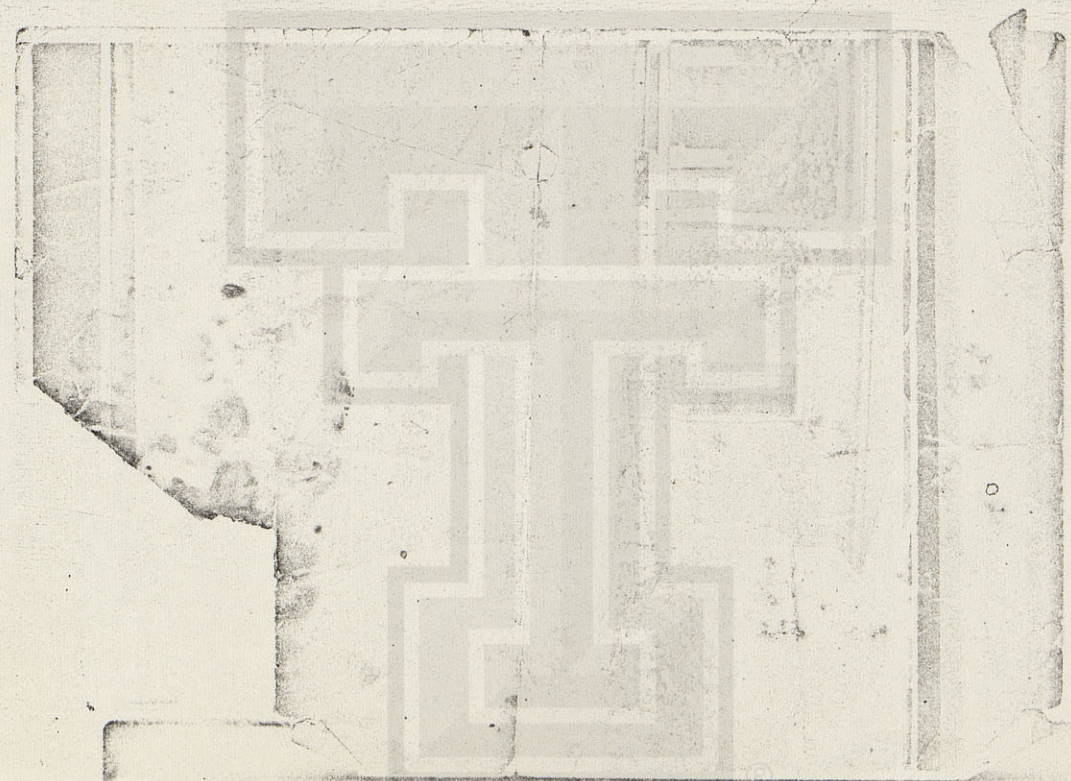




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Jan 27: Went out to buy corn & my supplies -
This was excused for the people they
looked so frightened - Our soldiers
committed many excesses by way
of retaliation.

28th & 29th - Remained at Chambersburg
30th - Moved on the Baltimore pike to
Fayetteville & remained until the evening
of Feb. 1st - To day the whole army was in
motion eastward on the pike - Hooker reported
at Fredericktown - General fight on the
east side of the Blue Ridge.

In the evening nearly sunset left the
little town of Fayetteville where we
were encamped 7 hrs from Chambersburg.
Moved nearly all night - Night march left
Crossed the B. Ridge, passed thru Carlisle town
15 hrs from Fayetteville & started at early
morning on the Battle field of Gettysburg
where Early's Div & Rhodes & Heintz Div. engaged
Meade's Army Corps - Campbell & Mearns of Gettysburg

After taking a note of sleep and over the
Battle field, & onto Gettysburg - Early's forces
on the left of the Hagerstown road. Heintz & Rhodes
on the right - How many dead & badly wounded
perhaps 300 & I did not see more than half of
it. Then loss 1000 killed & wounded & 6000
prisoners - The Mich. suffered severely - Saw
at least 150 dead & badly wounded on the
ground they fought on not more than 5 acres.
Early's army went along the lines to see
the disposition of the troops - Smith on
left wing. Heintz in center, Longstreet on
right - Pickett - Hood - McLean's
Saw Ewell's Corps - In center of the line was
there line - rode two miles on left to troops
Soon after leaving them 5 o'clock firing with
artillery commenced & was kept at briskly
along the line - One dead, wounded, & many others
Regiment 2nd in command was killed (report 500) also
two brigades - Meade said to be surrounded
said to have succeeded Hooker.

