

and then a good old fashioned sermon from our pastor Chadwick. Had to listen to him; wrote a letter home; had another dress parade in the evening; finished all night.

May 11—Still raining a very cold rain; have just finished cleaning up through and around our tent, and we are now waiting very impatiently for our rations, for we are undoubtedly very hungry; I will now finish the last chapter of the Acts, and begin the Romans and finish to-day when the day closes; I do nothing to-day but look out and read the Testament; received a letter from a friend at Fort Pickens; got some straw to sleep on; and finished all night.

May 11—Got up, made the fire and cooked some bread and ate a scanty breakfast of burnt bread and butter; afterwards read several chapters in the Testament; hope to have some more of the same again to-day. Had a little homoeic; received two letters from sister Pauline, and I was glad, indeed, to get them; drilled six hours in the morning; O. E. Humphreys, who is now at all; one of my men died last night at Strasburg, which created no little sorrow in the company.

May 22—Started to reply to the letters from sister Pauline, but was interrupted on the mountain; hope to do so to-morrow; got good wood for the regiment; it is rather hard work; but we rest often as we are on the opposite side of the river, I can't find out where they are from; from all indications, I look for hot work soon; troops are coming in every day, and they are not coming in for nothing; we are becoming very tired here has a martial appearance; I guess that we may look for a fight within three weeks; and if I fall, I hope that God will pardon my sins; I would not say anything about the mountain to-day, I fear that I ever will; it is horrible to think of dying, leaving a world of sorrow and going straight to a worse—yes, a thousand fold worse than this; O God, deliver me from sin and temptation; I know that I am unworthy, but thou, O God, art merciful. This is real hard work; we have to pitch the wood as far as we can, and then we have to pitch it again, and continue thus to the foot of the mountain, where it is loaded into a wagon and hauled to the camp; the firewood can't be carried up the mountain, so we have to carry it across the river when the breeze comes from the direction of the town; I have just finished a heavy dinner of cold beef and light bread, and am feeling very well; we are waiting for my Testament until we carry it to work again; finished the day's work and returned to camp; wrote away on a letter until night; slept soundly all night; woke up at about five o'clock.

May 23—Feeling very bad and unwell. Stephen is out on picket guard for twenty-four hours; very warm day in the sun, but cool in the shade, and a good night; Virginia has not been here for some time; we are becoming very tired of bear of great excitement and a good many notes in the State to-day; received a letter from home to-day, and felt a good deal better on account of it; I wrote away in a truly marvellous time at three o'clock; my work was over; interval until one o'clock, 24th; slept very well at night, considering that I was alone and had a bad cold.

May 24—Warm but pleasant; drilled four hours in the morning; Stephen is out on picket guard to-day, and he is now engaged writing home; I write three sheets myself; will send it in a short time; I have not been here for some time; the reports are true; we are completely surrounded; awake up at daylight feeling anything but comfortable on account of eating too much supper last night, and partly on account of the bad news; looks very much like rain this morning.

May 25—Rained very hard for an hour or so; had a general holiday, and took a bath in the Potomac. We are now in a very comfortable position; the weather is very good; our regiment, very well fed, and nearly out of money.

May 26—A very warm day; drilled two hours and a half; heard a splendid sermon from the text—"Remember that thou art dust, and shalt return to dust, and shalt be as the earth." Don't like to drill on Sunday one bit; Stephen is sick; I fear that he will have the measles; we are expecting a letter from home to-day; the North has invaded us, and we will drive back the ruthless rascals.

May 27—The most pleasant and beautiful morning that I have ever seen; very warm, but not so hot as yesterday; the wind commenced blowing, and scattered the tents far and wide, causing great merriment in the company; I am now in a very comfortable position; the weather is very good; our regiment, very well fed, and nearly out of money; slept on uncle's cot, and slept finely until morning.

May 28—Woke up and found that the weather had moderated; gave our bed up to a lady from Haverhill; I drilled all day; Stephen still sick and growing worse; I suppose that he has got the measles at last; I have just wrapped up my things, and am ready to go; I will wait for roll call; I am now going to prepare for a letter "unable" to sleep in here; slept well all night.

