue as a whetstone.

7th—Go with Alick to Presbyterian church. Hear the 27th chaplain: Text John 1:29

8th—Receive pay for two months of Major Staples. Colonel quite unwell.

9th—Go to town to get a supply of ordnance stores and forage.

10th—The so-called fortune officers and sergeants go to town to be mustered out of service. Boys assemble at my tent for an evening sing. Have a pleasant time.

12th—Rainy. The fortunates get mustered out. Colonel getting better. Borrow \$5 of P. Courier, Company A.

14th—Go to church and hear chaplain of 27th, Preaches an excellent sermon. Two rebels soldiers of the Seventh regular cavalry come into our lines.



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19th—Adjutant takes a squal of men to make a short reconnaissance. Discover nothing. Alick spends the evening with me. Have a few games of chess. Weather showery.

20th—Again the rumor comes that Vicksburg is taken but I dare give it no credit. Stowell and M. Chesney spend the evening with me.

21st—Go to Episcopal church with George Lewis. Hear an excellent sermon.

22nd—Make out three furloughs for men in Captain Arnold's Company A. Alick and I are once more going to try to live together. We would find no trouble were it not for swearing.

23rd—Firing on picket line. Five shots exchanged by the graveyard. Go berrying and get two quarts of blackberries and make five pies.

24th—Richards, Kirkham, etc. off on furlough. Lieutenant Whitney in charge of 40 men go out to lie in ambush for a cavalry dash.

25th—Rainy. Alick and I go to town and purchase each of us a pair of shoes at \$2.50 per pair.

26th—Showery. Dr. Mansfield returns from furlough. Gray and yellow winged flies made their appearance. They are a horrible pest.

27th—Showery. Raise the liberty pole. Rearrange the officers tents. Also move my own.

29th—Rainy. Commence to make out Captain Arnold's muster rolls. Companies have to be reorganized into ten companies. Five of these companies have only five men in each.

30th—Rainy. Work all day on Captain Arnold's rolls mustered by Captain Judson, A. A. G. for General Palmer. Inspection very minute.

July 1st—Showery. Finish Captain Arnold's rolls. Captain Judson finds much fault with the rolls of the regiment.

2nd—Very hot. A few shots exchanged on picket.

4th—The great day of our national independence has again arrived. The regiment formed at 7:00 a. m. to hear the Declaration of Independence read by adjutant. Parade at 5:00 p. m. Fireworks displayed on the gunboats in the evening.

6th—Our library has arrived. Pay rolls returned for more minute remarks. Alter Captain Arnold's.

7th—Rearrange my tent. Receive the appointment of regimental librarian. Books to commence circulation tomorrow.

9th—Arrange the library. Books distributed to the men. Take for myself Thiers' French Revolution. Serret. R. J. Hall returns from furlough.

10th—All anxious to get late news. News reach us about 11:00 p. m. that Lee is entirely cut and has lost 28,000 men. Also that Vicksburg is taken.

11th—Find that the same news have remained in the same paper over night and none that they may be confirmed in others.

12th—Pickets attacked about 9:00 a. m. The rebels succeeded in capturing a post, one sergeant one corporal and five men. Give the rebels a dose of eight 32-pound shells.

16th—About 400 of the enemy said to be bivouacked out about two miles from here. Get a third 32 pound gun mounted and ready for action.

17th—An expedition on foot. Troops begin to land at our wharf about 3:00 p. m. Three regiments of infantry, one company of cavalry and two pieces of artillery. Flag of truce comes to our lines to exchange letters.

18th—More troops land. Purchase me a cap, price \$2.50. Captain Fay. Lieutenants Thompson and McChesney return from furlough. Thomson got married while home. Thought his chance better than ever again.



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20th—Part of the expedition returns. Cavalry reported to have gone on up the country for the purpose of making a raid and cutting some railroad.

21st—Richards, Kirkham and the rest of the furlough boys return. Hawkins brings me my chevrons and colors.

22nd—Received my things from home by James. Our cavalry reported to be surrounded up by Sweet Creek. Cannonading up in that direction.

23rd—Four of us go up the river to an old plantation. Get some cucumbers and squash. See some beans up four inches high from seed that has been raised this year.

24th—Very warm. Yellow-tailed flies come about. They much resemble a yellow fly we have up north. They are terrible to bite.

25th—Windy. A signal gun and lights in the evening from the flag ship. Receive a letter from home with names of men drafted.

28th—Colonel, quartermaster, Lieutenant Whitney and six sergeants leave for conscripts. Captain Merriman takes command. Colonel Anderson quite a comical sight being carried to the boat on a stretcher.

29th—I am now reading McCaulay's English History.

30th—Post my diary by the light of the moon. Very heavy showers during the day. Some reminds me of last summer.

31st—Have a very bad ho! on my right hip. Have a pleasant sing with the boys in the evening at my quarters.

August 1st—Dr. Edmeston returns from furlough and fetches 68 new books for our library. Busy all the afternoon covering and numbering books.

2nd—Have a slight headache. No appetite and fear I am threatened with fever. Also have one of Job's Comforters.

3rd—Help Captain Arnold about quarters. Return of ordnance and ordnance stores. Weather extremely warm.

4th—Furloughs have reduced our number to necessitate sending sergeants to act as officers of the guard. Go to town and purchase lumber for library. \$300 per hundred.

5th—Receive pay. Draw \$42. Boys get off on furlough. Adjutant leaves for duty on General Palmer's staff. Lieutenant Minturn acts as adjutant.

6th—Thermometer 100 degrees in the shade. Captain Judson and adjutant over on a call. Corporals Rockwell and Sheridan to be court-martialed.

7th—I am now writing in the Ocean Hotel, Beaufort, N. C. Find it a lonesome place. Express home \$84.

8th—Take a pleasant jaunt down Shafter's Banks. Wash in the surf. Gather shells on the beach and return before a strong wind to Morehead City by 3:00 p. m. Pay \$2.

9th—Arrive in New Berne the night before and sleep in the shed on the hay and take passage early in the morning for the fort. Rest all day. John Gray detailed.

10th—Take in several dollars for library. Too hot for fatigue to work.

11th—Discover four young boys which bid fair to make something in the world. Feel unwell generally. Thermometer at 105 degrees in the shade. Major Whitford with truce.

12th—Cooler. Adjutant Minturn quite sick. Alick learns Tompkins' poem of the Gallant Six Hundred.

13th—Rather unwell. Draw hand grenades for the fort. Another signal corps stationed here.

14th—Finish first volume of McCaulay's History of England. Signal corps flashes in the pan. General Peck takes command of the department. Feel a little better.

15th—Alick continues to make use of profane language. I find his promise of no avail whatever.

16th—Do not go to church. Lieutenant O'Neil returns from furlough. Have a splendid plum pudding for dinner.

17th—Showery. Nothing worthy of note occurs.

18th—Steady north wind. Weather very cool and agreeable. Tide very high. Floods our walk to the messes.

19th—Adjutant Minturn makes an attempt to go home but fails.

20th—Got to town and purchase a pair of shoes for \$2.75. Alick kills a water snake who unskillfully makes lair opposite our tent.

21st—Captain Rolstein inspects the regiment and records. A small expedition puts on foot for tomorrow. Receive notice of ex-Major Hal's promotion to colonel. Takes had among some of the officers.

22nd—Two companies of cavalry and Company H make a reconnaissance. Find no enemy but after some foraging return about noon.

23rd—Company inspection and dress parade. None of us go to church on account of boats being just painted. Very windy.

24th—Very windy. Pity Poor Jack at sea. Alick attacked with fever. Call in surgeon.

25th—Very windy and rainy. Alick pretty sick. A Lieutenant Scott a great prize fighter, of Brooklyn, and three men come in a small boat to our camp. They were greatly intoxicated and made sport for our men.

26th—Receive notice late in the evening that General Peck will inspect the regiment tomorrow. The men make great preparations. Alick some better.

27th—Cold, drizzling rain from the north. Tide very high. Inspection postponed. News quite exciting from Charleston.

28th—Weather quite cold. Sleep under four blankets. General Peck visits the command and appears well pleased. Everything in good condition.

29th—Commerce an additional angle to the fort. Wait arrives. Never more welcomed. Lieutenant Ward, Welsh and Wheaton remain in camp over night.

30th—Oversleep myself until 9:00. Miss guard mount.

31st—Mustered for pay by Lieutenant-Colonel Fellows, of the 17th Massachusetts Volunteers. Captain Merriman musters his regiment. Weather still cold and fair. Like. Try to write home but fail.

September 1st—Company of cavalry land and make camp. Reconnaissance but meet nothing. Minturn leaves on furlough. I take his place.

2nd—Busy making returns for headquarters. I send off one monthly and a roster of officers, also finish the monthly return of deserters.

3rd—Tri-monthly sent back for correction. Make out requisition for drums also make a report of our heavy guns. Weather showery.

4th—Weather cool. Alick spends the day fishing. Return of deserters sent back for correction but there was no error.

5th—General Palmer makes us a call. Gives strict orders to be on the alert as an attack is expected.

6th—Have a dress-parade. Find it very tiresome reading a long string of orders.

7th—Port Royal goes up the river with flag of truce to take several women outside the lines. Captain Bice officer of the day gets intoxicated.

8th—Lieutenant King, of Engineer Corps, takes dipensions of our fort. Get 15 of our men and ten darkeys down to the mouth of Duck Creek for the purpose of building a small fort.

9th—Boat gets around at Duck Creek and our boys have to remain all night without supper.

10th—A hard shower about 2:00 p. m. Send off a tri-monthly, also discharge papers of H. Ober, of Headquarters company. General Peck issues an order announcing the capture of the whole of Morris Island.

11th—News of Fort Moutrie's being blown up by the rebels. Commence to make out ordnance return for August, 1863. Find it difficult.

12th—Major Whitford comes down the river with flag of truce. Our boat goes to meet them.

13th—Very rainy in the afternoon. Lieutenants Stowell and Cole return from furlough. Sergeant Wiley reduced to the rank.

14th—Showery. Form regiment at 5:30 p. m. for reading of orders. Feel rather unwell in the evening.

15th—Not any better. Weather showery.

16th—Pretty sick. Receive orders to leave the fort. Relieved by two companies of the Second Massachusetts Heavy Artillery. We move tomorrow to take their barracks at New Berne.

17th—Finally pull up stakes to leave the fort of our own make. Have but little regularity in the arrangement. Officers act ridiculously. Hard feeling between the boys. Comes up a terrible shower at noon. Reach camp about 5:00 p. m.

18th—Repair barracks. Companies move in. We are all quite comfortable. Feel some better but still very haggard.

19th—Rainy. Feel some better. Cannot rest nights. Get up the colonel's stove in my room. Have quite a parlor. Have our first dress parade this side of river. It is quite interesting.

20th—Cold but fair.

21st—Fair. Have dress parade, etc. Drill in the morning. First company drill we have had in nearly a year. Very cold nights. Almost a frost.

22nd—Move back into Fort Anderson. Boys all claim it as all right.

(To be Continued)

### LOCAL BREVITIES

Monday morning was the coldest of the winter. The thermometer stood at twenty eight below in conservative locations and many registered as low as thirty five.

A few inches more of snow fell here Friday. The village tractor plow was in operation on the streets and the Racquette River Paper Company had its big plow and tractor running over the Norwood road.

In connection with the sale recently held at the Pincus store tickets were given with each purchase the holder of the ticket number drawn receiving a traveling bag. Number 1963 was the lucky number and it was held by Frank Theobald.

Walter Shanty of Potsdam, confined in Canton County Jail since December has made application for the pauper's oath. He was fined \$375 in federal court November 25 for violation of the prohibition act and paid \$75 of his fine. His application goes through the hands of U. S. Commissioner H. E. Thompson.

There will be no Sunday collections from street letter boxes, effective January 18th, until after June 30th, 1925. Persons having letters which they wish to be dispatched Sunday can mail them in the box in front of the post office before 2:30 p. m. This order is necessary as this office has to absorb the leave, both clerks and carriers, without any additional expense to the post office department, from January 1st to June 30th, 1924.

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# ON THE LINES IN NORTH CAROLINA

### SERGT. BENSON RECOMMENDED FOR APPOINTMENT TO WEST POINT

The Courier and Freeman this week presents the seventh installment of the diary kept by the late Orlando P. Benson of Massena when he was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War. He enlisted in the 92nd New York Volunteer Regiment when 19 years of age and was sent to the training camp here in February for the front. He was made a corporal in the 92nd, later being promoted to sergeant in this installment he tells of the monotony of camp life, which he varies as much as possible by reading and busying himself about his quarters. Due to his military ability he is recommended for West Point.

October 1st, 1863—Get off one copy of monthly return to Judson. Chill commences about 1:00 p. m. Lasts until 5:00 p. m. Regiment draws nine barrels of flour in lieu of hard bread.

2nd—Regiment paid off by Major Sinton. Draw \$50.65.

6th—Send off all returns for the quarter except ordinance. Clerk taken sick. Am obliged to get out invoices and receipts of ordinance.

7th—Express home \$69. Borrow \$29 of Alick.

8th—Send Sergeant Bugbee, Corporal Willard and ten men to Palmer's headquarters to start on an expedition to be gone a week or more. Practice firing with the heavy guns.

9th—Dr. Mansfield gives an oyster supper to the soldiers have a great time over it. Got by a sham court martial. Officers from town present.

10th—Lieutenant Minturn returns from leave of absence, having been gone 20 days over time. Second anniversary of our arrival in Potsdam as soldiers. Two years, quickly flown.

11th—Write a long letter home. Alick taken with chills. John the negro taken with smallpox and instantly removed to town and all his things burned. Creates quite an excitement.

12th—Spend the day very pleasantly.

13th—Troubled with the toothache. Citizens plenty. Tide high. Have oysters for supper. Have a great appetite nowadays. Several regiments ordered from New Berne to Fort Monroe.

17th—Rather windy. Citizens come in in greater numbers. Ten soldiers desert and come to New Berne. Some rather suspicious looking characters come in but go unmentioned.

18th—Sermon by Messmore and prayer meeting in the evening.

19th—Feel a little out of kilter.



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Ladies in from the country by scores. Two of our men, Rooke and Wilson, who have been dropped as deserters, return to the regiment.

20th—Have an oyster supper in the evening. Have chill in the afternoon. Feel quite unwell. Captain Judson comes over to take part in the sham court martial of Boswell.

22nd—Officers having a great time out of Captain Boswell's sentence. Boys prepare to stand up for their rights as well as have a little fun out of scrape.

23rd—Boys return from furlough. Welch, Ripley, Lagrow, Boardwell, etc. Colonel said to be in New York city awaiting transportation. Hope he will hurry along.

24th—Troops leaving New Berne.

25th—Preaching by Messmore but not able to attend. Lieutenant Minturn appears at dress parade drunk. Shame to him who is a slave to his appetite. Captain comes.

28th—Weather cool. Feel a little better. Officers are now having a great spree. I expect another Indian powwow. The men will certainly take it in hand if they are not careful.

29th—Alick getting to be a perpetual sweaver. Windy. Make apple pies. Captain Bice, 20 men and one sergeant and corporal to take possession of Fort Chase, that being connected with this.

30th—Go to town in the morning. Minturn over there last night and all day on a spree. Shameful conduct for one in his position. Alick mad and sick.

31st—Have a slight chill in the afternoon. Colonel Anderson and quartermaster return, also Turner, George Lard, of D company, dies. Taken to hospital this morning. Thus one heartily has lost a father and son for our country.

November 1st—Lard buried. Have dress parade. Colonel present. Seems natural to hear his command.

2nd—Learn that my name has been sent for admission to West Point. Touched with a slight chill.

3rd—Ward's expedition returns. Accomplished but little. Minturn has charges preferred against him for absence. Have a chicken stew for supper.

6th—News reaches us of General Foster's removal and General Butler's assignment to this department.

7th—News reaches us of our great political victory in New York. Great rejoicing among the troops.

9th—Very windy. Go with several of the boys and get persimmons on the river. Have both eyes out for hogs but see only three which we lose. Commence to work our desecrators.

10th—Large mail arrives in the evening. Feel rather unwell in the afternoon. Lieutenant Minturn gives a great supper. Invites several officers from town. Hopes to be come popular.

11th—Weather quite cool. Continue to feel better. Lieutenant Thomson to report for duty in Battery Chase in the morning. Minturn's great supper came off last evening.

12th—Several of the furlough boys return.

14th—An artist takes a picture of the fort.

15th—Weather very pleasant. Regimental inspection. Attend prayer meeting in the evening. Was surprised to see the interest manifested. About a dozen took part.

16th—Several of the boys return from town intoxicated.

17th—General Peck relieved and General Palmer assigned.

18th—Twenty-one men, one sergeant and six corporals sent to Battery Chase. Picket and garrison details assigned.

19th—Practice firing. Several officers over from town. General Parker does not come as expected.

20th—General Butler arrives in town. General's salute fired. A great rush of citizens. Dr. Mansfield is detached in Morehead hospital.

23rd—North wind and high tide. Rather cold. Keep a fire all day. Am looking anxiously for Davis and my trunk.

24th—Mail. Davis arrives with my trunk. Boots and vest fit well. Weather rather damp. Threatens rain.

25th—Richards receives his great box and immediately sets up a dry goods store. Take a pair of suspenders. Turpentine trade running brisk.

26th—Thanksgiving. Regiment formed at 10:00 a. m. to listen to the president's proclamation. Colonel gives the officers of the regiment a supper without liquor. Glad to see, his example.

