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ALFRED AND SUSAN JANE (DeBOSE) GURGANIOUS LETTERS

SEPTEMBER 1861 - JULY 1862

The letters between Anthony Gurganious and his wife Susan Jane (DeBose) Gurganious are now in the possession of their great-grandson Harris E. Malpass and were called to our attention by Ruth Savage Walker. This personal narrative is similar to the experiences of many people in the South during the Civil War; it was not the major events but the minor incidents which occupied their thoughts. It is an account of the day to day anxieties and frustrations that separation brought. These letters have been edited to make it easier for the reader to comprehend the emotions of those involved.

On August 30, 1861, Alfred, at age 34, enlisted in the "Holly Shelter Volunteers" which afterwards became Company K, 3rd Regiment, North Carolina State Troops.¹ Susan Jane, age 32, was left with six children and a farm to manage. They lived in New Hanover, now Pender, County on State road #1209 between Shiloh Church and Ivanhoe, about one mile west of Highway #421.

21 Sept. 1861

Dear Husband: I am well and all the children and I hope these lines may find you enjoying the same blessing. I received a few lines from you in Anthony's [her brother]² letter and was glad to hear that you were well and satisfied. You wrote that you had sent two letters but I never have received nary one from you, only some lines in Anthony's and have same. I want you to write to me as soon as you get time. Mr. Marshburn³ has been very good to me also all the neighbors since you left. We have got nearly done getting fodder and have commenced feeding part of the hogs. I haven't got it all up yet but will as soon as I can. I want you to write what you think best about selling the horse for he will eat more by spring than he is worth, or to sell him to pay for my plowing. He is a great deal of trouble to me. I want you to write the day and date that you were sworn in as a volunteer for I have not had any help yet from the Committee⁴ nor can get it until you write back the day and date. Mr. Marshburn has let me have corn and some meat. I haven't much to write

at present until you write to me, so nothing more. I remain your dear wife until death parts us.

Susan J. Gurganious to Alfred P. Gurganious

Aquia Creek, Staford County, Va.⁵
22 Sept. 1861

Dear Wife: I take the opportunity of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and hope these may find you all enjoying the same good blessings of health. Anthony is well. I would like to see you all very much and I hope I shall soon have the pleasure of seeing you all. The rest of our relations are well and are getting along pretty well. There came a letter from Boney Wells⁶ and it stated that there is a report in New Hanover County that John W. Garriss⁷ was shot by the Company. It is false, it is not so. Also in the same letter there is a report saying that I had not been heard of since I left home. Well, I would like to know what is the reason I haven't been heard of for I have written you a letter every week since I have been in Camp. I send my love and great respect to you and the children and also to all my relations and friends. My prayer is to see you and them one more time and if I never see you again in this world, I hope we will meet in a world of peace and happiness where parting will be no more. I sent you ten dollars by Capt. Williams⁸ in a letter he directed to Burgaw in care of Joseph Dupre, then directed to S. W. Rainer to be handed to you. You must look

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Mamie Malpass Johnson, daughter of Margaret Alice Gurganious and Joseph Malpass and granddaughter of Alfred and Susan Jane (DeBose) Gurganious.

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Time: May 9, 1973, 8:30 P.M.

Place: Governor Dudley House

Speaker: Mr. C. F. W. Coker

Subject: The Centennial Celebration in Wilmington of the American Revolution.

Mr. Coker, archives and records administrator in the State Department of Archives and History is a native of South Carolina, and grew up in Virginia. He holds the degrees of B.A. in history and M.S. in library science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and he has done additional work at Oxford University. He was a captain in the Marine Corps and helped to establish a manuscript collection at the Marine Corps Museum at Quantico, Va. Among his publications are *Register of the Henry Clay Cochrane Papers*, published by the Marine Corps in 1968; the *North Carolina Revolutionary War Pay Records*, *Records Relating to Tennessee in the North Carolina State Archives*, and *North Carolina Civil War Records*, published by the State Department of Archives and History.

