

the Romance of War.

Capt. Edward Gifford, of Co. A., 128th Regiment, who was taken prisoner at Port Hudson by the rebels on the 26th of May, while executing an important command, made his escape to our lines on the night of the 4th of July, by passing the guard while they were asleep, and swimming the Mississippi. The attempt was a most daring one, and the accomplishment of his object shows a strong will, undaunted nerve, and a daring bravery of which any soldier might feel proud.

The night was dark, the current was running strong, and the fugitive patriot was greatly reduced in strength by his almost forty day's light diet of meal and molasses. But the price of freedom was not to be lightly purchased, and he did not hesitate to hazard everything, even his life, in its accomplishment. For four hours he struggled with the boiling current, and finally reached the opposite shore where he was duly cared for by a company of Artillery who had a few hours previously been posted at that point. He was conveyed to New Orleans in an exhausted state, and at last accounts was laying ill from the effects of his extraordinary exertion. His case was not considered dangerous, however, and it is expected he will be able to return home within a week or two. It is probably the information he conveyed to Gen. Banks of the forlorn condition of the rebel garrison at Port Hudson, that led to the postponement of the contemplated attack of the 6th July, and finally to the unconditional surrender of the place.

Capt. Edward Gifford.

Intelligence from New Orleans this week brings the melancholy announcement that Capt. Edward Gifford, of the 128th Regiment, was very low from typhoid fever, and but slight hopes were entertained of his recovery. The next news from that quarter is looked for by his friends with the deepest solicitude. It is the ardent prayer of all that it may bring the joyful tidings of his recovery.

PERSONAL

Captain Edward Gifford, of the One Hundred and Twenty eighth New York regiment, died on the 10th instant, at New Orleans, of typhoid fever, in the thirtieth year of his age. Captain Gifford was the youngest brother of E. K. Gifford, the artist, and was a resident of Hudson, New York, where his regiment, of which he was the senior captain, was raised. In one of the attacks on Port Hudson he was taken prisoner, and while confined among the rebels contracted the disease of which he subsequently died. One of his brothers was with him during his illness and death, and ministered to the young soldier's wants. He was a brave and efficient officer, and possessed of a kind and genial disposition, which caused him to be regarded by his men with feelings of admiration and love.

Parson Brewnlow accompanies General Burnside in his movement on Knoxville. His object is to reissue the Knoxville *Whig* at the earliest opportunity.

A Washington despatch to the Philadelphia *Inquirer* says Frederick Law Olmsted has received the appointment of Superintendent of the Mariposa Mining Company in California. His salary is ten thousand dollars a year.

The Republican

City and State Intelligence.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1864.

The 128th Regiment.

A member of the 128th sends us an extract from Gen. Emory's official report of the engagement of Sept. 22, which he thinks is necessary to correct a statement made by a correspondent in our paper of Oct. 18. The extract is as follows:

"To strengthen and shorten our lines, it became necessary to drive in the enemy's skirmishers and occupy their lines. This was handsomely done by the 128th N. Y. V., Lieut. Col. Foster Com'dg, supported by the 176th N. Y. V., Major Lewis Com'dg, under a vigorous and most terrific shelling."

Both our home Regiments shared largely in the glory of Sheridan's gallant exploits in the Shenandoah. History will do them justice.

It is said that one of the newly raised Negro Regiments in Louisiana has been officered almost exclusively from the 128th N. Y. Regiment, which was raised in Columbia and Dutchess counties. It is reported that Charles E. Bostwick, of Columbia, former Captain of Co. E; Lieut. Col. Parker, of Port Republic, recently Captain of Co. A; Major, Rufus J. Palen, of Hudson, until recently Lieutenant in Co. D.

Our city reader

Memorial of Augustus U. Bradbury.

The many friends of this estimable young patriot, who died in the service of his country at New Orleans, will be pleased to know that a brief memorial prepared of his father, Rev. E. Bradbury, by this city, has been published. It contains many facts of interest relative to the deceased, together with the funeral discourse of Rev. W. S. Leavitt, letters from Col. Cowles, Capt. Gifford, and others. Only a limited number of copies have been printed, the memorial being designed for private circulation. They may be obtained at the bookstores of P. S. Wynkoop, E. P. L. Elmer and Geo. Parton. Each copy contains a photograph likeness by Forshev. The printing and binding was done at the REPUBLICAN office.