27th—Weather pleasant. Have practice firing. General Palmer with his staff, wife and child are over to witness the effects of the shots which were very poor.

28th—Receive pay by Major Simpson. Draw \$70. Can hardly see why this should be our pay day. Pay Alick \$29. Weather very rainy.

30th—Express home \$30. Freight unpaid. Buy one bushel of apples and pay \$2.50. Alick sends 40. Weather cold but pleasant.

December 1st—Great news from Grant. Get a paper of the 29th. Things progressing finely for a speedy close of the rebellion.

2nd—Ferry arrives and fetches a mail. Get one letter. Whitewash my tent inside and out. Minturn and McChesney away all night on a bender.

3rd—Practice firing rather poor. Surprised this morning by cavalry but find it to be our own who had been cut off while on a raid from Little Washington. Cross to town.

7th—Cold and windy. Cut quite a wood pile. Relistment fever is getting among the men.

9th—Alick and I draw up and sign a subscription list for the purpose of presenting Dr. Edmeson a sword and sash. Think there is no trouble but it will easily succeed.

11th—Alick has a chill. Johnny enlists in the cavalry and leaves us to do our own cooking. Monthly inspection by Captain Parkinson. Inspects very minutely.

12th—Go to town for a cook but fail to find anyone. Captain Church leaves for the north on furlough. Alick has a chill. Major Merriman commences to reenlist men.

13th—Several boys reenlist. Have regimental inspection. Last night it rained and blew a perfect hurricane.

15th—Rumor of a rebel ram soon to come down the river. Spy reported to have been seen in the top of a tall tree about 8:00 a. m.

16th—Send a raft of logs to town to be sawed for cook shanties.

17th—Windy. A meeting of sergeants convenes at my quarters to determine upon a plan of presentation of a sword and sash to Dr. Edmeson.

18th—Purchase sword, sash, belt, spurs and straps as a present to the doctor.

19th—Pleasant. Captain Judson inspects our company books and puts into the company savings. Deman's to know the use made of the money to satisfaction of the boys.

20th—Weather cold. Have a company inspection. Colonel marches the regiment in review. Manning, our sutler, married.

22nd—Spent the day in chopping wood. Feel pretty tired. Receive a good letter from home, also a Potsdam paper.

24th—Christmas eve. Play our first game of double handed chess. I can but recall to mind the different scenes of mirth and gaiety the many little dreamers who fall asleep waiting for old Santa Claus.

25th—A Merry Christmas indeed. Doctor treats the regiment to hot punch. Colonel pays the stakes for games, namely, wheelbarrow races, foot races in sacks, foot races without, etc. Minturn and Cole grease a pig, etc.

26th—Pleasant. In the evening play with Lieutenants Cole and Minturn at double handed chess. Preparations for the reception of troops, etc.

27th—Inspection proceeded by review. Minturn appointed adjutant. Ward assigned to F company. Wear her very mild. Write a short letter home.

28th—The kingdom of my existence has now stored 21 years. Who can tell what a fraction to my life time? Perhaps a whole, a third, a quarter, but he as it may, time is precious and it must be used well.

29th—Rumor that Roke is to be shot. He and O'Neil were sent to jail this morning. The regiment is deeply depressed. Discipline must be maintained. Never have I had such a feeling pass over me as when I learned the fact.

30th—General Peck makes a hurried inspection. Two women come running into the lines and report that there is a large force about to attack us.

31st—Very heavy rains with tremendous wind. No rebels seen as yet probably all a sham. (To be continued)

### HAD LIQUOR CHARGE

Troopers Arrest Two On Leaving Train Here

State troopers who were understood to have been in search of narcotics on Sunday arrested Leon Crowe of Potsdam and James Martin of Syracuse at the Potsdam station when examination of three suitcases which they are alleged to have brought north on the train from Syracuse disclosed the presence of 20 odd sealed bottles of Scotch liquor, according to the state troopers. Both defendants when arraigned before United States Commissioner H. T. Thompson here were held for the federal term of court convening at Albany on February 10. They furnished \$2,000 bail.

Having received word to be on the lookout for two men carrying 4 suitcases who left Syracuse for the north on the 6:15 a. m. train Sunday, Sergeant G. B. McCann and State Troopers Labaff, Lavasseur and Parnaschky it is alleged, watched Crowe and Martin alight from the passenger coach at Potsdam and deposit three suitcases on the station platform. The officers intercepted them and they disclaimed ownership of the bags. Sgt. McCann opened the bags and found over twenty bottles of Scotch liquor, as claimed.

### LOCAL BREVITIES

F. A. Seaver unloaded a carload of the new Buick coaches yesterday.

For the convenience of those who file or may be liable to file Federal Income Tax Returns, a deputy collector of internal revenue will be at the Peoples' Bank here on February 11th to assist in preparation of returns without cost.

The restaurant in Market Street formerly operated by M. E. Anable and which was purchased by William Thomaris will open on Thursday this week. It has been completely redecorated and refurnished on the interior. It will be known as The Adirondack Restaurant. Mr. Thomaris' brother-in-law Thomas Doikanos will have full charge of the business.

The John B. Rogers Producing Company which has sponsored several home talent productions here in Potsdam is now presenting a spectacular offering in Plattsburg, Miss Grace Belden a former student at the Hawthorne School here is assisting as Plainist in the production. It will be made at Brasher.

There will be a meeting of Boy Scouts at the fire station on Friday afternoon at which plans will be discussed for the formation of an auxiliary fire department among the Scouts who have shown proficiency in firemanship. Chief L. L. Rogers of the local fire department will have charge of the meeting.

High winds Thursday following the several inches of snow earlier last week drifted country roads badly. The Potsdam-Norwood road, the only route open for motor traffic was blocked Thursday and was not opened until Friday, cars being stalled even between here and Union

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Self-help is a great virtue, provided one only helps oneself to a fair share. The ideal of independence is to acquire as little service as possible from others, while being ready to give to others as much service as lies within one's capacity.

**Never Did Pay**  
War doesn't pay and it is now generally admitted that Alexander the Great and Napoleon were victims of megalomania.

**Sunday Is Luckiest Day**  
The Rumanians regard Sunday as the luckiest day for a wedding, and he autumn, when the wine is in, as the most suitable season.

# POTSDAM LOSES TO NORWOOD

### LOCALS DROP HOTLY CONTESTED GAME FRIDAY EVENING

The Normal High School basketball team lost to Norwood High in a league game played in Norwood Friday evening 12 to 11. The game was a hot contest throughout, the score being close all the way through. Norwood led at the end of the initial quarter 3 and 0; Potsdam at half time 8 and 4; at the end of the third quarter 11 and 10.

Norwood opened the scoring with a foul by Mulholland. Hanson followed with a field basket. In the second quarter, Wade landed a field goal and Swan tied the score with a foul. Deans took the lead for the locals with a goal.

Norwood launched a strong offensive in the opening of the period. They got two field goals tying the score early in the third quarter. They got their one point lead early in the fourth on a field goal. Potsdam carried the ball into Norwood territory but were unable to land the necessary basket.

### PRINTS HUMMERS PICTURE

The Bulletin of the Schools, the official publication of the state department of education prints a picture of John F. Hummer, principal of Central High School Binghamton in its current issue. Mr. Hummer was for several years a member of the Normal faculty of this village. The picture in the Bulletin is on account of Mr. Hummer's election as president of the Associated Academic Principals.

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# IN CAMP WITH THE NINETY-SECOND

### ANOTHER INSTALLMENT OF THE DIARY OF CIVIL WAR VETERAN

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January 1st, 1861—Very windy. River low. Turns cold. Spend part of day in drawing up a constitution for our non-commissioned military school.

2nd—Very clear and cold. The boys at last have the satisfaction of seeing the doctors reply in answer to our presentation letter in the North Carolina Times. Joseph Lonkey dies of disease of the brain. The boys of his company miss him greatly. He was always cheerful.

3rd—Inspection preceded by a review. No dress parade.

4th—Damp and cloudy. Our military school meets for the first time. Finish organizing. Adopt the constitution with one amendment. Get 16 members. Small fox breaks out in the regiment. Benjamin Brown, of Company B, taken down and sent to town.

5th—Reenlisting brisk. Accept the bait and become a veteran. Eighty have already gone in.

6th—Cold and rainy. Halls in the evening. Quite blustering. Clothing issued. Draw one dress coat and one pair pants. Receive a welcome letter from home entreating me not to reenlist. I did wrong not to wait.

7th—The ground covered with ice. The trees loaded. Many limbs break off. Such a thing has not happened before for years. The streets in New Berna are filled with brush. Weather very cold and disagreeable.

8th—Cold and icy. Go to town and purchase chevrons for myself and Alick. Three dollars. Get broadcloth stripes for pants. One dollar. Have our first school for instruction. Get several members. All seem to take hold with an interest. Hope it may succeed.

9th—Am discharged. Take over to town a squad of veterans and all swear into service anew. Weather cold towards night. Thaws through the day. Captain Fay returns from furlough.

10th—Reenlisting revives. Captain Fay trying to get his company home. Colonel's policy just gets through my hair. Rather cunning. Some hopes of getting the regiment home. Captain Church returns from furlough. Go to Episcopal church.

11th—Have another school which was very interesting. Sergeant Babcock in charge. Colonel present. Weather pleasant. Get our lumber from the mill. About 8,000 feet.

12th—Weather pleasant. Prospects rather dull for getting home as a regiment. Company A, hang behind. Hardly expected such a course of conduct from them. The sentiments of "Captain" Arnold are enough to discourage enlistment of any kind. He has no mind nor principle.

13th—Commences to rain towards

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3rd—Hear the rebels band. Ours repulsed with national airs. Can see their camp fires up the river. Tonight their fires shine up on this side in our front. But little fighting. Very windy. River low. Enemy working around to the river. Retreated in front of Fort Totton. Have a tooth pulled.

4th—Report that the Ninth Vermont are taken. Three deserters come into our lines. Enemy retreat. Galkin comes in. The affair has been handled rather clumsily on our side. Fear someone will get captured. Weather milder than yesterday.

5th—Pleasant. North Carolina Times out as usual. Great rush for the news. Nothing more heard from the enemy. Probably they are on their way to Kingston. Report quite current that they are again (Continued on Page 4 Col. 3)

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Thursday, February 5

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Tuesday, February 10

## The Breaking Point

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Wednesday, February 11

## The Fighting Coward

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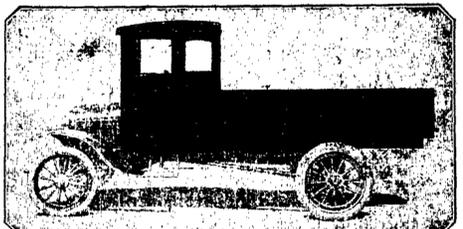
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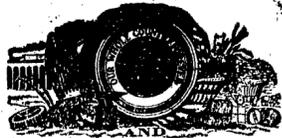
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a negro with marine clothes on. Rumor of an attack quite current in camp. Captain Smith returns from furlough. Looks well. March 1st—Very windy and blustery toward evening. Have a slight difficulty with Sergeant Fuller. Do not consider him worthy of attention. Many citizens in L. H.'s G., Ella May and Allison are around blockade until night. Get around going back and lay in the river all night opposite us. 2nd—All non-commissioned officers shouldered axes and started for the woods about 8:00 this morning. Was detained by guard mount until about 10:00. General Peck is still rushing along the blockade. Every man that can lift an axe or spade is kept busy. Weather splendid. Rumor of scouts seen. 3rd—Weather splendid. Take a row up to the blockade. Non-commissioned officers all at work. Lieutenant O'Neill went out with a few men to look for a fire in the country but returned without finding it. Report that Keckman's brigade is at Beaufort. 4th—Take another trip up to the blockade. Have occasion to report Corporal Leonard. But few citizens in. Rumor that our mail boat is captured. Weather splendid. 5th—Send up the signal rocket from each station for practice. Air very clear. Band in town sounds splendid. 6th—Go to Episcopal church. Have preaching in our eating hall at 2:30 p. m. by minister belonging to the Sanitary Commission. Every man in the regiment attended. The colonel for once is entitled to credit for not throwing his influence against religion. 7th—Go with Alick and McFerran and cut wood enough to last all the spring. 8th—Go to church with Steward and Mike in Hawkins' sail boat. Have a very dangerous voyage. Could get frightened out and dare not come back. Have considerable snow. Weather pleasant but windy. 9th—Get Old Jimmy to tap and heel my boots—\$1.50. The Fairwind gets aloft this afternoon. She has been aground two days. Get a large mail for the regiment but none for me. Can it be that I am entirely forgotten? Eleven recruits come from Lawrenceville, N. Y. Large fire in town about 11:00 p. m. 10th—Very rainy until about 4:00 p. m. Strong wind. Water very high. Washed away the dirt from our palisade. 11th—Showery. Have out all our fatigue force in the afternoon. Mrs. Mansfield and sister come to camp. They are now to stay with the doctor. Commence to read or rather to finish the History of England by B. Macaulay. 12th—Weather very pleasant. Alick and I take a boat ride up the river creek. Fuller the drummer, on a barrel read history but little Am now reading about the stormy scenes of M. of A.'s reign in its commencement. 13—Attended Presbyterian church this morning and listened to an excellent discourse by a member of the Christian Commission. Weather right. 14th—Anniversary of the bombardment of Fort Anderson. One year ago tonight we were all at work with desperation. It has indeed been a short year. The boys have punch cups and a dance. This seems to be the only way in which they can celebrate. 15th—Get to letters from home. Jacob LaCroix, a deserter from Company E is brought back to the regiment under guard, he having been gone nearly one year. 16th—Awake to find the ground partially covered with snow. Are to have our regular monthly inspection tomorrow by Colonel Wardroop. Adjutant pretty busy. He is already ruined. He is a slave. 17th—Inspection by Colonel Wardroop. He is a thorough-going, wide-awake officer. He has been in the British service and served in the East Indies. He has been wounded eleven times. He tells some interesting stories of warfare. 18th—Chop in the morning and row in the afternoon. Read but little. Alick gets a copy of General McClellan's report, price 50 cents. March 19 1864—Furnish ten men and one sergeant to guard men at work on blockade. Quartermaster in order to court-martial. Weather beautiful. Receive a letter from C. P. Gray. 20th—Go to Presbyterian church. Have dress parade. Have Hill, Hayes and Bowhall drawn up in front of regiment to listen to their sentence by court-martial. Another example for the regiment Corporal Thurston faints on parade. 21st—Sixteenth Connecticut Volunteers start for Little Washington. Rumor of an expedition out. Weather beautiful and dull. An occasional sprinkle. Quite cold. 22nd—Another inundation. Water four feet above high water mark. Highest ever known. Go with a boat into our mess tent and eat our dinner. Terrible wind Turns into snow. Hens and chickens drowned. Very cold and no wood. 23rd—Pleasant. Water down. Captain Parkinson over to inspect all our serviceable ordnance camp and garri-son equipage. 24th—Weather fine. Officers have a drunk by taking advantage of the colonel's absence while in town to a party. Mules and horses begin to come to New Bern. Rumor that Burnside is coming here. 25th—Commence a flower bed. A violent wind arises High water. Captain Judson over. See one of our soldiers do one of the meanest acts that a soldier is capable of doing—stealing six dozen eggs from a poor white woman. 26th—Finish the fence to my garden. All done but sowing. Get information that Saturday a party of about 200 rebels lay in ambush for our fatigue guard. They burn a scow but get no men as none went up. 27th—Sow my seeds. Weather terrible. Never saw it rain much harder. Officers intending to have the Massachusetts band over to aid in a terrible spree. The rain came very unfortunately. Rumors of rebels outside. See no hear none. 30th—Have another chill. The Second Massachusetts Heavy Artillery band come over to play at a party given by our officers to officers in town. They are out on a terrible time. They open by having a stag dance. 31st—Take a sail to Fort Chase and from there to Fort Spinoia. Ward comes over early in the morning. Major ventures to go to town in the afternoon. April 1st—Lieutenant Barstow over. River very high. Rumor that the veterans can go home as soon as the colonel is willing to let them. 2nd—Damp. Judson and Barstow over to see the major. Doubtless are ranging for the duel. Hope they will all get dismissed. Clothing issued to the regiment. Get a blouse from McFerran. Take exercise chopping. 6th—Write to Silas. High water. Get sight of one of the most atrocious outrageous pamphlets the world has ever seen. I would gladly shoot the man who wrote it. 7th—Very pleasant. An artist over to take a picture of the fort but after taking the colonel's house and the guards puts it off until another day. Several ladies over from town. Have practice firing. Water very high. 8th—Take a trip into the country with Company A boys to get a roof. See an old antique looking grave yard. 9th—Very disagreeable weather. Manning, the sutler, taken into custody. His shop closed by the provost marshal from town. His wife goes with him. It has been expected. 10th—Attend Methodist church. Sentence pronounced by regimental court martial upon Privates Hall, Merrit McKinney and Fuller read it dress parade. Weather very unsteady. 11th—Am directed by General Order No 15 to drill recruits. Commence tomorrow. Manning returns. Mike and Miller spend the evening with me. 12th—Drill recruits in a squad of ten. Take them through the first part of S. S. Learn easy. Receive a letter from home. Sergeants Dore and Johnson while out after lumber run across five rebels. Several shots exchanged but no one hurt. 13th—Recruits learn fast. Take them through the loadings. The rebel scout seen yesterday turn out to be our own boys. A great joke on Johnson and Dore. Weather superb. Quartermaster goes to Beaufort. 14th—Recruits learn rapidly. Our chaplain arrives. His first impression upon the boys is good. His figure is

Greenland Has a New Danish Colony



A beautiful photograph from the new Danish colony in northern Greenland, "Scorebysund," which has been founded by Einar Mikkelsen, Danish explorer, whose ship, the Gronland (Greenland) is seen in the bay at left. Inset is a portrait of Mikkelsen.

