

Wounded—Corp Richard Gasley, " " " "
 " Private James H. Myers, " " " "
 " " David B. Rider, " " " "
 " " Isaac I. Weddel, " " " "
 " " Jacob O. Sparks, " on duty, Fort H.
 " " Andrew Jackson, June 14, " " "
 " " Henry W. Morris, Jr., " " " "
 " " A. J. Silverthill, " " " "
 " " Geo. H. Nichols, " " " "
 Died from Disease—W. M. —, Ethan S. Lattin, Nov.
 " Private Henry C. Stillwell, Feb'y 14.
 " Philetus Tenter, Feb --
 Discharged—Drummer John J. Tanner, June.
 Privates—Levi L. Brooks, June; John J. Marshall, Uriah Allison, August Banther, Michael Fitzgerald, Henry Hustis, Henry Lawrence, John Sherman.
 Deserted—Edmond L. Drury, James Morris, Garret T. Bennetray, O. Willis Benuuy.
 Present aggregate.—Commissioned officers 3. Enlisted men 71. Total 74.

COMPANY E.

Killed—2d Lieut Chas. L. Van Slyke, May 27, Fort Hudson.
 " Private John Tripp, May 31, " "
 " John T. McIntyre, May 27, " "
 Wounded—Corp G. H. Woodie, May 27,
 " Private Henry Chever, May 27, " "
 " " James Muller, May 27, now on duty " "
 " " William Sitzer, " " " "
 " " Chas. Thompson, " " " "
 " " Robert Harross, " " " "
 " " John Mosher, " " " "
 " " John S. Woodard, " " " "
 " Sergt Wm H. Thompson, June 14,
 " Private Wm R. Showerman, " "
 " Elijah Kennicut, Jr., now on duty, " "
 Died from Disease.
 " Serg Wm Smith, Dec 16, '62, Quar Station, La.
 " Private Nelson S. Gott, Feb 25, " "
 Discharged—1st Lieut John W. Van Valkenburgh, Sergt. Frank J. Childs, Jan 30, 1863.
 Privates, Ezekiel P. Bates, Jan 30, Geo. Mooney, December, John Miller, Dec. Wm Ostrander, Jan 23, Thos Potts, Feb 9, Andrew M. Clark, March 2, Lambert J. Hubbel, March 2, William Doty, June 23, Charles R. Moors, June 3, 1863.
 Deserted—Privates James Calligan, September 7, Baltimore, Wm H. Fulver, Sept 8, Baltimore, Geo Tanner, Oct 7, Balt, Wm Hunt, Nov 3, Balt, Benj Rogers, Nov 4, Balt, Edward G. Garner, Nov 4, Balt, Ralph Derr, Nov 5, Balt, Isaac Webster, Nov 31, Portress Monroe, Va, James Kelley, Dec 23, Quarantine Station, La.
 Present aggregate, Commissioned Officers, 2. Enlisted men, 71. Total 73.

COMPANY F.

Killed—Private John Hughes, May 27, Fort Hudson, La.
 Isaac M. Olivett, " " "
 Wounded—Capt Arthur DeWitt, " " returned.
 " Sergt Daniel Warren, June 14, " "
 " Corp Geo. Haver, May 27, " returned.
 " Privates Lewis P. Beach, May 27, Wm Jeffers, May 27, Geo. Pollock, May 27, Elias Partington, May 27, Geo Wood, May 27, Orrin Hall, June 5th, Henry F. Wenger, June 5.
 Died from Disease—Privates Joseph O. Malley, Oct 5th, Anatin Terry, January 31, Harmon Palmateer, March 30, Wm Partington, April 13, William Allen, April --
 Discharged—Private John Deagan, Feb 28, 1863, Sergt Augustus Myers, March 32, Privates Thos Furlong, March 28, Byron Stacey, March 30, John Mathers, Jr., May 18, Geo. Daseum, June 1, Egbert Drille, June 8, George Brower, June 12, 1863.
 Deserted—Privates Everet Knickerbocker, Sept 3, 1862, Harrison Moore, Sept 3, John Kolsier, Sept 3, Lewis Baker, Sept 3, Edgar Bisdorff, Sept 3, Frederick Schlipp, John Boon, Sept 3, Spafford Miller, Sept 3, Peter Williams, Sept 12, James Washburn, Sept 18, Chas Pindar, Oct 3, Martha Leonard, Oct 12, John E. Cole, Oct 13, Jacob Palmer, Oct 14, Jas M C Frost, Oct 31, 1862.
 Present aggregate.—Commissioned Officers 3. Enlisted men 57. Total 60.

COMPANY G.

