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Capt. John Wilson Letters, 1861-1864.

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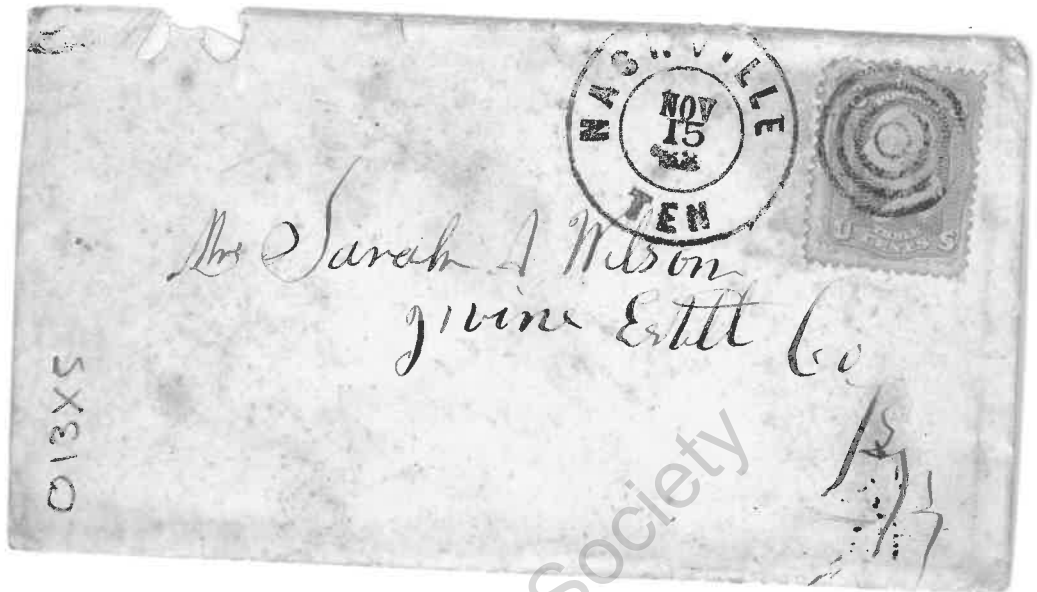
Dec 21st 1861

Camp Lebanon

Dear wife I write you a few lines which
I hope will reach you. There has been one
death in my company G. P. Sady, died
Dec 19th. with fever he took cold as we
came down here and was confined all
the time till he died it is a sad thing
to see a soldier die in his tent away from
his home and relations I have six men in
the hospital but nothing serious I think
we have just moved and got fixed up
today and it about eight o'clock at night we
have moved just past Lebanon about 1/2 half
miles from where we was we have got
a beautiful camp ground high and dry we
are just out of the town limits we will
guard the depot & Springfield turnpike road
we may stay here some time but cannot
tell the troops have left this place for
Columbid and other places there is but
few troops at this point at this time I expect
there will be a general fight in the course
of 10+12 days we have got a fine little
market here a store and plenty of furniture
such as trunks, swords, pistols, cooking utensils & soe
we are very comfortably fixed sit up until

10 and eleven o'clock studying and writing - I don't
have any idea when I will be at home time
paper away so far I can hardly keep up with
the days of the week it will be but a few
days until another year is gone and my prayer
is that all our sins go with it and that we
may serve the Lord the remainder of our
days when you write to me send word whether
you got my clothes & miniature - I sent that bare
drum home to the home guard company
and a little drum to Theodore by J. & Williams
send word whether you got them or not
tell all of my friends to write to me I have
so much to do I can not write to them all
we here every one and awhile that the scotch
is cutting up there right smart they had
better be still until they here we are
all dead for if any of them interrupt any
of my family and even if I get home we
will not both live in the same country
So no more at present

But remain your husband until death
John Wilson



NASHVILLE
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Mrs Sarah A Nelson
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July, 11th 61

Dear wife

I send you a few lines which leaves me well, I thought I would write you a few lines where I think you had better sow wheat this fall, my opinion is if the corn will admit of it you had better sow the bottom field, I got of Brother Billy, if not you can sow the oat field at Billys (back of his garden) and that piece by the school house, would be glad you could sow right smart, as I will have right smart ground to tend next year, I have written to Brother Billy to day - about where to sow wheat, and told him where ever he thought best for you to sow would all be right, you can consult him about where to sow wheat, we had a splended rain to day, hope you have had rain before this reaches you.