STEAL \$3,000 FOX

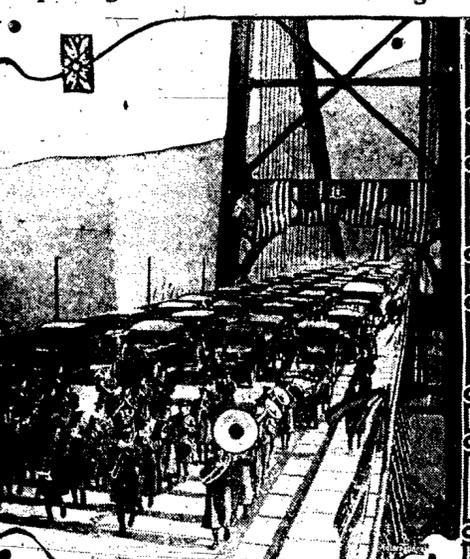
Thieves Get Away With Animal From Boonville. The ranch of the Boonville Silver Fox Company was broken into last week and a valuable silver black fox stolen from one of the pens. The theft is believed to be the work of amateurs. The animal was killed as it was taken from the ranch a blunt instrument being used and marks on a nearby tree show where they had evidently knocked his head against the tree. Trails of blood led from the pen to the road and towards Boonville. An ammonia bottle was also found bearing the name of Utica druggist. Troopers are using this evidence in an effort to locate the purchaser of the bottle. The ammonia was apparently thrown into the eyes of the animal as it was seized. The female fox in the den was not taken but found in a rather dazed condition the next morning by the caretaker who discovered the burglary. She did not try to escape from her abode although the chute through which the party made their entrance to the pen was left open by the intruders in making their getaway. The stolen animal was valued as a breeder at about \$3,000 being of a particular good strain. Its pelt will not bring a very large sum because of the fact that at this time of the year a fox's coat is not in its prime.

CHECK UP ON CAR LIGHTS

NEWLY APPOINTED INSPECTORS ARE APPREHENDING VIOLATORS

Now is the time for all motorists to check up on the headlights to avoid unpleasant consequences. Inspectors from the State Motor Vehicle Bureau are busily watching the lights to see that no violations are permitted and strict enforcement of the law is the watchword throughout the state. The particular object is the elimination of glaring headlights, which are declared to be a menace. Excuses will not be accepted for car failing to have the proper equipment in this line. The Motor Vehicle Bureau bases its rulings on the following principles: Headlamps are used primarily to light up the road ahead of a vehicle to such an extent as to make night driving safe at the speed commonly used by the motor vehicle. The light from the headlamp should be so controlled as to not interfere with the safe driving for motor vehicle approaching the headlamps. In addition to the outline, detection of improperly adjusted or lack of headlights, the Motor Vehicle Bureau conducts periodically intensive campaigns. So far, except in the most flagrant cases the so-called "bagging system" has been used. Under the system a tag has been either tied to the vehicle or given to the operator. This tag has checked off on it the particular legal defect which examination of the headlight discloses. The tag also contains a warning that the defect should be remedied at once. The stub of the tag issued is tied in the Albany office and checked against the tag when it is returned by the motor vehicle operator. Properly countersigned by a headlight adjuster or a motor vehicle inspector in flagrant cases summons are served. Approved headlamps when properly focused will give a light such that when the beam is properly directed all glare of sufficient intensity to interfere with an approaching driver will be removed. Most motor vehicle operators, who will be willing to have properly adjusted headlamps—lack sufficient information and facilities for such adjustments. It is believed for this reason, the Motor Vehicle Bureau has established headlight adjusting stations throughout the state, whereby the public is afforded the facility at a nominal fee. There are now more than two hundred such testing stations in the state. In recent years the Illuminating Society has been studying lighting devices on motor vehicles. In 1923 they recommended specifications for such devices. These 1923 specifications must be met by all lighting devices permitted to be used in the state. Laboratory specifications however, do not necessarily suffice. Only careful control of the light from the headlamps in order to give a good driving light. This is explained by the fact that these specifications had to be made for laboratory conditions where the light source a ways is focused with a reflector and the headlamps always are placed at a specified distance and angle with respect to each other. Also the distribution of light may be such that the laboratory tests are met but the light is streaked or spotted. For this reason besides meeting the specifications the devices must meet road tests made by the Motor Vehicle Bureau. One of the most recent moves to assist in uniform headlamps has been the organization of the Eastern conference of motor vehicle administrators whose principal object is to give uniform rules and regulations governing motor vehicle equipment as a rule headlighting devices are not approved by several states and provinces comprising the conference unless first approved by the conference itself. The conference comprises the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia the District of Columbia and the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec. No Scotch Trespass Law Although Scotland is known for its many regulations and laws that regulate human conduct, it has one distinction in the way of human liberty not shared by many other countries. In Scotland there is no law of trespass and indications are that there will be none for many years.

Opening of Bear Mountain Bridge



The Bear Mountain bridge, across the Hudson from a point near Peekskill on the east bank to the west bank at a point near Bear Mountain, was formally opened to the public with impressive ceremonies. Many prominent persons attended the ceremonies, including a parade of motor cars led by a band.

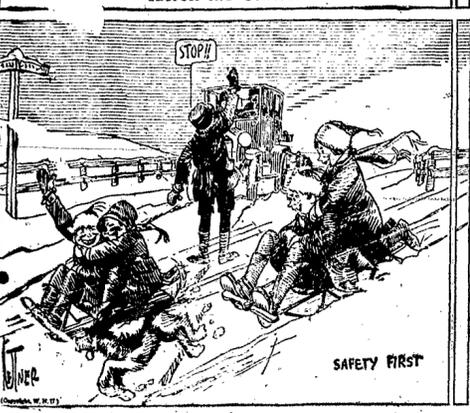
TRAMPS FIRE BARN

Cause Big Loss Near Saranac Lake. Up in Vermontville near Saranac just before day break the other day two lumberjacks who had spent the night in the big barn on the Chares Merrill place got up to do their morning ablutions and one of them lighted a match to look for his mittens. It accidentally fell into the hay and the whole place was soon ablaze. The men tried their best to put it out but finally had to give up the job and flee from the place in terror. The structure and everything in it—hay, fertilizer farm implements, etc., were destroyed incurring a loss of several thousand dollars. The place was unoccupied this winter. The men's tracks were discovered by Herbert Merrill a neighbor, who saddled a horse and followed for about three miles, when he sighted them walking the D. & H. railroad track near Onchiota. As he approached one of them took to the woods but the other gave himself up and was placed in the custody of officials. Then Merrill and a companion started on the trail of the other deeper and deeper into the forest in spite of deep snow and a 40 below zero temperature and finally overtook him after a three hour hunt exhausted and almost frozen. They were only charged with vagrancy and one of them was given two and the other four months in the Onondaga penitentiary. OLD VALENTINE'S DAY Customs In The Time of King Charles Old Samuel Pepys, famous chronicler of domestic life in England in the reign of Charles II, makes entry in his diary numerous times of various Valentine customs. Thus on Valentine's day nearly 250 years ago we find him making this record: "This morning came up to my wife's bedside (I being up dressed myself) little Will Mercer to be her Valentine and brought her name written upon blue paper in gold letters done by himself very pretty; and we both were well pleased with it. But I am also this year my wife's Valentine, and it will cost me five pounds; but I must have laid that out if we had not been Valentines." Prudent man. A bit later Pepys added: "I find that Mrs. Pierce's little girl is my Valentine, she having drawn me; which I was not sorry for, it easing me of something more than I must have given to others. But here I do first observe the fashion of drawing mottoes as well as names, so that Pierce, who drew my wife, did draw also a motto, and this girl drew another for me. What mine was I forgot; but my wife's was most courteous and most fair; which, as it may be used, on an anagram upon each name, might be very pretty." What would not the collector of old Valentines give for Master Will Mercer's valentine written to Mistress Pepys "upon blue paper in gold letters." That would be a treasure, indeed, for any collector. Old Valentines are less common than one might think. Perhaps this is so because there have been so few collectors of them, and the supply has not outlasted the demand. Antique and curio dealers one meets with every day who will say: "Old Valentines! Why I never heard of anyone collecting them! We always throw them away, or we used to when they came our way, though lately we haven't had any." Ah, the coupling of "bats" with the death of things. That is the collector's stumbling block, but if he be a true collector he will pick himself up and hurry onward to make up for lost time.

Huge Insect Collection

The British museum possesses by far the most comprehensive insect collection in the world, says London Titbits. It has not until quite recently been possible to make an exact catalogue of all items, but after three years' work one has now been completed and published. According to this, the collection contains 1,718,000 insects. There are 325,767 butterflies of 40,210 different kinds, 288,183 beetles of 67,200 different kinds, 617 bees, wasps and winged ant kinds, are 19,008 kinds, of bugs, flies, gnats and mosquitoes there are 1,207 species represented; of grasshoppers, types 2,900, and of plant lice 21 species in 110 items. Private donors have done most to swell the collection. One alone gave 200,000 insects, another 30,000, while the entire collection of butterflies which was presented consisted of 31,000 specimens.

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# REV. MCKNIGHT TO GO TO HOMER

### LOCAL PASTOR ACCEPTS CALL TO CENTRAL NEW YORK.

Rev. A. H. McKnight, for several years pastor of the Baptist church here, has accepted a call to the First Baptist church at Homer, N. Y. Rev. McKnight will succeed Rev. L. A. Hotelling. He will begin his new duties on April 10th.

Rev. McKnight has been active with the local clergy for several years. His sermons have attracted wide attention and his departure from Potsdam will be regretted both by members of his congregation and fellow townsmen.

He was graduated from the Rochester Theological seminary and for some time acted as student pastor of the Baptist church at Mount Morris. After graduating from the seminary, he accepted the Potsdam call and has been here continuously since.

### THAT MILK TRAIN!

#### Ogdensburg Paper Tells of Vagaries of Travel On The Rutland

The Ogdensburg Journal of Monday says:

The Rutland railroad milk train famous for its irregularities on Sundays, has earned a new name. It was dubbed yesterday the "moonlight special" by a number of fair young students at Potsdam Normal, who were returning to their studies after holidaying over the week end at their homes in Malone, North Lawrence, Winthrop and other interior medicine points on the Rutland line.

To quote one pretty young teacher who despite her heavy fur wraps, admitted she was "half frozen," the milk train Sunday was "like moonlight on the Arctic." Although her classification was quite descriptive of the train, she explained to other passengers that it earned the title because "the lights were practically out, the moon gleaming through the grimy windows furnished most of the illumination and what happened to the steam before it reached the passenger section was a mystery."

First reported Malone as "one hour late," the milk train finally hove in sight shortly after five more than two hours behind schedule. It lost time consistently and landed in Ogdensburg close to three hours late.

A number of young women bound for this city when entering a taxi cab at the station remarked how "warm it seems in this auto compared to the train."

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# WRIGLEYS

### CHURCH NOTES

First Church of Christ, Scientist will hold the following services, corner Main Street and Pierpoint Ave.: Wednesday Testimonial Meeting at 8 p. m.; Sunday Lesson, 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10 a. m. The Reading Rooms are open to the public every week day afternoon from 3 until 5.

Methodist Episcopal Church, Matthew D. Still, Minister. Sunday services, 10:30 a. m. Class Meeting, Public worship 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning sermon, "The Coming of Christ and The End of The World." Did Christ teach this doctrine as commonly taught to day? Evening Mass In A Sand Cave? Can he get out? How? Lessons from the efforts to save F. O. J. Collins. Church School, at the close of the morning services, 6:45 p. m. Egworth League, Murie Crane, leader. Brotherhood every Monday evening 7:30. Young Ladies Prayer Circle at the parsonage every Tuesday evening at 7:00. Midweek service Wednesday evening 7:30. The Epworth League will hold a Valentine Social in the Assembly Room Friday evening 8:00.

Trinity Church Sexagesima Sunday, Rev. W. J. Hamilton, Rector. Holy Communion 8. Church School 9-9:45. Choral Eucharist and sermon 11. Evening song and address 5. Choir practice in Trinity Chapel, Wednesday 7:30. The Woman's Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Ruth Perrin, Elm Street, Wednesday at 3 p. m. A meeting of the Woman's Guild will be held following that of the Auxiliary. The Men's Club will hold its Pre-Lenten meeting, Thursday evening, February 19th at 7:30 in the Parish House. Members of the Altar Guild will meet for work Saturday afternoon at 2:30 in the Chapel.

The Presbyterian Church, Wednesday evening service at 7:45 in charge of the Session. Sunday morning worship at 10:30. Bible School at 12 M. Patriotic Program. Christian Endeavor Society meets at 6:45. Subject: "Striking Instances of the Friendliness of Jesus." John 11:1-11; Luke 19:1-10.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. O. F. Alvord 31 Elm Street Friday at 3 p. m. February 13th. A large attendance is desired.

Baptist Church, Alban H. McKnight, Minister. Prayer Service at night at 7:30. Topic "The Firmness of Jesus." Meeting of the Advisory Board following. Important. Every one out. Missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. P. X. Blake, on Thursday evening. Morning Worship at 10:30 next Sunday. Sermon subject, "Why I Believe in the Future Life." Junior Church and Bible School at the usual hour. No Christian Endeavor or next Sunday evening. Our Endeavor will visit the Canton Christian Endeavor that evening. At 7:30 second in Hearstone Series on Love and Marriage. Subject, "The High Cost of Flirting, Courtship, Marriage, Divorce Etc." Also set of colored photographic slides.

The Federated Mens Clubs will hold their next meeting on Tuesday Evening, February 17th, at the Baptist Church. There will be report of committees and general forum. A good representation from all churches is desired.

Universalist Church Rev. O. F. Alvord Pastor, Residence 31 Elm St., Telephone 120. Services next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Sermon Theme "Two Great Men." Sunday School 11:45. Y. P. C. U. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. at parsonage. Lincoln Birthday supper February 12. At Winthrop Church School 6 p. m. Evening Worship 7 p. m. Sermon Theme: "Pleasant Words." All are cordially invited to these services.

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### 92ND REGIMENT

(Continued From Page 7.)  
21st—Captain Flosser, "The Brave" is no more. The Southfield tank. Rumor that Plymouth has fallen after a gallant resistance.

22nd—Gangs of General Wessells capture confirmed by an order from General Peck. All feel bad for General Billy. Send up a gun boat to do picket duty. War has its reverses as well as its victories.

23rd—Have a chill. Signal over from town that Killpatrick is in Picketts rear. Rumor that Banks is defeated. Hear nothing more from Plymouth. All quiet about New Berna.

24th—One company of the 12th New York Cavalry lands at our dock and strikes off into the country.

25th—Cavalry return as we all expected. They were bound for Little Washington but saw a few pickets and heard some one whistle so they skeddaddled back without firing a shot. A new general name not yet known comes to take command.

26th—Receive orders to leave the fort about 4:00 p. m. Never had our ears come so unexpected. In two hours the boys are all ready boot and baggage. Where we are to go is a mystery. Officers nearly all drunk as usual on such occasions. Troops nearly all leaving.

27th—Leave Fort Anderson at sunrise. Get aboard of the Patuxen and leave New Berna at 5:45 a. m. Reach Hatteras at 7:00 p. m. Cast anchor for the night. Weather very fine. Boys in good spirits.

28th—Lay all day at Fort Hatteras but dare not put out on account of wind.

29th—Still lying at anchor. Very lovely. Go ashore and get some hell. Weather very fine. Troops arrive and cast anchor for Little Washington. Rumor that the place alive and sweet ranches. From Little is circulated. Expect to start tomorrow Pass away time reading.

30th—Leave Hatteras at last. Weather very fine. Round Cape Hatteras about 7:00 p. m. Boat strikes considerable. Many seasick. Sleep on the top deck rock rather seaisick but not enough to cause trouble.

May 1st—Get near to Fortress Monroe about 7:00 a. m. Wait an hour and move on to Yorktown where we land about 4:00 p. m. Draw shelter tents and camp out. Seem odd. Baggage sent back to the fort. Men nearly all light.

2nd—Again in camp for earnest. Just dark a terrible thunder storm comes up without apparently a moments notice. Quartermaster Hubbard appointed acting brigade commander. Lieutenant McChesney appointed acting regimental quartermaster. Boys all in good spirits.

3rd—Everything hurlyburly in camp. Expect to move in the morning. Baggage gone tonight. Colonel and quartermaster get back from Fortress Monroe each with a horse. Report that horses for sale are very scarce. Chaplain terribly insulted by Captain Bice.

4th—Leave camp about 4:00 p. m. and get aboard of the Charles Thomas, a splendid transport. She takes our regiment and the 58th Pennsylvania. Cast anchor in Hampton Roads just dark. An immense fleet gathered here. All ignorant of our destination.

5th—Weigh anchor at daylight and move immediately up the James river. The whole fleet presents a beautiful appearance. Beautiful country. Everything works with the greatest regularity. Land at Bermuda Hundred about 5:00 p. m. and camp for the night.

6th—March about 7:00 a. m. some five or six miles and camp in the woods. Considerable lightning to wards night. Heckman's brigade engaged and lost quite heavily. Our camp near the Appomattox and not a great way from the James. We are but few miles from Fort Darling and in sight of the steeples of Petersburg.

