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## THE CONNECTICUT VOLUNTEERS.

Transit of the Eleventh Regiment—  
Breakfast at the Astor House.

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Speeches by Gov. Buckingham, Gen. Wetmore,  
Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Mr. Cod-  
dington, and others.

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Flag Presentation in the Park—Procession  
and Departure of the Force.

The Eleventh Regiment of Connecticut Volunteers, which has been quartered for several weeks past at Camp Lincoln, near West Hartford, in that State, arrived in this City yesterday morning by the steamer *City of Hartford*. As the troops landed, their officers were met by a Committee of the Sons of Connecticut, and formally notified of the hospitalities awaiting them. A number of gentlemen, wearing badges of the same organization, were in attendance at Pier No. 3, and as the regiment fell into marching order, led the line to Broadway, preceded by sixteen performers of Dodworth's Band.

The concourse of spectators along the whole route to the Park was very large and demonstrative, and aided by the brilliant sunshine, the military display, as the men filed past the City Hall and into the Bar-

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racks inclosure, was striking.

At 10 o'clock the rank and file were released from musket and knapsack and regaled with a substantial repast in the Barracks. The regiment numbers 940 men, including a drum corps of 20 pieces, and is officered by men nearly all of whom have seen service, some of them in the present civil war. The ranks comprise farmers, mechanics and laboring men in large numbers, with a sprinkling of most of the professions, and the majority of all are quite young, or not beyond the very prime of life, although a full third of the whole consists of married men.

Hartford has furnished a large quota of the force, while Company A was almost exclusively enlisted at Danbury and is composed of hatters from that place. Company C is entirely made up of German workmen from New-Haven. Other companies are from Windham County, and the agricultural portions of the State; the Germans, many of whom have seen military service abroad, being the only foreigners in the regiment.

Uniforms of dark blue, in the rifleman style, facings of the same color, with heavy black leather leggings, reaching nearly to the knee, and confining the pantaloons at that point, were worn by several companies. Other companies dispensed with the leggings, and wore green facings. All but the flank companies A and B were armed with improved Springfield Minié muskets, the former carrying breech-loading Sharpe's rifles, with sabre bayonets.

The following list of officers compares accurately, as to names, with the regimental roster:

Col. F. H. C. KINGSBURY, formerly Major of the Fifth Connecticut Volunteers, under Maj. TERRY, and a native of Windham County. He studied at West Point. He is a man of middle age, and apparent decision and vigor, while physically robust.

Lieut.-Col. CHARLES MATTHEWSON has served more than one term in the Connecticut State Senate.

Maj. GRIFFIN A. STEDMAN is from Hartford. He was formerly Captain of Company I, Fifth Connecticut

Volunteers, and, though quite a young soldier, has received his present rank by promotion.

Adj. JAMES E. LEWIS was lately connected with the Second Regiment from his State, and participated in the affair at Stone Bridge, on the way to Manassas, with the "three months' men" there engaged.

The other officers are : Quartermaster, H. W. RICHMOND ; Surgeon, JAMES B. WHITCOMB ; Assistant-Surgeon, CHARLES ROGERS ; Chaplain, Rev. GEO. SOULE.

Sergt.-Major, E. P. Mathewson ; Quartermaster-Sergt., ——— Davis ; Commissary-Sergt., Joseph Sumner ; Hospital Steward, James A. Bigelow ; Drum-major, Jas. F. Ruder. Co. A—Capt., G. M. Southmayd ; 1st Lieut., A. G. Bailey ; 2d Lieut., Chas. H. White. Co. B—Capt., T. J. Johnson ; 1st Lieut., Wm. Horton ; 2d Lieut., J. H. Converse. Co. C—Capt., Wm. Maegling ; 1st Lieut., A. Dietrich ; 2d Lieut., F. Schlachter. Co. D—Capt., E. R. Lee ; 1st Lieut., C. R. Hosford ; 2d Lieut., H. T. Marshall. Co. E—Capt., J. H. Dewill ; 1st Lieut., J. M. Pierpont ; 2d Lieut., S. C. Barnum. Co. F—Capt., Wm. Clapp ; 1st Lieut., J. Kies ; 2d Lieut., J. Randall. Co. G—Capt., Wm. Hyde ; 1st Lieut., J. Sprague ; 2d Lieut., M. P. Bray. Co. H—Capt., A. E. Daniels ; 1st Lieut., J. H. Norris ; 2d Lieut., Geo. W. Warner. Co. I—Capt., D. Griswold ; 1st Lieut., P. C. Cummings ; 2d Lieut., Wm. H. Sackett. Co. K—Capt., R. C. S. Davison ; 1st Lieut., J. A. Shipman ; 2d Lieut., Wm. A. Royce.

#### THE BREAKFAST.

While the men were chorusing "Glory Hallelujah," as their favorite singers wound up the entertainment in the barracks with the famous "John Brown's Hymn," the officers were conducted to the spacious dining-hall of the Astor House, where a handsome entertainment awaited them.

The Sons of Connecticut accompanied by a large delegation of ladies from the same State, having entered the room in procession, preceded by the Dodworth Band playing a triumphal march, CHARLES

Gould, Esq., of the Committee, took the Chair, with Gov. WM. A. BUCKINGHAM and several gentlemen of his Staff on his right, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher on his left, and Gen. P. M. Wetmore, of the Union Defence Committee; Brig.-Gen. Tyler, C. V.; Judge R. H. McCurdy, Hon. Jas. H. Trumbull, Secretary of State of Connecticut; Adj.-Gen. Williams, and other guests

of note, occupying seats on either hand. Many States were represented, and literature and the arts were not forgotten.

