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Saturday, January 10, 1863  
Falsmouth, VA

Monday, January 12, 1863  
Kelleys Ford, VA

Friday, March 13, 1863  
Gould and I made a visit to Redasso 1<sup>st</sup> Regt Sharp Shooters  
Took our grub with us. Found them as we expected. A set of them made an attempt to steal our overcoats but we prevented it.

Wednesday, April 8, 1863  
Dover

Saturday, April 25, 1863  
Returned to the Regt to change  
found the boys all right with orders to ??? with eight days returning

Sunday, April 26, 1863  
To day the Regt has gone and I expect I was left in camp  
Have written 7 letters expected so more of them

Monday, April 27, 1863  
Broke Camp near Falmouth  
marched in the direction of the River  
encamped near the Brick church in a large Field

Tuesday, April 28, 1863  
Took up our line of march at twelve oclock PM  
marched 12 miles and encamped for the night  
rained all day

Wednesday, April 29, 1863  
Crossed the Rappahonnock and Rapidan  
captured the Prisoners ???  
rained hard all day  
encamped near the Rapidan River  
rained all night

Thursday, April 30, 1863  
Started at 8 oclock  
rained in the forenoon  
marched to Phancherville  
stopped two hours then advanced two miles  
fell back to the corners (?) and encamped for the night

Friday, May 1, 1863  
Broke camp at ten  
went eight miles to the fords and returned  
marched backwards and forwards all night in line of Battle with flankers ??? out

Saturday, May 2, 1863

Stayed all night where we encamped for the night threw up  
Recast swords to protect us from the face of the enemy

Sunday, May 3, 1863

Laid in line of Battle  
all day hearing frightening so(unds) ??? and most all night  
11 and 12 corps fell back one mile

Monday, May 4, 1863

were sent out to try the strength of the rebs  
advanced nearly one mile, found the rebs in force and fell back  
had 1 killed and 11 wounded

Tuesday, May 5, 1863

was attacked twice by the rebs but repulsed them both times  
rain commenced to fall at dark, rained all night

Wednesday, May 6, 1863

Started at three oclock  
marched to ????? and acted as rear guard  
reached the old camp at three oclock  
rained all day

Thursday, May 7, 1863

the old camp looks rather gloomy this morning  
have no rations, only what we pick up, many of them are dirty  
it is still raining

Monday, May 11, 1863

to day Bill Smith made some cake and it was good but rather heavy, he thinks it will stick to the ribs  
well.

Tuesday, May 19, 1863

our Corps was reviewed to day by General Mead  
the weather very warm and sweaty (?)

Wednesday, May 20, 1863

Left camp at 9 oclock  
went on picket  
took three days rations with us  
the weather very warm and pleasant  
received a Letter from LV

Thursday, May 21, 1863

Weather warm and plesant  
are on the reserve to day  
received a letter from Helen (Alex?) Crane, also a paper from an unknown friend

Friday, May 22, 1863

were relieved this morning and returned to camp, a little the worse for wear  
received a letter from LV to day

Thursday, May 28, 1863

we received orders at noon to be ready to march at a moments notice with three days rations  
did not start until there (three?) oclock  
marched 10 miles and encamped for the night

Friday, May 29, 1863

started at 7 oclock  
marched 16 miles  
camped at Kelleys fords  
the weather very hot

Saturday, May 30, 1863

went to the river this morning and had a good stand for some of our secest friends on the other  
side  
weather pleasant

Sunday, May 31, 1863

went on picket round (?) about three miles to a ford on the rappahonnack  
found our secest friends quite friendly  
had some fish and strawberries for dinner

Monday, June 1, 1863

are still on picket  
went down the river this morning and destroyed a boat belonging to the rebs  
the weather warm and pleasant  
exchanged papers with the rebs to day  
were relieved and returned to camp

Tuesday, June 2, 1863

weather warm  
heard to day that Grant had been defeated  
some of our pickets were taken last night by the rebs

Wednesday, June 2, 1863

weather pleasant, warm  
remained in camp all day  
done some washing  
sent over to Battery D to assist a friend in the evening  
LV

Thursday, June 3, 1863

weather very hot  
thunder storm at nght  
remained in camp all day

A B L E

LX

Friday, June 5, 1863

very pleasant  
remained in camp all day  
have orders to be ready to march at a moments notice

J R

Saturday, June 6, 1863

went on picket, took one days rations  
very pleasant in the morning, rained in the afternoon  
heard to day that Fredricksburg was evacuated and that Grant had taken Vicksbury  
McLean Field Officer of the day

Sunday, June 7, 1863

was relieved this morning by the 62 PV returned to camp, got in about 9 oclock  
received a letter from L V A R S L E to day  
had meeting to day

Monday, June 8, 1863

remained in camp all day  
some of cavalry crossed the river to day

Tuesday, June 9, 1863

more troops crossed the Rappahannock this mogning  
hard fighting all day with cavalry and artillery engaged  
all returned to camp to day  
loss said to be heavy on both sides