I have no news special, there were eight hundred able prisoners carried in to town yesterday, captured at or near Atlanta, there has been hard fighting there within the last few days - General Meperson was killed on the 21st inst at Atlanta, (one of our best generals) and the fighting is still going on.

is there any grass in the mountain field have not heard any thing about that field this summer

tell George and John McKissick for mee
tell George to let John McKissick find
yours

John Wilson

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Feb 4th 1864

Dear Nollie

I received your welcome letter yesterday evening and hasten to answer. I was sent for to see Mother on Saturday after you left and have been staying with her most of the time, she is very sick again not so bad as before, but somewhat in the same way she is much better again. I came home yesterday was expecting the Doctor he came to see Mr Lewis though he is much better Mrs Lewis became uneasy about him on Monday night and telegraphed for him and before the Doctor came he was very much better, she thinks he is getting well rapidly, the Doctor will stay until Monday and I think I will go with him - they will adjourn the Court think the last of next week.

Mrs Rice, Ellen & Mary were over to see Mother, they said Holiday did not

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Return untill Thursday she was well
and in fine spirits, Ella started on
Monday to make Bell Dalme a visit, she
will be gone a long time.

I was made happy by the reception
of a letter from Matchah a few days
ago he was in fine spirits and health
still riding his old horse he went away
on says the old fellow was looking pretty
^{well} considering the hard service he had
done said he had gotten three letters
from me, but it had been out of his
power to answer sooner, it was dated
the 6th of Dec. says he will write frequen-
tly after this, expressed a great desire
for me to send my photograph and
write often, I felt encouraged to do it
from the fact of his receiving all that
I have written. I am affraid Miltom
and the boys are having a great deal
worse time than they ever have had
from what I hear they did not get
my box except the pipes, tobacco, and cloth-

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money Dr left for them, nor stamps-

Barbara did not stay long after you
left she told me that morning she wan-
ted me to go to town with her and get her
mother to let her return with me I did
so, and she stayed very contentedly un-
til evening and she concluded all of
a sudden she was going to be sick
and must go home, I had not seen her
since, she is too restless for me to have
to entertain - They are having a good
many cases of smallpox in town, some
are very bad. The two Miss Combs are
very sick and a number of negroes, the
physicians have given all of their small
pox patients up to Dr. Steele and he does
not go to see any other. Mrs. Hub Taylor
is very ill with erysipelas,
Amelia's baby is very sick, Dr. Allan
went there last night. I am very sorry to
hear of Mrs. Gumb's death, where are the children
staying? give my love to Anne when you see her

No letters for you yet, I guess he has con-
cluded "school girls" should not correspond
with the gentleman, I will forward all
of your letters, as soon as recd

I was very much in hopes your Mother
would whip you about cutting your hair
off. The Dr says you must be prudent and
take your medicine - says he will write
to you very soon -

I saw Miss Amanda Grigsby she has been
to Lexington, says every thing is much
higher in Leno than she ever saw there
good cotton for negroes drops 45 cents
and mens cotton woollen in proportion

I guess they will have to wear ~~the~~ linen -

Some persons are beginning to look out for
the rebels, but - I suppose they will be sent

back before they get this far - write very
soon and will answer promptly -
yours very sincerely Susan Allan

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Capt John Wilson, 8th KY Vol Rgt - Company C



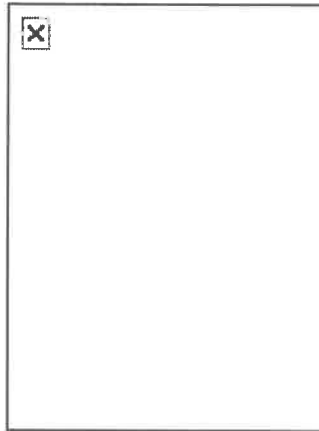
Son of my 4th Great Aunt, Rhoda Dillingham Park-Wilson of Estill County, KY. John Wilson was a Civil War hero at the Battle of Lookout Mountain in Tennessee on behalf of the Union Army. Picture can be found at the outstanding 8th Kentucky Volunteer Regiment site belonging to Civil War Enthusiast, Wayne Fielder (Link found at the bottom of this web page).

