

Active Service Report of Co. D. 2nd U.S.S.S.
Since we left Camp Snodgrass at Washington D. C.
March 19. 1862.

Left Camp Snodgrass March 19
1862 for Camp Williams near Alexandria Va 18
miles from former Camp arrived there Mch 20th
and there joined Brigade of Gen Suger in Doug's
Div. Left Camp Williams April 5th 62 arrived at
Bristow Va evening of April 6th where we camped
until April 15th on which day we marched towards
Belmont Va Va Warrenton Suml arriving at Water
place ~~Apr 15th~~ same night. Left there morning
of April 17th for Belmont Va marching a distance
of 80 miles within 15 hours, with little opposition
from Rebel Cavalry and Infantry we entered Sta-
-tonth Va. After entering the town as the enemy had
burned the bridges concerning a river ~~crossing~~
our Company was detailed to extinguish the flames
while within range of the Rebel S.S. in the oppo-
-site side of the River, where we were dispersed by
a few well directed shots and partially saved
the bridge. We encamped at Staunton in the
25th 62 at which time we left there Company for
the night about 8 miles south of Fredericksburg Va
near Turners Corner crossing on the morning of
the 2nd of ~~May~~ we started to the relief of
Genl Banks in the Valley we arrived at Catlett
Va ~~May 31st~~ there took cars for Front Royal Va
Via Manassas Suml where near White Plains Va
about 3 O'clock morning of June 1st the train in
our rear by some management came into
Collision with ours nearly demolishing several
cars killing 1 man and wounding some 22 others
some severely (all of our Company) we left the scene

to cross being we were in line of battle and under
 a terrific fire of shell and canister for three days
 with occasional firing during the nights. ^{before}
 During the time we were here we were detailed as
 a company and commanded by Lieut Westburn
 to go to the River and ascertain just where the enemy
 were crossing to our side. while performing this im-
 portant duty and just as we discovered them a Company
 consisting of Rebel Cavalry charged on us. our
 little Company of 28 Men (deployed as skirmishers)
 repulsed them scattering them in every direction
 killing 2, Wounding several and taking their
 Captain and 2 privates prisoners,
 none of our men were injured. While we were here
 we were supporting batteries at times and in this
 line of duty our Regt lost about 6 killed several
 wounded. On the 23rd of Aug our Regt was or-
 dered and under a severe artillery fire which
 lasted about 2 hours. Several in the Regt were
 wounded and but one man in our Co (Orville Wash-
 ington Tucker) he received a wound here which
 resulted in his death shortly afterwards,
 About noon of the 23rd we started for Warrenston
 crossing there on the 24th of Aug where we moved
 into Camp where we stayed until Aug 24th when
 our Regt was detached to Genl Critchies Brigade
 and marched to White Sulpher Springs where
 we were deployed as skirmishers and ordered to
 drive the enemy's skirmishers to the other side
 of the River, brisk skirmishing ensued which
 lasted some 8 hours and resulted in our driving
 the enemy to the other side of the River. This was
 the faintest test we have ever had between Rebel
 Sharpshooters and ours. The loss of our Regt was 3

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The 1st (more of our Co was injured). The Rebels lost
some 28 or 30, while we lost all ground we had gained.
The Rebels sent in a flag of truce to obtain their dead.
We marched Aug 27, ~~1862~~ in the direction of Williams
Junction and when near Groveton Aug 28 we discover-
ed the enemy in force, our Regt was deployed as
 skirmishers and ordered to feel of the enemy,
we were soon hotly engaged when our reserves came
up we were ordered to another part of the field and
during the night we were compelled to fall back to
Manassas and remained there until Aug 29th
when we were ordered forward to occupy nearly the
same ground we had before occupied, our Co sub-
-porting pieces of Artillery stationed near the Seabury
road. about dawn the Rebels attacked us in over-
-whelming force we were drove back we were after-
wards reinforced as it was now dark we lay on our
arms well equipped in this action Private Barber was taken
prisoner. Private James Kelly was wounded Private
John Jordan killed and of our Co. we had but 12
enlisted men in this battle. The balance of my Co
had given out unable to stand the severe march-
-ing and skirmishing and fighting of the past 10
Days and all our short rations, We lay by the road
side until about noon of Aug 30th when another
advance on the enemy was ordered, we were on the
right and deployed as skirmishers, the fighting
became so fierce that we lost sight of the right wing
of our Regt and our Co with the remainder of the
left wing joined one of the Pennsylvania Reserve
Regts where we fought in closed ranks during
the remainder of the day. We fell back to
Centerville on the night of Aug 30th broken
and disordered where we remained until Sep 1st