7th—Lie all day upon arms. Quite sharp fighting in front. Our men get a branch of the main railroad. All things go off smoothly. All have unbounded confidence in Generals Smith and Butler. We are just break-

ing into the hardships of Camp. We have been fancy soldiers long enough.

8th—Remain quiet all day in our humble retreat. Some cannonading on our left. The rebels undertake to plant a battery to sell our shipping. One of our gunboats soon drives them away. Wash in the Appomattox.

9th—Leave camp with only heavy sacks and canteens about 6:00 a. m. Advance towards Petersburg in three columns. Gillmore on the right. Brooks in the center and Martindale with our brigade on the left. Very heavy picket firing all night.

10th—Last night the rebels madly tried to capture from us Hunt's battery. Charge three times but are roughly repulsed each time. At day break move on to the main railroad between Petersburg and Richmond and tear up several miles. Ordered away to reinforce Gillmore. Rebels liked when we get there. Reach camp about 5:00 p. m. Wood back.

11th—Weather very warm. Move camp about a quarter of a mile to the front about 5:00 p. m. Commences to rain just dark. Great news from General Grant.

12th—The whole army again put under motion in light marching order. Everything seems to indicate a rapid move on Richmond. Perhaps Fort Darling is their object. Our regiment and the 58th Pennsylvania left behind to do picket duty probably on account of our being veterans without furloughs. Very rainy.

13th—Still rainy. Camp on a little hill to support the pickets. Our regiment divided for different duties. Hear but little from the front. But few stragglers as yet. Saw Lieutenant Partridge. Looks as natural as ever. Large mail but get no letter. Rumor that Elwell's corps is captured.

14th—Showery. Papers of the 12th in. Wounded and a few skeddaddlers begin to come in. Our brigade the 19th and 18th, engaged. Good news everywhere. The spirits of all are high. Weather showery. Hear some cannonading in front. Rations go out to the army.

15th—Still rainy. Our regiment gathers up the skeddaddlers and sends them to the front. Saw 16 rebel prisoners and nine negroes. Brigade commissaries going to the front. Will not issue to us for three days. Draw potatoes. Can see the rebels build a fort.

16th—Showery. Heavy firing at daylight. Fighting everywhere through the whole army. Heavy loss on our side. Results not known. Our army falling back. Have along talk with rebel prisoners. This has been an eventful day.

17th—Weather fair. Our army all in. See Corporal Shellidin of the 142nd New York some heavy cannonading on our right. Looks much like a shower at dark. The men all in good spirits.

18th—Some skirmishing all day in our front. Have not heard the results. Our forces work all night fortifying. Colonels Sanders relieved from the command of the brigade and Colonel Dutton put in his stead. Dr. Edmeston-appointed brigade surgeon.

19th—Some skirmishing in the morning. The enemy fall back. Weather showery. Rearrange my tent. Our regiment relieved from picketing by the Tenth New Hampshire Volunteer.

20th—Enemy charge our outwork but are handsomely repulsed. Sharp cannonading at just dark. Two companies of our regiment ordered out to work during the night. Captain Foster over. Whole regiment ordered out. Ordered countermanded.

21st—Rebels unusually quiet. Weather splendid. Some of our sick join the regiment. Draw clothing. Furnish 50 men for fatigue. About 11:00 p. m. sharp firing in front. Our brigade turns out to the breastworks. Firing lasts about one hour when we retire to our quarters.

22nd—Move camp about 10:00 a. m. to the right about one mile. Go to the front with Alick where our men are fortifying. Our men shelly throw enemy almost continually. Enemy throw shells while we are there. See General Gillmore and staff.

23rd—Pickets along the whole line unusually quiet. Regiment paid four months. Draw no pay on account of the colonel's leaving the field.

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### and staff rolls at Fortress Monroe

24th—Weather very warm. All work of the fortifications pressed with vigor. Two new forts commenced. Our regiment finished 150 men to chop in the afternoon. Adjutant buys a horse jet black. Colonel Anderson getting popular for his promptness.

25th—Very warm until 4:00 p. m. when it commences to rain. Our regiment slash in the morning and go on picket in the afternoon. See Captain Garvin. Looks as natural as ever. Full of energy. Alick has a chill. He will take no medicine so of course he must expect chills.

26th—Join the regiment on picket in the morning with all the convalescents in camp. Rains violently. Our brigade except our regiment cross the ravine on a reconnaissance. Soon return. Colonel Dutton wounded through the throat and jaw. It is feared it is mortal.

27th—Our regiment relieved by General Kantz's dismounted cavalry. (First District Columbia with 16 shooters) The 18th Army Corps ordered to move. We start about 2:00 p. m. Our colonel temporarily in command of brigade. Move about three miles and camp. General Devens assigned to command of our brigade. Howard joins the regiment.

28th—Showery. Take up the line of march about 4:00 p. m. and camp at Bermuda Hundred about 10:00 p. m. Lie out on the ground with covering a blanket are all in the wagon. Troops taking transportations as fast as possible. Send guard to brigade headquarters.

29th—At writing am just going to bed aboard the Mary Washington. Where we got aboard about 8:00 a. m. Move down the river about 7:00 p. m. Our regiment and the 188th Pennsylvania aboard. Terribly toiletish boat Anchor off Jamestown for the night.

30th—Get under way about 8:00 a. m. and arrive at Fortress Monroe about 11:00 a. m. Water up and move across the bay and up the York river. Anchor about 6:00 p. m. off York town for the night. We are all bewildered. Rumor that we are to join Grant.

31st—Get an early start. Reach the White House landing about 11:00 a. m. Land draw rations and get under way in line of march about 4:00 p. m. March until midnight and camp. The men are very tired. Twenty first Connecticut regiment taken out and 40 Massachusetts put into the brigade. Col. Henry Moss commanding our brigade.

(To be continued)

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Clarkson Tech scored victory over the St. M. ars here Friday by a score of 10-0.

Despite the absence of Calderella, considered the Green and Gold's greatest player, the Tech defense of the Fight in the second half re-dribbling or short shot both of which enabled the ball inside for Sherr, monster pivot man. Tech's defense was excellent. St. Michael's presser game paper defense a game was fairly well member of the local ed a tally. Before the removed in favor of Clarkson guards reg of 23 points.

### SCIENCE AND

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At the Convocation of the morning, February 10, Rev. W. J. Hamilton, Trinity church, gave the subject, "The Contradiction of the Fact of Jesus?" He said that science led Jesus in the tomb, far as science was body of Our Lord in the dust of Palestine very pessimistic on Religion began when off. There was no tradition, or antiquary real science and the series.

In conclusion, Mr. "We must look to not simply for leadership. In our leaders, we must have outside of ourselves. He asked study the great Christian religion, touch with the resurrection, giving for "The Resurrection

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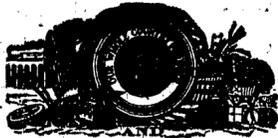
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SERGT BENSON OF THE 92ND TAKES WELL EARNED REST

The Courier and Freeman this week presents another installment of the civil war diary of Sergt. O. P. Benson of the 92nd N. Y. Vols raised here. Sergt. Benson is left in this installment for home on a furlough. June 1st, 1864—Take up the line of march about 6:00 a. m. Weather hot and roads very dusty. Have a forced march only halting once for a little supper. About 4:00 p. m. come up to the enemy front line of battle at once. Our regiment sent out as skirmishers. Our corps charges and fights until after dark. Our regiment charges across a large field. Colonel Anderson killed. Shot through the head. Bravest of the brave. Capture the enemy's out-works and hold them. Men fortify cups and bayonets. Fourteen killed and three wounded. 2nd—Lie in the woods all day but a few rods from the enemy. Men strengthen their work with cups. Several killed by one of our shot. We have several men wounded. Continual firing on both sides but no general engagement takes place. Feel very unwell but dare not complain. See mortality on every side. After dark send out in front and bury the dead. But little firing during the night. Colonel Anderson's death I fear is the death blow of the regiment. The men feel terribly. We have no confidence in the major. All admit that he is a perfect coward. 3rd—At daylight all troops massed with great care in the woods and make a terrible charge. The assault was almost irresistible. We take the enemy's first line of rifle pits and advance upon the second but no living column could meet the terrible fire. Our brigade acted as reserve but were all the while under a most galling fire. Never saw such bravery before. Lose several men including H. Lyon Company A. Have a terrible shell and go to the hospital. Hains nearly all day. Men now four days without coffee. Three killed and ten wounded. 4th—Very sick all night. Get some pickles. Appetite begins to revive. Have two men wounded. Join the regiment about 12:00 m. very sick. Sleep all night with no covering amid a drenching rain. Trenches terrible muddy. Catch but little cold. Balls fly pretty lively. All half sick. 5th—Weather pleasant. See Charles Talcott, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery. Charles W. Parmer Company B shot through the heart while writing a letter home. Dennis Maher. Company G, shot through head while eating breakfast. Both die almost instantly. Crawl out and relieve the entrenched outposts. Flag of truce sent out. Both armies mount their works, advance and converse freely. Strange to see deadly enemies so jovial. 6—Lie close in our entrenchments until about 1:00 p. m. Flag of truce sent out. Rebs and Yanks mingle together and converse freely. The above is wrong. It was the 6th instead of the 5th that the flag of truce was sent out. Many exchange papers and bid one another good-bye, saying, "Take good care of yourselves for we know not where nor when we shall meet again." Relieved after dark by the Tenth New Hampshire I have today had the best sight of untraced Rebs that I ever had. They appear to be very friendly. Several run in and give themselves up to the Sixth Corps. 7th—Considerable artillery firing. Flag of truce sent out. Yanks and Rebs have another chance of having a short friendly conversation. Weather very pleasant. Our army seems to be swinging around to the left. The position of our troops seems to be in the shape of a wedge. Men all in good spirits, see a newspaper correspondent rode in front and one in rear upon which were marked, "Label Through the Press." 8th—Weather pleasant. Were it not I do not know what we should do. Another brigade of two heavy artillery regiments assigned to our division. Said to number 3,700 men. Galbreath, Company H shot through the leg at roll call. Our brigade goes on picket after dark and find the line advanced. Quiet all night. 9th—Weather pleasant. The line quiet. Our videttes (sentinels) through the night are within ten yards of one another. One officer in a New Hampshire regiment shot through the head by a sharpshooter in a tree. Baban and Pierce do good execution silencing sharpshooters. Eighth Maine on our right. 25th Massachusetts on their right. Relieved by Second brigade after dark.

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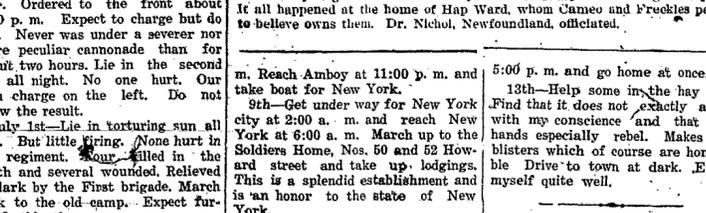
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PREPARATORY LESSON

LERAY ESTATE A PARK? Movement To That End Is Launched At Watertown.

A movement to have the state of New York take over the historic LeRay estate, located between Black River and Philadelphia, for a state park has been inaugurated in Watertown. The state has no authority to acquire desirable park sites and funds are available for that purpose. It is felt that northern New York is entitled to consideration particularly in view of the fact that the LeRay estate of 2,000 acres is ideally situated for the purpose. Here James D. LeRay, a member of the French nobility, established himself in 1808, the great mansion which at present stands on the estate having been erected in 1822 after the first residence had been burned. The great chateau modeled after the LeRay chateau at Passy has housed many prominent figures in American history, among them being President James Monroe, Joseph Bonaparte, once king of Spain, Prince Murat and other noted Napoleonic refugees.

THAYER SELLS HOLDINGS. New York Engineering Firm Purchases Electric Stock.

Senator Warren T. Thayer, of Chateaugay, has sold his holdings of stock in the Chasm Power Company of Chateaugay. The stock was purchased by Hon. Wallace E. Pierce, of Plattsburgh, who it is stated, was acting in the negotiation for the J. G. White Engineering Company of New York City, which company also recently purchased the property of the Mooers Electric Company in Clinton county. The Chasm Power Company was organized in 1902 by several citizens of Chateaugay and has had a successful business history gradually extending its business to territory in adjoining towns. The construction of the power dam and power house on the Chateaugay river near the famous Chateaugay Chasm was a work which demanded the outlay of considerable capital. The company's light and power wires now extend, besides Chateaugay, to Constable, Burke, Brainardville, in the town of Bellmont and Earlville, spreading over a territory of about twenty miles.

TABLET FOR ELKS HOME D. A. R. Makes Gift To Malone Lodge

Malone Chapter, D. A. R., has presented to the Malone Lodge of Elks whose home is the former Wheeler residence, a bronze tablet which will be placed on the outside of the Elks club so that all may know that Malone furnished a vice president for the United States. Following is the inscription on the tablet: This tablet marks the old home of William Almon Wheeler Vice President of the United States 1877-1881 Placed by the Adirondack Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution 1925.

MASSENA TO GROW AGAIN

All unfinished houses located on the Tyo tract in Massena about 40 in number will be completed this summer entailing an outlay of about \$75,000, according to announcement made by the Pine Grove Realty company. Between 60 and 75 men will be employed. The houses are in all stages of completion. Some are nearly finished, while others have only fairly been started. The program includes grading, finishing of the streets and sidewalks and installation of water lines. Coupled with this announcement is an additional announcement concerning a building program for 1926. This will involve the erection of a number of new houses at or near the new site. The program naturally will depend to a large extent upon the developments in Massena.

Growth of Post Office Benjamin Franklin was the first head of the postal system of the United States.

When he took over the affairs of his office, there were 75 post offices, with an aggregate postal revenue of \$30,000 a year. Today we have more than 63,000 post offices and about 300,000 employees. The aggregate revenue collected and expended amounts to about \$800,000,000 annually.

BANK WRECKER GETS OFF EASILY

CONROY WHO ROBBED HAMMOND INSTITUTION OUT OF JAIL

Robert R. Conroy former cashier of the Citizens National Bank of Hammond St. Lawrence county was paroled from Atlanta penitentiary Saturday. Conroy was sentenced to serve seven years for theft of more than \$80,000. He was sentenced in United States district court in Syracuse in March 1919, when he entered a guilty plea. Conroy stayed in the bank in which he was employed to play the stock market. He had lost his savings of a life time. Pressed for more margin he used bank funds. In addition to those he stole bonds left by clients of the bank for safe keeping. These he sold and used the proceeds to meet his brokers demands. Suspicion was aroused and Claude D. Baum of the federal banking department and Cecil Ashwood, Governor's man, and an examiner for the government examined the books and detected the shortage. Conroy admitted his guilt. Conroy is going to Miami, Fla., it is understood and proposes to go in business there. His wife, a native of New England and two children are to join him there, it is believed. Shortly after Conroy's arrest his wife went to Boston.

ATTACKS FAMILY WITH AXE Farmer Finally Takes His Own Life

Armed with an axe, a knife and a razor with which he threatened repeatedly to wipe out his family consisting of his wife and four children John Kotowski, 54, a Polish farmer, was found dead with his body bolt upright on a bench in his home in the afternoon by Sheriff Albert C. Schief and Deputy Sheriff Arthur Quilly of Lewis County. The suicide took place in the kitchen of his home. Kotowski cut his throat with a razor in the morning and slowly bled to death during the day. The time of his death is not known but his wife had attempted to save his life by binding up the wound. The cut was not a severe one nor did it affect a vital spot but was sufficient to cause a slow hemorrhage. Aid from the sheriff's office was summoned by a young daughter who managed to escape during the day after being held at bay by her father with the rest of the family for thirty-six hours when Kotowski came home crazed with moonshine liquor and at once began the process of wiping out his family. The fact that he suffered convulsions and in tense rain only saved the family from death.

PREMIUM ON LIGHT BONDS

Bids were opened by the Gouverneur board of trustees Tuesday evening for the issue of \$100,000 in municipal bonds of the village of Gouverneur authorized for the creation of a municipal power plant for pumping the village water supply and lighting the village streets and public building electrically. Twelve bids were submitted and the village secured an "ome"ly favorable offer from the successful bidder, W. H. Herriman & Company of New York. Their bid for the entire issue was at the rate of 102.309 per hundred dollars, which nets the village a bonus or premium of \$2,309 on the entire issue.

PLAN DEVELOPMENT

The construction of a 15,000 horse power hydro electric plant at Deferiet at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000 to be started as soon as the high water is over in the spring is announced by John N. Carls, president of the Power Corporation of New York. The new plant will utilize the present dam which furnishes water power for the corporation of the St. Regis Paper company mill at Deferiet and the canal, cutting off the bend in the river, and will mean construction of a power house at the foot of the canal.

Least He Could Do

"Do you stand back of every statement you make in your newspaper?" asked the timid little man. "Why—er—yes," answered the country editor. "Then," said the little man holding up a notice of his death, "I wish you would help me collect my life insurance."—Copper's Weekly.

# COUNTY SPELLING BEE IN MAY

### WILL BE ELIMINATION TRIAL FOR STATE MATCH.

Plans for the county spelling contest have been made by the district superintendents of St. Lawrence county. Superintendent V. C. Warriner of Lisbon has been appointed chairman.