Col. Cowles. Among the killed at the battle of Port Hudson, the particulars of which will be found elsewhere, was Col. Cowles, of the 128th Regiment, N. Y. S. V. Col. C. was originally attached to the 1st Regiment, but when the companies raised in Columbia county were consolidated with those raised here, Col. Van Zandt was appointed to the command of the Regiment, and Col. Cowles subsequently raised the 128th Regiment, which he commanded at the time of his death. He was among the most gallant of the gallant men who left our State to fight the battles of the Union. Brave as a lion, a man of culture and scholarly attainments, a gentleman in the fullest sense of the word, endowed with social qualities that made him a general favorite, his death will be deeply lamented in the community of which he has long been an ornament. He died as he lived, full of heroic ardor. His last words were: "Tell my mother that I died with my face towards the enemy. Boys, I have tried to do my duty as a soldier and a man." Col. Cowles resided at Hudson, and was a lawyer by profession.

Casualties in the 128th Regiment.

Below we publish a list of killed and wounded in the 128th Regiment between the 27th of May (the date of our last report) and the surrender of Port Hudson. For this list we are indebted to Palmer C. Cole, Surgeon of the Regiment:

KILLED.

Corporal John B. Taylor, Co. A., rifle ball through the head.
Private Robt. Churchill, Co. C., by shell.
Isaac Oliver, Co. F., by shell.
S. Brown, Co. H., compound fracture of leg; died June 12th.

WOUNDED.

Adjutant John Wilkinson, contusion of left shoulder by grape shot, slight.
Private Martin Colley, Co. A., toe of left foot by rifle ball.
David Ballows, Co. A., right hip, by rifle ball.
Alex. Shaw, Co. A., index finger right hand by rifle ball.
Charles Reckerts, Co. B., index finger of right hand by rifle ball; amputated.
Walter L. Orr, Co. B., right thumb; amputated.
George Hamilton, Co. C., first two fingers of right hand by Minnie ball.
A. I. Silvernail, Co. D., right fore-arm fractured by shell, severe.
Andrew Jackson, Co. D., right elbow shattered by rifle ball.
H. W. Morris, Jr., Co. D., left elbow by Minnie ball.
S. N. Fichett, Co. D., left thumb by rifle ball.
Captain G. W. Van Slyck, Co. E., contusion on head by shell.
Sergeant Wm. N. Thompson, Co. E., index finger by rifle ball.
Private Wm. R. Showerman, Co. E., right leg by Minnie ball.
E. Kinnicutt, Co. E., bayonet wound in hand.
Corporal Martin Scott, Co. G., thumb of right hand by rifle ball.
Private Cornelius McManaman, Co. G., index finger right hand by rifle ball.
Wm. Spreadbury, Co. H., index finger right hand by rifle ball; amputated.
Henry Brundage, Co. H., slash wound of right fore-arm by grape shot.
Shell through left hand.

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Sergeant R. Enoch, Co. A., rifle ca
 Private Silas Miller, Co. K., right index finger by rifle
 ball; amputated.
 " Allen Shelden, Co. K., contusion on hip by
 shell, slight.
 " Daniel J. Wesley, Co. K., first two fingers right
 hand by Minnie ball.
 " J. R. Ferguson, Co. K., contusion left hand by
 shell.
 " John Hinkle, Co. E., left thigh by rifle ball

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Mournful Intelligence.

We learn with deep regret that intelligence has been received by the last arrival from New Orleans that Capt. EDWARD GIFFORD, of the 128th Regiment, was, on Sunday, the 9th inst. lying in a very critical condition, with but slight hopes entertained by the physician of his recovery. Soon after reaching New Orleans he was attacked with typhoid fever, and the exhausted state of his system rendered it but too probable he would fall another victim to this scourge. Another week must pass before further news can reach his friends at home. James Gifford is still at New Orleans.