Mr. Johnson's journal

We then fell back to Bunbury and encamped for
 the night and on Sept 2nd and 3rd we fell back to
 Bell's Church where we encamped until Sept 7th 69
 when we marched into Maryland and encamped
 Sep 9th 69, 8 miles from Washington, D.C. on the
 Harpers Ferry road. From there we marched by
 the way of Bowieville and Lidon to Frederick Md
 where we arrived Sep 12, 69. On Sep 14th we marched
 to South Mountain where we came upon the enemy
 in force. we engaged them about 3 P.M. our Regt
 being deployed as skirmishers and leading
 the attack night found the enemy completely
 routed after a brief fight. in the morning of
 the 15th we pursued them encamping about
 2 miles from Steepleville and the enemy lined
 our Sept 16 our Regt was deployed and forward
 ed to feel the enemy's line, slight skirmishing
 ensued in which one man in our Co (Brown &
 Westington Tucker) was wounded and died the
 same night. after our slight was accomplished
 we fell back a short distance and lay on our
 arms all night. in the morning of the 17th
 we advanced in close column line of battle
 our Regt forming the extreme right of Double-
 days Div and of our line we fought contin-
 ually for 4 hours during which our Regt lost
 about 75 killed. in our Co Capt J. W. Stegfield
 was wounded in both legs Private Wm. C. Leonard
 wounded (since died) Private James W. Matthews
 wounded. Private, Lemuel Roberts, George Roberts
 and Willard Foster were killed. on Sep 19th we
 went into camp near Sharpsburg Md where
 we remained until Oct 20, 69 at which time
 we marched to Babersville where we remained

Best in
Warrant
with
Dated
from

Amount
to

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1863

James

Account of
March 1863

List of persons absent from
Co. D. 2nd Reg. U.S. Sharpshooters.

Names	Regiment Company	Residence		Remarks
		Town	State	
Allen, John B.	U.S. Sharpshooter Co.	Marshfield	Maine	Left at Newmarket, Mich. June 5 th 1862
Bickford, Alster	"	Concord	"	Left at Camp Barre, Mich. April 15 th 1862
Barker, Stephen P.	"	Bellevue Falls	"	" " Newmarket, " June 5 th "
Bird, James A. Jr.	"	St. John	N. B.	" " " " " " "
Borgstrom, Richards	"	Hyderson	Maine	" " " " " " "
Boradbury, James D.	"	Burlington	"	Absent June, 1862.
Boffin, Frederick S.	"	Colburnia	"	Left at Camp Farmington, Mich. May 15, 1862
Brandt, Berden Jr.	"	Portona	Maine	" " Newmarket, Mich. June 5 th "
Bron, Joseph S.	"	Belmont	"	" " Washington, Mich. March 19, 1862
Boyle, James	"	Springfield	"	" " Camp Farmington, Mich. May 15, "
Brownson, Charles P.	"	Adair	"	" " Camp Williams, Mich. April 5 th "
Brownson, Henry	"	Champion	"	" " Farmington, Mich. May 28 th "
Call, George	"	Rolland	"	" " Camp Farmington, Mich. May 15 th "
Canderson, Thomas G.	"	do	"	" " Farmington " " 28 th "
Carroll, Mervyn	"	Windsor	"	" " Newmarket " June 5 th "
Cropley, Martin	"	Rolland	"	" " " " " " 5 th "
Wall, Rufus S.	"	do	"	" " " " " " 5 th "
Conklin, Isaac G.	"	China	"	" " " " " " 5 th "
Johnson, Charles M.	"	do	"	" " Camp Barre, Mich. April 15 th 1862
Pruden, John	"	Ripley	"	" " Newmarket, Mich. June 5 th "