Killed—Private Chas Smith, May 27, 1862, Port Hudson, La.
 Otto Schurry, " " "
 Wounded—Privates David H. Peltz, Michael Beam, Samuel C. Smith, Isaac I. Mickle, William A. Stevens, Augustus Kieselburgh, John Brown, Job Kells, Cyrus Hawver, May 27, 1862, Abram Broadhead, June 2, Morris Tridburgh, June 20, Martha Scott, July 2, Cornelius McMansury, June 14, 1863.
 Died from Disease—Privates Wm Ostrander, Jan 2, Cyrus Griswold, Feb 14, Benjamin F. Miller, March 2, (Peter G. Collins, June 17, of wounds.)
 Discharged—Privates John F. Warner, Nov 28, 1862, John Teator, Feb 21, 1863, Daniel J. Randall, May 27, James Duttis, May 4, Chas E. Waugh, April 14, David H. Wilkinson, June 2, Peter Hemising, March 28, Wilson Dykema, June 1, Jacob H. Dykeman, March 21, Leonard Poland, June 9.
 Deserted—Priv. George Armstrong, Aug 29, Camp Kelly.
 " " James Guloue, " " "
 " " William Waldron, " 27 " "
 " " Henry Mapes, " " "
 " " Geo. Kipp, " Oct. 9 " "
 " " Geo. Brown, " Sept. 25 " "
 " " John Best, " Nov. 5 " "
 " " John Selby " " "
 " Fredk Shaffer, " Dec. 13 " "
 Present aggregate.—Commissioned Officers 3. Enlisted men 71. Total 74.

COMPANY H.

Killed—Priv. Traver Murphy, May 27, 1863, Port Hudson, La.
 " " Jno. Thompson, " " "
 " " Sylvanus Brown, June 10, " "
 Wounded—Sergt Garrett F. Dillon, May 27, " "
 Privates—James Green, " " "
 " Mark Sheardson, " " "
 " Chas. S. Walber, " " "
 " Alton Hill, " " "
 " George Desron, " " "
 " Wm. H. Odell, " " "
 " Joseph O'Rourke, " " "
 " Webster Brundage, " June 14, " "
 " William Spradbury, " " "
 Died from Disease—Corp Haid. Crowther, Mar. 12, 1863, Camp Farapat, La.; Private John P. Way, April 29, " " Wm. Esst, June 6, " "
 Discharged—Priv. Valentin Van Nostrand, May 4, 1863.
 Deserted—Priv. Chas. Strausbury, Sept. 4, 1862, Camp Kelly, N. Y.; Jeremiah D. Wood, Sept. 4, 1862, Camp Kelly, N. Y.; Joseph Amherst, Oct. 15, 1862, Camp Mill.

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 ington, Md.; Musician Emanuel Point, Nov. 25, New-
 port News, Va.; Private Frank Stephens, Jan. - 1863.
 Quarantine Station, La.; William Krow, Sept. 8, 1862.
 Baltimore, Md.
 Present aggregate—Commissioned Officers 5. Enlisted
 men 24. Total 29.

COMPANY I.

Killed—Privates Henry Mackey, and Cornelius Williams,
 May 27, 1863, Port Hudson, La.
Wounded—Ord. Sergt. Richard Enoch, June 14, Port H. n
 James Anthony, May 27,
 Capt. Chris Pierce, May 27,
 Isaac B. Gurney,
 Privates John Corle, Robert Ham, Lawrence
 Horan, Theodore Keller, Jeremiah Lane, Ol-
 iver Sibum, Amos Trazine, May 27, Port H.
Died from Disease—Corp. Jesse D. Vail, Camp Chalmette
 La., Corp. Caleb Hicks, June 29, Port Hudson. Privates
 Albert Barker, Egbert Shear, Jesse Baker, Alex. Furgu-
 son, Camp Parapet, La., John B. Cypher, Hazard, Van-
 water, Quarantine Station, Ala., River La.
Discharged—Corp. Fred M. Williams, Balt., June 18, Mus-
 selan Edward Walters, Feb. 12, N. O., Privates Charles
 E. Dennis, Balt., Theodore Montfort, Camp Parapet, La.,
 Daniel Haw, and James O'Donel, Balt., Isaac I. Smith,
 New Orleans, Lett P. Williams, Camp Parapet, Elinus S.
 Wing, Balt., Geo. H. Walter, Feb. 23, Camp Parapet, Ben-
 jamin H. Woodin, Balt.
Deserted—Privates John Carroll and John Morris, 1863,
 New Orleans, Edward Jones and Wm. Brennan, 1862, at
 Balt., John G. Hoag, 1862, Hudson, N. Y., B. Mortimer
 Wilson and Lawrence Taale, Balt.
 Present aggregate—Commissioned Officers 3. Enlisted
 men 61. Total 64.

COMPANY K.