PLAQUEMINE, Aug. 20, 1863

MR. EDITOR: As I have a few spare moments I will improve them by giving you a brief account of the doings in our regiment, after the taking of Fort Hudson. The 11th of July the regiment received orders to march to Baton Rouge, which we done, arriving there the next morning. We stayed there until the 15th when we were ordered to take the steamer St. Charles for Donaldsonville. The rebels were there trying to take the Fort. Three thousand rebels tried to take that little fort, but were repulsed after losing some six hundred of their number. We having only 80 fighting men in the fort, assisted by a gunboat. Our loss was eight killed and twelve wounded. We remained at Donaldsonville until the 1st of August, and then received orders to march thirteen miles up the river to guard the negroes on the Government plantations. We arrived there the next day. The place is called Old Hickory Landing. We considered ourselves on good Democratic soil; and remained in camp until the 12th, when we were again ordered to move to a village thirty miles up the river, called Plaquemine, arriving there in the night, where we are now encamped. It is a fine village, the County seat, with three churches and one newspaper. The rebels destroyed three steamers by burning them at the landing about two months ago. This is considered quite a secesh place. Our Colonel will advise us when they undertake to show themselves. Col. Smith is appointed post commander. The 4th Wisconsin mounted infantry are encamped near here. Our boys are regaining up now from the hardships they endured at Fort Hudson. There is more work ahead. Troops are congregating at Carlisle. Some 30000 have already arrived. Five boat loads came down from Grand Bayou. You will soon hear some encouraging news from this department. Last week I went to Baton Rouge, and had the pleasure of returning to the city. The citizens looked old-fashioned.

I am sorry to say we have lost our senior captain—Capt. Gifford, Co. A, who so nobly escaped from the rebels after being taken prisoner at Port Hudson. We have lost twelve men since our regiment first went into action at Port Hudson, four killed and eight died from disease.

I will close my letter, stating that our regiment is ready at a moment's warning to defend our country and our homes.

Yours truly,
SERGEANT ESHLEMAN,
 Co. K, 128th N. Y. V.

Report from the 128th Regiment.

Colonel SMITH, of the 128th Regiment, has forwarded the following report to Hon. H. A. NELSON, of Poughkeepsie, and Hon. HENRY HOGEBROOM, of this city, for publication. It furnishes a complete list of casualties that have occurred in the Regiment since its organization, and forms a valuable accompaniment to the list we published in September, 1862, on the departure of the Regiment from Camp Kelly.

STATEMENT

Number of men enlisted and mustered into the 128th Regiment, New York Volunteers, the losses sustained, accounted for by name, with the dates thereof, as far as can be obtained, together with the present strength of the command.

Killed—Colonel DAVID S. COWLES, May 27th, 1863.

COMPANY A.

Killed—David Plumb, May 26th, 1863.
 " Myron Poucher, May 27, 1863.
 " John B. Taylor, July 3.
 Wounded—Martin Cody, June 13, Port Hudson.
 " Alexander Shaw, " " " " " "
 " David Bellows, June 28, " " " " " "
 Died of Disease—Jacobus C. Most, Dec. 20, 1862, Quarantine Station, La., Henry B. Hulbert, Jan. 7, 1863, do.
 " John E. DeGroot, Jan. 8, 1863, do.
 " John Harwood, January 22, Camp Chalmette.
 " Corporal John Baker, Feb. 8, hospital N. O.
 " Private James Moore, Feb. 20, Camp Parapet.
 " Ord. Serg't A. U. Bradbury, Feb. 26, St. James Hosp., N. O.
 " Private Alonzo Almstead, Dec. 20, 1862, Fortress Monroe.
 " Richard T. Burch, April 5, '63, Camp Parapet, La.
 " George H. Harvey, April 14, Fortress Monroe.
 " Abram E. Miller, Feb. 16, Barracks Hosp., N. O.
 " Martin Wilcox, Quarantine Station, La.
 Discharged—Priv. John Fogarty, U. S. gen. hosp. Balt., Nov. 23, 1862. Serg't Lewis B. Fairbanks, Stewart's Mans., Balt., April 6.
 " Private Geo. Finch, March, 1863, U. S. Barracks, N. O.
 " Thomas Wands, May 29, " " " " " "
 " Samuel DeGroot, June 1, " " " " " "
 " Joseph E. Churchill, June 1, " " " " " "
 Missing—Private Frank Shaw, since June 24, 1863.
 " Wallace Brewer, July 1, 1863.
 Deserted—John Burtit, from Camp Kelley, Aug. 6, 1862.
 Present aggregate, Com'd Officers 2; Enlisted men 76.
 Total 78.

COMPANY B.