List continued -
 No. 229 Reg. U. S. Sharpshooters

Names	Regiment Company	Residence		Remarks
		Town	State	
Krautstein, John M.	U.S. Sharpshooters, Co. K	Swanville	Maine	Camp Washington, Mich. March 19 th 1872
Lynam, Franklin M.	"	Waverille	"	do " do 19. "
Moore, Hyatt D.	"	do	"	do " do " "
McFarland, Mrs. A.	"	Cherryfield	"	Camp Williams, April 15 th "
McKenzie, Mrs. W. W.	"	Portland	"	Falmouth, Mich. May 25 th "
Moore, Edwin P.	"	Brookland	"	Camp Mackinac, Mich. June 5 th "
Moore, Nelson P.	"	Waverille	"	do " " " "
Mann, Leonard P.	"	Cherryfield	"	do " " 19 th "
McKean, George	"	Watson	"	Camp Falmouth, Mich. May 15 th "
Regrad, James H.	"	Springfield	"	do do " " "
Scott, Frank W.	"	Portland	"	Camp Mackinac, Mich. June 5 th "
Place, Charles W.	"	Whitfield	"	Camp Falmouth, Mich. May 15 th "
Riggs, Franklin	"	Greenbush	"	Camp Falmouth, Mich. May 15 th "
Small, Leonard A.	"	Barnet	"	Camp Williams, April 15 th "
Stevens, James A.	"	Watson	"	Camp Mackinac, Mich. June 5 th "
Smith, William A.	"	Watson	"	do " " " "
Sally, James F.	"	do	"	do " " " "
Stromberg, Andrew W.	"	No. 1 St.	"	Washington, Mich. Nov. 19 th "
Teague, Charles D.	"	New Sharon	"	do " do " "
Tucker, Frederick W.	"	Cherryfield	"	Camp Mackinac, Mich. June 5 th "

List continued
Co. of 2d Reg. U. S. Sharp-shooters

Name	Regiment & Company	Residence		Residence
		Town	State	
Miscou, John W.	U. S. Sharp-shooters	Brookland	Illinois	Absent, June 1862
Young, William W.	" "	Stirling	"	Absent at Washington, D.C., June 5th 1861

Falmouth Va

March 23, 1863.

Howard, O.O.
and others

3. Recommends Capt Jacob
McClure U.S. Sharp Shooter

3 Enclosures

for Capt McClure

^{esq}
His excellency James DeBump
Governor of Maine
Governor

I have the honor
to ask for authority to raise a Battalion of Sharpshooters
in the State of Maine. I am under the impression that
this authority can be obtained from the War Department,
through your agency. Sometime last Autumn an order
was issued, by the Secretary of War, providing for the rais-
ing of Battalions of Sharpshooters, of four or five compa-
nies each, to be under the command of a Major.

The order alluded to - further provides that the men
thus raised are to be used as Sharpshooters, recognizing
them as a distinct arm of the service.

I think I need not enter into any argument to prove
that it is an important one. The Company already sent
out by our State has done good service, and earned an en-
viable reputation, I am aware that Maine has had but
little credit for our services, and this is the principal
reason why I am anxious that there should be a Battha-
lion raised that shall be as readily identified with the
State as any Regiment. I anticipate that under the
Conscrip^t Law, recently enacted by Congress, more troops
will be called into the field, from Maine.

The plan I propose is to select men from those drafted,
who are willing to join the Sharpshooters, and who are
able to meet the test required, by an order from the
War Department. This order provides that a commanding

Officers should superintend the testing of the men.

I am much attached to my Company, with which I have been in service for nearly seventeen months. Should I receive authority to raise more Sharpshooters, I desire, if possible, that this Company should form a part of the new command. There are several men in the company, who, by their faithful and honest discharge of all duties, and their courageous and noble conduct in the many actions in which our Regt has been engaged, are highly deserving of promotion. Enclosed is a paper signed by all the line Officers in our Regt, who are present, with other papers.

I am, very Respectfully,

Your Obedt Servant,

Jacob McBlaine,

Capt. Co. D, 2nd W. S. S.

The change proposed I consider very desirable and so much deserves recommendation that Capt McBlaine seems a high recommendation.

A. D. Snow.

Capt. Co. D, 2nd W. S. S.

Headquarters Caldwell's 1st Regt
Falmouth Va. March 23rd 1863

I approve the plan of organizing
battalions of Sharpshooters from States. &
I know of no officer better qualified to
raise & command such a battalion
than Capt McClure

John G. Caldwell
Brig Gen. U. S. A.

Head. qrs. 2nd Div. 2nd Corps
near Falmouth Va

Mar. 23 1863

I must excise and save the foregoing
request - Nothing would suit me
better than to have such a battalion
attached to my Command.

Capt. McClure needs no
further testimony in his behalf as
to his ability & character than the
above.

D. H. Howard

Major, Gen.