Killed—Corp. Robt. E. Van Valkenburgh and Private Mar-
 tin Single, May 27, Port Hudson.
Wounded—Sergt. Timothy Horan, and Private Mathias
 Graf, May 27, (both since died), Port H.
Died of Disease—Privates John H. Smith, Abram Gard-
 ner, Oliver Lamphere, John W. Tassell, Egbert
 Stoutenburgh, Seth F. Plass, Peter B. Rufenburgh, Ed-
 ward Roberts, Corporal Robert W. Blunt.
Discharged—Capt. Richard Decker, June 1. Privates Wm.
 H. Walters, Walter Bruce, Norman E. Hermance, Jonas
 Rufenburgh, Norman Kilne, Allen Decker, Wm. Hall,
 Reuben Kilner.
Deserted—Ord. Sergt. Geo. W. Flint, Dec. 1862, Fortress
 Monroe, Private Ben. Best, Jan. 10, 1863.
 Present aggregate—Commissioned Officers 1. Enlisted
 men 72. Total 73.

RECAPITULATION—Showing original strength, loss-
 es sustained, and present strength.
 Number of men enlisted in the Regiment, 1021

" " " " " "	Sept. 4, 1863,	993
Killed in action, picket, skirmishing, &c.	24	
" " " " " "	63	
" " " " " "	67	
Discharged for disability	6	
Missing	6	
Deserted	63	
Present strength Com'd Officers	3	700
Enlisted men	77	700
		993

Wounded, in action and by accident since the Regiment
 has been in service, nearly all of whom will return to
 duty. Respectfully, &c.

JAMES SMITH, Col. Comd'g 123 N. Y. S. V.
OFFICIAL.
JOHN P. WILKINSON, Adj't.

Army Correspondence.

HEADQUARTERS DEFENCES NEW ORLEANS, }
 NEW ORLEANS, April 25th, 1863. }

COLONEL: I am directed by the Brig. Gen.
 Commanding to say that your report of your
 expedition to Pearl River, is highly satis-
 factory.

The General directs me to express his
 thanks to yourself, and to the officers and
 men of your command, including the 1st Ver-
 mont Battery, for your conduct upon that
 occasion. The General considers that you
 displayed sound judgment and much energy
 in the manner in which you discharged your
 duties; and that your officers and men are
 entitled to much praise for their orderly con-
 duct and excellent discipline.

The results of your expedition are valuable.
 Respectfully your ob't. serv't.

WICKHAM HOFFMAN,

COL. D. S. COWLES, A. A. G.

DEATH OF A SOLDIER.—Robert M.
 Blunt, of Company K, 128th Regiment, died
 at Port Hudson on the 20th of June, aged 33
 years. He had been in the hospital at New
 Orleans some months, ill with fever, but re-
 covering partially, was ordered to duty
 again. He ate a hearty meal on the day of
 his death, and while walking a short distance
 from his tent dropped to the ground dead.
 He is one of the three brothers who have
 been or are now in the volunteer service. He
 was from Hudson, where he leaves a wife and
 four children. *Chatham Courier.*

RETURNED.—**WM. H. BARTLEY,** of
 this village, a member of Co. H., 128th
 Regiment, returned home on Thursday of
 last week. He has received his discharge,
 having received injuries unfitting him for
 service. **JAMES GREEN,** a member of the
 same Company, is now in town on a sixty
 days' furlough. He was wounded at Port
 Hudson, a rifle ball passing through his
 face, going in just in front of the right ear,
 and coming out near the left side of his
 nose. He reports the regiment in good
 condition, many of our boys having been
 promoted.

Army Correspondence.

HEADQUARTERS 128th REGIMENT N. Y. V.
In Field near Port Hudson,
July 5th, 1863.

EDITOR STAR—Dear Sir:—I forward you for publication a correct list of casualties in the 128th Regiment N. Y. V., from the 28th of May to the 5th of July, 1863:

- June 7th—Isaac Oliver, Private Co. F., killed by shell.
- " 11th—S. Brown, Private, Co. H., compound fracture of left leg by shell; died June 12th.
- " "—Charles Reckerts, Co. B., index finger of right hand by rifle ball; amputated.
- " 14th—Capt. G. W. Van Slyck, Co. E., contusion of head by shell, slight.
- " "—Lieut. John Wilkinson, Adj't., contusion of left shoulder by grape shot, slight.
- " "—Sergeant R. Enoch, Co. I., rifle ball through left hand.
- " "—Sergeant Wm. N. Thompson, Co. E., index finger by rifle ball.
- " "—E. Kinnicut, Private, Co. E., bayonet wound in hand, slight.
- " "—Wm. R. Showerman, Private, Co. E., right leg by Minnie ball, slight.
- " "—Walter L. Orr, Private, Co. B., right thumb amputated.
- " "—Daniel J. Wesley, Co. K., first two fingers right hand by Minnie ball.
- " "—George Hamilton, Private, Co. C., first two fingers right hand by Minnie ball.
- " "—Robt. Churchill, Private, Co. C., killed by shell.
- " "—H. W. Morris, Jr., Private, Co. D., left elbow by Minnie ball, doing well.
- " "—Andrew Jackson, Private, Co. D., right elbow shattered by rifle ball; resection of elbow joint; doing well.
- " "—S. N. Fichett, Private, Co. D., left thumb by rifle ball.
- " "—A. I. Silvermail, Private, Co. D., right forearm fractured by shell, severe.
- " "—Silas Miller, Private Co. K., right index finger by rifle ball; amputated.
- " "—J. R. Ferguson, Private, Co. K., contusion left hand by shell, slight.
- " "—John Hinkle, Private, Co. K., left thigh by rifle ball, slight.
- " "—Cornelius McManaman, Private, Co. G., index finger right hand by rifle ball.
- " "—Martin Coley, Private, Co. A., toe of left foot by rifle ball.
- " "—Alex. Shaw, Private, Co. A., index finger right hand by rifle ball.
- " "—Henry Brundage, Private, Co. H., flesh wound of right forearm by grape, slight.
- " "—Wm. Spreadburg, Private, Co. H., index finger right hand by rifle ball; amputated.
- " "—Allen Sheldon, Private, Co. K., contusion on hip by shell, slight.
- June 28th—David Bellows, Private, Co. A., right hip by rifle ball, severe but not dangerous.
- July 3d—Corporal John Taylor, Co. A., killed by rifle ball through head.
- " "—Corporal Martin Scott, Co. G., thumb of right hand, first joint, by rifle ball.

I remain, very resp'y,

Your ob't servant,

PALMER C. COLE, Surgeon 128th Reg't, N. Y. V.

ARRIVED HOME.—A. Ashley, Jr., and J. Van Valkeburgh, who went out with the 128th Reg't., last fall, arrived home from New Orleans on Monday. We understand that both gentlemen have been acting in positions connected with the post quartermaster's department. They design, we are told, to return to New Orleans some time in October.—*Chatham Courier.*

A. N. WEBB, Esq., EDITOR STAR:—Dear Sir:—The following letter and General Order have just been received by me. Perhaps the public will be pleased to see them through the medium of your paper. The record of the Regiment therein mentioned is retained at Poughkeepsie for insertion in the papers there, and, I am advised, will be published in the Telegraph and Eagle of that place, from which it can be copied, if desirable, into the papers here, it being deemed too long conveniently to send a manuscript duplicate here. Resp'y yours,

H. HOGGEROOM.

A Flattering Testimonial.

A New Orleans paper gives the particulars of a presentation to Capt. C. B. Chittenden, "Quartermaster of the Cavalry Depot of Gen. Lee's (not rebel) Division," on a recent Saturday evening. The present consisted of sword, belt, sash, brace of Colt's revolvers, spurs and field glass, all of the finest quality, and was carried to his residence by a strong force of friends, accompanied by a band of music. An address was delivered by one of the party, to which Capt. Chittenden responded in a suitable manner. After the ceremony the company were invited to a repast prepared by Mrs. C. (formerly Carrie Hammond, of this city.) Capt. Chittenden, it will be remembered, is a son of Geo. Chittenden, Esq., of Stockport, and went with the 128th Regiment.

Death of Major Gifford.

The following Resolutions, passed at an officers' meeting of the 128th Regiment, have been sent us from Baton Rouge for publication:

At a special meeting of the officers of the 128th N. Y. Vols. held at Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 5th, 1863, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted in memory of their late brother officer, MAJOR EDWARD GIFFORD, who died on the 8th day of August, 1863, at the city of New Orleans, of fever brought on by the hardships to which he was subjected during his operation in the hospital at Port Hudson, together with the exhaustion and exposure attendant upon

his illness. We have heard, with heartfelt sorrow, of the death of our esteemed friend and companion-in-

arms. In his death our regiment has lost one of its most eminent and valued members, and the services of a gallant and patriotic officer; one who during the year of his association with us, endeared himself to us all by his uniform kindness and courtesy, and who, by his cool courage and noble daring, as manifested upon several occasions during the last few months of his career, as well as by the success attending his efforts, proved that he brought into camp and field a will and capacity equal to every emergency.

Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved family and friends of the deceased our sincerest sympathies in this their irreparable loss.

Resolved, That in testimony of our grief for the departure of our friend and brother officer, we wear a badge upon the left arm for thirty days.