Early in May each district superintendent will give a preliminary test in each school district to determine the champion speller in each district. All pupils who have not completed the eighth grade may compete except those who have won some previous state spelling contest. The papers will be reviewed by the teacher and the highest forwarded at once to her district superintendent. The pupil standing highest in each town will represent the town in the county contest.

This county contest will be held in Canton, on Saturday, June 12th. The district superintendents have offered prizes of \$8, \$5 and \$3. The one winning in the county will represent the county in the state contest which will be held on the State Fair Grounds, Syracuse, during State Fair week, September 12-19. All expenses of this contestant will be paid by the State Fair Commission. Detailed arrangements will be under the immediate supervision of Commissioner Berne A. Pyper of the Department of Farms and Markets.

A boy or girl who has been a winner of any prize at the State Fair Spelling Bee is barred from again competing in a county or state contest.

To the four winners of the State contest prizes in gold will be awarded as follows: First, \$50; second, \$25; third, \$15; fourth, \$10. In addition to the prizes in gold, Mr. Proctor Welch, Manager of the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, will present a cup to the winner of the first prize. This cup will be known as the "Onondaga Cup" and the personal property of Mr. Welch.

The words in all contests will be based upon the list made out by the Department of Education and is the same as used last year. Both oral and written contests will be employed at the State Fair Spelling Bee, and a supplementary list of words may be resorted to if it is found that in the allotted time contestants cannot be spelled down on the printed list. Each teacher can obtain a list free from his district superintendent, all others from C. F. Williams and Son, Printers, 26 Beaver St., Albany, N. Y., at a cost of ten cents each, including postage.

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# BACK UPON FIRING LINE

### SERGT. BENSON RESUMES HIS SERVICE WITH THE 92ND.

The Courier and Freeman this week presents another installment of the diary kept by the late Orlando P. Benson, of Massena, while he was a soldier in the Union army during the civil war. He enlisted in the 92nd New York Volunteer Regiment when 19 years of age. In this installment he tells of his return to the front after his furlough in Massena. During shelling a bullet penetrated his haversack, he is captured unharmful.

August 8th, 1864.—Take Emma to her school. Bid her for ought I know an eternal good-bye. Again I am leaving home but if it be even to return no more I feel that I am doing my duty.

9th.—At last that terrible and trying moment and thank God it is over for it took all my courage to bid good-bye. Reach Potsdam about 11:00 a. m. Leave Potsdam at 3:00 p. m. and ride all night and reach Albany about 6:00 a. m. of the 10th. Find that about 20 of our men have deserted. Shame to them.

10th.—Reach Albany about 6:00 a. m. Take warm breakfast at a restaurant. Go into barracks about 1:00 p. m. Of all the days I have ever seen this has certainly been the longest. Fare rather hard. A few companies of the invalid corps (or veteran reserve corps) are here detailed to act as provost guard all over the state. Some are now in Malone etc.

11th.—Leave Albany barracks about dark. At 8:00 p. m. get under way aboard of the St. John, the latest American steamer ever built. She ranks only second to the Great Eastern. She belongs to the People's Line with the Henry Hudson. Her length is 483 feet. She is a perfect palace throughout. Have some trouble among the men caused by whiskey.

12th.—Reach New York city at 6:30 a. m. March up to the Soldiers Home and get tickets for three meals. Call upon Dr. Perry Irish and have quite a visit. He takes me to Taylor's saloon and calls on an excellent supper. He then goes with me to the armory of the Seventh New York Militia and shows me through. He also goes with me to the Soldiers Home. Leave New York at 7:30 p. m. Take boat for Jersey City and then the cars for Baltimore.

13th.—Reach Baltimore at 6:00 a. m. March down to the Soldiers Rest to wait transportation. The fare here is rather hard. Not nearly as good as that of the Soldiers Home. This institution is wholly carried on by the government. All dished cooks. Leave for Fortress Monroe at 5:00 p. m. on the Adelaide. Ride all night. She has about 300 substitutes aboard. I never saw so much thieving in my life.

14th.—Reach Oak Point about 5:00 p. m. Take the cars to the front at once. Reach the regiment tired and worn out about 8:00 p. m. Find them in good spirits but in rather a bad condition. All glad to see us. For a joke they call us their recruits.

15th.—Spend a pleasant day with the boys. Am going to tent with C. P. Gray and Alick. Have a terrible shower in the afternoon. Rains a perfect torrent. The ravine becomes a river, carrying before it tents, suiters and soldiers, also a couple of pieces of the railroad bridge above. Some 16 men lose their lives.

16th.—Sixteen dead bodies have already been taken from the ravine. Raising a little in the afternoon. Veterans go to the front. Enter upon

duty. Once more hear the hum of leaden balls. Boys are all in good spirits. Pits are quite muddy.

17th.—Another rain this afternoon, also some shelling. Company B, killed. Shot through the head. Have a bullet put through my haversack. Find it a little difficult to eat government rations. Throw up a traverse to prevent a cross fire. The spirits of the boys rather down.

18th.—Rains continually. Things look rather dubious. The men are however in spite of the mud cheerful. At night discharge all our guns at the Johnnies.

22th.—Rainy. Receive orders to move to the left but they are soon terminated. Corp. L. W. Arms, Company B, slightly wounded by a spent ball in shoulder. Pits still very muddy. It is quite laughable to see the boys practice their tricks and crack joke upon one another.

21st.—This is the first day this week that it has not rained. Open a furious and sudden fire upon the one merely to divert their attention. Hentz, Company H, killed. He was shot through the head. Dore, Chenette and Revier wounded.

22nd.—Feel quite unwell. Have a gathering in my head. Rain just dark as the pickets go out. Running that we shall be attacked in the morning. Commence to register in prisoners camp at Salisbury at day light. Have not slept a moment all night. See Captain Garvin. We are all well pleased with our change.

23th.—Move a few rods to the left. We are going to arrange camp tomorrow. The boys all in the best of spirits. How different here from Petersburg.

24th.—Arrange a splendid camp. Fix up a nice little house, and feel quite at home. Feel somewhat unwell.

30th.—Feel tip-top. Am now enjoying some of the sunny side of a soldier's life. Company good, pleasant weather and plenty to eat.

31st.—Mustered by Captain Elder, A. I. C., Help endorse the boys' furloughs for ration money. Have our first dress parade since leaving New Bern.

September 1st.—We are now having splendid weather. Alick sells his check to McChesney and buys old white horse at \$40. Eat a piece of a very large watermelon just before going to bed.

2nd.—Glorious news. The joy of the soldiers knows no bounds. Atlanta has fallen. Bully for Sherman. Truly there are a few bright spots even in the life of a soldier.

3rd.—Nothing further from Atlanta. Capture of Port Morgan confirmed. Heavy and continual cannonading in the direction of Petersburg.

4th.—Have a chill in the afternoon. Generals Grant, Meade and several other officers of distinction pass around our lines. General Grant was very plainly dressed.

5th.—Feel as usual after drill. Have dress parade every evening. The whole division turns out to clear a review ground for tomorrow.

6th.—Generals Grant, Meade and Gibbons pass around the lines. Rains a little.

7th.—Corps reviewed by divisions by General Gibbons. It was a splendid affair. Feel a slight touch of a chill in the afternoon.

8th.—Weather cool and delightful. Feel quite unwell. Rains in the afternoon. Read Seward's speech in Auburn Sound every word of it.

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# BENSON CAPTIVE IN REBEL PRISON

DESCRIBES THE HORRORS OF THE PEN AT ANDERSONVILLE

The Courier and Freeman this week presents the 12th installment of the diary kept by the late Orlando P. Benson, of Massena, while he was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil war. In this installment he tells of the falling to pieces of the old 92nd by men being mustered out. General Butler allows the colors to be kept, however. An attack is made upon the rebel works at Fair Oaks and nearly all the Union soldiers are killed, wounded or taken prisoners. Sergeant Benson, with many others, is taken to Pemberton prison at Richmond, Va., later being transferred to Salisbury prison, Salisbury, N. C. He describes the terrible life in prison.

October 1st, 1864—Go to fortifying amid cold and drenching rain. Terrible muddy. Have two men wounded. Being in wounded and bury dead. Build a bombproof.

2nd—Clears off somewhat. We are still fortifying. Have a terrible cramp after dark. It lasts about two hours. The same as I had once before at White Oak swamp.

3rd—Rains in the afternoon. Captain Bice joins the regiment. Feel rather unwell. Our prisoners bury the rebel dead. Pits ankle deep with mud. Get fresh supply of rations for my own use in the shape of biscuits and cheese through Alick's kindness.

4th—All quiet. We are very busily engaged in fortifying. Men work both day and night. Weather fair.

5th—Weather still fair. Our troops all in the best of spirits. God only knows how soon we shall be called to see more blood shed. I am sick of it and long for peace.

6th—All still quiet. Captain Bice and Lieutenant Thompson go to camp and return. Send in to headquarters a complete list of casualties since the 29th inst. Total loss in the regiment in killed and wounded 34.

7th—After dark all hands turn out and level down the works in front of Fort Harrison. Move off to the right about twelve miles and camp for the night near the First Pennsylvania Battery. Enemy shell us with four mortars in the morning, doing but little damage. Peter Morrison, Company A, killed.

8th—Weather cool and chilly. Lines very quiet. Busily engaged in building abutments and strengthening the works. Alick sends up some codfish balls.

9th—Lines very quiet. Weather quite cool. See frost for the first time this year. Get a letter from Emma. General Martin relieves General Carr in command of the division. Lieut.-Col. Thmas E. Barker, of the Second New Hampshire Volunteers, takes command of the brigade.



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**F. J. WILSON**  
Rensselaer Falls, N. Y.

He is a splendid man and is rising rapidly. 10th—Three years ago tonight spent my first night in old Camp Union as a soldier. What changes since then. Dangers have surrounded me on all sides since then but still God has spared me to experience new scenes and dangers. See Captain Garvin. C. P. Gray and I over to the 142nd New York.

11th—Promotions in the regiment numerous. Colonel Curtis comes over to see about getting us veterans into his regiment. Some are in favor of going while some choose light artillery. Captain Fay sees General Butler's adjutant-general but gets no information as to when, where or how the regiment is to be mustered out.

12th—Receive orders about 3:00 p. m. to get ready to march. Start at once. Move off to the right and relieve the Tenth corps to make a demonstration on the left. They meet a flag of truce and turn back to wait for morning. Commences to rain about sundown. Spend a cold night.

13th—Early in the morning the Tenth Corps moves out and soon the sharp rattle of musketry is heard. Fighting more or less going on all day. At dark all the troops begin to return. Nothing more or less than a reconnaissance in force. Little loss on our side.

14th—Move back to our old ground in the line. See Captain Garvin and show him Fort Harrison. Alick comes up and stays all night with Frank and me.

15th—Very pleasant. Colonel Curtis comes over in the evening with his brigade band to serenade us, doubtless with the object of gaining our good graces. No sign of being relieved. Move out papers will be made out in the field. Rather difficult.

16th—Weather very pleasant. Prisoners come in daily. Lines very quiet. The boys are all in good spirits.

17th—Captain Fay goes to depot headquarters and learns that there is no chance of our retaining our organization. We all hope we may. Draw clothing, two pair of pants and one shirt.

18th—Dr. Mansfield gives us score Union votes. Had we got them sooner we could have carried the regiment unanimously for old Father Abe. General Butler and family visit the front. The band plays "Hail to the Chief." Some hopes now of the regiment being kept up.

20th—Prospects still for the regiment to be kept up. Glorious news from Sheridan in the valley. Hays a salute fired along the entire lines. Rebels dare not reply. The joy of the troops knows no bound. Our corps reviewed by regiments. Dare not spare more than one regiment at a time from the breastworks.

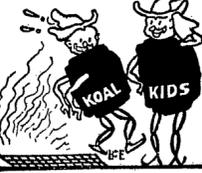
21st—Go with Sergeant Hawley and visit Butler's canal. Get some choice relics of petrified wood and clay of a peculiar kind. It is well worth one's trouble. Additional news from Sheridan. Troops being reviewed throughout the army.

22nd—Our troops reviewed by brigades. Weather cold and showery. General Martin reviews the division. General Grant and staff pass along the lines. Hear 'im speak. Looks much better than when I saw him last. There was an old man along with him which I think must have been his father.

23rd—Service by chaplain. He comments upon the parable in the 13th chapter of Matthew. Captain Fay returns to camp. Sergeant Hawley receives appointment as second lieutenant from General Butler in the Fifth United States colored regiment.

24th—Glove to the left and occupy the ground vacated by the Eighth Connecticut in the Second brigade. New light thrown at last upon the regiment's being mustered out. They are to leave tomorrow.

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25th—Forty-three of our brave comrades start for home. We are now left without an officer. Lieutenant Dickinson, of the 118th New York Volunteers, assigned to the command of the detachment temporarily. We still hold the colors and our organization. We all find it hard to part with our old chums.

26th—March at 6:00 a. m. about two miles to the rear and cook rations. Know nothing of what we are to do. Colonel Cullins tries to take our colors from us. Sergeant Pierce takes them to General Butler, who tells us that we can keep them at present. Hear had news from Alick. Drunkenness.

27th—Take up the line of march at 4:30 a. m. and about 3:00 p. m. form a line of battle just through the woods of Fair Oaks and charge upon the rebel works under galling fire. The charge fails and we are nearly all killed, wounded or taken prisoners. Twenty-six of my regiment taken. March to Richmond at once. About 300 taken from our corps.

28th—Our names are taken on the upper floor of the Pemberton prison, where we are to be lodged for the present. Our greenbacks and canteens are also taken. Get rations at 10:00 a. m. and at 4:00 p. m. They consist of a small piece of corn cake (or corn meal and water) and a very small piece of meat for breakfast, piece of brown and a half pint of bean soup for supper. Just about half enough to quench hunger.

29th—A few prisoners put into our building. Several squads are lodged in Libby during the day. Some of our keepers begin to show some of their fiendish Southern natures by kicking four innocent men and then drawing their revolvers on them for remonstrating.

30th—Take charge of the room and of distributing the rations. All quiet so far in our prison. Busy ourselves by looking down upon the almost desolate streets of Richmond. The sick are examined about 12:00 m. A call is made for shoemakers and mechanics of all kinds.

31st—Have 205 men on our floor. Things the same from day to day. All we can do is to walk the floor and form new acquaintances. Many of the men are coming down with the chills. Imprisonment is hard where one is shut up in a room like hogs in a pen.

November 1st—Feel rather unwell. Have a little hubbub about the rations. Adopt a more stringent rule about issuing. Have heard no grumbling since. The boys feel well generally and are in much better spirits than one could expect.

2nd—About 6:00 p. m. draw two days' rations and lay down to rest as best we can to await the motion of our royal keepers. Anything for a change, although for the worse, is almost desirable. Most of the boys keep up excellent spirits. We expect to go south.

3rd—Routed about 2:00 a. m. and hustled into the streets. March at once to the cars and pile in, 62 into a car. Crowded almost to suffocation. Get under way about 4:00 a. m. and ride all day. Never saw such rail-roading before. Two guards at the door and some upon the top of the cars.

4th—Still aboard of these horrible cars. Run out of rations. The codfish makes us all very thirsty. Prices along the route tremendously high. It takes a basketful of money to get a pocketful of grub. Remain all night in an open field near Greenboro. Suffer terribly for it is very cold. Very hungry.

5th—Take the cars early and resume our tedious journey. This is our second day without rations of any kind. Reach Salisbury about 5:00 p. m. and enter the pen at dark. Cold and rainy. Hear terrible stories of our new home. Robbing and plundering going on all night. Blankets and caps stolen.

6th—Organize the men into squads of 100 each. We are the Tenth division. I have charge. Sergeants of divisions have plenty to eat and were it not for the human suffering outside one might enjoy themselves hugely. Draw the first rations for four days.

7th—It is absolutely horrible to witness the dead cart with its load of dead piled up in tiers like wood. They are taken out and piled into a large hole. Thousands are already just upon the brink of the grave.

8th—It is dreadful to hear the coughing these cold, rainy nights. Only three men from a squad are allowed to go at once for wood, so the poor fellows suffer dreadfully for fires. Some have no shoes nor stockings, without cap or coat.

9th—No pen can write or tongue express the suffering in this camp. The men are actually starved to death. But little pains is taken to clean the camp. The tents are in sufficient to accommodate all. Some make mud houses while others, too weak, crawl under houses.

10th—The men are being fed better now than previous. It is uncertain how long it will last. Saw one man whose head was literally covered with scabs and every hair standing on end. Covered completely with mites and lice.

11th—Our soup is made with rice and water without salt. There is but little nourishment in it. Draw rice once for my division, ten pints for a hundred men. If the men had salt they could make better soup than they draw.  
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# A HUSBAND'S IDEA

A TRUE STORY.

He is a locomotive fireman. Eight hours of each day, six days a week, he shovels coal into the hungry maw of a mallet type locomotive. He works! One evening he dashed into the Appliance Sales Room of a Public Service Company and accosted the Clerk with a volley of excited interrogations:

"Is this a washin' machine?" "How soon can you get it up to my house?" was his next question. "How much does it cost?" was his third question, launched as he pulled a roll of bills from his grimy pocket.

"Be sure you get it up there tomorrow," were his directions as he commenced to dash out just as he had dashed in.

"By the way," spoke up the Clerk, "Better let me show you how to operate this machine; it runs by electricity, you know."

"Oh! It runs by electricity, eh?" returned the fireman.

"Yes," replied the Clerk. "Isn't your home wired?"

"No. How long will it take to do that?" anxiously.

"Just a few days," stated the Clerk, rather perplexed.