Headquarters 20th Div 3rd Corps

Army Station March 25th 1863

I have read the foregoing request together with the
above endorsements. I fully concur in the request &
would add that in my opinion the Battalion organ-
ized in this way & attached to his command
will be of great service

W. H. Army Maj. Gen.

Camp Meigs Farmouth Va,

59.

July 28, 1862

Garrison Washburn

Dear Sir

As I well id a vacancy in our Company and your name probably came quite a lot, I should like for the position of Major & Lieutenant if my duty to explain to you the reason why I recommend Major B. B. Bingham as being entitled the position in the first place I have no friends to please as it is but my only object to make the Company as efficient as possible, As all the men & officers for civility if he could to command our 3rd in the Company I gain the knowledge he very gratifying to me, the way I in promotion would be best & better for the best I am afraid to something, then to a better my friends are as follows in the first place he had no qualifications with him to fill the position in the second place he had been elected for a long time and in fact getting his discharge if he does not get a commission if he is not able to do duty as a Major he is not as a commission officer I have nothing against B. B. B. as a man but I do think he is not competent to even fill a very good position as he can hardly write his own name,

I remain your obedient
servant
Garrison Washburn
Comdr. Co. D. 1st Reg. Meigs
Va. Inf.

Copy of the Document No. 1
June 25 1802

Esq. Messrs Matthews

Dear Sirs

Our last Proquest was the result
 your Proquest the remaining for our
 Company we want \$5.000 our
 Agents like to arrange it so that the
 State could receive them and I
 think that our Agent of York
 could receive \$5.000 in about 10
 or 15 days and our Agents like our the
 more we get well satisfied, Mr. Barlow
 made application for a special order to
 draw all the Companies' resources from
 their own respective States, then the
 Agents like to know if your Council
 disapprove of that your Council have
 the more resources and resources
 of Virginia till you get the resources
 they are our cause and of the State
 you will please send us a list of your
 Council and in a list of your
 name of full report to send to
 send of a list of the list of the
 month which will show the State
 meet some more than now so the
 time that the people should have
 a certain way to come forward of
 the next year that I am doing my Country
 matters in staying out here with only about
 30 men. Please to give me from you of
 of the whole Commission and other things
 should be sent to Mr. Barlow.

Private

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Camp Near Guilbunth No.

July 1st 1862

Genl Robertson

Dear Sirs I send you

a full report of the condition of our Company
up to the present time I also describe all the
takes that there was in each Co. report that
I think that it is do prove that it can be
maintained I did not fill with the forms that
you send me as these were so many some
to make with had very little time to
them if it is not what you want I will
make and send one more form that you
sent to me you will see that our Co.
is a half way up with our firing
a shot at the enemy these is some
names among the sick about that you
that their sickness our some names
you that I have had no matter to that
from the sickness reported when they were
discharged there I was compelled to report
them sick although most the present
stances I think it is very necessary that
Company should be taken out of this Co.
and attached to one of our other Regts.
and then if under the reason the Capt. and
for that as it is now with our Co. my opinion
the Government's views on the expense
of resupplying the army from from every
one the Regt. for their subsistence with our
other than the Regt. Subsistence Regt.
in position that they are with our
to fill. As the sick and stay officers are

From their Sarah and Mr. David Port,
 and the two become acquainted with
 Mr. Partridge and neighbors of the
 first and they say he was employed
 for several ~~years~~ years as a truck gun and
 they can present on the residence part
 of the tract no two or one name
 they it would be required with the papers
 by every paper dated on the company
 and the book every company in making
 a separate copy of each of the
 organization. Beas at the
 with I remember these will be two no
 names attached but one of our own
 Reg.

I remain yours obedient servant
 Wm. J. Grant
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Robert McLean
 Falmouth, Va.
 July 10/82

Transfer Roll of Co. B. 2^d Regt. Heavy Arty. 17th Me Regt -
 By Spec. Order. No 42. A¹ 2 ofc. July 18. 65.