Killed—1st Serg't Riley Burdick, May 27, Port Hudson, La.
 " Private Philip Allen, " " " " " "
 " Serg't Gilbert H. Kniffin, " " " " " "
 Wounded—Herman H. Williams, " " " " " "
 " Rant A. White, now on duty, May 27, " " " " " "
 " LeRoy Lieberburgh, " " " " " "
 " Chas. Records, " " " " " "
 " Michael Sullivan, " " " " " "
 " James Story, " " " " " "
 " Geo. Story, now a prisoner, " " " " " "
 " John Wooden, " " " " " "
 " O. J. Wattle, " " " " " "
 " Walter L. Orr, " " " " " "
 Died from disease—Wm. E. Haight, Dec. 10, 1862, at sea.
 " Harrison LeRoy, Dec. 25, 1862, Quarantine Sta., La.
 " John Van Hovenburgh, Dec. 31, '62, " " " " " "
 " Peter Carlow, Jan. 1, 1863, " " " " " "
 " Isaac Br. wnell, Jan. 27, Camp Chalmette, La.
 " Ord. Serg't Lewis Holmes, April 1, Camp Parapet, " " " " " "
 " H. Buckingham, May 27, " " " " " "
 Discharged—Chandler McCarty, John Richmond, Solomon Wadsworth, Geo. Townsend, Wm. B. Sackett, May 26, 1863, U. S. Barracks, La.
 " Dr. W. Weller, May 20, 1863, Camp Parapet, " " " " " "
 Deserted—Wm. Bingle, Aug. 15, 1862, Camp Kelley, N. Y.
 " J. H. Farmer, in 1862, on the march, " " " " " "
 " Chas. Smith, Oct. 31, 1862, Camp Millington, Md.
 Present aggregate—Com'd Officers 2; enlisted men 72.
 Total 74.

COMPANY C.

Killed—Private ROBT. F. CHATFIELD, June 14, Port Hudson.
 Died from Disease—Priv. Jasper Dewint, Dec. 12, 1862, " " " " " "
 " Private Robt. N. Harney, Fortress Monroe, Va.

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Private Nathan E. Day,
 Corp. Wm. B. Naxon, Camp Parapet, La.
 Private Everett Traver,
 Henry Coon,
 Corp. John W. Kipp,
 Private George W. Hadden, Jefferson City, La.
 Discharged—Private John Gay, Baltimore, Md.
 Private Benj. Churchill,
 Jas. H. Holdridge,
 Harrison Hawkins, Fortress Monroe, Va.
 Walter Churchill,
 Chas. E. Kynders, Camp Parapet, La.
 Deserted—Privates Robert Dykeman, Harvey Odell, Isaac
 Burdick, Martin Hawkins, Camp Millington, Md., Francis
 Betterton.
 Present aggregate—Enlisted men 75; Com'd. officers 8.
 Total 83.

COMPANY D.

Killed—1st Lieut. Francis N. Sterling, died at sea, Dec. 6.
 Private John P. Low, May 27, 1863, Port Hud'n, La.
 " Francis Hellg,
 " Alfred Hitchcock, May 29,
 Wounded—Corp Richard Ganley, " 27,
 Private James H. Myers,
 " David B. Rider,
 " Isaac I. Weddel,
 " Jacob O. Sparks, May 27, on duty, Port H.
 " Andrew Jackson, June 14,
 " Henry W. Morris, jr.,
 " A. J. Silvernall,
 " Geo. H. Etchett,
 Died from Disease—W. M., Ethan S. Lattin, Nov.
 " Private Henry C. Stillwell, Feb. 14,
 " Philetus Teator, Feb. —
 Discharged—Drummer John J. Tanner, June.
 Privates—Levi L. Fooks, June; John J.
 Marshall, Uriah Allison, August Banther, Michael
 Fitzgerald, Henry Hustis, Henry Lawrence, John
 Sherman.
 Deserted—Edmond L. Druory, James Morris, Garret T.
 Bennaway, C. Willis Bennuy.
 Present aggregate—Com'd officers 8; enlisted men 71.
 Total 79.

COMPANY E.

