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May 7, 1864

DOWNING, FRANCIS A.—Age, 29 years. Enlisted at Tonawanda, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 12, 1862; discharged for disability, June 23, 1865, at Richmond, Va.[wounded in head at May 7 at Port Walthall, VA][Invalided in December 1865; died January 18, 1912]

ROTH, PETER V.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 5, 1862; promoted corporal, October 22, 1864; mustered out with detachment, June 15, 1865, at Richmond, Va. [wounded in the leg at May 7 at Port Walthall, VA] [Died in 1890]

SCHWINDEMAN, GEORGE.—Age, 27 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, February 24, 1864; wounded, May 7, 1864, at Port Walthall Junction, Va.; discharged for disability caused from wounds, August 5, 1865, at Richmond, Va,; also borne as Schwindermen, Schwendeman, George, Jr.[wounded in mouth, severely][Invalided in August 1865; died October 14, 1900]

GROWNEY, BARNEY.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted, October 14, 1861, at Bergen, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, October 16, 1861; promoted corporal, no date; Wounded, May 7, 1864, at Port Walthall, Va.; captured in action, August 16, 1864, at Deep Bottom, Va.; released, March 3, 1865, at Wilmington, N.C.; returned to ranks, no date; mustered out, May 20, 1865, at Rochester, NY.; also borne as Barnard Growney. [wounded in breast] [Died August 28, 1923 at Le Roy, NY]

MEYRER, CHARLES.—Age, 35 years. Enlisted, October 25, 1861, at Le Roy, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, November 1, 1861; deserted, May 7, 1864, while going into action at Richmond Railroad, Va.; also borne as Meyers and Myers. [No Pension Application found; NPAF]

May 13, 1864

McINTYRE, DANIEL.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, October 10, 1861, at Caledonia, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, October 16, 1861; wounded in action, May 13, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of his wounds, July 20, 1864, at Hammond Hospital, Point Lookout, Md. [NPAF]

OSTRANDER, PETER V. L.—Age, 27 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 9, 1862; wounded in action, May 13, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; discharged for disability caused by wounds, January .13, 1865, at Judiciary Square Hospital, Washington, D. C. [Invalided in January 1865; appears to have died around that time]

SLACK, RICHARD.—Age, 25 years. Enlisted at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 4, 1863; wounded in action, May 13, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; discharged for wounds, December 26, 1864, at hospital, Rochester, N. Y. [Invalided in January 1865; died in 1908]

SMITH, ERASTUS W.—Age, 28 years. Enlisted at Chautauqua county, to serve three years, and mustered in as private,
Co. B, August 18, 1863; wounded in action, May 13, 1864,
at Drewrys Bluff, V a.; transferred to One Hundred and Sixtysixth
Company, Second Battalion, Veteran Reserve Corps,
April 12, 1865; mustered out. with detachment, August 24,
1865, at Washington, D. C.; also borne as Edward. [Applies as an invalid in 1879; died date unstated in Jamestown, NY]

May 14, 1864

SWATTS, DANIEL.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted at Portville, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 22, 1863; wounded in action, May 14, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; discharged for wounds, February 22, 1865, before Richmond, Va.; true name William T. Graves. [Alias was SWARTZ. Invalided in November 1866; death date not stated]

WINKLE, MATTHIAS.—Age, 23 years. Enlisted, December 3, 1861, at Caledonia, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, December 1, 1861; re-enlisted as a veteran, January 15, 1864; wounded in action, May 14, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; discharged for wounds, June 9, 1865, at hospital, Buffalo, N. Y. [Invalided in May 1866; died in 1908]

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PIERSON, MYRON P.—Age, 21 years. Enrolled, October 11, 1861, at Le Roy, to serve three years; mustered in as sergeant, Co. B, October 12, 1861; promoted first sergeant, no date; mustered in as second lieutenant, June 12, 1863; as **first lieutenant, Co. E,** January 1, 1864; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; discharged, March 16, 1865. [missing]
Commissioned second lieutenant, October 6, 1863, with rank from June 12, 1863, vice E. S. Peck, promoted; first lieutenant, February 27, 1864, with rank from January 1, 1864, vice E. Spooner, discharged. [Died March 13, 1925 at Pavilion, NY]

Pierson, Myron P. *Myron P. Pierson papers*, 1861-1924, 1861-1865 (bulk). 1861-1924. 2.0 cubic ft. (ca.).

Papers of Myron P. Pierson, pertaining primarily to his Civil War military career including appointments; furlough papers; ordnance records of Company B, 100th Regiment, New York State Volunteer Infantry, December 1863; diary, 1861-65; discharge, 1865; pension increase notice, 1924. Also, diary of Hellen E. Pierson, 1863; anonymous diary (of Myron P. Pierson?), 1877; and daguerreotype of Myron P. Pierson Located at the LeRoy Historical Society, 23 East Main Street, LeRoy, New York 14482.