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Captain John Wilson



Military Career

Capt John Wilson, Co C

Enrolled 9/23/1861 Estill Springs, He was 40 years old.
Mustered in 1/15/1862 at Lebanon Kentucky

9/23 - Dec31 1861
not stated assumed present

9/23 - 2/28 1862
not stated assumed present

Mar-Apr 1862
Present

May-June 1862
Present

Apr30 - Aug 31 1862
Present

Aug 31 - Dec 31 1862
Absent

Remarks: "Absent with leave by Special Order No. 21 from Gen Rosecrans"

Jan-Feb 1863
Present

Special Muster
April 10, 1863
Present

Captain John Wilson

Mar-April 1863

Present

2/28/63 – June 30 1863

Present

July-Aug 1863

Present

June 30 – Oct 31 1863

Present

Nov-Dec 1863

Present

Jan-Feb 1864

Present

Listed as company A(possibly due to consolidation)

Remarks: "Commanding the Battalion"

March – April 1864

Present

Remarks: "Daily Duty Commanding Battalion"

May-June 1864

Present

Remarks: "On daily duty commanding battalion"

July-Aug 1864

Present

Remarks: "Daily Duty commanding Battalion"

Sept-Oct 1864

Present

Muster Out Roll

11/17/1864

Chattanooga Tenn

Remarks: "was Captain of Co C 8 Ky Inf Vol Mustered out on separate roll to facilitate final payment(company responsibilities due since Oct 1, 1864)

Individual Muster Out Roll

11/17/1864

Chattanooga Tenn

Remarks: "Due \$10 per month for Company Responsibilities since October 1, 1864. Mustered

out on account of expiration of term of service. Has acknowledgements of all ordnance except 1 Dr 1863 and pres't Dr of 1864"

Notes from Record

Letter Requesting Furlough

Dated January 1864

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Headquarters 8th

Ky Vols Inf

Shellmound Tenn

January 1864

Brig Gen'l Wm. D. Whipple

Asst Adj Gen'l

Dept Commd

Gen'l,

For meritorious conduct at Lookout Mountain on the morning of the 25th day of November 1863, I much respectfully ask that leave of absence for thirty(30) days be granted to Capt John Wilson Co "C" of this regiment and furloughs for same length of time be granted to the following non. Com'd officers and privates:

Viz:

Harris H Davis, 1st Sgt Co A

Joseph Wagers 5th Sgt Co B

James Wood 4th Sgt Co B

William J Witt Pvt Co A

Joel Bradley Pvt Co I(?)

Early on the morning of the day above named while one brigade was lying under the cliff near the point of Lookout. Gen'l Whittaker then commd'g the brigade came to Col Barnes, then Comm'd'g this regt and asked if there could be formed in his command an officer and eight or ten men who would volunteer to make an effort to plant the colors of the regt on top of the mountain saying, at the same time, that the attempt would be hazardous and unsafe and that he would not order it, but would be pleased to see the colors planted there.

The attempt had been made on the evening before by a lieut and ten or fifteen men from this regt but being so fiercely and desperately apposed by rebel sharpshooters on top of the cliffs, they were compelled to abandon for the time its further prosecution.

But now, Capt Wilson of the Color Company stepped out with the flag and started toward the summit and was immediately followed by the five gallant young men above named. Col Barnes assumed then that the regiment would at all hazards support them. The Rebel Sharpshooters were not then firing from the cliffs but it was feared that they had withdrawn a short distance in order to enable a small force to ascend and then over power and capture them.

After some delay caused by the difficulty of ascent, they gained the top, The Captain deployed his men and sent them in the direction of the Summit town and he then carried the flag to the point of the cliff and unfurled it to the breeze. Instantaneously loud and prolonged cheers broke forth from our whole army and the colors being plainly visible to the whole of the Rebel Army no doubt caused terror and despondency in their ranks. Immediately the 8th KY started to their colors and within an hour the last man had reached the summit. Skirmishers were thrown forward and rifle pits were made. The Regt on that day after reaching the top of the mountain captured over one hundred prisoners, besides a large amount of commissary stores and a great many tents, blankets, knapsacks, etc...

I hope that Capt Wilson and the five men will be rewarded for the gallness and bravery they carried on that morning. By the granting of the leave of absence and furloughs.

From this regiment there is one officer now absent on leave and his like application is pending. If this leave is granted there will be twenty-one officers present for duty.

There are now six men furloughed and three other like applications pending.