"How much will that cost?" queried the fireman, again pulling the roll from his pocket.

"Can't say exactly until we look over your house."

"Well, can't you tell me now? I want to pay cash for it. I'll be on the road all the rest of the week and I want to pay for it now."

The fireman, nervously but satisfiedly resigned himself and said: "Well, get those wires in and get that washin' machine up and work in sooner than's possible."

The Clerk was indeed in a quandary. Washing machine sales did not happen that way very frequently. He did not know for a minute whether the moucy was phony, or if to expect a brass buttoned, blue coated keeper to rush in the door, grab his customer by the collar and say "Come on, Napoleon, you are needed at the front."

"Just a minute, brother," the Clerk implored. "This is rather unusual. People do not ordinarily come in-as you did and want a washing machine in such a hurry. May I ask what the reason is?"

"Well, I'll tell ya. I'm a rail-road fireman. I work like H—, eight hours every day, six days every week. Tuesday's the day I lays off, and every time I comes home Monday night my old woman yells about the washin' she done that day. Says she's all worn out. I tells her she don't know what work is—that she ought to get out and shovel coal into the stummick of that Chorus girl engine of mine once an' she would know what work was. Well, she called my bluff an' told me if I thought washin' wasn't work to try it myself some day."

"And," he added—"today's the day I done the washin'!"

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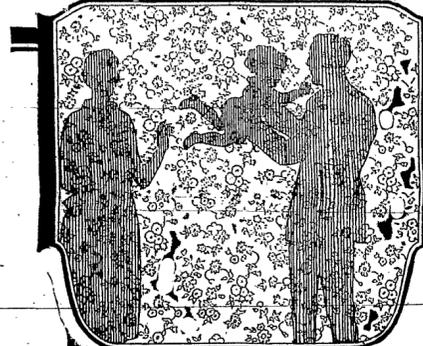
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### FINDS MANY OF THEM ALL THROUGH NORTHERN NEW YORK

The Plattsburg Press says: "The arrival of the retiring ambassador to Great Britain, Frank B. Kellogg, and the fact that Mr. Kellogg will one week today assume the duties of the 15th office of Secretary of State in President Coolidge's cabinet, will recall to many the important part played by his strain from which he comes in the history of Northern New York.

Lieutenant Joseph Kellogg, who was the first of the line to settle in America, was born in Braintree, England, in 1626, and followed the trade of weaver. It might be said in passing that the name has ever since been woven into some of the stirring events in the history of the North Atlantic seaboard. We find that in 1651 Joseph had settled in Connecticut, at Farmington, on a farm called "Nod Land." Regardless of the name of his farm Joseph soon demonstrated that he did not come from the "Land of Nod" and in 1657 we begin to find that he has taken his stride and started to "grow up with the country." He was taking his part in public affairs such as they were, and a couple of years later we learn that he has purchased for one hundred and forty pounds sterling a home in Boston. This is said to be at the present time one of the most valuable pieces of property in Boston and is partly covered by the Advertiser building on Washington street. Having sold his Boston property Joseph went to Hadley, Mass., where he maintained a ferry between that place and Northampton, where President Coolidge goes home to vote. Joseph Kellogg gained his title of lieutenant as commander of the Hadley troops in the Indian fights.

Of Joseph Kellogg's thirteen children nine grew to manhood and womanhood. John Kellogg, a grand son of Lieutenant Joseph Kellogg, was a soldier in the French and Indian war and later participated in the Revolution, serving at the battle of Lexington and at the capture of Dorchester Heights. He was also at the capture of Ticonderoga. Another grandson, Daniel Kellogg, participated in the unfortunate expedition against Quebec by Benedict Arnold and a member of the family, Elijah (or Elias) Kellogg followed close upon the heels of Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold at the capture of Ticonderoga.

Those were the days which would have delighted Theodore Roosevelt. Families of nine or ten were common and there was nothing surprising in twenty, it is small wonder that we find the Kelloggs plentifully sprinkling the faces of the new country, and all of them taking an active part in the making of it.

Coming to the New York Kelloggs we find that Stephen Kellogg, son of Joseph Kellogg, followed his trade of weaver in Westfield, Mass., where he died in 1722 and where his tombstone now stands. Stephen Kellogg was the father of eleven children of whom we are told that the eldest moved back to Hadley. One of his sons was Dea Kellogg of whom the new Secretary of State is a direct descendant. Dea Kellogg fought at the siege of Louisburg. After his death the family of nine children moved to Pennsylvania and were among those who suffered the horrors of the Wyoming massacre. Elijah, the fifth of these, was captured by the Indians but escaped, later taking part in the capture of Ticonderoga, as previously mentioned. After the Revolution Elijah settled at Elizabeth, Essex County. Of his ten children, William, the third son, was the grandfather of the Secretary of State. His son, Asa Farnsworth Kellogg, was born at Elizabeth town, but moved to Potsdam where his son, the former ambassador to Great Britain was born in 1856.

The line of Joseph Kellogg's progeny leads directly down to our own Kelloggs of Clinton county of which family Hor. H. T. Kellogg, associate judge of the Appellate Division, is an honored member. Daniel Kellogg, the great grandfather of Hon. H. T. Kellogg, of Ticonderoga fame, moved by Champlain where he died in 1848. His son Lorenzo Kellogg was the father of the late Supreme Court Justice S. A. Kellogg, and grandfather of the present Judge Kellogg. The late Dr. D. S. Kellogg of Plattsburgh, was a member of the Vermont branch of Joseph Kellogg's descendants.

It is understood that Warren county members of the family are planning a reunion of the Kelloggs in honor of the new Secretary of State and as near as we can learn from the genealogy of Northern New York families it should be a distinguished gathering of typical Americans.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS

The following letters are unclaimed at the Potsdam office: Santa Conk on, Lawrence Collins, H. Casky, Mrs. Vilas Dishaw, H. E. Duffy, Frederick Shaw Easton, Jr., M. D. Hoover, G. D. House, Violet Hooper, Lindsay Hutt, Mrs. Linsey Hutt, George Kramer, O. J. Kellogg, Grace Larden, Jose Love, Stanley MacDonold, Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacGill, Mrs. Iva Martin, Mrs. C. H. Rexford, Mrs. Ida Rison, Mrs. Edna Robinson, Geo. Snickles, Thomas Williams, Floyd Yonjo.

### RECEPTION WAS POOR

Little Heard Locally Of Inauguration On The Radio

Broadcasting of the inauguration ceremonies at Washington last Wednesday was not received successfully in this village. Rural residents outside the village limits received the description of the event and the speeches clearly and distinctly. About forty broadcasting stations were hooked up for the work, the station found best in reception locally being WGY of Schenectady.

The trouble experienced locally of home made and regenerative sets was due to the attempts of owners of home made and regenerative sets to tune in the inauguration. These sets filled the atmosphere with squeaks and howls which made it impossible for even the best six tube sets to receive with any degree of clarity the best they could do being to catch a few words here and there between squalls. Of course the members of the Caterwall Club were unable to get anything themselves, but they likewise prevented anybody else from doing so.

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# LIFE IN A REBEL PRISON

### DESCRIBED BY SERGT. BENSON IN CIVIL WAR DAIRY

The Courier and Freeman presents another instalment of the dairy kept by the late Orlando P. Benson, of Massena, while he was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War. He enlisted in the 92nd New York Volunteer Regiment when 19 years of age and was sent to the training camp at Potsdam in October 1861, leaving here in February for the front. He was made a corporal in the 92nd later being promoted to sergeant. In this installment he tells of a pet dog being butchered and eaten by prisoners in Salisbury prison where he and many other Union soldiers celebrated Christmas and his 22nd birthday in prison. Men die in an average of about 40 a day.

12th—There is great deal of gambling going on. One good thing about this camp there are no drunken men seen. Some pies and ginger bread are smuggled in and sold. Three cakes for \$5 and pies \$5 apiece. Salt \$5 a pint.

13th—This is a strange Sunday indeed. It seems as though we might have preaching. Doubtless there are preachers here that have been prisoners among that crowd. There are citizens here that have been prisoners for three years.

14th—Very quiet. Twenty-five die during the night. Turn in with a new blanket by the name of William Summers, of the 27th Michigan Volunteers. He appears to be a fine fellow and has two blankets. Several sergeants take a parole of honor.

15th—Have one man go to hospital from my division. Rumors of an exchange soon. Get my socks washed. Weather begins to look bad. It looks as though it might rain tomorrow.

16th—Weather very pleasant. Sixteen dead bodies taken out in the lead cart this morning. It is horrible to see the manner in which the dead are handled. They are thrown into the dead wagon, drawn out and dumped in a hole all in a pile.

17th—Fights among the men occur, daily. A dreadful quarrel occurred today in which knives were used. Two sergeants in this room were wounded, one on the head and the other on the leg.

18th—Have a man die from my division. The boys are all in a turmoil about exchange. No wonder the poor fellows are anxious. They are nearly all starved.

19th—Rains nearly all day. Very cold. This day will be the last to many a poor fellow. The dead house will be full tomorrow morning. Terrible. Terrible.

20th—Sixteen men carried out in the dead cart. A very cold rain commences just dark. Many a poor man will number this night as his last. Draw nothing but soup and meal for my division. Men getting pretty hungry. One man tied up and whipped.

21st—Eighteen men dead this morning. Rained hard all night and bids fair for a rainy day. It is dreadful to see the poor men wandering around in the mud with nothing to eat or to wear, and scarcely able to move. They jump at a crust like a dog for a bone. More men get away. Some few escape. One or two are shot.

22nd—Still cold and rainy. Thirty eight men died during the night. Have a sprinkle of snow. Men suffer beyond description. It seems impossible that a single man can live to get out of this hole. Mud half frozen on ankle deep. Nothing warm but about two gills of poor soup. Major Moffit tries to buy greenbacks.

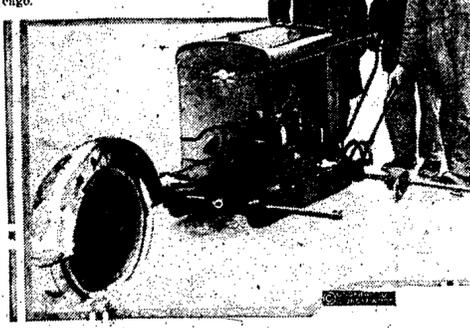
23rd—Thirty seven men carried out. The men are dying at a rapid rate. Have one man killed and two wounded by a shot from a guard inside. A man's life here is of but little value. Weather a little more moderate but still very cold for the men with no food.

24th—Thanksgiving once more. A strange one indeed. Weather cold and raw. Thirty five dead men. Mud thaws out during the day and freezes during the night. Orders for the 68th North Carolina regiment to leave for Wilmington. Have 639 men in my division. Strict orders about the wood.

25th—Great excitement. The men undertake to break out but are repulsed. They kill four guards, take quite a number of guns. The camp is lined in ten minutes with old seeds. Thirteen of our men killed and 59 wounded. See a cowardly act by one of the guards by sticking his bayonet through a dead man's head. Two shots fired from a cannon.

# Gathering Ice Crop of the Lakes

During the cold weather the few men now remaining busy harvesting the crop of natural ice, especially on the lakes near the larger cities. The illustration shows a motor ice cutter and its crew on Lake Wolf near Chicago.



Gone! Gone! Eternity!

28th—Twenty six men dead. Reduced to quarter rations. Men will starve in one month. It seems as though the major intended killing every man in camp. Doubtless this is for the purpose of getting men to enlist in their army. Nothing too bad for this cursed Confederacy.

29th—Sure enough they go to recruiting. Three hundred and seventy five men go out to everlasting shame and ruin. Nothing but actual starvation causes the men to go out. Ten go from my division. Chimney in the big building falls down, killing several. It buries them in a mass of brick and timbers.

30th—Weather very pleasant. This is good for the men. Get our half loaf of bread once more. The men are so reduced that they attempt to dig into the bakery. Doubtless the whole camp will suffer for the act. Justice is a stranger to Major Gee.

December 1.—Down again to our one quarter of a loaf in consequence. Men fight among themselves. Fearfully. Broils occur momentarily. There are a set of "muggers" as we call them, that watch for those who have money. It costs some their lives. Murder is not infrequent.

2nd—Forty two in the dead house. Rumors of an attack on this place by Kirby. Guardsmen strict. Boys get a fiddle and have a stag dance in the evening. Those who danced seemed to enjoy it much. Have a few songs, six dozen apples and break up. Have three men captured in Tennessee assigned to my division.

3rd—Our pet little dog was last night butchered for food. He was fat and handsome and the men could resist the temptation no longer. The vice president of this great Confederacy passed through this place today. Did not see him.

4th—Rumors that Gen. Bradley Johnson is coming to take command of the troops to be collected. Our little dog has certainly been eaten. Another historical item. Pass a law to stop all trading of bread in this house.

5th—The long looked for 5th has come but with it no exchange of the sick. Two thousand six hundred and fifty prisoners, died up to tonight since the 16th of September. This includes 25 shot and quite a number killed by the murderers. Horrible indeed.

6th—Have 294 men assigned to my division making me now 890 men. They are completely stripped. Recruiting going on again. Four hundred and six men go out to battle for this accursed Confederacy. Shame on the weakhearted who can not endure hardships for their country's sake.

7th—Rain. Another hard time at hand for these poor men. Many will die before this storm is over. The 68th regiment goes to Weldon. No man allowed out of his tent after dark. Several shot. Human life is but of little value among these ruffians.

8th—Still rainy. No tents got for my new men. Rebel papers fearful of Sherman. They realize their danger and call for all citizens to go to the front.

9th—A terrible night for the men. It is now snowing. Snow three inches deep. God only knows the suffering in this camp. Looks like winter in earnest. Many a poor fellow will freeze tonight.

10th—Thirtyseven dead. Snow still on. Thaws a little during the day and freezes at night. Some of the men freeze their toes and fingers. Men suffer immensely. Thoughts of home and the dear ones there are frequent.

11th—Strange Sabbath indeed. Thaws just enough to make it terribly muddy. Commences to freeze about 3:00 p. m. Snow still on. Very sloppy. Rumors that we are to be sent to Columbia.

12th—General Winde inspects the camp. Makes some inquiries after the leaders of the break. Went very tedious. It seems impossible that a single man could survive. In case of another break we are all to be shot. Heartless wretches.

bread. One half pound of bread to last a man 24 hours. Small allowance indeed. Go to the railroad for our wood. Go down to the regiment and have a little chat with the boys.

15th—Camp very muddy. Men are dying off fast. We are now living high. That is we sergeant majors. It is quite interesting to see the toys manufactured by the boys. Our imprisonment seems to call out genius.

16th—Some are contemplating a plan to escape. Most that have attempted it have been brought back without punishment. Some are recaptured within but a few miles of our own camp. Doubt hard must seem the imprisonment of such.

17th—Weather growing warmer. Mud is drying up fast. The band serenades Major Gee close to the yard. This is the first music that has struck the ears of many in months. They play mostly rebel airs.

18th—Have a severe headache. Fear I am going to be sick. Sickness is bad enough at home with the tender care of a mother and sisters to nurse but what can it be here when the care is a kick with nothing but frozen mud for a bed.

19th—Still have a headache. Four make their escape together with the officer of the guard. They are Sergt. Charles Thurston, Messrs. Davis, Richardson and Brown. All through newspaper correspondence. I hope they will get through and let the North know of our sufferings.

20th—Weather turns cold. The death knell of many. Trade pants and get a very fine pair of dark blue ones for my old ones and \$8 Confederate. Consolation broken up. The prisoners here are soon to be sent to Columbia, S. C.

21st—Draw molasses, or sorghum as it is called here. Weather turning cold. Men dying off rapidly. To the great satisfaction of the rebels. Old Captain and Mercer make their escape through cookhouse.

22nd—News of the capture of Savannah. Weather very cold. Men suffer dreadfully but die without a struggle. They die by inches. Their life seems to be entirely gone before their breath leaves them. They die like one sinking into a quiet slumber. No mortal can describe the sufferings here.

23rd—Draw potatoes and turnips. Weather still very cold. Men dying at the rate of 40 per day. Some actually freeze to death. Humanity should veil her face and weep before the cruelty practiced here. Friends at home know nothing about it nor never can know.

24th—Have two men in Sixth squadron of my division actually freeze to death. Flinn, of the 98th New York Volunteers, dies of cholera. Have 16 men from the 12th Kentucky cavalry assigned to my division. Have dancing and singing in the evening. Have some as good singers as one needs to hear.

25th—Dull Christmas indeed for us poor unfortunate beings. No turkey nor fat suppers for us. All we can do is to think of the merry times they are having at home. We must be reconciled to our lot and hope for the future good times coming.

26th—Generals Johnson and York inspect the camp. Catholics are taken out. Some say they are to be put into a Louisiana regiment. If so this is nothing more or less than forcing men into service through the influence of the church.

27th—Down again on half rations. Two months ago today since I was captured. Two months is quite enough to spend in this Confederacy. God only knows how much longer we may have to spend here. Joseph McBride, sergeant of the wood squad, makes his escape.

28th—This is my 22nd birthday. Eighteen birthdays at home three in the service and one as a prisoner of war. May this be my last as a prisoner. It may be my last upon earth. None but the great God in heaven knows. Weather damp.

