

The mounted Dragoons
having lost all their
horses on the journey
to heran Bray, were on
this march obliged
to march, their Colonel
was some what of a
martinet, Sumner by
name, insisted on
every man carrying
his knapsack etc as
they were plodding
along through the hot
sand - an Irishman
called out, Pat-dont-
you wish you were
a mounted ^{riflesman} dragoon
so that you could carry
your knapsack & walk!

The first day's march
from Vera Cruz - by en-
couraging the men -
assisting them by putting
knapsacks on wagons
remaining in the rear
occasionally taking
an old soldier's mule
too heavy for him to
carry the 6th Reg Co-
brought up at the enc-
ampment that night -
every man but four
who arrived fifteen
minutes later -
this Regiment was one
of the best marching
companies in the
Army having marched
five or six hundred
miles in northern Mexico
with Genl. Wood.

1 First appointment after leaving
Rt West Point, 1844. Recd. 2nd
Lieutenant Company C. 2nd Inf.
stationed at Sackett's Harbor. It
was where I arrived the 30th of Nov
1844. Maj Plimpton in Command
Capt J. B. Kingsbury. Capt Joseph
B. Smith. 1st Lieut. Marsenas R.
Patrick, com. company L. Lieut
Christopher Lovell, Lieut Alfred
Sully. Lieut. Nathaniel Lyon.
There were three companies. Lyon
became a Brig Genl in Union Army
and was killed at battle of Spring
field, Mo. Sully ~~became~~ son of
the painter, became Brigadier Genl
Union Army - and was distinguished
as an Indian fighter after the war.
Patrick became Quarter Master Genl
in the ^{U.S. Army} Field - There was social life
such as you find in garrisons
and among amusements a dram-
atic club. Where several of Shakes-
peare plays were studied &
acted - and this was the my

On graduating the cadets are usually given 3 months holiday. I was detained two months of that time as Instructor of Broad-sword exercise & fencing, was successful before the board of visitors of which Capt R. E. Lee was a member. The trip from Utica to Sackett Harbor was made in a sled 100 miles. Dr Foster ^{of the Past} Surgeon - who married a niece of Henry Cooper.

beginning of my

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first real appreciations of the fact.
May Kirby was pay-master
married the daughter of Genl Brown
who had been com-in-chief
of the Army - who fought the battle
of Packer's Harbor 1813 -

In Aug. 45 received orders from
West Point to report there; on arrival
was appointed ass. prof.
of Ethics and English Studies.
remained there until May 1846.
Among the students were S

a few miles south of the mouth
 of the Rio Grande. There we
 anchored about 3 miles from
 shore - the next morning I ac-
 companied the Capt of the vessel
 ashore in a yawl to report the
 arrival of recruits, our boat
 was caught among the
 breakers, half filled with water
 and was in danger of drowning
 us all, next day the troops were
 landed in a steam tug, took a
 steamer up the Rio Grande to
 Matamoros, where we found
 Col. In S. Clarke in command.
 In the mean time by the death of
 Maj. Brown killed at the siege
 of Ft. Brown ^{opposite} Matamoros
 I was promoted to the position
 of 2nd Lieut. company C 6th
 of which Col. Clarke had recently
 been made Col. - as the reg-
 iment was with Genl. Wood
 the march through Tex

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toward Chidua - here here Col Clark
detained one at Matamoros,
assigning one to Capt. Irons
company of the 1st Artillery - which
constituted the Garrison of Ft
Paredes - at Matamoros - remained

While on duty as commander of the Scotts guard
at Puebla, in 1847, he remarked during the dinner

Said Gen. Scott, at Puebla, Mexico

"If I were Dictator I would issue three
decrees.

The first would be to abolish Hot Bread,

The second to abolish feather beds, and

The third to abolish frying pans.

Having signed these three decrees, I would
consider that I had done the most sufficient
service and would abdicate."

A. B. Pierce

as was so outspoken
in his expressions
want secession at the beginning
of the war when in Texas, saying
he would go out of the Union, if
his State did not.

~~Great I have been~~

Gen. Grant - wrote in a book who
recorded their impressions of the
war. he was a great admirer of
Gen. Jackson and associated
everything sublime with him, as
a Mammoth man. Oh! what a spot -
In summer, cold in winter hat,
Oh! Great Jehovah what a wonder,
Andrew Jackson, Hell, & Thunder.

