



✓ DESCRIPTIVE LIST

TO BE COPIED INTO ROSTER.

NAME *J E Gaskell* AGE *55* WHERE BORN *Alabama*
WHEN AND WHERE ENLISTED *Vicksburg Miss* COMPANY *A*
REGIMENT *17th La* BRIGADE *S. Lee* DIVISION *M E Smith*
CORPS *Penuberton* ARMY *Tenn* *SS2E*

✓ SIGN THIS, AND GIVE NAMES OF TWO REFERENCES.

REMARKS.

[Under this head will be included changes in Commands, important battles in which engaged, and other important facts connected with your CONFEDERATE record.]

During the first year of the war, I travelled over a large part of north Louisiana aiding my father (who was a wonderfully effective stump speaker) in making up Volunteer Companies, after his speeches he would use the fife and the drum sticks, organizing Companies for the 9th, 12th, 17th, 28th and 31st regiments of infy. and one company of Cavalry. After the battle of Shiloh April 1862 the 17th La was sent to Vicksburg Miss where I joined them ^{as a drummer boy} and participated in all the fighting in west Mississippi till the fall of Vicksburg. In all fifty four days battle. I carried a gun in fifty three of those days. (and shot to kill Gen Stephen A Lee Commanded in first battle. Brig. Genl Baldwin in the remaining ones. Baldwin was killed at Siege of Vicksburg. After the fall of Vicksburg I was in Genl Thomas' La Brigade west of Miss. river, serving as drum-major of regiment till close of the war.

J E Gaskell

Reference

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