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ALFRED AND SUSAN

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out for it. If you have not got the money when you get this letter, you must get some of your friends to look for it for you. You need not be uneasy about my suffering for money for Jacob Wells⁹ and Anthony say they will let me have money if I need it. Give my respects to Mr. Marshburn. Tell him our cooks have been sick but are getting better. Excuse my short letter for I wrote you a letter yesterday. The reason I send you this is to let you know that I sent that letter so you may look out for it. James R. Garriss¹⁰ sends his love and best respects to you all. He says he would be glad to see you all. You must write to me as soon as this comes to hand. Nothing more at present. I remain your affectionate husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious

Aquia Creek, Va.

29 Sept. 1861

My Dear Wife: I write these few lines to let you know that I am well and I hope that you and all the family are enjoying the same blessing. You wrote to me that you wanted to sell the horse, that he was so much trouble to you. I am willing for you to sell him if you can get what I gave for him in cash or a note with good security. If you can't get that I had rather you would keep him. The fields will soon be open and he won't be much trouble and I expect to be home in a few more months myself. I received your letter dated the 21st of September on the 28th. You wrote to me that the Relief Committee would not help you any. I applied to the Colonel¹¹ of the 3rd Regiment and will get a certificate today stating the time I have been in the service, which I will send to you. You can give it to Boney Wells or Henry D. Marshburn and they will get a warrant for the money for you from the date that I joined the Company. I was very glad to get your letter and to hear that you were all well. Tell Cousin Boney Wells that I was glad to hear from him and that his family were well. I sent you \$10 by Capt. Williams which I want you to use if you need it. Nothing more at present. I remain your affectionate husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious

You must write to me soon. Direct your letters to

Alfred Gurganious

Fredericksburg, Va.

Co. K. 3rd Regt. N. C. State Troops

In care of General Holmes¹²

and I will get them if I go to Jerusalem. Our relatives are well that are with us in the Company. Mat [her brother]¹³ is here from the First Regt. today. He is well.

6 Oct. 1861

Dear Husband: I take my pen in hand to inform you that we are all well, hoping this will reach and find you the same. I received the three first letters that you wrote this week. I received a warrant today for 29 dollars but I had rather see you than have one thousand dollars. I think about you all day and dream about you all night. What is so on my mind is for you to be home with me. I am getting along first rate but not like as if you were here. All the children want to see you mighty bad and I do too. There is nobody the same company as you Alf. I am very sick at my stomach every morning but I settle

it by digging potatoes. I haven't been but one place since you left. I went to Mr. Sandy Henrys on business. Hasn't nary one been to see me since you left. My prayer is that we may get together one more time and if we never meet here, I hope we will meet in heaven. Give my love to Anthony and Mat and keep a good share for yourself. The boys have been gone so long that the girls look like old setting hens. You must write to me as often as you can. Direct your letters to Moore's Creek and I will get them sooner. My pen is bad, My ink is pale, My love to you will never fail. Nothing more at present, only I remain your truly obedient wife until death.

Susan J. Gurganious to Alfred Gurganious.

10 Oct. 1861

Camp Howe, Staford Co., Va.

Dear Wife: I take pleasure in writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well at this time and hoping these lines may find you enjoying the best of health. I received your kind letter bearing date of Sept. 29 which gave me great satisfaction to hear from you and to hear that you and the children are well. It would be more satisfaction to me if I could see you and the children. I haven't much to write at present. The first letter you wrote said that the Relief Committee would not allow you anything. I have got a certificate from Col. Meares and have sent it to you to Moores Creek Post Office. You wrote to me that you were lonesome. I am, with about nine hundred men. I desire your company more than ten such regiments for your company is better than all the company there is in the world. We have preaching and fiddling and card playing but all that doesn't satisfy me like being with you. Tell Quince¹⁵ [their son] to hurry and get able to kill old Lincoln before I have it to do. You said that Lou¹⁶ [their daughter] had not forgot looking for me. I think I will see her in three months. I send love and best respects to you and the children. We have moved about a half mile out from the river and I am better satisfied than where we were. I get along with everybody, so far, without any difficulty. All our relations and friends are well. Tell my friends to write to me. I must close this letter, so nothing more. I remain your loving husband until death.