Interview with

Bowler's Anecdotes of Capt. Sharpe of
 Bowling Green -

When wooing his bride in Chicago -
 before
 after the war - the father of his fiancée
 was an intense ~~union~~ ^{abolitionist} and thought an
 Southern man a great house & talons - Capt. Sharpe addressed
 full of abuse for Capt. Sharpe - his
 were extremely distasteful to the parents, but not to the daughter.
 friends would rally him occasionally
 and say - "Sharpe I would not stand
 what you do - Wait said Sharpe - do

You remember the Yankee who was in Rome during some sacred festival and was to play the part of Jesus. Sitting on an ass with his face to its tail, and to receive every indignity, presently there came a rotten egg - which struck him on the forehead and ran down his face - "In your soul he cried, just wait until I am done playing Jesus, I'll give you hell" "I am playing the part of Jesus now, just wait until that is over -"

A letter from Lord Lytton
who was in Washington at the time
of the battle of Manassas -

The Government up to that time
refused all titles to the Southern comman-
ders - "a party of men commanded by
Mr. J. E. Johnston, or Mr. Beauregard,
the Southern Soldiers were not acknowl-
-edged even as beligents,"

After the unexpected and dreadful
defeat at Bull Run - Lord Lytton
said he supposed "Mr. Seward
would certainly consider the Southern
Soldiers now as beligents."

A Rogers March -
an incident related by General Buckner
immediately after his surrender at Ft.
Donelson; on the Steamer
in the presence of Genl Grant,
whether he had gone to secure better care
& comforts for his soldiers - when approaching
the boat he passed Harder cooper who
had cheered him giving those on the
Steamer some idea who he was - as he
stepped on the gang way the band
struck up Yankee Doodle - he was con-
ducted into the presence of Genl Grant
who was seated in the ladies cabin sur-
rounded by his officers - Genl Grant
stepped forward and shook hands - as they
were seated, one of the staff a colonial
from Illinois said Genl Buckner does
not that air remind you of the glories of
the old flag under which you fought
in Mexico? Genl B. paused to see if Genl
Grant would not reprove what was intended
as an insult to a prisoner - not doing

so he said, it rather reminds me of
an incident which occurred recently
in our army when a man was being
drummed out of ~~the~~ ^{our} army for some
offense. ~~as you~~ the custom is, you
know to play the rogues march -
"stop said he indignantly, why
don't you play Yankee Doodle for
a half million rogues marching
that time every day."

Genl John Bankhead an officer of
the war of 1812 - uncle of Genl
John B. Inagrunder of the Army &
Capt James Inagrunder of the Navy.
Genl Bankhead was a bon-vivante
fond of society, and on the occasion
of the visits of his two nephews - ^{at} Ft.
Columbus, Governor L. gave a dinner
during the progress of the dinner, being
warmed up by the wine became
communicative and said to his guests
I wish you would tell me how it is
that these two boys are so different,
they were both orphans at an early
age & I became their guardians, I
secured an apprenticeship for James
at Annapolis, he graduated, entered
the Navy and has all the virtues of
an christian gentleman. John ^{at} West Point
graduated and entered the
Army and the day - has all the vir-
tues of youth - tell me gentlemen
how it is since I gave them the same

advice - "I can tell you said John
" brother James followed your
advice and in your example"
Smith Magruder was known in
the Army as Peewee John.

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Family History

Come to Va in 1650? and settled

First printing press - Time of Gov Berkeley.

Went to Ky ———. 2^d or 3^d carts full of books

Iron furnace in Hart Co. Pig-iron to New Orleans.

Ophelia H, 1st man to bring mules to Hart Co. His predecessor
in war of 1812. Saw ~~Shelburne~~ killed by Whitley.

7, born 1823. Nearly deaf. Other children, mother.

James Shelburne, 6 ft 4". Bayou of the bear (no wood) Trip to Calif.
" noble character"

7. Went away from Mumfordsville (named after Mumford. Story
of squibs lightning and great shot. Also frog) and
came back Fri. Uncle Shelburne took horse down Fri.
dog knew Fri and started himself of Shelburne
did not start at usual time.

7, was 9 when first went to school and did not know
letters. Caught up with contemporaries in first year.