Resolved, That copies of these Resolutions be forwarded by the Adjutant to the family of the deceased, to St. John's Lodge, F. and A. M., Hudson, N. Y., and to the prominent papers of Columbia and Dutchess Counties.

—Jno. W. ... Capt. E. S. ... Capt. R. J. MITCHELL, Committee.

DEATH OF W. H. JEFFERS—INQUIRY FOR HIS FRIENDS.—We have received the following communication:

Editors of the Times & Courier: Will you please notice in your paper that we have received a dispatch directed to the "Friends or relatives of W. H. Jeffers, One Hundred and Twenty-eight regiment, N. Y. S. V.," announcing his death, and asking instructions as to the disposition of his remains. By so doing, you will greatly oblige yours, respectfully, C. S. CUTLER, Western Union Telegraph Office.

ALBANY, April 27, 1864.

Deserved Promotion.

We are gratified to learn that Burges Speed, of this city, who entered the 128th Regiment as a sergeant in Co. K., has been promoted to 1st Lieutenant of his company, as a just recognition for bravery on the field.

HUDSON, July 22d, 1863.

HEADQUARTERS 128th REGIMENT N. Y. V.,
1st Brigade, 2d Division, 19th Army Corps,
Before Port Hudson, July 6th, '63.

Hon. H. A. Nelson, and Hon. Henry Hogeboom; Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Hudson, N. Y.

GENTLEMEN:—As there are many persons residing in the Counties of Columbia and Dutchess who are constantly directing their eyes toward the doings of, and many who have relatives and friends in, this Regiment, the Colonel Commanding considers that a correct record of the losses the Regiment has sustained since it has been in the U. S. service, from death, by disease, in action, wounds received, discharged, and deserted, from each Company, will be valuable as such to those who have lost friends and relatives, besides being interesting to the many friends which this Regiment has throughout the 12th District, (it being a representative one,) hereby appends such list or record. The several papers in the District will confer a favor upon those serving with the Regiment by publishing the same for general information, and as a matter of history, both for the Regiment and its friends, and in which the whole District is deeply interested. With this is forwarded a recapitulation, showing the number enlisted and mustered into the Regiment, the losses sustained, and the present strength up to this date. Such record will hereafter, if practicable, be forwarded for information monthly.

You will confer a favor by interesting yourselves in the above. I am, gentlemen,

Very resp'y your ob't servant,
JAMES SMITH, Colonel Commanding,
128th Regiment N. Y. V.

HEADQUARTERS 128th REGIMENT, N. Y. V.,
Before Port Hudson, La., June 26th, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS } No. 56.

I. The Lieut. Col. Commanding takes the earliest opportunity afforded him to notice especially the decease of Col. DAVID S. COWLES, up to May 27th, 1863, commander of this Regiment, and to express the deep sense he entertains of the loss sustained by this Regiment in his death. To speak to the men who have been under the command of Col. Cowles for nearly twelve months, in admiration of his qualities as a man or soldier, is unnecessary; their universal and growing affection for him best evidence his constant care for the interests of his command, and their respect for, and obedience to him, are the most satisfactory testimony to his decision and wisdom as an officer, while the manner of his death, and the heroism which illuminated the last hours of a life always noble, are final proofs of his bravery and devotion to the sacred cause, fighting for which he fell.

The memory of the illustrious dead, as the example of the living, should inspire soldiers with a new determination and a more lofty zeal. Let the officers and men of this Regiment, while sadly recalling the virtues of the leader they loved so well, find in his death a motive for renewed diligence and daring, that his name may be perpetuated in their achievements and in their fame. Let us mourn the loss of so gallant a commander, but in our sorrow remember that his blood has sealed anew our obligations to the Government he died to protect; any other death would have been unworthy of him.

II. Major J. P. Foster, Capt. Robt. F. Wilkinson and Lieut. Geo. F. White are constituted a committee to prepare resolutions expressive of the feelings of the officers of this

regiment on this occasion.

III. The officers of this Regiment will, as soon as practicable, assume and wear for 30 days the usual badge of mourning, in view of the death of Col. Cowles.

This order will be read to each Company in this command at retreat to-day, and placed in their records. By command of

Lieut. Colonel JAMES SMITH,
Commanding, 128th Regiment N. Y. S. V.

Lieut. J. P. WILKINSON, Adj't.