Alfred Gurgaious

Aquia Creek, Staford Co., Va.

17 Oct. 1861

Dear Wife: I take the opportunity of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and I do hope these may find you all enjoying the same good blessings of health. Dear Wife, I received a letter from you dated the 6th and was truly glad to hear from you. You wrote me that you had received a warrant for 29 dollars. You must get some good, careful friend to attend to it for you. I would give everything I have in this world to see you all one more time. When I lie down at night you are the last object on my mind and the first person in my mind in the morning when I rise. I often think of the evening walks, so lovely, we have taken together and more especially the last walk we took together the evening before I left. I often think of the jokes that little Alice¹⁷ [their daughter] would pull on us when we would be sitting at our supper table together while the rest of our lovely little children were sitting around. My heart was breaking with

trouble to think it was the last supper we would take together for a time. I send you the best love I can confer on any person. My love to the children. Give my love to my mother and brothers and sisters and to all my inquiring friends. I received a few lines that were in Anthony's letter that you sent which gave me much satisfaction to hear from you. We have preaching in our Camp very often. I attend them with great pleasure. I trust God with his loving kindness and tender mercy will restore me back to you again. Dear Wife you must write to me as soon as this comes to hand. Nothing more at present. I remain your affectionate husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious

8 Nov. 1861

Dear Husband: I take the opportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I and the children are all well except for bad colds. Lue has been very sick but she is mending like a pig. I received two letters from you, one the 25th and one the 26th which gave me much pleasure to hear from you and to hear that you were well. I have received eight letters from you and I want you to send me word how many you have received from me. You directed two to Moore's Creek Post Office and I got them quicker. I want to see you come home so bad that I can't help but look for you every day. I dreamed the other night that you came home, then I tried to meet you but I was so overjoyed that I could not. My dear, if I thought I could see the satisfaction with you as I have seen, I would give everything I possess in the world. The children want to see you very bad. They did not know what it was to do without a papa until now. All the children say that if you were to come home they would never know when to get done kissing you. We have got more corn than we have made in four or five years. As for the peas, we have not made any worth sending you. I reckon you want to know what I did with my money I got for my warrant. I got a barrel of flour and paid the taxes. I want to know if you want any clothes or socks. If you do I will sit up all night but what you shall have them. Mr. Marshburn keeps us in plenty of wood and lightwood. He keeps up to his promises as he told you he would. Your mother has been sick but she is on the mend. She expects to move to Anders before long. You must write to me often for I would like to hear from you every week. I will come to a close by saying I remain your affectionate wife until death.

Susan J. Gurganious to Alfred Gurganious

I have paid for all the provisions I have got since you have been gone.

1 Jan. 1862

The bearer hereof—Alfred Gurganious, a private of Capt. David Williams, Co. K 3rd Regt. N. Carolina State Troops, aged thirty five years, five feet 8 inches high, dark complexion, blue eyes, dark hair and by profession a farmer, born in New Hanover County, N. Carolina, and enlisted at Aquia Creek, Va. on the 30th day of August, 1861, to serve for the period of the war, he having received a furlough to go to his home in N. Hanover County, N. Carolina for twenty days, at the end of which period he will rejoin his Company or Regt. at Camp Price, Va. or wherever it may be, or be considered a deserter.

David Williams, Captain Co. K.