John Sullivan

James M. Matthews. 2^d Lt.
 John H. Remond. 1st Sgt. Dec. 21. 63 Ret
 Luther L. Davis. Sgt. " " "
 Geo. W. Livingston. " " " "
 John Sullivan. " " " "
 Dear Hunter Corp. Dec 21. 63. Ret
 James L. Peabody. " " " "
 John J. Jameson. " Apr 20. 64. "
 John On Harby May. Dec 21. 63 Ret
 William McConnon Recpt. Dec 21. 63 Ret

— Private —

Ringers, John H. July, 11. 64. Rec'd
 Richard Albert. Dec 21. 63. Ret
 Clifford Benjamin J. Apr 28. 64.
 Orrey James L. V. July 23. 64.
 Orrey Roseport V. "
 Clay Warner R. P. Dec 21. 63.
 Roe Harley P. July 25. 64.
 Roe William R. 9
 Deem Jeph. S. Jan 20. 64.
 Eaton David M. July 1 -
 Galy Patrick Jan 15 -
 Gougey John F. Jan 28 -
 Foster Sanford W. Jan 28 -
 Hart Nelson. Mar 10. 64
 Hodgkins James. July 16 -
 Huntington David. Jan 20 -
 Hartford Stephen. July 16. -
 Wallace George E. Apr 21. 62
 Wallace John E. Aug 11. 62
 Wallace John. Jan 20. 64
 Leach Ira. Apr 2. -
 Landis James. July 27 -
 Merrill Thomas. Dec 21. 63.
 McLeair Rivers. "
 Mungoby Michael J. July 3. 64.
 Munk Joseph. Dec 23 -
 Mosey Abram. Dec 21. 63.
 Richardson Isaac. Aug 19. 64.
 Redinger William H. "
 Taylor William H. "
 " 13 "
 " Dec 21. 63.
 Stanton Lewis. Apr 28. 64
 Spray John K. Mar 11. 64
 Thompson Edwin. Apr 16. 64
 White Charles S. Dec 21. 63.
 Wentworth William G. July 16. 64

Wiping in action June 22. 1864

Name	Rank	End
Hamilton Cyrus S.	Private	July 25. 64. R.
Kelly J. S.	"	July 30. 64 R.
Lindsey Edwin	"	Aug 4. 64 R.
Plummer Corham S.	"	July 20. 64 R.
Spencer Joseph H.	"	" 16 " Det Wl.
Witham Geo L.	"	" 8 " R.

Rec'd

Washington D.C. Aug 14th 1864
Adj't Gen'l of State of Mo

Sir

Will you please to
forward to me the Date
of my Muster into the
Service of the U.S.

I enlisted in a Co of
Sharpshooters and was honor
in some time in Oct, 61.
I think but do not know
the Date I am now detached
I am in Washington
get my Description ~~from~~
my Co on the account of the
Co's books being lost and if
you will forward the date of
muster to me you will greatly

closed

Camp 2^d Reg. U. S. Sharp Shooters
Before Petersburg Va
Aug. 26th 1864

John L. Hodsdon,
Adjt-Genl State of Maine:-

I have
the honor to transmit this document
as a report of the Maine Company
Sharp Shooters. - 2^d U. S. S. S.

Present for duty,	18.
On Extra or daily duty,	7
Absent sick or wounded,	27.
Total,	52

I further state that I would be glad to
have the company filled by recruiting if
possible, but if recruiting will be im-
practicable, please take measures to have
the company filled from drafted men
suitable for this arm of the service.

Portland, Sept. 17 '64

Dear Governor

I enclose a paper of James
G. Sturgis, who asks to be appointed
Capt, Asst Surgeon of 17th Maine, having
been Hospital Steward of 1st Regt for over
two years - there being a vacancy. The place,
he says, was filled last winter, but the ap-
pointee never appeared. He says he had
charge of the Regt a long time, while the
Surgeon was sick.

He tells me Col. West will recommend
him to you, and he also has the recommen-
dation of the Bd of Examining Surgeons.

He is a burlesque humor man, and is the
officer who made so telling a speech at our
Lanner Saturday eve. before election. He is a
very lively fellow.

He says there is a vacancy in the 8th. while

Standish Mo Sept 12. 1866

To the Hon. Governor and Council

of Maine.

Standish. Being personally acquainted with James B. Sturgis of this Town. Hospital Steward of the 17th Maine Vol. learning he has passed a satisfactory examination before a Board of Examining Surgeons of the Army of the Potomac. Humbly ask he may be appointed an Aft. Surgeon

We the ^{undersigned} Citizens of

John H. Philbrick
J. L. Hasty
William Dapin
B. H. Cutter
Chas. Thompson
Hose D. Camp
Isaiah Stewart
William Wissett
Edmond Dresser
Wm H. Dresser

Amos Brewster
Samuel O. Paine
Jos. J. Thompson
W. D. Lane
William Paine
Geo. K. Emery
John Swafford
Mass Stewart
Abner McDonald
Wm D Freeman
Jabez Dow
Thomas James

W. S. Johnson