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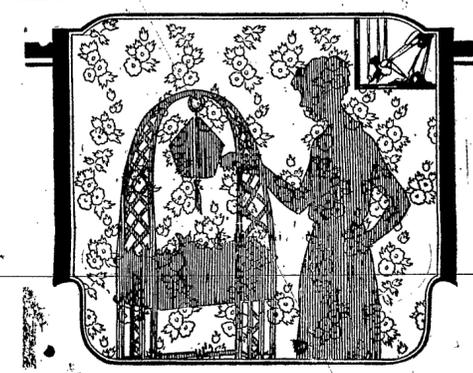
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31st—The old year closes in a snow storm. Some 40 poor fellows are this morning numbered with the silent dead. They have gone just a few hours before the old year.

(To be continued)

# ARE RELEASED FROM PRISON

### DEATH SENTENCE IS IMPOSED ON ONE OF GANG OF "MUGGERS"

The Courier and Freeman this week presents another installment of the diary kept by the late Orlando P. Benson, while he was soldier in the Union army during the Civil war. In this installment he tells of the rumors of an exchange of prisoners. The muggers' reign of terror is at last brought to an end. The happiest days of Sergeant Benson's life arrive when he and others are paroled and start north.

January 1st, 1865—The old year has bid us adieu forever and still we are in this horrible pen. No pleasures of any kind for us. We can only think of our dear young ones at home and wish we were there. Do they ever think of us? Weather very cold. Mud freezes hard.

2nd—Weather very bad. Some portions of the yard are six inches deep of the worst kind of mud. Many of the men are having their feet amputated on account of their being frozen. It is horrible to see the flesh completely rotted off the bones.

3rd—Still very muddy with more rain. One man whose both feet were taken out in the dead cart yesterday was today taken out in the same wagon. Horrible.

4th—One year ago today I re-enlisted but for that I might have been at home now instead of here. But I must not regret it although the fortunes of war have gone against me. Weather fine but very muddy. We in here are having very pleasant times and but for the most vast amount of suffering outside might enjoy ourselves.

5th—Rains considerably. Yard very muddy. Frank from the cookhouse makes his escape. Busy ourselves manufacturing bone trinkets. Commence an 18th corps badge. When not engaged in this way we ply checkers and chess. Draw salt beef.

6th—Very rainy. Mud knee deep in places. Seven men from a squadron for wood. Men are dying off fast. Average about 30 per day. Sell my gold penholder for \$30.

7th—Rumors of exchange. The men grasp at the slightest story and the most absurd lie and make it the general topic of conversation until some other rumor is started. Weather quite cold. Mud froze up. Trains pressed to go to Wilmington. Only four men allowed from a squadron for wood.

8th—Oh dear. I wish I was at home to attend church. Shall I ever be? I sometimes think I shall never see home again. But I must keep up and good spirits. I have given up in despair. Good luck to the end. Weather very bad.

9th—Yard very muddy. Men do not seem to die as rapidly as usual. Probably the cause is the decrease in

the number in the camp. The dead are most shamefully stripped of even their drawers and shirts.

10th—Very rainy. Clears off about 4:00 p. m. and turns cold. Rumors flying briskly of an exchange. News of Thomas' capture of 50 pieces of artillery from Hood. Manufacture a toothpick with my jackknife. Make two tools for the house. Enjoy our selves very agreeably.

11th—All anxiously awaiting the news of the meeting of the two commissioners of exchange in Richmond, Va. Thirty-two dead. The men bother us to death flanking trying to draw double rations. My division has gone from 924 to 696, which is my number tonight.

12th—Very pleasant. Mud drying up fast. Purchase a gold pen for \$10 Confederate money. Ross is on sergeant of the guard and is in here half of the time. Lays himself liable to court martial.

13th—Pleasant. Fire in town. Great loss to the government. Great excitement caused by the rumor that all us Yankees had got out and were burning the town. Citizens left the fire and rushed up to our prison with guns in their hands. Fire originated from a shoe shop.

14th—Men draw nothing but soup. As we all expected, they are in recruiting. Get about 90. Ninety-nine Catholics taken out and 100 men to work on the railroad. Butler, of my Fourth squadron, goes out with the Catholics. Account of fire. Loss to the government, about \$82,000. Twenty-six galvanized Yankees sent back from their rans.

15th—Another Sunday in camp. As noisy as usual. Learn that all Catholics taken out are expected to go into the army. Worse than actual conscription.

16th—Weather pleasant. Rumors that Fort Fisher, off Wilmington, is captured. The spirits of the men are good, considering. Enlisting about played out. Seventy-six men that enlisted sent back to pay the penalty of one law. Take ten of them into my division.

17th—Weather still pleasant but cold. Have a general count. Fall off nine men. Draw but half rations of men for the division. Several Maryland doctors come to find acquaintances. Dr. McGill, chief surgeon at Richmond. He has a son chief surgeon in Lee's army.

18th—Very pleasant. All who have sufficient strength and life are busy exercising by walking upon the square. The market is crowded with anything from a pin and a chew of tobacco to chickens at \$10 apiece.

19th—The men are wild with excitement and joy over the news from Major Gees that we are all to be exchanged within a month. Glorious if true, for a prisoner. The rebels take a gloomy view of Wilmington. All seem to think it must fall.

20th—Pleasant. Sole topic of conversation throughout the yard is of exchange. And who can blame the poor fellows? Here they are guarded by guards who delight in shooting them and actually dying by inches. The Bill's tunnel opened but discovered.

21st—Morning dawns cold and rainy. The trees are covered with ice half an inch thick. Large limbs break off endangering the men. Old Riley and little Frank have a fight. No news from Wilmington.

22nd—Another Sabbath in the Confederacy. Weather cold and very disagreeable. Sleet on the trees nearly thawed off. Old Crazy-Louis with us nearly all day. Read an excellent speech by Mr. Dick, senator of North Carolina, urging negotiations for peace. Men suffer much. My division numbers 651 men.

23rd—Very muddy. Leak takes report from the squadron sergeant thinking to get us into a trap, but fails beautifully. Has an increase of 50 men. Hear that the Catholics have all gone into the rebel army. Pay \$10 for 16 sweet potatoes and two pounds of fresh beef.

24th—Cold and muddy. Rumors of an armistice for 90 days. Credit en

ough given it to set the boys on tip-toe. Have an onion soup for dinner. Hilby and Lurchin eat with us.

25th—Have a very rigid general count with guards. One man fired at but missed. The bullet hit our house for all their caution some 300 or 400 'lank. Weather cold. Number falls to 109. My division loses 18. I now have 621 men. Guess the armistice is a hoax.

26th—A negro killed by one of the muggers. He was stabbed in the hospital in cold blood. I hope the doer of the deed will be brought to punishment. His name is Turner. This is not his first crime here.

27th—Weather pleasant but cold. I'm very anxious about exchange. Have a general count. Gain two men. The name of Sherman is a terror to the whole Southern Confederacy.

28th—A small mail comes for us prisoners. Men crazy to know if there is a letter for them. What a blessing is a frequent letter from home and dear ones left behind. Can get no word from home nor the regiment.

29th—Sabbath again, with unusual quietness. We can listen to the holy spirit of church bells summoning the people to the house of God, but none for us. We can but think of home and friends there. Home! Home!

30th—No word issued to the men. 'Tis a bitter cold night and the men must suffer dreadfully. Exchange still the topic of conversation. Negroes to be taken out tomorrow.

31st—All able-bodied negroes are taken out, some say to work on fortifications and others, to be exchanged. It is thought they are to be sent to Columbia, S. C. Four men sent from Wilmington from the Tenth corps, I learn from them that the 7th and 18th corps are consolidated and called the 24th army corps. General Ames in command. Weather satisfactory.

Learn that the exchange of all prisoners is turned over to General Grant. The men have great hopes of getting out of this "hell upon earth" alive. But alas, many a poor fellow must fall, not in battle as all would prefer, but as dumb cattle far away from home and dear ones, shut out completely from the outer world.

February 1st—Muggers robbed a man last night of some \$700. Makes quite a stir in camp. By the sanction of Major Gees six of them are taken out. All hope they will be hung. This system of plundering and murdering is about done. They have ruined this camp quite long enough.

2nd—Weather dull and heavy. Boys start a game of baseball. Nothing doing as yet with our criminals. Have a meeting to appoint our officers for a court-martial. Are now awaiting the orders of Major Gees. Think one if not more will have to swing. Justice demands it.

3rd—A slight mist falls. Not enough to make it muddy but very slippery. Henry quite sick. Lose by death my Ninth squadron sergeant. Desmond very sick. Barker goes to hospital. He is quite sick.

4th—Two citizens buying greenbacks by rebel authority. Meet considerable opposition. Run up as high as \$50 for one. Script as high as \$15. All seem to be fast losing faith in the Confederacy. "Peace! Peace!" is all the talk. Nothing about the muggers.

5th—Sunday. Weather pleasant. Nothing of importance transpires. Ball playing going on although it is the Holy Sabbath so devoutly respected-at-home. This is wrong. Why cannot we keep it as sacred here as there?

6th—Call a court-martial for the trial of the muggers. It consists of 13 members. Howe, or "Faddy," the first one brought before us. Pleads not guilty. Listen all day to evidence. Come to no final decision. Adjourn.

7th—Reassemble the court. Sentence the accused to be hanged by the neck until he is dead. Send the sentence to General Johnson for his consent to its being executed. Adjourn. Turner, the ring leader of the gang, makes his escape. Things still undecided. Justice must be dealt in some shape.

8th—Nothing done further by the court. We now await the consent of the general commanding. All belonging to the band of muggers feel and act rather shaky. The camp is very quiet. No fighting, stabbing or shrieks of murder are now to be heard. The weak as well as the strong can now walk about in safety.

9th—Nothing more done. Weather bad. Snow still on the ground. Rumors of exchange quite brisk.

10th—Weather still pleasant. Nothing done yet with the muggers. Send a letter from the court to Major Gees. Mail comes. R. J. Walker. Rumor that clothing for the prisoners is on the road from Richmond. Officers from Danville sent to distribute them.

11th—The divisions to be consolidated. Appointments made outside. There are to be five divisions of well men and one of sick. I am to take charge of the sick division. Weather pleasant. Fifty rebel prisoners arrive from Castle Thunder and two citizens Walker gives me a few hints.

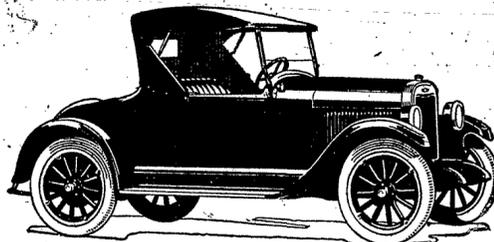
12th—Sunday. Awake to find Walker gone. He passed through the cook house in company with four others of my division. Money makes the mare go. Burnham has charge of the squad.

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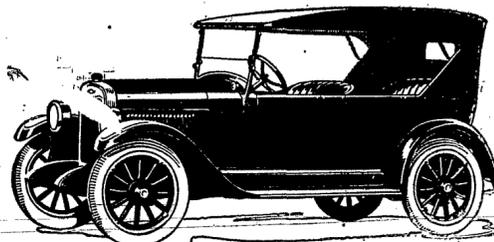
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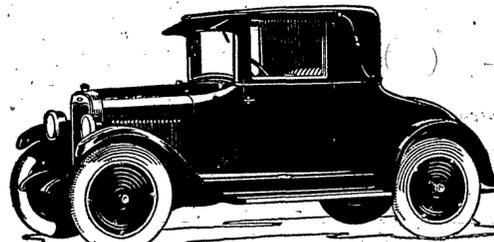
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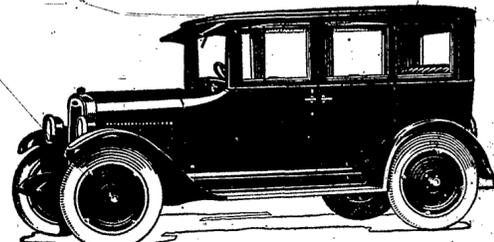
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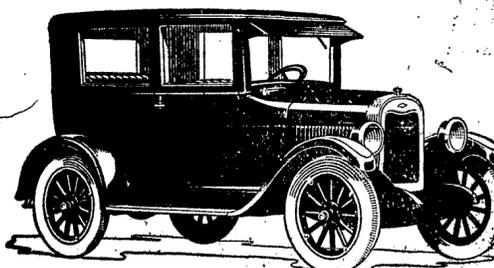
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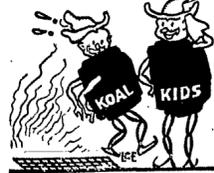
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# NEARING END OF THE WAR

### SERGEANT BENSON NOW IN A PAROLE CAMP AFTER FURLOUGH

The Courier and Freeman this week presents another installment of the diary kept by the late Orlando P. Benson, of Massena, while he was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil war. In this installment he tells of the inauguration of President Lincoln. He receives two months pay and a furlough and starts for home. The strain of his prison experience over he is taken ill soon after arriving in Massena but finally recovers and returns to the parole camp after a visit with Vermont relatives.

February 13th 1865—Our officers come in to make arrangements for the distribution of our clothing. They make Major (Fourth N. Y. C.) Capt. B. F. Porter, 39th Massachusetts; Captain Stuart, Court meets and appoints the 17th day of February for the execution.

14th—Blankets issued. Draw 310 for my division of 612. Issue them to the squads. The old guards gaze with wonderment. Tongue can never tell the joy of the men. They consider it a Godsend. Thanks to Uncle Sam.

15—Organize a vigilance court consisting of 27 members for the trial of the four remaining prisoners. Try them as a party and find them guilty. Adjourn until 9:00 a. m. tomorrow before giving the sentence.

16th—Court meets and sentences the prisoners to be secured in chains and kept in a dance-until exchanged, when they will be handed over to the proper authorities inside our lines. No clothing issued. Yard very muddy. Wood sound going out.

17th—Nothing more done about distributing the clothing. The men are now well equipped with blankets. Shirts, shoes, socks, pants and blouses are now very much needed. Exchange talk still lively. General Johnson visits the prisoners almost daily.

18th—Shirts, pants and blouses issued to the men. About one to eight men. The men feel bigger than kings with the new clothes. They are all very grateful to Uncle Sam.

19th—Sunday. Hear two sermons in the prison. One by the Rev. Methodist. Have not heard a better sermon for a long time. Exchange

considered a sure thing. 20th—Busy as bees all day in taking names and getting ready to leave his God-forsaken hole. Sick to go tonight. Sick seem well, the lame leap for joy. All crazy with excitement. Two trains of prisoners pass.

21st—Eight-hundred sick passed out and paroled. Draw four days' rations during the night. Expect to leave early in the morning. These are the happiest moments of our life.

22nd—Paroled about 10:00 a. m. and started on to Greensboro afoot. Do well for awhile. March about eight miles and camp about one mile north of the Yadkin river. Commences to rain and makes it very disagreeable. Feet get blistered. Feel very stiff. Many are about played.

23rd—Start on the march early through the rain and mud. Hundreds are obliged to fall out. I myself am among the number. Go as far as Lexington and wait for the train. Concluded it cheaper to liberty instead of walking.

24th—Spend a terrible night. Part of us pile aboard the first train. By getting on and off reach Greensboro at night and camp in the woods about a mile from town.

25th—About 4:00 p. m. the rest of the men come up. We take the cars for Goldsboro. Piled about three deep on open cars. Rains quite hard. Finally taken and put into box cars that leak.

26th—Sunday. Reach Raleigh about noon and Goldsboro about 7:00 p. m. Unload and march about one mile from town to camp. Our rations have now been out two days. Boys getting pretty hungry.

27th—We are all repaired. Expect to leave tonight. Seven-hundred more prisoners come in. Assist in writing out paroles. Are now awaiting transportation.

28th—Ride all night on cars. About 10:00 a. m. are passed through the lines. We fairly jumped for joy. Cheer upon cheer rent the air from throats that have seen but little to swallow for months. Take the boats at once for Wilmington. Reach this place about 3:00 p. m. where we get rations. I fear some of the boys will eat to excess and hurt themselves. Have a good night's sleep on straw. Three times three cheers for Uncle Sam. Was sadly disappointed in not finding my regiment here as I had expressed. All the sick are well cared for. They seem to try to kill us with kindness.

March 1st—Draw rations again. Prisoners continue to come in. We have free access to the city. Are quartered in empty houses. A happier set of men never walked than we. We hope soon to leave for Annapolis, where we shall have a change of clothing and a good bath.

2nd—These are truly the happiest days of my life. Rains a little. Rations issued daily. Try to get aboard of boat but fail.

3rd—Still in Wilmington. Commence to leave aboard of transports. Fail to get aboard. Driven out of our good quarters. Go down to the depot and sleep in an old box car.

4th—President Lincoln inaugurated today. We shall soon see his news still awaiting transports. Some get away in the morning. Beginning to get tired of this place. Want a wash and a clean suit of clothes.

5th—Sunday. Are not allowed to go to church. I and Quenell take a trip out into the country to find the 142nd New York. Return without finding them. Feel pretty tired. Go up to the Soldiers' Home and take supper.

6th—Get aboard the Lady Lang and go to Fort Fisher, where we are transferred to the Charles C. Leary. There we must wait for water. A small boat is sent to Wilmington to get it. We are too much crowded.

7th—Get water and start out about 2:00 p. m. There are some 500 aboard. Our accommodations are very poor. We keep up good spirits looking for good times a coming. We get all we want to eat but have no chance of washing. Lice reign pre-

dominant. 8th—Out on the wide ocean far from land. Many of the boys are seasick, myself among the number. Sleep on deck. Rains and I get wringing wet. Weather cold and disagreeable.