Goldsboro, N. C.¹⁸
7 Apr. 1862

Dear Wife: I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and hope these few lines will reach and find you and the family all in good health as this leaves me at this time. I want to come home and see you all but I don't think I will come before May. I send you my love and give my love to the children. I have sent for the two girls and I want them to come and see me. My wish is for you to come but I know it is not any use for me to say it. I hope you will come when time will permit you to come. I am well satisfied where I am in regard to fare but you know I cannot be so well satisfied as if I was at home with my family. I want you when you write to let me know how you are getting along and if you have got anybody to stay with you or not. If you want to know the love that is in my breast for you, you can look at the letters I have sent you. This is four letters I have sent and got no answer. I suppose I must charge it to the mail for not getting letters and not to you for I know that you have written before this time. Cousin W. K. Gordon¹⁹ sends his best love to you and your family. He wants you to tell his wife that he is well and sends his sweet love to her and says he has got no letters from her since he left Virginia. I must close. I remain your loving husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious to his wife S. J. Gurganious.

25 May 1862

Dear Husband: It is with the greatest of Pleasure that I write you this letter. I am as well as can be for the times. I am on the bed now. I have got a fine girl for you to see when you come home and I want you to come home and see me and the baby. It was born the twenty second of May, two days after you left home. All the rest are well except Lue. She has got the fever but she is some better. I want you to come just as soon as you can. Tell the Colonel to let you come and I know he will if he has any feeling. I reckon you would like to know what the baby weighed, it weighed eleven pounds. You must know that it is a fine child. You would like to know who was at my party—Mother, Mrs. Marshburn and Nancy²⁰ and I fared very well. I send you my best love in this letter. I won't say write, I say come and don't fail to come. Tell Anthony that all is well at Mothers except Mat. He isn't much better yet. Nothing more at present. I remain your loving wife until death parts us.

Susan J. Gurganious

I want you to send me a name for the baby.

Richmond, Va.
10 June 1862

Dear Wife: I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and hope these few lines will reach and find you and the family all in good health as this leaves me the same at this time. Thank God for his kind love to us all. I send you my love and respect also to the children. I want to see you all worse than I ever did and want to see our little baby that I never saw. I hope I shall soon see you all. My prayer is that I may go through the war safe that we might enjoy each others company as we have done before. We are stationed about one mile and a half north of Rich-

mond. We have not been in any fight yet, only a skirmish fight and none of our men got hurt. We took two Yankees prisoners last Sunday, broke one of their thighs and cut the bridle and reins of the other. His horse threw him and we took him without being hurt. I arrived on the battlefield²¹ on Sunday the first of June and the fight was ended as we got there. They fought on Saturday the 31st of May and June the first. We have had no fighting, only with the pickets since that time. Our loss on both days of the fight is supposed to be 26 hundred killed and wounded. We don't know what the loss was on the Yankee side but it is said to be more than ours. The rest of our relations are well. I understand that the 18th Regiment met with a heavy loss. George DeBose²² is missing and Joseph White is missing but we can't tell if they were killed or not. If I am alive I will be home between now and the 15th of July, that is to say I am going to take a discharge. I must come to a close. I want you to write and let me know how you are getting along. Tell Mr. Marshburn that David²³ is not hurt. Send your letters to Richmond. I remain your loving husband until death.