WALLACE BREWER RETURNS TO OUR LINES.—In the list of casualties in the 128th Regiment, published by us last week, Wallace Brewer (for a number of years in our employ) was put down as missing. We have not heard a word from him till this morning, when his sister called and showed us a letter from him, dated "Parole Camp, Annapolis, Md., June 24th," in which he writes as follows:—

"I suppose you have heard before this of my being missing. I was taken prisoner on the 27th of May last, by a band of Guerrillas and they kept me until the 22d of this month (July). I left the Regiment to go and see Sylvester, and on my way back, about 500 of these fellows surrounded me and took me prisoner. I had to ride about 40 miles to the Rebel camp, where they kept me four days; then they sent me on to Jackson, Miss., about 75 miles, which I had to walk, and all they gave me to eat was a little corn bread. From there they sent me and about 50 others to Richmond, where we arrived on the 16th. While in Richmond they used us shameful—they gave us only a quarter of a loaf of bread a day, a piece of meat as big as my two fingers, which was so strong that it almost knocked me down to smell of it, and a little rice soaked in water for supper. I can tell you they had me down to fighting weight, but I am picking up fast now since I got in our lines. They kept me in the Libby Prison six days and I can tell you I was glad to get out of it."

Army Correspondence.

We have been permitted to make the following extracts from a letter directed to A. Rossman, Esq., of this city:

OR. MA. DEPARTMENT, 95 Magazine st.,
New Orleans, June 1st, 1868. }

FRIEND ROSSMAN.—I hasten the first opportunity to inform you of the sad disaster to the 128th Regiment and to the Country, in the loss of Col. David S. Cowles, who was killed at the great battle fought at Port Hudson on the 27th of May.

Capt. Gifford is alive and well, but is a prisoner in the hands of the Rebels. Capt. Arthur Dewint was wounded in the right arm, a flesh wound only. I saw him last night and he said he thought he should be able to return to his company in two weeks. I hope you will lose no time, but let us know their friends of their safety. Sergeant Van Slyck's brother was killed, his body has been brought to this city. This is all the reliable information we have received. When Col. [Name] he was in command of General

Cowles led the way in Sherman's Division, and a better representative never stepped in those brave warrior shoes. In the early part of the battle Gen. Sherman rode back to urge up General Neal Dow's Brigade to the support of those in the advance, who were then in a hand to hand fight with the enemy, and these were the brave 128th N. Y., 6th Michigan, 23d New Hampshire and one other regiment, number and State not remembered; they had driven the enemy to the Fort and torn down the Rebel flag and raised the stars and stripes, and if they had been supported by Neal Dow's Brigade, (composed of several of the nine months regiments who showed the white feather,) the whole Rebel works would have been carried, and a complete victory would have rewarded our brave officers and men. When commanded by Gen. Sherman, Gen. Dow mounted his horse and advanced with his command, but before reaching a supporting point, received a severe wound in his leg and fell back to the rear. Gen. Sherman then riding up in the advance urging on his men, received a very severe wound in the knee and was taken to the rear, the command then devolved upon our brave Col. Cowles. When this fact became known to himself he said to some of his officers and men near him, "I shall not go out of this battle alive, but I shall do my duty," and nobly he done it too, he mounted the breastworks in a very exposed position to urge (regiments from Massachusetts and New Hampshire, who had got into the ditch and refused to come out) those in the rear to advance to the support of their brave fellow soldiers, who were contending hand to hand with superior numbers in front. (They still refused to come out.) While in this position he received a bayonet wound, of which he died in one hour. He refused to be carried from the field, but continued to command until he fell. He asked his men if he had done his duty, they answered yes. The last words he said was "Tell my mother I died with my face to the enemy." His body will be sent home by the first transport, which I think will sail this week. In haste.

Very respectfully,
Your ob't servant,
ABRAM ASHLEY

We regret to learn by a letter received in this city on Saturday last, from James Gifford to his father, conveying the unwelcome intelligence that Captain Edward Gifford, of Company A, of the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth regiment, was lying in a very critical situation at New Orleans. From the tenor of the letter, it was very evident that there was very little hope of his surviving long. — *Hudson Star* of bedeviled and hoia

Death of John B. Taylor.

John B. Taylor, of Co. A, 128th Regiment, is reported to have been killed on the 3d by a shot through the head at Port Hudson. He was 19 years of age, and a member of Washington Engine No 3 of this city, whose flag was at half-mast on Sunday.

Mat. Tice of the 128th regiment, is in town, having received his discharge from the service. Mat. is looking well and says when he left the boys were generally well.

Common Council Resolutions

Special Meeting of the Common Council
JACOB H. BROWN, Mayor, J. C. Rowley, Recorder, Aldermen, Parsons, Burdwin, Holmes, Kerabon, Terry, Townsend.

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had convened the Council for the purpose of taking into consideration the request of the late Col. Cowles, 128th Regt. Infantry, to be interred in the Harrison Cemetery, and to set apart a lot therefor, and to prevent the removal of soldiers from the cemetery, and to prevent the removal of the same to any other place.

On motion of Ald. Townsend, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the plot of ground set apart for the use of the officers and soldiers be laid out and enclosed by Ald. Townsend, (the laying out to be done on the said lot and laying out the plot) under the control of the Burying Ground Committee of the Common Council of this city.