Capt Wilson's post office address

Irvine Kentucky

Most respectfully

Your Obt Servant

#no L Clark#

Major, Commd'g"

Capt. John Wilson

Family Information

Biographical Sketches From Kentucky, Genealogy and Biography
W.H. Perrin 1887 Volume #2
Clark and Estill Counties

Captain John Wilson a farmer and stock-grower of Station Camp, Estill County, KY, was born in said county, Mary 14, 1822. His father, Ebenezer Wilson, a native of Loudoun County, VA, was a son of Joseph and Liddie (Dodd) Wilson, natives of Virginia, who settled in Estill County, KY, about 1824. Ebenezer Willson was reared on the farm in Virginia, married in that State, and came to Kentucky about 1812. He married Rhoda Dillingham, a member of the well known Virginian family of that name. Five Children were born to their union, viz: Angelina, William D., John, Liddie J. and Delina. John Wilson, the third child, was reared on the farm and received a common school education. He followed farming until the outbreak of the late war, when he joined the Federal army as Captain of Company C, Eighth Kentucky Infantry, commanded by Col. Sidney M. Barnes. At the beginning of the war the ladies of Estill County made and presented to the Eighth Kentucky Infantry a flag, requesting that it should be born aloft and made a part of the history of the war. Col. Barnes presented the flag to Captain Wilson, which he cheerfully received, determining to comply with the request of the ladies who presented it. Captain Wilson adds:

"At Lookout Mountain, where the Eighth Kentucky was engaged, it being in one of the columns on the extreme right nearest the palisade or top of said mountain, on the night of November 24, 1863, it lay above the Craven House and above any other command. Just before daylight on the 25th of November, Gen. Walter C. Whitaker, Brigade Commander, came to Col. Sid M. Barnes and said: 'Col. Barnes, have you got an officer that will volunteer to go and place the Eighth Kentucky flag on the top or peak of said mountain?' Said he: 'I could order them up, but will not, for it is a hazardous undertaking, but will be an honor to the one who gets there first.' The promise ever being fresh in my mind made to the ladies of Estill, I was not only ready and willing to go where ordered, but was ready to volunteer and go where my superior officers would not order me, to fulfill my promise to those ladies. Said I; 'General, I will go.' He turned tot he regiment and said: 'Boys, how many of you will volunteer to go with Capt. Wilson?' There were five others volunteered to go, to wit: Sergeant Harris H. Davis, of Company A; Sergeant Joseph Wagers, of Company B; Sergeant James Wood, of Company H; Private William Witt, of Company A, and Private Joseph Bradley, of Company I. And to us six belongs the honor of planting the first National Flag on the top or peak of Lookout Mountain, on the morning of November 25th, 1863, it being the highest flag planted during the war, being 2,400 feet above the level of the valley. We started immediately. Said Gen. Whitaker, 'take your flag,

Capt Wilson's Family Information

Captain.' I called to my Color Sergeant and asked him if he did not want to go and carry it; he shook his head and said no. I unbuckled my belt and gave him my sword, and told him to bring it up with him, I took the flag, and some fifteen or twenty minutes before sunrise I unfurled the flag on top of said mountain, calling forth hearty cheers from below. January 18, 1864, we six got thirty days' leave of absence by order of Major Gen. George H. Thomas, for said deed, and I hereby enclose you a copy of mine:

Headquarters
Department of the Cumberland
Chattanooga, Tenn., January 18, 1864

Special Field Orders,} Extract
No. 18

I The following named officers are granted leave of absence for the period of time set opposite their respective names.

Capt. John Wilson, Co. C, 8th Kentucky Vol's, 30 days for gallant and heroic conduct on the morning of the 25th of November, 1863, at the battle of Chattanooga, in advancing with five enlisted men and placing the colors of the 8th Kentucky Vol's Infantry on the peak of Lookout Mountain in the face of the enemy.