Killed—2d Lieut. Chas. L. Van Slyck, May 27, P. Hudson.
 Private John Tripp, May 27,
 John T. McIntyre,
 Wounded—Corp G. H. Woodin, May 27,
 Private Henry Chever,
 " Jonas Muller, " now on duty "
 " William Sitzer, "
 " Chas. Thompson, "
 " Robert Harross, "
 " John Mosher, "
 " John S. Woodward, "
 " Sergt. Wm. H. Thompson, June 14,
 " Private Wm. R. Showerman, June 14,
 " Elijah Kennicut, Jr., now on duty.
 Died from Disease—Sergt. Wm. Smith, Dec. 16, 63, 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 G.
 Bates, Jan. 30; Geo. Mooney, December; John Miller,
 Dec.; Wm. Ostrander, Jan. 23; Thos. Potts, Feb. 9; An-
 drew M. Clark, March 2; Lambert J. Hubbel, March 2;
 William Doty, June 23; Charles R. Moors, June 23, 63.
 Deserted—Privates James Calligan, Sept. 7, Balt.; Wm.
 H. Pulver, Sept. 8, Balt.; Geo. Tanner, Oct. 7, Balt.;
 Wm. Hunt, Nov. 3, Balt.; Benj. Rogers, Nov. 4, Balt.;
 Edward G. Garner, Nov. 4, Balt.; Ralph Denn, Nov. 4,
 Balt.; Isaac Webster, Nov. 31, Fortress Monroe, Va.;
 James Kelley, Dec. 25, Quarantine Station, La.
 Present aggregate—Com'd officers 2; enlisted men 71;
 Total 73.

COMPANY F.

Killed—Private John Hughes, May 27, Port Hudson, La.
 " Isaac M. Olivett,
 Wounded—Capt. Arthur DeWint, " returned.
 " Sergt. Daniel Warren, June 14,
 " Corp. Geo. Hawver, May 27,
 " Privates Lewis Pearsall, May 27, Wm. Jeffers,
 May 27, Geo. Pollock, May 27, Silas Parting-
 ton, May 27, Geo. Wood, May 27, Orrin Hall,
 June 5th, Henry T. Wenger, June 2.
 Died from Disease—Privates Joseph O. Malley, Oct. 31st,
 Austin Terry, Jan. 31, Harmon Palmateer, March 3d,
 Wm. Partington, April 12, William Allen, April —
 Discharged—Private John Dengee, Feb. 26, 1863, Sergt.
 Augustus Myers, March 28, Privates Thos. Furlong,
 March 28, Byron Stacy, March 28, John Mathers, jr.,
 May 18, Geo. Daseum, June 1, Egbert Brille, June 8,
 George Brower, June 12, 1863.
 Deserted—Privates Everet Knickerbocker, Sept. 3, 1862,
 Harrison Moore, Sept. 3, John Holster, Sept. 3, Lewis
 Baker, Sept. 3, Edgar Risendorph, Sept. 3, Frederick
 Schipp, John Boon, Sept. 3, Spafford Miller, Sept.
 3, Peter Williams Sept. 13, James Washburn, Sept. 13,
 Chas. Pinder, Oct. 5, Martin Leonard, Oct. 12, John E.
 Cole, Oct. 12, Jacob Palmer, Oct. 14, Jas. H. O. Frost,
 Oct. 31, 1862.
 Present aggregate—Com'd Officers 3; enlisted men 67.
 Total 70.

COMPANY G.

Killed—Private Chas. Smith, May 27, 1863, Port Hudson,
 " Otto Schurry,
 Wounded—Privates David H. Pultz, Michael Beam, Sam-
 uel O. Scott, Isaac I. Mickie, William A. Stevens, Au-
 gustus Kisselburgh, John Brown, Job Kells, Cyrus
 Hawver, May 27, 1863, Abram Broadhead, June 3, Mor-
 ris Fridenburgh, June 20, Martin Scott, July 2, Cornel-
 ius McManamy, June 14, 1863.
 Died from Disease—Privates Wm. Ostrander, Jan. 3, Cy-
 rus Griswold, Feb. 14, Benjamin F. Miller, March 2,
 (Sergt. G. Collins, June 17, of wounds.)
 Discharged—Privates John F. Warner, Nov. 28, 1863, John

Butts, May 4, Chas. O. Waugh, April 15, David H. Gillinson, June 2, Peter Hemising, March 26, Wilson Dykeman, June 1, Jacob H. Dykeman, March 31, Leonard Foland, June 2.
 Deserted—Priv. Geo. Armstrong, Aug. 26, Camp Kelly, James Gulone, 27, William Waldron, 27, Henry Mages, Oct. 9, Geo. Kipp, Oct. 9, Geo. Brown, Sept. 28, John Best, Nov. 5, John Selby, Fred'k Shaffer, Dec. 18.
 Present aggregate—Com'd officers 3; enlisted men 71.
 Total 74.