N. C. New Hanover County
10 June 1862

Dear Husband: I seat myself to write you a few lines to let you know that me and the children are well, hoping these few lines may find you the same blessings of health. I received your letter yesterday that was dated the 31st and was glad to hear from you but sorry to hear that you were gone on farther. I have received three letters from you since you went back. I send all my love to you and so do the children send their love to you and hope to see you return in a few weeks. You wrote to know how I was coming on. My girls left me when the baby was only a week and two days old and haven't returned yet. I stayed from Sunday until Tuesday evening by myself. Celia²⁴ came to stay a week or two with me. I can't tell you the reason she left me. We did not have no falling out. The baby grows very fast and is the prettiest baby you ever saw. It has beautiful hair, it hangs long over its ears and almost in its eyes. I have been very much troubled about my brother George. I heard that he got killed in a battle but Jeff²⁵ wrote a letter that he was not killed but had his thigh broke and was in the hands of the Yankees. If you know anything about him write to us and write soon. Mother and all the rest of the family are well and all send their love to you. I reckon you want to know whether I have planted any corn or not. Mr. Henry [Marshburn] sent and had it plowed and I got it planted. It came up and was growing very pretty when Mr. Lee's pigs got in and rooted it up. I sent to him about it and he would not come and plant it. Mr. Henry sent and had it planted again and still he would not take them [the hogs] up. Lue runs to the door and calls her papa every day. I have not given the baby a name yet and I don't expect to name it until you come home. Tell Anthony that me and Celia wants to be remembered to him and tell him that Celia says he must write to her. Tell Cousin W. K. Gordon that Cousin Mary Gordon is well and sends her love to him. I will bring my letter to a close by saying I remain your affectionate wife until death. Write as soon as this comes to hand and come home as soon as you can and see the little baby.

From Susan J. Gurganious to Alfred Gurganious.

Richmond, Va.
25 June 1862

Dear Wife: I take this opportunity of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and hope these few lines will reach and find you and the family all in good health as this leaves me the same at this time. I send 20 dollars in this letter by Alexander Bannerman²⁵. I have not time to write anything more at this time. Cousin William K. Gordon sends ten dollars in this letter to Cousin Mary Gordon. He wants you to give it to her as soon as this comes to hand and tell her that he is well. He has been sick for the last 10 days but he is better again. I must come to a close. I will write to you as soon as I get a chance. I remain your loving husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious to his wife Susan J. Gurganious.

6 July 1862
Chickahominy Swamp²⁶

Dear Wife: I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to inform you that I am well and hope these lines will reach and find you and all the family in good health as this leaves me the same at this time. Thank God for his kind love to us all. I send you my best love, also to the children. Now I will tell you about the fighting we have had. We left our Camp on the 26th of June and had a fight that same evening. We fought again on the next evening and then again on the first of July. We have not fought any since the first of July for we whipped them every time. They have run until we cannot find them anymore. They are completely routed out of this place. The battlefield was about 20 miles in length. I am spared alive while many a body lies cold on the field. I remain unhurt yet and I can praise my God for bringing me safe through so many dangers. I beg for your prayers without ceasing that I may go through all the hail storms of balls without being hurt. I have been where it looked like no man could go without being shot down. My prayer has been that I might go through them all and it is yet the same. Your brother Anthony is slightly wounded. I have not seen him but I understand that he was shot in the leg. Jefferson and Mathison were not hurt in the first fight but I have not heard from them since that time. Joseph Kinion²⁷ was killed in the last fight. There were seven killed, 18 wounded in Company K. I cannot tell you how many were killed in our Regiment. I sent you 20 dollars by Alexander Bannerman. William K. Gordon sent 10 dollars in the same letter to his wife. I want you to write and let me know how you are getting along with your crops. I hope I will be home to help you to hill it. I am coming home to see you all as soon as I can. Give my love to my Mother and all of my friends. I want you to tell Cousin Mary Gordon that Cousin William K. Gordon came out safe. He is well and hearty and expects to get home soon for we think the war is about to a close. The large Richmond fight is over and we have got them whipped nicely. They come and give themselves up without being taken prisoners. We took a great many things from them besides what they burnt before they would let us get it. I remain your loving husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious to his wife Susan J. Gurganious.

Direct your letters to Richmond, Va. When you write let me know if you got the money safe or not.