On motion of Ald. Terry, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the plot of ground set apart for the use of the officers and soldiers be laid out and enclosed by Ald. Townsend, (the laying out to be done on the said lot and laying out the plot) under the control of the Burying Ground Committee of the Common Council of this city.

On motion, Council adjourned.

Command of the 128th Regiment.

It having been reported through some of the newspapers that Col. James Smith is not with or in command of the 128th Regiment, we deem it a duty to him and the gallant men under him, to say that he is, and has been since the first of June, in command of the Regiment, and has led it through all the noble achievements it has won since the death of the lamented Cowles.

Capt. Edward Gifford.

It is reported that the *Columbia Republican*, of Tuesday last, that this gallant officer, of Co. A, 128th Regiment, is now lying ill at the residence of Lieutenant G. G. Chittenden, in New Orleans. Letters from James Gifford, his brother, who went in search of him, have been received. The history of Capt. Gifford's capture, imprisonment, and escape, will form an interesting and thrilling chapter of the war.

It will be remembered that he was selected with a few brave companions, to advance on the 26th, the day before the assault, and secure a position which was deemed essential in the success of the attack. In so doing he fell into the hands of the enemy, and soon reported himself prisoner. For thirty-nine days he remained under guard at Fort Hudson subsisting almost exclusively upon cornmeal and molasses. On the 4th day of July he and a fellow prisoner planned an escape. The glorious recollections of that anniversary were too inspiring to submit longer to the hands of imprisonment on American soil. During the night Capt. Gifford crept out of the building, and found the guard asleep. The golden opportunity came unexpected to him, and fearing to return he

made his way out of the rebel lines. In attempting to ford a creek, however, he was carried by the current out into the Mississippi River, and for about four hours compelled to buffet with the waves at the peril of his life! He finally reached the opposite shore in an exhausted condition and was picked up by an Indiana company of artillery, just previously posted at that point. Considering the strong currents and dangerous undertow of the river, and the fact that he had fallen upwards of a mile at that place—the escape of Capt. Gifford is almost miraculous. Had he not been an expert swimmer, his life would have been sacrificed to his love of freedom. The terrible struggle occurred for the day and night between midnight and 4 o'clock. Capt. G. divested himself of his clothing in the water, on finding that there was no alternative but to cross the river or be borne back by the tide to Port Hudson shore. The prodigious effort which he was compelled to put forth, together with the debilitating effects of an inflammation, resulted in prostration and illness, from which he has not recovered. It is hoped, however, that two weeks of rest would restore him to health at the end of which time he is expected to embark for home on leave of absence. Shall he not be welcomed?

Letter from an Officer in the 125th Regt.

On account of the deep interest taken by a large portion of our citizens in this regiment, we publish to-day the following extracts which, as they contain some particulars of the siege and capture of Port Hudson that have not heretofore appeared in print, will be interesting to those who have relatives or friends in the regiment, and to all who feel proud of our brave boys who have acquitted themselves so nobly.

BATON ROUGE, La., July 14, 1863.

DEAR _____ You will undoubtedly have heard, long ere this reaches you, of the surrender of Port Hudson; yet my brief and uncolored description may not be uninteresting. All the newspaper accounts of the fight we have had there, have been in some particulars incorrect. On the morning of the 8th inst., news reached here that General Gardner, commanding the rebel forces, had asked for a cessation of hostilities in order to consider the possibility of surrender. At 6 a. m. that morning, commissioners from both sides met and agreed upon the plan of surrender. At three p. m. our regiment received orders to march to General Auger's headquarters and enter the column which was to take possession of the place. When we arrived there, we found that the time of entrance had been postponed until six a. m. the next day. We bivouacked for the night alongside a road leading to the fort. During the night there was a heavy rain, but next morning the "boys" were all on the *qui vive* to enter the fort. The column started at seven a. m., and consisted of nothing but picked regiments. Our regiment was the only one from our brigade. I think the people of the eleventh district can grow from this in what way the one hundred and twenty eighth is appreciated in this department. Having marched in, we passed through to the river bank, and passing the rebel prisoners who were drawn up in line, we halted and formed in line of battle facing the rebels. They were then ordered to _____

after which they became our prisoners. The agreement as to the surrender was that the officers should retain their side-arms and not be paroled, and the men were to be paroled. There were about two hundred officers and five thousand men. We also took about sixty pieces of artillery and six thousand stand of arms. It was a sight worth seeing. I can assure you. The men were a rough-looking set, but the officers, for the most part, had good uniforms, and seemed to be very intelligent men. The officers in the rebel army are generally men of wealth.