OLMSTEAD, MILO L.—Age, 23 years. Enlisted, September 25, 1861, at Pearl Creek, to serve three years; mustered in as corporal, Co. B, October 4, 1861; promoted sergeant, January 1, 1863; returned to ranks, April. 15, 1863; again promoted corporal and sergeant, no dates; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, November 20, 1864; mustered out with detachment, January 30, 1865, at Buffalo, N. Y.[wounded in the leg, amputated][Died May 27, 1920 at Rochester, NY]

GEIZE, PHILLIP.—Age, 23 years. Enlisted, November 28, 1861, at Pavilion, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, December 3, 1861; promoted corporal, in 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, and returned to ranks, no dates; mustered out, to date May 22, 1865, at New York city; also borne as Geise. [Died March 10, 1912]

FINCKIE, AUGUSTUS.—Age, 19 years. Enlisted, December 1, 1861, at Jamestown, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, January 2, 1862; promoted corporal, February 2, 1864; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; released, April 28, 1865; mustered out, July 3, 1865, at New York city. [Died March 8, 1919 at Augusta, Michigan]

WHITBECK, JOSEPH W.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 5, 1862; promoted corporal, February 29, 1861; captured in action, May 16, 1861, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died, August 27, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga,; also borne as Witbeck. [NPAF]

GLEASON, JOHN.—Age, 12 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 17, 1862; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died, while a prisoner of war, September 12, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga. [GLEESON---See 25 pages of pension for widow and daughter at www.fold3.com Pension commences on July 1, 1864]

GOLDTHWAIT, JESSE.—Age, 41 years. Enlisted at Randolph, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 22, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; released, April 30, 1865, at White House, Fla.; mustered out, June 26, 1865, at Annapolis, Md. [Died November 6, 1900]

BUBACK, JACOB.—Age, 26 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 25, 1862; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, April 21, 1865; mustered out, June 22, 1865, at New York city; also borne as Burbuch. [Appears to have died in April 1878]

HIEMENZ, JOSEPH.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 13, 1862; promoted corporal and returned to ranks, no dates; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of scorbutus, November 13, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga.; also borne as Heimans and Hemens. [NPAF]

JUDSON, RUFUS.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 9,1863; captured in action, May 16,1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died, August 27, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga.; also borne as Russell Judson, true name Gates A. Turner. [Mother applies in November 1879]

MOORE, CORNELIUS V.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted at Utica, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 10, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; promoted corporal, January 25, 1865; sergeant, March 10, 1865; first sergeant, July 1, 1865; mustered out with company, August 28, 1865, at Richmond, Va. [wounded] Library of Congress site below says he was paroled on November 20, 1864] [Died August 18, 1931 at Charleston, West Virginia]

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MOORE, EDWARD C—Age, 22 years. Enlisted at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 21, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of disease, October 29, 1864, at Milan, Ga. [Went to Richmond then Danville prison and then to Millin. His brother, Cornelius, swears to his circumstances and death for the purpose of Edward's widow getting a pension. See 21 pages at www.fold3.com

SMITH, CHARLES.—Age, 25 years. Enlisted, at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 4, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of dysentery, August 2, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga. [NPAF]

WELLER, AUGUSTUS P.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, September 20, 1861, at Greigsville, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, October 1, 1861; captured in action, May 16, 1861, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; died of dysentery, April 29, 1865, at Jacksonville, Fla., a released prisoner of war. [Mother applies in May 1874]

BESLE, CASPARS.—Age, 29 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 25, 1862; wounded on picket, August 25, 1863; captured in action. May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; died, December 2, 1864, at Camp Parole, Annapolis, Md.; also borne as Berle, Kaspare.[NPAF]

HENDRICKS, JOHN.—Age, 22 years. Enlisted at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 3, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, December 6, 1861, at Charleston, S. C; died of chronic diarrhea, December 19, 1864, at Annapolis, Md.; also borne as Hendrick.[HENDRIX---Widow remarried in 1868 and child gets pension ending April 23, 1878. See 39 pages at www.fold3.com]

LYNCH, DANIEL D.—Age, 37 years. Enlisted at Norwich, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 4, 1863; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; no further record. [Widow's pension commences on February 21, 1865. However, only two pages at www.fold3.com]

OTHERS, not in Lt. Pierson's Le Roy Gazette list:

BOLTON, HENRY C.—Age, 27 years. Enlisted at Jamestown, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, November 1, 1861; promoted corporal, November 2, 1863; returned to ranks, no date; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, November 18, 1864, at Savannah, Ga.; mustered out with detachment, January 30, 1865, at Buffalo, N.Y. [Lived to at least 1907]

BOSS, WILLIAM.—Age, 25 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, September 8, 1862; promoted corporal, May 15, 1863; mustered out with detachment, June 15, 1865, at Richmond, Va.; also borne as Poss. [wounded in breast and arm] [NPAF]