7 at 15 put in charge of first mill in Ky - Full charge, took stock

Furnace and family move to Mumfordsville Co due to failure of furnace
affected by bank failure (Chancellor) in Elizabethtown.

(Rode around State on furnace business)

Army officer making geological investigation of resources of Ky
visited A.H.B. in Mumfordsville Co. Took talk with 7. Agreed that
he go to West Point.

7. Went for year to Hopkinsville where he stayed with his
relatives the Campbells (?) preparing for West Point.

Wrote own application for appointment to Anator Duplett and
got appointment without outside assistance.

Started for West Point in stage coach. Congressmen in coach
impressed by his knowledge of Constitution.

Outfitted by prominent Louisville merchant Benjamin Bell.
(Funds. Different State money?)

Trip to West Point. Probably via Ohio R. & Washington.

Passed through N.Y., a town of 250,000, and up
Hudson on (Mans Powell?) (New Britain?)

Reported

Reported at West Point. Early instruction prior to examination.

Early flake life. Yarns about mock court martial and
(him) Barricade acting as barber.

C. F. Smith bought at W. P. (Donaldson)
"He was funny" "Foolish old head on eye".

Hot bread once a year at Christmas.

F. very diffident, avoided hope.

Drawings still on wall or but 40 years after graduation.

Contemporaries:

Jackson - Went with an tilt.

Grant - Remarkable horseman.

F. Splendid swordsman. Was in France. Left back
after graduation as instructor - sword-fencing. This?

F. is almost mostly for visiting.

F. Would not never back confinement because he considered
himself as trusted and he had no guard over him.

Graduated 1844, about middle of class.

? Retained at West Point as instructor in swordsmanship,
fencing and English?

Did great deal of gymnastic work. Climbed Bear Den,
walked to N.Y. frequently. Woman in Tarrytown told
him real details of legend of Sleepy Hollow.

? Ordered to go to church, refused, was reprimanded but
sent away from West Point (When next time at W.P.?)

? (Between W.P. detail and Mex War .) ? (Back to Harbor?)

Went to Mexico joining Taylor's command (Rust?)
after (Monterey?)

"Crown", "Huevos" etc.

Left Taylor's command to join Scott (When?)

Rumor on U.S. fleet regarding Santa Ana.

Landing at Vera Cruz. Description of well-regulated
movements of boats, unloading goods etc. Persecution
by various men as to being killed at landing.
"3d Illinois Regiment", "Warm toe".

Carro Bordo. Remember seeing Capt R-E. Zeis plan
to get around enemy.

Letter of our letter to Mr. Triest "Your fanfare made
of insolence and conceit etc".

Made Regt. G. M. (a promotion since it carried
extra pay).

"Mounted Rifleman - carry the pack and walk".

Left train and participated in various battles.

Wounded at Columbus. Friend killed.
? On crutches six months. ?

Carro Mota

Carried book box in field. Shakespeare

Coronel's ash given by girl in later married.
Entrance to City of Mexico.

Piskill & Padre.
" in earthquake.

Papocatepetl. 5 got to top. Stone, bit, first up and
in calling back. Blanche kept friend from freezing
Went turned back. Part of the
Native said "What did the mountain say to you."
In account in Appleton's magazine.

Star Spangled Banner when lowering flag in City.

Forced march with company 42^(?) miles returning to
boat to go home - no straggles, in hot sand.

Return to U.S.

2. Service after return. Another West Point Tower.

? Marriage?

? Tour in west. (Vife not with him, Health).

Buffalo. Story about Col Moore & 2nd fort of Platte
and lost man.

Treaty with Yellow Bear. Full drum coat, tameter and etc.

251 mi from nearest white man.

"Young Chief".

? R. Y. Tour. (Common Island?)

Episode with one grant.

Penguin when Captain about (1855?)

Told in Fairville on 6th St (see Walter P. House).

(Probably moved out to present site of Cherokee Park.
meeting on old Barnett place)

? Editor of Fairville Journal (1).

Daughter born 7 years after marriage (about 1858).
(on Barnett place)

Advocated Cherokee Park as public park.

? State Adj. Gen.

Wrote State Military Law.

Just before War, sent with Mr. Britten to
arrange for Kye's neutrality. Lincoln said
he would respect this but wanted this before
he got home. (told for 75,000 troops).

(See his warning to Confederates (North State Book)).

Offered King to join in Federal Army.

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