I had a long talk with a Colonel Provente, of South Carolina, who was in command of a brigade of five regiments, who told me he was the owner of a plantation and two hundred slaves in South Carolina, and another, with forty slaves, in Arkansas. He had been in the army since the war broke out. He said he had never until now doubted the ultimate success of the confederates, but, now that Vicksburg and Port Hudson had fallen, he felt that the backbone of the confederacy was really broken. This is one of the many instances of discouragement we find among both officers and men.

After the surrender, our regiment was placed as guard over the prisoners. On the 10th we were stationed as guard at General Banks' headquarters, and also did all the provost-guard duty in the fort. In military circles it is considered an honor for a regiment to be detailed as provost-guard. On the 11th we received orders to escort nine batteries (fifty-four pieces,) of artillery to the junction of the "Bayou Sara and Springfield Landing roads." When we arrived there (about six p. m.), we were ordered to march with the third brigade, third division, to Baton Rouge, distant from that place eighteen miles, and from Port Hudson, whence we had just marched, twenty five miles. It was very necessary that the artillery should go through in the night, as we had to pass through a portion of country which was infested with roving bands of guerrillas.

We arrived at Baton Rouge about four a. m. on Sunday, (12th), our men having marched about twenty-five miles in twelve hours, mostly in the dark. It was the hardest march our regiment has ever had. Colonel Smith has had considerable experience in heavy marches, and he says he never saw a harder march for his men than this was. We were obliged to keep up with the artillery, which frequently required us to take a "double-quick." On our arrival here, we halted in one of the streets, "stacked arms," "broke ranks," and in less than five minutes every man had selected a "soft place" on the brick side-walk, and nearly all lay down to sleep.

Baton Rouge, previous to the rebellion, was a very pretty place; but at the occupation of the town by our troops, in August last, a portion of it was burned, so that now everything looks desolate and deserted.

Yours affectionately, J. P. W.

HEAD QUARTERS 128th Reg't N. Y. S. V.
BEFORE PORT HUDSON LA.
June 25th 1863.

GENERAL ORDER
No. 56.

1. The Lt. Col. Commanding takes the earliest opportunity afforded him to notice officially the decease of Col. David S. Cowles, up to May 27th, 1863, Commander of this Regiment—and to express the deep sense he entertains of the loss sustained by this Regiment in his death.

To speak to the men who have been under the command of Col. Cowles for nearly 12 months in a word of his qualities as a man or soldier is unnecessary. Their universal and growing affection for him, best evidences his constant care for the interests

of his command and their respect for and obedience to him are the most satisfactory testimony to his decision, and wisdom as an officer—while the manner of his death and the heroism which illuminated the last hours of a life always noble, an proof of his bravery and devotion to the sacred cause, fighting for which he fell.

The memory of the illustrious dead as the example of the living, should inspire soldiers with a new determination and a more lofty zeal. Let the officers and men of this Regiment while sadly recalling the virtues of the leader they loved so well—find in his death a motive for renewed diligence and daring that his name may be perpetuated in their achievements and in their fame. Let us mourn the loss of so gallant a commander—but in our sorrow remember that his blood has sealed anew our obligations to the Government, he died to protect. Any other death would have been unworthy of him.

2. Maj. J. P. Foster, Capt. F. Wilkinson, and Lieut. Geo. F. White are constituted a committee to prepare resolutions expressive of the feelings of the officers of this Regiment on this occasion.

3. The Officers of this regiment will soon as practicable, assume and wear for 30 days the usual badge of mourning in view of the death of Col. Cowles.

This order will be read to each Company in this command at retreat to day and placed on their records.

By command of Lt. Col.
JAMES SMITH.
Commanding 128th N. Y. V.
Lt. J. P. WILKINSON }
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THE LATE COL. COWLES.—The body of Col. Cowles of the 128th Regiment, who was killed at the storming of Port Hudson, arrived at New York on board the steamer Cahawba.

We understand that Lewis Pearsall, of Matteawan, a member of the 128th Regiment N. Y. Vols., died in hospital at New Orleans, recently. He was wounded in the first assault upon Port Hudson.

FUNERAL OF COL. COWLES.—The funeral of Col. Cowles, killed at the late attack on Port Hudson, will take place on Monday evening next, at 2 o'clock, from the Presbyterian Church, in the city of Hudson. Friends and acquaintances of the deceased are respectfully invited to attend.

John B. Taylor, of Co. A, 128th Regiment, is reported to have been killed on the 3d by a shot through the head at Port Hudson. He was 19 years of age, and a member of Washington Engine No. 3, of this city, whose flag was at half-mast on Sunday.

For the Soldiers.

The ladies of the Soldiers' Relief Society of Hudson will dispatch a quantity of supplies for the 128th Regiment to-day. Packages should be left at the Ref. Dutch Church early this morning.