



Head Quarters 3^d Brig 1st Div 13th A. C.
Mobile Ala April 13. 1865

Captain R. G. Curtis
Asst Adj. General }

Sir

I have the honor to submit the following report of the operations and losses of the 3^d Brigade 1st Div 13th A.C. in the siege of Blakeley. On the morning of the 3^d of April after marching from Holyoke I was ordered to place the 3^d Brigade in position on the left of a line to be occupied by the 1st Division, my left to extend to Minett Bay. I deployed skirmishers to examine the ground in the vicinity of the Rebel works in front of the position I was ordered to occupy. Before the command was placed in position the order to move to the front was countermanded and I was ordered to move to the rear and bivouac as a reserve which I accordingly did near and east of Sibley house and remained in this position until April 5th at 9 o'clock P.M. when the brigade in light marching

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order moved around to the extreme right
of the line investing the Rebel works to support
Brig Gen Hanks Division. I was ordered back
to camp near Sibley's house at daylight of the following
morning. On the 7th, 8th and 9th of April the entire
command was on fatigue duty in the trenches and
skirmish duty. On the 9th I was ordered to move
my command to the front and take up a position
in rear of the 2^d Brigade 1st Division 13th A.C. to
support it in the charge which was to be made
by our troops and which was made at 6 o'clock P.M.
resulting in the capture of the Rebel works.
The 3^d Brigade lost two (2) killed and six (6) wounded
at Blakely.

I am sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servt
W.B. Steeley Dr Col
Commanding