COMPANY II.

Killed—Priv. Traver Murphy, May 27, 1863, Port Hudson, Jno. Thompson, Sylvanus Brown, June 10.
 Wounded—Sergt. Garrett F. Dillou, May 27, Private—James Green, Mark Shepardson, Chas. S. Wilber, Alton Hill, George Dearon, Wm. H. Odell, Joseph O'Rourke, Webster Brundage, June 14, Wm. Spreadbury.
 Died from Disease—Corp. Benj. Crowther, Mar. 19 1863, Camp Parapet, La.; Private John P. Way, April 29, Wm. East, June 6.
 Discharged—Priv. Valentine Van Nostrand, May 4, 1863.
 Deserted—Privates Chas. Strausbury, Sept. 4, 1862, Camp Kelly, N. Y., Jeremiah D. Wood, Sept. 4, 1862, Camp Kelly, N. Y., Joseph Ambler, Oct. 11, 1862, Camp Millington, Md., Musician Emanuel Point, Nov. 29, Newport News, Va., Private Frank Stephens, Jan. —1863, Quarantine Station, La., Alanson Pollard, Jan. —1863, Willhelm Krow, Sept. 8, 1862, Baltimore, Md.
 Present aggregate—Com'd. officers 3; enlisted men 81.
 Total 84.

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 Anthoy, May 27, Corporal Chrls. Pierce, May 27, Isaac B. Gurney, May 27, Privates John Carle, Robt. Ham, Lawrence Horan, Theo. Keller, Jeremiah Lane, Oliver Slocum, Amos Tragan, May 27, Port Hud'n.
 Died from Disease—Corp. Jessie D. Vall, Camp Chalmettee, La., Corp. Caleb Hicks, June 29, Port Hudson, Privates Albert Barker, Egbert Shear, Jessie Baer, Alex. Ferguson, Camp Parapet, La., John B. Cypher, Hazard Van Dewater, Quarantine Station, Miss. river, La.

Discharged—Corp. Fred. M. Williams, Balt., June 18, Musician Edward Watie, Feb. 12, N. O., Privates Chas. E. Dennis, Balt., Theodore Montfort, Camp Parapet, La., Daniel Haw and James O'Donel, Balt., Isaac P. Smith, New Orleans, Levi F. Williams, Camp Parapet, Elnu S. Wing, Balt., Geo. H. Walter, Feb. 23, Camp Parapet, Benjamin P. Woodin, Balt.
 Deserted—Privates John Carroll and John Morris, 1863, New Orleans, Edward Jones and William Brennan, at Balt., John G. Hoag, 1862, Hudson, N. Y., D. Mowmer Wilson and Lawrence Taaf, Balt.
 Present aggregate—Com'd officers 3; enlisted men 77.
 Total 70.

COMPANY K.

Killed—Corp. Robert E. Van Valkenburgh and Private Martin Single, May 27, Port Hudson.
 Wounded—Sergt. Timothy Horan and Private Mathias Grant, both since died Port Hudson.
 Died of Disease—Privates John H. Smith, Abram Gardner, O'Leary, Hampshire, John W. Van Tassel, Egbert Stoutenburg, Seth F. Plass, Peter E. Rufenburgh, Edward Robert, Corporal Robert W. Blunt.
 Discharged—Capt. Richard Decker, June 1, Privates Wm. Walker, Walter Bruce, Norman E. Hermance, Jonas Rufenburgh, Norman Kline, Allen Decker, Wm. Hall, Heuben Kilner.
 Deserted—Ord'y Sergt. Geo. W. Flint, Dec. 1862, Fortress Monroe, Private Benj. Best, Jan. 10, 1863.
 Present aggregate—Com'd. officers 2; Enlisted men 73.
 Total 74.