Richmond, Va.
25 July 1862

Dear Wife: I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope these few lines will reach and find you all in good health as this leaves me the same at this time. Thank God for his kind love to us all. Dear, I would be very glad to see you all but I can't come to see you yet. I hope it won't be long before I can come home and the sound of the cannon heard no more in our once loved land and that your petitions heard that I may pass through all the war safe. I hope that my name may be a crown of honor to my children and that we may not forget to love and praise our God for the love and protection he has had for us. I hope He may be guard and guide for us. I was sorry to hear that you were alone by yourself for I know there is more labor on your hands than you are able to do. I often feel for the life you are living and am sorry that I cannot assist you. I am willing that the love baby may go by the name²⁸ that Jefferson sent you. I am glad that it is a hearty child. I want you to give my love to all the children and tell them how glad I would be to see them all. I want you to hug and kiss Lue and Quince for me. You wanted to know if I could get clear or not. They won't let us clear here for they say that we that is in for the war has to stay for the war. It is a bad chance to get furloughs at this time. I send my love to my Mother and friends, also I send my best love and respect to you. I remain your loving husband until death.

Alfred Gurganious to Susan J. Gurganious.

General Hospital #13
Richmond, Va.
25 Sept. 1862

Mrs. Susan Jane Gurganious

Madame: I write to let you know that your husband A. Gurganious of the 3rd N. C. Regiment is a patient in this Hospital. His mind was at one time much affected, he is now better, but still not well. He ought in my opinion to go home on furlough & if his mind continues thus affected, it would be better to send him to Raleigh to be treated. It is to secure someone to go home with him that I write to you. Can you not come yourself or send some friend to accompany him? He is not in my judgment fit to go home alone. As soon as you come on I will apply for a furlough for him. I remain, Madam, respectfully yours,

Wm. D. Hoyt, Surgeon in Charge.

According to Mrs. Mamie Malpass Johnson, daughter of Alice and granddaughter of Alfred, he walked the distance from Richmond and died two days after returning home. There was probably nobody to send for him and no money for the trip. His gravestone on his farm reads "Alfred Gurganious, husband of Susan J. Gurganious, Born Feb. 15, 1824, Died Oct. 16, 1862, 'Soldier'". Susan Jane's gravestone shows her as being born May 28, 1826 and living until May 16, 1910.

The 1870 New Hanover County census listed Susan Gurganious age 40, Alice age 19, Susan [Ann] age 17, Jacob age 15, Anthony age 13, Quincy age 11, Luzelia age 9, Dora age 7. They lived next door to the Marshburns and near the William K. Gordons .