Diary of Travel

11. Left "sweet home" dear wife & dar. little Agnes for Siquin to take the stage for the usual scenes of our Van. Brother John & Henry Maney accompanied me. Left Siquin on Thursday the 12th dined in Belmont, supped in Gonzales. Travelled with Maj Jackson former Q. M. in Silliges Brig. Capt Harrison on his staff. Found them to be agreeable gentlemen.

13th. Travelled all night & breakfasted in Hatillo. Arrived at Allexton at dusk & there found Col. Wm. Herdman who informed me that Gen Maney was in Columbus. After going to bed he came in & slept with Mr. Haggerty & myself. Has charge of the post office in Columbus & has for a train for this.

then & consumed an hour on again. Left on board of the Jalisco ^{at Beaumont} about 9 1/2 o'clock. Left morning about daylight. Arrived at the mouth of Neches at 10 o'clock, ran in beside a schooner on Sabine Lake & put off some cotton passed the mouth of the Sabine at 11 1/2, shot Bar fort ahead 12. Orange at 2 o'clock. River very crooked. In one place 75 yds across & 5 ms. around. River very high, all the land covered. Passed the prize schooner at Orange that was captured at Sabine Pass. Distance from Beaumont to mouth of Neches 30 ms. from mouth of Neches to mouth of Sabine 8 ms. Mouth of Sabine to Orange 15 ms. to Triblets 17 ms.

Arrived at Triblets at 6 P.M.

for agent to secure seats in the stage
Austin succeeded in getting ours.
Put up at "Travellers Home" Mrs Turnbull
March 19. Left at 5 A.M. travelled early
dined 22 ms from Hibbotts. Roads very
muddy & stormy. Had to wait at Em-
g hot Bazar for the arrival of other
coach from 1 o'clock to 5 A.M. (20th)
At Mansfield got dinner & changed coaches
got a fine train & were dashing away
finely when after going 7 ms we ran
into an ugly mud hole & broke the
lead bars & got the wheel horses kugged.
The leaders ran away & injured themselves
a good deal & we were left sticking
fast. We sent 5 miles for wood for
the horses & 7 ms back for back horse
& were then detained four hours.
After travelling 14 miles we got
fagged & lost & had to lie up.

until morning. In the morning we
discovered that we were several
miles out of the way.
21st: Reached La Fayette about 10
o'clock A.M. Got breakfast & started
in an extra for Washington, separ-
ately from the most of our
passengers. Arrived at Wash-
ington about 7 o'clock.
22. Lay over to day, passed the day
reading my bible, going to church
morning to Bettles & Henry, a gentle
man from N. O. who told some of
Butters infamous acts.
Prospects for a disagreeable
trip as it rained all night, & is
still raining. Had very bad roads
mud & water all the way. Creeks very
high. At one place it ran in the
coach & wet most every thing in my
valise. Sat with the driver the

rest of the night & was sleepy.
24th. Saw some beautiful residences
near Alexandria, among others those of
Mrs Moore & Mrs Flowers very beau-
tiful. Arrived at Alexandria about
5 o'clock P.M. Got lodges & arranged
transportation & wrote home to Bettie
Sister Ellen & Dr. Massey.
25th. Got transportation on the "Dan-
bloom" loaded with provisions for
Port Henderson. Started about 10 A.M.
got near the mouth of Red River & lay
up for the night. As the difference in
cabins & deck passage was
we took the latter. We bought
some provisions in Alexandria & slept
on our blanket on the corn in the
went to sleep in the men's room
but we had to leave there as it was
suffocating. 26th Passed

the mouth of the river about 8
o'clock A.M. There saw & lay up
beside the "Queen of the West" it
was captured at Fort De Russy.
She had been shot ^{21.5} ~~21.5~~ ^{21.5} ~~21.5~~
gun 32 pounds. She had been
shot through her scope pipe.
She seemed to be at the mouth
ing a look out. - Forgot to say that
we passed Ft. De Russy about 2 o'clock
the 25th. All being right we steamed
down the river & arrived at Port
Henderson at 1 1/2 o'clock. Got a number
of the Red River boats & transporters 3 or
4 miles below. So we
an officer came down & finished
boat's landing as the boats
had taken position below &
commenced shelling. We came up a
little creek above & landed