May 29—Woke up and found it raining; Stephen has been here for some time; I have just finished a heavy dinner of cold beef and light bread, and am feeling very well; we are waiting for my Testament until we carry it to work again; finished the day's work and returned to camp; wrote away on a letter until night; slept soundly all night; woke up at about five o'clock.

May 30—Stephen broke out with the measles, thick as black; I suppose to have the measles; still using the same medicine; I suppose, permanently, though D. C. Humphreys objects, on account of the measles; received two letters from home to-day; we are now in a very comfortable position; the weather is very good; our regiment, very well fed, and nearly out of money; slept on uncle's cot, and slept finely until morning.

May 31—Sent four letters home, per J. J. Venable; Stephen is out on picket guard to-day; I have just finished a heavy dinner of cold beef and light bread, and am feeling very well; we are waiting for my Testament until we carry it to work again; finished the day's work and returned to camp; wrote away on a letter until night; slept soundly all night; woke up at about five o'clock.

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ter, and got our things; have got them picked and prepared for comfortable soldier living. Received another letter from home; all well. No much idea of a fight for a while.

May 21—Very pleasant day; feel sick; excess from drill, and taking a general rest. Wrote home and to several acquaintances. A formal sermon is being preached in night of camp; one of the soldiers died yesterday. Received another letter from home; all well. I intend to try and fix up a little. Expect to remain here until July, when we will know what we have to do.

May 22—Wrote all the day; went to town and bought some clothing. Dined at the Taylor Hotel; very common fare. Rested in the evening. Received orders about ten o'clock to cook provisions and prepare for marching.

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June 24—Cool and clear. A beautiful morning; no prospect of leaving here yet. I think we will stay one or two weeks longer. It is very nice to have no more meetings, and that decides what we will have to do. Skoed guard from eight to eight.

June 25—Went to town and took a bath; came back at eight o'clock; received orders to march in a body to a letter to Joe Matt, and one to Pauline. Stephen is on guard to-day, and comes off at one o'clock to-morrow.

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### THE DIARY OF THE YOUNG REBELS.

THE ENLISTS AT HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA, JOSEPH COLONEL E. J. JONES' REGIMENT—DEPARTS FOR CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE FOR DALLAS, LYNNBURG, HANCOCK'S FERRY—RETURNS FROM HARPER'S FERRY TO WINCHESTER AND MANASSAS GAP, AND IS FINALLY KILLED AT THE BATTLE OF BULL RUN.

April 27—Left home with a company of volunteers, bid farewell to home, parents and friends, and departed on a twelve months tour, for the defence of my country; hated to leave most awfully, but our country being in danger and no one to defend her did not suit us.

April 30—Arrived at Chattanooga before daylight, and had to lay over eight hours; never was so bored by a place in my life; was very glad to leave it at two o'clock for Dallas, Georgia; we were boxed up in freight cars to travel over a long way; through a poor pine country; arrived in Dalton before eight, and found other companies there; laid over two days and a half, during which time we organized a regiment, and elected E. J. Jones, of Huntsville, Colonel, and E. Law, of Loudon, Colonel; we re-entred our arms at Dalton, smooth rock muskets, at which the boys grunted.

May 1—Left Dalton for Lynchburg, Virginia, in old box cars, very close and crowded; we had to sleep on the floor and some beautiful country; crossed two large rivers; the Tennessee is the most beautiful river at this point that I ever saw, and afforded the most beautiful views from both banks; we were very comfortable about sunset we stopped and packed a quantity of hay from a creek near by to sleep on. Slept all night in the cars, snoring like a lot of pigs.

May 4—Woke up at Lynchburg, Tennessee, about sunrise; saw lots of beautiful women; received a bouquet from a very nice girl, with a small string inscription attached to it. Left there for Bristol, in the land of Virginia; arrived about noon, and found other companies there; left with an advance guard of our company and several other companies for Lynchburg; slept all night in a small car.

Sunday, May 5—Woke up in the morning eight miles from Lynchburg; took breakfast at Liberty, where, as usual, the ladies turned out to do us honor; reached Lynchburg about ten, and found other companies there; two miles from the depot and on a hill, with two springs at the foot of it. It rained all night, and I had to stand guard from eleven to two.

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