FOOTNOTES

1. Louis H. Manarin (ed.), *North Carolina Troops 1861-1865 A Roster* (Raleigh, 1971), III, 589, hereinafter cited as Manarin, III.
"Gurganus [Gurganious], Alfred, Private [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County, and enlisted at Camp Howe, Virginia, at age 34, August 30, 1861, for the war. Present or accounted for until reported as absent sick on August 19, 1862. Admitted to hospital at Richmond, Virginia, on September 8, 1862, with 'epileptic convul.' and furloughed for 30 days on October 3, 1862. Died in New Hanover County on November 1, 1862." Manarin, III, 593
2. 1850 New Hanover County census.
"DeBose, Anthony, Private [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 31, June 1, 1861, for the war. Wounded at Malvern Hill, Virginia, on July 1, 1862. Returned to Duty January-February, 1863. Detailed as a hospital guard at Wilmington, March 16, 1863, because of disability caused by 'gunshot wound fracturing tibia of right leg.' Detailed until November-December, 1864, when he was reported as present on the company muster roll. Paroled at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, April 9, 1865." Manarin, III, 592.
3. Henry D. Marshburn was a neighbor of Alfred Gurganious. His family graveyard is just west of the Gurganious graveyard. He was born in 1814 and died in 1880.
4. In 1865 the New Hanover County Relief Committee, Piney Woods District granted Susan Jane Gurganious some money. This was signed by R. W. Moore & J. F. Croom. This paper is in the possession of Harris Malpass, Wilmington.
5. The Regiment was assigned to Aquia District July 1861. Manarin, III, 481
6. A neighbor and a brother of Jacob Wells, see footnote 9, they probably were cousins of Alfred.
7. "Garris [Garriss], John W., Private [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 25, June 1, 1861, for the war. Present or accounted for until captured and paroled at Paris, Virginia, November 5, 1862. Admitted to hospital at Richmond, Virginia, on November 26, 1862, with 'contusio foot.' Returned to duty January-February, 1863. Killed at Chancellorsville, Virginia, May 2, 1863". Manarin III, 593
8. "Williams, David [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County and appointed Captain to rank from May 16, 1861. Present or accounted for until killed at Sharpsburg, Maryland, September 17, 1862." Manarin, III, 589
9. "Wells, Jacob, Private [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 33, June 1, 1861, for the war. Died at Richmond, Virginia, September 18, 1862." Manarin, III, 599
10. "Garris [Garriss], James R., Private [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 23, June 1, 1861, for the war. Present or accounted for until wounded at Sharpsburg, Maryland, September 17, 1862. Returned to duty November-December, 1862. Present or accounted for until captured on May 12, 1864, near Spotsylvania Court House, Virginia. Confined at Point Lookout, Maryland, until transferred to Elmira, New York, August 10, 1864. Released after taking the Oath of Allegiance on June 12, 1865." Manarin, III, 593
11. "Meares, Gaston, [3rd Regiment, N. C. State Troops] Born in New Hanover County where he resided when appointed Colonel to rank from May 16, 1861. Killed at Malvern Hill, Virginia, July 1, 1862." Manarin, III, 487
12. General Theophilus H. Holmes commanded the Aquia District. Manarin, III, 481
13. 1850 New Hanover County census.
"DeBose, Charles M[athison], Private [Co. C., 1st Regiment, N. C. State Troops] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 22, June 11, 1861, for the war. Present or accounted for until captured at Spotsylvania Court House, Virginia, May 12, 1864. Confined at Point Lookout, Maryland, until transferred to Elmira, New York, August 6, 1864. Released after taking the Oath of Allegiance at Elmira on June 12, 1865." Manarin, III, 170
14. The Company were first at Camp Clark near Brooke's Station, Virginia, when they were assigned to the Aquia District in July. In August they were moved to Camp Howe near the mouth of Aquia Creek. Manarin, III, 481
15. Quincy was born about 1859.
16. Lue was Luzelia and was born 4 April 1860.
17. Alice was Margaret Alice and was born 12 February 1851, she married a Malpass.
18. When General Burnside advanced towards New Bern, the regiment was ordered to Goldsboro, arriving there on March 25, 1862. They left Goldsboro May 29 and arrived in Richmond June 1. Manarin, III, 481
19. "Gordon, William K., Private [Co. D, 3rd Regiment, N. C. State Troops] Resided in New Hanover County where he enlisted at age 27, May 27, 1861, for the war. . . . Admitted to hospital at Richmond, Virginia, December 14, 1862, and deserted from hospital on December 27, 1862." Manarin, III, 526
20. Probably Susan Jane's sister.
21. Battle of Fair Oaks on the Peninsula; 11,000 casualties.
22. Susan Jane's brother—1850 New Hanover County census.
23. David Marshburn, son of Henry D. Marshburn, age 20 in 1850 new Hanover County census.
24. Probably the sister of Susan Jane, she was 5 in the 1850 New Hanover County census.
25. "Bannerman, Alexander W., 2nd Lieutenant [Co. K] Resided in New Hanover County and appointed 2nd Lieutenant to rank from May 16, 1861. Resigned on January 13, 1862. Later served in Company C, 59th Regiment N. C. Troops (4th Regiment N. C. Cavalry)." Manarin, III, 589
26. 26th June—the battle at Mechanicsville, Virginia; 27th June—the battle at Gaine's Mill, Virginia; 1st July—Malvern Hill, Virginia. Manarin, III, 373
27. "Kenion, Joseph B. Private [Co. K] Enlisted in New Hanover County at age 30, March 1, 1862, for the war. Killed at Malvern Hill, Virginia, July 1, 1862." Manarin, III, 594
28. The baby was named Dora.

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