After a reasonable space of time had elapsed in the discussion of the good things of the larder, the Chairman briefly and appropriately announced Gov. BUCKINGHAM to the company, all of whom rose to greet their distinguished visitor with hearty and prolonged cheering.

#### REMARKS OF GOV. BUCKINGHAM.

Gov. BUCKINGHAM tastefully acknowledged the honor, and proceeded to state that Connecticut had, when the President called for but one regiment of her volunteers in his first requisition, responded with no less than five in the space of as many weeks, making in all 4,000 men. Three of these were accepted for three months, one volunteered immediately for the whole war, and one had been disbanded and distributed. Under the call made after the battle of July 21, she has from time to time sent on other regiments, and has now enrolled thirteen regiments of infantry, besides a squadron of cavalry sent on, a battalion also of cavalry amounting to four companies in rendezvous and a battery of artillery. When the war broke out Connecticut possessed but two or three thousand stand of the old-style muskets. She had now 10,000 of the improved Springfield pattern made within her own borders, beside the quantities of rifles elsewhere purchased. Her Legislature, immediately on the first National requisition, had appropriated \$2,000,000 for war purposes, and at the October session had given \$2,000,000 more for the armament and equipment of any other number of troops the Government might need, imposing thereto no limit. With a narrative of good works highly creditable to Connecticut and her authorities, and most ardent professions of attachment to the cause and destiny of the Union, the Governor concluded an address which was continually applauded.

#### REMARKS OF GEN. WETMORE.

Gen. WETMORE followed in a pithy speech, advocating the war, and contrasting the activity of New-York, the State of his residence, with that of Connecticut, his native State. The former, eight and half times the larger, had sent 107 regiments to the war—Connecticut had furnished 14 ; and on a comparison of the exact figures, it would be seen that, with the same population, Connecticut would have sent 119 regiments, or 12 more than New-York. With a high compliment to the First Connecticut Regiment, and a tribute to the fair ones of the State, the General terminated his remarks with the sentiment, " To Connecticut—her soil, her name and fame—made dear to us all by the worth and beauty of her daughters and the valor of her sons."

Col. KINGSBURY and Lieut.-Col. MATTHEWSON, in a sentence for each, replied to complimentary mention ; Col. WOODBRIDGE, of Vermont, responded, on behalf of a delegation from that State, and Mr. CODDINGTON, in an able and most amusing speech of some length, took up the word for New-York. If the State of Connecticut, he said, had furnished \$4,000,000 for the war, one street in the City of New-York had provided \$50,000,000. His picture of secession was extremely graphic, and elicited shouts of laughter.

#### REMARKS OF REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER.

Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER, as a son of Connecticut, extolled her history past, and her patriotism of to-day, Gunner's Mate : George Bell, Coxswain ; John L. Emerson, (died,) Coxswain ; Hugh McGregor, sea ; Frank Baker, sea ; Henry Garcia, (killed,) sea.

Nov. 20.—Lieut. JONETT is now up from his bed, and the wounded are doing well.

LIEUT. JONETT'S REPORT.

UNITED STATES FRIGATE Santee,  
OFF GALVESTON BAR, TEXAS, Nov. 14, 1861. }

Sir: In obedience to your orders of the 7th inst., I took the first and second launches, and at 11:40 P. M. that day proceeded into the harbor, intending, if we could pass the armed schooner guarding the channel and the Bolivar and Point Forts, to try to surprise and burn the man-of-war steamer *General Rusk*, lying under Pelican Island Fort.

We succeeded in passing the schooner and two forts, but in attempting to avoid the sentinels on Pelican Fort we grounded on Bolivar Spit. At this juncture we were discovered. Deeming it imprudent, after discovery, to encounter so large a vessel and so heavily armed and manned, I determined to abandon that portion of the expedition. As had been my intention, in returning we boarded and, after a sharp conflict, captured the armed schooner *Royal Yacht*. We took a few stand of arms, thirteen prisoners and her colors. As our pilot was shot down, and the schooner had received a shell between wind and water, I did not deem it advisable to attempt to bring her out; we therefore burned her, after spiking her gun, a light 32-pounder. After this we returned to the ship. I regret to state that one man was killed, two officers and six men wounded, one of whom has since died.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed)

JAMES E. JONETT,

Lieutenant United States Navy.

To Capt. HENRY EAGLE, commanding United States frigate *Santee*.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE ORDERS TO LIEUT.  
JONETT.

UNITED STATES FRIGATE Santee,  
OFF GALVESTON BAR, TEXAS, NOV. 7, 1861.

GENTLEMEN: Having volunteered for this expedition, you will take the first and second launches, and make all necessary preparations to proceed to-night towards the harbor, and capture the armed schooner which appears off this harbor nightly, apparently watching for an opportunity to escape.

Should you succeed in capturing her, you will use your discretion in regard to making an attempt on the steamer *Gen. Rusk*. She is lying at a wharf near Pelican Island. If any alarm be given during the attempt to capture the schooner, you will return immediately. You can either destroy the schooner, or bring her to the ship; you will exercise your own judgment in regard to this.

I am, respectfully, yours,

(Signed)

HENRY EAGLE, Captain.

Lieut. JAMES E. JONETT, U. S. N., to command the expedition; Lieut. JOHN G. MITCHELL, U. S. N., to take charge of the second launch.

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