Wednesday, June 10, 1863

went on picket to day, relieved the 62<sup>nd</sup> PV (?)  
weather fine  
I crossed the river to day and had a chat with the secest pickets, found them very friendly

Thursday, June 11, 1863

are still on picket  
rained this morning  
had some strawberries for breakfast

Friday, June 18, 1863

on picket, yet hearing ?????? up the river  
this morning some ???? scouts crossed the river to day  
weather warm

Saturday, June 19, 1863

were relieved to day by the 62  
got orders to march as soon after we get to camp  
started at dark, marched 7 miles and encamped for the night

Sunday, June 14, 1863

broke camp at noon, marched 16 miles and encamped for the night near the railroad

Monday, June 15, 1863

broke camp at day light  
marched to Manasses Junction  
encamped for the night

some of \_\_\_\_\_ were soon struck and died  
heard to day that Lee had crossed into Maryland

Tuesday, June 16, 1863

went on picket in the afternoon  
staid (?) ill three oclock in the morning.

Wednesday, June 17, 1863

broke camp at 9 oclock  
reached Centerville and \_\_\_\_\_ die by the road side  
reached Earn. Springs about sundown and encamped for the night  
fight at Middletown to day

Thursday, June 18, 1863

weather hot, thunder shower at night  
remained at Earn. Springs all day  
some washing to day  
heard that Lee is in

Friday, June 19, 1863

Cunningham and I went out on pass, returned at 5 oclock  
rear had left us, gone to Allalee  
we went about three miles and staid all night with \_\_\_\_\_  
rained all night

Saturday, June 20, 1863

came up with the Regt this morning at Allolee  
remained at this place all day

Sunday, June 21, 1863

got orders to march at three oclock  
marched 7 miles, passed through Middleburg and stopped in a field near the Battle Field  
remained all day  
at night went on picket about one mile  
hard fighting all day, 16<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_ take a Battery

Monday, June 22, 1863

cavalry fall back, we got orders to fall back about noon  
rebs follow us for two hours, fall back as far as \_\_\_\_\_  
remain on picket all night

Tuesday, June 23, 1863

returned to our old camp near Alalee this morning  
drew two days rations  
remained in Camp until night, then went on picket about three miles

Wednesday, June 24, 1863

were relieved from picket and returned to camp  
\_\_\_\_\_ mail this morning, the first in 11 days  
fixed my \_\_\_\_\_ and done some washing to day

Thursday, June 25, 1863

weather pleasant, all quiet along the lines

to day drew two days rations  
wrote two letters

Friday, June 26, 1863

broke camp at 7 oclock  
crossed the Potomac at Edward ferry  
sent three mailings (?) and encamped for the night  
rained all day

Saturday, June 27, 1863

broke camp at 6 oclock  
marched 13 miles  
rained all day  
encamped for the night near Frederick city

Sunday, June 28, 1863

weather pleasant  
remained in camp all day  
done some washing  
received mail  
went on picket at dark

Monday, June 29, 1863

broke camp at 7 oclock  
marched sixteen miles  
passed through \_\_\_\_\_  
encamped for the night near

Tuesday, June 30, 1863

broke camp at day light  
marched 38 miles and encamped for the night near Union (?) Mills  
rained in the fornoon

Wednesday, July 1, 1863

weather is rainy  
marched to \_\_\_\_\_, remained two hours  
marched to Oxford, and encamped for the night

Thursday, July 2, 1863

marched to Gettysburg  
remained in line of Battle until three oclock, we then sent to the front, lost heavy \_\_\_\_\_  
killed, the \_\_\_\_\_ wounded.

Friday, July 3, 1863

went with the Capt to the hospital near the Battle and remained till three oclock, then went to  
Middletown, heard fighting all day

*Oh give me but one hour more, the dieing soldier said.*

Dec 20 South Carolina declares herself out of the union by a unanimous vote

Dec 26 Major Anderson evacuates Fort Moulthrie and takes possession of Fort Sumpter

Dec 28 South Carolina troops leave . . . .?

Battle of Chickomauga  
Fought May 24

Battle of Hanover  
Fought May 27<sup>th</sup>

Battle of Mechanics south  
June 26

Battle of James Farm  
May 27<sup>th</sup>

Battle of White Oak Swamp  
June 27<sup>th</sup>

Battle of Malvern Hill  
July 1<sup>st</sup>

Battle of Antietam  
Fought Sept 17<sup>th</sup>

Battle of ?  
Dec 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> ?

Campbell Hospital  
March 7  
Washington DC

St Lawrence  
Jefferson Co NY

Clarence Centre  
NY

Newstead  
Era Co NY

General Hospital  
Salina (?)



Pastry  
Bargain  
Rasines  
Millspr ?  
Drew  
Gould  
Harris  
Kelogg  
Wooder ?

Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Peter Jakegon (?)  
Debt to cash 100 [dollars]

Stamps	
Shery	2
Cunningham	1
Barley	
Goschet	1
Carpenter	
Master (?)	25