By command of Major General Thomas, (Signed), Wm. D. Whittle, A.A.G.
War Department, Adjutant General's Office.
April 19, 1887
Official copy, Thomas Ward, Assistant Adjutant General

On my way home to my family in Kentucky I met Gen. Whitaker at the Galt House in Louisville, KY. Said he: 'Which way, Captain Wilson?' I told him I had a thirty days' leave of absence; and gave it to him; after reading it, said he: 'I had rather have that than to be President of the United States,' and said, 'what position do you want to be promoted to, for I will give you any thing in my power?' Said I, 'Gen. Whitaker, I want no promotion, for there were several young boys enlisted in my company when made up, and their parents asked me if I would stay with their boys and bring them back home if permitted to live until the war was over, and I promised that I would; and said, 'Gen. Whitaker, I would rather fulfill that promise than to be promoted to any office in your power.' " At the close of the war Capt. Wilson returned to his home in Estill County, KY, where he engaged in farming. Having at one time 1,500 acres of fine land, but has given or divided out 1,000 acres to his children. January 26, 1846, he married Sarah A. Boroman, a daughter of Elisha W. and Sarah A.(McMunagal) Boroman, of Estill County. Of the twelve children born to their union, seven are living, viz: Theodore, Mary E., George M., John W., Algernon S.A., Landon T. and G.E. Capt. Wilson is Democratic in politics, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as well as the F. & A.M. fraternity.

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Roster for Company C of 8TH KY

FULLNAME	RANK	MILITARY RECORD	GENEALOGY SKETCH	Contributor
Alexander, Andrew	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Arvine, Jamison	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Arvine, Robert	Wagoner	Not Available	Not Available	
Arvine, Thos. G.	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Baker, Baziel	Musician	Not Available	Not Available	
Barker, William G.	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Barker, William	Pvt	Not Available	Here	Here
Barnes, Jas. E.	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Barnett, Jonathan	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
Brinegar, Wm.	Pvt	Not Available	Not Available	
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Newton, Godfrey	Pvt	Not Available	<u>Here</u>	<u>Here</u>
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Rankins, Albert G.	Sgt	Not Available	Not Available	
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"Headquarters of the Cumberland Department.

Chattanooga Tenn., Jan., 18, 1864

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Capt. JOHN WILSON Company C 8th Kentucky Volunteers -30 days for gallant and heroic conduct on the morning of the 25th Day of November 1863, at the battle of Chattanooga in advancing with five enlisted men and placing the Colors of the 8th Kentucky Vols. in the face of the enemy.

By Command of Major Gen. Thomas."

This John Wilson is the great grandfather of Sarah Prudence Noland through her mother Ama Maupin Noland.

Again through her father she is the direct descendant of Capt. David Cass (above written) her line comes through Mary Cass who married William Black the grandson of Rev. Sam Black Pres. Minister of Albemarle Co Va. born 1700-70)

Sarah Prudence Noland at the Pageant given at Stanford Sept 1936 the 150th Celebration, represented Col. Isaac Shelby 1st Gov. of Ky. She wore the Colonial Rev. Suit owned by her aunt (Mrs. Jere B Noland) which is that of her great grandfather John Boggs.

This John Boggs is in no way kin to Sarah Prudence Noland she being an own great niece of Jerre B Noland-her grandfather Albert Sidney Noland and Jerre B. were brothers.

CAPT. JOHN BOGGS.

Born Jan 11, 1759 son of Robert and Margaret (Robinson) Boggs of Newcastle County Delaware and grandson of James Boggs who came to America 1716. John Boggs was a member of Whig Battalion Delaware He wore this old suit which is now 136 more than 150 years old and the one in which he married Elizabeth Pearson Nov. 3, 1796.

John Boggs came to Madison County Ky just after the close of the Rev. War and settled on a farm 1 mile from Richmond on Taylors Fork Creek.

They had five children. Margaret, Robert, John Jr, Benjamin and Hannah the youngest daughter married James Noland Turley born 1796

They married in Madison Co Ky. James Turley son of Benjamin Turley and his wife Anne Noland of Rowan County N.C.

Benjamin Turley enlisted in Rev. War in Montgomery Co Md.

Died in Madison County Ky 1812. His widow married Humphrey Ellis.

Hannah Boggs and James N Turley married Jan. 22, 1834

They had Green B and Robert Boggs and five daughters.

Green B Turley was the father of Bess Turley (Mrs. Robert

Robert B Turley was the father of Anna Turley (Mrs Jerr

My two grandsons Thomas Turley and Jerre Lancaster Noland dressed in Prince Albert suits and wore Stove pipe hats in the original carriage of the Morans with Mrs Shelton and Mrs Foster Helm. This was the prize winner.

These boys the great great great sons of John Boggs and descendants of Capt. David Cass.