9th—Round Capes Hatteras and Henry in the fog and wander about some four hours. Find ourselves in the mouth of Chesapeake Bay. Beginning to get over my seasickness.

10th—Reach Annapolis about noon. Here everything is done for us possible. Draw rations cooked and sleep in barracks. Learn that we are to get commutation money, two months' pay and a furlough of 30 days. Write to Alex. Men are washed and clothes.

11th—Draws clothing. Receive a full suit throughout and an extra change of underclothing. The boys never seemed to feel better. All are happy and gay as a lark. We feel like starved birds just loosened from our cage.

12th—Sunday, March 4. Parole camp, a distance of about two and one-half miles, where we are mustered and assigned to neatly whitewashed barracks. Men could not be treated better.

13th—Mustered for our two months' pay. Weather beautiful. All in high spirits. Purchase Verses to Paroled Prisoners from Salisbury by The Wandering Poet of New Hampshire. They are beautiful but not as bad as truth would permit.

14th—Weather beautiful. Receive \$31 commutation money. Begin to get very anxious to get home. Purchase a valise at \$4.25.

15th—Descriptive lists taken for furloughs. Sign pay rolls for our two months' pay. Expect the money and furloughs tomorrow. Purchase a cap at \$2. Remodel overcoat.

16th—Receive two months' pay and furlough. Start for Baltimore about 4:00 p. m. Reach there at 6:40 p. m. Purchase soldier's ticket to New York city at \$4.15. Start on the 8:30 train.

17th—Reach Jersey City about 7:30 a. m. Cross ferry to New York city and go to the Soldiers' Home, 50 Howard St. Purchase ticket to Albany at \$2.97. Get aboard the 8:40 train. Am now rapidly gliding up the beautiful banks of the Hudson.

18th—Reach Castlelog Station and lay over until 9:00 a. m. on account of high water. Cross over to Schoharie on the Harlem railroad, a distance of two miles. Reach Albany in a few moments.

19th—Sunday. Horrible indeed is this waiting for the cars. Put up at the Dunlop Hotel. Attend church twice. A train leaves at 11:00 p. m. I shall wait until tomorrow.

20th—Go to the provost marshal's and get my furlough endorsed as to my detention. Take the 10:00 o'clock train and ride all night.

21st—Reach Potsdam Junction about 3:30 a. m. Go to bed, get breakfast and start afoot for home. Reach home about dark, tired and wet.

22nd—Spend the day at home. Feel quite lame after my tramp. Write three letters.

23rd—Weather very pleasant. Go to town and get my valise. Have quite a chat with some of the old cuds about the village.

24th—Write to Gen. L. C. Hunt, New York city. Go with mother to Mr. Roswell Talcott's on a visit.

April 15th—Sad news for the whole nation. The assassination of our great and noble president is a severe blow. We all feel it as a personal calamity.

16th—Father takes me up to Potsdam depot. Stay up all night.

17th—Find no train leaves for the east until about noon. Take the 12:37 train.

18th—Uncle Amisa takes us up to Vergennes. Take the 2:32 train for New York. Fare to Rutland in full \$1.90. Fare from Rutland to New York \$4.90 (mil.). Ride all night.

26th—Reach New York city about 6:30 a. m. Buy ticket to Annapolis \$5.65. Reach Baltimore about 7:30 p. m. Put up at the Lloyd House all night.

27th—Leave Baltimore about 9:00 a. m. and reach Camp Parole at 11:00 a. m. Find things about the same as when I left, but not as many men. Glad to see my old prison companions.

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# LAST OF CIVIL WAR DIARY

KEPT BY LATE O. P. BENSON  
VETERAN OF THE  
WAR

The Courier and Freeman this week presents the last installment of the diary kept by the late Orsdo P. Benson, of Massena, while he was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War. He enlisted in the 92nd New York Volunteer Regiment when 19 years of age and was sent to the camp at Potsdam in October 1861 leaving here in February for the front. Sergeant Benson is promoted to first lieutenant after various assignments he is placed on the staff of General Harris at Fredericksburg, Va. The diary ends abruptly with the entry of July 27th, 1865.

May 1st, 1865—Rains and makes the camp quite muddy. Begin to get tired of soldiering now that the war is done and anxious to get home and commence operations.

2nd—Leave Camp Parole for our regiment as we suppose. So many stories flying about our being discharged that we hold a faint hope that it may be so. Reach Washington about 2:00 p. m. Take boat and reach Alexandria about 4:00 p. m.

3rd—Remain in the Soldiers' Rest all day and sleep on the floor with a crowded mass of jabbering Dutchmen.

4th—Leave Alexandria as we hope for our regiment. All that belong to the 24th and 51st corps are sent aboard of the City Point. Ride all night.

5th—Reach City Point about 2:00 p. m. Here we get aboard of the Red Jacket for Richmond, where we arrive about 5:00 p. m. Have a very pleasant trip full of interest and history. We are all lodged in dismal Libby Prison. The rebels never offered us a greater insult.

6th—Page and I make our escape and start for our regiment, but by mishap take the wrong side of the river, travel seven miles get shipwrecked and return to Richmond to try again.

7th—Take an early start. March ten miles with our heavy valises in the hot sun and get tired out. Hire two horses of a Mr. Corbett and reach the regiment about 1:00 p. m. Glad indeed are we to once more see the old boys. Some of them we cannot reach, but never mind.

8th—Fix my tent. Feel very satisfied with my regiment. Some few of the officers have been intro-

duced to me. They are all most very young and pretty wild.

9th—Enter upon duty. Take part in my first dress parade for seven months. Rains considerable.

10th—Pleasant. Have battalion drill.

11th—Rains quite hard just dark. Have a short conversation with Alick. I fear his promotion will ruin him but to speak to him would be of no use.

12th—Major goes to Richmond and back. Makes a set of chess.

13th—Have no drill on account of inspection. Have a game of baseball.

14th—Sunday. Inspection. Attend church in the afternoon.

15th—Weather very pleasant.

16th—Have a battalion drill.

17th—Have a man by the name of Turner desert off up the river.

18th—"Staid" last night with Lunt Cady at Huguenot Springs. It is about the most delightful spot I ever saw.

19th—Rains in the afternoon. Have a partial inspection by Captain Kelly of the Ninth Vermont Brigade inspecting officer.

20th—Sedden, the rebel secretary of war comes in and takes the oath of allegiance. How much suffering this man has caused our poor prisoners.

21st—Sunday. Attend church. Sermon by Mr. Smith, once a preacher in Richmond but now a retired citizen. Text: Luke 7:9.

22nd—Chaplain, Warden, and wife also Mrs. Hinds and two children come to the regiment. The major is now happy. He has all his family with him. Thunders and rains by spells all day. Companies I and H cross over to Huguenot Springs. Expects to go tomorrow.

23rd—Cross the river with five companies. Companies A and B are left.

24th—Clean camp and establish ourselves in a beautiful little cottage. This is a perfect paradise on a small scale.

25th—Major gets back from Richmond. Receive a letter from C. P. Gray.

26th—Rains hard and steady all day. Write to C. P. Gray and F. H. Hawley.

27th—Cold and still rainy. Need a fire all day. Spend the evening with First Sergeant By and Flanders of the drum corps.

28th—Sunday. Have regimental inspection. Preaching by chaplain in hall. Has a good attendance. Major and wife present. Alick and Cady go to Richmond for a time.

29th—Colonel Donough and staff with their wives make the major a visit.

30th—Very pleasant. Have no drill expect company.

31st—Alick and Cady return and worn out. I am glad I have no desire to waste my earnings and health in such foolish and corrupt ways. Receive my appointment as first lieutenant. Lieut. M. C. Harris also receives his as captain.

June 1st—Weather warm. Issue guns and equipment to the recruits.

2nd—Too warm for drill.

3rd—Captain Babcock makes a call in the evening.

4th—Sunday. Have inspection at tent church in the afternoon. Weather very rainy.

5th—Company B ordered to the railroad but the major countermands the order. Forty teamsters detailed out of the regiment and sent to Richmond.

6th—Major goes to Richmond and returns. Officers came straggling into camp about 4:00 this morning from their spree.

7th—Captain Peck of the Ninth Vermont visits the major and his family. Receive commission.

8th—Placed in temporary command of Company D during the absence of Captain Orr. Trifer put in acting quartermaster Caldwell returns to his company. Send application to be discharged by reason of promotion.

9th—Pleasant.

10th—On duty as officer of the guard.

11th—Sunday. Have company inspection.

12th—Have lady visitors. Non-commissioned officers school in the evening.

13th—Take out muster rolls for men whose time expires before the first of October. Go to Richmond.

14th—Go before the board of examination and pass. Make a few purchases in clothing and return to the regiment in the boat.

15th—Men stone the major's house and destroy his buggy. Strange how scandalous some men can act.

16th—Captain Orr returns from across the river and takes command of his company.

17th—Sunday. Go on guard.

18th—Have battalion drill in the morning at 7:00 a. m. Capture three deserters from our regiment.

19th—Lost.

20th—Battalion drill. My discharge comes from corps headquarters and am now ready to muster.

21st—Mustered with Colonel Hinds and Major Babcock by Lieutenant Horton.

22nd—Assigned to G company. Receipt for all company property. Receive orders to go to City Point.

23rd—Take canal boats to Richmond. Then take steamer to City Point and get here about 8:00 p. m.

24th—Detailed as assistant provost marshal.

25th—Receipt for property as provost marshal.

26th—One day behind time.

27th—Arrest five persons. Issue about 700 rations to the poor. Commence pay rolls of my company.

28th—Work on pay rolls. Make and send monthly return and description list of deserters.

29th—Very busy all day. Issue 700 rations. The 18th New York Volunteers tear down a sutler store.

30th—Complete my rolls. Have several claims for property made. Mustered by Captain Buckman.

July 1st—Draw horse and saddle.

2nd—Ride with Alick to Point of Rocks. Commence to make out new pay rolls. Have a terrible time.

3rd—Finish the hurry of my business. Alick again rooms with me.

4th—Ride out with Lieutenant Cady. Troops paraded to hear Declaration of Independence read by the adjutant.

5th—Gather up all my unemployed negroes and set them to cleaning up.

6th—Make out my quarterly return of ordinance. Have about 100 darkies sweeping.

7th—From what I hear, and I fear it is too true, Alick has been on a spree which cost him a great deal of money.

8th—Tremendous hot. Make five promotions in my company. Alick is pretty well intoxicated. What a pity that so smart a young man of his intellect should thus throw himself away.

9th—Sunday. Attend church. The 37th Illinois comes to relieve us—very unexpectedly. Know not where we are to go.

10th—Turn over my provost marshal's property to Captain Samuel Gilmore of the 39th.

11th—We are now fully relieved and waiting to start to Culpepper, Va.

12th—Go aboard and start for Richmond about 12:30. Take cars and ride all night. First train north on the O. and A. railroad since the war.

13th—Reach Culpepper about 5:00 p. m. Camp out. It seems old-fashioned.

14th—Quarter in buildings. Colonel goes to Fredericksburg to get instructions. Have some trouble with the cavalry. Go on as officer of the guard.

15th—Weather very cool and agreeable. Draw and issue clothing to my company.

16th—Sunday. Colonel gets back. Have parade. Receive an order from General Devans detaching me on the staff of General Harris at Fredericksburg.

17th—Take the 4:00 o'clock train for Alexandria. Reach there about 8:00 p. m. Far for myself and servant \$6.

18th—Take the 7:00 a. m. boat for Bill Pains. Fare \$4. Take stage and reach Fredericksburg about 2:00 a. m. Put up at the Shakespeare House.

19th—Have nothing to do but look about.

20th—Begin to get a little acquainted.

21st—Very warm indeed.

22nd—Sunday. Attend the Baptist church with the general in the morning.

23rd—Go to Richmond on the 4:00 p. m. train. Put up at Judge Lafton's with Lieutenant Trifer and Captain Orr.

24th—Draw pay on final statements \$364. Get an ambulance and ride with Captain Orr over the old battle ground of Fair Oaks.

25th—Take the 5:30 a. m. train and reach Fredericksburg about 9:00 a. m.

26th—Lost.

27th—Very warm with shower in the evening. (The End)

Just why the diary ended so abruptly with the entry of July 27th Mr. Benson's family cannot answer. Possibly he thought it of no use to keep it longer inasmuch as the war was over and his release from the army only a few weeks away. So far as can be learned he never kept a diary after that.

### CHURCH NOTES

First Church of Christ, Scientist, will hold the following services, corner Main Street and Pierpont Ave.: Wednesday Testimonial Meeting at 8 p. m.; Sunday Lessons, 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10 a. m. The Reading Rooms are open to the public every week day afternoon from 3 until 5.

Baptist Church, Alban H. McKnight Minister. Prayer service tonight at 7:30. Morning worship at 10:30 next Sunday. Sermon subject, "My Persuasion." Junior Church and Bible School at the usual hours. Christian Endeavor at 6:45. Miss Russell leader. Evening worship at 7:30. A union farewell service. Mr. Sill in charge. There will be several short addresses, several special music numbers by the choir, and a closing message on "Life to the Full" by the pastor. The pastor will preach at South Cotton, weather and roads permitting, next Sunday afternoon at 1:30 sharp. Come early. Also at Hannawa Falls at 2:45. A farewell message at both places.

Universalist Church, Rev. O. F. Alford, Pastor, Residence 31 Elm St., Telephone 129. Services next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Sermon theme, "The Law of Victory," appropriate for Palm Sunday. S. S. 11:45 a. m. Y. P. C. U. Wednesday 7:15 p. m. in the Church parlour. Ladies Aid with Mrs. Elmer J. Murphy, 81 Elm St., Thursday 3 p. m. At Winthrop Church School 6 p. m. Evening worship 7 p. m. Ladies Aid with Mrs. L. K. Packard Wednesday afternoon. Y. P. C. U. Thursday 7:45 p. m. with Erwood Parkard. All are cordially invited to these services.

Methodist Episcopal Church, N. D. Sill, Minister. Sunday services, 10:15 a. m. Prayer service. Public worship 10:30 a. m. Palm Sunday, "The Victory of Christ." Church School at the close of this service. 3:45 p. m. Epworth League. Lena Caswell, leader. 7:30 p. m. Union service at the Baptist Church in honor of the retiring pastor, Rev. A. H. McKnight. Brotherhood meeting next Monday evening for everybody at 7:30. Midweek service Wednesday evening 7:30. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Nelson Ellenwood, 114 Market

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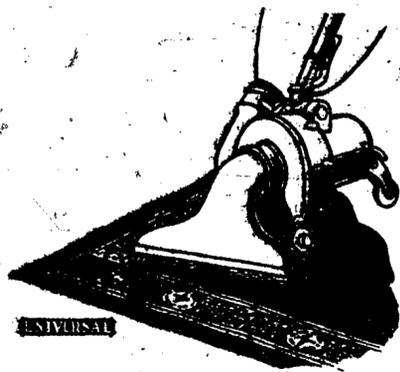
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Street, Thursday 2:30 p. m. The Mirach Bible Class will meet with Mrs. J. B. Wallings 90 Elm Street, Friday at 8:00 p. m. At the Annual Meeting of the Ladies Aid Society the following officers were elected: President, J. B. Wallings, 1st vice-president, Mrs. F. L. McCall; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Coble; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. H. C. Buckman; Secretary, Mrs. J. C. O'Brien; Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Felson.

Trinity Church, Palm Sunday, Rev. W. J. Hamilton, rector. Holy Communion 8. Church School 9:45. Choral Schola and sermon 11. Choral Evensong 5. There will be a special session and distribution of the Palm at Mid-Day service. Everyone attending this service will be given a Cross and palm to which is a symbol of One Lord's Victory on Calvary. The anthem "Praise to the Gates" setting by Sir John Stainer. The Processional Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honour to Thee Redeemer King." By Teschner. The last of the Lenten lectures will be given in Trinity Chapel on Friday evening at 7:30. Subject: The One Ministry. The sacred Catechism "Penance, Pardon and Peace" a meditation on the Cross of Our Lord's Victory on Calvary. The anthem "Praise to the Gates" setting by Sir John Stainer. April 8th at 7:00.

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# THE OLD TIME SINGING SOCIETY

AMUSEMENTS OF THE FOLKS IN THE SEVENTIES

M. S. Wallace writes Canton Plaindealer says: Early in the years of after there were few far the Brick Chapel neighborhood less than 2 to 4 year school age. During months we young people gather with some older out side the district and singing school.

The late N. O. Freeman Mills taught the school winters. They were 1 school house in the ever twice a week during Each one who joined supposed to pay \$1.00, always a large class.

Mr. Freeman as every was a large man, 6 feet and of good proportion singer and a splendid led the choir at Cray 1 for over 60 years. If some very good singers the campaign of 1876-sing campaign songs to Wheeler.

Those of us who went school and joined the used to take our dinner and stay at the school singing school.

We had such good times schools, playing games that the time passed all Then we had about tw learning to sing. After school was out if some wanted to go home with his choice he walked up rather awkward and b and if accepted as they some of us who had not careful and who had to watch, would form a k guard to see that they safely just to bother the

In those days there young people in that there was something two or three times a the winter. We though driving two or three mil or in loads to a party o ter's night when the shining bright and the was way below zero. seem to mind the cold t

Those were pleasant and the years since the ed so quickly. I often Times have changed. There are fewer young country. Sometimes I are driven out of the co too young. Is it on ce educational system? A people are beginning to the old farms. The na old families are fast that have meant so n country. They say that that a person is growi he begins to look back. I think as people grow minds become more ac it is that a good many look back on our early and think of them as t time of our lives.

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