RECAPITULATION—Showing original strength, losses sustained, and present strength:

Number of men enlisted in the Regiment,	1021
" " mustered " " Sept. 4, '62	993
Killed in action, picket, skirmishing, &c.,	24
Died of Disease,	62
Died from wounds,	2
Discharged for disability,	77
Missing,	6
Deserted,	62
Present strength Com'd officers,	83
" " Enlisted men,	727
Total,	760

Wounded in action and by accident since the Regiment has been in service, nearly all of whom will return to duty, 73
 Respectfully, &c.,
 JAMES SMITH, Col. Comd'g 128th N. Y. S. V.
 Official—JOHN P. WILKINSON, Adj't.

HEADQUARTERS 186th REG'T N. Y. S. V.
 Post-Box 1100, Fort Hudson, N. Y.
 General Order No. 5
 The following is the text of the order:

Col. David S. Cowles, late Commander of this Regiment, and to express the deep sense we entertain of the loss sustained by this Regiment in his death. To speak to the men who were under the command of Col. Cowles for nearly 7 years in admiration of his qualities as a man or soldier, and to express their universal and growing affection for him, are evidences of constant care for the interests of his command. His respect for and obedience to him are the most satisfactory testimony of his high character and wisdom as a leader. The manner of his death and the heroism which illuminated the last hours of his life, by noble, self-sacrificing, 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 reading the virtues of the leader they loved so well—and in his death a motive for renewed courage and devotion that his name may be perpetuated in their achievements and in their fame. Let us not forget that his blood has sealed anew our obligations to the Government, he died to protect us; other death would have been unworthy of him.

Geo. F. White, Capt. F. Wilkinson, The Adjutant
 Geo. F. White are constituted a committee to prepare resolutions expressive of the feelings of the officers of this Regiment on this occasion.

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 the Company in this command at retreat to-day, and placed on file in the records.
 By command of Lt. Col. David S. Smith, 186th N. Y. S. V.
 Lt. Col. David S. Smith, Adjutant

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Col. David Smith Cowles the originator and late commander of this Regiment, was killed while leading it up to an assault on the Rebel works at Fort Hudson, La., on the 27th May, 1863; therefore,

Resolved, That in this painful and inscrutable dispensation of the God of Battles, his friends, this Regiment and the cause of our country, have suffered irreparable loss.
Resolved, That in the private character, and the professional and military career of Col. Cowles, we recognize all the virtues, the ability and every element of a pure, talented and brave character; that the devotedness of his Revolutionary forefathers was repeated in his career, in a cause not less sacred; that as in life he exemplified the principles and tenets which should animate the patriot soldier, so in the gallantry which distinguished his fall he taught us how to die in death and life, without fear and without reproach.

Resolved, That the name of Col. Cowles will always be identified with this Regiment, and that it is due to his memory that its officers and men should ever strive to maintain the high standard of excellence to which he had brought it.

Resolved, That we tender to the family and friends of our lamented Colonel our heartfelt condolence, and the sympathies of the entire Regiment.

Resolved, That as soon as practicable, we will wear a badge of crape for thirty days upon that left arm, as a token of grief and respect for the loss of our esteemed friend and commanding officer.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed by every officer in the Regiment, be forwarded by the Adjutant to the family of Col. Cowles, to the John's Lodge of Masons, to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Hudson, New York, to the prominent daily newspapers of New York City, and to the papers of Columbia and Dutchess Counties.

Signed by all the officers of the Regiment.

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**From the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth
Regiment N. Y. S. V.**

Correspondence of the Newburgh Journal.
ON THE BATTLE-FIELD, IN FRONT OF PORT HUDSON, }
June 18, 1863. }

[CONCLUDED FROM SATURDAY.]