Our home and theirs was built on the land purchased from Shelby by Samuel Estill (Court Records) Samuel Estill Colonial brick residence about 1838 or 40.

We have lived here 36 years and here these boys were born

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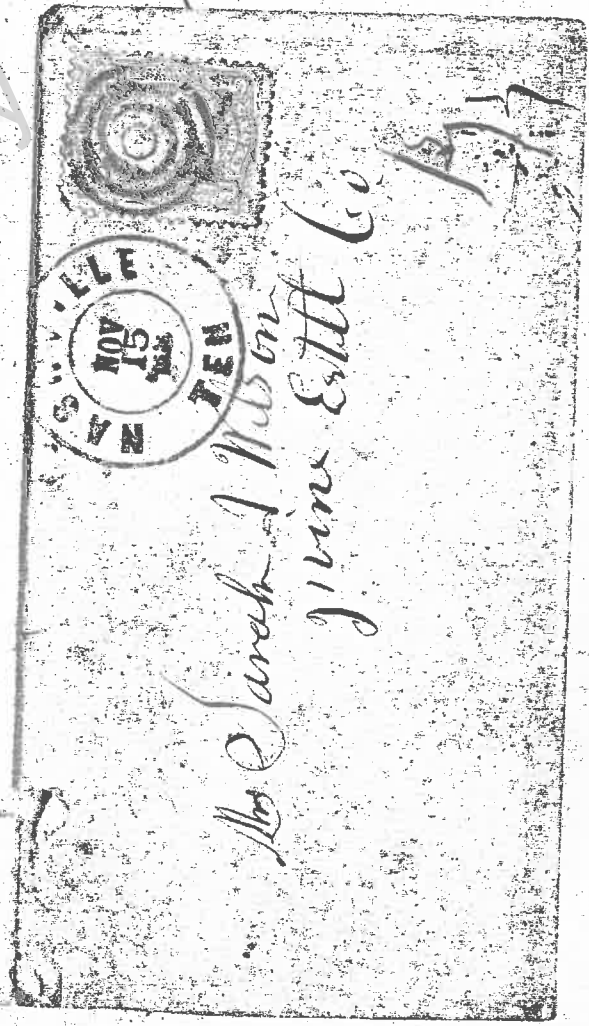
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Camp Murfreesboro

June 28th / 63

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Mrs. Sarah Wilson
Estle Co.

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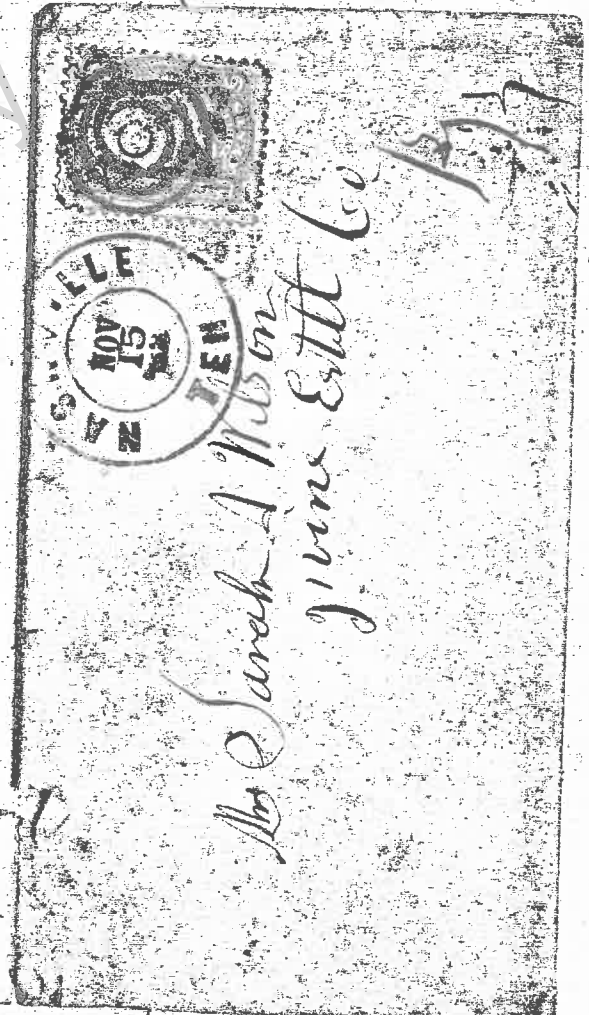
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