CHASSELETT, ALEXANDER.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted at Tonawanda, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 28, 1862; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Rulison Hospital, Annapolis Junction, Md.; also borne as Chaslet. [wounded in breast] [NPAF]

DRIGGS, ANSON T.---Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 20, 1862, at Tonawanda, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, September 12, 1862; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; paroled, no date; mustered out, July 13, 1865, at Buffalo, N.Y.[Died June 10, 1915 at Grand Rapids, Michigan]

GESECKE, WILLIAM.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, January 6, 1862, at Lancaster, to serve three years; mustered in as corporal, Co. B, January 7, 1862; returned to ranks, no date; wounded in action, July 18, 1863, at Morris Island, S. C.; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died as a prisoner of war, May 16, 1864, no place stated; also borne as Gericke. [NPAF]

GOODDIN, GEORGE.—Age, 19 years. Enlisted at Tonawanda, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, August 30, 1862; wounded and captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died, June 1, 1864, at Richmond, Va.; also borne as Gorden, Goodwin and Gooden. [Father applies in December 1869---not granted]

KRONER, MICHAEL.—Age, 38 years. Enlisted at Le Roy, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, February 10, 1861; missing, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; no further record; also borne as Keoner. [Widow applies in January 1866]

MOODY, CHARLES R.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted at Lockport, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. B, February 9, 1864; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of scorbutus, September 11, 1864, at Andersonville, Ga.[Impoverished widowed mother gets pension in January 1866. See 22 pages at www.fold3.com]

SEELEY, WILLIAM G.--- Age, 19 years. Enlisted, November 1, 1861, at Le Roy, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. B, November 2, 1861; re-enlisted as a veteran, March 1, 1864; captured in action, May 16, 1864, at Drewrys Bluff, Va.; died of disease, October 27,1864, at Milan, Ga. [NPAF]

URBAN, 1st, JACOB.—Age, 45 years. Enlisted at Buffalo, to serve three years, and mastered in as private, Co. B, September 16, 1862; mustered out with detachment, June 15, 1865, at Richmond, Va.; also borne as Urton.[wounded in arm][Invalided in August 1866; appears to have died around then]

INFORMATION FROM AN IMPRISONED OFFICER OF THE 100TH.— The Le Roy Gazette publishes the following with reference to an officer of the 100th Regiment in Libby Prison, and those captured with him:

During the severe fighting of Butler's army on the 16th of May last, the 100th N. Y. V., was in the deadliest current of battle, and fought with a bravery that won the acknowledgments of the commanding General. Among the missing on that day was Lieut. Myron P. Pierson, who was captured and taken to Richmond. The painful suspense and anxiety of his friends here is now relieved by the receipt of two letters by his father, Philo L. Pierson, announcing his capture and imprisonment in Libby Prison. His first letter is dated "Libby Prison, May 20, 1864," and in brief announces that he was taken May 16th, with 16 of Co. B's men, and that he is well—received no wound or other injury, and anxiously inquires "how many of Co. B. were killed and wounded and missing in the battle." He names those of his Company who were captured with him:—

Serg't M. L. Olmsted, Corporals P. Geise, G. G. Fincke, J. Whitbeck; privates J. Gleason, J. Goldtwait, J. Burbark, J. Hiermens, R. Judson, Ed. Moore, C. V. Moore, C. Smith, A. P. Weller, C. Rule, J. Hendricks, and D. D. Lynch.

He adds: "Lieut. J. H. French, of Buffalo, died to-day—May 22d—of wound in leg." He requests his

father to write to Serg't Wm. Thompson or E. A. Dix, for an inventory of the remains of his company, &c., &c.

37 casualties from early May until Drewry's Bluff on May 16, 1864. At that place there were 27 casualties: 6 wounded of the 27 captured of whom 15 died in captivity or shortly after parole. This equals a 55% death rate.

William Glenn Robertson, in <u>Backdoor to Richmond</u>, writes that after the order to retreat had been given at Drewry's Bluff, ..."the Confederates rushed in upon the flank of the 100th New York and shattered the regiment,..." (page 203) Indeed, Phisterer counts 280 casualties for the regiment up to May 26 with the majority of them on May 16. In escaping, the 100th NY men were part of a group that had commandeered a railroad coal car to get the wounded and others towards relative safety nearer the Bermuda Hundred lines. Unfortunately for them, Confederate cavalry swept in and rounded up scores of prisoners there.

A quick search of the roster at this site reveals 48 men who died at Andersonville as a result of capture here and another 6 men who died at Milan (sic), Georgia, properly spelled Millin. Florence prison in South Carolina added at least 5 more. Annapolis hospitals note at least 6 more who survived captivity only to be too weak to live longer. This equals 65 of the 138 "missing" that Phisterer counts above in the 280 total.

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One at Cold Harbor, maybe...

FELLOWS, ADONIJAH— Age, 25 years. Enlisted at Lima, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. H , July 25, 1863; killed, June 3, 1864, on picket, at Hatchers Run, Va.[NPAF]