Wednesday, May 28th.—This morning, at four o'clock, our batteries and siege guns opened fire on the Rebel fortifications on every side. Our batteries continued to shell them until about two o'clock p. m., when our division (Sherman's) made a charge on the parapet of Port Hudson, but was repulsed with a very heavy loss in killed and wounded, by a tremendous storm of Rebel bullets, shell, grape and canister, and every other kind of missile. The loss in the division was something over two hundred killed and five hundred wounded. The One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth lost nineteen killed and eighty-nine wounded. General Sherman was wounded seriously in the leg, the same ball killing his horse. General Dow, our Brigadier General, was wounded. Colonel Cowles, of the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth, was killed; he was shot through the bowels by a musket ball, and lived only about twenty minutes. He died the death of a brave and patriotic officer with his face toward the enemy while bravely leading his men on in the hottest of the fire of the hardest fought battle of this accursed rebellion. The last words he said were: "How is the day going? are the boys in the parapet yet?" He died the death of a Christian as well as a brave man—speaking of his aged mother and his dear friends left behind; he was perfectly sensible until he breathed his last. Lieutenant Van Slyck, of Company E, was killed by a ball hitting him in the head; and Captain De Wint, of Company F, was severely wounded. There were two killed in Company H—John Thompson, of Poughkeepsie, and Traver Murphy, of East Fishkill. Our Company had seven wounded—Sergeant G. F. Dillon in the shoulder, severely; Alson Hill, in both legs, severely; James Green, through the face, severely; Charles S. Wilber (ex-editor of the *Fishkill Journal*), in the leg, slightly; Mark Shepherdson, in the hand, slightly; George T. Deacon in the shoulder, slightly. The battle lasted until after dark, when we retreated under the cover of night. The One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth New York and Sixth Michigan stood till the last under a galling fire from the enemy, but the rest of our brigade—the Twenty-Sixth Connecticut and Fifteenth New Hampshire Volunteers—broke and ran like a panic-stricken flock of sheep into a deep ravine near by. Both the last-named regiments are nine months' men, and their time is about out at that. I speak not boastingly of the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth because I belong to it, but because they deserve credit. All the division officers give us great praise for standing up so bravely under such a tremendous shower of lead and iron. After the battle, Companies H and E were detailed to go on picket only about nine hundred yards from the parapet from which we had been repulsed in the afternoon.

Thursday, May 28th.—At four o'clock this afternoon we were relieved from picket and drawn back in the woods nearly half a mile, where the remainder of the regiment lay supporting batteries. There was considerable musketry firing in the division on our right during the evening. We expected to be routed up every minute during the night by an at-

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tack from the Rebels, but they did not disturb our peaceful repose.

Friday, May 29th.—We lay in the same place that we did yesterday. Towards night we had a very heavy shower, drenching us all to the skin. Aside from the shower, nothing of importance happened us.

Saturday, May 30th.—Still in the same position, our batteries sending an occasional shell over the parapet to keep the graybacks from sleeping too soundly.

Sunday, May 31st.—Bombarding the Rebels was renewed this morning, and continued throughout the day.

Monday, June 1st.—About the same as yesterday and Saturday.

Tuesday, June 2d.—Our batteries still continue to shell the Rebel works. At eleven o'clock this forenoon all our batteries, consisting of between seventy-five and a hundred guns, opened a heavy fire on the Rebel works, which lasted half an hour, throwing inside the parapet over a hundred shells per minute, making several tons of iron. Occasional shots were fired all through the day and in the evening. All remained quiet until nearly twelve o'clock, when the Rebels commenced shelling the woods in which the Union troops lay, doing, however, but little damage to our folks. One of their shells burst over the Fifteenth New Hampshire Volunteers, killing one man and wounding two others. Heavy picket firing on both sides continued all night.

Wednesday, June 3d.—All quiet during the day, with the exception of an occasional report from our siege guns. While Company G. was going out on picket this afternoon one of their men was wounded by a shot from the Rebel sharpshooters. At five o'clock cannonading was again commenced pretty sharp and continued for nearly an hour. Between ten and eleven o'clock at night the Rebels again commenced shelling the woods in which we lay, so that we had to fall back about a quarter of a mile for better protection.

Thursday, June 4th.—We returned to our original position in front of the breastworks in the morning.

Nothing of importance occurred during the day, with the exception of an occasional shot from our batteries to keep the Rebels from mounting cannon on their fortifications. In the afternoon, Company H went on picket. Myself and four men were stationed on the advance post, within but a few hundred yards of the parapet. Heavy bombarding all night from the gunboats.

Friday, June 5th.—Bombarding from the gunboats continued during the forenoon. Relieved from picket duty at four p. m. by Company C. Occasional firing from our batteries, as usual. Retire to the woods at night for better protection from the enemy's shells.

Saturday, June 6th.—Returned to our original position in front in the morning. Heavy firing from our batteries from five to half past five a. m. During the day it was the same as it had been for several days. At night we again fell back in the woods. The gunboats fired considerable during the night.

Sunday, June 7th.—Returned to our original position. Nothing of importance happened until between two and three o'clock p. m., when a man in company H, by the name of Olivett, was accident-