

Sat. Jan. 9

Nothing particular occurred.

Sab. 10

Started out foraging 8 A.M. Breakfasted on parched corn. Had but half rations the last 4 days to nothing. Came about 13 miles to Massengills Mill. Drew 1000 rations for Brigade. Were issued to us this evening at the Black River Church where we are tonight, sore, tired and hungry.

Mon. Jan. 11

Had reveille at 4½ A.M. Started at daylight for forage. Went about 4 miles, loaded four wagons with corn. Other wagons went on farther. The whole Brigade is out, about 12 or 15 wagons. Frank and I got our dinner at a farm house. Then coming back 4 of us stopped at Seth Morgans and got each of us a canteen full of sorghum molasses. 50¢ a canteen full. (3pts). We stayed tonight at the Church again.

Tues. Jan. 12

Came from Black River Church (18 miles). Frank and I got very tired--fell out to get some grub. Stopped at a house, got some corn cakes--baked. When we settled the bill \$1.00 Got into camp about dusk.

Wed. Jan. 13

Living in camp. Alonzo Akers came up this evening. Our orderly came up. Frank got his watch and gold pin. I got my pocket book and money, \$21.

Thurs Jan 14

Living in camp. Got orders this evening to move tomorrow. Drew one pound of meal to do two days.

Fri. Jan. 15

Had a hard march. Came back to Strawberry Plains, crossed the river and started for Dandridge, got about 4 miles on the wrong road, then went back a piece, then went back across country to the right road. Marched 12 or 14 miles. 10 was enough.

Sat. Jan. 16

Marched 14 miles. Arrived at Dandridge at 2½ P.M. Stopped in a grove. Lay awhile, when things were getting warm in front. We were ordered out expected a brush but did not have it. Frank and I made a supper of parched corn.

Sab. Jan. 17

Lay in our camp in a beautiful grove until M. when we started out. Came through town and about 2 miles S.E. where we are now lying on the bank of the French Broad River. A detail has gone to build a bridge across the river. We drew rations last night. About ¾ lbs of flour to the man and other things in proportions, to last two days. The town of Dandridge is a pretty fair place--800 or 1,000 inhabitants. Our 64th Squad is attached to 650 V.I. Lieut. Hinman is our Commander. I like it as well as being in our own Regt.

Mon. Jan. 18

The last 24 hours have been a hard time for us. We crossed the river yesterday evening about sun down, stopped in a field, lay there an hour or so, when we got hurried orders to leave quickly. Re-crossed the River, Stopped a short time

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